IN THE MATTER OF AN ARBITRATION BEFORE A TRIBUNAL CONSTITUTED

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, SIGNED AUGUST 27, 1993 (THE "TREATY")

and

THE UNCITRAL ARBITRATION RULES 1976

In the Matter of Arbitration :
Between: :
CHEVRON CORPORATION (U.S.A.), :
TEXACO PETROLEUM COMPANY (U.S.A.), :

Claimants, : PCA Case No.

: 2009-23

and

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THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR, :

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Respondent.

TRACK 2 HEARING

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09:02 1 about that. It will be inevitably a long day. Without more, we give the floor to the Claimants. 3 And is that you, Mr. Pate? MR. PATE: I think first the introduction from

5 Mr. Bishop.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bishop.

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OPENING STATEMENT BY COUNSEL FOR CLAIMANTS

MR. BISHOP: Yes, thank you. Mr. Chairman, yes, 9 Mr. Pate, the General Counsel of Chevron will make a very 10 short statement at the beginning of our presentation, and 11 then Professor Paulsson will give our introduction, and 12 then I will make a presentation after that. That's the way 13 in which we will begin.

There will be a natural break, I think, around a 15 little over two hours into our presentation, maybe two 16 hours and ten minutes. If the Tribunal wishes to break 17 earlier, obviously we can, but I think that would be about 18 a natural break after my presentation.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

20 MR. PATE: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of 21 the Tribunal.

This is my sixth opportunity to address you at 23 the outset of a tribunal proceeding, so I begin with a few 24 observations about where we have been and where we are 25 today.

09:05 1 has become the subject of a 500-page United States District 2 Court opinion, as well as the rulings of other courts. We 3 will revisit the forged Expert Reports, the bribes from the 4 self-described secret account, the cook and the waiter, 5 then the puppet and the puppeteer, the "go to jail" e-mail, 6 the Honey & Honey restaurant bribe meeting that even Steven 7 Donziger admits he attended, the typo-for-typo inclusion of 8 the Plaintiffs' private material in the sham judgment from 9 Lago Agrio, and, most importantly, the Government of 10 Ecuador's white-washing and endorsement of the whole sordid 11 scheme as national policy.

12 The vast bulk of the fraud evidence is 13 uncontested, and no serious alternative narrative will be 14 presented. What we will hear instead is Ecuador attacking 15 Chevron for doing what was necessary to expose the 16 corruption, but every time Ecuador does this, it proves 17 Chevron's case. Ecuador commits a denial of justice 18 through its stubborn failure to address the corruption 19 evidence that Chevron has exposed, and the unrepentant 20 words and actions of its highest officials put the lie to 21 its cynical arguments about the exhaustion of illusory 22 remedies.

23 There is no blinking that the outcome of these 24 proceedings will send a message to the international 25 investing business community and to host countries as well.

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09:03 1 When I first addressed you in 2010, the evidence 2 of the Cabrera fraud was just coming to light, and there 3 was hope that Ecuador would decide to end its allegiance 4 with Steven Donziger and his co-conspirators.

Remember: The Party line during that period even 6 as late as 2012 in Ecuador was that the Lago Agrio 7 Litigation was purely private and did not involve the 8 Government of Ecuador.

9 By today, however, we have the Foreign Minister of 10 Ecuador confirming on video that enforcement of a plainly 11 fraudulent judgment is a top foreign policy priority of the 12 nation. When I appeared before the Tribunal in 2012, 13 Chevron at least hoped that Ecuador would obey the lawful 14 Orders of this Tribunal, which ordered Ecuador, as you will 15 recall, to use all means "at its disposal" to prevent 16 enforcement of the fraudulent judgment, and then later, to 17 use "all means necessary" to do so. Ecuador flouted the 18 Tribunal's orders. It now even proclaims in advance that 19 it will not obey future Orders and attacks the Tribunal as 20 corrupt, saying in official Government publications that 21 this Tribunal issues "illegal rulings" that, "trample law

22 and justice." For the next three weeks we will sit together with 24 civility and professionalism to review the ever-growing 25 mountain of evidence of fraud, bribery, and corruption that 09:07 1 The message will be either that there is a right to justice 2 quaranteed by international law and made effective by 3 neutral tribunals or instead that, notwithstanding 4 overwhelming evidence that an official Government policy of 5 promoting a corrupt Judgment in defiance of lawful 6 international injunctions is beyond the power of 7 international law to redress.

Now, naturally, much care must be given when 9 assessing serious allegations against any sovereign, but if 10 the institutions charged with applying international law 11 cannot call what happened here by its name--a denial of 12 justice--an outcome entitled to no international effect, 13 then it would be difficult to see that investor-State 14 arbitration serves any purpose.

And with that, may I ask that the Tribunal invite 15 16 Mr. Paulsson to begin our counsel's presentation. 17

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you, Mr. Pate.

Mr. Paulsson.

19 MR. PAULSSON: Members of the Tribunal, nothing 20 like this case has ever been seen before. There have, of 21 course, been cases of fraud, cases of political corruption, 22 cases of failure of due process, but not all of these so 23 lamentably pervasive in a single case. If you take a 24 special interest in the subject of denial of justice, as I

25 have, you can read the multitude of decisions of Tribunals

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09:08 1 and Commissions in the 19th and 20th centuries. You can 2 read the more recent judgments of international courts of 3 human rights or awards of investment treaty tribunals. You 4 will never come across such comprehensive and brazen 5 violations of due process.

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Manufactured evidence, bribery, intimidation, a 7 ghostwritten Judgment, and all of the evidence documenting 8 this malfeasance cynically ignored by Ecuador's higher 9 courts and prosecutors without even the beginnings of a 10 plausible excuse for this determined indifference to such 11 shameful conduct.

But that is far from all. Ecuador's Head of 12 13 State has vociferously applauded this judicial debasement, 14 publicly demanding punishment of the foreigners and 15 branding all of those who dare to give them legal advice 16 as traitors to the homeland, "vende patrias." These are 17 not occasional outbursts, but an obsessive feature of the 18 Saturday addresses which have become a fixture of 19 President Correa's tenure. With his face filling the 20 country's television screens, he blames all of the 21 problems of the Oriente, not on the Ecuadorian 22 Government's policies with respect to agriculture, 23 resettlement, and land distribution, not on the abysmal 24 negligence of Petroecuador in environmental matters over

25 the past 23 years, but on foreign scapegoats, the first of

09:11 1 allowed the Plaintiffs' lawyers to draft the 2 billion-dollar Lago Agrio Judgment. The appellate Court 3 perpetuated the denial of justice by affirming every jot 4 and tittle of the ghostwritten judgment, without taking 5 any steps to investigate the substantial and unrefuted 6 evidence of misconduct Chevron had placed before 7 it--misconduct that in no sense is collateral or 8 ancillary, but goes to the core of the case. And the 9 Correa Administration is now actively promoting the 10 Judgment enforcement abroad, including through diplomatic 11 channels. We are, gentlemen, looking at a massive 12 meltdown of the rule of law.

13 The basic proposition governing this arbitration 14 is this: The state incurs international responsibility if 15 it administers its laws to aliens in a fundamentally 16 unfair manner. Your Tribunal is well acquainted with the 17 various formulations that have sought to encapsulate a 18 generic definition of denial of justice. Additional and 19 related standards of State conduct as set forth in the 20 Treaty itself, including the requirements of effective 21 means, fair and equitable treatment, and

22 non-discrimination. I will not take time to repeat general abstract 23 24 propositions. With your permission I will return toward

25 the end of our presentation this morning to deal with

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09:10 1 which, as he refers to Chevron, is "Texaco."

Apparently, it is not enough for Petroecuador to 3 shirk its own remedial obligations under the Settlement 4 and Release Agreements. Ecuador would now, with its joint 5 and several liability theory, have Chevron serve as 6 indemnitor for Petroecuador's current and future oil 7 operations in the area.

President Correa needs no evidence. He's the 9 Head of State and knows whom to punish. Emblematic of the 10 case's political prominence, in January 2014, the Vice 11 Minister of Foreign Affairs stated that enforcement of the 12 Judgment, I quote, "is one of the issues that we're going 13 to promote as part of Ecuador's foreign policy." That's 14 Exhibit C-2152. The meaning of all this has not been lost 15 on the judges hearing Chevron's appeals. The pattern of 16 threats, sanctions, and removals of judges who dare to 17 rule against the Government is clear. The question, 18 gentlemen, is not, as Ecuador would have it, how one could 19 find a denial of justice. The challenge is rather how

20 anyone could explain why this is not. 21 Here, the Ecuadorian judiciary, improperly 22 influenced by the Executive, turned itself into the 23 instrument of a fraudulent scheme, a shakedown to extort 24 billions of dollars from Chevron. As the forensic 25 evidence conclusively shows, the Judge at first instance 09:12 1 specific aspects of the subject, in particular the 2 exhaustion requirement.

The voluminous evidence before you speaks for 4 itself. What it shows is not indifference to fairness, 5 but rather positive antagonism to this all-important 6 value. Due process, it seems, is too good for foreigners 7 who resist extortion. This case is a result of a quid pro 8 quo alliance between a populist government and unethical 9 plaintiffs' attorneys, its machinations enabled by the 10 tragic reality of a subordinated judiciary. Knowing that 11 any suit against a State-owned company would be dead on 12 arrival in Ecuador's courts, the lawyers who represented 13 the Plaintiffs early on waived their rights to file any 14 claim against Petroecuador. And the lawsuit against 15 Chevron was manna to the Correa Administration, which was 16 keen to deflect attention away from Petroecuador's ongoing 17 and harmful operations and to place all blame for all 18 social ills in the Oriente on a long-departed U.S. 19 multinational.

20 Early on, it was clear that this case was not one 21 about science. When results from the judicial inspection 22 process failed to substantiate their fanciful claims, the 23 Plaintiffs, in Mr. Donziger's unforgettable words, decided 24 to go over to the dark side. After independent experts 25 rejected the need for remediation at Sacha 53, the

09:14 1 Plaintiffs pressured Judge Yánez to cancel the judicial 2 inspection process and allow the Plaintiffs to select an 3 ostensibly independent Court-appointed expert who would, 4 as their lawyer secretly put it, totally play ball with 5 them.

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Judge Yánez was already embroiled in a jobs-for-sex scandal and thus vulnerable. After the Plaintiffs threatened to file a separate complaint against 9 him, Yánez capitulated to their demand made in ex parte 10 meetings to which Chevron certainly was not invited, that 11 he appoint Mr. Cabrera. And while Ecuador's judiciary was 12 allowing the Plaintiffs to manufacture evidence, its 13 Executive was helping them create leverage by pursuing 14 baseless criminal charges against key company officials, 15 amongst the serious, most serious abuses there can be of 16 sovereign power. This was part of Ecuador's coordinated 17 efforts to undermine the Settlement and Release Agreement, 18 which stood as a legal bar to the Plaintiffs' diffuse

19 environmental claims. 20 Discovery of the Cabrera fraud through U.S. 21 Section 1782 proceedings did not cause Ecuador to blink 22 for a moment. Believing that the invocation of the word 23 sovereign could shield even the most egregious misconduct 24 and hoping no doubt that Chevron would at some point 25 capitulate to the threat of a multi billion dollar

09:16 1 Executive Branch continues to work hand-in-hand with the 2 Plaintiffs, notably on the notorious Mano Sucia campaign, 3 the glossy anti-Chevron media rampage replete with its own 4 website and cameos by highly paid B-list celebrities whose 5 primary qualifications for opining on environmental 6 conditions seem to be that they have graced the covers of 7 People magazine.

What are a few million dollars of investment in 8 9 propaganda when you're trying to get your hands on 10 billions of dollars from a designated villain? If you're 11 looking for some comic relief in this sad affair, just 12 Google, for example, Sharon Stone and Lago Agrio. It will 13 lead you to a trail of cynicism and foolishness as long as 14 your patience will allow.

15 But this is a profoundly serious matter. The 16 rule of law is under attack. Forms of justice have been 17 abused. The narrative of this case is saturated with five 18 types of poison: Judicial fraud and corruption, gross 19 violations of due process, Executive interference, 20 Judgments which are a mockery of legal reasoning, factual 21 findings taken out of thin air.

22 Looked at from the prism of law, each of these 23 defects, if that's the word, standing alone constitutes a 24 sufficient basis for attracting international 25 responsibility. When they recur as comprehensively as in

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09:15 1 liability and pay some lesser amount but still 2 astronomical amount, President Correa continued to give 3 his heavy-handed support.

The Lago Agrio Court yet again changed the 5 procedural rules to allow the Plaintiffs to file 6 makeweight cleansing Expert Reports. Still, the 7 Plaintiffs' counsel did not trust an Ecuadorian judge to 8 write a judgment that could be enforced abroad. Thus, 9 after being promised half a million dollars, Zambrano, 10 insufficiently experienced to write even the most routine 11 orders in civil cases, limited himself to signing the 12 pre-drafted 18 billion-dollar Judgment put before him. 13 Indeed, it seems unlikely Zambrano never even read the 14 Judgment, considering his inability to recall basic parts 15 of it during his RICO trial testimony. He has chosen not 16 to come here for this Hearing, while his government had 17 given him a cushy salary, but professes to have no means

18 to influence his decision. 19 The politics have only escalated since the 20 fraudulent judgment issued, with the Government doing all 21 it can to promote its enforcement abroad. Correa has 22 lobbied for its enforcement in State-to-State meetings. 23 The Ecuadorian enforcement court lent its hand by 24 purporting to pierce the corporate veil of Chevron and 25 scores of its subsidiaries around the world, and the

09:18 1 this case and the State adopts an adamantly unrepentant 2 stance and simply ignores the voluminous evidence of fraud 3 as if it did not exist, we're faced with a denial of 4 justice of historic proportions.

5 Sitting across the table from you, you have the 6 Attorney General of Ecuador, who could tell you that his 7 Government has reconsidered and is finally ready to 8 disavow the corrupt judgment. That would be unexpected. 9 This Tribunal has already given Ecuador several 10 opportunities to correct this injustice, but it has 11 elected to disregard your Interim Measures Awards and 12 maintain its indefectible allegiance to Donziger and 13 Fajardo. Contrast Ecuador's choice with other members of 14 the conspiracy who have seen the light. The law firm of 15 Patton Boggs not only withdrew from the case, it expressed 16 its regret at becoming involved. Paid Chevron \$15 million

17 and relinquished its interest in the Judgment. A managing 18 partner of the New York firm Constantine Cannon testified 19 that he felt, his words, "physically ill" upon learning of

20 Stratus's role in drafting the Cabrera Report, prompting 21 his firm to withdraw. The Plaintiffs' principal funders

22 have also resiled. Burford Capital announced that it had 23 been fraudulently induced into the case, terminated its

24 funding agreement, and disclaimed any proceeds from the

25 judgment.

As for Joe Kohn, a well-known Philadelphia 09:19 1 2 Plaintiffs' attorney, he walked away from the case 3 notwithstanding the 16 years of work and the 7 million he 4 had personally invested in it. Russell DeLeon transferred 5 his stake in the Judgment and forfeited his \$23 million 6 investment in the scheme explaining that his law school 7 friend Donziger, had, his word, "misled" him about 8 important facts. And Stratus Consulting, the Colorado 9 firm the Plaintiffs hired to ghostwrite the Cabrera 10 Report, has disavowed all of its "findings and 11 conclusions," their words, and specifically acknowledged 12 the absence of any scientific data showing among other 13 things, groundwater contamination and adverse health 14 effects from petroleum. Yet Ecuador's alliance with the Plaintiffs 15

16 endures. Bear this in mind when the Attorney General's 17 lawyers tell you that the Government would be more than 18 happy to correct the very wrong which it is now actively 19 seeking to enforce. If only Chevron would go to yet 20 another Ecuadorian Court to complain about Zambrano's 21 behavior, now under the Collusion Protection Act, and then 22 sometime in what remains of this decade get a decision 23 which can be appealed, gentlemen, to the very next-level 24 courts which have already ratified the Lago Agrio Judgment 25 without any consideration of its corrupt and fraudulent

09:22 1 law or fact, even though it results in a serious 2 injustice, does not suffice to engage the State's 3 responsibility. But he qualified this as follows, and I 4 quote him again: "An unjust judgment may and often does 5 afford strong evidence that the Court was dishonest; or, 6 rather, it raises a strong presumption of dishonesty. It 7 may even afford conclusive evidence if the injustice be 8 sufficiently flagrant so that the Judgment is of a kind 9 which no honest and competent Court could possibly have 10 given." 11

Let those words resonate as you now listen, if 12 you please, to Mr. Bishop.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 13

14 Mr. Bishop.

MR. BISHOP: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

15 16 An unjust Judgment, that label aptly describes 17 the Lago Agrio Judgment. The Lago Case involved a massive 18 scheme of extortion, corruption, and fraud fully supported by the Government of Ecuador and with the willing 20 participation of Ecuadorian judges, all for the purpose of 21 fixing the outcome of the case regardless of its merits. 22 The result was a \$9.5 billion Judgment, the

23 largest in the history of the country by many factors, a 24 judgment which has now been affirmed by the highest court

25 of Ecuador and certified as enforceable without any review

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I will presently ask you to invite Mr. Bishop to 3 address you on the core subject of the fraud and the 4 corruption, which infuses the Lago Agrio Judgment. Next, 5 Mr. Coriell will show that the Lago Agrio Case, as it was 6 litigated and decided, concerns only diffuse environmental 7 claims barred by the Settlement and Release Agreement. He 8 will also analyze some of the more absurd legal features 9 of the Judgment itself.

You will then hear Ms. Renfroe deal with 11 environmental issues, with respect to which you will see 12 that Ecuador's allegations backfire and backfire badly. 13 Indeed, it was the inability of the Plaintiffs to prove 14 their allegations of contamination and establish causation 15 that led to manufacturing of evidence and other acts of 16 fraud that bring us here today.

As you listen to their presentations, I urge you 18 to ask yourself the question which Sir Gerald Fitzmaurice 19 articulated in his remarkable contribution on denial of 20 justice in the 1932 British Yearbook: "Is this a decision 21 which an honest and competent Court could possibly have 22 given?"

23 In fact, I would like to leave you with the 24 context of that question. Fitzmaurice was reflecting on 25 the accepted general rule that an erroneous conclusion of 09:23 1 of whether it was fraudulent or corrupt. And despite the 2 overwhelming evidence of fraud, the government has 3 embraced the Judgment and is willfully promoting its 4 enforcement around the world in violation of this 5 Tribunal's Interim Awards.

Now, you heard Professor Paulsson describe this 7 as the most comprehensive and pervasive example of denial 8 of justice in the history of international law, and it is, 9 indeed, without precedent. So, how did we get to this 10 point? How did the Lago Agrio Case come to this point? 11 I'd like to step back and take just a few moments to give 12 a broad overview of how we got here before I launch into 13 the details of the case.

In 1995, the Republic of Ecuador settled all 15 diffuse environmental claims with TexPet, with TexPet 16 agreeing to remediate certain sites that were agreed by 17 both Parties. Now, that left the remaining sites, 18 however, as the responsibility of Petroecuador. TexPet 19 performed its share of the remediation, and the Government 20 certified and approved that remediation at every single 21 site. And you've heard from Mr. Rosanía, who was the head 22 of the environmental department of the Ministry of Energy 23 at one of our earlier hearings. He testified before you 24 that the remediation was done properly and that he was 25 proud of it. And he was Ecuador's witness. They were the

09:25 1 ones who brought him to that Hearing.

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But very importantly, the Government and 3 Petroecuador chose not to spend the money to remediate 4 their share of the sites, and that's a critical fact. If 5 the Government and Petroecuador had fulfilled their own 6 responsibilities, it's doubtful we would be here today, 7 but they didn't. And that Government decision created the 8 conditions for much of what has happened since in the Lago 9 Case.

After the Settlement Agreement was signed, 11 Ecuador changed governments and the new administration 12 made a deal with the Plaintiffs. At the request of the 13 Attorney General, the Plaintiffs' lawyer signed a waiver 14 of claims agreement, what they also referred to as a quid 15 pro quo agreement in which the Plaintiffs waived the right 16 to sue or recover from either the Government of Ecuador or 17 Petroecuador.

Now, that changed the political equation within 18 19 Ecuador.

20 With little or no economic risk then, the 21 Government was free to support the Plaintiffs politically, 22 and it could shift the financial burden as it saw it of 23 the remaining remediation away from Petroecuador and onto 24 the shoulders of Texaco and Chevron, resulting in a 25 windfall to the Government.

09:28 1 trying to politically pressure and influence the courts, 2 effectively to undermine their independence and 3 impartiality.

Now, Steven Donziger, the Plaintiffs' lead 4 5 counsel had to find a way to circumvent the Plaintiffs' 6 causation problem with Petroecuador's operations, and he 7 also wanted to inflate the size and significance of the 8 case. He didn't like Petroecuador's \$70 million estimate 9 to remediate the area. He wanted damages hyperinflated 10 into the billions, and that greed for big money has been a 11 driving force throughout the Lago Agrio Case.

12 Now, to accomplish this, he needed a technical 13 expert to provide some external validation of his claims, 14 and he found the perfect vehicle in the sole 15 Court-appointed global damage expert, Richard Cabrera, who 16 was willing to sell his Report to the Plaintiffs for a 17 price.

Now, even though Cabrera was a court auxiliary 18 19 with obligations to the Parties of independence and 20 impartiality, he accepted bribes, and he allowed the 21 Plaintiffs to ghostwrite his Reports, but that fraud came 22 undone and was publicly exposed in 2010. Now, since at 23 that point the case was drawing to a close and Cabrera was 24 the only basis for a large damage award, the Plaintiffs

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25 had to use his work, but they also had to disquise his

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09:29 1 work through what they themselves referred to as

2 President Correa found a useful political and 3 nationalistic issue in attacking a foreign company and 4 Chevron in supporting the indigenous peoples of the 5 Oriente. At that point, like a confluence of rivers

After he was elected the President of Ecuador,

6 coming together, there was a joining of interests between 7 the Plaintiffs and the Government. And as you will see in 8 the factual presentation, the Plaintiffs' schemes and

9 misconduct grew bolder and bolder under the Correa 10 administration, but the Government's support of the

11 Plaintiffs and their case never wavered, no matter what 12 occurred.

The Government sided with the Plaintiffs and 13 14 became very much a partisan in this case. It made the 15 Plaintiffs' case into a national cause. President Correa 16 himself took strong public positions on issues in the 17 case, and he called for criminal charges to be filed 18 against Chevron's lawyers who had signed the Settlement 19 Agreement, and after he changed the Prosecutor General, 20 such charges were filed. During the course of the case, 21 Correa also undermined generally the independence of the 22 judiciary, purging judges who made decisions with which he 23 didn't agree, and sending a strong signal to all judges in 24 Ecuador to toe the Government line or face consequences.

There can be no doubt that President Correa was

2 "cleansing experts." Now, with the Cabrera fraud exposed, the

4 Plaintiffs' lawyers now knew, in fact more than ever, that 5 they needed to control the contents of the Judgment. They 6 had too many problems simply to leave the Judgment to 7 chance. They had to make sure the Judgment's reliance on 8 Cabrera was disquised. They had to justify suing the 9 wrong party in Chevron. They had to justify why the 10 Judgment could ignore Petroecuador's impacts, and they 11 needed a trust in order to assure their funders that all 12 the money wouldn't disappear.

So, when the opportunity presented itself with 13 14 Judge Zambrano taking over the case, they made a corrupt 15 deal to pay a bribe in exchange for being able to 16 ghostwrite the Judgment. And having struck this deal, 17 they then drafted the Judgment using what they had before 18 them, which was their own internal memos and documents.

19 But that scheme was also exposed, and we might 20 well ask: Once the Cabrera scheme was exposed publicly 21 and the ghostwriting of the Judgment scheme was exposed, 22 what happened in Ecuador?

23 Now, one would expect that a normal and neutral 24 Government and judiciary would be outraged by this 25 conduct. One would expect that they would demand and

09:31 1 aggressively pursue investigations to get to the bottom of 2 the scandal and insist on it.

But what happened in Ecuador is very revealing 4 because what happened in Ecuador is nothing, because the 5 Plaintiffs had the strong political support of President 6 Correa and the Government, and President Correa had 7 committed the Government to the Plaintiffs' case as a 8 national cause, so nothing was done.

So, even after the fraud and corruption was 10 revealed, the Government continued to support the 11 Plaintiffs and their attorneys, and it stonewalled all 12 investigations. No one has been charged, no one has been 13 punished. And the Government has chosen to support the 14 fraudulent Judgment, and even to promote its enforcement 15 abroad, thereby flouting the Interim Awards issued by this 16 Tribunal to maintain the status quo.

17 But what about the appeals, you might ask? Well, 18 in 2007. President Correa had battled with the 19 Constitutional Court, and then he purged all the members 20 of that Court somewhat violently and replaced them with 21 his own supporters; and later the Judges on the National 22 Court of Justice were also replaced, so with President 23 Correa strongly supporting the Plaintiffs in their case, 24 the appellate and cassation courts decided, well, they

25 decided they just couldn't decide the claims of fraud and

09:34 1 constitutes a denial of justice.

Now, my task today is to outline key facts of the 2 3 case, and I've organized my presentation to address six 4 issues:

5 First, the Government's political interference 6 with the case;

Second, the Cabrera fraud that taints the 8 Judgment;

9 Third, the Plaintiffs' payments to Mr. Guerra to 10 ghostwrite Court Orders favorably to them in the Lago Case; Fourth, the Plaintiffs' ghostwriting of the 11 12 Judgment;

13 Fifth, Zambrano's false testimony in the RICO case 14 about how the Judgment was created;

And, finally, the Appellate Courts' failure to 16 review the allegations of fraud and corruption.

17 And in due course, I'll also address Ecuador's 18 factual arguments.

Now, in the course of this arbitration, Claimants 19 20 have provided overwhelming evidence that at least nine of 21 the Plaintiffs' internal documents that were never filed in

22 the Court record were used in drafting the Judgment, and

23 Ecuador itself admits that at least three of those

24 documents were used in preparing the Judgment. The Fusion

25 Memo, the Selva Viva Database, and the Clapp Report. And

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09:33 1 corruption or even review those claims. They just didn't 2 have jurisdiction, they said.

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But they did have jurisdiction, it seems, to 4 affirm the fraudulent Judgment and certify it as 5 enforceable around the world, despite the evidence of

No words were wasted by the appellate courts on the possibility of remanding the case to a lower court to review the evidence of corruption before affirming the 10 Judgment and allowing it to become enforceable.

So, where does that leave us? An Ecuadorian judge 12 agreed to a bribe and allowed the Plaintiffs themselves to 13 decide their own case and write their own Judgment and 14 award themselves \$9.5 billion. There was no impartial 15 decision-maker. And knowing the Government's strong 16 support of the Plaintiffs' case, the stacked appellate 17 courts abdicated their constitutional responsibility and 18 affirmed and certified the Judgment as enforceable. And 19 despite the evidence of fraud, the Government has made the 20 Lago Case into a national cause and is promoting the 21 Judgment around the world as a first priority of the 22 government's foreign policy.

23 In sum, the conduct of the Republic as a whole 24 breaches the Settlement Agreement, it breaches your Interim 25 Awards, it violates the Bilateral Investment Treaty, and it

09:35 1 here's why.

2 On Slide 10 what you'll see is Pages 20, 21, and 3 24 of the Judgment, and the highlighted portions that you 4 see are the words that the Judgment took verbatim, word for 5 word from the Plaintiffs' own Fusion memo. As you can see, 6 almost every single word on the page was copied from that 7 document. And the Fusion Memo is not found anywhere in the 8 Court record.

9 Now, these facts alone established that the 10 Plaintiffs ghostwrote the Judgment, but this is only one 11 example. There is much more, and I'll return to this in 12 more detail later in my presentation.

13 There are four characters who played key roles in 14 implementing the fraudulent scheme that resulted in the 15 Judgment. The first one is Steven Donziger, the 16 Plaintiffs' lead lawyer in the Lago Case who sought to 17 politicize the case, who, in his own words, intimidated the 18 Lago Agrio judges, and who is the author of the now 19 admitted Cabrera fraud. We have a video clip in which you 20 can hear from Donziger himself about the litigation tactics

22 (Video played.)

21 that he pursued in the case.

23 MR. BISHOP: Now, the second--PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just help us, for the

09:38 1 MR. BISHOP: Yes, Exhibit C-360, yes, that's 2 correct.

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ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Is my understanding correct that the lady is from Stratus?

MR. BISHOP: Yes, that was Ann Maest, who was from Stratus. That's correct. She was one of the consultants to the Plaintiffs for environmental issues. That's right.

Now, the second of the characters I'll mention is

9 Rafael Correa who, after being elected President of 10 Ecuador, adopted the Plaintiffs' case as a national cause. 11 He endorsed the Plaintiffs' case. He condemned Chevron in 12 the strongest possible terms, and he has embraced and

13 promoted the Judgment as a matter of Government policy.

The third, there is Judge Nicolás Zambrano, who 15 had been a corrupt criminal prosecutor, and he needed help 16 in drafting even simple Court Orders, so he turned to his 17 friend Alberto Guerra to ghostwrite Orders in the Lago 18 Agrio case. Zambrano ultimately sold the Judgment to the

19 Plaintiffs in return for allowing them to ghostwrite it. 20 And fourth and finally, there's Alberto Guerra. 21 He was an insider to the fraudulent scheme. He was paid 22 by the Plaintiffs to draft Court Orders favorably for them 23 in the Lago Case, and he was Zambrano's intermediary in 24 approaching the Plaintiffs' lawyers about a bribe in

25 return for ghostwriting the Judgment.

09:41 1 to Guerra isn't his general character. He admits that, as 2 a judge, he both solicited and accepted bribes. We're not 3 bringing him here because he's a saint. The Claimants are 4 bringing him to testify precisely because he was an 5 insider to the scheme, to the fraud, and the specific 6 question for you to decide is simply whether he's telling 7 the truth about specific matters related to this case. 8 And you certainly don't have to just take his word for it. 9 You're undoubtedly going to want to know the extent to 10 which his evidence is corroborated by independent 11 evidence, and it is, and you can.

12 And you can look to the report of Mr. Adam 13 Torres, an expert witness for us that you have before you, 14 because he reviews that corroborating evidence in detail 15 in that report.

16 Now, in fact, the documentary evidence that he 17 discusses is, by itself, sufficient to prove the 18 ghostwriting of the Court Orders and the Judgment.

Mr. Guerra just explains it. 19

20 Now, Ecuador itself could have brought to this 21 Hearing Mr. Zambrano to testify, but they're not. They 22 could have brought Mr. Donziger or Pablo Fajardo, another

23 of the key Plaintiffs' lawyers. And if their testimony

24 would have been helpful to its case, they certainly would

25 have brought them here to testify before you. But in the

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09:39 1 Now, of these four, only Mr. Guerra is going to 2 testify before you in the course of the next three weeks, 3 and that's because we're bringing him. Guerra is here 4 precisely because he agreed to provide evidence to 5 Chevron, and then fearing for his safety in his native 6 Ecuador, he came to the United States where Chevron is 7 financially supporting him in what is effectively a 8 witness protection program. Chevron would not be doing 9 that, and indeed would not need to do that, if he weren't in danger in Ecuador.

In fact, what does it say about the Government, 12 that both the President and the Vice President of the 13 country have called Guerra a traitor, a traitor to the 14 nation just for giving evidence in this case? Now, that's 15 an attempt to intimidate a witness, and it comes from the

16 highest political officials of the country. But Mr. Guerra's testimony has been important for 17 18 revealing the truth of what happened during the case 19 because it was only after Guerra came forward, for 20 example, that it was learned that Zambrano had solicited a 21 bribe from the Plaintiffs. After that, Mr. Donziger was 22 confronted about it in his testimony at the RICO trial, and he had to admit it. But that fact would never have 24 come to light except for the testimony of Mr. Guerra. Now, the question for this Tribunal with regard

09:42 1 course of the next three weeks you will not hear from any 2 of those men.

Now, when Donziger took over as lead counsel in 4 the Lago Case in late 2005, the Plaintiffs had a major 5 problem on the merits of the case: They weren't finding 6 significant contamination during the judicial inspections 7 and the testing. Their own experts, David Russell and Dr. 8 Charles Calmbacher, were telling them that in their 9 e-mails, so Donziger responded by falsifying the Expert 10 Reports of Dr. Calmbacher, and Dr. Calmbacher has 11 testified to that fact under oath.

12 But the crowning blow to the Plaintiff's effort 13 to mount a legitimate case fell at Sacha 53 in early 2006 14 when the five independent settling experts found that 15 there was no significant risk to human health or the 16 environment. Now, unfortunately, that was the only report 17 that they were ever allowed to give because at that point 18 the Plaintiffs changed their strategy. Donziger changed 19 their strategy. He refocused it away from the merits of 20 the case and on to two new prongs: First, politics as a 21 way to pressure the judges, and second the appointment of 22 a single global expert and one that he could control. 23 Now, in his own words, Donziger tells us why he

24 focused on politics, and I will let him speak for himself. (Video played.)

09:45 1 MR. BISHOP: I want you to note that last clip in 2 particular, "we're mobilizing the country politically so 3 that no judge can rule against us and feel like he can get 4 away from it in terms of his career." That summarizes 5 exactly why Donziger sought to politicize the case: To 6 control the judges, to make them fear the Plaintiffs, to 7 undermine their impartiality ultimately.

And Donziger found an eager ally in the newly 9 elected President Correa. When President Correa took 10 office in January 2007, he invited the Plaintiffs' lawyers 11 to give a presentation to the cabinet of the new 12 government, after which, according to Donziger, he 13 appointed a commission to monitor the case.

But I want you to note in this slide the last 15 statement made by Donziger: "This is becoming, as we had 16 always envisioned, a true national issue." Now, that's 17 important. He wanted the Plaintiffs' case to be adopted 18 by the Government as a national issue because then no 19 judge could rule against them and get away with it. That 20 was the point.

President Correa strongly allied himself and his 21 22 Government with the Plaintiffs at this point. He toured 23 the Oriente with the Plaintiffs' lawyers in April 2007 and 24 repeatedly proclaimed that the Plaintiffs had the full 25 support and backing of the National Government, including

09:48 1 And it's also the language of intimidation, 2 seeking to foreclose Ecuadorian lawyers, experts and 3 witnesses from working with Chevron.

> 4 So, in short, as Donziger had hoped, President 5 Correa made the Lago Agrio Case into a matter of national 6 interest, a national cause, and repeatedly signaled the 7 courts his strong position on the case and that of the 8 Government and what he expected them to do.

9 Now, the second issue that I will take up is that 10 of the Cabrera fraud. You have seen the video clips of 11 Donziger. He wanted a massive Judgment, and he wasn't 12 willing to confine himself to the boundaries of the 13 evidence. In his own words, he wanted to jack up the 14 damage numbers into the billions so he could pressure 15 Chevron. But to do that, he needed a vehicle, a vehicle 16 that would provide external validation, and he needed to 17 control that vehicle. Now, that vehicle was the sole 18 court-appointed global damage expert, and Donziger gained 19 control because of a weakened Judge Yánez was willing to 20 appoint the Plaintiff's handpicked choice, Richard 21 Cabrera, with whom they had already secretly been meeting 22 and Cabrera was willing to sell his Report to them for 23 bribes.

24 Now, although Judge Yánez had twice told Fajardo 25 that there was no legal basis for terminating the judicial

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09:46 1 its assistance in gathering evidence.

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He endorsed the Plaintiffs' case, taking a strong 3 public position, and I quote him, "Texaco must be held 4 liable, " thereby sending a strong message to the courts 5 about how they should rule in the case. And he even told 6 the Plaintiffs privately that he would personally call the 7 Judge. And the only reason to do any of that was to undermine the impartiality of the judges. 8

And so that no one would miss the point, he 10 publicly called the Plaintiffs' lawyers true heroes, 11 personally giving them his endorsement, and by contrast, 12 he called Chevron's lawyers traitors to the nation, vende 13 patrias. And he later called Chevron's witnesses and 14 experts traitors as well, and the State published the 15 names and personal information about Chevron's lawyers and 16 experts, including their personal identification numbers.

Correa also called for criminal charges to be 17 18 filed against the Chevron lawyers who had signed the 19 Settlement Agreements; and, after that, criminal charges 20 were filed. And repeatedly and during the case, he called 21 Chevron "an open enemy of the country." "Enemy" and 22 "traitors," now those are strong words. That's the 23 language of a national interest, a national interest 24 that's threatened by a foreign enemy and a national

25 interest that's being betrayed from within.

09:49 1 inspections and Fajardo had reported that in e-mails, 2 nevertheless, Donziger and Fajardo coerced Judge Yánez

3 into ending those inspections. And we can see it in

4 Donziger's own words in Slide 18, and I will guote him.

5 He framed the issue this way: "Our issues first and 6 foremost are whether the Judge will accept the renuncia of

7 the inspections. If it doesn't happen, then we're in an

all-out war with the Judge to get him removed." 9

You see the Plaintiffs' attitude brazenly 10 reflected in that statement by Donziger. And what they 11 did next was that they brought a mob of demonstrators to 12 the Court to protest before the Judge, to intimidate the 13 Judge. That was their strategy. And again, Donziger says 14 it in his e-mails very clearly.

Now, after that demonstration, they then met with 15 16 the Judge, and again Donziger tells us what happened: 17 "Pablo Fajardo met with the Judge today. The Judge, who 18 is on his heels from the charges of trading jobs for sex 19 in the Court, says he is going to accept our request to 20 withdraw the rest of the inspections. The Judge wants to

21 forestall the filing of a complaint against him by us, 22 which we have prepared but not yet filed."

23 And then Donziger tells us the ending of this

24 part of the story: "Legal case: Going well with Yánez 25 decision to cancel inspections. We wrote up a complaint

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09:51 1 against Yánez, but never filed it, while letting him know 2 we might file it if he doesn't adhere to the law and what 3 we need."

Now, those statements by Donziger are striking. 5 They're striking because of their clear intent to coerce 6 the Judge, to undermine the impartiality of the Judge; 7 that is, to get the ruling they wanted by whatever means 8 were necessary to get it.

The Federal Court in the Southern District of New 10 York in the RICO Case summarized exactly what happened 11 next with respect to this. Donziger and Fajardo took 12 advantage of a weakened Judge Yánez. They made him fear 13 the Plaintiffs, and they coerced him into terminating the 14 judicial inspections and appointing Cabrera as the global 15 damage expert.

16 Now, as the global expert, Cabrera was an 17 auxiliary of the Court, in the Court's own words in one of 18 its Orders. He was the auxiliary of the Court for 19 purposes of determining the scientific elements of the 20 case on which the Judgment was going to be based, and he 21 had an obligation to the Parties under the law of complete 22 impartiality, independence and transparency, and that's 23 again, provided in the Court Orders and the law.

But despite those obligations of independence, 25 Donziger had something quite different in mind for the

09:54 1 what was going to happen.

But I would also call your attention to the 2 3 PowerPoint that you see behind them. This is the 4 PowerPoint that Fajardo used in conducting the meeting, 5 and it's entitled "Plan for the Global Expert Report." 6 And this is a clip of Mr. Fajardo conducting that meeting. (Video played.)

MR. BISHOP: "But not Chevron." "But not 8 9 Chevron." Chevron was to be kept in the dark about this 10 whole process, in Donziger's words.

Now, in the course of their secret meetings with 11 12 Cabrera and with Judge Yánez, the Plaintiffs' lawyers used 13 code names to describe Cabrera and Yánez, the cook and the 14 waiter. Now, you've seen in previous hearings that we've 15 had, this and other e-mails in which Plaintiffs use these 16 code names, the cook to describe Judge Yánez, and the 17 waiter to describe Cabrera.

Now, why would they do that? Why would they use 18 19 code names? The only reason is because they knew what 20 they were doing was wrong. They knew what they were doing 21 was illegal. And the reason they were using code names is 22 reinforced, in fact, by the fact that they were bribing 23 Cabrera from what they themselves referred to as "our 24 secret account." Our secret account. Those aren't my 25 words. Those are the Plaintiffs' own words. They paid

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09:52 1 independent -- or the supposedly independent expert, and 2 Donziger described several times in several ways exactly 3 what he intended, and this is one of them. He said that 4 what they were looking for in the global expert was 5 someone who would "totally play ball with us and let us 6 take the lead while projecting the image that he is 7 working for the Court." Somebody who would let us take 8 the lead and play ball with us totally, but project an 9 image he's working for the Court. That's what he said.

10 He wanted somebody he could hold out to the world 11 as an independent validation of their claims, but somebody 12 he could secretly control. In other words, he wanted to 13 corrupt the Court process, and that's exactly what was 14 done.

15 Now, even though the Plaintiffs knew that Cabrera 16 was obligated to be independent and impartial, they 17 secretly met with him and planned his work. Now, 18 Slide 22, which you see before you, is from a secret 19 meeting of March 3, 2007, attended by the Plaintiffs' 20 lawyers, their technical environmental experts, and

21 Mr. Cabrera. You see Cabrera in the middle, Pablo Fajardo 22 on the right and Luis Yanza of the President of the Amazon 23 Defense Front on the left. This meeting took place before 24 Cabrera was appointed, but the Plaintiffs had already 25 wired his appointment with the Judge so they knew exactly

09:56 1 Cabrera more than \$100,000 from their secret account and 2 they even gave him fringe benefits like insurance. And 3 they installed as his Secretary one of the Plaintiffs' 4 lawyers girlfriends and in their e-mails they said exactly 5 why they were doing it: Which was to control Cabrera in 6 his work.

Now, what did the Plaintiffs get in return from 8 Cabrera? Well, as their secret meeting showed, they got 9 to plan his work, they got to conduct his sampling and his 10 testing. Donziger, in fact, has testified in the RICO 11 Case that the Plaintiffs themselves prepared Cabrera's 12 Work Plan, and they told him where and what to sample for. 13 And they got to control his results and recommendations by 14 qhostwriting his reports.

15 Now, Stratus Consulting Company is -- was the 16 Plaintiffs' main environmental consultants. They 17 ghostwrote most of Cabrera's Reports. Getting the 18 evidence out of Stratus to prove this wasn't easy. It 19 required filing 1782 discovery proceedings in the United 20 States and fighting many battles in court. Stratus 21 resisted giving up their e-mails, and Donziger tried to 22 obstruct the process, as the RICO Court found. But piece 23 by piece the evidence came out, and now we know exactly 24 what happened.

Douglas Beltman was in charge of this project for

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09:58 1 Stratus, and he has now testified as to exactly what the 2 fraudulent scheme was and how it played out.

What happened is that Stratus was asked by the
Plaintiffs' lawyers to ghostwrite Cabrera's First Report,
and they ghostwrote it in English, a language that Cabrera
doesn't speak, and they ghostwrote it in the first person
as if it were being written by "I," Cabrera, and they
carefully kept their own involvement in this process
secret per the instructions of Mr. Donziger. And also per
his instructions, they came to exactly the results he
wanted, recommending \$16 billion in damages.

But that wasn't the ended of Stratus' work
because Stratus was then asked by the Plaintiffs to
prepare comments for the Plaintiffs to file in Court to
the Cabrera Report criticizing it, saying it hadn't gone
far enough, it hadn't considered all the damages, and the
damages weren't big enough, so then Stratus prepared
comments for the Plaintiffs to file to that report, which
they themselves had ghostwritten, critiquing it. Then
Stratus was asked to prepare Cabrera's Second Report
responding to those comments that the Plaintiffs had filed
in Court, that they had ghostwritten, and so they
ghostwrote Cabrera's Second Report, and not surprisingly,
accepted their own recommendations and increased the

10:01 1 Government.

Now, having invested three years in the Cabrera 2 3 Reports, the Plaintiffs couldn't get rid of Cabrera. This 4 was three years of the case with Cabrera as the key 5 component. So, while they couldn't get rid of Cabrera, 6 though, they needed to disquise him, so Donziger hatched a 7 new scheme which he referred to as the "cleansing 8 process." The purpose was to cleanse the case of the 9 taint of the Cabrera fraud. Although the time had long 10 passed under Ecuadorian law to appoint expert witnesses, 11 the Plaintiffs simply invented a new procedure. And Judge 12 Ordonez sanctioned that new procedure, entering what can 13 only be referred to as a bizarre and biased order, 14 allowing them to file what was called "specialist 15 reports"--they couldn't call them experts because they 16 couldn't have new experts, but to file specialist 17 reports--and to do see in only six weeks. And as soon as 18 that six weeks had expired and those reports were filed, 19 Judge Ordoñez immediately closed the case. 20 Now, one of the Plaintiffs' lawyers said in an 21 e-mail exactly what they had in mind for these cleansing 22 experts. They wanted experts who would "rely on the same 23 data as Cabrera and come to the same conclusions as 24 Cabrera so Cabrera could be accepted as a valid basis for

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25 damages." That was the point: Use Cabrera but disquise

10:00 1 This was a well-orchestrated scheme controlled by 2 Donziger and Fajardo to, in Donziger's words, "jack up the 3 damages" into the billions, to hold out Cabrera as 4 independent validation for their case, and to pressure 5 Chevron. But the Cabrera Reports were a fraud from the 6 very beginning. Bought and paid for and controlled by the 7 Plaintiffs.

25 damages now to an incredible \$27 billion.

8 And all of this is now admitted. Stratus has 9 admitted under oath secretly ghostwriting the Cabrera 10 Reports. Donziger has admitted it in his RICO testimony, 11 and Ecuador doesn't dispute the key facts of this Cabrera 12 fraud.

Now, when Stratus' e-mails were being subpoenaed and the fraud started to be exposed in 2010, one of the Plaintiffs' lawyers in Ecuador wrote to Donziger and said this: "The effects are potentially devastating in Ecuador. Apart from destroying the proceeding, all of us, your attorneys, might go to jail."

18 your attorneys, might go to jail."

19 The Plaintiffs' Ecuadorian lawyers knew that what
20 they had done was illegal, they said it right here, very
21 clearly. And we might well ask, why didn't they go to
22 jail? Why didn't this destroy the proceeding? Why
23 weren't the Plaintiffs' lawyers investigated and charged?
24 The answer undoubtedly lies in the strong political
25 support they had obtained from President Correa and his

10:03 1 him.

Now, Donziger was asked in his deposition about 2 3 these experts, and what they did to come to their 4 conclusions, and this is his testimony: "QUESTION: Did any of the new experts go to 5 6 Ecuador? 7 "ANSWER: I don't believe so. "QUESTION: None of them did new site 8 9 inspection? 10 "ANSWER: That's correct. "QUESTION: None of them did any new 11 12 sampling? 13 "ANSWER: They did not as far as I know. 14 "QUESTION: Or environmental testing? 15 "ANSWER: That's correct. 16

"QUESTION: All of the experts prepared their reports in the span of approximately a month or less?

19 "ANSWER: That's about right, yes."

20 The new experts relied on the Cabrera Reports and

21 data because they had to do so. None of them had ever

22 been to Ecuador or done any sampling or testing of their

23 own.

Mr. Barnthouse is an example of that. He testified very candidly that he based his ecological

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10:04 1 assessment on the Cabrera Report, and yet the Judgment 2 cites Mr. Barnthouse for ecological damages. This is an 3 example of the Judgment relying on the Cabrera Reports in 4 disquise.

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Now, another place where the Judgment clearly 6 relies on the Cabrera Report is in its finding that there are 880 pits to be remediated.

Now, the Judgment says that the Judge himself 9 determined that number by interpreting the aerial 10 photographs of the area.

Well, Mr. James Ebert, who among other things, is 12 an expert in interpreting aerial photographs, says it's 13 highly unlikely if not impossible for the Judge to have 14 done that. Among other reasons, because there are no 15 photographs for about a third of the sites. The photos 16 were in black and white, they were monoscopic, and they 17 were of low resolution.

So, what the Judgment says that the Judge did just 18 19 isn't possible.

20 But, in fact, we know where the 880 number comes 21 from. It comes from the Cabrera Report, Annex H-1. The 22 Judgment says that the 880 pits are ones that have some 23 Environmental Impact that cannot be attributed to 24 Petroecuador. Well, Annex H-1 of the Cabrera Report lists

25 certain pits and information about those pits. And when

10:07 1 its face says it didn't rely on Cabrera, and that's the end 2 of the story. That's their response. Well, it's not. We 3 have to look at the substance, not merely the form. 4 Formalistic declarations cannot substitute for a thorough 5 investigation and analysis of the fraud. When there is 6 fraud in a case, as there clearly is in this instance, a 7 court cannot rely on the record without investigating the 8 fraud, determining what happened, delineating the fraud and 9 its effects very precisely, and ensuring that those effects 10 are thoroughly expunded from the case. But neither the 11 Lago Agrio Court nor the Appellate Courts ever engaged in 12 that analysis. They never did that.

13 And because the courts refused to investigate and 14 decide the fraud as well as delineate and expunge its real 15 effects, they ensured that the taint of the Cabrera fraud 16 would endure in the Judgment.

17 But regardless of the failure to investigate, the 18 Judgment, as we have just seen, does rely upon the Cabrera 19 Reports. Ecuador admits that the Judgment relies on the 20 Cabrera data. The cleansing experts relied on Cabrera's 21 data in his Reports to a significant extent, as they had to 22 do, and the Rico Court itself found the Judgment, both 23 directly and indirectly, relies on the Cabrera Reports.

The Plaintiffs had invested three years of this 24 25 case in Cabrera. He was the only basis for a large damage

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10:05 1 you subtract from that number, the no-impact pits and those 2 attributed to Petroecuador according to the comments in 3 Annex H-1, what you're left with is a number, 880. So that 4 number came from Cabrera's Reports itself. It didn't come 5 from the Judge himself becoming an expert all of a sudden 6 in reading aerial photographs.

And that pit number was important because it was an integral part of the calculation of how the Judgment 9 reached the number of \$5.4 billion for soil remediation. 10 That \$5.4 billion is a calculation of 880 pits times 11 \$6 million per pit for remediation. That's how the 12 Judgment got there. Both of those numbers are grossly 13 inflated, and I might add that the \$6 million per pit, for 14 example, that the norm in the industry is only about 15 \$75,000 per pit.

Well, looking at this same evidence, the Federal 17 Court in the Southern District of New York found that the 18 Judgment relied upon the Cabrera fraud in at least three 19 ways: For the pit count, as we have just gone through, for 20 the potable water damages, and by relying on the Barnthouse 21 Report which, in turn, relied upon Cabrera. So, thus, the 22 Federal Court found that the Cabrera Report, "played an 23 important role in holding Chevron liable to the extent of 24 more than \$8 billion."

Now, Ecuador tells you that, well, the Judgment on

10:09 1 award, so the Judgment had to rely on Cabrera, and it did 2 so.

> I will turn next to my third point, that Mr. 4 Guerra was paid by the Plaintiffs to ghostwrite Court 5 Orders favorably to the Plaintiffs. In Ecuador, it's 6 illegal for anyone other than the Judge to draft Court 7 Orders or Judgments or to assist the Judge in doing so, as 8 Dr. Velázquez testifies in his expert report which you have 9 before you.

10 But following their pattern of ghostwriting the 11 Cabrera Reports, the Plaintiffs also ghostwrote Judge 12 Zambrano's Court's Orders in the Lago Case. Zambrano had 13 been a criminal prosecutor from 1994 until 2008 when he 14 became a judge, and he wasn't experienced though in either 15 the substance or the procedure of civil cases. He needed 16 somebody to help him with Court Orders in civil cases. And 17 at that point in time, Mr. Guerra needed a job. So Guerra 18 and Zambrano had a close long-standing relationship as they have both testified, so Zambrano asked Guerra to ghostwrite 20 Court Orders for him generally in these civil cases.

And Zambrano himself has admitted that in his RICO 21 22 testimony. He admitted that Guerra drafted Court Orders 23 for him in civil cases in the period 2009 to 2012, which 24 happens to be exactly the period when Zambrano was 25 presiding over the Chevron Case. And he's also admitted

10:10 1 that Guerra would sometimes ship him drafts of the Court 2 Orders using TAME Shipping, and you have the TAME Shipping 3 records before you in this case.

So, now, the scope and extent of that ghostwriting 5 is made clear by the Expert Reports of Spencer Lynch, who 6 is a Digital Forensics Expert with the Stroz Friedberg 7 firm. He's testified that he found on Zambrano's computers 8 82 Court Orders that were issued by him that ultimately had 9 originated, however, on Guerra's computers, and at least 48 10 of those draft rulings were saved on USB devices which were 11 shared between Guerra's computer and Zambrano's computer. 12 So, there is no dispute that Guerra was ghostwriting Court 13 Orders for Zambrano.

Now, Guerra has testified that his ghostwriting 15 included the Chevron Case, but Zambrano denied that. When 16 Judge Núñez was being recused in September 2009 and 17 Zambrano was taking over for the first time, Chevron filed 18 a motion to nullify all of Núñez's Orders because of the 19 videotapes that showed him pre-judging Chevron's quilt 20 during a bribery scandal. This was the first motion that

21 Zambrano was asked to decide when he took over the case. 22 Around that time, Guerra contacted Chevron's 23 Ecuadorian lawyers to fix that motion for a price, but 24 Chevron declined. There is in the record of this case a 25 contemporaneous Affidavit made in October 2009 by

10:14 1 this time to describe Guerra and Zambrano, the puppeteer 2 and the puppet. "The puppeteer won't move his puppet until 3 the audience pays him something, " and "since we are paying 4 the puppeteer." Well, again, we can ask ourselves why 5 would they do this? Why are they resorting to code names 6 for Guerra and Zambrano? Well, the answer again is they 7 were secretly paying Guerra to ghostwrite these Court 8 Orders, and that's illegal in Ecuador.

9 Now, the third corroboration you will find on 10 Slide 43, and this is very important: This is very 11 revealing. Because we have the bank records of both 12 Mr. Guerra and of the Plaintiffs themselves, and we can 13 match them up to show that Mr. Guerra's testimony that he 14 was being paid \$1,000 a month to ghostwrite these Court 15 Orders is exactly right. It is corroborated by the 16 documentary evidence.

17 Selva Viva is an Ecuadorian company that was set 18 up by Donziger for one purpose, and that was to support the 19 Plaintiffs in the Lago Agrio Case, and Donziger himself was 20 the President of that company, that we have those bank 21 records.

22 Now, you can clearly see on Slide 43 the pattern 23 of what was occurring, and I would like to take you through 24 it.

25 October 27, 2009, Fajardo e-mails Donziger: "The

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10:12 1 Mr. Racines, who was one of Chevron's Ecuadorian lawyers 2 which corroborates Guerra's testimony about this.

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Now, when Chevron refused that bribe attempt, 4 Zambrano then made an arrangement with the Plaintiffs and 5 Guerra made his own deal with him in which he agreed that 6 the Plaintiffs would pay him \$1,000 a month in return for 7 him qhostwriting Zambrano's Orders to come out favorably to the Plaintiffs, although occasionally throwing Chevron a 9 bone to avoid suspicion.

Now, Mr. Guerra's testimony about the ghostwriting 11 of these Court Orders is corroborated in at least five

12 ways: First, by the Plaintiffs' own e-mails. When Judge Núñez was being recused in 13 14 September 2009, Fajardo sent an e-mail to Donziger, and he 15 said this: "I understand that Zambrano himself asked Judge 16 Núñez that Núñez help him with the Orders. The problem is 17 who will carry more weight, Núñez or Guerra?" So, in the 18 Chevron Case itself, the Plaintiffs were expressly 19 recognizing in their own e-mails that Zambrano's Orders 20 were going to be ghostwritten. And you can see their 21 mental wheels turning as to who they would prefer to be 22 writing those Orders: Judge Núñez, who was being recused

24 Now, second, as they did with the Cabrera fraud, 25 the Plaintiffs again resorted to the use of code names,

23 because of a bribery scandal, or Guerra?

10:15 1 puppeteer won't move his puppet until he's paid something." 2 Two days later there is a \$1,000 cash withdrawal from the 3 Selva Viva account, and on the same day there is \$1,000 4 cash deposit made into Mr. Guerra's account. 5

On November 26, again, there is a \$1,000 cash withdrawal from the Selva Viva account and the next day a 7 \$1,000 deposit into Mr. Guerra's account. And on that same 8 day, Yanza e-mails Donziger, the budget is higher since we 9 are paying the puppeteer.

10 December 22nd, there is a \$1,000 cash withdrawal 11 from the Selva Viva account, and the next day the same 12 amount of money is deposited into Mr. Guerra's account, and 13 this time we have a signature on the deposit slip, and that 14 signature is of Ximena Centeno, who worked for Selva Viva. 15 She worked for the Plaintiffs.

So, we have here clear evidence that it was the 16 17 Plaintiffs themselves who were making these \$1,000 deposits 18 into Mr. Guerra's account and paying him exactly as

19 Mr. Guerra has testified.

20 On February the 4th, 2010, we see the same pattern 21 playing out: A \$1,000 cash withdrawal from the Selva Viva 22 account, and the next day a \$1,000 deposit into

23 Mr. Guerra's account, again by an employee of the 24 Plaintiff.

And this happened throughout Zambrano's first term

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10:17 1 on the case, from October 2009 to February 2010, and there 2 was no reason for the Plaintiffs to be paying Mr. Guerra 3 except for him to ghostwrite Court Orders for them in the 4 Lago Case.

Now, fourth, we can also look at the forensic 6 examination of Mr. Guerra's computer. Mr. Lynch testifies 7 that what he found on Guerra's computer were drafts of nine 8 Court Orders ultimately issued by Zambrano in the Chevron 9 Case. These drafts pre-date--on Guerra's computer, they 10 pre-date the date of the issuance of the Orders later by 11 Zambrano, and they're clearly drafts of those Court Orders. 12 So, we see the forensic evidence also corroborates 13 Mr. Guerra's testimony.

And we can put all of this together into the 15 patterns with all of the documentary evidence, the TAME 16 Shipping records, the computer records and the bank 17 records. And I would like to take you through it on 18 Slide 45.

19 Now, October 2009 was the first order Zambrano 20 issued in the case when he took over for the first time. 21 That was that order on Chevron's motion to nullify all of 22 Judge Núñez's previous Orders. October 20th, draft Order 23 is last saved on Guerra's computer. The next day, Zambrano 24 issues an Order with text matching that found on Guerra's 25 draft. And on that same day, Fajardo sends an e-mail to

10:20 1 called for cross-examination by Ecuador.

Now, that brings me to my fourth point, and this 3 is that the Plaintiffs ghostwrote the Judgment, and I will 4 approach this subject in three ways: First by looking at 5 the evidence of the bribery solicitation and the 6 corroborating evidence; second, we'll focus on the 7 Plaintiffs' documents that are indisputably copied into the 8 Judgment; and, finally, we will look at the credibility of 9 Zambrano's testimony in the RICO Case about how the 10 Judgment was drafted.

Now, Zambrano, as I've said, presided over the 11 12 Lago Case twice. This first one was this period 13 October 2009 to February 2010. At that point, Judge 14 Ordoñez became the President of the Court, and that meant 15 he also became the Presiding Judge of the Chevron Case. 16 But Ordoñez was recused in September 2010, and Zambrano 17 again, for the second time, became the Presiding Judge in 18 the case.

Now, when Zambrano took over the case for the 20 second time, the case was drawing to a close, and at this 21 point, Zambrano asked Guerra to solicit a bribe in return 22 for qhostwriting the Judgment, first from Chevron, and when 23 Chevron refused that offer, then from the Plaintiffs. 24 Again, Chevron's Ecuadorian lawyers have filed declarations 25 in the RICO Case that corroborate Guerra's testimony that

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10:19 1 the Plaintiffs' legal team: Things here are under control. 2 Things are under control. They had made their deal with 3 Guerra and with Zambrano, and they knew how things were 4 going to come out. They were under control.

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November 18th, a draft Order is last saved on 6 Guerra's computer, and the next day the TAME Shipping 7 records show that Guerra sent a shipment to the Lago Agrio 8 Courthouse, and four days later, Zambrano issued an Order 9 with text matching that found on Guerra's computer.

November 29, a draft Order is last saved on 11 Guerra's computer, the same day the TAME Shipping records 12 show that Guerra sent a shipment to the Lago Agrio Court, 13 and the next day, Zambrano issued an Order with text 14 matching that found on Guerra's computer. And this pattern 15 plays out nine times.

Now, in short, Guerra's ghostwriting of Court 17 Orders for Zambrano is fully corroborated by the 18 documentary evidence, by Guerra's computer, by the 19 Plaintiffs' own e-mails, by both Guerra's bank records and 20 the Plaintiffs' bank records and by the TAME Shipping 21 records.

Mr. Adam Torres, in his Expert Report, links all 23 of this evidence together and concludes that it's 24 consistent with widely recognized patterns of public 25 corruption, and it's notable that Mr. Torres has not been 10:22 1 he did try to solicit a bribe from Chevron, and there is a 2 contemporaneous Declaration to that effect in 2010, and 3 that evidence is before you in this case.

Now, before going further, I want to respond to an 5 argument that Ecuador makes here. When they say that Chevron could have avoided the corruption issues if it had 7 just reported this bribery solicitation. When making this 8 argument, Ecuador intentionally overlooks the obvious 9 context, and context which it had created, namely the 10 extremely hostile situation that Correa's Government 11 created for Chevron in this case and the unwillingness of 12 the Government to do anything that would help Chevron or 13 that would derail or even slow down the case. And the way 14 the Núñez bribery scandal was handled by Ecuador I think 15 vividly illustrates this point, and it's certainly relevant 16 to Chevron's actions.

Judge Núñez was caught on videotape talking to 17 18 remediation contractors about a \$3 million bribe in 19 exchange for remediation work to result from the Judgment. 20 Patricio García, who Ecuador acknowledges was a political 21 coordinator for Correa's party, says on this videotape that 22 they were acting for the Presidency, that the Government 23 itself was the one behind this, and that of the \$3 million 24 bribe, \$1 million was to go to the Judge and another 25 \$1 million to the Presidency.

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10:24 1 Those statements provide a glimpse of what was 2 happening behind the scenes. Judge Núñez met with the 3 Parties, not once but twice, during this scheme. At the 4 proper time in the bribery negotiations, Judge Núñez was 5 brought into the room to meet with the contractors and 6 answer their questions. And in the course of that, he 7 affirmed that Chevron was quilty, that he would find them 8 guilty, that the damages would be huge, and that the 9 Judgment would be issued in a few months. 10

Chevron had nothing to do with creating these 11 videotapes, but when they were brought to its attention, it 12 reported them to the authorities in Ecuador.

But what happened next weren't condemnations of 13 14 the bribery scheme by the Government, but instead 15 Government attacks on Chevron for reporting this scheme. 16 President Correa called Chevron's reporting of this scandal 17 a desperate attempt to delay the proceedings. The Attorney 18 General referred to it as a scheme organized by Chevron. 19 The Secretary of Transparency called Chevron irresponsible 20 and the video recording a crime. And the Prosecutor 21 General himself referred to it as a trick.

22 The result of all this was that Judge Núñez, while 23 temporarily suspended from the bench, ultimately stayed as 24 a judge and even became a president of the Provincial Court 25 of Sucumbios later, and the Prosecutor General in turn

10:27 1 have him investigated, Chevron's lawyer. And he goes on to 2 say: "And there was no recording of the phone call. The 3 other person could have said it never happened. And he 4 could have been charged or sued with having infringed on 5 their honor and reputation."

So, who could Chevron have reported this situation 7 to? The Ecuadorian Government was a partisan in the case. 8 It had already taken strong public positions against 9 Chevron, and now a videotape existed suggesting that it was 10 the Government itself that was the one behind this. There 11 were no impartial authorities to report this to.

12 If Chevron thought it could have obtained relief, 13 it certainly would have sought it, but the Correa 14 Government created such a hostile environment, such a 15 hostile situation for Chevron, as an open enemy of the 16 country, in Correa's words, they're reporting the bribe 17 solicitation could not have helped Chevron's situation, but 18 guite perversely, in the Alice in Wonderland world of 19 Ecuador, could have only heard it.

20 But, finally, we don't have to speculate on what 21 would have happened if Chevron had reported it, because we 22 know, we can look now at what Ecuador actually did when the 23 evidence of the bribe and the ghostwriting came to its

24 attention. Now, did it arrest and prosecute Zambrano? No. 25 In fact, Zambrano now works for a company controlled by

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10:25 1 closed the investigation requested by Chevron calling 2 Chevron's request "reckless and malicious" and even 3 threatened to investigate Chevron's lawyers.

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So, what happened when Chevron reported this 5 bribery scheme is that the Government changed the focus 6 away from the bribery and instead focused on the 7 videotapes. And that way, they avoided taking any action 8 on the bribery itself but instead implied that it was 9 Chevron that had done something wrong.

Now, unlike the Núñez bribery scandal, Chevron had 11 no video or tape-recording of the Judgment bribe 12 solicitation, and without it, its lawyers could have been 13 sued for defamation or even criminally charged, and the 14 same could have happened to Chevron. Ecuador's Prosecutors 15 had already shown their willingness to bring sham criminal 16 charges against Chevron lawyers, and those charges were 17 still pending at this time. And Chevron was not aware at 18 that time, and certainly had no objective evidence then 19 that Zambrano had struck a deal with the Plaintiffs 20 themselves.

21 Chevron's lawyer, Adolfo Callejas, testified about 22 this in the Rico Case, and what he said was this: "I was 23 very mindful of what had happened when we filed a report 24 regarding the illegal activities of Judge Núñez. Instead 25 of having Núñez investigated, the Plaintiffs managed to

10:28 1 Petroecuador and makes more than he ever did.

Well, did Ecuador at least stay the Judgment until 2 3 it could get to the bottom of this scheme? No, we know 4 that didn't happen. It did not obey your Interim Awards.

What actually happened is that President Correa 6 praised the Judgment as the most important Judgment in the 7 history of the country, and a year later, after all of the 8 evidence had come out and was public, he again praised the 9 Appellate Decision. He and his Government continued to 10 support the Plaintiffs, they viciously attacked Chevron, 11 and they promoted the enforcement of the Judgment as they 12 are still doing. So, this Government was not going to 13 credit Chevron's complaints or do anything that would help 14 derail or even slow down the case.

In the unique situation of this case, getting any 16 relief in Ecuador for Chevron was at that time and is now 17 futile.

18 Now, Mr. Guerra already knew Donziger and Fajardo 19 well from ghostwriting the Court Orders during Zambrano's 20 first term, but when Zambrano took over in the second term, 21 Guerra sent an e-mail to Donziger in which he asked 22 Donziger for help with his daughter in the United States on 23 a personal basis, but his last statement is key: "I will

24 support the matter of Pablo Fajardo so it will come out 25 soon and well." Well, the matter of Pablo Fajardo is

10:30 1 exactly the Lago Agrio Case. And we certainly know what 2 "come out soon and well" means now.

Because of Mr. Guerra's testimony, we now know
that after Chevron rejected the bribe solicitation, at

Zambrano's request, Guerra reached out to Fajardo and
Donziger. He called Fajardo, and Fajardo then set a
meeting at the Honey & Honey restaurant in Quito.

Attending that meeting were Guerra and, on behalf of the
Plaintiffs, Mr. Yanza, Mr. Donziger, and Mr. Fajardo.

And the only reason for them to meet with Guerra
was because they knew he represented Zambrano, and the only
thing he had to offer was to sell the Judgment through
Zambrano.

Now, at that meeting, Guerra passed on Zambrano's proposal that the Plaintiffs pay him \$500,000 in exchange for ghostwriting the Judgment. And Donziger, in his sworn testimony in the RICO case, has corroborated Mr. Guerra's testimony. He admits that, in fact, the Plaintiffs did meet with Mr. Guerra, and he admits that at this meeting Guerra did solicit a \$500,000 bribe in exchange for fixing the case.

Where they differ is on the result. Guerra says
that Donziger told him they regretted it but they just
didn't have the money at that point in time. Donziger says
he rejected the bribe outright. But Guerra has testified

10:33 1 He had to have Guerra help him with even routine civil
2 Orders. And having made so many deals with the devil
3 already, the Plaintiffs couldn't leave the most important
4 part of the case, the Judgment, to chance. They needed to
5 control the contents of the Judgment.

First, because now that the Cabrera fraud was
publicly exposed and they couldn't deny it, they needed to
ensure that the Judgment would not expressly rely on the
Cabrera Reports because that would endanger the enforcement
of the Judgment abroad. The purpose of the cleansing
experts was to use the Cabrera Reports but in a disguised
form, so they needed to draft the Judgment very carefully
to obfuscate its reliance on Cabrera.

Second, they also needed control because they had

sued the wrong party. As Donziger himself had said, at one time expressly, that they sued the wrong party in Chevron.

But now with the Judgment coming up they had to provide some justification for how they could prevail against

Chevron. So what they did was to turn to their own internal documents which they had before them in drafting the merger section of the Judgment. They turned to the Fusion Memo and the Erion Memo, their own internal memos which were never filed with the Court, and they used those to carefully draft that part of the Judgment.

Third, they had a major problem with causation

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10:31 1 that Zambrano later told him that he worked out a deal with 2 Fajardo, with Zambrano agreeing to pay the 3 Plaintiffs--excuse me, with Zambrano agreeing to allow the 4 Plaintiffs to ghostwrite the Judgment in return for 5 \$500,000 to be paid out of the Judgment's proceeds.

Now, we know that this bribe solicitation to the
Plaintiffs occurred. Donziger has admitted it in his RICO
testimony. But what did the Plaintiffs do after that bribe
solicitation occurred? Well, did they report it to the
authorities? No, we know that didn't happen. Donziger has
admitted in his testimony they didn't report it. What they
actually did, after Guerra had solicited this bribe, is
that Fajardo approached Guerra about being an expert
witness for them in the RICO case in New York on the
integrity of the judicial system in Ecuador. That's what
they did. And Donziger admitted in his RICO testimony that
he was aware that that approach took place.

18 So, the Plaintiffs certainly weren't outraged by 19 this bribe solicitation. They later reached out to Guerra 20 to be an expert for them.

Now, there were compelling reasons why the
Plaintiffs had to ghostwrite the Judgment. They had many
problems in the case and they had to take care exactly what
the Judgment said. Zambrano clearly wasn't up to the task
of writing this Judgment either by training or experience.

10:35 1 because of Petroecuador's operations and the fact they
2 didn't sue it and couldn't sue it because of their quid pro
3 quo agreement with the Government. So they needed to write
4 the Judgment in order to justify a decision against only
5 Chevron and to ignore Petroecuador's impacts.

Fourth, in order to pressure Chevron, they also
wanted to control the amount of the damages and the
allocation of those damages, and we can see the Plaintiffs'
fingerprints very clearly in this Judgment in the
state their bargaining tool. They put that in, conditioned on a
public apology which would have effectively meant an
admission. So, they put that in the Judgment as the
Plaintiffs' own bargaining tool to pressure Chevron.

And finally, they needed to make sure that the

15 And finally, they needed to make sure that the 16 money would go into a trust so that they could assure their 17 funders the money wouldn't all disappear.

Now, it's telling that when Donziger was asked the question in the RICO case whether the Plaintiffs prepared a proposed Judgment, he evaded the question. In 12 words he gave three different answers: "I don't believe so. I don't know. It's possible." Now, that's not an answer, it's an obfuscation. It's a Richard Nixon-type answer. He knew the real answer--but he was

25 trying to fudge it, but at the end he gave it away. "It's

10:36 1 possible." Well, in fact, it's more than possible. The 2 Plaintiffs' fingerprints are all over the Judgment, and I 3 would like to move now to that issue.

> At least nine of the Plaintiffs' internal 5 documents were used in drafting the Judgment. The list is 6 on Slide 57 before you, and none of those documents were ever filed in the Court record.

Now, it's likely that the Plaintiffs used more of 9 their own documents in drafting the Judgment, but we never 10 obtained access to Mr. Fajardo's computer or his documents 11 or those of the other Plaintiffs' Ecuadorian lawyers for 12 the Plaintiffs, Mr. Yanza, Mr. Sáenz, or Mr. Prieto. Those 13 documents were subpoenaed in the RICO case, but Fajardo ran 14 to an Ecuadorian court, got an order blocking access to 15 those documents and they were never revealed and never 16 produced in the RICO case.

Now, as I noted earlier, Ecuador itself does not 18 take issue with the fact that the Judgment relies on at 19 least three of these Plaintiffs' documents in preparing the 20 Judgment: The Fusion Memo, the Clapp Report, and the Selva 21 Viva Database.

22 Now, the next slide is the three pages of the 23 Judgment that I showed you earlier, Pages 20, 21, and 24, 24 and what you see is that the highlighted words are words 25 that were taken verbatim from the Plaintiffs' own Fusion

And the next one is from the Fajardo Trust e-mail 10:39 1 2 which is copied on the left into Page 186 of the Judgment, 3 which is the Trust section. The highlighted words are 4 words copied verbatim from that e-mail.

> And I might add that the Fajardo e-mail and the Judgment contain the same idiosyncratic case citations and word choices.

8 Now, the Judgment also contains identical mistakes 9 as those made in the Plaintiffs' own internal documents. 10 What you see here is from the Plaintiffs' Index Summary, 11 and you'll see the Court Record on the left with certain page numbers, for example, then the Plaintiffs' June Index 13 Summary makes certain mistakes. It gets the page numbers 14 wrong at various-in various places--614 instead of 612, et 15 cetera--and at one point it puts a spurious accent mark in 16 the word "ambientales," quite improperly.

17 But what you see is that the Plaintiffs' documents 18 were making mistakes as compared to the Court Record, but 19 then the Judgment copies exactly those same mistakes into 20 the Judgment, showing that the Judgment was again copying 21 from the Plaintiffs' documents. This, again, I think is 22 evidence that the Plaintiffs were cutting and pasting from 23 their own documents in the Judgment.

Now, the Judgment also copies extensively from the 24 25 Plaintiffs' internal Selva Viva Database--that is an Excel

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Now, on the next slide, you see a split screen of 3 Page 5 of the Fusion Memo and Page 21 of the Judgment. And 4 I would like for you in particular to note on the left-hand 5 side of the screen at bottom, the footnote, Footnote 12 of 6 the Fusion Memo. The Judgment itself did not use 7 footnotes, so the footnotes were put into the body of the 8 Judgment. But note this footnote. There is an 9 out-of-order numbering sequence, with the Number 6964 out 10 of order, and in the footnote there is also a perfectly 11 proper period at the end of it.

But watch what happens when the footnote gets put 13 into the body of the Judgment. You see that the Judgment 14 now copies verbatim, including the out-of-order numbering 15 sequence that we had seen in the footnote, but also the 16 period that was at the end of the footnote is now put into 17 the middle of a sentence in the Judgment and is quite 18 incorrect. It's a spurious period at this point, creating 19 two sentence fragments.

But what we see here is clear evidence that the 20 21 Plaintiffs were cutting and pasting from their own 22 documents into the Judgment.

23 Now, the next slide shows you on the left the 24 Clapp Report and the same words were copied into the 25 Judgment.

10:41 1 spreadsheet that the Plaintiffs used--and there are over 2 100 examples--about 100 examples--of the Judgment copying 3 from this database. But since Ecuador admits that, I'm 4 only going to give you one example. And this is an example 5 of certain filed Lab Results that for certain samples show 6 those Lab Results as being in micrograms per kilogram. But 7 for exactly those same samples, the Selva Viva Database 8 makes a mistake. It lists them incorrectly as being in 9 milligrams per kilogram. And then, for exactly those same 10 samples, the Judgment makes exactly the same mistake

11 because it's copying from the Selva Viva Database. As I said, there are about 100 examples of this in 13 the Judgment, but since it's essentially admitted, I'm only 14 going to give the one for now in the interest of time.

Now, another of the Plaintiffs' documents that the 15 16 Judgment relies on is the Moodie Memo. Moodie, Nick 17 Moodie, was an Australian intern who worked for the 18 Plaintiffs and he wrote a causation memo discussing 19 Australian and U.S. tort causation law, and this is another

20 of the Plaintiffs' fingerprints in the Judgment. 21 Professor Michael Green, who is the reporter for 22 the U.S. restatement of torts, has compared the Moodie Memo

24 unlikely that the Judgment was prepared independently of 25 the Moodie Memo for three reasons: First, because of the

23 to the Judgment, and he's concluded that it's highly

10:43 1 same foreign law that they both address in the causation 2 section; second, because of the same idiosyncratic choice 3 of which U.S. law to address in both documents; and, third, 4 because of the same mistakes that are common to both 5 documents.

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Now, the next slide shows you a chart of some of 7 the commonalities between the Moodie Memo on the left and the Judgment on the right, and you will see virtually 9 exactly the same legal propositions asserting to the same 10 law in both documents, and this was one of the things that 11 Professor Green was relying upon.

12 But Professor Green did not have all of the 13 evidence at that time. Because since his Report, we have 14 now found in the forensic examination of Zambrano's 15 computer a December 21 Providencias--Providencias being a 16 draft of the Judgment about the--as of December 21, it had 17 about the first 107 pages of the Judgment.

But what we see now is clear evidence of copying 18 19 from the Moodie Memo. You see, for example, that the 20 Moodie Memo in its discussion of substantial factor cites 21 to two U.S. cases: Whitley versus Philip-Morris and 22 Rutherford versus Owens Illinois. Well, those cases are 23 not in the Court Record. Mr. Juola has testified to that. 24 In this Providencias, found on Mr. Zambrano's computer as 25 of December 21, you see a discussion of the substantial

10:46 1 So, what is Ecuador's response to all of this 2 evidence? Well, Ecuador speculates that the documents, or 3 at least some of them, just must have been filed but the 4 Court clerk was just incompetent. It was just sloppy 5 recordkeeping, they said. That's their defense.

Well, Dr. Patrick Juola, a professor at Duguesne 6 7 University, performed an electronic search of the record. He checked the quality of the record, and he found it to be generally excellent. Where there were any issues, he 10 performed a page by page hand search with two people 11 working independently. He also searched the 69 CDs of the 12 Court Record that went up on appeal, and his analysis 13 confirmed that the Plaintiffs' internal documents, which 14 are copied in the Judgment, the ones I've been talking 15 about, are not found in the Court Record.

16 Independently, Mr. Samuel Hernandez of Morningside 17 Translations, also conducted a hand review of the parts of 18 the Court Record where you would logically expect to find any of these documents, such as in the Plaintiffs' own 20 filings, but he also confirmed that the Plaintiffs' work 21 product is not found in the record.

22 Now, very importantly, Ecuador itself has had full 23 access to the Court Record, and if any of these documents 24 were found in the Court Record over the last three years, 25 they certainly would have called them to your attention.

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10:44 1 factor test, and what does it do? It cites to exactly the 2 two same U.S. cases as are cited in the Moodie Memo.

And as I said, this is one of the important 4 discoveries to come out of the forensic examination of 5 Zambrano's computers, and we find from it that there was 6 another of the Plaintiffs' documents that was copied into 7 the Judgment, and that was the Erion Memo.

That memo cites--discusses certain legal 9 propositions and cites in support of those propositions 10 nine U.S. authorities. And those same legal propositions 11 and those same nine U.S. citations in precisely the same 12 form are found in the December 21 Providencias on 13 Zambrano's computer. And you see one example, on Slide 67, 14 patent injustice citing to the Penn Central Securities case 15 with the same cite, and the manifest injustice citing to 16 the Acushnet River case with an incomplete citation, but 17 you see the same incomplete citation in both documents, 18 although the Providencias never gives the full citation for 19 that case.

20 On the next slide you see exactly the same pattern 21 playing out with two more cases being cited in support of 22 certain legal propositions in the Erion Memo, and for 23 exactly the same propositions, those same two U.S. cases in 24 exactly the same form are cited in the Providencias on 25 Zambrano's computer.

10:48 1 But they haven't. Ecuador has failed to identify any of 2 these documents anywhere in the Court Record, and they have 3 not pointed you to any place where you can find them. And 4 none of the RICO Defendants pointed in that case to where 5 any of these documents could be found in the record.

Now, that hasn't prevented Ecuador from 7 speculating, however, that, for example, the Fusion Memo 8 was filed. There were some e-mails early on that indicated 9 the Plaintiffs might file that document, but as the 10 judicial inspection approached at which they were going to 11 discuss with the Court the merger issue, Donziger sent 12 several e-mails to another the Ecuadorian--another of the 13 Ecuadorian lawyers, Juan Pablo Sáenz, insisting that Sáenz 14 give him a list of every merger document to be filed at the 15 inspection, and the word "every" was capitalized as an 16 emphasis by Donziger. He wanted a list of every document 17 they were going to file. And in response, he got that 18 list, and that list lists every single document that they 19 intended to file, and it does not include the Fusión Memo, 20 and there is no dispute about that.

And we also have the Court's list of the documents 21 22 it received at that judicial inspection, and there is no 23 dispute that the Court's own list of the documents received 24 does not include the Fusion Memo. So, we have both sides, 25 what the Plaintiffs intended to file and what the Court

10:49 1 received, and the Fusion Memo is not in there.

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Now, Ecuador suggests, however, that perhaps the 3 judge was just informally shown the document or read the 4 document. But we know that didn't happen, because Zambrano 5 wasn't the Presiding Judge at this judicial inspection. In 6 fact, he wasn't the Presiding Judge at any of the judicial 7 inspections. They had already concluded before he became 8 the Presiding Judge, so we know that Zambrano could not 9 have been handed, shown or read the Fusion Memo in this 10 way.

Now, Ecuador also speculates that the Clapp Report 12 surely must have been filed. And, again, there were 13 e-mails from the Plaintiffs suggesting that they might file 14 it at one time. But when Cabrera was appointed as the 15 global expert in March of 2007, the Plaintiffs changed 16 their plans, and we can see it very clearly, because what 17 the Plaintiffs did was they used the Clapp Report in 18 drafting Annex K to the Cabrera Reports, but now having 19 used the Clapp Report in drafting the Cabrera Reports, they 20 couldn't very well file the Clapp Report into the Court 21 Record without revealing the Cabrera ghostwriting scheme. 22 And as I've said, nobody has found the Clapp Report 23 anywhere in the Court Record, not Mr. Hernandez, not

Now, Ecuador also claims that the Fajardo e-mails

10:53 1 That had already happened with Donziger and with Stratus, 2 and other 1782s were already filed and proceeding in the 3 United States at that time.

> And very importantly, all of Fajardo's e-mails to 4 5 which Ecuador points included either American members of 6 the team who were recipients of those e-mails or very 7 junior members of the team, but they weren't core members 8 of that team.

9 The Federal Court in the RICO case noted this fact 10 very expressly, saying that all of these e-mails went to 11 non-core members of the team in saying there is no reason 12 to believe that any of the core three--Fajardo, Donziger 13 and Yanza--would have confided the fact that they had 14 bribed Zambrano to any of the other recipients of the 15 e-mails, and noting that this trio had a long record of 16 keeping knowledge of questionable behavior as close to 17 their personal vests as possible.

Now, by contrast, when there was truly sensitive 19 information involved, Fajardo included only the core team 20 members, as in these three e-mails which were confined to 21 Fajardo, Donziger, and Yanza, and these e-mails are e-mails 22 where they were discussing ghostwriting the Judgment.

23 So, in short, the Fajardo e-mails aren't proof of 24 anything except that Fajardo and Donziger played it close 25 to the vest when important information about questionable

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10:51 1 in December 2010 and January 2011 show that the Plaintiffs 2 didn't know when the Judgment was going to be issued and 3 thus couldn't have ghostwritten the Judgment. But this 4 explanation just exalts substance over form--excuse me, 5 exalts pretense over substance--and ignores the evidence in 6 this case. Fajardo knew very well that the Judgment wasn't 7 going to rely on the Plaintiffs' alegatos because he was already drafting the Judgment when he was sending these 8 9 e-mails.

24 Mr. Juola, and not Ecuador itself.

The first of Fajardo's e-mails that Ecuador points 11 you to is dated December 17, 2010. But now, with the 12 Zambrano hard drive examination, forensic examination, we 13 have this December 21, 2010 Providencias found on 14 Zambrano's computers, only four days after Fajardo had sent 15 that e-mail. And what we see is that it was already 16 copying from six--at least six of the Plaintiffs' internal 17 documents.

But the Plaintiffs still needed to file the 18 19 alegatos as a matter of form before the Judgment was 20 issued. So, Fajardo, in the e-mails, was exhorting his 21 team to finish the alegatos as soon as they can, but he 22 couldn't tell the non-core team members that the fix was 23 in. And by late 2010, when he sent these e-mails, Fajardo 24 already knew very well that the e-mails might be subpoenaed 25 in the United States, especially for U.S. team members.

10:54 1 conduct was involved, and these e-mails certainly don't 2 explain or wash away the clear evidence that the 3 Plaintiffs' unfiled documents were used in drafting the 4 Judgment.

Now, Ecuador's defense to all of this, as I said, 5 6 is just sloppy recordkeeping by the clerk, but that is not 7 a defense under Ecuadorian law. Dr. Velázquez, in his 8 Report, says that, under Ecuadorian law, documents must be 9 filed to have any procedural or evidentiary value in a 10 case, the normal rule you would find in any Court system. 11 And he goes on to say that a judge may not base a judgment 12 in Ecuador on a document that's not included in the record. 13 That would illegitimize the judgment and should result in 14 its nullity. And I might note that Dr. Velázquez has not 15 been called for cross-examination by Ecuador.

Now, that brings me to my fifth point, which 16 17 relates to Zambrano's testimony in the RICO case. Zambrano 18 testified there that the Judgment--this judgment--was the 19 largest and most significant decision of his career. In 20 fact, we know that's true because it's the largest decision 21 in the history of Ecuador by many factors.

22 And he says he spent months working on it. And he 23 says he wrote every word of this judgment himself with no 24 help from anyone else. That was his testimony. And the 25 day after the Judgment was issued, Zambrano appeared at a

10:56 1 press conference with the head of the Judicial Council who 2 called him a shining star, and I will let him--his words 3 speak for themselves.

(Video played.)

MR. BISHOP: But despite the significance of this judgment to him, when Zambrano was asked at the RICO trial 7 if he had any documents--any documents whatsoever--showing 8 that he authored the Judgment, he had to answer "no."

Now, he says he had made notes, but he says he 10 threw those notes away about a year later, even though he 11 knew Chevron was appealing the Judgment, and even though 12 he knew Chevron was claiming that the Judgment was 13 ghostwritten, he cavalierly tossed his notes away. So, he 14 has no documents evidencing that he wrote the Judgment.

And when he was asked about the contents of the 16 Judgment, he couldn't answer even the basics. He was 17 asked the very simple question of what theory of causation 18 was adopted by the Judgment. Well, despite a several page 19 discussion of this topic in the Judgment, he didn't know 20 the answer.

He was asked what the English word "workover" 21 22 means which appears in the Judgment twice. He didn't 23 know--perhaps because that word was taken, was cut and 24 pasted verbatim from the Fusion Memo by the Plaintiffs 25 themselves.

10:59 1 But we know that testimony is false, and Ecuador 2 itself admits that that testimony is wrong. Zambrano 3 indicated he started drafting the Judgment in 4 mid-November 2010, but the new computer wasn't even 5 purchased until November 26th, and it wasn't activated 6 until December the 7th. And from then until the Judgment 7 was issued on February 14th, 2011, Microsoft Word was only 8 open on the new computer for a total of 36 hours, not 9 nearly enough time to draft the Judgment. So, Zambrano's 10 repeated and insistent testimony that the Judgment was 11 drafted only on the new computer is demonstrably false. 12 Now, Zambrano also testified that he personally 13 hired an 18-year-old recent graduate, Evelyn Calva, to 14 type the Judgment. He didn't use any of the court 15 secretaries with the Court. He says he personally hired 16 her, he personally paid her, and she worked only on the 17 Chevron Case. He testified that he dictated almost every 18 word of the Judgment to her, about 85 percent, and never 19 handed her a document to type from. It was all done by 20 dictation. 21 And he also testified that the remarkable 22 Ms. Calva, 18 years old, did legal research for him and 23 did legal research in foreign law, and that she's the one 24 who found the U.S., English, and Australian case law

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25 discussed in the Judgment, and she found it on the

10:57 1 He was asked what the term "TPH" means which is 2 used in the Judgment 41 times, but he couldn't answer 3 beyond saying it has something to do with hydrocarbons.

Well, Ecuador suggests that, well, maybe he was 5 just confused because the proper acronym in Spanish is 6 "HTP" and not "TPH," but this only proves the point, 7 because the original Spanish version of the Judgment 8 doesn't use the Spanish acronym "HTP." It uses the 9 English acronym "TPH," and it uses it 41 times.

So, if Zambrano was confused about this as 11 Ecuador says, it's because he didn't draft the Judgment.

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And it's remarkable that Zambrano, if he did 13 draft the Judgment, wouldn't know the term TPH, because 14 this was precisely the term that was the basis for the 15 largest damage award in the Judgment: The \$5.4 billion 16 for soil remediation. \$5.4 billion was awarded precisely 17 to clean up TPH, so it was of real significance in the

18 Judgment. 19 Now, Zambrano also testified that the Judgment 20 was drafted only on the new computer in his office, and, 21 in fact, he repeated that testimony several times, and he 22 was quite insistent on it. He even drew a map of his 23 office, noted where the new computer was located, and said 24 that his typist sat only there and only typed the Judgment 25 only on the new computer. He was very clear about that.

11:01 1 internet.

Now, I ask you: Is it plausible that the foreign 2 3 law cases discussed in the Judgment were found on the 4 internet, as Zambrano testified, by his 18-year-old 5 assistant? Could you do legal research in a foreign 6 language and on a foreign legal system which you don't 7 know and could you have done it when you were 18 years 8 old? I know I certainly couldn't. But the evidence is 9 clearly inconsistent with Ms. Calva having done any of 10 this.

First, Ecuador isn't bringing Ms. Calva to 11 12 testify in this Hearing to corroborate Zambrano's 13 testimony.

14 Second, there is no evidence whatsoever that she 15 had any training or experience in doing legal research, 16 much less in foreign law, or that she had the language 17 skills in English and French to do so.

And, third, the forensic evidence on Zambrano's 18 19 computer is inconsistent with his testimony.

20 And fourth, we can compare the Judgment again 21 with the Plaintiffs' internal Moodie Memo and see plainly 22 that the Judgment closely tracks that memo of the 23 Plaintiffs, its legal propositions and the U.S. case law

24 that it cites.

So, what's more plausible? That the 18-year-old

11:02 1 Ms. Calva did legal research in foreign law on the 2 internet and just happened to find exactly the same cases 3 that were cited by the Plaintiffs in their unfiled 4 documents? Or that the Plaintiffs themselves ghostwrote 5 the Judgment with their own documents in front of them? And is it plausible--is it plausible--that 6 7 Ms. Calva just happened to type from Zambrano's dictation the same identical mistakes that are found in the 9 Plaintiffs' unfiled documents? 10

Now, the timing of Zambrano's testimony in the 11 RICO case is also suspect. Judge Zambrano was dismissed 12 as a judge in February 2012 for "inexcusable judicial 13 error revealing notorious ineptitude or carelessness in 14 the administration of justice." Now, he was dismissed 15 because he released a high-profile--a major drug 16 trafficker in a high-profile national police action--he 17 released him from custody, and he was clearly suspected of

18 corruption, of having accepted a bribe, but he was found 19 quilty expressly of the inexcusable judicial error. 20 Well, he was also found quilty in a second 21 incident and dismissed for, again, for inexcusable 22 judicial error, for arbitrary action, totally contrary to 23 the provisions of express legal rules. Yet this is the 24 judge that Ecuador tells you wrote every word of the

25 188-page Judgment.

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11:06 1 controlled by Petroecuador, the national oil company of 2 Ecuador. So, you can see that he was hired to this new 3 position with--for a company of Petroecuador only a month 4 after giving his RICO Declaration.

> But at the RICO Hearing, it was interesting that 6 Zambrano didn't even know the basics about his new employer. He had never visited the company's website and he didn't even know he had an e-mail address there.

And what was--you're undoubtedly going to ask, 10 what was Zambrano's explanation for how these Plaintiffs' 11 documents got copied into the Judgment? Well, this is 12 from his RICO Declaration, Paragraph 16, and this is what 13 he said: "I should mention that occasionally documents 14 related to the case that were not incorporated into the 15 process were left at the door to my office at the Court. 16 This was relevant information that, as I read it, I 17 realized it could be of use in my decision." That's his

18 apparent explanation. He's saying he nontransparently and 19 ex parte accepted unfiled documents and used them in

20 drafting the Judgment.

Now, he tried to clean up this testimony by 21 22 saying, well, he matched up the information in the

23 documents to the record. He doesn't say he matched up the

24 documents themselves. He says he matched up the

25 information in them. But we know it's demonstrably untrue

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11:04 1 Now, Zambrano also had a history when he was a 2 prosecutor of soliciting bribes. There are many 3 complaints in the file from individuals, from attorneys 4 accusing him of soliciting bribes as a prosecutor. One of 5 those was a petition filed by 41 people in 2006, just two 6 years before he became a judge. And this is what they 7 said: "Our collective indignation is based not only on events that occurred recently, but also because we have 9 become aware of a number of irregular and reprehensible 10 acts of Zambrano, who has been unable to maintain an 11 honorable track record as a public official, but has made 12 his professional career by a path of extortion, blackmail 13 and shame." That's what they said about him.

We also know that in 2004, the Napo Bar 15 Association itself requested that the Prosecutor General 16 suspend Zambrano for soliciting bribes. And we also know 17 that when he was considered for judgeship, the national 18 police certified that Zambrano had been arrested twice for 19 theft.

20 Now, after being dismissed as a judge, Zambrano 21 was then unemployed for a year, until he signed the 22 Declaration in the RICO case in March of 2013. Just a 23 month after that, he was then invited to a new job as a

24 legal advisor to the Refinery of the Pacific, a large 25 company, a major investment of Petroecuador and a company 11:07 1 for those Plaintiffs' documents that were copied into the 2 Judgment.

> But if this Declaration is correct, if his 4 explanation is correct, that's a violation of Ecuadorian 5 law. But, quite frankly, it's just not plausible. What's 6 far more plausible is that the Plaintiffs themselves 7 ghostwrote the Judgment using their own documents which they had before them.

9 And the Federal Court in the RICO case rejected 10 Zambrano's testimony. It found that his testimony was 11 unpersuasive for a host of reasons, among which were the 12 many inconsistencies in it, and finding that Zambrano was 13 a remarkably unpersuasive witness. Unfortunately, he 14 won't be here this week so you can see exactly the same 15 thing that the RICO Court saw.

Now, I would like to turn quickly to my final 16 17 point--I think my time is starting to run short--and my 18 final point is that the appellate courts abdicated their 19 responsibility to review the fraudulent conduct.

20 Former Minister Álvarez, in his three Expert 21 Reports which you have before you in this case--and 22 Mr. Álvarez also has not been called for cross-examination 23 by Ecuador--but in his three Reports he has chronicled the 24 events of the Ecuadorian judiciary since the Correa

25 administration took power. Since then, that

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11:08 1 administration has purged the Constitutional Court, has 2 twice replaced the judges on the National Court of 3 Justice, and also the members of the Judicial Council. 4 And the administration's own statistics for only an 5 18-month period show that they had dismissed 442 judges 6 and suspended 334 judges. And, in fact, if we take into 7 account all of the judges that were sanctioned in that 8 18-month period, it's well over half of the judges in 9 Ecuador. As one news editorial said, those statistics 10 show either widespread incompetence in the judiciary or 11 political tampering with the judiciary, or both.

Now, you have seen this next slide before in an 13 earlier Hearing. This shows just a few of the many cases 14 in which the Correa administration has dismissed or 15 suspended judges for the rulings in specific cases in 16 which Correa took an interest. And we know that Correa 17 has taken a specific interest in the Lago Agrio Case, not 18 only endorsing the Plaintiffs' case, but also endorsing 19 the Judgment as the most important judgment in the history 20 of the country, and also endorsing the Appellate Decision. Now, former Minister Álvarez has given the 21 22 opinion that in the context of President Correa's efforts 23 to control the courts, the Ecuadorian judiciary is not 24 independent in cases in which the Executive takes an

25 interest, and the Southern District of New York in the

11:12 1 Chevron an open enemy of the country, Chevron could not 2 get a fair trial in Ecuador, and that's as far as you or

4 Now, against this background, the Lago Agrio 5 Judgment was appealed, but the Appellate Court, whose 6 Constitution was manipulated, abdicated its constitutional 7 duty to review the allegations of fraud and corruption and 8 to correct the wrongdoing. And the National Court of 9 Justice followed exactly the same pattern: Despite its 10 constitutional duties, it also refused to look at the 11 evidence of fraud and corruption.

Now, since then, despite at least 12 letters from 13 Chevron requesting investigations over the past six years 14 of this pattern of fraud and corruption, the Government 15 has done nothing of substance. No one has been charged, 16 and no one has been punished.

17 And, in fact, since the Judgment was issued, 18 President Correa and the Government have stepped up their 19 attacks on Chevron and strongly supported the Judgment. 20 In almost every weekly national radio address, President 21 Correa supports the Plaintiffs, the Judgment, and attacks 22 Chevron very strongly. In fact, during a very critical 23 stage of the enforcement proceedings for the Judgment in 24 Argentina, President Correa flew to Buenos Aires, he met

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25 with the President of Argentina, and he told the press,

11:10 1 RICO case found the same thing.

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Now, Ecuador suggests that it's just Mr. Álvarez 3 saying this, but it's not. Many former members of 4 Ecuador's judiciary have publicly noted the lack of 5 judicial independence during the Correa administration. A 6 former Justice of the Supreme Court and former President 7 of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights is one of 8 them.

Another, in the second bullet point, is Carlos 10 Estarellas. Now, Ecuador keeps referring you to their 11 judicial reforms and they keep trumpeting their 2005 judicial reform over and over. But this is the man who 13 was the Chairman of the Special Committee that selected 14 the numbers of the Supreme Court in that reform, but this 15 is what he's saying now in 2010 during the Correa 16 administration: "The great misfortune of justice is that 17 political interests are not resigned to have no 18 interference in the courts. In Ecuador, I do not see the 19 principle of independence, as contemplated in the 20 Constitution, is being complied with." Now, you don't have to go so far as to find a 22 general lack of independence of the judiciary in Ecuador. 23 Our point is that in the specific circumstances of this

24 case, with President Correa and his Government making the

25 Lago Agrio Case into a national cause, with them calling

11:13 1 "of course we're going to support our citizens and try to 2 ensure that the court ruling is complied with."

I would also point you to the fact that the 4 Foreign Ministry has conducted many meetings abroad 5 through the embassies, again attacking Chevron and 6 supporting the Judgment, and the Foreign Ministry has even 7 published a pamphlet, after your Interim Awards were 8 published, calling the Lago Agrio Judgment "the first big 9 triumph" and declaring that the Judgment is enforceable 10 everywhere in the world. And Ecuador's Foreign Ministry, 11 on the instructions of President Correa, has made this a 12 matter of first priority for the foreign policy of the 13 country, and I will let you hear that directly from the 14 Foreign Minister. 15

(Video played.)

MR. BISHOP: With the case as a matter of first 17 priority of Ecuador's foreign policy, then that means it's 18 a matter of national interest, and it's a matter of 19 government policy. And all of this has been done by the 20 Government, it continues to be done in violation of the

21 Interim Awards that you have issued. With that, I will end my part of the 22 23 presentation, and I'm going to turn the floor over to 24 Mr. Coriell, but I suspect that all of us probably need a 25 break at this point.

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11:15 1 Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you quessed right. Let's have a 15-minute break, which is not more

than 15 minutes, and we will resume with Mr. Coriell.

(Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

7 Mr. Coriell, you have the floor.

MR. CORIELL: Thank you, Mr. President.

9 Members of the Tribunal, you've seen from 10 Mr. Bishop the Judgment fraud this morning, and now I'd 11 like to take a look at the Judgment itself, not for mere 12 error, not as an appellate court would do, but at the

13 egregious substantive holdings that show that in the words 14 of Mr. Fitzmaurice, no honest and competent Court could

15 have made them.

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And I want to focus on the three most egregious 17 legal absurdities in the Judgment. We've briefed a series 18 of them, but I want to talk first about how the Judgment 19 ignores and, in fact, breaches, to take you back to the 20 Track 1 issues, the Settlement and Release Agreements.

Number 2, how it ignores the basic tort element 22 of causation, a requirement in any legal system for Civil 23 Liability, and third, how it ignores Ecuadorian principles 24 of corporate separateness.

So, legal absurdity Number 1, relating to the

11:32 1 with personal harm findings.

Well, the Lago Agrio Judgment, we submit, has no 3 personal harm findings. It vindicates only diffuse 4 claims, claims that you held are barred by the Releases, 5 and we can see this first by looking at the Plaintiffs' 6 own words. My colleague's passing around what was an 7 appendix to our Track 1B Reply Memorial in January of 8 2014, which contains the series of statements by the 9 Plaintiffs, by Ecuador in this arbitration and Court 10 filings and statements by the Ecuadorian courts showing at 11 each level how this is a diffuse case. But let's look at 12 Slide 107 to the words of Plaintiffs' lawyer Julio Prieta, 13 where he said, "what we're claiming in this lawsuit has 14 never been indemnifications for damages to individuals due 15 to health reasons or for the death of a particular 16 person." In other words, no individual damages. We're 17 not suing for millions as indemnification for sick 18 persons. We're demanding a compensation system for 19 something that is diffuse, and that's public health. 20 Slide 108 is an excerpt from the Lago Agrio

21 Plaintiffs' pleadings in a 2014 court filing before the

22 Second Circuit in the RICO case describing the Lago Agrio

23 Judgment that they had won, and you see at Pages 5 and 6, 24 they say, the Provincial Court of Sucumbios, that's the

25 First Instance Appellate Court that affirmed the Lago

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11:31 1 Release Agreements.

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And you'll recall, of course, your Track 1 Award 2 3 from a little over a year ago, and I've put the operative 4 language on the screen at Slide 106. It's from 5 Paragraph 112, Section 3, where you said that "the scope 6 of the Releases" does not extend to "any environmental 7 claim made by an individual"--and here you gave the 8 standard--"for personal harm in respect of that 9 individual's rights separate and different" from 10 Ecuador's.

And you went on to say, though, that it does have 12 legal effect under Ecuadorian law to preclude any diffuse 13 claim under Article 19.2, whether it's made by Ecuador or 14 by an individual not claiming, and here that language is 15 again, "personal harm actual or threatened."

So, two key holdings here that we can key off of 17 from your Award. The first is that diffuse claims under 18 Article 19.2, which is the constitutional provision giving 19 a right to a clean environment, are barred; and the second 20 is that the standard for whether a claim is diffuse or 21 individual for determining whether it's barred under these 22 releases is personal harm. You say it twice here: An 23 individual complaint as opposed to a diffuse complaint

24 must allege personal harm, and an individual Judgment as 25 opposed to a diffuse Judgment must vindicate personal harm 11:34 1 Agrio Judgment, "declined to hold Chevron liable" for 2 what? For "individualized damages to inhabitants for

3 injuries." So, look at those words: Chevron is not

4 liable for individualized damages. It's not liable for

5 actual injuries caused to personal--to particular

6 individuals. So, no personal harm in the words of the 7 Plaintiffs, and that should be the end of the story.

And Ecuador itself recognizes as much or at least 8

9 it used to do so because it told you in no uncertain

10 terms, before your Track 1 Award forced them to change 11 their story, that this is a diffuse or a collective

12 Judgment, not an individual one. You see Paragraph 35

13 from their preliminary jurisdictional objections back in

14 2010. "The environmental Plaintiffs have elected to

15 narrow from Aquinda their requested relief in the Lago 16 Agrio Litigation and not pursue personal-injury claims.

17 So, not pursue personal-injury claims, full stop. In

18 other words, again, no personal harm.

19 And Ecuador reiterated the point in oral argument

20 at the May 2010 interim measures Hearing. I suspect it 21 wasn't practical to be bring thousands of personal-injury

22 claims." That's why they dropped it. Exactly. The

23 reason that it wasn't practical is because as you know,

24 Ecuador had and it has no class action mechanism. The 25 Plaintiffs couldn't aggregate their individual claims in a

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11:36 1 representative way like they could in the United States. 2 They had to do it by signing up each and every individual 3 as a named Plaintiff.

> In Ecuador, you can't represent the individual 5 rights of others who are similarly situated. You can only 6 act in a representative capacity with respect to diffuse 7 rights.

And what this means is that, absent a class 9 action, this case can only be about one of two things. 10 There's just two options: The first, if it's 48 11 individual claims, then we should see a judgment that 12 assesses personal harm as to these 48, and only these 48, 13 named Plaintiffs. But we know that the Judgment doesn't 14 do that. And, in fact, Ecuador doesn't even argue before 15 you that the Judgment does that. You've seen the 16 Plaintiffs' words you've seen Ecuador's words before your 17 Track 1 Award say affirmatively that it does not do that.

So, that's how we get to the inescapable 19 conclusion that this Judgment vindicates only diffuse or 20 collective rights. Again, personal harm, as you held, 21 that's the key, and it's not in the Judgment as to these

22 Plaintiffs.

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25 the Lago Agrio Court."

23 Now, at every level of this case, the Ecuadorian 24 courts have expressly said that the Judgment vindicates no 25 individual rights because it finds no personal harm to the

11:39 1 So, again, those two options I mentioned earlier, 2 they could represent just themselves, just the 48, or they 3 could represent the community in a diffuse way under the 4 EMA, and that's exactly what they ultimately did; that's 5 what the Judgment purported to vindicate. So, that's the 6 Judgment.

Move to the Clarification Order, which was even 8 more precise because here you have an express disclaimer 9 that the Judgment vindicated any individual rights, and 10 it's at Page 24. "When mention is made of damage to 11 persons, it is explained in the Judgment that what is 12 involved is damage to their culture and damage to their 13 health. This should not be confused with personal damage 14 in the sense of damage to individuals. Rather, it should 15 be understood as damage to persons or human beings in 16 general." So, this is the Clarification Order instructing 17 the Parties that if there is anything in the Judgment that 18 even seems to be referring to individualized harm or to a 19 vindication of individualized rights, that's not what the 20 Judgment was doing. That's not what that language was 21 intended to do. It's referring to damage to persons or 22 human beings in general. This should not be confused with 23 personal damage in the sense of damage to individuals.

So, again, no personal harm, to use your Track 1

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25 Award's language. How could this language in the

11:37 1 named Plaintiffs. We can start with the Judgment at 2 Page 33. The Plaintiffs have not requested personal 3 compensation for any harm. They've "demanded the 4 protection of a collective right according in accordance 5 with the formalities provided by the EMA, the redress of 6 environmental harm," that's the link to Article 19.2 of 7 the Constitution, which you held the diffuse use of that 8 was released, which has been alleged in this lawsuit and 9 affects more than 30,000 people, those supposedly being 10 undetermined.

So, a collective right to repair harm to a 12 30,000-member community of undetermined people. How can 13 Ecuador tell you with a straight face that this refers to 14 individual rights?

And remember, if the named Plaintiffs represent 15 16 those 30,000 others that you just saw them identify in the 17 Judgment, they can only do so as representatives of the 18 diffuse community interest, and the reason for that is 19 because, as Ecuador has said and as you've held in your 20 Track 1B Decision, no one can represent another's 21 individual rights in Ecuador without that person's express 22 consent. It's at Paragraph 165 of your recent decision: 23 "The Respondent acknowledges that the named Plaintiffs did 24 not, and could not, represent anyone but themselves before

11:40 1 Clarification Order be any clearer as to the nature of the 2 rights being vindicated?

Same with the Appellate Decision at Page 3, "the 4 economic losses suffered by the Plaintiffs" were "not 5 alleged in the complaint." There's not any claim 6 whatsoever for their compensation; the record contains no 7 grounds that would justify ordering the Defendant to 8 indemnify them. The complaint asks for the remediation of 9 the environmental damage. There is that link to 19.2 10 again: Diffuse environmental damage, not personal harm. 11 No claim, no grounds in the record whatsoever for 12 individual economic losses suffered by the Plaintiffs. 13 And then the Cassation Decision comes out and

14 says in as few words as possible, and you've seen this 15 language before. It's at Page 185 of the National Court's 16 Judgment, and it calls these so-called, "popular action 17 lawsuits "having to do with diffuse rights under which 18 Rule this complaint has been filed; " that is to say, they 19 are collective rights.

20 So, Ecuador's national Court of Justice is 21 telling us two things here: The first is that diffuse and 22 collective rights are the same in the context of this

23 particular case, Ecuador's attempts to play semantic games 24 between these two terms notwithstanding.

But the second is that this is a diffuse-rights

11:41 1 case. You see it in black and white, "having to do with 2 diffuse rights under which rule this complaint has been 3 filed." That's it. So, Ecuador is here today telling you 4 that this is an individual-rights case, and you see on the 5 screen the National Court of Justice telling you that it's 6 a diffuse-rights case. How can they do this with a 7 straight face?

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Now, speaking of the National Court of Justice, 9 recall that Ecuador has a pending request before you to 10 reconsider your final and binding Track 1 Award, based on 11 the Cassation Decision that contradicted you, that 12 disagreed with you, as you see in the language on the 13 screen--and I'm not going to read it, but it's the 14 operative language, by saying that the 1995 Settlement 15 does not bar diffuse claims, by saying that Claimants were 16 not released from diffuse liability under Article 19.2 of 17 the Constitution.

18 You see, there has never really been a debate 19 about the substantive rights that the Judgment purports to 20 vindicate in Lago Agrio. You've seen the Plaintiffs, 21 you've seen Ecuador, you've seen the courts say exactly 22 what we are here saying here today, that this is a 23 diffuse-rights case, not an individual-rights case. What 24 Ecuador did was it fought Claimants' Track 1 claim 25 originally, you will recall, on the ground that the

11:44 1 look at the language that I've excerpted on the screen 2 from Pages 138 and 139 of the Judgment and consider how 3 impossible it is to square with the notion that this is a 4 judgment based on individual claims. The Court says, 5 "with regard to the harm to people's health," "proof has 6 not been presented of the existence of harm to the health 7 of specific persons." There exists harm to public 8 health--that's diffuse--but "no medical certificates have 9 been submitted to show the existence of harm or injuries 10 to or a specific health problem of a given individual."

"The reparation of particular harm has not been 11 12 requested." "The submitted evidence does not necessarily 13 refer to the particular harm, but to the harm to public 14 health." The fact that no particular injuries or harm 15 have been proved--this is the Court's conclusion--the fact 16 that no particular injuries or harms have been proved is 17 irrelevant, and it goes on to say, the reason is because 18 they're only analyzing the existence of harm to public 19 health. So public health, not individual, not personal 20 harm.

More specifically as to the health findings, 21 22 potential cancer discussed in the Judgment, diffuse, not 23 individual. Page 184, "there exists sufficient 24 indications to demonstrate the existence of an excessive

25 number of cancer deaths. However, "we must note that the

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11:43 1 settlements didn't bar diffuse claims. That's what the 2 Cassation Decision said. You see it on the screen. But 3 Ecuador lost that argument with your binding Track 1 4 Award, and so the remaining piece of the puzzle, the last 5 step which is that the Judgment is wholly diffuse and 6 therefore barred by settlement, it just isn't seriously in 7 dispute.

Now, aside from the words of the Plaintiffs, the 8 9 words of Ecuador, what the courts have said at every 10 level, the easiest way to see that is to look at the 11 actual substance of the Judgment itself at each of the 12 seven categories of harm that it found. And I've listed 13 those on Slide 117, and the reason is because under each 14 one of these, we see the same thing, which is a total lack 15 of individualized findings and a confirmation of what the 16 courts said, that this is a purely diffuse-rights judgment. I told you that it's a diffuse-rights judgment, 18 if you look at the substance, which you pointed out was 19 the primary thing to look at in your Track 1B Decision, it 20 shows you that it is a diffuse-rights Judgment.

22 these Categories, the most personal type of harm 23 imaginable, which is the harm to health, but in this

And we can take as the best example of this from

24 Judgment it's only talking about the harm to public

25 health, a diffuse not an individual harm. And you can

11:46 1 reparation of particular cases of cancer has not been 2 demanded nor are such cases identified; thus, they're not 3 remediable."

> So, \$800 million in this Judgment to address cancer where not a single particular case of cancer has 5 been alleged or identified.

Now, that's an absurd result for a lot of 8 different reasons, but it's certainly dispositive that 9 this is not a judgment based on individual claims. And I 10 hope that Ecuador would at least agree that if you're 11 going to vindicate an individual cancer claim, you'd have 12 to at a minimum identify an individual's instance of 13 cancer.

14 The Clarification Order goes on in the same 15 subject, Page 23. We're not going to have a list of 16 affected persons because "it was clearly established" that 17 we are facing "a situation of damage to public health and 18 not to individualized claims for injuries or diseases." 19 We're not even listing affected persons. Again, how can 20 anyone say with a straight face that this means personal 21 harm?

22 Now, what I've taken you through so far Ecuador 23 doesn't like to spend time talking about. It doesn't like 24 to talk about how the Plaintiffs have characterized the 25 Judgment, how it used characterize it, what the courts in

11:47 1 Ecuador themselves have said characterizing the Judgment, 2 and that's because they really don't have an answer to the 3 overwhelming weight of the evidence that you've just seen. 4 What they do is they point as their single defense to the 5 2002 Delfina Torres case, and they say Delfina Torres is 6 an individual case. It's similar to Lago Agrio; 7 therefore, Lago Agrio must be an individual case. There's two points with respect to Delfina

9 Torres. The first is the obvious one at the level of 10 form, and that's that the Delfina Court, as you know, it's 11 not in dispute, refers to the itself as a case vindicating 12 individual rights under Article 2214 of the Civil Code. 13 The Lago Agrio Case, at every level, as you've just seen, 14 refers to itself as vindicating diffuse or collective 15 rights. So, that's the distinction between the two.

But the second point is that if you dig into the 16 17 substance of the two cases, you see that that confirms the 18 distinction that the courts have made. One truly is 19 individual, one truly is diffuse.

20 Now, you talked about the substance, as, of 21 course you recall, of the Delfina Torres case in your 22 Track 1B Decision, and I've put up your operative summary 23 from Paragraph 174 of the Decision. In doing so, you 24 recognized the key feature that distinguishes Delfina from 25 Lago Agrio, which is the individualized harm findings.

11:50 1 language, "but no other person." And that's the 2 distinction between Delfina and Lago Agrio: Individual 3 harm findings and a damages amount linked only to that 4 individual harm. If Lago Agrio were an individual case, 5 then the \$9.5 billion in damages, just like the 11 million 6 in Delfina, would be linked to harm to the 48 named 7 Plaintiffs and no other person. But as we've seen, it's 8 not so linked.

9 And we can look a little deeper into how the 10 Delfina Plaintiffs has acted on their own behalves in that 11 case, while the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs acted on behalf of 12 the diffuse community interests, another distinguishing 13 factor. You see the citation from Page 5 of Delfina. 14 "Nowhere in the complaint is it stated that the Party 15 bringing the complaint does so as the representative of, 16 nor on behalf of, the public interest." They're doing it 17 for themselves. Contrast that with Section 6 of the Lago 18 Agrio Complaint, filed in the Plaintiffs "capacity as 19 members of the affected communities and in safeguard of 20 their recognized collective rights." So, representative 21 capacity, collective rights, no assignment of their 22 individual interests to any other person or entity, the 23 essence of a diffuse-rights case.

And, finally, we can look at the type of evidence 24 25 that supported the respective harm findings in Delfina as

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11:49 1 So, you talk about how the Court did three things in 2 Delfina. Number one, it acknowledged that "the normal 3 relief for injury suffered by the Plaintiffs is pecuniary 4 compensation." Number two, it held that "pecuniary 5 compensation, due to those Plaintiffs" in Delfina as 6 individuals and, in your words, "but no other person" 7 amounted to \$11 million; in other words, individualized findings of \$11 million worth of harm to the Plaintiffs in 8 9 the case.

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And then, and only then, third, "in view of the 11 desire expressed by the Plaintiffs, such amount was to be 12 applied to remedial works to satisfy the needs of the 13 community," but the cost of those works was "not to exceed 14 the amount of \$11 million." In other words, it could be 15 used for the community, but the cost was not to exceed the 16 amount determined of personal harm.

In other words, Delfina found specific harm 17 18 suffered by the Plaintiffs "but no other person", in your 19 words. It calculated that harm, and it awarded damages 20 for that harm, but not a penny more.

21 Then, and only then, the Plaintiffs chose to use 22 the money for the benefit of their communities, but they 23 didn't have to do that. The Court commended them for it 24 in its Judgment, but it said they didn't have to do it

25 because it was their money for their harm, again your

11:52 1 opposed to Lago Agrio. On the left, from Page 28 of

2 Delfina, you see that personal individualized evidence, a

3 detailed examination of each resident, mainly their

4 "psychological health." A report from a doctor that

5 "contains a detailed diagnosis and prognosis of the

6 illnesses suffered" by all of those residents for whom she

7 is, in fact, their "treating physician". So,

8 individualized findings. That's what makes an

9 individual-rights case.

10 Look at Page 138 of Lago Agrio, we have seen this 11 earlier: "Proof has not been presented of the existence 12 of harm to the health of specific persons. "No medical 13 certificates have been submitted. No evidence in the 14 entire Judgment showing that individualized harm, 15 generalized findings, and that's what makes a

16 diffuse-rights case.

So, that's the distinction between Delfina and 17 18 Lago Agrio. Just like with Delfina, you recognize the

19 importance of individualized findings in your comparison

20 in your Track 1B Decision to the common law public

21 nuisance case, and I'm pulling an excerpt from

22 Paragraph 178, and here you're quoting in the italicized

23 language the Leo case from New York, which says that, "in

24 the absence of special damage," it's usually a "public

25 authority" that corrects a public nuisance. But "one who

11:53 1 suffers damage or injury beyond the general inconvenience 2 to the public at large may recover for nuisance damages" 3 or get an injunction.

And then here is the standard for whether you get 5 to do that or not: If there is some injury "peculiar" to 6 a Plaintiff, a private action premised on a public 7 nuisance may be maintained, and the Leo Court goes on to 8 explain that in that case it was proved because the 9 peculiar injury was to the commercial interests of 10 commercial fishermen. So, there has to be injury peculiar 11 to a Plaintiff beyond the harm done to them as members of 12 the communities at large. An individual injury, for 13 example, beyond harm to public health, so there has to be, 14 to go back to the standard that you set up in your Track 1 15 Award, there has to be personal harm.

So, what this all adds up to is that the Judgment 16 17 ignored the Releases by purporting to vindicate only 18 diffuse rights. And we actually know why it did that, and 19 the reason is because once the Aquinda Case was dismissed 20 in New York, with no class action available in Ecuador, 21 this was the only way for Donziger and his fellow RICO 22 conspirators to get big money. They had to file a diffuse 23 case because it was the only way that they could represent 24 more than just the named Plaintiffs. And we see this from 25 Plaintiffs' lawyer Cristobal Bonifaz's argument to the New 11:56 1 In this case, the Red Amazónica case tells us that only 2 environmental harm cases under the EMA--in other words, 3 only diffuse cases and only diffuse claims--may be heard 4 under that summary verbal procedure.

Look at the quotes from Red Amazónica. "There 6 has been an improper joinder of environmental and civil 7 actions." "Only environmental claims may be considered 8 because only environmental claims may be heard in summary 9 verbal proceedings." "Environmental action protects a 10 common good;" in other words, it's diffuse. "An action to 11 recover damages seeks to protect an individual's property 12 which, though important, cannot be compared to a good that 13 belongs to everyone." In other words, it is individual. 14 It cannot be compared to a diffuse good. "No claim 15 connected to the compensation of purely civil damages can 16 be considered in the resolution of this case." It's 17 contrary to law, it's a violation of law to allow an 18 environmental action for the purpose of claiming ordinary

20 So, Mr. President and Members of the Tribunal, 21 this is Judge Zambrano clearly saying that individual 22 actions under the Civil Code, actions for personal harm 23 can't be heard the way that the Lago Agrio Case 24 indisputably was heard. This is all the proof that you 25 need, and you've seen an overwhelming amount of it

19 civil compensation.

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11:55 1 York Court in 1999 opposing the Aquinda dismissal: "What 2 purpose will it serve for us to take 73 Plaintiffs, go to 3 Ecuador, file suits, even if we were able to succeed 4 because what are we going to get fixed? Plots of land, 5 which are 8 acres apiece." In other words, the 6 individuals' plots of land. "That is all we can seek in 7 Ecuador." That's all they can seek. That's all they 8 could have sought, and that's all that they could seek in 9 Ecuador. No class action. Just individual damages for 10 any named Plaintiffs.

Or what they did, in fact, seek and what they 11 12 did, in fact, get in the Lago Agrio Judgment, which was a 13 diffuse-rights judgment for the community, ignoring the 14 Releases.

15 Now, I'd like to close on the Releases by 16 pointing you to an Ecuador Court decision that perhaps 17 best reveals the absurdity in Ecuador's attempt to 18 convince you that the Lago Agrio Judgment vindicates 19 individual rights. You recall from their briefing they 20 say it does so because it does it through Civil Code 21 claims, Articles 2214 and Article 5236.

What you see on the screen is an excerpt from an 23 appellate opinion signed by Judge Zambrano in the Red

24 Amazónica case. Now, as you know, the Lago Agrio case was 25 heard under what's called the summary verbal procedure.

11:58 1 already, but this is all the proof that you need that Lago 2 Agrio is in no way an individual-rights Judgment. 3 Legally, it couldn't be because of the way that it was

4 handled.

And if Ecuador wants to convince you otherwise, 5 they have a simple way to do so. They can show us. They 6 can show us the individual harm findings, they can show us the individualized damages findings, but they can't do 9 that because they're just not there, and that's why you've 10 seen the courts disclaim their being there.

The second legal absurdity is that the Judgment 11 12 ignores the basic tort element of causation. And this one 13 is simple and it's pretty obvious because the Ecuadorian 14 courts actually couldn't keep their own story straight on 15 this issue.

First, the Judgment pretended to consider 16 17 Petroecuador's responsibility. We see that the 18 Clarification Order Page 8, "no pit constructed by 19 Petroecuador or spill caused by that company is covered by 20 the Judgment." That sounds good. "The damage caused by 21 Petroecuador has not been considered, using a time-based 22 approach that divides liability", and then attributes it 23 to the Operator at the time.

24 But if you look at the Judgment, you quickly

25 realize that this simply isn't true. There are no

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11:59 1 causation findings as to Petroecuador versus TexPet's 2 liability. There is no time-based approach, and Ecuador 3 can't point to you where the Judgment employs that 4 time-based approach.

But you don't have to take my word for it because 6 the Cassation Decision actually admits and celebrates the 7 Judgment's refusal to perform a causation analysis with 8 respect to this issue. Page 117 of the Cassation 9 Decision, "the Court of Appeals was not responsible" "for 10 analyzing Petroecuador's liability", much less to 11 attribute some damage to Chevron and other to 12 Petroecuador, " violate due process and even worse.

So, that time-based approach that we were assured 14 was done, it wasn't. To do it apparently would have 15 violated due process or perhaps worse. You don't get more 16 absurd than this type of so-called "judicial reasoning." 17 To attribute harm to a particular tortfeasor somehow 18 violates due process. Amazing. And then the National 19 Court of Justice ignores the Clarification Order that we 20 just saw pretending to do just that.

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So, why does the Judgment ignore causation in 21 22 this respect? The same reason as with the Releases: 23 Money. Look at the yellow shaded area in the midst of 24 Petroecuador's solo operations on the timeline of 25 operations in the Concession Area. That's where the

12:02 1 a conversation that he had with Steve Donziger, and 2 Mr. Donziger apparently told him "the analysis and 3 reporting of GRO and BTEX data is self-defeating except to 4 show that the contamination is much more recent than we 5 would desire"--that's interesting phraseology--"and that 6 would lead to an argument that the contamination is by 7 Petroecuador rather than Texaco."

So, two things here: This is exactly the point 9 that I was making with the timeline of operations on the 10 previous slide. If you test in 2004, when Petroecuador 11 has been operating alone for over a decade, then any harm 12 that you'll find is presumptively Petroecuador harm.

13 And if you want to legitimately attribute it to 14 TexPet, you have to show causation, but as you saw, the 15 Judgment absurdly doesn't even purport to do that. 16 Third legal absurdity. It also ignores

17 principles of corporate separateness. Now, both Parties 18 agree that the legal standard for veil-piercing under 19 Ecuadorian law is abuse of the corporate form. In the 20 Lago Agrio Case, the courts pierced three different levels 21 of corporate separateness, from TexPet up to Texaco, over 22 to Chevron, and from the Judgment debtor Chevron down to

23 its worldwide subsidiaries in the execution orders issued 24 by the Ecuadorian enforcement courts purporting to enforce

25 the Judgment. So, we should expect to see three recent

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12:00 1 judicial inspections took place. That's where all the 2 alleged evidence of environmental contamination in this 3 place came from. That's when it was collected. During a 4 period of time well over a decade after TexPet had ceased 5 operating.

So, the Plaintiffs' lawyers are getting money for 7 what Petroecuador presumptively caused, and then, of course, Petroecuador and the State on the flip side get to push their liability for what they presumptively caused to 10 Chevron. And again, you don't have to take my word for it 11 because that was the deal that they made. Mr. Bishop 12 referenced this earlier this morning: The beginning of 13 their conspiracy. Look at what the Attorney General of 14 Ecuador requested in this waiver of rights document, that 15 "the compensation sought" in the Aquinda Case "be paid 16 exclusively by Texaco." And then the Plaintiffs accepted 17 that. They said, "we hereby expressly waive the right to 18 file any claim against [the State], Petroecuador, its 19 affiliates" or any public sector institution. In other 20 words, I scratch your back, and you scratch mine. 21 And the Plaintiffs' lawyers knew what they were

22 doing. They knew that Petroecuador was responsible for

23 harm in this Concession Area. You see on the screen an

25 environmental expert David Russell, and he's reporting on

24 excerpt from an e-mail from former Plaintiffs'

12:03 1 sets of reasoned findings of abuse of the corporate 2 form--that's a particular standard--one for each of these 3 veils that the courts pierce.

But again, we see none of that in the Judgment. 5 And I encourage you to read it. You won't find any of 6 this. No evidence of reasoning or findings of that 7 particular agreed standard, abuse of the corporate form. 8 There is no debate that that's what you have to find, but 9 the evidence just isn't there, so the findings aren't 10 there.

And I want to emphasize that this isn't an 11 12 instance where we simply disagree with the Court having 13 done this reasoning the way it did it. We're saying it's 14 not there. They didn't make the findings to apply this 15 standard that they agree is the standard, and so it's a 16 juridical impossibility. It's not legal reasoning.

17 And the reason for this is actually twofold: For 18 the first two veils to get to Texaco and to get to 19 Chevron, the Plaintiffs just messed up. They sued the 20 wrong party, and they had to try to fix it in the Judgment 21 that they wrote, and so you see Donziger's diary saying 22 this goes back to Alberto Wray's errors, suing the wrong 23 party in the complaint.

24 And for the last veil, to get to the worldwide 25 subsidiaries, well, the money against the Judgment debtor

12:05 1 Chevron Corporation is located where Chevron Corporation 2 is located, which is the United States. But as you know 3 from the RICO case, there is an injunction from preventing 4 the enforcement of that Judgment. And so, where are the 5 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' lawyers going outside the United 6 States to try to get money? Argentina, Brazil, Canada. 7 But neither the Operator TexPet nor its parent Texaco, nor 8 the actual Judgment debtor Chevron is present in any of 9 these three jurisdictions, and so that's why the courts 10 had to pierce that third veil to the worldwide subs. They 11 had to write a judgment without being able to point to any 12 evidence of abuse piercing these three different levels of 13 corporate separateness.

So, you have seen that the Plaintiffs bought and 15 paid for a judgment that ignores the Releases, ignores a 16 key element of causation and ignores corporate 17 separateness. Professor Paulsson will explain a bit later 18 how doing that constitutes a denial of justice, just like 19 the fraud that Mr. Bishop discussed with you constitutes a 20 denial of justice, but first let me turn the floor over to 21 Ms. Renfroe to discuss the environmental issues.

22 Thank you, Mr. President.

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just one moment, maybe one

24 question from the Tribunal.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Just a question of

12:07 1 Agreement itself, because it indeed resolves all 2 environmental issues, any Judgment is an absurdity.

> The second part I will address is the fact that 4 the damage awards in the Judgment are grounded in fraud, not science and, therefore, in and of themselves represent a denial of justice. 6

And then my third point will address why 8 Ecuador's new environmental experts in this arbitration 9 case, why their ex post work does nothing to resuscitate 10 this fraudulent judgment.

So, let me begin with the Settlement Agreement, 11 12 which, as I say, and as we have demonstrated, resolves all 13 environmental issues concerning diffuse rights.

I take you back first to the Settlement Agreement 15 itself agreed by the Parties in 1995; and, in that 16 critical instrument, the Parties agreed on a process to 17 evaluate the environmental extent of the Consortium's 18 operations, they agreed on the critical remediation 19 techniques that would be used; and, perhaps most important 20 for this controversy, they agreed on the precise areas 21 within the former Concession Area that TexPet was to 22 address, and you can find those areas listed in the

23 annexes at the back of the Settlement Agreement.

Then in the more detailed Remedial Action Plan, 24

25 or RAP as we sometimes call it, the Parties provided the

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12:06 1 clarification. You said that the Judgment was not based on 2 individual claims. Is it your position that the 3 7th May 2003 Complaint did not include individual 4 complaints, or do you regard that as a separate matter? MR. CORIELL: It is our position, and it continues 6 to be our position that the Complaint did not include 7 individual claims. A lot of the same evidence that you 8 have seen from the statements of the Plaintiffs indicates 9 that. It is, however, a separate matter because regardless 10 of whether the Claim is articulated in individual 11 complaints in the Complaint, the Judgment does not 12 vindicate any, and that can be easily seen by what the 13 courts say about it, and by looking at the substance of the

14 harm findings in the Judgment. ARBITRATOR LOWE: And that is something to which 15 16 you might come back in the closing, I imagine, the 17 relationship between the Complaint and the decision in the 18 light of our decision on Track 1B?

19 MR. CORIELL: We will do so, thank you.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

21 Ms. Renfroe.

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MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Members of the Tribunal. 22

Now that Mr. Coriell has addressed the legal

24 absurdities in the Judgment, I am going to address the

25 factual absurdities in three parts: First, the Settlement

12:09 1 specific items for remedial work that TexPet was to 2 accomplish; and, so between these two instruments, they 3 provide the Tribunal the critical framework you need to 4 evaluate any environmental claim and any environmental 5 evidence.

Looking at these two instruments more carefully 6 7 and in more detail, what we see from them is that 8 everything not expressly allocated to TexPet for 9 remediation in the tables at the back of the Remedial 10 Action Plan remained the responsibility of Petroecuador 11 and Ecuador to address. This is a very, very, critical 12 point to realize about the core part of the Parties' 13 agreement, and that is: Number one, the Parties did not 14 agree to require TexPet to remediate the entire Concession 15 Area. To the contrary, they agreed only that TexPet was 16 required to remediate certain features at certain sites. 17 And so, when we look at the Remedial Action Plan, we see 18 that only certain features were assigned to TexPet at 157

19 sites. The balance of those sites remained the 20 responsibility of Petroecuador.

Likewise, we see from these two critical 21 22 instruments that 187 sites were not assigned for any 23 responsibility to TexPet whatsoever, again remaining the 24 responsibility of Petroecuador.

Now, this division or allocation of

12:11 1 responsibilities for remedial work made perfect sense when 2 you think about the fact that Petroecuador was, indeed, 3 the majority partner of the Consortium, and between it and 4 Ecuador having collected over \$22 billion over the life of 5 the Consortium, while TexPet earned approximately 6 \$500 million.

And then a very second important practical reason 8 also explains this division of remediation 9 responsibilities, and that is that Petroecuador was 10 continuing to operate this Concession Area throughout the 11 time that TexPet was doing its remediation.

So, the key takeaway, the key framework for the 13 Tribunal is that there was no one site that was allocated 14 to TexPet in its entirety, and certainly not the entire 15 Concession Area. And so, what we get with this framework 16 is the distinction between the RAP areas specifically 17 listed in the back of the Remedial Action Plan--and when I 18 say RAP areas, I mean those RAP items that TexPet was 19 supposed to take care of--and everything else is a non-RAP area or non-RAP feature.

Let me illustrate this distinction with a little 21 22 more detail.

On this slide, on the left, I'm so showing you a 24 drawing of the Lago Six well platform. The wellhead 25 itself is in the middle of this yellow platform. And then 12:14 1 and Petroecuador released TexPet for the so-called "RAP 2 liabilities."

> 3 So, these two documents again confirm that the 4 Parties' agreement was only that TexPet was to remediate certain discrete portions of the Concession Area.

Further evidence confirming this as the agreement 6 7 of the Parties can be found in the testimony of two senior 8 ranking Ecuadorian environmental officials. On the top, I 9 have summarized the testimony of Manuel Muñoz, who was 10 then the Director of DINAPA, the environmental arm of 11 Ecuador's Ministry of Energy and Mines.

12 In 2006, he told Ecuador's Congress: "Texaco has 13 completed the remediation of the pits that were their 14 responsibility; this was 33 percent of the total." But in 15 the intervening decades, Petroecuador had done little. 16 And then again, before this Tribunal in 2012, Giovani 17 Rosanía Schiavone, who at that time was the Undersecretary 18 of Environmental Protection for the Ministry of Energy and 19 Mines, he told this Tribunal, as Mr. Bishop mentioned 20 earlier, he insisted that the "technical work and the 21 environmental work was done well, " and they accepted, 22 meaning the Government of Ecuador accepted, that "the 23 environmental problem" in the areas assigned to TexPet had 24 been corrected.

There is no question that at the time that

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12:12 1 when you look at Table 3.1 from the Remedial Action Plan, 2 you will find that only one out of the two pits at this 3 site, Pit 1, was assigned to TexPet for remediation. The 4 other pit, Pit Number 2 was not assigned to TexPet for 5 remediation, nor was anything else surrounding the 6 platform.

> So, what we take away from looking at this Remedial Action Plan table, is that there was a single pit allocated to TexPet with a balance remaining Petroecuador's responsibility.

And so, this illustrates my point and the 12 framework for the Tribunal to use of this RAP versus 13 non-RAP distinction.

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Now, further proof that it was never the 15 Agreement of the Parties that TexPet was supposed to 16 remediate either the entire Concession or even an entire 17 site, further proof of that can be found in the language 18 of the Settlement Agreement itself. When you look at 19 Section 5.1 of the Settlement Agreement, you will see that

20 in 1995, when that Agreement was signed, the Government of

21 Ecuador and Petroecuador released TexPet at that time for

22 all non-RAP liabilities. And then upon completion of

23 TexPet's remediation work, which has been documented in 24 great detail in the Woodward Clyde 2000 Report, upon

25 completion of that work, then the Government of Ecuador

12:15 1 Ecuador and Petroecuador executed the Final Release that I 2 showed you a moment ago, they were fully aware that TexPet 3 had not remediated the entire Concession Area nor had 4 remediated even an entire site. They knew that and that's 5 because that was the agreement of the Parties. That is 6 specific items as identified in the Remedial Action Plan

7 schedules, those are the only items assigned to TexPet.

Now, notwithstanding this irrefutable evidence of 8 9 what the Parties agreement was, now in this arbitration 10 case, for purposes of justifying this fraudulent Judgment, 11 we find that the Government of Ecuador has taken a 12 completely opposite position in asserting and complaining 13 that TexPet did not remediate the entire Concession Area 14 or even remediate an entire site. But, Members of the

15 Tribunal, as I have just shown you, that was never the 16 agreement of the Parties, and the evidence is irrefutable 17 on that point.

18 Now, in this arbitration case, instead what we 19 see from the Government of Ecuador and its experts is a 20 litany of complaints about TexPet's work, not

21 coincidentally the very same complaints that were urged 22 against Chevron in the Lago Case, and I have summarized

23 those complaints on the left-hand side of the slide.

24 Again, the Settlement Agreement and Remedial Action Plan

25 give you the framework you need to consider these.

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Let me give you an example, you perhaps have read 12:17 1 2 about the complaint we now hear from Ecuador and its 3 Experts that TexPet closed pits before June of 1990 when 4 it handed over operations to Petroecuador, and that those 5 are somehow now hidden pits, and they complain that TexPet 6 did not remediate those pits.

Members of the Tribunal, you have only to look at 8 Section 3.1.2 of the Remedial Action Plan and you will see 9 that the Parties recognized that category of pits and made 10 specific provision for what was to be done with those. 11 And I quote here. The Remedial Action Plan says: "Sites 12 with pits closed prior to 1990 were investigated for any 13 visible soil contamination." Two such pits were found. 14 And they were added to the TexPet remediation program. 15 So, it cannot be said that those pits closed by TexPet 16 before June of 1990 were hidden. The Parties were fully 17 aware of them and reached agreement on how to deal with 18 them.

19 A second example illustrates my point, that the 20 Settlement Agreement and RAP are your framework. That is 21 now the complaint we hear that TexPet's work was 22 inadequate because it used composite sampling to evaluate 23 soils and sludges. Once again, the Remedial Action Plan, 24 Section 2.4.3, you will find that the Parties expressly 25 agreed on the use of composite sampling.

12:20 1 so unreasonable that they amount to a denial of justice. Now, Mr. Bishop showed you a little while ago in 2 3 very, very graphic detail how the Plaintiffs accomplished 4 their fraudulent Judgment, and I'm now going to show you 5 why they resorted to fraud over science.

We have only to look at the private confidential 6 7 communications of the Plaintiffs' lead environmental 8 Expert, David Russell, which I have summarized on this 9 slide. In his e-mail communications to Steven Donziger 10 spanning the Years 2004 to 2006, he's telling Donziger, 11 "Texaco may be right when they say the remediation is 12 performing as designed. From the data I have seen so far, 13 we are not finding any of the highly carcinogenic 14 compounds one would hope to see when investigating the oil 15 pits." And, third, "I have seen no data which would 16 indicate there is any significant surface or groundwater

17 contamination caused by petroleum sources." Now, this is Mr. Russell's candid assessment of 18 19 the lack of data, notwithstanding the fact that the 20 judicial inspection process has been under way for some 21 two or three years.

22 Now, when he could not provide Mr. Donziger the 23 evidence that Mr. Donziger wanted to support a substantial 24 Judgment, Donziger replaced them with the Stratus Group.

25 And on this snapshot from the crude outtake that

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12:18 1 And a third example makes my point. The 2 complaint now that TexPet's remediation of pits was 3 inadequate and that the TCLP procedure and the criteria of 4 a thousand parts per million was an ineffective measure of 5 the efficacy of TexPet's remediation of the pits. But if 6 you look at the Remedial Action Plan, Section 2.4.4, once 7 again, Members of the Tribunal, you will see this is what 8 the Parties agreed to.

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And so too as you go down the rest of the list of 10 complaints, every one of those complaints is answered in 11 full by the Settlement Agreement and the Remedial Action 12 Plan that was the agreement of the Parties. And so that 13 is why I say the Judgment in any amount whatsoever is a 14 complete absurdity.

But now, this brings me to my second point, which 16 is the fact that the damages awards in the Judgment are 17 grounded in fraud and not any valid scientific data. The 18 evidence shows us that to be the case, and let me 19 illustrate that.

But let me first make this point: Claimants are 21 not here guibbling over an erroneous environmental finding 22 or two in the Judgment. Instead, our position is that the 23 evidence of the damages awarded in the Judgment and the 24 lack of evidence to support those damage awards, is so 25 overwhelming and those damage awards, on their face, are

12:22 1 Mr. Bishop played for you early, I have captured some of 2 the key findings in a confidential conversation that Ann 3 Maest of Stratus had with Steven Donziger, and you can 4 listen to this discussion yourself when you listen to this 5 Crude outtake, but for now, the key point to take from 6 this is Ann Maest tells Steven Donziger: "We have no 7 evidence of groundwater contamination, and right now all 8 of the reports are saying it's just at the pits and the 9 stations, "referring to the production stations, "and 10 nothing has spread anywhere at all." 11

That is the testimony--pardon me--that is the 12 confidential assessment conveyed by Ann Maest of Stratus 13 to Steven Donziger in a private lunch before the Judgment 14 was issued.

15 Now, in response to this candid assessment by a 16 second team of environmental experts that the data doesn't 17 exist to support a substantial Judgment, Steven Donziger 18 told his expert team the following which, and again you 19 can listen to and you did hear earlier from the Crude 20 outtake that Mr. Bishop played you, he told them: "Hold 21 on a second, this is Ecuador. You can say what you want, 22 and we can get money for it because at the end of the day, 23 this is all for the Court, just a bunch of smoke and 24 mirrors and bullshit. It really is."

Well, Members of the Tribunal, eventually when

12:24 1 the technical basis for the Lago Plaintiffs' case was 2 indeed revealed to be just a bunch of smoke and mirrors, 3 those environmental experts who had told Steven Donziger 4 privately, confidentially before the Judgment was issued, 5 there was no data to support a significant Judgment, they 6 reaffirmed under oath and told and stated under oath 7 exactly what they had told him before the Judgment was 8 issued.

As to the \$5.4 billion soil remediation Award in 10 the Judgment, David Russell declared under oath: "I had 11 seen no evidence of any widespread contamination, and the 12 idea that the cleanup of the oil pits would require 13 billions of dollars is nonsense. I am confident that the 14 damages number in the Judgment has no basis in fact." The 15 sworn testimony of David Russell, which is in this record.

The damage awards for groundwater remediation and 16 17 potable water remediation in the hundreds of millions of 18 dollars are equally lacking in any scientific basis.

19 According to the sworn testimony of Stratus Expert

20 Doug Beltman and again, the testimony of David Russell.

Turning now to whether there is any basis for the 22 health-related awards in the Judgment. Again, in the

23 billions of dollars, a \$1.4 billion healthcare Award as to

24 that and the Awards for excess cancer claims of

25 \$800 million, you again have the sworn testimony of Lago

12:27 1 Concession Area that are impacted around the oilfield 2 facilities, the well platforms because Petroecuador, while 3 it has done some remedial work, it has not completed all 4 of it.

> But even as to those limited impacts, we still 6 find that there is no drinking water contamination based 7 on legitimate data as concluded by these experts. There 8 is no human health risk.

But what has happened in the last 25 years and 10 has been documented in the record that Claimants have 11 provided is that Petroecuador has operated these oilfields 12 for the last 25 years and has expanded them dramatically 13 with the effect that the conditions in the Concession Area 14 have irrevocably changed from the time when TexPet handed 15 over operations in 1990.

16 Now, this brings me to my third point, which is 17 the fact that Ecuador's new environmental Experts in this 18 arbitration case cannot justify in a post hoc fashion the 19 Judgment. I say that because their work is flawed at many 20 levels and for many reasons, the key important ones of 21 which I have summarized on this slide, and I will go 22 through these points now briefly.

23 First, there is the fiction that the Ecuador 24 Experts support the Lago Judgment, according to the

25 Memorials from the Republic of Ecuador. Members of the

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12:25 1 Plaintiff environmental experts who have said, in the case 2 of Dr. Charles Calmbacher, he never found that any of the 3 sites that he inspected had contamination to such an 4 extent that it would endanger human health. And Doug 5 Beltman concurred. He had never seen any scientific data 6 that would show any adverse health effects caused by 7 contamination--contamination from Petroleum Operations in the Oriente. 8

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Now, Members of the Tribunal, these candid 10 assessments of the lack of data to prove widespread 11 contamination and human health risks from the Lago 12 Plaintiffs' experts themselves is perfectly consistent 13 with the findings of the Chevron experts from the Lago 14 Case, many of whom are now experts in this arbitration 15 case.

And for the convenience of the Tribunal, I have 17 summarized who those experts are and their critical 18 findings on this slide.

19 Most important and collectively, they establish 20 that there is no legitimate scientific basis for the 21 Judgment or any of the damage awards in the Judgment. 22 What they do tell us is that TexPet performed the Remedial 23 Action Plan, but that Petroecuador has yet to complete its 24 share of the remediation work. And for that reason, we 25 will find that there are areas within the former

12:29 1 Tribunal, respectfully, that is simply not the case. On 2 this slide I quote from the LBG Report where they say: 3 "The Judgment's assessment of damages was reasonable," and 4 yet in the four reports that they have issued and I have 5 put on this slide, not one of those Reports do they offer 6 any endorsement of any of the damage awards in the Judgment. Not one of those reports and not one of the damage awards do they support.

9 Now, they dodge this issue by saying, well, 10 quantum is reserved for Track 3, but Members of the 11 Tribunal, this is not about quantum. This is about 12 Claimants' case, which has now been fully established, 13 that the amount of these Judgments--the damages in the 14 Judgment, the damage awards themselves, are so excessive 15 and unreasonable that they constitute a denial of justice, 16 and that's the case that has been established by Claimants 17 and their Experts, and that issue is completely unanswered 18 by Ecuador's new Experts in this arbitration case.

19 A second major flaw in the work of Ecuador's 20 Environmental Experts is that they completely ignore the 21 Settlement Agreement and Remedial Action Plan by their own 22 admission, claiming it to be irrelevant. They ignore that 23 critical framework that should be considered in assessing 24 whose activities caused a particular impact.

Third key flaw in their work is that they also

12:30 1 ignore the operations and environmental impacts of 2 Petroecuador, admitting as they say in this excerpt from 3 their Report they've made no effort to try and allocate 4 pollution liability between TexPet and Petroecuador.

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But, Members of the Tribunal, as you know, Petroecuador has, indeed, operated these oil fields for 7 the last 25 years with great effect. I am going to show you now an image or a screenshot from Claimant's mapping 9 tool, C-2444. And I would ask to draw your attention to 10 the screen.

In green, you see the green icons represent the 12 well platforms that were constructed by the Consortium 13 through 1990. Now, if you watch the screen, you will see 14 the new red--the red icons represent the new wells that 15 had been constructed by Petroecuador and/or Ecuador's 16 State-owned oil companies since 1990. And as you can see 17 with your own eyes, the operations of Petroecuador in the 18 last 25 years have overwhelmed those of TexPet.

19 Now, taking this point and going from a high 20 level to the facts on the ground, what do we know about 21 Petroecuador's operations? Well, we know that 22 Petroecuador has operated nearly every single facility 23 that TexPet ever operated, almost all the well platforms 24 and, indeed, every production station. We also know from 25 its own publicly available information that Petroecuador

12:34 1 I have provided for you the key fact, and that is whether 2 Petroecuador has operated these 13 sites or in any way, 3 form or fashion touched them. And the truth is, Members 4 of the Tribunal, when you look at the record evidence that 5 is in this case, we find that Petroecuador has had some 6 touch, some operation, some activity, at every one of 7 these 13 cites. So they can in no way be classified as 8 TexPet only sites.

9 And then when we look at the question of where 10 were the samples taken? Were they taken from areas that 11 TexPet remediated, those RAP areas, or were they taken 12 from areas that TexPet was not responsible for remediating 13 those non-RAP areas? Well, from these 13 sites, LBG, 14 Ecuador's Expert, sampled in 32 areas, and of those 32 15 areas, 28 of them are non-RAP areas, for which TexPet had 16 no remediation responsibility whatsoever.

17 So, this limited dataset tells us absolutely 18 nothing about the remediation work of TexPet. If it tells 19 us anything at all, it's simply about areas within the 20 Concession Area that Petroecuador has yet to address. 21 Moving then on to the next major problem with the 22 Ecuador expert's new work to try and make their case of

23 widespread contamination and human health risk, they have

24 to resort to extreme measures in terms of sampling 25 protocols and protocols for how human health risk is

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12:32 1 has spilled over 125,000 barrels of oil throughout the 2 Concession Area just through the Year 2009. And on an 3 annual basis, it conducts over 338 well workovers at the 4 platforms which create opportunities for spills on and off 5 the platforms.

So, faced with this overwhelming record of 7 impacts by Petroecuador, Ecuador's new experts purported to collect new samples from areas that they characterized as "TexPet only." But this exercise on their part is 10 flawed for many reasons and deserves no weight by the 11 Tribunal.

Some of the problems with this recently acquired 13 data are listed here, perhaps the most important of which 14 is that it was never available to the Lago Court. This is 15 again evidence outside of the Lago record now being 16 offered to justify in a post hoc fashion the validity of 17 the Lago Judgment. It simply fails. But even to the 18 extent that the Tribunal were to consider this data, it's 19 very problematic because of the manner in which it was 20 collected. It's a very limited and biased data set. And 21 notwithstanding how it's been characterized by Ecuador and 22 its Experts from TexPet-only areas, the opposite is true. On this slide, I have listed the 13 sites where 24 Ecuador's Expert LBG took new samples and the areas where

25 they sampled at each site. And then in the third column,

12:36 1 calculated. There are many problems with their work, and 2 I've summarize just a few here on this slide. But I leave 3 you with this point of common sense: Does it really make 4 sense that new experts coming to this Concession Area, 25 5 years after TexPet left it, that they could possibly find 6 data to prove wide spread contamination and human health 7 risk when the Lago Plaintiffs' multiple groups of Experts 8 couldn't do that? It makes no sense. And when you put a 9 microscope to the work done by the Ecuador's experts new work, you find it will not withstand scientific scrutiny. 11

The last point on this slide is the one I want to 12 go to next. And that is the critical question, the 13 important question of human health risk.

Although Ecuador's expert, Dr. Harlee Strauss, 15 purports to calculate human health risk, I want to explain 16 to the Tribunal that when you evaluate the epidemiologic 17 evidence between exposure to petroleum compounds in the 18 Oriente and adverse human health effects, when you do it 19 using valid and widely accepted scientific protocols, as 20 Claimant's epidemiologist, Dr. Moolgavkar, has done, you 21 find there is no causal relationship between exposure to 22 conditions in the Oriente and adverse human health

23 effects.

24 I would note that Dr. Moolgavkar is the only 25 expert who has actually done his study and published it.

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12:37 1 It's been subject to peer review. And then when you take 2 the judicial inspection data from the Lago Case and you 3 apply it to a quantitative risk assessment Protocol, as 4 Claimants' risk assessment and toxicologist expert, 5 Dr. Tom McHugh, has done, you will also find from a 6 quantitative perspective, there is no adverse human health 7 effects to people in the Oriente based on the data that 8 was collected during the Lago Case.

Now, contrary to these findings by these two 10 highly qualified experts, Ecuador offers the testimony of 11 Dr. Harlee Strauss and they characterize her opinions has 12 having established "widespread human health risk from 13 TexPet's operations." But, Members of the Tribunal, the 14 facts are, when we give a critical evaluation to her work, 15 we see just the opposite. If anything, she confirms the 16 absence of human health risk for these reasons: First, 17 she admits in her reports that she has no proof of any 18 actual cancer or non-cancer health impacts to any person, any family or any neighborhood in the Oriente in the

former Concession Area. 21 So, at most, what she is able to do is calculate 22 a theoretical health risk, and she does that based only on 23 the recently acquired data that LBG collected. And even 24 then, only at limited pockets of nine sites--nine of 344 25 Concession sites--there are many problems and flaws with

12:41 1 effects.

What I have summarized for you on this last slide 2 3 and given you an enlarged copy of, are the expert reports 4 that came from multiple sources and that were available in the Lago Case except for the new reports that had been 6 submitted in this BIT arbitration.

You don't have to take Chevron's word for it. 8 You don't have to rely only on the Chevron experts. What 9 you find is a body of expert reports, many of which were 10 placed in the Lago record and which come from the Lago 11 Plaintiffs' experts themselves, which come from the 12 Sacha 53 settling experts appointed by the Court, and 13 which even come from some of Ecuador's own environmental 14 investigation agencies. When you look at all of their 15 work and you see that it's--I've organized their reports 16 according to these key findings, we find an absence of 17 evidence to support any claim of widespread contamination 18 or human health risk, and for those reasons we can see 19 that the damages awarded in the Judgment have no 20 scientific basis and represent a denial of justice. And with that, I will hand it over to my 21 22 colleague, Mr. Paulsson, who will further discuss the

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

23 denial of justice and the violation of the Bilateral

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12:39 1 her calculations, as you will be hearing in the coming 2 weeks. But even those calculations are very limited and 3 depart from widely accepted methods.

But even if the Tribunal were to give them any 5 weight at all, they are based only on data from non-RAP 6 areas. She does not calculate a human health risk from 7 any area, any RAP area, that TexPet remediated.

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Now, her findings of an absence of health risk 9 based on the quantitative data actually correspond 10 perfectly with the opinion of her colleague Dr. Grandiean, 11 Ecuador's epidemiologist, who in his very first report 12 after assessing the epidemiologic evidence, he too had to 13 confess and acknowledge an absence of evidence to support 14 any association between exposure to conditions in the 15 Oriente and adverse health effects, though he urged the

16 Tribunal to set aside that absence of evidence. But Members of the Tribunal, as you know from 17 18 your own experience, your own common sense, an absence of 19 evidence is no evidence at all to support the health 20 awards in the Judgment. And in a broader sense, that 21 absence of evidence that we find from Ecuador's health 22 related Experts characterizes the weight of the evidence 23 that was in the Lago record about the fact that there is a 24 lack of human health risk proven from exposure to

25 conditions in the Oriente and actual adverse health

12:42 1 Mr. Paulsson.

24 Investment Treaty.

MR. PAULSSON: Members of the Tribunal, let's try 2 3 to put this concatenation of outrages into some kind of a 4 conceptual framework that shows us where all this will 5 lead. I will seek to deal, in sequence, with three aspects 6 of denial of justice: the legal standard, the ripeness of 7 Chevron's claim and its merits.

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I will also remind you of Ecuador's breaches of 8 9 specific provisions of the BIT.

10 As shown by the evidence summarized this morning, 11 the meltdown of the rule of law in Ecuador has left a 12 depressing wasteland saturated with the five types of 13 poison listed on the slide. What is the applicable 14 international law standard? Many formulations seeking to 15 define denial of justice were quoted in my Reports filed 16 earlier in this case. I should pause to note that in 17 light of the Tribunal's invitation that I join Counsel 18 table, those reports are obviously not evidence and, as 19 was confirmed in the Claimants' letter of June the 2nd, 20 2014, are not being cited as evidence, but, of course, the

21 Claimants continue to rely on the Legal Authorities 22 referred to.

23 One general formulation is that of the 24 International Court of Justice in Barcelona Traction.

25 Denial of justice occurs in the case of such acts as

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12:43 1 corruption, threats, unwarrantable delays, flagrant abuse 2 of judicial procedure, a Judgment dictated by the 3 Executives or so manifestly unjust that no court which was 4 both competent and honest could have given it.

It seems particularly useful, though, to consider 6 formulations that pertain to the specific manifestations 7 of denial of justice in this case: First, bias against 8 foreign litigants. In his well-known treatise on the 9 diplomatic rights of citizens abroad, Edwin Borchard wrote 10 that customary international law quarantees aliens "fair 11 courts, readily open to aliens, administering justice 12 honestly, impartially, without bias or political control."

A second type of denial of justice, very 14 pertinent here, is the refusal to address and correct 15 evidence of malfeasance. The proposition that this is an 16 international delict has venerable antecedents. To take 17 just one example, in 1886, the Commissioner in Coles and 18 Croswell found that a Haitian Court denied justice when it 19 refused to annul a conviction for theft that resulted from a corrupt process.

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Closer to us in time, the European Court of Human 21 22 Rights has consistently found countries to be in breach of 23 the European Convention if their Appellate Courts do not 24 have the power to correct First Instance Decisions tainted 25 by bias. I refer you to the Kingsley case, whereas here

12:46 1 indicates strongly a pre-determination on the part of the 2 Judge. I now turn to ripeness.

Despite the numerous and gross violations of due 4 process embodied in the Lago Agrio Judgment, despite the failure of Ecuador's higher courts to correct or even 6 consider them, and despite the ongoing efforts of the 7 Correa administration to have the Judgment enforced abroad 8 as a matter of declared highest policy priority, Ecuador 9 insists that Chevron has yet to suffer any cognizable 10 injury and that further remedies remain to be pursued 11 within Ecuador. It's preposterous. The refusal of the 12 higher courts to consider the evidence of fraud is itself a 13 freestanding denial of justice. It's grotesque to present 14 it as a justification for now sending Chevron on a wild 15 goose chase under something called the Collusion 16 Prosecution Act.

The denial of justice here was consummated when 18 the Appellate Court in willful disregard of your Interim 19 Measures Awards affirmed and certified the Judgment as 20 enforceable in Ecuador and, more to the point, abroad. 21 This proposition is at the heart of the case.

22 As Sir Hersch Lauterpacht wrote in his Separate 23 Opinion in the Norwegian Loans Case, the requirement of 24 exhaustion of remedies is not a purely technical or rigid 25 rule. It is a rule which international tribunals have

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12:45 1 complaint is made of a lack of impartiality in the 2 first-instances court, the reviewing Court must not only 3 consider the complaint, but have the ability to guash the 4 impugned decision. That should certainly ring a bell with 5 anyone familiar with the record in this case.

A third type of denial of justice: Improper 7 influence by the Executive Branch. You have some citations on this slide, I hope. Note that one single 9 letter evidencing undue influence was enough to condemn 10 the Respondent in Petrobart versus the Kyrgyz Republic. 11 Compare that with President Correa's constant and 12 relentless public diatribes against Chevron and his 13 emphatic resolute, triumphant endorsement of the Lago 14 Agrio Judgment.

And, finally, a fourth type of denial of justice: 16 The egregious misapplication of law, the legal absurdities 17 discussed by Mr. Coriell, or an outcome manifestly 18 inconsistent with the evidence before the Court, the factual absurdities discussed by Ms. Renfroe.

19 Flawed legal analysis and factual findings can, 21 to use Fitzmaurice's words, evidence a decision which no 22 honest and competent Court could possibly have given. And as held in the case of the Oriente, a decision given in 24 direct opposition to so strong a preponderance of the 25 evidence of testimony cannot be entitled to respect. It

12:48 1 applied with a considerable degree of elasticity. The 2 inquiry is inherently contextual. May I, therefore, ask 3 you to put yourself in the Chevron's position on the 4 3rd of January 2012. That was the day when the Appellate 5 Court in question, namely the Provincial Court of Justice 6 of Sucumbios, wholeheartedly affirmed Judge Zambrano's 7 Judgment.

Let us engage in a mental exercise. You're 9 Chevron, 11 months ago you had been ordered to pay billions 10 of dollars on the basis of the say-so of a dishonest man 11 wearing the robes of a judge, an opaque and interminable 12 Judgment with not the slightest demonstration of exactly 13 how the preposterously successful Plaintiffs had proven any 14 damage whatsoever as a matter of elementary causation. Let 15 alone how this added up to such a breathtaking amount.

16 You might have thought that this robed judge would 17 be disavowed by any responsible public authority. The 18 purpose of the exhaustion of remedies rule is to give the 19 State in question the opportunity to disown the aberration 20 and to nullify its effect on the victim. Frighteningly 21 while statements by the President of the country would have 22 made you nervous, particularly given the many reports of 23 neutral international observers to the effect that the 24 judiciary is an instrument of executive dictats. But

25 today, on the 3rd of January 2012, is the opportunity for

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12:50 1 Ecuador as a subject of international law to come to its 2 senses through its appellate jurisdiction. Here is the 3 test that matters: Does the rule of law obtain in Ecuador? 4 I'll ask for your worst fears to come to reality, the 5 Judgment is blithely affirmed in its entirety, every jot and tittle. Ecuador has no intention of disowning it.

From the President who uses Texaco as his whipping 8 boy on his weekly basis, to every single official who has 9 had the occasion to consider the iniquity of the Lago Agrio 10 Judgment but instead lauded it, Ecuador has plainly 11 indicated that there will be no remedy for Chevron.

This process of ratification starts with the 13 appellate Judgment, so let me remind you of a few of its 14 depressing elements.

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First, the Appellate Court did not purport to 16 reassess the evidence independently as a court of appeal, 17 but instead deferred to the ostensible sound judgment, sana 18 critica, of Zambrano in all material respects. Let me 19 quote from Page 12. Article 115 of the Code of Civil 20 Procedures states that evidence must be assessed as a whole 21 pursuant to the rules of a sound judicial Judgment. In the 22 present case, the trial court has complied with the provision just mentioned.

And now, Page 8. In the division's estimation, 25 what the trial judge did in the appeal Judgment was exactly 12:53 1 Or, as the French say, courage, fuvons!

Second, the Appellate Court stated that it had no 2 3 competence to consider Chevron's evidence of fraud in the 4 procurement of that Judgment, although it provided no 5 explanation for this apparent paralysis. That's the bell I hope I rang when I referred to the European Court of Human 7 Rights Judgment a few moments ago.

But the Plaintiffs were not satisfied with the Appellate Court acting as Pontius Pilate. They wanted to 10 act as a subservient accessory. So, they asked the Court 11 for a clarification to explain that when it said we have no 12 competence, it actually meant that it had, in fact, 13 considered and rejected the evidence of fraud. All right. 14 Thank you very much, responded the Appellate Court. That's 15 exactly what we meant to say. And so the clarification 16 order transformed no competence into the obedient finding 17 that, yes, such allegations have been considered, but no 18 reliable evidence of any crime has been found.

This all speaks for itself, except to note that 20 the Appellate Court's contradictory ipse dixit was too 21 outrageous even for the National Court of Justice, which 22 preferred the lesser outrage--but still an outrage--of 23 evasion. When it got ahold of the case, it ruled that the 24 Court reviewing Zambrano's bombshell of a judgment after 25 all did not have the authority to consider whether it was

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12:51 1 this: Consider the evidence as a whole and not just the 2 documentary evidence that the Defendant demands, and 3 establish the facts in an indisputable and conclusive 4 manner.

More from Page 12: It is the collection of 6 information coming from various sources that undoubtedly 7 has created in the trial judge the conviction of the existence of damage, allowing him at the same time to have a minimal margin of error in applying the interpretation 10 method of sound discretion to assess scientific evidence.

And moving over to Page 13: The appeal Judgment 12 proposed the detailed appraisal of all the body of evidence 13 and finds the existence of environmental damages legally 14 proved. The division considers the lower court's appraisal 15 in this part to be coherent and of good legal logical judgment because it stems from the body of evidence 17 presented in the trial to which the trial court referred 18 precisely.

19 In sum, the Appellate Court deferred to the 20 ghostwritten Judgment on all counts. You will search in 21 vain in the Appellate Judgment for words like, for example, 22 "soil" or "water" for any weighing of the evidence, for any 23 justification of the billions awarded in damages except 24 assertion. The appeals judges might have just as well 25 written this: The deed is done. Let's not get involved.

12:54 1 fraudulent, and that was dispositive.

The assertion of impotence from both the Appellate 2 3 Court and the National Court of Justice are on the slides.

At this moment, your Tribunal enters center stage.

You had already heard the Parties on the issue of 5 whether irreparable harm would arise if Ecuador allowed the 6 7 tainted Judgment to set sail around the world.

On the 16th of February, 2012, you issued the 8 9 second Award on Interim Measures. In the fact of the 10 Appellate Decision, this decision strengthened your earlier 11 directive, moving from ordering Ecuador to take all 12 measures at its disposal to prevent enforcement, now for it 13 to take all measures necessary--necessary--to suspend or 14 cause to be suspended the enforcement and recognition 15 within and without Ecuador of the Judgments. This imposed 16 an obligation of result.

17 What did the judges of the Sucumbios Court do? 18 The very next day, February 17th, the Provincial Court of 19 Justice of Sucumbios declared the Judgment to be 20 enforceable. On March 1st, the Court attempted to justify 21 its recalcitrance on the odd and unexplained ground that 22 its immediate enforcement was required by human rights 23 principles, an argument that popped up, it seems, like a 24 Jack-in-the-Box. I quote: "The members of the division

25 have no obligation to assume this responsibility under

2 consider the conflict of international obligations they 3 generate by ordering measures that restrict human rights." Two days later, on March 3rd, Correa publicly 5 condemned the Tribunal's Second Interim Award. He said 6 this: "And now a United Nations arbitration center, 7 invoking the Bilateral Investment Treaty dated 1997, is

12:56 1 orders from a commercial arbitration panel who do not

8 trying to stay the sentence. They're setting in motion the 9 UN itself to carry out a judicial monstrosity according to 10 their interests. This is very serious, fellow countrymen. 11 very serious."

Correa elaborated his meaning in a July 2013 13 speech to ALBA. Referring to your Interim Measures Award, 14 he said: "This is outrageous. This is intolerable. These 15 are the mechanisms of a new empire, the empire of capital, 16 the new imperialism, or a double standard of boundless 17 hypocrisy, using these international forums, arbitrations 18 completely biased, corrupt arbitrators, to try and force 19 our countries into submission."

20 I've tried in vain to understand on what basis 21 Correa could declare urbi et orbi that Messrs. Veeder, 22 Grigera Naón and Lowe are corrupt arbitrators. The only 23 answer seems to be that he is the President and has the 24 power to designate the quilty without explanation. I 25 shudder to think what he makes of advocates who are not

12:59 1 one hand, a routine first-instance Judgment which has been 2 decided in disregard of an alien's right to due process but 3 which has attracted no attention at all by higher national 4 authorities of any stripe, and, on the other hand, an 5 instance of denial of justice which the Head of State hails 6 as the most important judgment in the history of his 7 country?

The difference becomes even starker when the 8 9 Judgment is dutifully affirmed on appeal without any 10 consideration of the evidence that it was procured by 11 fraud. When that Judgment is certified as enforceable in 12 contravention of a binding order of an international 13 tribunal and when the effective enforcement of that 14 judgment around the world has been declared a matter of 15 priority governmental policy, why are not the unequivocal 16 statements of the Head of State in a country with a 17 subjugated judiciary a sufficient and conclusive indication 18 of the State's lack of interest in any opportunity to 19 correct a Judgment of which it is, to the contrary, very 20 proud?

Why is it not decisive that the head of State 21 22 disaffirms any intention to countenance reconsideration? 23 Exporting the Judgment outside Ecuador was 24 certainly a dispositive event. Ecuador's courts have no 25 jurisdiction beyond the country's borders. They cannot

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12:57 1 convinced by his rhetoric.

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All of this confirms the existence of a 3 consummated delict. Professor Fawcett wrote in the British 4 Yearbook in 1954: "The exhaustion of local remedies is 5 necessary to establish beyond doubt that the wrongful act 6 or denial of justice complained of is the deliberate act of 7 the State, and that it is willing to leave the wrong unrighted."

8 9 Ask yourself the question: When has the State as 10 a system, as an institution, made clear that it has no 11 interest in correcting the outlandish denial of justice in 12 progress? It is an uncontestable fact that Ecuador has 13 never signified anything but a constant, explicit, indeed, 14 militant refusal to acknowledge or correct the wrongdoing. 15 And this comes from the Head of State, again and again, 16 ever more stridently. Praising the Zambrano Judgment as 17 the most important in the nation's history. Branding 18 lawyers who advised Chevron of its rights as vende patrias. 19 When is enough enough? When does a State lose the occasion 20 international law gives it to undo a denial of justice? 21 When is a denial of justice a deliberate act of the State, 22 as Fawcett put it? When--what does one need more once the 23 head of State has spoken and plainly articulated his 24 contempt for international legal obligations?

Isn't there a world of difference between, on the

01:00 1 reverse a foreign court's decision to freeze assets or to 2 enforce the Lago Agrio Judgment.

And so, your Tribunal recognized that Chevron 4 faced irreparable harm when--when--the Ecuadorian judiciary 5 declared the Judgment to be enforceable. You recognized 6 this when you granted Interim Measures to prevent that 7 eventuality. And this is what you wrote: There are 8 increasingly grave risks that enforcement and execution of 9 the Lago Agrio Judgment against the First Claimant with its 10 subsidiary companies will imperil to a very significant 11 extent the overall fairness and the efficacy of these 12 arbitration proceedings.

13 The Declaration of the Judgment's enforceability 14 did two things: It exacerbated the injury to Chevron and 15 it rendered the Ecuadorian system powerless to correct it. 16 With the remaining avenues of recourse rendered 17 ineffective, Ecuador attracted international 18 responsibility.

19 Gentlemen, as of this moment, there is no room 20 left for the exhaustion of Ecuadorian remedies. The 21 \$9 billion Judgment has been set loose like noxious spores 22 and it is no longer within Ecuador's power to contain them.

23 To use the words of the Ambatielos Tribunal, 24 "Remedies which could not rectify the situation cannot be 25 relied upon by the Defendant State as precluding an

01:01 1 international action."

Now, Ecuador's inconsistent versions about what 3 additional recourse should have been pursued are quite 4 revealing. Let me explain. After the Appellate Court's 5 decision of January 3, 2012, Chevron filed a cassation 6 petition to the National Court of Justice. In February 7 of 2013, while cassation was pending, Ecuador, in its 8 Track 2 Counter-Memorial on the Merits, confirmed that this 9 was the proper course, and that Chevron could have its due 10 process complaints heard by that National Court of Justice 11 and subsequently the Constitutional Court.

12 This is what Ecuador told you. There are two 13 effective remedies available to Chevron that it has failed 14 to exhaust: Appeal to the National Court of Justice, which 15 is currently pending. If that is denied, also an 16 extraordinary action before the Constitutional Court. Like 17 the National Court of Justice, the Constitutional Court can 18 overturn the Lago Agrio Judgment. That's what they told 19 you.

20 But the National Court of Justice, in its decision 21 later that year affirming the merits of this Judgment, 22 contrary to what Ecuador told you, stated that it did not 23 have the authority to address fraud and, thus, affirmed 24 without any inquiry into the Judgment's bona fides and thus 25 disregarded the dossiers presented by Chevron. So much for 01:04 1 anti-Chevron extortion campaign. With different actors 2 involved in the separate facets of this expansive fraud, 3 Chevron would need to bring not one but several independent 4 actions under the CPA.

Ecuador's 11th-hour remedy thus stands athwart 6 international law which does not require Claimants to 7 pursue oblique and collateral avenues of relief. Something 8 as serious as fraud in the Judgment must, in any 9 functioning system, be a central issue on direct appeal, if 10 not the central issue.

11 The refusal of the appellate and cassation courts 12 to consider Chevron's evidence of fraud cannot be 13 reconciled moreover with Ecuador's lex specialis promise to 14 provide effective means for the vindication of rights as 15 set forth in Article II(7) of the BIT.

Both Parties agree furthermore that the doctrine 17 of ultima ratio applies here, meaning that actions under 18 the CPA are available only where there is no other 19 potential recourse. As explained by Dr. Coronel, one of 20 the experts on Ecuadorian law whom Ecuador has not chosen 21 to call here, the Appellate Court had--he's very clear on 22 this--the Appellate Court had the constitutional power and 23 duty to consider the evidence of fraud presented by 24 Chevron.

25 In its Rejoinder, Chevron does not dispute the

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01:03 1 that remedy.

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Now what did Ecuador do in these proceedings? It 3 instantly backtracked. In its Track 2 Rejoinder, having 4 never so much as whispered of it before, Ecuador proclaimed 5 that the only possible recourse for judicial fraud all 6 along had been something called a Collusion Prosecution Act 7 claim, a separate and collateral action against Zambrano 8 himself. How amazing is that? Would Ecuador's counsel 9 with a straight face say that you haven't exhausted 10 recourse against, let us say, Barclay's Bank, until you 11 have brought a personal tort action against the Branch 12 Manager who executed your purchase of the shares that went 13 down? For that matter, do they see no irony in faulting 14 Chevron for pursuing the very recourse that they once 15 insisted was the proper path?

The CPA, the Collusion Prosecution Act, was first 17 brought on stage as a deus ex machina by the National Court 18 of Justice in an attempt to justify its claimed paralysis. 19 It was an afterthought, a fig leaf. As a purported remedy, 20 it fails at several levels.

21 For one thing, although Ecuador seems to posit a 22 CPA claim against Zambrano, this would not address the full 23 measure of the delict, which goes well beyond the 24 qhostwritten Judgment itself. Consider the falsified 25 Calmbacher Report. The Cabrera fraud. The Government's

01:06 1 import of constitutional commands such as the right to a 2 fair and transparent proceeding. It instead attempts to 3 delineate a point of procedure and a footnote, Footnote 4 116: If evidence of the fraud is contained within the case 5 record itself, the Appellate Court, it says, can consider 6 it. If instead the evidence of fraud is extrinsic to the 7 case record, the only recourse is the CPA.

In other words, Ecuador concedes that Chevron 8 9 would have satisfied the exhaustion requirements with its 10 direct appeal if only the proof of malfeasance here were 11 contained in the record of the case itself.

12 What type of system is this? The fraudulent 13 Judgment does not speak its name. The quilty party doesn't 14 produce evidence of the fraud because it wants the fraud to 15 be successful. The innocent party does not produce it 16 because the fraud is secret, and it is ignorant of it. At 17 least in theory, furthermore, the Constitution of Ecuador 18 is supreme and must be applied directly, not subordinated to rules of procedure. This is just double speak. Ecuador 20 is unable to cite any authority or any examples of this 21 esoteric distinction.

22 Let us nonetheless accept arguendo Ecuador's 23 unattractive assumption that its judicial system positively 24 prevents appellate courts, as a matter of procedure, from 25 considering whether the judgment under review was corrupt,

01:07 1 procured by fraud. Even under this dubious hypothesis, it 2 is undisputed by Ecuador that the CPA Court could 3 not--cannot--stay enforcement of the underlying judgment 4 during its review. Page 39 of the Rejoinder. That makes 5 this already implausible remedy perfectly pointless.

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Chevron, please recall, did try to stay 7 enforcement. But its entreaties were rejected by both the Appellate Court and the National Court of Justice. Without 9 a stay, the CPA is not a remedy. It's a detour, and a 10 lengthy one at that.

Ecuador concedes that it typically takes almost a 12 year-and-a-half just to get a first instance judgment under 13 the CPA--Page 40 of the Rejoinder. That would be followed 14 by several more years of appeals which, in this case, would 15 go to the very same appellate courts, appellate and 16 cassation courts, that emphatically affirmed the 17 multi-billion dollar Judgment in the first place without 18 showing any interest in the proof of its corrupt origin.

19 Ecuador's suggestion of sending Chevron down the 20 CPA rabbit hole is perfidious. It would serve to tie the 21 hands of this Tribunal for several years while President 22 Correa continues his campaign to promote the Judgment's enforcement abroad. International law is not so anemic.

Recall here that in addition to pursuing recourse 25 before the National Court of Justice and the Constitutional 01:10 1 As has been well documented in this arbitration. 2 after ten years of repeated restructurings and removals, 3 the judiciary is now securely under the thumb of the 4 President. Although Ecuador attempts to spin the 5 successive reorganizations as progressive reform, they have 6 only further destabilized the judiciary and allowed for 7 greater political intervention through various removals and appointments. Recall the statistics: Two-thirds of the Ecuadorian judiciary sanctioned by either removal, 10 suspension, fines or reprimands in the course of 18 months 11 in the Years 2011 and 2012.

12 You may have heard the proverb, perhaps unfairly 13 attributed to the Chinese, but certainly an ultimate 14 manifestation of Machiavellian thought: Kill one, warn a 15 hundred. Judges know full well the personal and 16 professional risks they would be taking if they were to 17 rule against the Government's interests. This is doubtless 18 what Donziger told his friends--that the trial and appellate judges hearing the Lago Agrio Case don't have to be intelligent enough to understand the law, just as long 21 as they understand the politics.

22 The politics here were not difficult to 23 understand. Correa publicly called Chevron an enemy of the 24 nation. Chevron must be held liable, with a sanction to be 25 imposed in the hands of the courts. Enforcement of the

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01:09 1 Court, as Ecuador once recommended, Chevron transmitted 2 evidence of fraud to the Office of the Prosecutor General 3 as it became available. As Mr. Bishop recounted, while 4 Chevron has been accused by the Prosecutor General of 5 malicious--of making reckless and malicious accusations, no 6 action has been taken against any of the Ecuadorians 7 implicated by the evidence.

For the most part, the Prosecutor General has been 9 content to simply ignore the evidence presented to him. 10 But in September 2013, he took the unusual step of actually 11 rejecting and returning three boxes of Judgment 12 qhostwriting evidence, stating, as if it were an 13 explanation, that the case in question is a civil 14 proceeding in which the Prosecutor General office does not 15 participate. No interest in criminal activity. That's 16 Exhibit C-2305.

The official investigations of the Office of the 17 18 Prosecutor General does continue to languish, going nowhere 19 slowly. This is an exercise in hypocrisy. There are, in 20 short, no effective remedies in Ecuador for the injuries 21 Chevron has suffered and may suffer as a result of 22 Ecuador's breach of the Tribunal's Interim Awards. And 23 this, of course, assumes that Chevron is running on a dry 24 race track when it steps into an Ecuadorian court room, as 25 to which I hardly need say anything at all.

01:12 1 Judgment is today a matter of first priority for the 2 Government, and Ecuador's efforts to coerce Chevron into an 3 inequitable settlement continue unabated.

Earlier this month, April 8th, Correa tweeted to an article from the Plaintiffs' NGO--that's Amazon Watch--and wrote "the world should know Chevron, corrupt 7 and corrupting company."

Given the turmoil in the judiciary over the past 8 9 11 years and the direct political interference in the Lago 10 Agrio Case, it is risible--it is risible--for Ecuador to be 11 speaking of a presumption of regularity. It was precisely 12 the institutional weakness and corruption of the judiciary 13 that allowed the conspiracy between Plaintiffs and the 14 Correa Administration to flourish.

But the denial of justice and its consummation 15 16 does not require you to issue sweeping criticisms of 17 Ecuador's entire judicial system, however deserved they may 18 or may not be. It is more than enough to observe what the 19 courts have done in this case and how the highest 20 authorities of State have applauded their misdeeds in this 21 case. And how both the courts and the head of State have

22 shown their contempt for your Tribunal and for 23 international law.

24 Finally, some brief observations on the merits. 25 The details of this massive denial of justice have been set 01:13 1 out in the Memorials. I need not say very much at all, 2 particularly in wake of the presentations this morning. 3 You see key references on the following slide. Your 4 Tribunal also has the benefit of the decision issued by the 5 RICO court in New York. After conducting a seven-week 6 trial, Judge Kaplan meticulously documented the evidence 7 that led him to conclude that the decision in the Lago 8 Agrio Case was obtained by corrupt means.

9 It is noteworthy that Judge Kaplan's conclusion 10 was reached primarily on the strength of evidence obtained 11 outside of Ecuador, mostly through U.S. discovery 12 proceedings. That is hardly surprising but noteworthy. It 13 is not surprising because of Ecuador's refusal to 14 investigate the fraud in Ecuador. It's offered various 15 changing and contradictory reasons for stonewalling Chevron 16 in its effort to obtain relevant evidence in Ecuador. The 17 stance of the appellate jurisdictions has hovered over 18 these proceedings like something Lewis Carroll might call 19 the "Cheshire" remedy. You are told it's there, but when you approach it, there is no remedy, only its mocking 21 smile.

22 Ultimately, unable to respond to the evidence that 23 Chevron has gathered elsewhere, Ecuador's courts sat stone 24 dumb. Ecuador's counsel today nitpicked feebly at the 25 margins of select portions of the overwhelming evidence

01:16 1 and corruption. But even if the Ecuadorian Constitution 2 had been silent on this subject, and even if its Code of 3 Civil Procedure like none other in the known universe 4 obliges its judges to hear no evil, see no evil, speak no 5 evil, there has still been a denial of justice. A judicial 6 system that is incapable of addressing prima facie evidence 7 of judicial fraud falls below international standards. That is not a legitimate appeals process. It violates any 9 conception of due process.

I pause to note Ecuador's remarkable assertion 10 11 that the actions of Cabrera and Zambrano cannot be 12 attributed to it. This ignores that all of their 13 malfeasance was performed in their official capacities, 14 Cabrera as an auxiliary of the Court, Zambrano as the 15 Presiding Judge.

16 In all events, as explained in the papers, Ecuador 17 is an undeniably responsible for the Judgment, that is the 18 sum product of their acts and omissions.

19 Ecuador's challenge to this Tribunal's 20 jurisdiction over the denial-of-justice claims is equally 21 frivolous. There is jurisdiction under Article VI(a)(1 22 (a) (3) of the BIT because the denial-of-justice claims 23 concerns litigation arising out of and relating to the 24 investment and the relevant investment agreements. That is 25 the 1973 Concession, the 1995 Settlement that this Tribunal

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01:15 1 against them, but the fact is that this fraud was so big 2 that Chevron has remarkably been able to prove it through 3 evidence obtained almost exclusively outside Ecuador.

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The federal judge in North Carolina who granted 5 Chevron the discovery into the fraud that was flatly denied 6 in Ecuador said that this Court must believe that the 7 concept of fraud is universal, and that what has blatantly occurred in this matter would in fact be considered fraud 9 by any court.

Across the Atlantic, the Court in Gibraltar that 11 heard the case against the Plaintiffs' offshore funders 12 in 2014 refused to give res judicata effect to the 13 Ecuadorian Appellate Judgment on which Respondent places so 14 much reliance here, explaining that, I quote, "if the 15 Appeal Courts in Ecuador had anything before it like the 16 evidence which has been put before me, it is, indeed, surprising on the face of it that at the least a rehearing 18 was not ordered. It would be difficult to have confidence in an Appeal Court which made the findings which it did and 20 upheld the First Instance Decision if the Claimants' 21 allegations are correct."

22 Our written materials show that the Ecuadorian 23 Constitution obliged the appellate and cassation 24 courts--you see it on the slide--obliged the appellate and 25 cassation courts to address Chevron's allegations of fraud

01:17 1 has held are inextricably linked.

Ecuador furthermore cannot be permitted to blow 2 3 hot and cold on Chevron's status. Having held Chevron 4 liable for TexPet's alleged activities under the '73 5 Concession on an alter ego theory, it cannot now be heard to deny Chevron the benefits of international law attached 7 to that investment.

In addition to constituting a denial of justice, 8 9 Ecuador's conduct also violates other provisions of the 10 BIT, including effective means, Fair and Equitable 11 Treatment, full protection and security, arbitrary 12 treatment and non-discrimination. You have the relevant 13 pleadings--the citations to the pleadings on the slide.

14 Now, a discussion of the merits would be incomplete without saying a few words about remedies. 15

A combination of three distinct remedies is 16 necessary and appropriate to address the uniquely grave circumstances in which Chevron finds itself today. 18

19 First, because it is a denial of justice, the Lago 20 Agrio Judgment must be declared a nullity under customary 21 international law.

22 Second, Ecuador must be instructed to take all 23 measures necessary to prevent enforcement of the fraudulent judgment in Ecuador or abroad.

Third, Chevron is entitled to the damages

01:19 1 traceable to Ecuador's breaches of international law in an 2 amount to be determined in Track 3.

Of the three requests, the first is by far the 4 most important. As a result of Ecuador's willful breach of the Tribunal's Interim Measures Awards, Chevron now faces 6 the threat of multiple enforcement actions around the 7 world. The remedy must be tailored to this reality: 8 Ecuador has made clear enough through its statements and 9 actions on this and other arbitrations that it will not 10 comply with international law obligations. One must 11 therefore be realistic about the value of an injunction or 12 of a monetary Award.

You've already heard about these three remedies in 14 the Track 1B Hearing and Mr. Kehoe will in all likelihood 15 have more to say about them at the conclusion of this 16 Hearing. It's basically a legal argument which does not 17 depend in any measure on the testimonial evidence, so it 18 naturally seems to belong in the closing arguments.

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But I wish to give notice that when we get there I 20 will also ask for the opportunity to say a few words about 21 Ecuador's remarkable effort to tempt you to conduct your 22 own retrial of the Lago Agrio Case pursuant to what they present as their offset theory.

There is no precedent for such an outlandish 25 event, and that is hardly surprising. It would add to the 01:21 1 Crawford said on behalf of Chevron at a Hearing on Interim 2 Measures held here in Washington in February 2012. This is 3 what he said:

If Ecuador had actually applied its constitutional values much flaunted during the course of this litigation, we wouldn't be in this situation. If Chevron had had the 7 constitutional rights to an impartial and independent judge providing due process, we wouldn't be here. The same is 9 true if the various responsible branches had investigated 10 and prosecuted the bribery and fraud in connection with the 11 Cabrera Report and the Judgment and thereby protected 12 Chevron's rights as a litigant. It's precisely because 13 Ecuador has constantly ignored its own Constitution, laws 14 and procedures, as well as the BIT and international law, 15 that we have been forced to bring this case.

16 As Mr. Pate has repeatedly told this Tribunal in 17 his various appearances before you, Chevron has no desire 18 for conflict with any sovereign, nor can I imagine is this 19 Tribunal anxious to find a sovereign in breach of its 20 obligations under international law. But as Professor 21 Crawford explained, Ecuador's conduct has left no choice. 22 The evidence here is overwhelming and the task at hand is 23 clear. If international law is to maintain its force and

24 relevance, the travesty of the Lago Agrio Litigation must 25 be condemned and sanctioned in the strongest possible

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01:20 1 requirement of exhaustion of remedies, the need for the 2 International Court or Tribunal to engage in a hypothetical 3 reconsideration of the merits imagining how the case 4 against the foreigner would come out if one eliminated the 5 unfair elements.

This would mean the denials of justice could be 7 consummated without cost. Most victims do not mount international cases anyway, and if a victim did and won, all that would happen is that the case starts over again.

So much is wrong with this theory that it would 11 take more time than I have to deal with it in any detail. 12 I will simply make one quick observation right now because 13 it takes the problem off the table instantly: The argument 14 in these proceedings is not ripe. The offset theory could apply only with respect to the Claimants' request for 16 monetary damages.

Of course, the prospects of Ecuador paying 18 billions of dollars in compensation are bleak. Who could 19 believe that Ecuador will compensate future harm that it 20 now refuses to prevent? It's clear as day, isn't it? 21 Through its offset theory, Ecuador is prematurely seeking a 22 reduction in damages that it never intends to pay, but quantum has been reserved for Track 3.

24 To conclude our presentations, I find it 25 impossible to improve upon what Professor--now Judge--James 01:23 1 terms.

The narrative of this case is that of a massive 2 3 effort to shift liability from Petroecuador to Chevron, to 4 ignore settlement agreements, legal requirements, basic 5 notions of justice and fairness, all so that the State 6 could shirk its own cleanup obligations and so that 7 unscrupulous lawyers and their funders, aiders and abettors 8 could make a lot of money. So, they procured the Lago 9 Agrio Judgment.

10 The crime against the indigenous population may be 11 real and it may be tragic, but that crime is the 12 indifference of a government in far-off Quito, happy to act 13 on the principle that the subsoil hydrocarbons belong to 14 the State and not to the local populations, with the result 15 that very little of the riches paid to the coffers of the 16 central government from the sale of output of the 17 wealth--from the wells operated by Texaco, an amount which 18 is nearly 50 times greater than the income to Texaco 19 itself, ever made its way back to the impoverished Oriente.

20 Now a scapegoat with deep pockets has been found, 21 but this is a case where lawyers don't deserve their title, 22 where supposedly independent officers of the court are for 23 sale, and where so-called "judges" have no shame. What 24 they gave birth to in this case cannot be called a judgment 25 at all. It's a fraud masquerading as one.

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And if it were allowed to stand, to play that role 01:24 1 2 as a court judgment in enforcement courts around the world, 3 then the U.S.-Ecuador BIT would no longer serve as a 4 mechanism for investment protection. Because if the BIT 5 cannot stop a State from destroying the value of an 6 investment through bribery and ghostwriting and pressure 7 tactics and manipulation of the judiciary, and if all this 8 can be shielded from the usual consequences simply because 9 it was accomplished partially through judicial acts, then a 10 State cannot not be held to its promises not to engage in 11 extortionate behavior of this kind. And the cost of 12 investment would inevitably rise, to the disadvantage of 13 the poor who will ultimately suffer from the erosion of the 14 rule of law and the drying up of foreign investment. Is international law an illusion? Today, 15

16 gentlemen, you are its quardians.

17 Thank you. That concludes the Claimants' opening 18 presentations.

19 ARBITRATOR LOWE: If I can ask a question for 20 clarification, and you said that the denial of justice was 21 consummated when the Appellate Court affirmed and ratified 22 the Judgment as enforceable in Ecuador. And should we 23 understand that as meaning that, prior to the date of the 24 Court Judgment, January 2012, there was no denial of 25 justice?

AFTERNOON SESSION

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

3 The Respondent has the floor for its opening oral 4 submissions.

5 OPENING STATEMENT BY COUNSEL FOR RESPONDENT

MR. BLOOM: Thank you.

The Honorable Attorney General of Ecuador.

ATTORNEY GENERAL GARCÍA CARRIÓN: Thank you,

9 Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal.

I address you in my capacity as Attorney General 10 11 of the Republic of Ecuador, on behalf of my country, in 12 order to submit the Republic's arguments.

13 For years, my country has been portrayed by 14 Chevron both in this arbitration as well as in other 15 judicial actions related to the environmental damages in 16 the Ecuadorian Amazon in a manner that has no relation to 17 reality. The Ecuador described by Claimants within the 18 different scenarios of the judicial disputes and as part 19 of their public relations campaign is an Ecuador that only 20 exists in Chevron's imagination.

The truth of the matter is that Ecuador's courts 21 22 have always been available to Claimants as they have been 23 for any national or foreign investor, and Claimants have 24 availed themselves of such right, once and again not only

25 with respect to the environmental case, but also with

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01:26 1 MR. PAULSSON: Of course there was. Hence the 2 inquiry into whether or not there is a possibility of 3 reversing it. There was a denial of justice both in the 4 Lago Agrio Judgment and in the conduct of the State itself 5 in seeking to procure judgments in the conditions that I've 6 talked about.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: It's perhaps a point that I at 8 least would welcome a little more being said on when we 9 come to the closings, but the question of the dates at 10 which the breaches of the Treaty are said to have taken 11 place. In the light of the fact that the Notice of 12 Arbitration was put in in September 2009 is, I think, a 13 technical-legal question where I'd appreciate some guidance 14 from the Parties.

MR. PAULSSON: Thank you. It's noted.

15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We have now come to the end of 17 the Claimants' opening oral submissions. We will now break 18 for lunch. We shall be back at 2:30 to hear the 19 Respondent's opening oral submissions.

20 (Whereupon, at 1:28 p.m., the Hearing was 21 adjourned until 2:30 p.m., the same day.)

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24 25 02:30 1 respect to other cases--with results which have been 2 favorable to Claimants.

> Claimants cannot ignore their many legal 4 victories in Ecuador when simultaneously comparing 5 accusations of fraud and corruption in every single legal 6 defeat. At present Claimants still have a pending 7 extraordinary action for protection before the Ecuadorian 8 Constitutional Court.

9 And while Claimants paint Ecuador's judiciary 10 with a broad brush, a study made in 2014, sponsored by the 11 United States AID and carried out by the Latin American 12 Public Opinion Project found that Ecuador actually now 13 ranks first in South America and fifth in all of the 14 Americas when it comes to citizens' trust in the national 15 government's capacity to enforce the rule of law. 16 Grouping Ecuador with the United States and Canada, the 17 study observed, and here I quote, "that a pattern stems 18 out of Ecuador, consistently registering among the 19 region's highest levels of trust."

20 Notwithstanding the above, Claimants described 21 the judicial system in Ecuador in a manner not consistent 22 with reality and the existing studies using political 23 actors opposed to the Government as if they were impartial 24 legal experts; the same way as Claimants seek to portray 25 the distorted image of Ecuador, their description of the

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02:31 1 environmental disaster in the Oriente bears little 2 resemblance to fact.

LBG Expert Reports submitted by Ecuador in this 4 arbitral proceeding showed the existence of substantial 5 contamination in the Ecuadorian Oriente. Notwithstanding 6 their claims to the contrary, an extensive portion of that 7 contamination is directly attributable to TexPet and 8 Chevron. The information obtained by the Republic's legal 9 representation in the 1782 actions in the United States of 10 America, including the written and audiovisual Registries 11 of the Claimants' pre-inspection of the contamination area 12 demonstrates Chevron's conduct both as a party to the 13 litigation, as well as their exploration exploitation 14 practices. Suffice for now to recall the existence of 15 thousands of pages and numerous hours of videos made 16 available to this Tribunal that demonstrate how Chevron 17 implemented a plan aimed at hiding from the Court the

18 environmental pollution caused by TexPet and Chevron. Honorable Members of the Tribunal, there is an 20 obvious reason why Claimants opposed a site visit for so 21 many years. Claimants do not want this Tribunal to 22 evidence the reality of the contamination caused by TexPet 23 in the Oriente in Ecuador. The Tribunal should have the 24 opportunity to observe that which served as the basis for 25 the Ecuadorian Court's decision in the Lago Agrio

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02:35 1 private litigation between Chevron and the Lago Agrio 2 Plaintiffs, but it was TexPet and Chevron, however, who 3 dragged Ecuador to this dispute to which it is not a 4 party, and now pretending to have this dispute in 5 connection with public statements by Ecuadorian 6 authorities that have nothing to do with the 7 administration of justice is just another maneuver by the 8 Claimants that are ignoring the efforts in making any 9 efforts to have a negative impact on the name of Ecuador.

In the midst of all of the noise and all of the 10 11 incriminations and unfair accusations by Chevron against 12 Ecuador, it is all too easy to forget the fact that there 13 are real victims whose rights may be harmed in a 14 proceeding to which they are not a party, the same way as 15 their right to obtain reparation in the courts of the 16 United States was frustrated. The reality is that Chevron 17 and TexPet do not want that the real injured parties be 18 heard at all.

As we have stated repeatedly and you will hear 20 now, the Republic has many concerns about these 21 proceedings. We believe it is clear that there can be no 22 jurisdiction over an alleged investment dispute involving 23 Chevron because Chevron never invested in Ecuador. As 24 this Tribunal correctly found, Chevron is not a party to 25 an investment agreement.

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02:33 1 Litigation. The refutable evidence of the damage caused 2 by the Claimants, which is still visible in the region, 3 will be verified in the site visit scheduled for June this 4 year.

In 2009, when these arbitral proceedings were 6 initiated against the Republic, Claimants' arguments were 7 different, but they have mutated in such a form that their 8 initial claims are now unrecognizable, evidencing that 9 their arbitral claim was filed prematurely.

11 have incorporated arguments about the standard of 12 protection and effective means, the purported 13 ghostwriting, and in general the denial-of-justice claims 14 regarding decisions that had not been issued to their

In the course of these proceedings, Claimants

15 initial claim of breach of the Settlement Agreement.

Claimants now submit to this Tribunal 16 17 Mr. Guerra's testimony, who comfortably lives in the 18 United States at Chevron's expense, and request that this 19 Tribunal grounds its decision on the testimony of a person 20 that recognizes having changed his version of the facts in 21 several occasions and in whom Claimants have tried to use 22 as their star witness without any type of shame due to the 23 conditions under which he is being protected by the 24 Claimants. Ecuador has had to defend themselves for a 25 very long time during this arbitration as a result of a

02:36 1 We believe that it is equally clear under 2 international law that Claimants' claims are deficient 3 because Chevron has chosen not to exhaust the remedies 4 available to them in Ecuador filing the Reguest for 5 Arbitration prematurely. There can be no serious doubt 6 that Ecuador's collusion prosecution action act is 7 specifically designed to offer redress for any legal adjudication that is the product of fraud. 9

The Republic of Ecuador has appeared before this 10 Tribunal during these last six years despite its Objection 11 to Jurisdiction in the hope that the Tribunal finally 12 reaches a decision that objectively applies the principles 13 under international and Ecuadorian law.

14 I now give the floor to Mr. Bloom, who will 15 continue with the Republic of Ecuador's argument, and I 16 thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Tribunal.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom. 17

MR. BLOOM: Thank you.

18 19 You may remember about five years ago, in May of 20 2010, when this Tribunal convened the initial procedural 21 meeting in this case, it combined that procedural meeting 22 with what turned out to be the first of many successive 23 interim-measures hearings. We had no idea back then what 24 we were in store for.

From the very beginning, Ecuador found itself in

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02:38 1 the difficult position of constantly responding on each 2 occasion quite quickly to allegedly newfound evidence that 3 Claimants contended required on each occasion your 4 immediate attention or else they would face imminent and 5 dire consequences.

At the same time Claimants were in the midst of 7 amassing guite literally millions of documents, both 8 through their investigators and through their respective 9 1782 actions around the United States, about 35 or 40 in 10 all. We, at least, were on a carousel of sorts, a 11 carousel that was moving much too fast. As a practical, I 12 think as we all know, it is far easier and certainly 13 faster to make allegations than it is to consider and 14 settle upon a reasonable fact investigation, to conduct 15 that fact investigation with the resources available, and 16 given the time afforded. But notwithstanding Claimants' 17 repeated assertions that it would suffer dire consequences 18 if the Lago Agrio Judgment were to become enforceable, to 19 this day, it has paid not out a single dollar in any 20 enforcement action to the indigenous Plaintiffs, nor is 21 there even today a reasonable prospect that it will have

22 to do so in the imminent future. But by driving the arbitral processes, as they 24 did, by articulating their narrative with a certainty that 25 was mirrored today, Claimants sought to prompt the

02:41 1 indigenous Plaintiffs never even authorized the 2 environmental lawsuit, only to later drop that argument 3 when the Plaintiffs all reaffirmed that they, in fact, had 4 authorized that lawsuit and reaffirmed their commitment to 5 the case publicly.

And you may also recall Claimants repeatedly 6 7 declared that the Government of Ecuador, directly and 8 indirectly, inserted itself into the decision-making 9 processes of the Lago Agrio court, but now we learned from 10 their star witness, from Mr. Guerra in a recorded 11 conversation that he had with Chevron's investigators, 12 that the Government of Ecuador, in fact, never interfered. 13 In his words, "They never butted in. Never."

Now, we will spend the better part of the next 15 several weeks deconstructing the Claimants' case. Simply, 16 their allegations are not backed up by the very evidence 17 they cite oftentimes out of context, but we'll have that 18 opportunity.

The Claimants' claims fail in the first instance 20 as a matter of law. We on this side of the room represent 21 a sovereign, and if this system of BITs is to flourish and 22 I would submit even to survive, the law must be applied in 23 accordance with the intent of the Contracting Parties, 24 here the Republic of Ecuador and the United States; 25 otherwise, the credibility of the BIT system itself is

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02:39 1 Tribunal to take measures based on this Tribunal's 2 understandable sense of justice perhaps just a bit more 3 than, say, on principles of international law. But the 4 facts are not as Claimants present, and they never were.

Weeks before this arbitration was filed, on 6 August 31, 2009, Chevron went public in an extraordinary 7 way to publicize their bombshell allegation that it had 8 videotaped evidence of a bribery scheme implicating the 9 then-Presiding Judge, Judge Núñez. You may recall that it 10 took time, a lot of time, time for us to subpoena 11 documents, subpoena witnesses, subpoena Mr. Borja for us 12 to establish that the two alleged good samaritans who 13 conducted the operation were, in fact, a Chevron 14 contractor named Diego Borja and a convicted drug felon by 15 the name of Wayne Hansen. We later learn that Borja 16 availed himself of Chevron's unique witness protection 17 program and received more than two million dollars in

18 benefits. 19 Things are not always as they seem. He himself 20 was quoted as saying there was no bribery, and a U.S. 21 Federal District Court Judge, then a Magistrate, likewise 22 found that the tapes he reviewed contained no evidence 23 that Judge Núñez was bribed. And I refer you to our 24 Track 2 Counter-Memorial at Appendix C. So, too, Claimants once argued that the

02:43 1 damaged because, frankly, we lose the buy-in, the 2 confidence of the respective States.

> But while the law must be applied consistently, 4 Claimants time and again have asked this Tribunal to apply 5 legal principles differently in this case than every other 6 treaty case. Time and again, Claimants seek novel 7 exceptions to bedrock international legal principles. 8 They ask you to grant treaty rights to Chevron and assert 9 jurisdiction over Chevron's claims, even though Chevron 10 never invested even a single dollar in Ecuador. In so 11 arguing, Claimants are asking this Tribunal to go where no 12 Tribunal has before gone.

> 13 Claimants likewise ask this Tribunal to disregard 14 principles of exhaustion, for example, on the basis that 15 the Lago Agrio Judgment as currently enforceable, 16 notwithstanding that has never been an exception divined 17 by any Arbitral Tribunal and notwithstanding that they 18 alone had the power to stay the Judgment about which they 19 now complain. And when everything else fails, they argue 20 for futility, which is their catch-all, their catch-all 21 defense.

> 22 Five years ago, when I first appeared before you, 23 I noted that the indigenous Plaintiffs, Ecuadorian 24 citizens, had by then been seeking to have their day in 25 Court for the better part of 17 years. The clock

02:45 1 continues to run, and we are now at 22 years and counting. 2 According to media coverage of yesterday's RICO 3 proceeding, it sounds like that Court had some of the same 4 concerns: 22 years and counting. And whatever else might 5 be said about the underlying litigation, it is about 6 contamination. There is a tragedy that has unfolded and 7 that is still unfolding.

Precisely because of this proceeding, the 9 Attorney General's Office and outside counsel and our 10 experts have spent substantial time trudging along in the 11 rainforest, and you know what? The Lago Agrio Court got 12 it right, and we're going to show that in part during this 13 Hearing and in Ecuador. There is widespread 14 contamination.

And I think our experts will tell you that the 16 more they studied, the more they saw, the more they 17 reviewed Chevron's own data and all of the available data, 18 the more they recognized exactly how bad the situation is. 19 That's what the Lago Agrio Case is about.

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20 And if you recall, we provided Witness Statements 21 from a couple of residents of the Oriente. Chevron did 22 not call them to testify. They do not want this case to 23 have anything to do with their plight. Claimants are, 24 instead, using this proceeding--and make no mistake about 25 it--as an insurance policy so that it will never be held

This is in your slide packet, so you will be able 02:48 1 2 to follow along. I will note that we will also present a 3 response to Mr. Wade as it relates to Track 2, and I 4 suspect that we will begin with that in our second 5 session. On that Note, I'd like to turn the floor over to my colleague, Mr. Silva Romero. 6

MR. SILVA ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. Bloom, 8 Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal. I shall now 9 address Ecuador's jurisdictional argument.

Put simply, Ecuador has been forced to defend 10 11 itself against a massive and very costly lawsuit before an 12 international investment--and I say "investment" 13 twice--Tribunal, despite the fact that the Tribunal, we 14 say, has no jurisdiction over TexPet's and Chevron's 15 claims.

16 As Mr. Bloom just said, Claimants didn't say a 17 single meaningful word on jurisdiction this morning 18 because they want you to forget what an investment 19 arbitration is made for. We shall see what they say 20 during their Closing Arguments at the end of these 21 hearings. And we will see if they make new arguments.

22 Because as you have noticed, Members of the 23 Tribunal, in a familiar pattern, every time Ecuador

24 responds to one of Chevron's arguments, including

25 jurisdictional arguments, another one shows up. In the

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02:46 1 to account for the contamination for which they are truly 2 responsible. But if justice is to be served, this 3 Tribunal cannot ignore the contamination for which 4 Claimants are responsible. Today and over the next couple 5 of weeks, you will hear from new voices on this side, some

6 from Winston, some from our distinguished colleagues from 7 Dechert, and the office of the Attorney General. Let me briefly just take you through what we

9 anticipate our presentation to be. Part one, we're going 10 to be dealing with the jurisdictional issues over 11 Chevron's claims. And it is a point to note that this was 12 an issue that took about 30 seconds of Claimants' 13 presentation. They hurried up through the law, we would 14 submit, because they want their rather tainted narrative 15 to drive the law in this case.

After we deal with the lack of jurisdiction over 16 17 Chevron, we're going to turn to the failure to exhaust 18 local remedies. At that point, we will ask for a break. 19 We have Part 3 which--I'm sorry, after Part 3, we will ask 20 for a break. Part three we're going to deal with the lack 21 of any viable treaty claims. Then we will ask for a

22 break. In the last session, we're going to deal with

24 constitute their alleged denial of justice, and that's

23 specifically the factual predicates alleged by Chevron to 25 going to have several parts.

02:50 1 interest of time, however, I will address only Chevron's 2 own claims as direct investor, and I refer to Ecuador's 3 written submissions for all other jurisdictional 4 arguments.

My presentation today, Members of the Tribunal, 5 6 will establish that Chevron has never had any investment 7 or Investment Agreement in Ecuador with any relationship to its denial-of-justice claim. With respect to Chevron's 9 denial-of-justice claim, the central facts are very clear: First, Chevron has never contributed anything of

11 value to Ecuador's economy, much less participated in the 12 oil concession that was the source of the Lago Agrio 13 Litigation, as you can see, for instance, at

14 Paragraph 4.25 of the Tribunal's Third Interim Award on 15 jurisdiction.

Second. Ecuador's consent to investment 16 17 arbitration extends, as you know, only to claims arising 18 from investments of economic value and from investment 19 agreements.

20 From these very two simple propositions, it 21 follows, Members of the Tribunal, that you don't have 22 jurisdiction ratione materiae over Chevron's 23 denial-of-justice claims.

24 Now, before addressing Ecuador's objections to 25 jurisdiction in relation to Chevron, I will briefly refer

02:52 1 to the Tribunal's Third Interim Award on jurisdiction. In 2 that award, the Tribunal made a narrow finding in 3 Chevron's favor. It decided that TexPet itself is an 4 indirect investment of Chevron's covered by the Treaty, 5 which means that Chevron can bring indirect claims with 6 respect to Ecuador's treatment of TexPet. This narrow 7 finding, however, has, we submit, no consequences for 8 Chevron's denial-of-justice claim. The Award explicitly 9 excluded the Lago Agrio Litigation and related claims from 10 the scope of its conclusion about jurisdiction. 11

As you can see on the screen, "The Tribunal 12 reserved for the future any Final Decision in regard to 13 the Respondent's jurisdictional objection to Chevron's own 14 claims as a direct investor." This is Paragraph 4.27.

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Similarly, although the Tribunal later found that 16 Chevron was a Releasee under Ecuadorian law, it didn't 17 decide whether Chevron had a covered Investment Agreement 18 that could support jurisdiction for its Lago Agrio claims 19 and related claims under the Treaty. In short, the 20 Tribunal decided to postpone until now all of the most 21 important questions regarding jurisdiction in this case.

For these questions, contrary to what Claimants 23 alleged in their last written submissions, the prima facie 24 standard that Chevron enjoyed during the jurisdictional 25 phase of the arbitration does not apply anymore. As this

02:56 1 disputes the Tribunal's jurisdiction to decide any such 2 claims in this arbitration. Those parts of the Parties' 3 dispute cannot be decided, even indirectly, by the 4 Tribunal in this Track 1B".

Even if the Tribunal found that Chevron was a 6 Releasee, the Tribunal also found that the 1995 Settlement 7 Agreement, by itself, was not an investment agreement. It 8 found specifically that it is only when that 1995 9 Settlement is considered along with the 1973 Concession

10 Agreement that it forms part of an investment agreement.

11 This is Paragraph 4.36 of the Third Interim Award on 12 jurisdiction.

13 The Tribunal also found that Chevron was not a 14 party to any Concession Agreement. This is Paragraph 4.38 15 of the Third Interim Award on jurisdiction.

As a consequence, Chevron has failed to establish 17 that it is a party to any Investment Agreement.

Second point, and ex abundante cautela, Chevron's 18 19 argument rests on the premise that the Lago Agrio 20 Litigation concerned only the limited diffuse claims 21 released by the 1995 Settlement Agreement. Chevron has no

22 choice but to make this assumption because the Tribunal

23 decided in its First Partial Award on Track 1 that the

24 Release is limited to the right to be free from such

25 diffuse claims. This is Paragraph 112 of that award.

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02:54 1 Tribunal announced in its Third Interim Award on 2 jurisdiction, Chevron now bears the full burden of proving 3 its claim of jurisdiction, and faces, we submit, an 4 insurmountable task.

Turning now to Ecuador's Objection to 6 Jurisdiction, I will advance two very simple propositions. 7 I will begin my presentation by explaining why Chevron has 8 no investment agreement that could possibly generate jurisdiction in the circumstances. I will then make clear 10 why Chevron has no investment relevant to the Lago Agrio 11 Litigation and to its related denial-of-justice claim.

12 Turning to my first proposition, Chevron has no 13 investment agreement. To begin, Chevron contends that the 14 Settlement Agreement is an investment agreement conferring 15 the Tribunal with jurisdiction over its denial-of-justice

16 claim. We say that it is not for two different reasons: First, for there to be jurisdiction under Article 17 18 VI of the Treaty, Chevron not only must be entitled to 19 certain contractual rights under the Settlement Agreement, 20 but also the Settlement Agreement must be an Investment 21 Agreement. Contrary to what Claimants imply, this 22 question wasn't settled by the finding that Chevron was a

23 Releasee. As the Tribunal indicated in its recent 24 decision on Track 1B, "the Respondent strongly denies all

25 claims for denial of justice on the merits and also

02:58 1 However, the recent Track 1B Decision has proven 2 Chevron wrong on this very issue. The Tribunal decided

3 that, and I quote here, Paragraph 183 of the Decision:

4 "The Lago Agrio complaint, as originally filed, does

5 include individual claims and cannot be read (as the 6 Claimants assert and the Respondent denies) as leading

7 'exclusively' or 'only diffuse claims.'" As the Tribunal

8 will determine, the Lago Agrio claims have nothing to do

9 with Chevron's right to be free from those limited diffuse 10 claims defined under Article 19.2 of the 1998 Ecuadorian

11 Constitution that were released. Therefore, Chevron

12 presents no dispute arising out of, or relating to, the

13 1995 Settlement Agreement as required under Article

14 VI(1)(a) of the Treaty.

15 Aside from having no investment agreement, and I 16 come here to my second proposition, Chevron has no

17 relevant investment in the circumstances. According to

18 the Claimants--and this first quote is quite

19 remarkable--its investment here is, and I quote, "The 1973

20 Concession Agreement, the amounts invested and the oil

21 operations and activities in Ecuador, all agreements with

22 Ecuador and Petroecuador, including the Settlement

23 Agreements, and the rights and interests associated with 24 the Lago Agrio Litigation, including both substantive and

25 procedural rights."

03:00 1 Members of the Tribunal, that is not a 2 description of an investment. It is a list of vaquely 3 related items designed only to confuse. In fact, this 4 very list that you can read on the screen does not even 5 distinguish between the two Claimants TexPet and Chevron. When Chevron goes on to connect its 6

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7 denial-of-justice claim to the BIT's standards, it becomes patently clear that even the Claimants know that the 9 Tribunal has no jurisdiction, and you can see this from 10 the second quotation on the slide.

A more rigorous analysis is required to cut, as 12 the Tribunal put it, this Gordian knot. I will explain 13 first why Chevron has no relevant investment of its own 14 for the purpose of granting the Tribunal jurisdiction on 15 its own denial-of-justice claim; second, why Chevron's 16 investment in TexPet is of no help; third, why Chevron's 17 other attempts to manufacture an investment are similarly 18 untenable; and, lastly, why the so-called "amalgamation" 19 of Chevron and Texaco is of no help to Chevron's 20 ill-founded claims.

First, Chevron, Members of the Tribunal, did not 21 22 contribute directly, indirectly, or otherwise to the oil 23 production and economic activity that took place under the 24 1973 Concession Agreement. The facts speak plainly. As 25 the Tribunal acknowledged, Chevron acquired its interests

First reason, a right to limited liability under 03:03 1 2 U.S. law--or under Ecuadorian law, for that matter--is not 3 an investment treaty right regarding an investment in 4 Ecuador. This argument confuses national and 5 international law. It might be true that U.S. law and 6 Ecuadorian law establish rights to limited liability, but 7 investment treaties establish their own set of rights, and 8 only breaches of those treaty rights grant jurisdiction. 9 There is no clause in the U.S.-Ecuador BIT that 10 establishes or quarantees a right to limited liability in 11 an investment. Limited liability is not a right conferred 12 or created by this Treaty as required under Article 13 VI(1)(c) of the Treaty. Second reason, the Lago Agrio Litigation could 15 not have affected Chevron's rights with respect to TexPet 16 because it bore no consequences for TexPet. TexPet was 17 not a party to that very litigation. The litigation

19 right with respect to the investment conferred or created 20 by the Treaty or by any other source of legal rights for 21 that matter as required by Article VI(1)(c) of the Treaty. 22 I come to my third point: Chevron also claims

18 affected only Chevron. It could not have affected any

23 that it was entitled to all procedural rights and 24 substantive legal defenses of TexPet which they say formed 25 part of Chevron's protected investment under the BIT. It

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03:01 1 in TexPet in 2001, while TexPet's Concession ended in 2 1992, years earlier. Chevron was not the indirect owner 3 of TexPet at the time of any economic activity in Lago 4 Agrio. Its indirect investment in TexPet is not a direct 5 investment in the oil concession.

Chevron did not contribute resources in the Ecuadorian territory that benefited the local economy as the Tribunal, for instance, in GEA Group and Occidental I 9 have required. How could Chevron be an investor? It simply was not on the scene at the times when it would 11 have been possible to make an economic contribution.

Second point, Chevron argues that it has a 13 covered indirect investment in TexPet, a fact that the 14 Tribunal recognized, as I said, in the Third Interim Award 15 on jurisdiction. However, Chevron goes on to claim that 16 these indirect investment suffices for jurisdiction over 17 its denial-of-justice claim because it says it has a right 18 to limited liability protected by the investment treaty. 19 This is simply incorrect. As you can see on the screen, 20 the Tribunal found that its decision that TexPet was a 21 covered indirect investment did not resolve the question

22 of whether it had jurisdiction over Chevron's claims

23 regarding the Lago Agrio Litigation. And we say that it 24 has no jurisdiction--the Tribunal has no jurisdiction--for

25 the following two reasons:

03:05 1 simply attempts to cobble together an investment from such 2 rights, as well as its rights as a Releasee and its right 3 to limited liability, and to pass them off as an adequate 4 basis for jurisdiction. However, this argument 5 misunderstands the nature of the covered direct 6 investment. Investment tribunals like Occidental I and 7 GEA Group have consistently found that without any 8 contribution to or relevant economic activity within the 9 host State's territory, there is no covered investment, 10 and not just any commitment of resources in the territory 11 of the host State will make it.

As opposing counsel has recognized, that 13 commitment must typically contribute to the development of 14 the State.

15 For all of these reasons, a legal right is not by 16 itself an investment. Again, those sorts of legal rights 17 simply do not involve any economic contribution or any 18 economic activity at all. It made simply no sense to say 19 that they are "investments."

20 Fourth and last point, contrary to what Claimants 21 allege, the so-called "amalgamation" of Chevron and Texaco 22 does not extend the Tribunal's jurisdiction. Compulsory 23 jurisdiction or jurisdiction out of fairness

24 considerations is foreign to international law and

25 arbitral practice. A tribunal has jurisdiction over a

03:07 1 claim only in virtue of a State consent. The purported 2 amalgamation does not change the scope of Ecuador's 3 consent to investment arbitration for three reasons:

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First reason, investor status matters. 5 International investment arbitration protects only 6 investors regarding their investments, not just any 7 foreign national regarding any complaint. As explained, 8 Ecuador extends that privilege only to the investors who 9 have contributed to its economy. This fundamental fact 10 doesn't change when foreign nationals allege that they 11 have suffered a denial of justice.

Second, privity also matters. As is typical of 13 investment treaties, the U.S.-Ecuador BIT grants 14 jurisdiction only to those Parties that have their own 15 investment or Investment Agreement. It does not provide 16 for a transfer of jurisdiction separately from a covered 17 investment or Investment Agreement absent language in the 18 Treaty to the contrary.

19 And, third, and above all, legal systems matter. 20 There is an important legal difference between liability 21 under municipal law and jurisdiction under international 22 law. The so-called "amalgamation" of Chevron and Texaco 23 or TexPet under Ecuadorian law for liability determination 24 does not imply that amalgamation under international law 25 is proper when this Tribunal determines jurisdiction. The 03:11 1 that, without a concession agreement, the 1995 Settlement 2 Agreement was not an investment agreement.

> Second, Chevron cannot be considered a direct 4 investor. The oil Concession ended in 1992 while Chevron acquired TexPet in 2001.

Third, Chevron's claims regarding the Lago Agrio 6 7 Litigation are not related to its indirect investment in 8 TexPet itself for jurisdiction to exist on that basis. 9 The Claims do not concern alleged breaches of rights with 10 respect to TexPet because TexPet was not involved in and 11 was not affected by that litigation.

12 And, fourth, and last, the municipal Court's 13 so-called "amalgamation" of Chevron with Texaco or TexPet 14 is irrelevant to jurisdiction because jurisdiction for 15 international arbitration depends only on State consent. 16 The scope of a State consent to jurisdiction does not 17 change based on a municipal Court's legal analysis on 18 liability.

In sum, Ecuador has already defended this 20 arbitration, Members of the Tribunal, at great length and 21 great expense, despite the Tribunal's lack of 22 jurisdiction. It is now time to recognize that Ecuador 23 has simply not consented to this investment arbitration. With that, Members of the Tribunal, I conclude my 25 submission, and with your permission, I hand over the

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03:09 1 liability analysis determines whether corporate 2 formalities or corporate separateness are observed at the 3 time of Judgment, while the jurisdictional analysis 4 determines whether the Claimant established an investment.

Although my colleague, Mr. Leonard, will explain 6 further the details, it is sufficient for the time being 7 to stress that Chevron depleted Texaco and TexPet of 8 resources in an attempt to escape liability in the Lago 9 Agrio Litigation. It now asserts those same actions 10 against the nemo auditur principle as the basis for 11 jurisdiction in the current arbitration. However, what 12 matters for jurisdiction is the relationship of Chevron to 13 Texaco and TexPet while the oil concession, the only 14 possible investment was ongoing, not the relationship at 15 the time of the Lago Agrio Judgment.

So, investor status matters, privity matters, and 17 legal systems matter. All three explain why this Tribunal 18 cannot amalgamate Chevron with Texaco or TexPet when 19 determining whether it has jurisdiction.

Let me summarize our main conclusions on this 20 21 jurisdictional point:

First, as this Tribunal all but explicitly 22 23 decided, Chevron's claims are unrelated to a covered 24 investment agreement. The Tribunal already decided that

25 Chevron was not a party to any concession agreement and

03:12 1 floor to Dra. Blanca Gómez de la Torre.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 2

Just before you disappeared, on you Slide 12 you 4 have a reference to the GEA Group Case. I didn't catch 5 the exhibit number. If you had it easily available, it 6 would be useful to write it in. If not, we can come back 7 to it.

MS. SILVER: RLA-648, Mr. President. 8 9

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good. Thank you very much.

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MS. GÓMEZ de la TORRE: Thank you, Mr. President, 11 12 Members of the Tribunal.

I will devote the next 14 minutes to the issue of 13 14 exhaustion of local remedies and Claimants' failure to 15 comply with this rule. I will address some aspects of the 16 Republic's case as they touch upon matters of Ecuadorian 17 law and will then turn the floor to my esteemed colleagues 18 to address the subject upon an international law 19 perspective.

There really is no dispute that exhaustion of 21 local remedies is a substantive element of a Claim for 22 Denial of Justice. No claims based on denial of justice 23 can be brought without prior exhaustion of local remedies.

24 In the words of Claimants' own counsel, "there can be no

25 denial before exhaustion." To put it more precisely, the

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03:14 1 offending State must be given a reasonable opportunity to 2 correct actions which otherwise would ripen into delicts.

There is also no dispute that it is for the 4 Respondent merely to prove that the particular procedural 5 remedy was available than it is for the Plaintiff to 6 adduce the evidence and prove that the particular procedural remedy was ineffective.

The Republic has satisfied its burden of showing 9 that the Ecuadorian legal system provides Chevron with 10 remedies specifically intended to redress exactly the 11 claims which Claimants have brought before this Tribunal. 12 I will address this premise and will let Professor Mayer 13 speak about Claimants' inability to show that those 14 remedies are ineffective.

Specifically, Claimants asserted two basis for 16 their denial-of-justice claim: First, arguments regarding 17 an alleged legal error in the Lago Agrio Judgment; and, 18 second, their unsupported claim on judicial fraud.

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On my first point, there are two reasons why 19 20 Claimants' claims failed: Claimants have yet to exhaust 21 remedies available to Chevron in Ecuador. Even if

22 Claimants were somehow relieved from the strictures of 23 exhaustion-of-remedies rule, their claims are held to a

24 high evidentiary standard, which Claimants cannot meet. I will let Mr. Leonard address the Tribunal on 03:17 1 argument on judicial fraud, which is the Claimants' 2 principal basis for their denial-of-justice claim, 3 specifically the alleged ghostwriting of the Judgment.

The National Court dismissed Chevron's claims of 5 procedural fraud noting correctly that, first, the 6 Appellate Court do not have original jurisdiction over 7 such claims, but Chevron nonetheless has a clear remedy 8 under the Collusion Prosecution Act, which I will refer to 9 as CPA.

10 Chevron may file a CPA action until 11 February 14, 2016, when the limitations period will run. 12 But Chevron has thus far chosen to ignore this remedy. 13 There is no dispute about that. Also beyond dispute is 14 the fact that under the CPA quoted by the National Court, 15 an action may be brought by an aggrieved party alleging 16 that a proceeding has been tainted by fraud. And should 17 the aggrieved party succeed in proving its claims, the 18 judge shall issue all necessary measures to void or 19 invalidate the collusive proceeding and to restore the 20 things prior to the collusion and obtain a judgment for

21 damages. 22 Claimants' attorneys know this all too well. One 23 of Chevron's lead counsel, while serving as a Supreme 24 Court Justice, confirmed that an action under the CPA is 25 an effective remedy to address allegations of corruption

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03:16 1 the frivolous nature of Claimants' allegations of legal 2 and procedural error. I will simply state here that 3 Claimants' claims predicated upon alleged legal error in 4 the Lago Agrio proceedings are premature and not ripe for

5 adjudication by this Tribunal. Chevron filed an extraordinary action for 7 protection with the Constitutional Court on 8 December 23, 2013. Chevron presented the Constitutional 9 Court with substantially the same issues Claimants raised 10 in this arbitral proceeding. There is no dispute that the 11 Constitutional Court offers an effective remedy for 12 Chevron's claims relating to the legal basis for the Lago 13 Agrio Judgment. In fact, should the Constitutional Court 14 find that the Lago Agrio Court, the Appellate Court or the 15 National Court violated Chevron's constitutional right, it 16 has the power to invalidate the underlying decision and 17 remand the case to the corresponding Court to continue 18 from the point where the violation occurred until a 19 decision is reached. Chevron's pending constitutional 20 action itself is evidence that Claimants have yet to 21 exhaust available domestic remedies in respect of their 22 claims of legal and procedural error. Such failure is

23 fatal to Claimants' claims here. There is no reason or

24 basis to exempt Claimants from the rule of exhaustion.

I now turn to my second point: Chevron's

03:19 1 or collusion in legal proceedings. In Claimants' letter 2 to the Tribunal on December 2, 2013, they declare: If 3 this Tribunal concludes that Claimants fail to exhaust 4 local remedies, then it can rule accordingly. And that is 5 precisely what I ask this Tribunal to do.

These are the very remedies that Claimants have 7 sought from this Tribunal in their request for 8 nullification of the Lago Agrio Judgment. There is no 9 dispute that CPA action is an available local remedy that 10 would permit Claimants to address and, if supported by 11 persuasive evidence, obtain effective redress for 12 Chevron's claims of fraud and ghostwriting of the Lago 13 Agrio Judgment.

14 Now Claimants cannot afford to concede this point 15 and have tried their level best to evade the 16 exhaustion-of-remedies rule. Claimants first argue that 17 the exhaustion-of-remedies rule does not apply to Chevron. 18 Alternatively, Claimants contend that even if the rule 19 applied to Chevron, the CPA is not available to it. 20 Third and finally, Claimants speculate that, even 21 if the CPA were an available remedy, it would have proved 22 or would prove inviolate now or any time before the

Each of Claimants' arguments fails either as a 25 matter of international law or as a matter of Ecuadorian

23 statute of limitations run ineffective or futile.

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03:21 1 law. I will briefly refer to Claimants' contention that 2 the CPA is not available to Chevron.

First, the CPA is available to any person who has suffered harm in any way by an act of collusion including the deprivation of property rights or of other rights that are legally due to such person.

Chevron's own Expert, Dr. Coronel, expressly
disclaims Claimants' theory that the CPA action is only
available for real estate transactions. In a somewhat
hidden footnote in his Expert Report of May 7, 2014, in
Dr. Coronel's own words: "The text of law currently in
collusion to be filed as well when other types of rights
are affected." Claimants' contention that the CPA is only
available for real estate transactions finds no basis in
the statute or Ecuadorian legal practice and must be
dismissed. If nothing else, Claimants' own Expert
testimony should put this matter to rest. In fact, after
they appeared to be in agreement, as they have dropped
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Second, CPA Article 5 makes clear that, pending appeals do not bar litigants from also filing a CPA action. It expressly establishes that the judge shall request the record of the proceeding where the collusion allegedly played a role, as well as that of the associated

03:25 1 of fraud in the procurement of the Judgment. Dr. Coronel
2 suggests that, while the former is precluded by procedural
3 rules, there is no impediment for the production of the
4 latter, and thus Chevron's evidence of fraud should have
5 been admitted and ruled upon by the Court of Appeals.

But Ecuadorian law makes no such distinction. It
thus comes as no surprise that Dr. Coronel offers not one
authority or judicial precedent in support of his
fabricated theory. Nor does applicable procedure allow
for the introduction of new evidence at the Constitutional
Court level. The Court has explained as much in multiple
occasions and in ambiguous terms, the alleged violation of
a constitutional right must instead be clear, direct,
manifest, obvious, and evident from the trial court
record. For example, these cases can be found in the
Respondent's submission and Legal Expert Report. Here is
one of them.

17 one of them.

18 The Constitutional Court may examine only the
19 records of the proceedings before the trial court. The
20 Court of Appeals and the National Court. Again,
21 Dr. Coronel purports to know better and offers another
22 fabricated excuse in aid of Claimants' position.
23 Specifically, Dr. Coronel asserts that the prohibition
24 against submission of new evidence before the

25 Constitutional Court was lifted with the enactment of the

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03:23 1 proceedings, if any. And if the requested proceedings are 2 ongoing, for example, on appeal, the judge hearing the CPA 3 action shall order copies of the record in the underlying 4 case.

There is no merit to Claimants' contention otherwise. At least for the following reasons.

6 otherwise. At least for the following reasons.
7 Neither the Appellate Court nor the National
8 Court afforded Chevron a forum to obtain judicial review
9 of Chevron's purported evidence of fraud and corruption
10 since they had no competence to rule upon those materials.
11 The reason is a simple one: Chevron's allegations
12 necessitate the production of evidence outside the trial
13 court record. But the applicable rules of procedure do
14 not allow for the production of any evidence at the
15 appellate or cassation levels. Applicable Rules of
16 Procedure are crystal clear. Article 838 of the Code of
17 Civil Procedures precludes the submission of any evidence
18 at the appellate level in oral summary proceedings. For

And Article 15 of the Law of Cassation excludes the possibility of submitting new evidence on cassation. RLA-558. Claimants' Expert, Dr. Coronel, attempts a way

23 around this legal provisions by suggesting that a 24 distinction needs to be made between (a) evidence

19 the record, RLA-198.

25 pertaining to the merits of the dispute; and (b) evidence

03:27 1 Statute known as the Organic Law on Judicial Guarantees
2 and Constitutional Oversight in 2009. From that point on,
3 he submits, new evidence is allowed, and the Court's
4 judicial determinations to the contrary are no longer
5 relevant.

In support, Dr. Coronel points to some provisions
of general application to all proceedings before the
Constitutional Court. I will not address here those
provisions because Dr. Andrade's Second Supplemental
Foreign Law Report at Paragraphs 43, 44, and 45 puts the
matter to rest.

In his response, Dr. Andrade explains that, in
addition to laying out rules of general application for
all proceedings before the Constitutional Court, the
Organic Law of Jurisdictional Guarantees and
Constitutional Control, for the record RLA-459, contains
rules of a special application to the extraordinary action
of protection. And under Ecuadorian law, rules of a
special application prevail over those of general
application.

And as expressly stated by the Constitutional
Court on multiple occasions, after the enactment of this
Statute, the rules of procedure specifically applicable to
extraordinary actions of protection do not permit the
production of new evidence.

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03:28 1 By conflating rules applicable to different
2 proceedings, Dr. Coronel creates another one of his legal
3 fictions, underscoring once again the misleading nature of
4 his testimony.

Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, under
Ecuadorian Law, filing and pursuing a complaint under the
CPA is the only correct procedure for Chevron to air its
allegations of fraud and corruption. Claimants'
contentions otherwise have no basis in Ecuadorian law, and
Chevron has chosen not to pursue this remedy, although it
is still available. Which, as a matter of international
law bars their fraud and corruption claims in this forum
and is, thus, fatal to their denial-of-justice claim.

Mr. President, this concludes my presentation; and, with that, I'm now turning the floor to Professor Mayer. Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

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19 PROFESSOR MAYER: Mr. President, Members of the 20 Tribunal, in addition to its objections as to the

21 availability of the recourses under Ecuadorian law, which

 ${\tt 22}~{\tt Dra.}$ Gómez de la Torre has just refuted, Chevron raises two

23 objections as to the conformity of these recourses,

 ${\tt 24}\ \ {\tt particularly}$ the CPA action with the requirements of

25 international law.

03:32 1 exercised, and international law is perfectly clear in 2 that respect. But why should a CPA action be futile in 3 this case? Chevron invokes two distinct arguments:

First, there would be no reasonable hope that the COURT seized of the CPA action would have decided in favor of Chevron.

And, second, the fact that the Judgment rendered by the Ecuadorian Court is enforceable, would render even a favorable outcome of the CPA action ineffective.

Before addressing these two arguments, I would recall Ecuador's position as to how the futility argument should work in international law, in the light of precedents and doctrinal opinions.

There are two distinct issues: the burden of proof and the standard of proof.

16 First, the burden of proof. Contrary to what
17 Chevron contends, authors are unanimous in saying that it
18 is for the self-styled victim of the denial of justice to
19 prove that using a certain available recourse would have
20 been futile.

The Special Rapporteur on Diplomatic Protection in the International Law Commission, Professor Dugard,

23 explains the following in his Third Report. "The

24 Respondent State will be required to prove that local

25 remedies are available, while the burden of proof will be

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03:30 1 The first of these objections is purely formal 2 and will not call for a long rebuttal.

According to Chevron, the CPA action would not
constitute a suitable recourse with regard to the
requirement of exhaustion of local remedies because it is
not a vertical recourse such as an ordinary appeal or a
cassation appeal. However, Chevron does not mention any
authority for this proposition.

9 What international law demands is that the 10 recourse otherwise available constitutes an effective 11 remedy, and if that requirement is satisfied, why should 12 there be an additional and purely formalistic requirement? 13 Either the CPA action can provide an effective remedy or 14 it cannot.

And as I will show under international law and as 16 Dra. Gómez de la Torre has shown under Ecuadorian law, a 17 CPA action could have been effective or could still be 18 effective. And that suffices: the recourse that should 19 have been tried.

The second objection, on which I will spend the rest of the time allocated to me, around 30 minutes, is that the recourse which Chevron has chosen not to use is futile. It is indisputable that no satisfaction--if no satisfaction can be obtained through the exercise of a given recourse, it would be absurd to require that it be 03:34 1 on the Claimant State to show that such remedies are
2 ineffective or futile." He refers here to the Claimant
3 State because he has--he envisages the Diplomatic
4 Protection, but, of course, that applies to any Claimant
5 victim and in particular an investor.

Professor Paulsson has quoted the very same
passage of Professor Dugard's Report that I just read,
obviously approvingly. After the quotation, he mentioned:
The relevance in terms of denial of justice is direct and
evident, and what goes for the Claimant State in espousal
cases also goes for any other Claimant.

However, Chevron, or Claimants in their Track 2
Reply Memorial relied for the opposite view on the Opinion
of Sir Fawcett. That's what they say: "It is Ecuador,
to Claimants, that bears the burden of proving that its
so-called "remedies" are available and effective, and
would, in fact, offer any real relief." And in the
footnote, they refer to J.E.S. Fawcett, The exhaustion of
Local remedies: substance or procedure.

But, in fact, if one goes to the very article by
Sir Fawcett, what he says is: "The burden of proof rests
upon the Respondent State to show that local remedies were
available"--that's the reference that was made in the
Claimants' Memorial--but then it continues: "If it

25 discharges his burden, the burden of proof falls on the

03:36 1 Claimant State (here investor) to show that the local 2 remedies indicated were not in the circumstances of the 3 case effective." Therefore, all authorities agree the 4 burden of proof of effectiveness rests on the Claimant. Now, what about the standard of proof? Here 6 there is no unanimity. There are various views on this

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7 issue. According to some decisions and some authors, the self-styled victim should make the futility obvious. The 9 criterion is obvious futility.

For instance, in the Finnish Shipowners 11 arbitration, the arbitrator said or comes to the 12 conclusion that "the appealable points of law obviously 13 would have been insufficient to reverse the decision of 14 the Arbitration Board," and commenting upon that case, 15 Professor Amerasinghe said: "The Finnish Ships 16 arbitration made it clear that the test is obvious 17 futility of manifest ineffectiveness."

In the Ambatielos Case, it was held that it is 18 19 essential that such remedies, if they had been resorted

to, would have proved to be obviously futile. Professor Amerasinghe not only opted for a 22 certain standard, but explains why that standard is the 23 right one and must be extremely high, and he ties that to 24 the idea of sovereignty: "The sovereignty of the host or 25 Respondent State requires that it be given a fair

03:40 1 word introduces the idea that there might be a tiny chance 2 of success, but so tiny that it would not be reasonable to 3 even try.

I say "tiny," not "small." If there is a small 4 5 chance of success of redress, it is reasonable to try it 6 when you have been sentenced to pay billions of dollars if 7 you have a small chance to win in a new recourse, you certainly must not miss it. And not only do you owe it to yourself, but you owe it to the State because, accusing 10 the State of denial of justice without having tried 11 anything would be unfair. It would be unfair to the State 12 for the Claimant to say: "Your judicial system must be 13 declared quilty of denial of justice, although I did not 14 try a certain recourse. I didn't because I found my 15 chances of effective redress to be small, and I had good 16 reasons to find them small. I might have obtained 17 redress. It was not impossible, but it's so much more 18 simple not to try and to consider that denial of justice 19 is already established," and that is unfair to the State.

I will now show that Chevron does not establish 20 21 that--supposing, of course, there has been collusion--its 22 chances of winning a CPA action would have been tiny; 23 therefore, whether the standard is obvious futility or no

24 reasonable possibility of effective redress, Chevron

25 should have introduced a CPA action.

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03:38 1 opportunity of doing justice through its own system, and 2 there seems in the past to have been a general tendency to 3 recognize only those limitations which are really 4 necessary."

Now, it is true that there are other views and 6 then some decisions and authors adopted a different 7 standard. A remedy would not need to be pursued in the absence of a reasonable possibility of effective redress. 9 Although gallons of ink have been spent in favor of one or 10 the other standard, practically the difference seems to be 11 minimal, and I focus here on the second standard, the one 12 on which the Claimants rely:

First, no reasonable possibility of effective 14 redress is not equivalent to the existence of a reasonable 15 doubt as to the effectiveness of a remedy. A reasonable 16 doubt does not suffice, and there is unanimity on that 17 point.

Second, when can it be said that there is no 19 reasonable possibility of effective redress? It is, in 20 fact, a very high standard. If the word "reasonable" had 21 not been used, simply no possibility, that would have 22 meant that there would be not the slightest chance for the 23 Claimant to obtain redress. The action would be doomed to 24 failure.

Now, there is the word "reasonable," and that

I come now to the Claimant's first futility 2 argument. According to them, the available remedies are 3 futile because there would be no hope of success before 4 the Ecuadorian courts.

Chevron's argument here is that the whole system 5 of justice, every court, every judge in Ecuador is partial or corrupt and in addition, that an investor's action is doomed to fail because there are pressures by and even 9 threats by the Government. Although the burden of proof 10 does not rest on Ecuador, Ecuador has shown in these 11 proceedings that this description of its judicial system 12 is contradicted first by the assessment of that system by 13 independent organizations and, second, by actual decisions 14 rendered in favor of Texaco or Chevron.

During the past eight years, Ecuador had made an 15 16 impressive series of reforms, including, among others, the 17 ratification of a new Constitution which recognizes the 18 separation of powers doctrine and judicial independence, 19 the establishment of a Constitutional Court, the reform of 20 the Organic Code of the Judiciary, the introduction of a 21 merit-based selection process for appointing all judges. 22 And these reforms have been praised by, inter alia, the 23 General Secretary of the United States, the Special 24 Rapporteur of the United Nations on the Independence of 25 Judges and Lawyers, the Carter Center and the European

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Well, of course, what is important is how the 3 system works in practice, but for that, also, we have 4 available an objective assessment. USAID, the United 5 States Agency for International Development, has made a 6 study in 2014 which concludes, in terms of trust in 7 justice system, that among 25 countries of North America, 8 Central and South America, Canada is first, Ecuador is 9 sixth, and the United States only eighth. Then indicting 10 Ecuador's judicial system would be tantamount to indicting 11 the judicial systems of almost all the States in the 12 Americas, including the United States.

Also, even Claimants' Experts have praised the 14 impartiality of Ecuadorian courts in cases involving 15 foreigners. Dr. Alejandro Ponce Martínez in his 16 supplemental Affidavit in 2000 wrote: "Multinational and 17 oil companies are generally treated by the Ecuadorian 18 Court in equal conditions to national companies or 19 individuals."

20 Dr. Jose Perez-Arteta wrote: "Ecuador's courts 21 have adjudicated, and continue to adjudicate, many cases 22 involving all companies in an impartial and fair manner." Even more revealing, Claimants themselves have 24 more than once won their cases against the Government in 25 various Ecuadorian courts. In 2000, Texaco and other oil 03:48 1 Lago Agrio Case, what counts after all with regard to the 2 futility argument is whether Ecuadorian courts are 3 influenced by these statements or not. And by their 4 Judgments, they have proved that they remain independent. 5 One notorious example is the dismissal of the criminal 6 charges brought in 2011: dismissed by the National Court 7 of Justice of criminal charges brought in relation with 8 the Lago Agrio Case against two of Claimants' attorneys. 9 So, why wouldn't a court seized of a CPA action

10 show the same impartiality and independence?

I now come to the second aspect of the futility 11 12 argument. According to Claimants, the available remedies 13 are futility also because the Lago Agrio Judgments are 14 already enforceable. There are two aspects in that argument: 15

16 First, enforceability in itself would have made 17 further recourses futile; and, second, Ecuador would have 18 violated international law by disobeying the Tribunal's 19 Order to stay enforcement of the Lago Agrio Judgment.

20 First aspect, according to Claimants, because the 21 Lago Agrio Judgment is enforceable, no further remedy is 22 to be sought, it would necessarily be futile. In his 23 first Opinion, Jan Paulsson, as Expert--as he then 24 was--says that he's not aware of any other case with a

25 factual pattern matching the present one, a Judgment that

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03:46 1 companies have gone before the Supreme Court against the 2 Government. In 2002, Texaco prevailed in three cases 3 before the Superior Court of Ouito. The Supreme Court 4 Judgment was--or is R-812, and these three cases are R-809 5 to R-811.

In 2007, Texaco received a 1.5 million U.S. 7 dollars Court Judgment against the Government. That's a Judgment of the first Civil Court of Pichincha, R-816. In 9 2008, an Appellate Court reversed the dismissal of another 10 multimillion dollar Texaco case against the Government, 11 and that's R-808.

A distinct accusation is that Ecuadorian justice 13 is not independent from the Government. In specific 14 instances such as the Lago Agrio Case, President Correa or 15 a high governmental personality would exercise a pressure 16 on judges, even threaten them if they did not issue the 17 desired Judgment. These are unproven accusations. You 18 must not only accuse, you must prove the truth of what you 19 accuse the person of. And as Mr. Bloom reminded us in his 20 presentation, even Mr. Guerra, in circumstances in which 21 it was clear that he was not lying, said that there had 22 been no interference by the Government in the Lago Agrio Case.

24 As to public statements by Ecuador's President or 25 other officials against Claimants in relation with the

03:50 1 is enforceable and which its beneficiaries try to enforce 2 in other countries. I'm wondering whether the reason for 3 that lack of precedent may not be that no one had yet had 4 the strange idea to pretend that because the Judgment is 5 already enforceable, no further remedy is to be exhausted. 6 At least from Jan Paulsson's remark, it results there is 7 no basis under international law for the proposition that 8 exhaustion of remedy does not apply when a judgment is 9 enforceable.

10 The only exception to the obligation to exercise 11 local recourses is when a recourse would not constitute an 12 effective remedy. Effectiveness is the only logical 13 requirement.

14 And it is true that in some situations there is 15 no possibility of redress when a first instance or appeal 16 judgment has been enforced, and the Claimants give an 17 example. The European Commission on Human Rights has held 18 that if an order to extradite or expel a foreigner has 19 been made, a court action that would not suspend the Order 20 does not need to be exhausted. But that is obvious, 21 because if you are expelled or, in particular, extradited, 22 the harm is beyond repair, and the setting aside of the 23 Order does not constitute an efficient remedy. 24 But the situation here is completely different.

25 The question is: Do the enforceability and the ensuing

03:52 1 attempts to enforce the Lago Agrio Judgment in various 2 countries constitute an unrepairable harm. And the answer 3 is no for two reasons: First, the respective duration of 4 a CPA action and of enforcement proceedings. Chevron 5 could have started a CPA action in 2011. A statistical 6 review of court practice in Ecuador reveals that CPA 7 judgments, on average, issue approximately 17 months from 8 the date of commencement of the proceedings. In other 9 words, assuming that the Court seized of the CPA action 10 had found that there had been denial of justice in the 11 Lago Agrio Judgment already today any attempt to enforce 12 the Judgment in any country would necessarily fail. 13 It's true that according to Chevron a CPA action

14 would have taken, in fact, years. But first, that's 15 contrary to the statistics I have mentioned, and, second, 16 since Chevron did not start a CPA action, it cannot prove 17 how long it would have taken to obtain a judgment, and the 18 burden of proof rests on the Claimants.

In addition, the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs are not 19 20 close to enforcing the Lago Agrio Judgment against 21 Chevron. One has here to distinguish enforcement in 22 Ecuador and enforcement abroad.

In Ecuador, the Plaintiffs have attached certain 24 trademarks concerning the lubricant business. But these 25 trademarks have no value because, in the framework of the 03:55 1 now, it would not have completed its actions for 2 enforcement before the CPA action would have been 3 adjudicated. It would be for Chevron to prove the 4 opposite. And it's an impossible proof, first because you 5 cannot prove what is false, and, second, because the only 6 way to know for certain would have been for Chevron to 7 start the CPA action.

9 that even if the Lago Agrio Judgment was enforced before 10 the hypothetical successful CPA action was completed, the 11 money would have to be given back to Chevron. As the 12 Tribunal knows, the Lago Agrio Court ordered the 13 Plaintiffs to establish a commercial Trust with the Amazon 14 Defense Front as beneficiary. If a CPA Court annulled the 15 Lago Agrio Judgment, the trust would be forced to give 16 back the money, which it would not have had time to spend.

The second reason for not following Chevron is

17 Now, Chevron also blames Ecuador for not having 18 stayed the enforcement of the Judgment contrary to what 19 the Tribunal has ordered. Three remarks:

20 First, the argument is not relevant, since the 21 attempts to enforce would have failed in case of a 22 successful CPA action and the enforceability could have 23 caused no harm to Chevron if it had chosen to start a CPA 24 action. 25 Second, the reason why the Judgment is

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03:53 1 sale of the lubricant business to Swiss Oil, Chevron has 2 consented a royalty-free license to Swiss Oil. And no one 3 else at Swiss Oil--than Swiss Oil--can be interested in 4 these trademarks. For that reason, no transfer of the 5 trademarks to the Plaintiffs have occurred--has 6 occurred--and if, even if someday it did, these trademarks 7 have no value.

Abroad--abroad--Plaintiffs have started actions 9 for recognition of the Judgment in Canada, Brazil, and 10 Argentina. They have obtained no success yet and no 11 success is to be expected before years, for several 12 reasons: First, if really Chevron--as Chevron contends, 13 there has been a denial of justice, and Chevron can 14 convince the courts in these countries, then Plaintiffs' 15 motion for recognition will be denied.

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Secondly, even if Chevron does not convince these 17 courts, the undisputed Expert Report submitted by Ecuador 18 for the three countries show that enforcement proceedings 19 with the various levels of appeal that are open would 20 demand a period of several years before any money could be 21 collected. These Reports have been drafted by George 22 Pollock for Canada, Marcelo Rufino for Argentina, and 23 Juliera Anginoni for Brazil.

Therefore, it is even more certain that had 24 25 Chevron started a CPA action in 2011 or even later or even 03:57 1 enforceable is not that there has been any special action 2 by the State to make to it enforceable. It is enforceable 3 by the operation of the law, as is normal in all civil law 4 countries when you have had an appeal. It's, in fact, 5 Chevron which could have stayed the enforceability by 6 posting a bond, but it did not post a bond, and it did not 7 even request the Court to fix the amount of a bond. And 8 such a bond in Ecuador, as has been shown in these proceedings, generally represents between 1 percent and 10 5 percent of the amounts at stake.

And, third, there was no other way under 12 Ecuadorian law to stay the enforceability. Here, we have 13 to respectfully disagree with the Tribunal's statements in 14 its Fourth Interim Award that, I quote: "Ecuador could 15 not be excused for the failure to fulfill through any of 16 its branches the obligation to stay the 17 enforceability"--this obligation created by the Tribunal 18 itself.

19 The Court of Appeals had to decide in the context 20 of a dispute between two private parties: Chevron on one 21 side and the Plaintiffs on the other side.

The Plaintiffs benefited of an enforceable 22 23 Judgment. There was no way for the Court, under

24 Ecuadorian law which it has to apply, to deprive the

25 Plaintiffs of the enforceability of their Judgment. In

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03:59 1 addition, that would have meant violating Article 25 of 2 the American Convention on Human Rights, to which Ecuador 3 is a party, as the Court of Appeals noted.

We have on the Slide two extracts of the 5 decision: "Article 25 of the American Convention on Human 6 Rights imposes on Ecuador (as a member State) the 7 obligation to quarantee the right of access to justice, 8 that is, an effective judicial protection, which 9 necessarily includes the quarantee of the enforcement of a 10 judgment, since the absence of enforcement would render it 11 entirely ineffective."

Second quotation: "This Chamber determined that, 13 in the event we were to act outside the boundaries of the 14 law, as requested by Chevron, and take special measures to 15 'prevent the enforcement of the Judgment,' this Court 16 would be allowing the perpetration of a violation to the 17 human rights obligations of Ecuador."

I leave aside the questions whether, one, an 18 19 international tribunal has the power to create an 20 obligation that would bind a State under international 21 law, and, second, whether a tribunal has the power to

22 interfere with the internal functioning of the

23 institutions of the State.

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To conclude, for all these reasons, Chevron 25 should have exhausted local remedies, particularly the CPA 04:03 1 to address precisely these types of allegations before the 2 Judgment was ever issued.

> So, first, let's discuss the timing of Claimants' allegations.

On the slide before you, you will see a timeline 6 of the ghostwriting allegations. As you see, the slide is 7 presented in two colors to separate fact from fiction. In 8 blue are the undisputed facts. In red are Claimants' unproven allegations that derive from affidavits that 10 Chevron submitted as evidence in the RICO litigation, and 11 the exhibit numbers to those sworn affidavits are

13 I would like to briefly run through this timeline 14 with you.

15 First, in October 2009, according to Chevron, 16 Dr. Guerra allegedly advises Chevron that he could fix the 17 entire case for Chevron through Judge Zambrano. Shortly 18 thereafter, in February 2010, Judge Zambrano steps down as 19 judge of the Lago Agrio Litigation when Judge Ordoñez is 20 elected President of the Court.

Next, in August 2010, Chevron successfully 21 22 recuses Judge Ordoñez, thereby reinstating Zambrano as the 23 Presiding Judge of the Lago Agrio Case as of October 2010.

24 Next, in October 2010, according to Chevron, Chevron was

25 allegedly tipped off to information that supposedly led

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04:01 1 recourse, and having failed to do that, its 2 denial-of-justice claim is not ripe. These recourses, and 3 particularly the CPA action, is in no way futile. Chevron 4 has not established that the Court which would have been 5 seized would not have been independent and impartial, and 6 it has not established that there would have been a risk 7 of enforcement in Ecuador or abroad before the CPA action would have been completed.

9 I'm now turning the floor to Ricardo Ugarte, who 10 will deal with another aspect of the exhaustion of 11 remedies.

12 MR. UGARTE: Thank you, Professor Mayer. 13 Members of the Tribunal, I will briefly expand 14 upon the doctrine of exhaustion and its specific 15 application to the ghostwriting allegations.

During other parts of this Opening Statement, my 17 colleagues will highlight how the vast weight of evidence 18 demonstrates that the ghostwriting allegations are simply 19 false, but those claims fail for an additional reason: 20 All of the Claims filed before this Tribunal that arise

21 from those ghostwriting allegations failed by virtue of 22 the doctrine of exhaustion. I will demonstrate this by

23 first describing the timing of Claimants' ghostwriting

24 allegations and, second, by demonstrating that Chevron had

25 numerous effective procedural remedies available to them

04:05 1 Chevron's attorneys, including its lead trial attorney, 2 Mr. Callejas, to understand that Judge Zambrano was sure

3 to reach an agreement with Plaintiffs to issue the

4 Judgment in their favor.

12 referenced in the timeline.

A few months later, on February 14, 2011, Judge 6 Zambrano nevertheless proceeds to issue the Judgment.

As you can see from the allegations referenced in 8 red in this timeline, on Chevron's own allegations,

9 Chevron says it was aware of the qhostwriting allegations 10 well before the Judgment was issued. And if you accept,

11 assuming arguendo, the ghostwriting allegations, you

12 cannot cherry-pick. You have to accept the entire

13 ghostwriting case, including the sworn evidence that

14 Chevron presented to Judge Kaplan about what they say they

15 knew about the purported ghostwriting scheme in

16 October 2010. This pre-Judgment knowledge by Chevron is 17 sufficient to shut the door on these allegations and all

18 the international claims that derive from them.

19 By no later than October of 2010, if Chevron 20 wanted to hold the entire State of Ecuador accountable 21 under international law for these allegations, Chevron was

22 duty-bound under the doctrine of exhaustion to pursue the 23 procedural remedies that the Ecuadorian judicial system

24 put in place for Chevron to address such matters at the

25 trial level, and the Legal Authorities for this

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04:06 1 proposition are set forth in our Track 2 Supplemental 2 Counter-Memorial of November 2014 at Pages 116 through

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I want to highlight two of these authorities very 5 briefly.

First, the Appeals Chamber of the United Nations 7 held in the Dilalic case that "a Party should not be permitted to refrain from making an objection to a matter 9 which was apparent during the course of the trial to raise 10 it only in the event of an adverse finding against the 11 Party."

Or, as Professor Paulsson put it, "the exhaustion 13 rule requires not only the pursuit of appeals, but also, 14 while the earlier proceedings were in progress, that the 15 complainant availed himself of existing procedural 16 mechanisms."

17 But Chevron ran afoul of these Basic Principles 18 of international law. Chevron by-passed all available 19 procedural remedies and refrained from making any 20 objection to a matter which they say was apparent to them 21 while the trial proceedings were in progress. It is 22 uncontested that Chevron failed to report its views to any 23 Ecuadorian judicial authorities during the months prior to 24 the issuance of the Judgment.

Now, Ecuador has refuted the ghostwriting

04:09 1 successful recusal motions that Chevron itself brought 2 during the Lago Agrio Litigation.

> Recall from the timeline that we just reviewed 4 that Chevron, in fact, had just successfully recused Judge 5 Ordoñez, and Chevron had no hesitation in bringing a 6 motion to recuse Judge Ordoñez on the grounds of being 7 biased. Chevron's application for recusal, as you can see 8 from the next slide, was based on allegations of undue 9 delay and bias by Judge Ordoñez.

The fact is that Ecuador's Executive Branch has 11 never prevented Ecuadorian judges from being recused as 12 evidenced by the fact that Chevron successfully removed 13 judges in the Lago Agrio Litigation itself, so Chevron 14 cannot establish that these remedies were futile.

Furthermore, it is uncontested that Claimants did 15 16 not whisper a word of this fairy tale to even this 17 Tribunal until after the Judgment was issued. Just as 18 Chevron could have pursued municipal remedies in Ecuador 19 before the Judgment was issued, Claimants could have 20 sought Interim Measures from this Tribunal to prevent the

21 harm of which they now complain. 22 Remember that Claimants say that Zambrano was 23 shopping around the Judgment to both the Plaintiffs and 24 Chevron. They never alleged that Zambrano was acting on 25 orders from higher authorities. Ecuador and this Tribunal

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04:08 1 allegations on the merits and does not believe in the 2 ghostwriting fairy tale for one minute, nor should this 3 Tribunal. But if Chevron did, then Claimants needed to 4 come forward to test and address these allegations during 5 the trial proceedings by bringing a motion to recuse Judge 6 Zambrano or by seeking to remove him by an application 7 with the Judicial Council, or by reporting this 8 information to the local bar authorities. But Chevron did 9 none of these things at that time.

It is uncontested that Chevron failed to use any 11 of these available and effective remedies in Ecuador 12 during the Lago Agrio Trial court proceedings during the 13 critical months before the Judgment was issued.

The existence of these remedies and the relevant 15 code provisions under Ecuadorian law that make clear that these remedies were available to Chevron are cited in our 17 Track 2 Supplemental Rejoinder on March 17, 2015, at

18 Paragraphs 89 and 97. 19 Claimants do not contest that these procedural 20 remedies, such as recusal motions, were available to them 21 during the trial court proceedings. Rather, Claimants' 22 claim that these remedies were futile because President 23 Correa allegedly controlled the judiciary. But that 24 assertion is pure speculation and is uncontradicted 25 and--excuse me, is contradicted by the evidence of the

04:11 1 were kept in the dark during the pre-Judgment period of 2 the knowledge that Chevron says they possessed. Instead, 3 the--Chevron saved these allegations for Judge Kaplan. 4 Chevron first surfaced these allegations within 24 hours 5 of the Judgment being issued. At R-1320, Chevron had 6 filed a pleading in the RICO case in which they said 7 "Chevron suspects that Judge Zambrano received secret 8 assistance drafting the Judgment, and anticipates 9 requesting discovery on this issue shortly."

10 Members of the Tribunal, Chevron wants you to 11 hold Ecuador's entire judicial system accountable for the 12 ghostwriting allegations under principles of customary 13 international law and under the Treaty. But under 14 international law, Chevron cannot ask this Tribunal to 15 help Chevron when they did not help themselves at the 16 trial court level.

Ecuador is responsible for the final product of 17 18 its judicial system, but what Ecuador is not responsible for is Chevron's deliberate and strategic decision to 20 bypass effective procedural remedies that were available 21 during the trial court level that would have addressed the 22 ghostwriting allegations then and there.

23 For these reasons, Ecuador would submit that 24 Claimants failed to satisfy a critical substantive element 25 of their denial-of-justice claims. Indeed, as my next

04:13 1 presentation will make it clear, when Chevron chose to 2 bypass effective procedural remedies to address the 3 ghostwriting allegations at the trial level, they also 4 forfeited their right to bring any treaty claims based on 5 those allegations.

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And with that, Ecuador concludes its oral 7 submissions on certain legal aspects of the denial-of-justice claim, and I would like to say next a 9 few words about the most prominent legal flaw in 10 Claimants' treaty claims.

With respect to Claimants' treaty claims, later 12 this afternoon my colleagues will highlight the 13 fundamental flaws in both Claimants' evidence and their 14 due process allegations. I will focus on another 15 important difference that divides the Parties: That is 16 whether the requirement to exhaust local remedies 17 constitutes a substantive element that Claimants must 18 satisfy to establish the specific treaty breaches that 19 Claimants have pled before this Tribunal.

20 Ecuador submits that the doctrine of exhaustion 21 of local remedies applies with full force to defeat all of 22 Claimants' treaty claims. This is clear for two reasons: First, all of Claimants' treaty claims ultimately 24 depend on how Ecuador's judicial system conducted itself 25 in the Lago Agrio Litigation.

04:16 1 The characterization of Claimants' case is fully 2 supported by Section 13 of Claimants' January 2015 3 Memorial, where you will find Claimants' latest iteration 4 of their Request for Relief. As you can see from the 5 highlighted portions of the slide before you, the Lago 6 Agrio Judgment appears in every single one of their 7 requests for declaratory and injunctive relief. Even in 8 Claimants' request for damages, the sole basis for 9 indemnification concerns the Judgment issued by the 10 Ecuadorian courts.

11 In other words, while they accuse Ecuador's 12 Executive of interfering with the judiciary or their 13 purported rights under the Settlement Agreement, there is 14 no basis upon which the actions of Ecuador's non-judicial 15 organs caused Claimants an independent harm or damage. 16 Every treaty claim and claim for relief ultimately stems 17 from the results of the Lago Agrio Litigation and the 18 judiciary's handling thereof.

19 Now, this is an important determination because 20 if the crux of Claimants' allegations concern the conduct 21 of the Ecuadorian judicial system, then this Tribunal 22 cannot allow Claimants to circumvent the requirement of 23 exhaustion of local remedies.

Now, I would like to briefly turn to the law on 24 25 the applicability of exhaustion of treaty claims based on

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04:14 1 Second, investment treaty jurisprudence makes 2 clear that when an investment treaty claim arises out of 3 judicial conduct, exhaustion of local remedies constitutes a substantive element that the investor must satisfy.

So, let's begin with an analysis of Claimants' 6 allegations. Ecuador submits that each Treaty breach that 7 Claimants have asserted requires this Tribunal to find that somehow that the Ecuadorian judicial system violated 9 the substantive standards of the Treaty. Every single 10 allegation involves either just the judiciary or hybrid 11 allegations that allege that somehow Ecuador's Executive 12 interfered with the judiciary's handling of the Lago Agrio 13 proceedings.

What I am contending can be put another way: 15 Would the Claimants have filed this treaty arbitration but 16 for the existence of the Lago Agrio Litigation? Of course 17 not. The allegations underpinning their treaty claims are 18 intimately focused on that litigation and the way the Ecuadorian judicial system acted in that litigation.

Indeed, this Tribunal, at Paragraph 5 of its 21 March 2015 decision, found that, "it has become 22 increasingly clear during this arbitration that the 23 Claimants' principal claim under the USA-Ecuador BIT is 24 made against the Respondent for multiple denials of 25 justice within the Ecuadorian legal system."

04:17 1 judicial conduct.

First, in his comprehensive treatise on the 2 3 subject, Professor Paulsson states: "To repeat, States 4 may, and do, enter into treaties that provide for direct 5 access by foreigners to international tribunals without 6 first having to exhaust local remedies. Such waivers give 7 foreigners the assurance that internationally wrongful conduct will not be swept under the rug indefinitely. 8 9 In the particular case of denial of justice,

10 however, claims will not succeed unless the victim has 11 indeed exhausted municipal remedies, or unless there is an 12 explicit waiver of a type yet to be invented. This is 13 neither a paradox nor an aberration, for it is in the very 14 nature of the delict that a State is judged by the final 15 product--or at least a sufficiently final product--of its 16 administration of justice."

17 Likewise, numerous investment tribunals have 18 expressly held that when an investment treaty claim is premised upon the judicial action of the host State, the 20 claim cannot succeed unless the Claimant has exhausted all 21 effective available remedies.

This was the holding by the Arbitral Tribunal in 22 23 the well-known and highly instructive case of Loewen 24 versus the United States. As you can see from the 25 following slide, in that case, the Tribunal dismissed

04:18 1 Loewen's investment treaty claims because Loewen had 2 failed to prove that it had exhausted the available 3 remedies under U.S. municipal law. Nor can Claimants 4 avoid the same fate as the investor in Loewen simply 5 because Loewen's treaty claims arose under NAFTA.

The point is simply that when assessing an act of
the judiciary, the law imposes a systemic obligation on
the host State, not a requirement that every judge or
lower court be infallible. Indeed, there are numerous
non-NAFTA decisions that support Ecuador's position. For
example, in the Jan de Nul arbitration, the Claimants
there also implored the Tribunal to jettison the
requirement of exhaustion and evaluate Egypt's judicial
system as part of the supposedly broader
fair-and-equitable-treatment standard. The Tribunal

16 categorically rejected that argument.
17 As you can see, the Tribunal held that, where a
18 judgment lies at the core of the treaty claim, the
19 relevant standards to trigger State responsibility for its
20 judiciary are the standards of denial of justice,
21 including the requirement of exhaustion of local remedies.
22 The Tribunal found that the investor could simply not
23 circumvent the requirement of exhaustion by dressing up
24 its denial-of-justice claims as treaty claims just as
25 Claimants seek to do here.

04:21 1 consider it to be indirect. Indeed, the remedy that the 2 Claimant in the Loewen Case failed to pursue was far more 3 indirect than the ones available to Chevron here.

Loewen's mortal sin was failing to petition the
U.S. Federal Supreme Court to strike down a bond
requirement imposed by the Mississippi State Courts which
Loewen could not afford to pay to stay the enforcement of
the State Court's judgment. That remedy is far more
indirect than the effective remedies which Chevron has
available here.

Again, all effective municipal remedies must be
pursued, and whether a so-called "indirect remedy" is
effective or not is a determination that must perforce be
made by an investment tribunal on a case-by-case basis
just as Professor Paulsson indicated when he was the sole
arbitrator in Pantechniki, as you can see from the bottom
of the slide that is before you.

The finding that the requirement of exhaustion
applies to all those treaty claims that arise from the
judicial conduct of the host State, as held in Loewen, Jan
de Nul, Pantechniki and others, applies here with full
force. Like the investment treaties at issue in those
cases, there is nothing in the express language of the BIT
between the U.S. and Ecuador that expressly derogates from
the requirement that local remedies must be exhausted when

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04:20 1 There is also the matter of Pantechniki versus
2 Albania arising under the Greek Albania BIT. In that
3 case, Professor Jan Paulsson, acting as a Sole Arbitrator,
4 analyzed the denial-of-justice claim in the context of a
5 Fair and Equitable Treatment provision that was
6 incorporated in the Treaty by agreement of the Parties.
7 Professor Paulsson rejected the investor's claim without
8 hesitation because it was based on the Claimants'
9 purported mistreatment at the hands of Albania's lower and
10 appellate courts, and yet the Claimant has failed to
11 pursue his appeal to the top Court in that country.

12 In a quote that is fitting here, Professor
13 Paulsson stated: "Denial of justice does not arise until
14 a reasonable opportunity to correct aberrant judicial
15 conduct has been given to the system as a whole."

And as with denial of justice claims under
customary international law, there is no hard-and-fast
rule regarding direct versus indirect remedies when
assessing which remedies must be exhausted to establish a
treaty claim. The issue of directness is not the
determining issue. The test is whether or not the local
remedy is effective to address the harm complained of,
period.

24 Thus, for example, Claimants cannot argue that 25 the CPA is not an effective remedy on the basis that they 04:23 1 judicial action is the basis of the Treaty breach.

It would be unprecedented for this Tribunal to
find that the U.S. and Ecuador implicitly or tacitly
agreed to jettison or waive this well-established
principle of international law when the Treaty breach is
based on judicial conduct. Such a waiver would have
necessarily been explicit or express, and no such waiver
exists in the present Treaty.

9 Indeed, the cases to have interpreted the
10 U.S.-Ecuador BIT in evaluating claims arising out of
11 judicial conduct support Ecuador's position here. For
12 example, even the Commercial Cases Award upon which
13 Claimants so heavily rely noted the importance of general
14 principles of customary international law in interpreting
15 the U.S.-Ecuador Treaty.

The Commercial Cases Tribunal, in its Partial
Award, found that the effective-means standard contained
in Article II(7) and general denial-of-justice principles
were inextricably linked. The Tribunal on that case
stated "given the related genesis of the two standards,
the interpretation and application of Article II(7) is
informed by the law on denial of justice."

While the Commercial Cases Tribunal ultimately

While the Commercial Cases Tribunal ultimately rejected a strict exhaustion of local-remedies standard without explaining what "strict" means in this context,

04:24 1 that Tribunal nevertheless still found that the Claimants 2 in that case must have adequately utilized the means made 3 available to them to assert claims and enforce rights in 4 Ecuador in order to prove a breach of the BIT.

Similarly, in Duke versus Ecuador, the Tribunal 6 in examining the judiciary's conduct also found that 7 Article II(7) "seeks to implement and form part of the 8 more general quarantee against denial of justice."

It then proceeded to determine whether the 10 investors' failure to pursue local remedies was justified. 11 In other words, all of these cases found that the 12 investors' exhaustion of adequate and effective local 13 remedies was required to prove their treaty claims.

Claimants also rely heavily on the Petrobart 15 versus Kyrgyz Republic Case and the White Industries Award 16 as the only examples Claimants have been able to find 17 where Claimants allege that the Tribunal appeared to relax 18 the exhaustion requirement.

Claimants' interpretation of those Awards is 20 simply incorrect. Neither of those two decisions 21 expressly discards the exhaustion requirement when 22 analyzing the conduct of the judiciary. In Petrobart, the 23 Tribunal focused on the conduct of the Executive Branch in 24 imposing liability under the Treaty. There, the Executive 25 Branch stripped the assets of a State-owned company

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04:27 1 test does not apply under this Treaty, particularly when 2 treaty claims are founded upon judicial conduct. But if 3 the Tribunal is minded to disagree, then Ecuador submits 4 that the only legitimate expectations that Chevron could 5 have reasonably had here was that Ecuador's judicial 6 system would comply within the bounds of well-established 7 principles of international law which includes the 8 requirement of exhaustion.

Finally, the White Industries Award is of no 10 moment here for another reason. That case involves a 11 systemic undue delay in a court system, an issue which can 12 indeed constitute an exception to the exhaustion 13 requirement, if proven. Chevron's case here has nothing 14 to do with a systemic delay by Ecuador's judicial system.

15 In conclusion, Members of the Tribunal, Ecuador 16 would submit that this Tribunal should uphold the 17 applicability of the exhaustion requirement as a 18 substantive element of Claimants' treaty claims because 19 they are all intimately founded upon the conduct of 20 Ecuador's judicial system. Claimants' clear and 21 deliberate failure to exhaust local remedies means they 22 have failed to satisfy a critical substantive element

And on that, Ecuador concludes its submission for 24 25 this part of its Opening Statement.

23 concerning each and every one of their treaty claims.

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04:25 1 leaving that company insolvent and unable to satisfy the 2 debts owed to the Claimants. And in contrast to the 3 situation here, the Kyrgyz Republic never argued that 4 there were any further remedies to exhaust in their 5 courts.

> Nor is there an Investment Treaty Award that applies the legitimate expectations tests so broadly as to constitute a waiver of the exhaustion requirement when the treaty claims at issue are based upon judicial conduct.

10 There is not a single case that stands for that 11 proposition. The closest case to do that was the White 12 Industries decision that Claimants rely upon, but even 13 that case never held that the exhaustion requirement did 14 not apply as a general matter to treaty claims based on 15 judicial conduct.

As we'll be seeing from the next slide, the White 17 Industries Tribunal simply never reached the issue of 18 exhaustion on the one claim that was assessed under the 19 legitimate expectations test. It didn't have to because 20 it was easier for the Tribunal to simply show how 21 ill-suited a test that relies on specific assurances is, 22 when it is clear that no State's judicial system gives 23 unambiguous and specific assurances to a specific investor 24 or unidentifiable group.

Ecuador submits that the legitimate expectations

04:28 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. I think 2 that was the time when you were indicating we might have a 3 mid-afternoon break.

MR. BLOOM: Exactly.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, let's break now for 15 5 minutes. We'll come back at quarter to 5:00. Thank you. 6

(Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 8

9 MR. BLOOM: Mr. President and Members of the 10 Tribunal, we now turn to our final session. Having covered 11 this morning jurisdiction, exhaustion, and Treaty, we now 12 turn to the denial-of-justice issues.

13 Claimants contend that the Court's application of 14 Ecuadorian law represented a legal absurdity, and 15 Claimants also contend that the Court's resolution of 16 certain other Ecuadorian legal issues represented a denial 17 of due process. In truth, and in fact, the Ecuadorian

18 legal issues raised by Claimants relate to ordinary and

19 oftentimes mundane matters of Ecuadorian law, the

20 resolution of which were hardly extraordinary. In each 21 instance, the Court's resolution of these issues was

22 appropriate and proper, and well within the ambit of the

23 juridically possible.

24 Mr. Leonard will address these issues.

At the conclusion of that, he will then respond

04:48 1 to Mr. Coriell's presentation regarding the implications 2 of the Track 1B Decision of March 12, 2015. At that 3 point, Mr. Leonard will hand the microphone over to 4 Mr. Ewing and to Ms. Silver. They will address and 5 respond to the Claimants' factual absurdities argument. 6 Mr. Ewing will address the issues relating to 7 contamination in the Oriente, while Ms. Silver will 8 address the health concerns.

Finally, we'll respond to Claimants' claims of 10 corruption, and in this regard you'll be hearing from 11 Mr. Ewing, my colleague, Mr. Goldstein and me. And with 12 that, I'll turn the fining phone over to Mr. Leonard.

MR. LEONARD: Thank you, Mr. Bloom.

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14 Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, always a 15 pleasure to appear before you.

The topic that I'm about to address, is not as 16 17 pleasant, but the good news is that my presentation should 18 take no more than 20 minutes, so please bear with me while 19 I address Claimants' allegations of legal error and due 20 process violations in the Lago Agrio Litigation.

I must admit to a certain level of reluctance in 22 addressing this topic. That Claimants' arguments are 23 meritless as a matter of municipal law seems almost 24 besides the point. What is most objectionable about these 25 aspects of Claimants' case is that their arguments do not

04:51 1 accepted presumption in favor of the judicial process by 2 means of clear and convincing evidence of highly egregious 3 conduct. Claimants have utterly failed to meet their 4 burden, and their bid to turn these proceedings into an 5 additional layer of appeal is without basis in 6 international law and must be rejected.

> Now, turning to Claimants' specific complaints, 8 they include the following eight allegations.

9 First, the causation analysis in the Lago Agrio 10 judgment is substantively absurd; second, the Judgment 11 improperly amalgamates TexPet, Texaco, and Chevron; third, 12 the Judgment Awards extra petita damages to the 13 Plaintiffs; four, it improperly joins claims under the 14 oral summary proceedings; five, it allows for the 15 retroactive application of the EMA; six, the Court 16 improperly allowed the Plaintiffs to withdraw their 17 earlier request for the production of certain judicial 18 inspections; seven, the Court improperly appointed Cabrera 19 as a global expert;

20 And, eight, the Court purportedly refused to 21 consider Chevron's essential error petitions. 22 While examining these issues, the Tribunal will

23 find that some of Claimants' arguments are clever ones, 24 but will also conclude that not one of them is supported

25 by Ecuadorian law or by the facts on which it prefers to

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04:50 1 belong in these proceedings. They are appellate-type 2 arguments that ought to be raised and were, in fact, 3 raised before the courts of competent jurisdiction over 4 those matters. This is not one of those courts. With all 5 the respect that is due to this Tribunal, you do not sit 6 here as a supra-national court of appeal and should 7 decline the Claimants' invitation to do so. There is 8 extensive authority against the possibility of 9 international tribunals substituting their Judgment for 10 that of a municipal Court. I do not intend to address any 11 of that today, and will simply refer the Tribunal to the 12 Republic's submissions on this subject, but I do want the 13 record to be clear about the Republic's objection in this 14 respect.

It is respectfully submitted that unless you find 15 16 that Mr. Fajardo wrote the Judgment, a hypothesis that you 17 will find is wholly unsupported by the evidence, you must 18 refrain from engaging in any exercise intended to 19 second-quess the findings of Ecuador's courts on these 20 same issues that Claimants have now put before you. An 21 international tribunal may substitute its Judgment for 22 that of a municipal Court only in the most extreme and unusual circumstances. Such circumstances are not present 24 here.

Claimants were required to overcome the generally

04:53 1 rely.

For example, as to the first of Claimants' 2 3 complaints, Dr. Coronel and Dr. Barros argue that the 4 Judgment does not establish a causal connection between 5 TexPet's operations and the alleged harm at issue. This 6 assertion is factually incorrect. Starting at Part 6 of 7 the Judgment under the heading "Civil Liability, the basis 8 of the allegation," and concluding at Part 10, the Court 9 engages in an extensive discussion about the evidence of 10 widespread contamination in the former Concession Area and 11 the causal nexus between such contamination and TexPet's 12 operations.

13 Claimants themselves quote the Judgment's 14 introduction to the relevant causation analysis in their 15 most recent submission. At Paragraph 141 of their 16 Supplemental Reply in Track 2, Claimants quote the 17 following language from the Judgment, which you can see on 18 the screen, and I quote: "As has been explained, the 19 strict-liability regime favors the victim of the harm, who 20 must only prove the harm and the resulting causal nexus in 21 order for his action for harm to succeed. In view of the 22 foregoing, what truly needs to be analyzed is causation." 23 Part 7 through 10 of the Judgment described the 24 Court's analysis and its findings that the record shows

25 sufficient evidence of pollution arising from TexPet's

04:54 1 operations as well as a credible threat of contingent harm 2 to those exposed to the contaminated lands and waters. Claimants also rely, albeit for different 4 purpose, on the Court of Appeals examination of the lower 5 court's causation analysis, and I quote from Page 13 of 6 the appellate Decision in Lago Agrio; this language can 7 also be found at Paragraph 142 of Claimants' Track 2 8 Supplemental Rejoinder. You have the language on the 9 screen, and I quote: "The division considers that the 10 analysis of Civil Liability, clear in the lower Judgment, 11 is the appropriate one. The analysis of the relationship 12 between damage and cause in the Ecuadorian Amazon is sound 13 and derives from the examination of the items of evidence 14 that exist in the record. Then, the damages to the 15 environment are legally proved and considering the causal 16 relationship between the result of damage, and the action 17 of the operations of the then TexPet, the division does

18 not find reasons to modify what was ordered in the lower 19 court's Judgment." 20 The factual predicate of Claimants' complaint is 21 just lacking, so Claimants resort to misdirection and 22 argue through their experts that the Court's analysis is 23 not based on the, "technically applicable evidence," for 24 determining the causation between an event and a 25 particular harm.

04:57 1 The record evidence shows that Chevron was simply 2 not in a position to meet this burden. Thirty years of 3 oil drilling and extraction operations using arcane 4 techniques such as unlined pits to this charged crude and 5 drilling mud containing heavy metals and chemicals or 6 discharging billions of gallons of toxic production waters 7 resulted in widespread and extensive contamination, and 8 the Court found this. The Court's analysis in Chapter 7 9 through 10 of the Judgment finds this causal link between 10 TexPet's activities, and the existing contamination has 11 been sufficiently established. That's Point 1.

12 There is another aspect to Claimants' argument: 13 Claimants complained that Petroecuador's activities 14 contributed to the pollution that is being imputed to 15 Chevron. And make two different allegations on this 16 basis:

17 First, Claimants argue that the courts should 18 have made every possible effort to determine which 19 percentage of the harm was attributable to Petroecuador 20 and factor that percentage into its final determination on 21 damages. For example, in Claimants' view, the Court 22 should have determined how much of the contamination that 23 is migrating from TexPet's unlined pits originated in any 24 discharge that Petroecuador may have dumped into those 25 pits.

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04:56 1 Now, this argument is most intriguing. What is 2 the technically applicable evidence really is anybody's 3 quess. Dr. Coronel maintains that in his expert 4 testimony, while another one of Claimants' Experts, 5 Dr. Wright, asserts that judicial expectations are it. 6 Dr. Andrade shed some light on this nonsense and explained 7 that establishing causation in cases of strict liability is not particularly complex where the alleged harm is a 9 natural consequence of the risky activity at issue. The 10 presence in a rainforest of crude oil chemicals and heavy 11 metals used in drilling and extraction of hydrocarbons is 12 a natural consequence of hydrocarbon activities. It 13 cannot be attributed, for example, to the farming 14 activities of native inhabitants of the area.

The law of torts in Ecuador adopted an objective 15 16 or strict-liability regime in cases involving risky 17 activities such as this one. Technically, this regime 18 adopts a rebuttable presumption of liability for any and 19 all harm that is a natural consequence of such activity. 20 This presumption can be reversed only if the Defendant can 21 break the causal link between the risky activity and the 22 alleged harm. This can be done on three grounds, each 23 showing that the harm is a product of either one, force 24 majeure; two, the exclusive fault of a third party; or, 25 three, the exclusive fault of the victim.

04:59 1 But that is not the law in Ecuador. The laws in 2 Ecuador impose joint and several liability on all joint 3 and consecutive tortfeasors, subject, of course, to the 4 Defendant's right to seek contribution from the other 5 tortfeasors. It is not the Plaintiffs' burden to allocate 6 percentages of liability among possible joint tortfeasors, 7 nor is it the Court's to do so, a burden, that if real, would indirectly inure to the detriment of the Plaintiff. 9 Quite on the contrary, it is the Plaintiffs'

10 prerogative to seek full damages from anyone, some or all 11 of the joint tortfeasors. Petroecuador's alleged 12 contribution to the pollution derived from TexPet's 13 operations does not prevent the entry of a judgment 14 against Chevron. Second, Claimants assert that the Court found

16 Chevron liable for contamination, which Chevron allegedly 17 proved was exclusively attributable to Petroecuador. But 18 this contention is belied by the Judgment's express 19 representations that harm exclusively attributable to 20 Petroecuador was not being considered in the Judgment. To 21 make this claim, Claimants rely not on their scientific 22 experts or on any concrete evidence otherwise in this 23 record. Claimants rely, instead on the bare assertions of 24 their legal experts, Dr. Coronel and Dr. Barros neither of 25 which proffers any evidence to support their assertions.

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05:00 1 There simply is no basis on this record to conclude that 2 the Court erred in imputing to Chevron liability for 3 conduct only attributable to Petroecuador.

Claimants' next argument challenges the Court's 5 determination to pierce the corporate veils separating 6 TexPet from Texaco and Texaco from Chevron as, and I 7 guote, "so deeply flawed that it could only have been the product of bias or corruption."

Claimants do not dispute that it was within the 10 Lago Agrio Court's competence and discretion to pierce the 11 corporate veil of these companies. Both Parties agree 12 that this mechanism is available to any court confronted 13 with the alleged abuse of the corporate form. Claimants 14 simply disagree with the analysis and ultimate conclusions 15 of the Ecuadorian courts on this topic. The Republic 16 offered a detailed analysis of the elements that Ecuador's 17 courts considered while examining this matter. I will not 18 embark on this same level of analysis today. I trust the 19 Tribunal has reviewed or will review the Republic's 20 submissions in due course. I will simply make two 21 somewhat general points:

First, Claimants have put before this Tribunal 23 claims on arguments that have already failed and been 24 rejected by courts in Claimants' home country. Delaware 25 courts, the courts of the state where Chevron is

05:03 1 Chevron's Treasury Department handles all wire transfers 2 for Texaco. Chevron pays Texaco's U.S. liabilities, tax 3 liabilities. After the merger, Chevron sold Texaco's 4 former headquarters in New York and moved all operations to its own California facility. Since then, Chevron and 6 Texaco have shared at least 15 officers and Directors.

And, finally, Chevron designates Texaco as a 8 non-operating company with no ongoing commercial 9 enterprises.

These facts are undisputed.

Now, presented with these facts, a jury in a 11 12 Mississippi state Court trial recently concluded that 13 Texaco is Chevron's alter eqo, that Texaco is Chevron's 14 alter ego, justifying the Court's piercing of the 15 corporate veil between them. Chevron later lost its 16 appeal to intermediate appellate court. I refer to the 17 Decision in the Simon v. Texaco case, which the Republic 18 discussed at large in written submissions starting with 19 its Track 2 Counter-Memorial in February of 2013.

20 Second, the Lago Agrio Court considered similar 21 factors--similar factors--and in its discretion concluded 22 that they warranted a finding that Texaco was Chevron's 23 instrumentality and that upholding their corporate 24 effectiveness would perfect an abuse of the corporate form

25 to the detriment of third parties, here the Plaintiffs.

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05:01 1 incorporated, have articulated several factors that, if 2 present, give rise to a presumption that a corporation is 3 operating a subsidiary as its alter ego. In those cases 4 courts have disregarded the formal corporate separateness 5 of the corporation and its subsidiary. Those factors 6 include:

7 One, whether the corporation was solvent or 8 undercapitalized;

9 Two, whether the Shareholder siphoned corporate 10 funds;

11 Three, whether there is identity of corporate 12 officers and Directors;

And, four, generally, whether the corporation 13 14 simply functioned as a facade for the dominant 15 Shareholder.

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All of these factors are present in the case of 17 Chevron and Texaco. While Texaco was a viable and well 18 capitalized operation throughout the duration, entire 19 duration of the '73 Concession, the record shows that 20 after the merger, Chevron turned Texaco into an empty 21 shell. For example, we know that Chevron acquired all of 22 Texaco's capital stock and remains Texaco's only 23 Shareholder. Texaco transfers all of its money daily to

24 one of Chevron's corporate accounts. Texaco thus requires

25 financing from Chevron for any number of purposes.

05:04 1 Claimants naturally disagree, and it is quite 2 possible that the Tribunal too might have reasons to 3 disagree with the reasoning and the ultimate conclusion of 4 Ecuador's courts. Reasonable minds can disagree. But 5 this is not a retrial, nor is it an appellate proceeding 6 before a court of competent jurisdiction. This Tribunal's 7 limited jurisdiction is not vested with discretion to 8 substitute its Judgment for that of Ecuadorian courts 9 absent clear and convincing evidence of egregious 10 misapplication of the law.

That is not the case here. The Ecuador court's 11 12 decision to pierce the corporate veil between Chevron and 13 Texaco mirrors the analysis employed by not one but two 14 U.S. courts that reached the same conclusion regarding the 15 same corporate entities on the basis of the same facts. I 16 submit to you that those facts more than sufficiently 17 support the Ecuadorian Court's findings, but at a minimum, 18 the fact that both the first instance and appellate courts 19 of Mississippi found it appropriate to pierce the 20 corporate veil of these companies speaks at least to the 21 reasonableness of the decision of the Ecuadorian courts to 22 do the same and place that decision comfortably within the 23 ambit of the juridically possible.

24 Similar evidence supports Ecuador's Court's 25 decision to disregard the corporate separateness between

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2 Now, I'm going to address the evidence justifying the 3 piercing of the corporate veils between Texaco and TexPet. And the Lago Agrio Record shows that, first, 5 Texaco considered TexPet as its Ecuadorian division, not a 6 separate entity. Routine administration matters such as 7 tenders for catering, cleaning, and entertainment services

05:06 1 Texaco and TexPet. I just spoke of Texaco and Chevron.

8 were handled and authorized by Texaco. The Court made the 9 same observation with respect to daily operations such as 10 contracting equipment and personnel. 11

And just as the case of Chevron and Texaco, 12 TexPet and Texaco also had overlapping officers and 13 Directors. As a trial court noted, "Both the important 14 decisions as well as the trivial ones passed through 15 various levels of Executives and decision-making bodies of 16 Texaco, Inc., to the extent that the subsidiary depended 17 on the parent company to contract a simple catering 18 service."

19 Again, these factors are substantially similar to 20 those upon which U.S. courts concluded that Texaco was 21 Chevron's alter ego. Claimants cannot indict the 22 Ecuadorian Court's Decision to disregard TexPet's and 23 Texaco's corporate separateness as egregious or offensive 24 to the most basic sense of justice without simultaneously 25 indicting the wrong judicial system.

05:09 1 proceedings. This shows that Claimants are not the only 2 ones to have made this argument, but also shows that the 3 same argument has been rejected every time that it has 4 been raised.

Moving on, Claimants' claims of due-process 6 violations fare no better. There are complaints about the 7 Plaintiffs' withdrawal of their earlier request for a 8 certain number of judicial inspections or the allegedly 9 improper procedure for appointing Cabrera as a global 10 expert, and the Court's handling of Chevron's repetitive 11 essential error petitions are fabrications only 12 facilitated by Claimants' Experts' willingness to 13 misrepresent applicable rules of civil procedure and the 14 relevant facts. I expect that Claimants will address the 15 minutiae of each of these allegations during their 16 examination of Dr. Andrade, and, therefore, intend to 17 expand on these issues when I address the Tribunal again a

18 few weeks from today in Closing Argument. This concludes this segment of my original 20 submission. With your permission, I would like to devote 21 some time now to address Mr. Coriell's presentation of 22 this morning on Track 1 issues.

23 And I will also take the opportunity to touch 24 upon certain aspects of the Tribunal's recent decisions on 25 those issues.

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05:07 1 Claimants' extra petita damages are equally 2 without basis, and I will not address them in the interest 3 of time. Claimants' other allegations of legal error are 4 similarly without basis in law or in fact. For example, 5 Claimants complained that the Courts in Ecuador 6 retroactively applied the EMA. The contention is 7 predicated on the premise that the EMA Article 43 created new substantive rights concerning the diffuse claims. The plain language of Article 43 shows this premise to be 10 false and reiterated decisions of Ecuador's highest court 11 confirm the procedural nature of this relation.

As the National Court explained, the Civil Code 13 determines the substantive rights underpinning the 14 Plaintiffs' claims, and Article 43 establishes the 15 applicable procedure.

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Claimants' next contention that the Court 17 improperly allowed Plaintiffs' claims under tort 18 provisions of the Civil Code to be heard in oral summary 19 proceedings is also belied by the express mandate 20 contained in Article 43, that all claims in tort for 21 damages originating in environmental contamination be 22 heard in oral summary proceedings. Lest there be any 23 doubt, the Republic and its Expert presented evidence of 24 other decisions that confronted and rejected substantially 25 the same argument that Claimants advanced in these

05:10 1 While the Republic appreciates, really 2 appreciates, the hard work of this Tribunal and, of 3 course, the result of that analysis, we remain concerned 4 about the direction that the Tribunal appears to be taking 5 in respect of the nature of the Claims at issue in the 6 Lago Agrio Litigation. We have always been candid with 7 this Tribunal and intend to continue that practice for the 8 duration of these proceedings and beyond. We recognize 9 the challenges inherent to the task of interpreting the 10 laws of a legal system that is foreign to the majority of 11 this Tribunal, and it is with candor that I tell you that 12 we do recognize this Tribunal's discernible efforts to 13 understand these issues and to find the path to the 14 correct answer to the questions before it. But Claimants have succeeded in creating a legal

16 fiction by importing into a civil law system legal 17 constructs developed in common law and which really have 18 no place of recognition in Ecuador's legal system. 19 Claimants have spent enormous resources to square a 20 circle, and in the process have made this Tribunal's task 21 a daunting one. The Republic continues to regret that in 22 its final and First Partial Award, the Tribunal took a 23 stab at interpreting some aspects of Ecuadorian law and 24 came out on the opposite extreme of what Courts in Ecuador 25 have established on those same issues.

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05:12 1 Certain aspects of the Tribunal's recent decision 2 on Track 1 raised concerns that the Tribunal may continue 3 to misunderstand relevant aspects of Ecuador's legal 4 system, which may lead in turn to critical decisions that may not have a sound basis in Ecuadorian law.

For example, in its most recent decision, the 7 Tribunal adopted definitions of what it considers to be 8 individual claims and diffuse claims to, "denote 9 categories of Claims that the Tribunal has identified as 10 relevant to its legal analysis of the Parties' respective 11 cases in this decision." This language appears at 12 Paragraph 157 of the decision.

At Paragraph 156, the Tribunal adopts the 13 14 following definition of a diffuse claim, and I quote: 15 "Under Ecuadorian law, a diffuse claim may belong to a 16 community of indeterminate people with the remedy 17 indivisible, and it is not an individual claim." But, 18 Mr. President, with utmost respect, I wonder what might be 19 the source of this definition. This definition is 20 prefaced by the phrase "under Ecuadorian law," but there 21 is no statute on the record or elsewhere, really, that 22 might contain any of the elements of this definition. 23 There is no precedent in the history of Ecuador's 24 jurisprudence from which one could derive those elements, 25 nor is there academic support for it.

05:15 1 legal community began developing the notion of diffuse 2 rights more than a century and a half later. How could 3 one assert that Article 2236 was nonetheless enacted as a 4 mechanism to assert only diffuse claims? Note that the 5 Civil Code lays out the rights of the individuals and that 6 individuals have been afforded standing to file a popular 7 action under this provision for more than 150 years. Any 8 determination that these provisions falls within the 9 Tribunal's definition of a diffuse claims or in other 10 words that it is not an individual claim would be an 11 error.

12 But I submit to you that the real issue is not 13 whether an action under Article 2236 is a diffuse one. 14 Bear with me here. That is not the point. The real issue 15 is whether an individual's right to bring a popular action 16 under this provision falls within the scope of the Release 17 contained in the 1995 Settlement Agreement. It is not, 18 and it could not, for a number of reasons.

To elaborate on this point, I would like to focus 20 on the nature and purpose of the popular action under 21 Article 2236. Let's call it a 2236 action. And to 22 understand this 2236 action, we must first take a step 23 back and revisit Ecuadorian tort law more generally.

24 Though you may recall that the three primary tort 25 provisions of the Civil Code are Articles 2214, 2229, and

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05:13 1 Mr. President, this definition simply does not 2 comport with Ecuadorian law. This is not Ecuadorian law. And allow me to illustrate the danger of having

4 to create definitions to accommodate Claimants' legal 5 arguments. At Paragraph 164 of the Decision, you identify 6 certain claims raised in the Lago Agrio Complaint that, 7 under the proposed definition of individual and diffuse 8 claims, "could be read as including something other than 9 individual claims." And you list there the popular action 10 under Article 2236 of the Civil Code. You will recall 11 that the National Court confirmed in its decision that 12 Article 2236 of the Civil Code is one of the primary bases

14 in the Judgment, and I will turn to that in a few minutes. Under the Tribunal's proposed definition of 15 16 diffuse claims, Claimants would argue that any claim under 17 this provision, Article 2236, by a member of an

13 for relief, the relief sought in the complaint and granted

18 indeterminate class would necessarily be a diffuse one; 19 that is, that it would not be an individual claim.

The jurists of ancient Rome who gave birth to 21 this popular action would respectfully beg to differ.

22 Think of the Year 1861, 19th century, when the drafters of 23 Ecuador's Civil Code adopted the same popular action as

24 well as the one we find in Article 990 of the same code.

25 There was no concept of diffuse rights back then. The

05:17 1 2236. Articles 2214 and 2229 embodied the traditional

2 notions of tort law; that is, anyone who causes harm to

3 another is liable to that other person for such harm.

4 That's liability for discrete harm, harm that has already

5 occurred, giving rise to what we know as a cow claim.

6 Let's call that a 2214 action. To be clear, this action

7 represents what we know as a cow claim to which

8 Mr. Coriell referred to this morning as a claim for

9 individualized harm.

10 But tort law in Ecuador has two components. 11 While we have on the one hand these 2214 actions focusing 12 on harm that has already occurred, we also have on the 13 other hand actions in tort to prevent the occurrence of 14 prospective harm. Article 2236 embodies this latter form. 15 It is a tort mechanism afforded to individuals to pursue a

16 claim in tort to prevent the occurrence of harm by causing

17 or forcing the tortfeasor to remove that which creates the

18 risk of prospective harm. That action is pursued in the

19 form of these popular action, and this component of

20 Ecuadorian tort law is of critical importance to

21 understand the Lago Agrio Litigation. Claimants have done

22 their level best to conceal the second component and offer 23 a rigid binary approach. Either you have a class action

24 or you have a 2214 action. There is nothing in between.

25 And as everyone agrees, Ecuador does not have a class

05:18 1 action, but that contention is absolutely wrong. It's 2 incomplete. It ignores the popular action under 3 Article 2236 which, as we've stated several times, is akin 4 to a class action, but it's not a class action. There are 5 substantial differences.

Think of it this way: If existing contamination 7 of the environment has already caused the final injury to, 8 say, a thousand people, the affected residents have the 9 right to seek reparation from the tortfeasor under article 10 2214, as our cow claim. Now, if the contamination raises 11 also the specter of harm in the future, harm to their 12 lives, harm to their health, their property, any one of 13 those people affected by the threat of harm may assert a 14 popular action under Article 2236 to cause the tortfeasor 15 to remove the contamination that is creating a threat of 16 contingent harm. To what? To their individual rights to 17 their persons. This is not a cow claim. This is not a 18 claim for compensation of reparation of harm that has 19 already occurred. This is a claim to prevent that harm 20 from occurring to exactly the same rights, but it's 21 prospective in nature.

In both instances, the Plaintiffs would seek to 23 vindicate their individual rights, but it is to protect 24 their health, their family, their livestock, their 25 property. They're not seeking to vindicate any esoteric 05:22 1 waters. Now, this is only one neighbor that files the 2 claim, and that neighbor does have standing under the 3 plain language of Article 2236.

13 these neighbors.

Now, because it's a popular action, that neighbor 5 is, in a sense, acting on behalf of the entire community 6 of neighbors, but there is a distinction to be made. That 7 person is not asserting their own--the neighbors' 8 individual rights to property or to life or to health. 9 This is a procedural right. This is a right to file a 10 popular action, to have the plant remove that which is 11 causing a threat of harm. This toxic waste will result in 12 sickness and death and in problems to the property of all

14 Now, if this person succeeds, the benefit of this 15 action, the reparation will benefit himself, but by 16 definition will also benefit the entire members of the 17 class. This person settles a claim in exchange for an all 18 expenses paid vacation to Disney World, then anyone else, all the neighbors continue to be exposed to a threat of harm, and everyone has standing to file this claim. This is the nature, the basic nature, of an 21

22 action, a popular action, under 2236 of the Civil Code. 23 Now, this right of action is a civil right. This is not 24 the government's right, so even if a governmental entity

25 could also assert claims under this provision, what is

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05:20 1 kind of right to the environment or a right of the 2 environment to be clean from contamination. This is to 3 protect themselves.

Now, under Article 2236, anyone has standing to 5 bring this kind of action, unless the threat of harm 6 affects a finite or determinate universe of people, in 7 which case only a member of such class has standing to 8 bring such popular action. And you will recall that 9 Professor Douglas used the example of a person who lives 10 by the river, any stream of water. He's not the only one. 11 He has neighbors, there are many people. And upstream 12 there is a company, a plant that is about to start or has 13 already started dripping highly toxic material into that 14 water stream contaminating the water stream from which 15 these neighbors take water to drink, to bathe, to feed 16 their cattle. One of the members of that class decides to 17 file a popular action under Article 2236 to force that 18 plant to remedy the problem, to prevent that toxic 19 materials from keeping dripping into the water.

But if that person does the same thing that the 21 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs did, that person will also invoke 22 Article 2214 to force that person to remediate the harm 23 that has already occurred.

24 So, for the action under 2236 is intended to 25 prevent that plant from continuing the pollution of the 05:23 1 clear is that there is no authority for the proposition

2 that the Government can or could ever dispose of any

3 person's right under that provision by way of a

4 settlement. You may recall that the Civil Code explicitly

5 forecloses any possibility that a party may settle rights

6 belonging to others. You may also recall that

7 Articles--well, these Articles on the screen,

8 Articles 2349 and 2354 embodied this notion.

9 So, no matter how you qualify an action under 10 2236, be it individuals or diffuse or otherwise, what is

11 important is that neither Petroecuador nor the Ministry of

12 Energy of Ecuador could have settled claims that any

13 person in Ecuador has a right to pursue under Article 2236

14 since the enactment of a Civil Code in 1861, and we know 15 that any attempt to do so would have rendered the

16 Agreement null and void by virtue of these provisions that

17 you have in front of you. Such right of action under

18 Article 2236 is not within the scope of the 1995

19 Settlement Agreement.

20 You may also recall that, up until recently

21 before this arbitration called for a need to veer off-road

22 and speak from the other side of the mouth, Claimants'

23 Experts admitted and represented to a Federal Court in New

24 York that claims brought under Article 2236 would not be

25 barred by the 1995 Settlement Agreement. Indeed, not one,

05:25 1 not two or three, but five of Claimants' Experts testified 2 under oath to that effect. You must be familiar with the 3 statement on the screen. I will not read the whole of it, 4 but the conclusion you see is: "Therefore, the 5 possibility of bringing those claims is not affected by 6 the 1995 Settlement Agreement."

Mr. Reis Veiga, Texaco's lead negotiator of the 8 1995 Settlement Agreement, he, too, admitted in 9 cross-examination that he agreed with this statement. He 10 had made the same representations to the inhabitants of 11 the former Concession Area on multiple occasions prior to 12 the formal execution of the Settlement Agreement.

As interpreted by this Tribunal, the Release does 14 not extend to, "claims made by third persons acting 15 independently of the Respondent and asserting rights 16 separate and different from the rights of the Respondent."

17 This is at Page 81 of the Tribunal's First Partial Award. 18 At Page 112, the Tribunal clarifies further that 19 the Release precludes only, "diffuse claims against 20 Chevron under Article 19.2 of the Constitution made by the 21 Respondent"--that's clear--"and also by any individual not 22 claiming personal harm actual or threatened." I submit to 23 you that this action, the right of action under

24 Article 2236 is no doubt a mechanism to assert rights,

25 "separate and apart or different from the rights of the

05:28 1 environment in a former Concession Area.

The slide on the screen has a reference to each 3 one, each opportunity where the Republic addressed this 4 issue.

But I do wish to address Mr. Coriell's reliance 6 on the Republic's statement explaining that the Aguinda 7 Plaintiffs dropped their personal injury claims. And, 8 indeed, they did. There is no inconsistency in the 9 Republic's case here. We stand by that statement, but 10 also need to make clear that those personal-injury claims 11 refer to their cow claims, their claims for reparation or 12 compensation for their individualized harm. Discrete, 13 past harm. Mr. Coriell emphasized the fact that 14 Plaintiffs did not offer evidence of personalized harm in 15 Lago Agrio, nor did they seek compensation for any 16 personalized harm suffered. That would be a 2214 type of

17 action. And Mr. Coriell is correct: The Lago Agrio 18 19 Litigation is not a 2214 type of case. You may have 20 noticed that no money will ever flow to the pockets of the 21 Plaintiffs. Rather, all funds have been ordered to flow 22 into a trust fund which sole purpose is to fund the 23 remedial works necessary to remove the contamination that 24 is posing raising a threat of harm to which each of the 25 Plaintiffs is exposed.

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05:26 1 Respondent."

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Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, it is 3 with the most respect that I urge you to resist the 4 temptation of revisiting these issues de novo. The Lago 5 Agrio Court, the Court of Appeals in Ecuador's highest 6 court all rejected as baseless Claimants' contention that 7 the Claims at issue in the Lago Agrio Litigation had been 8 settled by Petroecuador and the Government under the 1995 9 Settlement Agreement. There are powerful reasons why 10 those who preceded us in development of international law 11 uniformly rejected the possibility that international 12 tribunals substitute their Judgment for that of municipal 13 courts interpreting their own municipal laws. The 14 likelihood of error is chief among them.

The same broad equitable relief that Plaintiffs 15 16 requested in Aquinda was requested in the Lago Agrio 17 Complaint and granted by the Lago Agrio Court under 18 Articles 2236 of the Civil Code and EMA Article 43. One 19 might read the Tribunal's characterization of the Aguinda 20 claim as one limited to cow claims based on the most 21 recent decision. I do not believe that that would 22 possibly be the case, but in the interest of caution, I 23 will respectfully refer the Tribunal to the Republic's 24 submission describing the nature, scope, and extent of the 25 Aguinda Complaint as seeking extensive remediation of the

05:30 1 The Lago Agrio Litigation is a 2236-type case. 2 It's a case about the removal of that which is causing a 3 threat of harm to the inhabitants of the former Concession 4 Area. This popular action entitles anyone in that area to 5 assert this popular action precisely for the purpose of obtaining the removal of the threat.

I also wish to address Mr. Coriell's reliance on 8 the Aguinda Decision. Mr. Coriell argued this morning 9 that Ecuador relies on the Delfina Decision as its last 10 resort, but this is an error. Claimants misread the 11 Decision and misrepresent the relevance to its case, to 12 this case.

13 To be clear, the Republic invoked Delfina for a 14 limited purpose: To show that Claimants' contention that, 15 in 1995, no individual could assert a claim under 16 Article 19.2 was false. Delfina, one of the legal bases 17 for Delfina is 19.2, and that's the reason why the 18 Republic initially brought the Tribunal's attention to 19 that case.

20 In its Track 1 Decision the Tribunal somewhat 21 rendered--or rendered this decision somewhat irrelevant by 22 carving out from its decision the right of an individual 23 to file a claim under 19.2 to the extent that the Claimant 24 asserted or alleged personal harm. That's exactly what 25 happened in Delfina. We can no longer rely on Delfina.

05:31 1 That the relevance of that case is relative at best. Now, Delfina was a 2214 type of claim. It was 3 not a 2236 action. It wasn't a class action. It was not 4 a diffuse claim. It was a 2214 type of claim. And your 5 recent decision reflects your understanding of that fact. 6 Delfina sought compensation for individualized injuries 7 and sought monetary compensation for those injuries, 8 although at the end of the day, it chose to apply those 9 funds to Public Works instead of putting it in their own 10 pockets.

Now, we also drew a parallel between Delfina and 11 12 Lago Agrio simply because the factual predicate of both 13 cases was very similar. There was environmental 14 contamination affecting the neighbors of a particular 15 area. In one case, Delfina, 2214-type action, the 16 neighbors chose to pursue or seek remediation, reparation 17 for the harm, historical harm, that had already occurred. 18 Monetary compensation for that harm. In Lago Agrio, the 19 existence of environmental contamination is a factual 20 predicate for a 2236 action. That environmental 21 contamination poses the threat of multiple different kinds 22 of harm, and my colleagues will address that in a few 23 minutes.

In essence, it establishes a factual predicate

05:34 1 would like to take about 15 minutes to 20 minutes this 2 afternoon to talk you through some of what we have found. Put most simply, our analysis of the Lago Agria 4 record and our own experts' sampling has shown a very 5 straightforward truth. TexPet caused environmental 6 contamination that continues to exist in the Oriente and 7 negatively impacts its residents. I will be primarily 8 discussing the first two pieces of this conclusion, and my 9 colleague, Nicole Silver, will be discussing the third. 10 In the third week of this arbitration, you will 11 also hear from the Republic's Experts Dr. Ed Garvey and 12 Mr. Ken Goldstein of LBG and Dr. Harlee Strauss on these 13 same topics. 14 But to start, I would like to take you back to 15 the beginning of TexPet's time in Ecuador. When Texaco 16 entered the Oriente in the late 1960s, the area was mostly 17 untouched rainforest. Lago Agrio 1 was the first well 18 drilled by TexPet. Marketable quantities of oil were 19 found. Immediately after completing this well, TexPet 20 moved to drill Lago Agrio 2. Lago Agrio 2 is a well that 21 the Republic's Experts have done some analysis on, and a 22 well which we will be showing you during the site visit.

25 for that claim, and the claim seeks an order from the

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05:36 1 today are just that: Examples. We have found similar

23 So it will serve as my first example. But I want to make

24 sure we don't get lost in my examples. TexPet operated at

2 conditions at almost every site we visited. The judicial

3 inspections during the trial show the same. This is not

4 surprising, though, since TexPet's practices were the same

5 throughout the Concession. All of the examples I will be

7 practices. Keeping that in mind, let's look back at my

10 the earliest date on which we have a clear picture of the

11 well. There are two pits here. You may be having a hard

12 time seeing them, and you may be thinking this is a lot

13 like those "Where's Wally" games or, as they're called

14 here in the States, "Where's Waldo?" Searching for pits

This is an aerial view of Lago Agrio 2 in 1976,

6 showing you today are the direct result of TexPet's

25 least 344 sites throughout the Concession. My examples

05:33 1 Court instructing the tortfeasor to remove that threat of 2 harm, in this case by way of environmental remediation.

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Mr. President, this concludes my submission to 4 this issue. I have already exceeded the time that I had 5 allotted for this. We will have an opportunity to address 6 this matter in closing again, but given the possibility of 7 confusion, it is also very possible that Post-Hearing 8 Memorials may be warranted in this case. I'm sure that we 9 will have ample time to discuss that. So, with that, I 10 will turn the floor to my colleagues, Greg Ewing and 11 Nicole Silver.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

MR. EWING: Good afternoon, Members of the 14 Tribunal.

When I started working on this case, 15 16 environmental issues were a bit of a mystery. As a human 17 being it was obvious to me why the people of Ecuador would 18 not want oil in their backyards and in their water. But 19 at the same time I read the reports written by Mr. Connor, 20 Dr. Hinchee and the rest of the Claimants' team and I 21 thought I must be missing something.

As we heard this morning there was and is no 23 problem in the Ecuadorian Oriente as a result of TexPet's 24 oil operations from 1972 to 1992. So, as any good lawyer 25 does, I dove into the details to figure out the truth. I

First, TexPet did not keep records of at least 17 five main facts about each well site. The number of pits 18 dug, the location and dimensions of those pits, what they put in those earthen pits, how and when those earthen pits 20 were closed, spills that escaped public attention. This 21 poor recordkeeping forces all of us to attempt to piece 22 together the history of each and every one of these sites. 23 For instance, we know where many pits are from the aerial

15 brings us to two of my first points.

24 photographs, but there are surely many more still hidden.

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05:37 1 history of these sites is a significant effort that 2 requires looking at many different pieces of evidence. 3 The Parties in the Lago Agrio Litigation recognized this, 4 and presented the Court with aerial photographs like this 5 one, witness accounts, historical documents and over 100 Expert Reports interpreting it all.

And on top of that, the Lago Agrio Court visited 8 over 50 of these sites to see them firsthand. Looking 9 back at the aerial photo of Lago Agrio 2 in 1976, we first 10 identify the platform. I've outlined it for easy viewing. 11 And I'll tell you, Chevron's internal documents took some 12 of the fun out of this "where is the pit" game by telling 13 us where Chevron thinks the pits are. So, I have cheated 14 and highlighted them for you. One is immediately 15 northwest of the platform. This pit was the focus of 16 LBG's investigation of Lago Agrio 2 in 2013 and 2014, and 17 it's one pit that we know is still causing problems for 18 the residents and continues to threaten them with future 19 problems.

20 The second pit that you can see further to the 21 north of Lago Agrio 2 is most likely a test pit. Test 22 pits were used by TexPet to test the output of a newly 23 drilled well, hence the name.

We know very little about this smaller pit at 25 Lago Agrio 2 because Chevron has ignored it in all of its 05:40 1 well's flow rate. Once the test was done, according to 2 the memo, these pits were filled in and the location 3 graded over.

> 4 As you can see from this one test data drilling 5 report from Lago Agrio 16, TexPet engineers opened the 6 well to flow into a test pit for 12 hours and during that 7 time 300 barrels of oil, which equates to over 8 47,000 liters of crude oil, went into a pit that was then 9 simply covered with dirt.

But how do we know that TexPet just left this oil 11 in the pits? Well, in 1996, when Woodward-Clyde came to 12 the Oriente as part of the RAP, they pumped over 34,000 13 barrels of liquid oil out of the pits they remediated.

We also know TexPet left oil in their pits 15 because we can still see liquid crude in and around pits 16 like those at Shushufindi 34, and when we sample in and 17 around other pits throughout the Concession.

I've now walked through how bad the pits 18 19 themselves are, were and are in the Oriente, but I would 20 like to walk through something that is probably much 21 worse. These pits did not actually contain the oil that 22 TexPet put into them. TexPet constructed their platforms 23 on high ground with the pits generally downhill. Then 24 many times the pit walls collapsed releasing the oil to 25 the surrounding environment. In other cases, the oil

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05:39 1 investigations, probably because, as LBG found too, it is 2 now difficult to get to.

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So, I will shift our focus to Shushufindi 34, 4 another site which LBG investigated and another site which 5 we will show you during the site visit to give you a 6 clearer view of a test pit.

At this site, you can see the platform and one large pit immediately to the east of the platform. This 9 unlined earthen pit called a cuttings pit or a reserve pit 10 was most likely where TexPet dumped the dirt and rock from 11 drilling. But when the drill hit oil, that oil filled 12 this pit. And that is most likely why this pit is 13 midnight black in these photos. I want to direct your 14 attention to the smaller pit to the north. This is the 15 formerly hidden pit that LBG found in 2014 during its 16 investigation of the site. This is most likely a test pit 17 that TexPet used to test the wells' oil production volume. 18 According to an internal TexPet memorandum, as soon as a 19 well was drilled, TexPet would dig a small deep slush pit 20 for well tests, like this one we were just showing you.

21 They would then connect the newly drilled well to a pipe

22 that emptied in this pit. TexPet would then open up the

24 test pit. The engineers would measure how much oil came

25 out during this time period and could then calculate the

23 valves for a period of time and let the oil flow into this

05:42 1 would simply flow over the top of the pits' walls. As one 2 example of this, at Aguarico 2, a site operated by TexPet 3 only, there was a pit that was filled with oil and water.

4 Obviously, we're in the rainforest so, it rains a lot.

5 And when it rains, that rain fills the pit.

In addition to overtopping the pits' 10 walls, oil contamination leaked out of the pits through the 11 ground. The contaminated water and crude mixture then 12 flowed into nearby wetlands and streams.

13 To see an example of this, I will turn to 14 Aguarico 6. You can see in the aerial image the large 15 amount of rainforest that was cleared to prepare this 16 site. According to Chevron, there are at least seven pits 17 here. In 1993, when environmental auditors came to 18 inspect Aquarico 6, they found that these pits had seeped 19 and had contaminated the wetland. LBG went to Aquarico 6 20 in 2014 and found that the problem is still there, and

21 that it is huge. We will show you this site during the 22 site visit.

23 All of what I have told you has brought us to the 24 first conclusion we have drawn from analyzing the data in 25 the Lago Agrio Litigation and LBG's more recent

05:44 1 investigations. TexPet caused contamination in the 2 Oriente that continues to exist in the Oriente and 3 negatively impacts its residents.

> Let me quickly address some of Claimants' main 5 responses to what I have just shown you. This morning, 6 Claimants relied on statements by David Russell and 7 Douglas Beltman, supposedly proving there is no 8 contamination in the Oriente, and refer to Slide 149 and 9 153.

First, we have responded to these exact e-mails 10 11 and statements numerous times in our Memorials, but 12 Claimants have not yet responded to them and still do not 13 address any of our arguments today.

Second, the first two of Russell's e-mails which 15 Claimants cite, come either 1) before the labs had 16 completed a single JI report, or 2) after only four of the 17 54 had been completed, and the third was a part of 18 Russell's cease and desist letter when relations had 19 already deteriorated. Moreover, these general e-mails are 20 directly contradicted by e-mails addressing their actual 21 preliminary findings. For instance, in October 2004,

22 Russell says, and I quote: "The bottom line is, that even

23 by conservative standards, we are finding PAH 24 concentrations in the soils as much as 200 times

25 permissible exposure limits." And that's R-1303.

05:47 1 air or nutrients? Well, we found buried pits. When we 2 look at aerial imagery of a site like Shushufindi 34, for 3 instance, we can see the pit we were discussing earlier is 4 there in 1976 and then it is covered over in 1985. And 5 when LBG found the pit in 2014, it was still covered over. Again, this is a common sequence of events. 6 During LBG's investigation in 2013 and 2014, they 8 found liquid crude oil in the pit areas and in the 9 groundwater monitoring wells they installed around the 10 pits. Covering a pit like we saw at Shushufindi 34 is a 11 very effective way to remove oxygen, and without oxygen, 12 weathering all but stops. This is exactly what Dr. Short 13 found. What Claimants want you to do is to look at one 14 data point, oil that all of the Parties are finding is 15 liquid, and then blindly conclude that since it is liquid, 16 it must be recent. But that conclusion just does not 17 comport with the facts. 18

There is a lot more evidence that demonstrates 19 that TexPet's contamination continues to exist in the 20 Oriente, and that it negatively impacts its residents, but 21 I want to move on to my next point:

22 Chevron knows this contamination exists and 23 actively sought to hide and minimize that fact from the

24 Lago Agrio Court and now from you.

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First, you have read extensively about the

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05:45 1 And, third, Claimants rely on Douglas Beltman's 2 statement disavowing his work on Cabrera to show that 3 there is no contamination in the Oriente anywhere. Not 4 only is this larger conclusion not in Beltman's statement, 5 but Beltman testified that Chevron drafted that 6 declaration, and he was forced to sign it. 7

To give just two citations, please see the Respondent's Track 2 Supplemental Counter-Memorial from 9 November 7th, 2014, at Paragraphs 471 to 474, or 10 Respondent's Track 2 Rejoinder at Paragraphs 62 to 63, and 11 the attached Annex A.

But Claimants also look at all of what I have 13 just said and say, but oil in the environment weathers, 14 what Claimants describe as turning to asphalt over a 15 period of months. So, if this oil is still liquid now, it 16 must not be TexPet's oil. To be clear, we do not disagree 17 that oil exposed to air, nutrients, bacteria will weather 18 and slowly turn to a more solid state. As these pictures 19 show, we will see some of this weathered oil at

20 Aquarico 6, for instance. But if the oil is not exposed

21 to air and nutrients, weathering is largely arrested, and 22 the oil will remain as it came out of the ground, a

23 liquid. Dr. Short, the Respondent's petroleum chemistry

25 him, and how do we know that TexPet oil is not exposed to

24 Expert, testified to this, but Claimants chose not to call

05:49 1 pre-inspections in our Memorials, a pre-inspection in and

2 of itself is not necessarily a bad thing. We are

3 obviously conducting them before this Tribunal's site

4 visit. What makes Chevron's pre-inspections bad is that

5 they were secret, unauthorized, and used to skew the

6 results presented to the Lago Agrio Court. In their

7 pre-inspections, Chevron sent their Experts out to the

8 well sites to find where contamination was so that they

9 could avoid it during the actual judicial inspections. We

10 now know much more about these pre-inspections and how

11 Chevron used them, but getting this information was not

12 easy. It required filing numerous 1782 discovery

13 proceedings, and Chevron resisted them at every turn, but

14 piece by piece the truth has come out. Based on these

15 1782s, we can look in on some of these interactions

16 because some were caught on tape. In this video that I'm

17 about to show you, Rene Bernier, a Chevron representative,

18 is looking at sample cores taken near Shushufindi 21.

19 There are a couple of key points I would like you to

20 notice.

21 First, Chevron was out trying to find clean

22 locations;

23 Two, contamination had spread further than they

24 expected;

And, three, the contamination they found was at

05:50 1 depth. It wasn't on the surface.

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MR. EWING: You will hear much more about these 4 PIs over the next three weeks, so I will leave it there and 5 move to my third point.

You by now are very familiar with the fact that 7 LBG investigated a few sites in 2013 and 2014, but I want 8 to start from the beginning of their involvement in this 9 case. We retained LBG in 2013 to analyze the data in the 10 Lago Agrio Court record. Chevron had made allegations 11 against the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' data, so we asked LBG 12 to review only Chevron data to assess whether Chevron's 13 data alone was adequate to conclude that the Lago Agrio 14 Judgment was reasonable. Using only Chevron's data, LBG 15 came to numerous conclusions, but one is primary. The 16 Judgment's finding that contamination exists is

17 reasonable. Now, Claimants said this morning during their 18 19 presentation on pollution in the Oriente that LBG's 20 conclusion was not adequate because it did not provide a 21 specific dollar value. But Claimants have never alleged 22 that the damages Award was just too high. They have 23 always said it should have been zero. The guestion is 24 whether the Judgment's damages were reasonable. LBG 25 answered that question. They are.

05:54 1 has set aside \$43 billion to remediate and settle 2 anticipated individual claims. Chevron wants you to 3 believe that the 40 million--that's million, not 4 40 billion that BP is paying--is adequate that it paid to 5 clean up a few sites in the 1990s should erase its 6 liability to all of the individuals harmed. That is 7 unprecedented.

8 Third, produced water is water that comes up with 9 oil from deep underground. The water is extremely salty 10 and contains emulsified oil and significant concentrations 11 of metals. From 1972 to 1992, TexPet admits to having 12 simply released this water through pits into the 13 environment. LBG estimated that TexPet released between 14 306,000 and 1.2 million-kilograms of oil.

15 Fourth, Chevron has admitted that it sought out 16 clean samples during the judicial inspections to delineate 17 the sites. We will talk more about the effectiveness and 18 meaning of Chevron's delineation strategy, but for now I 19 want to point out a corollary point. By loading the 20 record with known clean samples, Chevron skewed all of the 21 percentages so it can make claims like 100 percent of

22 groundwater samples are clean or 90 percent of samples are 23 below relevant thresholds. These claims make it sound

24 like the Concession Area must be clean. But they actually

25 only show that Chevron understands statistics and how to

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05:53 1 As part of understanding Chevron's data, LBG has 2 also come to a few more conclusions:

First, as I discussed a few minutes ago, Chevron 4 used the results from their PIs to avoid certain soil 5 sampling locations during the judicial inspections. LBG 6 found that Chevron at times sampled at different depths or 7 at different locations altogether when a pre-inspection result came back contaminated. LBG analyzed Chevron's pre-inspections and judicial inspections and found that 10 Chevron did not randomly select its judicial inspection 11 locations.

Second, LBG's Dr. Garvey will explain to you that 13 he took Chevron samples and calculated the amount of crude 14 oil in the soil in and around TexPet's former pits. Dr. 15 Garvey's calculation that there are approximately 16 3.4 million-barrels of crude oil, the equivalent of 17 540 million-liters, make the Oriente contamination 18 equivalent to six Exxon Valdez spills, or three quarters 19 of BP's Deepwater Horizon.

20 Now, Chevron takes issue with our 21 characterization of the Oriente environmental 22 contamination as unprecedented, and maybe they are right. 23 This much oil has been spilled before. The difference is, 24 BP and Exxon and similar others have paid billions of 25 dollars for their environmental damage. BP, for instance, 05:56 1 skew them.

The real question isn't what the total samples 2 3 taken show. It is what do the samples show where 4 contamination is expected or, as Mr. Bernier alluded to in 5 the earlier video, what do the samples show from locations 6 where contamination wasn't expected, yet was still found.

Before I cede the floor, I want to discuss one 8 final topic that will lead you to the presentation 9 Ms. Silver will make next.

10 TexPet has caused contamination that continues to 11 exist in the Oriente. When I was at Lago Agrio 2 in 2014, 12 it had been raining for a few hours, typical for the 13 rainforest, and we found oily water dripping from the pipe 14 TexPet left in the side of the pit. As you will see when 15 you visit, this occurs directly above the stream and 16 marshland that is so highly contaminated. And here is the 17 problem, if it isn't obvious. The people who live at Lago 18 Agrio 2 come into contact with that contamination in that 19 stream and marshland on a daily basis.

20 Similarly, at Shushufindi 55, the cows drink out 21 of the contaminated stream.

At Lago Agrio 16, the people drink the water, 22 23 bathe in the water, wash their clothes in the water. As I 24 said at the beginning, these sites are just examples. 25 There are plenty more from LBG's reports, Chevron's

05:57 1 pre-inspections, the judicial inspections, and interviews 2 with local residents.

Having started with TexPet's historic operations, 4 having shown that contamination still exists, and now 5 having briefly discussed how people in the environment 6 continue to come into contact with TexPet's contamination, 7 I hand the floor to Ms. Silver to explain the health 8 effects this contamination causes.

9 MS. SILVER: You have just heard from my 10 colleague, Mr. Ewing, about how TexPet's practices 11 devastated the environment in the Oriente Region of 12 Ecuador, but TexPet has done more than harm the 13 environment. Its practices have put at risk tens of 14 thousands of people who continue even to this day to be 15 exposed to the toxic chemicals in the crude oil that TexPet 16 left behind. The health risks that the Oriente residents 17 face are real, and they are substantial.

Claimants seek to sanitize for the Tribunal the 18 19 risks of contamination, making this a battle between the Experts, and Claimants' Experts would like you to believe 21 that the oil TexPet left in the soil, sediment and water 22 is harmless. It is not.

Despite what Claimants suggest, it is not the 24 same as the petroleum that can be found in products like 25 Hershey's Chocolate or Johnson's Baby Oil. There is not 06:01 1 at least not in quantities sufficient to cause them harm.

Claimants now argue that the Republic's Experts 3 rely on junk science because neither the Plaintiffs nor we 4 have shown that any particular individual has actually 5 been exposed to crude at a level high enough to cause 6 toxicological harm. And, indeed, Mr. Coriell is correct. 7 The Lago Agrio Case does not seek to address personal 8 injury claims or health harms specific to any one person. 9 But as you have heard from my colleague, Mr. Leonard, 10 individual in this context, in the context of Ecuadorian 11 law has to do with individual rights, not harms.

12 That the Judgment at times refers to public 13 health, does not mean that the rights at issue in the Lago 14 Agrio Case are diffuse ones or, indeed, that they are the 15 same as the diffuse rights that Claimants allege were 16 settled under the 1995 Settlement Agreement. Thus, 17 whether any particularized harm has been shown is not the 18 question before this Tribunal. Nor was it the question 19 before the Lago Agrio Court.

20 The Lago Agrio Court did not Award health-related 21 damages based on past or existing injury to any specific 22 person or persons. Instead, it recognized the obvious 23 risk to the Plaintiffs, and it was on this basis that the 24 Court granted an Award sufficient to pay for the medical 25 monitoring of those put at risk by exposure to TexPet's

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05:59 1 one single person in this room who would spread crude oil 2 on a child as if it were baby oil. There is not one 3 person in this room who would eat a petroleum bar or drink 4 a glass of crude. Why not? Because contaminants in crude 5 are toxic and carcinogenic. The adverse effects from 6 exposure to crude oil are well documented, including by 7 the petroleum industry itself. Toxicology data as well as 8 occupational and epidemiology studies of people who have 9 been exposed to oil in similar settings, consistently 10 document increased risks of respiratory problems, 11 dermatitis, skin cancer, decreased immune function and 12 neurological problems. These ailments are, of course, the 13 same ones reflected in reports of Concession Area 14 residents who have been exposed to TexPet oil.

That crude oil is harmful to human health, should 15 16 not be a controversial statement. Yet in this 17 arbitration, Claimants have taken the position that crude 18 oil is not harmful to humans. Claimants' Expert, 19 Dr. Moolgavkar, has testified that no epidemiological 20 study has confirmed a causal link between petroleum and 21 cancer or other non-cancer causes of death. Perhaps 22 realizing that this is an untenable position, Claimants 23 have backpedaled some in their recent pleadings, claiming 24 that regardless of whether crude is toxic, the people

25 living in the Oriente are not currently exposed to oil or

06:02 1 contamination.

Therefore, the only questions we must ask here 2 3 are did TexPet expose the Oriente people to health risks? 4 Did the Ecuadorian Court reasonably find that TexPet's 5 contamination has resulted or could at some future point 6 pose an increased risk of harm to a maximally exposed 7 hypothetical person. The answer to these questions is, of course, a resounding yes.

9 The Republic's Expert, Dr. Strauss, has performed 10 several risk assessments that show that cleanup is 11 required because people who have been or may at some 12 future point be exposed through a variety of pathways to 13 unsafe concentrations of chemicals in the sediment, 14 streams, groundwater and soil at specific locations in the 15 Oriente. The residents at these sites come into contact 16 with oil on a daily basis. They ingest contaminated water 17 when drinking and cooking and they repeatedly touch 18 contaminated water, sediment and soil when farming, 19 bathing, swimming, doing laundry, and playing.

20 Dr. Strauss' risk assessments show that exposure 21 at all of these sites is sufficient to result in increased 22 risks of adverse health effects both non-cancerous and

23 cancerous, requiring that further investigation and

24 cleanup be performed. Claimants dispute the usefulness of

25 Dr. Strauss' risk assessments, arquing that they do not

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06:04 1 show that oil actually caused adverse health effects to 2 specific individuals. But to be clear, and however 3 Claimants wish to mischaracterize the purpose of her work, 4 Dr. Strauss' risk assessments were never conducted to 5 establish historical harm to any one person.

Dr. Strauss' task, instead, was forward-looking to determine whether TexPet's contamination presently results or could in the future result in health risks to the people, risks sufficient to warrant the cleanup ordered by the Judgment.

Due to time constraints and the vastness of the
area, Dr. Strauss could not conduct a comprehensive risk
assessment at all of the former TexPet sites in the
Concession Area. She did, however, investigate nine sites
at the former Concession Area and at every single one of
them she found elevated risks of cancer and non-cancer
health problems. There is no reason to believe that what
she found at these sites wouldn't be replicated at most
all of the 344 TexPet-operated sites spread across the
Consortium.

You will hear from Dr. Strauss later in these proceedings, and she will explain what the purpose and results of her human health risk assessments are.

Of course, Dr. Strauss is not the Republic's only health Expert. Our other health Experts established that 06:07 1 Oriente residents have been ingesting and touching
2 TexPet's oil on a daily basis for decades, and they are
3 still exposed to it today.

Claimants have also elected not to call the
Republic's epidemiologist. Dr. Grandjean has shown that
cancer deaths associated with exposure to TexPet's oil are
likely significantly underestimated in all of the studies
done to date. In his Expert Reports, Dr. Grandjean shows
that Dr. Moolgavkar's epidemiology study of cancer deaths
in the Oriente suffers from serious shortcomings and is
wholly uninformative.

Dr. Moolgavkar's study certainly does not prove
that there is no causal association between petroleum
exposure and cancer as even he has admitted in other
contexts. Dr. Grandiean explains that Dr. Moolgavkar
interpreted uncertainties in his own data to conclude that
exposure to petroleum in the Oriente did not cause cancer,
but gaps in data cannot be used to prove that no
association exists. Instead, such gaps typically mask or
underestimate health hazards. Absence of evidence is not
evidence of absence.

23 Dr. Moolgavkar generated skewed data that minimized 24 findings of cancer mortality. For example, Dr. Moolgavkar

Moreover, the study design chosen by

25 based his findings on death certificates but in the

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06:05 1 a causal link to exposure to petroleum and cancer likely
2 exists in the Oriente. But Claimants have elected not to
3 question Dr. Laffon and Dr. Grandjean about their
4 findings. Their conclusions, therefore, stand
5 un-rebutted.

In her Expert Report, Dr. Laffon demonstrates
that exposure to oil leads to an increased risk of cancer.
Her earlier studies relating to the Prestige oil spill off
the coast of Spain, found that those who helped to clean
up the oil experienced significant damage to their DNA,
which in turn has been shown to increase a person's risk
of developing cancer. Crude oil contains many genotoxic
chemicals, chemicals that are capable of damaging a
person's genetic material or DNA. Studies have shown that
there is no permissible safe level of exposure to these
genotoxic chemicals. In other words, there is no amount
of exposure that does not entail some risk.

Dr. Laffon's Prestige studies, which were not performed in connection with any litigation, showed lasting damage to human DNA after only several months of exposure. The DNA damage was still present two years after exposure to the Prestige oil had ended but not detectable after seven, though the subjects continued to experience immunological alterations. Of course, unlike the cleanup workers involved in the Prestige study, the

06:08 1 Oriente, they are inherently unreliable and cannot be used 2 to show that there is no increased incidents of cancer 3 among the populations living in the oil-producing areas.

As a matter of practice in Ecuador, the cause of death is not put on any death certificate unless it is medically certified, and in the Oriente only about half were prior to 2005.

Additionally, Dr. Moolgavkar's classification of the exposed population is misleading because he incorporates categories of people who have never been exposed to TexPet's contamination. By including people who live in cities removed from the contamination, Dr. Moolgavkar, perhaps deliberately but definitely systematically, dilutes the overall data and minimizes findings of cancer mortality.

In conclusion, all of the Republic's health
experts agree that crude oil is a hazardous substance and
that exposure to it increases the risk of developing
serious health problems which require monitoring and
treatment. This should not be a controversial
proposition.

The Republic's experts' collective conclusion supports the Judgment's findings. Proof of specific causation or injury is not required to order remediation or to set aside funds for medical monitoring and

06:10 1 treatment. The damages awarded for healthcare-related 2 costs did not compensate any one individual for the harm 3 she or he suffered. Rather, they recognize that the 4 people who have been and continue to be exposed to TexPet 5 oil are at risk of suffering adverse health consequences 6 including diseases as serious and fatal as cancer. 7 Impacts from exposure can be mitigated only through 8 monitoring, treatment, and remediation.

Nothing you have heard or will hear from 10 Claimants today or over the course of this Hearing can 11 show that the Judgment's Award for damages was 12 unreasonable. To be sure, Claimants are not simply 13 arguing that healthcare-related damages are too high.

On the contrary, according to Claimants, any 15 amount for damages for healthcare costs or excess cancer 16 would be excessive. In their world view, crude oil poses 17 no health risks at all, and not a single person living in 18 the Concession Area has been harmed or can suffer harm in 19 the future from exposure to oil.

20 But Claimants are gravely mistaken. The evidence 21 shows that those who have been exposed to oil will require 22 some form of treatment and monitoring of their health. 23 This is exactly what Dr. Laffon recommended be done after 24 the Prestige oil spill. And following the Deepwater 25 Horizon spill, BP set up a multi-billion dollar settlement 06:13 1 will stick. Before we turn to the specific allegation of 2 ghostwriting, I want to clear out some of that underbrush, 3 some of the odds and ends of their allegations.

> 4 Specifically, let's take [audio disruption] the 5 case of Charles Calmbacher. Claimants' allegations in 6 short is that Steven Donziger changed his own Expert's 7 report at the last minute without his Expert's consent.

First, there is no allegation of State conduct. 9 Dr. Calmbacher is not a State actor. The Plaintiffs are 10 not State actors.

And even Claimants do not allege that the Lago 11 12 Agrio Court ever considered Dr. Calmbacher's report in 13 reaching its verdict. The Judgment is quite explicit on 14 this point, and it is on the screen. That should probably 15 end the discussion as it relates to Dr. Calmbacher, but 16 with your indulgence, I want to dwell on Claimants' 17 allegation for just a little bit longer because I think it 18 illustrates the point that we have repeatedly noted, 19 whereby Claimants begin with its conclusion and yet work 20 backwards.

It is, in fact, a common tactic, most especially, 21 22 I would say, in the case of prosecutors to seek out 23 possible witnesses who may be hostile to your adversary.

24 As the old adage goes, the enemy of my enemy is my friend,

25 even though he may be a little bit less than credible.

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06:11 1 fund in part to compensate the many coastal residents and 2 clean-up workers who said they were made ill or were 3 injured as a result of exposure to oil. The Judgment 4 damages are no different.

Claimants are not comfortable talking about the 6 Oriente's indigenous population, but TexPet has put their 7 futures at risk. Although the Oriente residents are not part of these proceedings, they are real people who 9 continue to face real danger from TexPet's contamination 10 absent remediation. During this proceeding we will show 11 that Claimants created this risk and that they should bear 12 the burden of mitigating it.

13 And with that, I turn the presentation back to 14 Mr. Bloom.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

15 MR. BLOOM: So now we turn to the final part of 16 17 our presentation, the last 50 minutes or so, which 18 addresses Claimants' allegations of State corruption. As I 19 noted earlier, Claimants have over the years made a number 20 of allegations that they later dropped. In some instances, 21 when it has suited their purposes, they appear to leave 22 their allegations in for atmospherics but literally never 23 address the evidence that has been offered by the Republic. 24 The presentation this morning included many, many 25 allegations, and it appears that they are hoping something

06:15 1 Here, Claimants solicited the services of Dr. Calmbacher

2 who was already embroiled in a heated dispute in

3 litigation with Mr. Donziger over non-payment, and in an

4 e-mail dated July 28th, 2005 to Steven Donziger,

5 Dr. Calmbacher threatened Donziger: "I have not been paid

6 for work," he said. "Please simply pay up. Don't start a

7 war. Wars have no rules, and people can suffer

8 irreparable, professional, psychological, and physical

9 damage as a result. You don't want that."

10 I was going to go on with a number of additional 11 slides as it relates to Calmbacher, but I will skip over 12 them in the interest of time. Suffice it to say, however, 13 that not only are Dr. Calmbacher's allegations not 14 corroborated, but his own contemporaneous e-mails 15 repeatedly contradict his sworn deposition testimony. I

16 will not, however, go through all of the examples now.

And, of course, Claimants have long relied on 17 18 their allegation that the Cabrera Report was drafted by

19 the Plaintiffs' paid experts. But in doing so, the

20 Claimants conflate the Plaintiffs with the Republic of

21 Ecuador, and I really want to be clear: We represent the

22 Republic of Ecuador. We do not represent Stephen

23 Donziger, and we do not represent the Plaintiffs.

It may be a strategically understandable tactic,

25 but it is also clearly error for them to conflate the

06:16 1 Plaintiffs with the Republic.

And first under Ecuadorian law, any fraudulent 3 activity on behalf of an expert can never be attributed to 4 the Court and, hence, the State, because court-appointed 5 experts are not public servants or agents of the Court. 6 This too has been briefed most recently in our 7 Supplemental Counter-Memorial at Pages 86 to 88 and our Supplemental Rejoinder beginning at 113.

Second, even Judge Kaplan in his decision found 10 that the Lago Agrio Court was misled. It too was a 11 victim.

12 And then, three, it is up to the Court to accept 13 or reject the opinions expressed by any expert, including 14 a court-appointed expert. Where is the State conduct 15 where the Court itself expressly declines to rely on the 16 Cabrera Report? And the Claimants know this, which is the 17 reason why they scratch and claw and try to find some hook 18 and infer and intuit and try to find something in the 19 Judgment that they can say, ah-ha, this must come from 20 Mr. Cabrera's Report.

But, first, Claimants speculate -- these are the 21 22 three grounds that the Claimants rely on. First, they 23 speculate that the theories or categories of damages 24 adopted by the Court must have come from the Cabrera 25 Report. Even Judge Kaplan rejected that contention,

06:20 1 Track 2 at Pages 78 to 82.

What else have Claimants relied on? They now are 2 3 relying on, and I guess they have for some time, on 4 political statements made by Mr. Correa in which he offers 5 support and sympathy to the Plaintiffs. But where should 6 his sympathies lie? You may recall a year ago I offered 7 many statements of President Obama in sympathy with the 8 victims of the Gulf Oil spill. You may recall a number of quotes where he says, "and BP will pay. And BP will pay." 10 Of course, there is sympathy to one's own citizens.

And I will add, in this case, Chevron has not 11 12 done much to make--to make people and make its own 13 supporters proud of the company. I refer you to the about 14 20-page introduction in our Supplemental Counter-Memorial 15 where we went through a number of acts by Chevron--and I'm 16 not passing Judgment on the company outside of the acts as 17 it related to this specific case, but you will recall 18 their purchase of Mr. Borja, its contractor. Mr. Borja

19 himself said that after he met with Chevron, that's when 20 he went back to Ecuador and did a fourth video.

There were pressure tactics employed by Chevron. 21 22 They quote to Mr. Beltman's Witness Statement. They don't 23 talk about the pressure brought on him or his testimony in

24 deposition in which he said that every paragraph of his 25 Witness Statement was edited by Chevron's lawyers. And

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06:18 1 noting that the Cabrera Report identified only seven 2 categories of damages, and he also found that it was much 3 more likely that the categories of damages would have come 4 from the Plaintiffs' alegato.

Second, Claimants contend that the Court 6 indirectly relied on Mr. Cabrera by relying on the 7 Plaintiffs' supplemental experts who themselves allegedly 8 relied on Cabrera, but as these experts have repeatedly 9 testified, they either did not rely on Cabrera at all or, 10 when they did, they independently verified the information 11 on which basis they were relying from Mr. Cabrera, and I 12 would refer you respectively to Track 2 Counter-Memorial 13 Appendix E at Paragraphs 60 to 62, and the testimony cited 14 therein. And for his part Judge Kaplan also rejected this 15 theory.

Finally, Claimants speculate that Judge--I'm 17 sorry, that Mr. Cabrera's Report is the only record source 18 to the Court's finding that 880 pits required remediation. 19 To be clear, Mr. Cabrera's Annex H-1 identified 916, not 20 880--916 pits. Claimants try to back into the 880 number 21 by adding and subtracting different categories, but that 22 takes their speculation to a new level. Even their 23 experts disagree as to how they got to the number and what 24 should be excluded and included, and I'll simply refer 25 this Tribunal to our Supplemental Counter-Memorial at

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06:22 1 that was a condition of a settlement with Chevron.

You have the preliminary inspections where they 2 3 clearly were trying to hide evidence of contamination. 4 You have their failure to take any company responsibility 5 for facts. They have taken extreme positions, including 6 in this arbitration, as to the issues of contamination. I 7 would submit that they have not done themselves proud.

And there are also institutional and personal 9 factors when you look at the real world and Mr. Correa's 10 comments. He's responding to a very aggressive public 11 relations campaign that has gone on for years, much of it 12 personally directed to him. When you attack someone, he 13 will respond.

14 And Claimants -- Claimants, in addition to relying 15 on these statements, have invoked this morning the fact 16 that there was a criminal investigation, including of two 17 of their attorneys. But let's be clear that criminal 18 investigation was of 12 people, only two of whom are 19 associated with the Claimants, and it was for making false 20 representations as it relates to the remediation.

21 Two, even if Claimants' claim were otherwise 22 accurate, Ecuador's system of justice self-corrected when 23 the case was dismissed over the prosecutor's objections. 24 That is, it's the same court and courts that they now wind 25 up attacking.

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06:24 1 Three, Claimants have never responded to
2 Ecuador's Annex B of Respondent's Track 2 Counter-Memorial
3 where we explained in detail the regularity of the
4 criminal justice system as it related to the criminal
5 prosecution.

And, four, whatever the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs'
motives may have been, there is nothing to impugn the
integrity of the Prosecutor General.

9 And, five, we will show you evidence of 10 contamination and ultimately of the false representations 11 as it related to the remediation.

We submit that this evidence--I'm sorry--we
submit that this case really--their denial-of-justice
claim really comes down at the end of the day to their
allegation of ghostwriting. There was approximately
year-and-a-half after this arbitration was commenced that
the Lago Agrio Judgment was issued. And, at that time,
Claimants, literally within hours, claimed that the
Plaintiffs ghostwrote that judgment. Having taken that
position immediately upon its issuance, Claimants then
sought to back up their claims, twisting and contorting
every piece available so it would fit their narrative.
And, in reality, I submit that's what this arbitration has
become.

Now, I will note at the outset that this Tribunal

06:27 1 Tribunal, it was with much fanfare. We know, because
2 Mr. Guerra testified to it, that Claimants' counsel worked
3 with him to prepare his successive declarations. Chevron
4 also included in its submission his forensic evidence; that
5 is, from his computers--bank records, shipping records, his
6 diary. He was to be their breakthrough witness, much like
7 Diego Borja was supposed to be their breakthrough witness
8 in 2009.

9 But a funny thing happened along the way. This 10 Tribunal wound up affording us time on the eve of the 11 Track 2 Hearing in January of 2014, and Claimants' evidence 12 is not what it has ever been made out to be. We will

13 explore that in depth over the next few days.

14 But for purposes here, it is sufficient to note
15 what Claimants and Mr. Guerra already admit: That

16 Claimants have paid him in financial benefits an inordinate 17 sum. \$18,000 in cash in Quito. \$10,000 for a 10-page

18 document. \$12,000 every month. Housing. A computer.
19 Hundreds of thousands, if not millions of dollars, in

20 payments for his lawyers, his immigration lawyer, the

21 immigration lawyer for his son. Criminal counsel. His own

22 personal counsel. Tax counsel.

And we have recently learned that Chevron has agreed to pay all of his taxes and all of these financial

25 benefits for Tax Year 2013 and 2014. These tax payments

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06:26 1 is now in a far better position than Judge Kaplan ever was 2 to resolve the competing allegations. One, over our 3 protestations, Mr. Zambrano's hard drives are parts of 4 this record, and you will hear substantial testimony and 5 argument on that.

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Two, the Plaintiffs' lawyers were parachuted in to conduct that trial about a month, I think, maybe two months before that trial. They didn't know the evidence. They didn't even know that the evidence--that was in the possession of their own clients.

Three, of course, Ecuador is a different party.

We don't have to defend and we are not defending the

conduct of the Plaintiffs, and I want to make that clear.

We're defending the conduct of the Republic of Ecuador.

We submit that the record here--and you'll see it over the

next few weeks--affirmatively establishes that the

Plaintiffs did not draft the Judgment, no matter what the

Claimants' evidentiary burden is. But in this instance,

of course, Claimants bear an exceedingly heavy burden in

proving State corruption by clear and convincing evidence

to leave no doubt in this Tribunal's mind.

22 And before I turn the floor over to my 23 colleagues, I wanted to address the issue of the presence 24 of Mr. Guerra.

When Claimants first introduced Mr. Guerra to this

06:29 1 alone are likely to be in the hundreds of thousands of 2 dollars.

The Respondent moved to strike this Witness from this Hearing candidly because we do not believe any witness who gets paid gobs of money should be allowed to testify. And we believe this not only because the Witness is

7 inherently unreliable, is inherently tainted, but because 8 the issue extends well beyond this little proceeding.

9 Allowing a witness to testify under such circumstances

10 suggests to lawyers everywhere that they can pay witnesses 11 whatever the justification. And I don't mean to get into a

12 dispute with Chevron over the ethics of this. To their

13 credit, they went out and they paid money to legal

14 ethicists who blessed this transaction. For us, it is a

17 Claimants to say that the payments to Mr. Guerra merely go 18 to the weight of the evidence, not to its admissibility.

19 Not when the Witness has been prepared 53 times as of a

20 year-and-a-half ago, four to six hours a day. Not where

21 his every statement has been choreographed, his every

22 facial expression has been choreographed, his every

23 mannerism has been choreographed.

At bottom, he is an admitted liar who is receiving a substantial payment for his cooperation and who continues

06:31 1 to have every incentive to help his benefactor. Given the 2 Tribunal's determination to hear from him, we will, of 3 course, avail ourselves of our right of cross-examination, 4 but we do object to his presence for the reasons just 5 noted.

I will now turn the floor over to my colleague, 7 Mr. Ewing, who will now discuss the forensic evidence before this Tribunal, and then we will conclude our discussion of Claimants' denial-of-justice allegations with 10 my colleague Mr. Goldstein.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

Mr. Ewing.

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25 you.

13 MR. EWING: As Mr. Bloom just indicated, I will be 14 taking a few minutes today to talk through what we have 15 found as a result of the forensic analysis of 16 Mr. Zambrano's hard drives. I'm going to start with the 17 objective facts that both Parties' Experts found and what 18 those facts tell us. And then I'm going to walk through some of the speculative objections Claimants make to try to 20 avoid the import and muddy the meaning of those facts. 21 I think you will find throughout the next three

22 weeks that this dichotomy is a theme to what we will be 23 presenting to you. We have said in our pleadings numerous 24 times that Claimants' arguments do not match what their 25 Experts say or what the evidence shows. We have tried to

06:34 1 Computer forensics allows us to piece together 2 some of the history of a file. Using forensics, we can 3 piece together information about when the Judgment file 4 was created, when, where, by whom it was completed and submitted, and some information about what happened in 6 between.

The first place we can look is on Zambrano's 8 computers themselves. The filesystem, Microsoft Windows, and Microsoft Word stored data about their files. It's 10 called metadata. And I will start with the filesystem 11 metadata.

12 This chart contains the filesystem metadata as 13 reported by Claimants' Expert Mr. Lynch. Document 15 on 14 this list is the file that contained the Lago Agrio 15 Judgment on Mr. Zambrano's computer. Incidentally, this 16 is the only place anywhere that anyone has found the Lago 17 Agrio Judgment before it was published. The rest of the 18 files here are snapshots recovered by Mr. Lynch of that 19 final Judgment. Each of these files is a snapshot of what the Lago Agrio Judgment looked like at that moment. 21 Now, I've highlighted the create date. I've

22 highlighted the filesystem metadata for the Lago Agrio. 23 In this row, it should be on Document 15. This is the 24 date when this file, the Lago Agrio Judgment, was created:

25 October 11th--in the bottom right you'll see this--October

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06:32 1 give you examples of that disparity over the last few 2 years but will now try to show you exactly what we mean. And let me give you a quick example from this 4 morning.

Slide 44 from the Claimants purports to show that 6 forensic analysis of Guerra's computer indicates that 7 Guerra, the green pictures, has Draft Orders that were last saved on Mr. Guerra's computer at the various points 9 of time. What they don't tell you is that Mr. Lynch's 10 Report actually found that Mr. Guerra doesn't have any of 11 these Draft Orders or there is no forensic evidence that 12 he has any of these Draft Orders until July 23rd, 2010, 13 approximately here in the timeline.

But let's jump to the specifics of this case. As 15 you know, we believe that the forensic analysis clearly 16 shows that the Lago Agrio Judgment was created on 17 Mr. Zambrano's computer when he took the bench at the 18 beginning of his second term, and the Judgment was edited 19 and saved hundreds of times on Mr. Zambrano's computer 20 between then and when it was issued on February 14, 2011. 21 And, as one would expect, for a document drafted over 22 almost five months, the snapshots we have of that document 23 during the drafting period have increasing amounts of 24 text. But let me show you what I mean, and not just tell

06:35 1 11th, 2010, at 7:46 p.m.

Before Document 15 on this list you will see we 2 3 have four earlier snapshots of the Judgment. We know when 4 these snapshots were taken based on their last written 5 dates. The first document, Document 12, has a last 6 written date of December 28th, 2010. And here is one of 7 the details I want to emphasize: The create date that we 8 were just looking at was set on October 11th, 2010, when 9 the Providencias.docx file was actually created for the 10 first time on Mr. Zambrano's computer. This snapshot of 11 Providencias.docx that we are looking at, Document 12, is 12 from December 28th, 2010. The point here is that some 13 metadata is set in a file when that file is created, and 14 it's generally never changed.

Now, as you'd expect, create date is one such 15 16 field. Last written date, on the other hand, is generally 17 updated every time a file is saved. So, for instance, 18 each time a Word document is saved, the last written date 19 is generally updated.

Now, I would like to jump over to the application 20 21 metadata. This is the metadata maintained by Microsoft 22 Word. This table from Mr. Lynch's Report is the 23 application data from the snapshots of Providencias.docx 24 as recovered by Mr. Lynch. If you look at this table, you 25 see it contains overlapping but slightly different

06:37 1 information. We now see the last saved by and author 2 names, for instance.

But first let's look at what's familiar or 4 similar: The file created field. You will see that the 5 first three snapshots all have a file created date of 6 October 11th, 2010, at 7:46 p.m. This is the same date we 7 saw with the earliest filesystem create date and confirms 8 that both the operating system and the application, 9 Microsoft Word, think that the Providencias.docx file was 10 created on Mr. Zambrano's computer on October 11th, 2010.

The next thing you will see here is the last 11 12 saved by date. These are the dates when these snapshots 13 were last saved. There are three key dates:

14 December 21st, December 28th, and March 4th. These are 15 the dates when these snapshots were last saved.

You will notice the December 28th date is the 17 same as from some of the filesystem metadata we saw 18 earlier, but that the December 21st date was not in the 19 filesystem metadata. And this is the second point I want 20 to make.

Forensic data is not always complete, so while we 21 22 can piece together the story, we don't have every single 23 detail.

24 Next, I want to point out the number of revisions 25 and edit time. The number of revisions, as you see in the

06:40 1 but I submit to you that you will likely see that that 2 99 percent is substantively 100 percent, not 99 percent. 3 But like I said, we will take up Mr. Lynch's calculations 4 or percentages next week.

> I would like to turn away from Zambrano's 6 computer forensics for a moment, and look at another data 7 point indicating that Mr. Zambrano wrote the Judgment. 8 Mr. Lynch says that "there is no evidence that the

9 Ecuadorian Judgment was uploaded from either of the 10 Zambrano computers."

But Mr. Lynch makes that assertion based on 11 12 incomplete information. Sometime before Mr. Zambrano's 13 second term in the Lago Agrio Case, the Ecuadorian 14 Judiciary Council started to implement a system whereby 15 the courts uploaded Orders to a database. We requested 16 all log entries from the SATJE system, the name of this 17 system. Claimants' counsel requested logs based on what 18 turned out to be incorrect assumptions. The information 19 you can see now is the most relevant information from the 20 complete SATJE logs for this case, of the Lago Agrio Case. 21 There are 32 columns. I have just shown you seven--or 22 six. The Exhibit 4 to Mr. Racich's March 16th, 2015

23 Report has the remainder if you would like to see them.

On the left, you can see the official date and 24 25 time of the Providencia and the log-in name for the person

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06:39 1 slide, is a counter of the number of times the document 2 was saved. So, based on the first line, we now know that 3 between October 11th, 2010, when the Providencias.docx 4 file was created, and December 21st, 2010, the Judgment 5 file was saved 286 times.

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We can also do some math and calculate that 7 between December 21st and December 28th, the file was most likely saved an additional 29 times.

Total edit time shows us that between October 10 11th and December 21st, 2010, the Judgment file was edited 11 for 2,107 minutes. As with revisions, we can do the math 12 and calculate that between December 21st and 13 December 28th, the file was most likely edited for an

14 additional 1,046 minutes.

In addition to looking at the metadata, Mr. Lynch 16 compared the text in each of these snapshots with the 17 final Lago Agrio Judgment. You can see in the far right 18 column on Mr. Lynch's table the percentages. This table 19 means that the December 21 snapshot of the Judgment has 20 42 percent of the text of the final Judgment, according to 21 Mr. Lynch's calculations. And the December 28th snapshot 22 has 66 percent. And that by March 4th, when the

23 Clarification Order was issued, Providencias document has 24 99 percent of the Judgment.

We will discuss this with Mr. Lynch next week,

06:42 1 who uploaded the Judgment. In this entry, it appears that

2 ZambranoN, presumably Nicolás Zambrano, uploaded the

3 Judgment. Next, you see the system date, which appears to

4 be the date and time when the log entry was created.

5 Here, it is February 14th, 2011, at 9:15 a.m.

Next is the last modification date, which is also 7 February 14th, 2011, at 9:15 a.m. And finally, you see

8 the machine from which the Judgment was uploaded, cnjs,

9 and a few other letters and numbers, which is

10 Mr. Zambrano's old computer. These two last entries are

11 the most important for this dating exercise as they show

12 that the Judgment was uploaded 38 minutes after it was

13 officially published in print.

So, now let's put all this together.

15 Judge Zambrano retook the bench in October 2010.

16 As we saw earlier, the Judgment file was created at about

17 the same time. The next snapshot we saw was

18 December 21st, and that snapshot contained 42 percent of

19 the Judgment, according to Mr. Lynch. The next snapshot

20 Mr. Lynch found was from December 28th, 2010, and it

21 contained 66 percent of the Judgment.

Now, we know that the Judgment was complete on 22

23 February 14th, 2011, because the Parties all received it

24 that day. But we also know that it was completed and

25 uploaded by Mr. Zambrano from his computer that same

06:43 1 morning from the SATJE logs. The presumption of 2 regularity, i.e., the presumption that the judge wrote the 3 Judgment as expected in the normal course, is fully 4 supported by the forensic data, and nothing more should 5 need be said.

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Before I hand the floor to Mr. Goldstein, I want 7 to briefly address three of Claimants' arguments from this morning that to them to prove that Zambrano did not write 9 the Judgment.

First, Claimants point out that we don't have a 11 stand-alone file dated February 14th, 2011, that contains 12 only the Judgment. Mr. Lynch has said that he thinks 13 Mr. Zambrano should have created a backup copy or should 14 have saved the final copy as a new final version of the 15 document. And I'm not here to comment on what best 16 practices are, and I do advise that everyone backs up 17 their data, but I don't think that that is what we are 18 here to judge.

19 What we should look at is Mr. Zambrano's past 20 practice, and we see that in another file he created for 21 this case, CasoTexaco.doc, in that file, Mr. Zambrano 22 seems to have all of the other Orders he drafted and 23 issued in this case from October 21st, 2009, until 24 February 18th, 2010. Ten of them. And again, that may 25 not be the way that Mr. Lynch would organize his files or 06:46 1 the new computer the whole time as it was the most recent 2 and longest computer that he used drafting the Judgment.

It cannot be a denial of justice that a judge 4 doesn't remember that he received a new computer partway 5 through his drafting process. Nor can it be a denial of 6 justice that Mr. Zambrano used the new computer to access 7 the old computer across the network, which we know that he 8 did. Or that he had Ms. Calva typing his dictations on 9 the old computer.

As with Mr. Zambrano's use of a single file to 10 11 write multiple different Providencias, I'm not here, and I 12 don't think any of us are here, to judge his working 13 style. That Mr. Zambrano prefers to dictate, a practice I 14 can't imagine despite Mr. Bloom's insistence that it is 15 much easier and preferable even to him, cannot be a denial 16 of justice. We will get into some of the more technical 17 differences next week as to why this new computer/old 18 computer distinction is a red herring, so I will leave 19 that for now.

20 Third, the Claimants make much hay over the speed 21 at which Mr. Zambrano typed the Judgment. Claimants point 22 to a one-week period where the Judgment increases at an 23 average rate of 17 pages per day, but neither Party 24 contests that Mr. Zambrano may have used his own notes to

25 type those pages. Yes, Claimants speculate that

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06:45 1 that I would organize my files, but that seems the way 2 Mr. Zambrano's work and organized his files. So, the fact 3 that the Providencias.docx has three Orders in it, the 4 final Judgment, a Procedural Order on February 21st, 2011, 5 and the March 4th, 2011, Clarification, is absolutely 6 consistent with Mr. Zambrano's practice. 7

But what does Mr. Zambrano's practice mean in forensic context? It means that although Mr. Zambrano had 9 the complete Judgment on his computer on February 14th, 10 2011, as we can see from the SATJE logs, that when 11 Mr. Zambrano wrote the February 21st, 2011, order and then 12 the March 4th, 2011, Clarification Order in the same file, 13 he overwrote the last written dates in the metadata.

Second, Claimants point to the fact that Zambrano 15 had two computers--what we call, with the very technical 16 names, the old computer and the new computer. Claimants 17 then point to Mr. Zambrano's testimony at the RICO trial

18 that he wrote the Judgment on the new computer. 19 First off, we know that Mr. Zambrano didn't get 20 the new computer until December 7th, 2010, but that he 21 started work on the Judgment in October on the old 22 computer. But from Mr. Zambrano's perspective, he worked

23 on the Judgment for almost three months with Ms. Calva 24 using the old computer and he was using the new computer, 25 it is understandable that he would testify that he used

06:48 1 Mr. Zambrano must have copied those pages from the Lago 2 Agrio Plaintiffs, but there is simply no forensic evidence 3 that this actually happened.

But maybe more importantly, I don't think we are 5 hear to judge Mr. Zambrano's typing speed either. Surely, 6 having a fast typist can't be a denial of justice. But 7 let's put this in perspective: Mr. Zambrano wrote a 8 188-page Judgment, single-space Judgment, in 126 days.

9 Judge Kaplan, Claimants' handpicked judge for the 10 RICO proceedings, wrote an 485-page Judgment and an 11 85-page Appendix--that's total of 570 pages--and he did 12 that in 98 days.

13 To make this comparison fair, let's double space 14 Mr. Zambrano's Judgment and make it--it's 376 pages.

So, over the almost five months that Mr. Zambrano 15 16 wrote, he averaged 2.98 pages per day. In contrast, over 17 the time Judge Kaplan was working, he averaged 5.8 pages 18 per day. If Mr. Zambrano's typing speed is a denial of 19 justice, then Judge Kaplan's is a double denial of 20 justice, if such a thing existed.

21 But you understand my point. Typing speed is not 22 a denial of justice. That is a summary of what we found 23 in our forensic analysis of Mr. Zambrano's computers. All 24 of the forensic evidence supports the presumption of

25 regularity. The forensic evidence supports the conclusion

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06:49 1 that Mr. Zambrano wrote the Lago Agrio Judgment in the 2 normal course. After you have heard from the Experts on 3 these issues, we will revisit them in closing, but I 4 expect you will find what I have talked and walked you 5 through today to be true. I have now reached the end of my allotted time and hand the floor to Mr. Goldstein. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before we proceed any further, how much longer do the Respondents need? Because I think 8 9 you have run out of time.

10 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Mr. President, I anticipate under 11 20 minutes.

12 COURT REPORTER: Could we take a short break? 13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we need a five-minute 14 break, and I think you need to reconsider your position. 15 You had four hours. That expired five minutes ago. If 16 it's 20 minutes for you, how many minutes after you? 17 MR. BLOOM: Mr. President, if I can address that, 18 he is the last presenter, so it's only 15 to 20 minutes to 19 go. I will note that in our last Hearing the Claimants had 20 gone on, I think it was, an extra 30 minutes -- we can 21 check--we indulged them, although we then got a little bit 22 more at closing. So, it certainly asks for the same

23 courtesy that we extended the Claimants--PRESIDENT VEEDER: Not for us. It's really, as 25 you well know, for the interpreters and the shorthand

07:05 1 but especially in contrast to the openness with which the 2 Plaintiffs' attorneys discussed their communications with 3 Mr. Cabrera, the utter lack of any evidence supporting 4 Claimants' ghostwriting charge is telling. There is no 5 evidence of ghostwriting because the Plaintiffs did not 6 qhostwrite the Judgment. And, in fact, there is 7 persuasive affirmative evidence that the Plaintiffs did 8 not qhostwrite Judgment.

Our discussion of this evidence has to begin with 10 e-mails that Claimants long ignored, contemporaneous 11 e-mails among the Plaintiffs' counsel in the months before 12 February 2011 indicating that they had absolutely no idea 13 when or in whose favor the Judgment would issue. I would 14 like to highlight just a few of them.

On December 17th, 2010, 56 days before the 16 Judgment issued, Pablo Fajardo explains to the rest of the 17 team "that the judge can issue a writ for judgment at any 18 time, any day." He stresses that the Plaintiffs must have 19 their legal argument ready because Judge Zambrano was "very firm and exercises a great deal of authority." This e-mail, by the way, in which Fajardo 22 characterized Judge Zambrano as firm and exercising a 23 great deal of authority is consistent with how even Guerra

24 says Zambrano first received Fajardo. He threw him out of

25 his office, "destroy[ing] him," "never talked" to him, and

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06:50 1 writers. It's been a very, very long day, and we need to 2 finish the oral opening submissions today. It doesn't make 3 much sense to hold it over till tomorrow morning, and I 4 think we did count on both sides sticking to their four 5 hours. But we have got to have a break for the shorthand 6 writers. Let's have 15 minutes' break, and then we'll come 7 back and see where we stand. 8

(Brief recess.)

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

The Respondents have the floor, but let's be as 11 efficient as we can and get this long day finished as soon 12 as practical.

MR. GOLDSTEIN: Thank you.

13 14 Let's begin our final discussion of what remains 15 of Claimants' ghostwriting case by addressing the elephant 16 in the Claimants' living room. Despite their 17 unprecedented access to the Plaintiffs' attorneys' files, 18 despite pursuing tens of Section 1782 discovery actions, 19 and despite their unprecedented and purchased access to 20 Guerra and his documents, despite their immense resources, 21 Claimants have found no draft of the Lago Agrio Judgment 22 anywhere other than Judge Zambrano's computers. They

23 found no evidence that the Plaintiffs ever complied the

24 draft judgment. They found no e-mail transmitting a draft

25 judgment from the Plaintiffs to the Court. Even alone,

07:06 1 never [even] gave him a chance."

By December 31, 2010, the Judgment still had not 2 3 issued, and Mr. Fajardo reached out again to Mr. Donziger, 4 saying that, "no one knows when the Judge may issue his 5 Judgment; he could do so within two weeks, or within many 6 months or even years." Here too no awareness as to when 7 the Judgment would actually issue; and, in fact, it did not issue two weeks, many months or even years later. 9

Finally, on January 8th, 2011, after Chevron had 10 filed its alegato, its final brief, Mr. Fajardo sent two 11 further e-mails. He worried first that the judge "could 12 be convinced by Chevron's theory." He explained that "the 13 one who strikes first has greater success." The obvious 14 inference from these e-mails is that Fajardo's concerned 15 that Chevron would have an advantage with respect to the 16 Judgment because it filed its final brief first.

Claimants now parrot Judge Kaplan's speculation 17 18 in the RICO decision that these e-mails should not be 19 taken at face value but instead demonstrated a calculated 20 coverup. That speculation, in turn, is based on Judge 21 Kaplan's unprompted surmise that the e-mails before him

22 went to recipients, including U.S. lawyers from the

23 then-Patton Boggs law firm, who would not necessarily have

24 known about a judgment-ghostwriting scheme. Judge

25 Kaplan's conclusion was wrong, which is not entirely

07:08 1 surprising given that he reached it sua sponte.

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For one thing, each e-mail that Claimant showed 3 you on their Slide 76 this morning was sent before the 4 Plaintiffs and Zambrano would have even agreed to a bribe, 5 according to Claimants' own case. Moreover, at least one 6 e-mail that neither Judge Kaplan nor Claimants address 7 included only people who would have known of a scheme if 8 there was one. On December 21, 2010, Fajardo e-mails 9 Donziger and Juan Pablo Sáenz reminding them that the 10 Plaintiffs must present the alegato. Obviously, Donziger 11 would have been complicit in any scheme.

And despite Claimants' implicit dismissal of 13 Sáenz as a junior rather than as a core member, to use 14 Judge Kaplan's words, of the Plaintiff's legal team, he 15 too would have known. After all, according to Claimants, 16 it was Sáenz's job to coordinate Plaintiffs' alleged 17 payments to Guerra during the same time period. They 18 trusted him.

Indeed, Claimants recognized that these e-mails 20 contradict their theory of a judgment-ghostwriting scheme. 21 For example, they included the December 31 and January 8th 22 e-mails that we just discussed on the so-called "judgment 23 fraud timeline" that they submitted to the RICO Court. 24 But after realizing that these e-mails, in fact,

07:10 1 51 percent.

On this front, however, it is helpful to keep in 2 3 mind a few things about Judge Zambrano. He and his family 4 have not been relocated to the United States by a party to 5 this arbitration. His taxes are not being paid by a party 6 to this arbitration. And neither his RICO deposition nor 7 trial testimony were the result of preparation or coaching by a party to this arbitration. 8

9 Judge Zambrano is not Guerra. He was a cold 10 witness whose recollections were not always correct but 11 whose mistakes such as testifying that he drafted the 12 entire Judgment on his new computer even though he began 13 drafting it before he received that computer were 14 understandable. This is particularly so, given that he 15 was asked about details from almost three years earlier.

16 Claimants are left, then, arguing that the 17 Judgment must have been ghostwritten because it contains 18 excerpts from the Plaintiffs' unfiled work product. In 19 other words, Claimants seek to persuade this Tribunal that 20 it should win this arbitration based on fewer than ten 21 pieces of evidence. There may be 100,000 or more pieces 22 of evidence out there. Claimants simply ignore the rest. 23 Moreover, Claimants' argument assumes without

24 proving that the Lago Agrio Record exists today in full

25 and is fully searchable such that one can definitively say

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07:09 1 timeline they submitted to this Tribunal. This is another 2 example of Claimants' preference for working backward from 3 their pre-determined conclusion, discarding along the way 4 evidence that undercuts that conclusion.

25 undermined their case, Claimants removed them from the

Between these e-mails and the forensics that my 6 colleague Mr. Ewing discussed, the affirmative 7 contemporaneous evidence contradicts Claimants' ghostwriting narrative. So, where does that leave the 8 9 Claimants' case?

Well, they have one expert, Professor McMenamin, 11 who claims to have analyzed the Judgment and concluded 12 that Judge Zambrano did not author it, but on what is that 13 opinion based? It's based on the same pseudoscience we 14 have seen before from an earlier expert of Claimants, 15 Professor Turrell. But whom did Professor Turrell accuse 16 as the likely ghostwriter? She accused an attorney who 17 later went to work for one of Chevron's own law firms. 18 Unsurprisingly, we haven't heard from Professor Turrell 19 since. This too demonstrates Claimants' penchant for

20 simply ignoring unfavorable evidence. 21 Claimants also place much stock in what they 22 claim was Judge Zambrano's deliberately false testimony 23 during the RICO trial, as you heard this morning, and they 24 find it fundamentally important that Zambrano now works as 25 a contractor for a company of which Petroecuador owns

07:11 1 which documents are or are not in it. And it assumes 2 further that certain of the Plaintiffs' documents were 3 never lawfully filed with the Court, despite persuasive 4 contemporaneous evidence that they were. Both assumptions 5 are wrong.

To begin, it is undisputed that the Lago Agrio 6 7 Record, including the copy examined by Claimants' expert 8 Professor Juola, is incomplete. Examples of deficiencies 9 in the record abound. For example, on October 14th, 2010, 10 in less than an hour, Chevron filed 39 separate motions 11 challenging a single court order. This summary lists 12 them. Five days later, the Lago Agrio Court issued this 13 order addressing all 39 motions, yet only 35 of Chevron's 14 motions actually appear in the official record. As you 15 can see, Cuerpo 1989, ends with Chevron's 35th motion 16 filed at 5:44 p.m., and the next Cuerpo, 1990, begins with 17 the Court's Order addressing all 39 motions.

Claimants have failed to reconcile their claim to 19 have searched the entire record with this plain example of 20 documents that undisputedly were filed but yet cannot be 21 found in any copy of the record. The Republic has raised 22 this particular example in at least three filings with no 23 response from Claimants. Once again, we see them ignoring 24 unfavorable evidence.

Additionally, both Parties submitted many, many

07:13 1 documents along with CDs and DVDs at the various judicial 2 inspections.

> Given the conditions under which those inspections occurred, it is hardly surprising that some of the evidence was not properly docketed.

I will pass over my next example of a record deficiency in the interest of time and say that, finally, 8 9 we know of at least one instance in which a document was 10 misplaced initially but later found. The record contains 11 this acknowledgment by Court Secretary Liliana Suárez in 12 May of 2008, that she had just discovered a brief that was 13 filed six-and-a-half months earlier, in November of 2007.

Undoubtedly, there are more examples. These are 15 just some of the more obvious ones. It is quite 16 impossible under these circumstances for any person to 17 know the universe of the lawfully submitted documents, yet 18 Claimants press ahead with their pre-determined

19 conclusion, brushing aside any evidence calling into 20 guestion the basis for that conclusion.

As the Tribunal will recall, Claimants fought 21 22 viciously for the Lago Agrio Litigation to go forward in 23 Ecuador rather than in U.S. Federal Court in New York.

24 They won that battle, knowing that it would leave them 25 without an electronic docketing and filing system and with 07:15 1 issued. Indeed, as you saw on Slide 74 this morning of 2 Claimants' opening presentation, Chevron had filed at 3 least five 1782 actions by October 2010.

So, the Claimants would have this Tribunal believe 5 that the Plaintiffs qhostwrote the Judgment during Judge 6 Zambrano's second term which began after Donziger and the 7 Plaintiffs were on notice that all of their documents would 8 be turned over to Chevron and, therefore, that the 9 Plaintiffs' use in a judgment of any unfiled documents 10 could easily be traced back to them.

In fact, the Plaintiffs knew specifically that 11 12 Chevron could and would make this connection, having 13 previously challenged Cabrera's use of the Plaintiffs' 14 allegedly unfiled work product before the Lago Agrio Court. 15 Yet, Claimants say Plaintiffs did so anyway with billions 16 on the line. Here, too, we see Claimants simply ignoring 17 context that undermines their theory.

To be clear, the Republic does not dispute the 18 19 text from some of the Plaintiffs' documents appears in the 20 Judgment as Claimants have identified. Rather, the dispute 21 is over whether Claimants have proved that these documents 22 were never filed with and, thus, not properly relied on by 23 the Lago Agrio Court. Claimants assuredly have not proved 24 this. Instead, they ignore persuasive evidence that these 25 documents were, in fact, filed. Let's look briefly at just

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07:14 1 courts unaccustomed to a case that would grow to be 2,000 2 times the size of the typical Ecuadorian lawsuit. 3 Claimants should not now be heard to complain about the 4 unsurprising reality that the length and complexity of the

5 Lago Agrio Litigation resulted in documents not being 6 properly docketed.

Nevertheless, the cornerstone of Claimants' ghostwriting case remains their allegation that the 9 Judgment contains excerpts from the Plaintiffs' so-called 10 "unfiled work product." This is a classic example of the 11 conclusion-first approach. It tracks the following 12 premise: If a particular document did not turn up during 13 Claimants' partial review of the record, but some of its 14 text appears in the Judgment, then the Plaintiffs must 15 have ghostwritten the Judgment. Of course, this premise 16 is flawed given what we just discussed regarding the 17 incompleteness of the record itself.

And let's take a step back. Claimants' case is 19 premised on a presumption that defies common sense. It 20 presumes that the Plaintiffs would have drafted the 21 Judgment relying on documents that they knew were not in 22 the record. The reason this is nonsensical is that 23 Donziger was served with Chevron's Section 1782 discovery 24 subpoena on August 9 of 2010, as you can see on this 25 slide. This was a full six months before the Judgment

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07:17 1 one of the documents in question: Fusion Memo.

3 discusses Chevron's merger with Texaco. Not only did the 4 Plaintiffs argue the legal effect of that merger to the 5 Lago Agrio Court at the June 2008 judicial inspection at 6 Aquarico, but the oral argument tracks the Fusión Memo's 7 structure almost identically. This makes sense considering 8 that previous contemporaneous e-mail correspondence between 9 Plaintiffs' counsel reveals their intention to file the 10 memo and its accompanying exhibits at that judicial 11 inspection. Numerous pleadings discuss these e-mails. In 12 the interest of time I will not get into them here.

The Tribunal will recall that the Fusion Memo

13 And, in fact, the Lago Agrio Record reflects the 14 submission of the memo's exhibits, as this page 15 demonstrates. It is, therefore, likely an administrative 16 error that the record also does not reflect the memo 17 itself. In fact, we know that the Court's docketing 18 process was rife with errors on the very day on which the 19 Fusión Memo's exhibits appear. Some pages, like this 20 middle one on this slide, are unnumbered. Other pages are 21 out of order, and mistakenly alternate with pages that

22 should have been appeared roughly 60,000 pages earlier. We 23 see the record jump on this slide from a page starting with

24 153,000 to one starting with 92,000 and then back up to

25 153,000.

07:18 1 In response, Claimants say, whatever the 2 Plaintiffs' original intentions, they must have changed 3 their minds. They decided not to file the Fusión Memo or 4 other documents. This is nothing more an attempt to wish 5 away unfavorable evidence.

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Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, we 7 respectfully submit that Claimants' assertion not only 8 fails to carry their burden of proof, but more 9 fundamentally it cannot be squared with the evidence. 10 There are no e-mails saying the Plaintiffs changed their 11 mind, and there is no further discussion amongst 12 Plaintiffs' counsel of these documents at all after the 13 dates on which they were most likely filed. To side with 14 Claimants, one would need to, as they do, assume the very 15 conclusion they have the burden of proving.

To be sure, Claimants have their theory of the 17 case, and they bob and weave through the evidence trying to 18 create a narrative that is not inconsistent with it. We 19 will show over the next several days that, despite those 20 efforts, Claimants' narrative is inconsistent with the 21 evidence. We will address many of Claimants' points and 22 contentions through witness examinations. We have not 23 tried to address them all in the limited time we have for 24 this opening presentation. For now, it suffices to say 25 that, even if Plaintiffs--Claimants were able to construct

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07:20 1 a story not inconsistent with the evidence, that is not 2 tantamount to proving their case. It is speculation at 3 every turn. It ignores a wealth of evidence, and it 4 contorts other evidence, and it does not prove their case 5 even by a preponderance, much less does it carry their 6 substantially heavier burden. 7 8 This concludes the Republic's opening presentation.

Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, thank you.

9 10 start again at 9:00 tomorrow.

We have certain housekeeping matters we need to 12 address at that time, but the first witness will be 13 Mr. Lynch. So, until tomorrow, we stand adjourned.

14 15 9 or 9:30? The Order said 9:30. Do you want to begin 16 earlier tomorrow?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we should start at 17 18 9:00.

20 adjourned until 9:00 a.m. the following day.)

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thanks very much. We will MR. BLOOM: May I just inquire, are we starting at (Whereupon, at 7:20 p.m., the Hearing was

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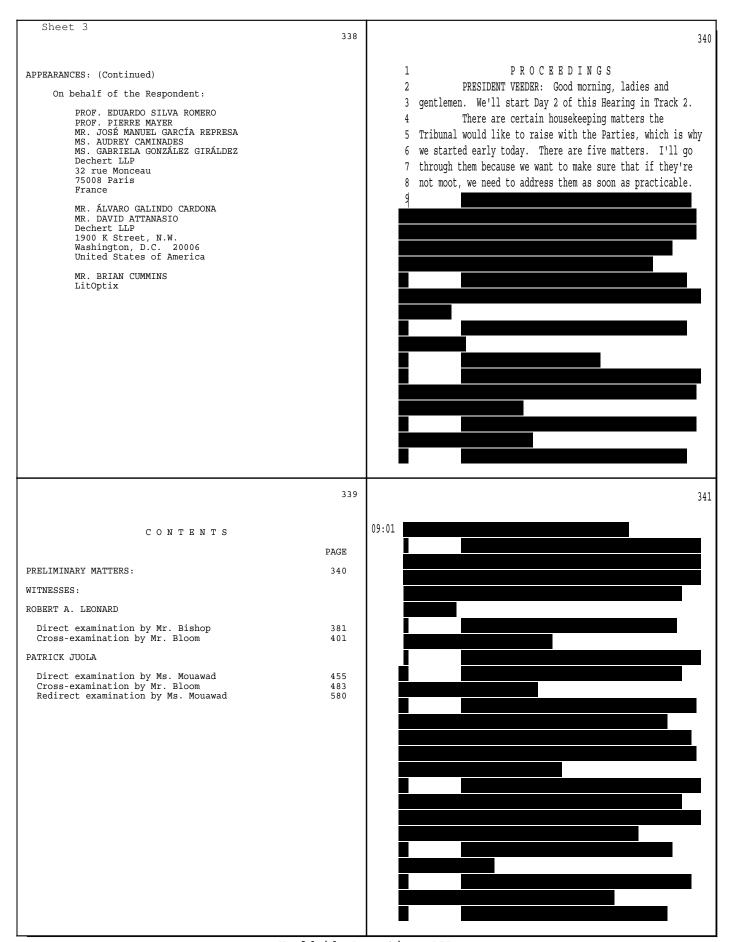
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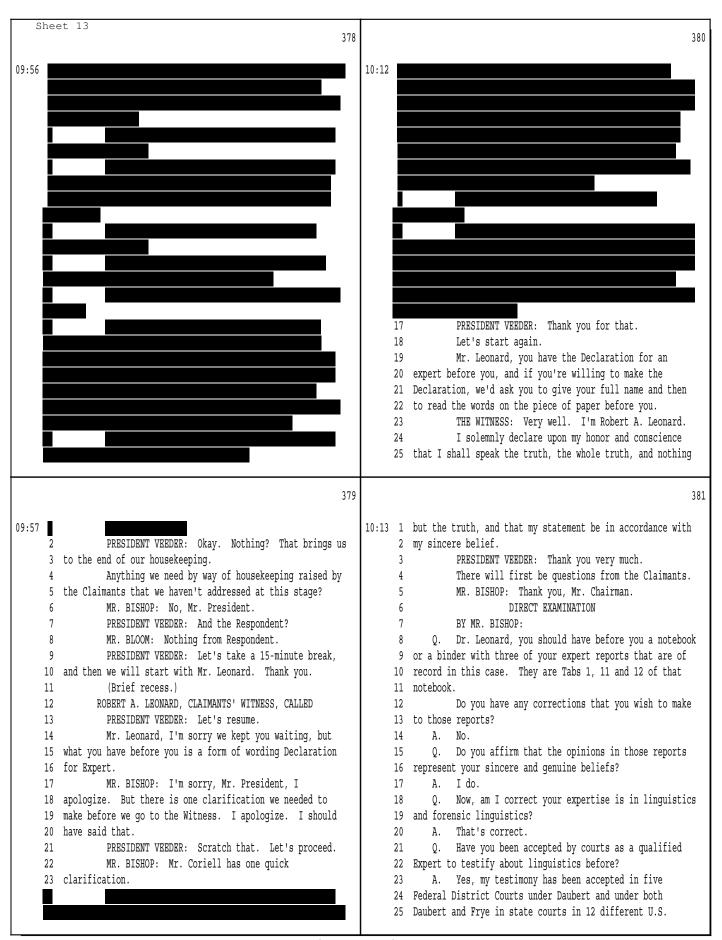












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- Q. Okay. Can you explain to the Tribunal, what is 2 3 forensic linguistics.
- A. Forensic linguistics means the application of the 5 science of linguistics, the scientific analysis of language, to issues of the law, especially when the

evidence itself is language.

- 8 Q. Okay. Now, can you tell us your educational 9 background in linguistics.
- A. I graduated Columbia College with honors and 11 admission into Phi Beta Kappa. I then continued to 12 Columbia Graduate School, and I earned three advanced 13 degrees in linguistics including a Ph.D.

During my time at Columbia I was a faculty fellow, 15 and I was awarded a Fulbright fellowship for my doctoral 16 dissertation research.

- Q. Now, are you currently a professor of linguistics?
- A. Yes. I'm a tenured--what's called a full
- 19 Professor at Hofstra University in the New York area. I
- 20 have been there for 25 years. I have developed some 26
- 21 courses in linguistics during my time there, and I also
- 22 developed a program, a graduate program in forensic
- 23 linguistics. As chief architect of this, I applied to the
- 24 New York State Department of Education for certification,
- 25 and they granted us the ability to confer degrees.

- 10:17 1 repository of all criminally oriented communications that 2 pass through the hands of the FBI.
 - Q. Now, have you ever used your linguistics expertise 4 in working with British law enforcement authorities?
 - A. Yes, I was hired by the U.K. Government to come to 6 London and train a variety of their special law enforcement 7 units in forensic linguistic investigation, threat assessment, et cetera, techniques.
 - 9 Q. Now, I understand you have a PowerPoint to use in 10 illustrating your testimony today; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 12 O. And I think we've handed out a flat version of the 13 PowerPoint.
 - 14 Now, what were you asked to do for Chevron in this 15 case?
 - A. I was asked to render an opinion about whether the 16 17 Sentencia Judgment was plaquarized, directly copied in part or in whole from various documents that were identified to me as unfiled Lago Agrio Plaintiff documents.
 - 20 Q. And what methodology did you use in going about 21 this task?
 - 22 A. In a case like this, which is essentially, it is 23 an authorship case, one identifies overlap between the two
 - 24 documents or sets of documents, and then one analyzes the

25 overlap, the common wording and patterns that you find to

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- Q. Are you also the Director of a forensics institute 10:15 1 2 at Hofstra?
 - A. Yes, and another organization as well. I'm the 4 Director of the Institute for Forensic Linguistics, Threat
 - 5 Assessment, and Strategic Analysis, which is the special
 - 6 projects and research arm of our graduate program, and I 7 also am the Director of the Forensic Linquistics Capital
 - Case Innocence Project, a joint venture with the law school 9 in which we re-examine language evidence that may have
 - wrongly put people on death row.
 - Q. Now, are you a member of any editorial board that 11 12 relates to linguistics?
 - A. I sit on the Board of the Oxford University Press 13 14 scholarly series language and law.
 - Q. Now, have you ever used your linguistics expertise 15 16 in working with the FBI?
 - A. Yes. I was hired by the FBI, specifically the 17 18 Behavioral Analysis Unit, the BAU, at Quantico to help
 - 19 train their agents, other agents of the U.S. Government,

 - 20 and also allied country--agents of allied countries. I
 - 21 trained them in forensic linguistic techniques, enhanced 22 threat assessment techniques.
 - 23 And I also was hired by them to assess and attempt 24 to improve their database. It's called the CTAD, the
 - 25 Communicated Threat Assessment Database, and it's the

- 10:19 1 see whether they support on the one hand a hypothesis of
 - 2 direct copying with common authorship, which here would be

- 3 direct copying, which would constitute, as I understand it,
- 4 plagiarism or whether that kind of hypothesis is not
- 5 supported, and what we would find on the other hand is a
- 6 compendium of set phrases, well-known set phrases or sheer
- 7 chance. We're always trying to account for why we find the
- 8 exact same thing in different sets of document. This type 9 of analysis informed by sociolinquistic variation theory
- 10 which for the past 50 years has been a very, very robust
- 11 inquiry into actual language behavior founded by William 12 Labov, my professor at Columbia, actually.
- 13 And also corpus linguistics, which has analyzed
- 14 through computational means, very, very large databases of 15 language to see, among other things, what elements occur
- 16 more than you would expect statistically. So, these
- 17 recurring multi-word strings--for example, "once upon a
- 18 time," or "I think that," these are called "lexical
- 19 bundles" or "word bundles."
- 20 And the research on this shows what indeed are set 21 phrases in a particular language in a particular register,
- 22 a text type of language.
- 23 So, what we find across the board in the languages 24 and the topics that have been studied is we find many
- 25 three- and four-word bundles, far fewer five- and six-word

10:20 1 bundles, and then beyond that, few, if any, recurring 2 lexical bundles. So anything over, say, seven or eight 3 words must be analyzed very carefully to see whether it 4 constitutes support for the common authorship plagiarism 5 theory or something else.

For example, you can have reoccurring phrases like 7 the, "Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United 8 States," or something. That may not actually qualify as a 9 lexical bundle, it may not happen enough, but upon analysis 10 by hand, you would see that that in and of itself is not 11 evidence of plagiarism.

12 But in this case we didn't really have to--I 13 didn't have to think about too much of seven- or eight- or 14 nine-word bundles that are identical in both sets of 15 documents because we find identical word strings of 20 16 words, of 40 words, of 150 words absolutely identical in 17 that overlap in the common language that we find between 18 the documents that I am told are on file and the Judgment 19 Sentencia.

- 20 Q. Dr. Leonard, what conclusions have you reached in 21 this case?
- A. I conclude that the hypothesis that it tries to 23 explain--that explains the non-random distribution of the 24 data as we always do in science and linguistics, the 25 non-random distribution of the data is best explained by

10:23 1 find plagiarism?

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- A. No, not at all.
- 3 Q. How many examples would you need to find 4 plagiarism?
- A. Depending on the example, just one.
- Q. Now, is it significant in this case that you found 7 five or so indicia of plagiarism?
- A. Quite, because we find an overall pattern that 9 reinforces the superior ability of the hypothesis of common 10 authorship. We have a depth and breadth of indicia that 11 all work together to form that as the conclusion.
- O. Okay. Now, with respect to your first category of 13 identical or nearly identical word strings, can you provide 14 examples of that to the Tribunal.
- 15 A. Yes. Here is Page 20 of the Sentencia Judgment, 16 and what we are looking at is in the highlight. The 17 highlighting indicates exact identity correspondences 18 between the Judgment and documents that I am told are 19 unfiled. Here, we have the Fusión Memo.
- 20 So, every single aspect of what is highlighted is 21 the same in the Fusión Memo, punctuation, spelling, spacing 22 the order of the words.
- O. So, in other words, the highlighted portions of 24 Page 20 of the Judgment were taken directly from the Fusión 25 Memo? Is that the--

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10:22 1 the hypothesis of direct copying and not by random chance 2 or set phrase.

- Q. Is it that the Judgment is copied in whole or in 4 part from some of the Plaintiffs' documents? Is that--
 - A. Precisely.
- Q. Now, did you find certain indicia of plagiarism in the course of your analysis?
 - A. Yes, I did.

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- What indicia of plagiarism did you find?
- Well, here are five categories that I have 11 organized the indicia into. So, one we have identical or 12 nearly identical word strings. And as I said, we have up 13 to quite a high number.

14 Identical idiosyncratic references and mistakes. 15 When we do an authorship case, we look for idiosyncrasies 16 that we match in both sets of documents.

Here we also have identical unique word choices as 17 18 we'll see and identical series of orthographic errors, and 19 finally identical out of order numerical sequences.

- Q. Now, I notice that one of your categories is 21 orthographic errors. What is an orthographic error?
- A. That means in terms of writing systems, so that
- 23 could be a misspelling or accent mark or punctuation.
- Q. Okay. You noted five indicia of plagiarism here.
- 25 Do you need all of those indicia in order to be able to

- 10:25 1 A. Well, the Fusión Memo predates the Judgment.
 - 2 These are identical. The common authorship is clearly the 3 superior hypothesis, so yes.
 - O. Okay.
 - A. Here is Page 21 of the Sentencia Judgment, and we 5 6 see these absolute identity correspondences between the 7 Judgment and Fusión Memo. Now it's Fusión Memo Page 5,

 - Page 6, Page 10, Page 11.
 - 9 Q. When you used words "identity correspondences," do
 - 10 you simply mean that the words and symbols are the same
 - 11 between the two documents?
 - A. Yes, precisely the same.
 - 13 Q. The ones that are highlighted?
 - 14 A. Yes, that's correct.
 - O. I'm sorry. Go on.
 - 16 Α. Here is Page 24 of the Sentencia Judgment, and we
 - 17 see again quite a number of words, punctuation, spacing,
 - 18 symbols identical to the documents identified to me as 19 file.
 - 20 Q. And this--in the highlighted portions on this
 - 21 Page 24 of the Judgment are taken from the Fusión Memo? Is 22 that--
 - 23 A. From the Fusión Memo and also the--some of it
 - 24 occurs in the Draft Alegato.
 - Q. Okay. Now, referring you to your 2013 report, do

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10:26 1 you have other examples of your first category?

A. Yes. Here is Example 2 from my report. We see 3 now in more detail what the words are. Here we have the 4 unfiled Fusión Memo, Page 6, and here we have the Judgment, 5 Page 21. Again, the highlights, although of course now 6 they're in red, are precise identity correspondences 7 between the two documents. As I said, we look for overlap. 8 We attempt to explain the overlap.

How is the overlap explainable? By set phrase, by 10 random chance, which here would mean that two different 11 authors independently came up with exactly the same 150 12 words or direct copying.

- Q. Now, would this example by itself be sufficient to 13 14 find that the Judgment plagiarizes in part from the Fusión
 - A. That this part of the Judgment, yes.

16 17 And there is more in this example, too. Notice at 18 the bottom we have Footnote 13. The Fusión Memo uses 19 footnotes. The Judgment does not use footnotes.

- 20 Therefore, to incorporate the same information, the
- 21 information, the citations from the footnote are placed
- 22 into the body of the text, and that's what we see happening 23 there.
- 24 Q. Now, do you have another example of the first 25 category from the Fusión Memo?

10:30 1 O. Yes.

- A. No, they're not, because what we're looking for 3 here is support of one hypothesis or the other, so the 4 hundred words of identity correspondence are what is of 5 import here, and the few other words do not weaken that 6 hypothesis as the best explainer of a hundred words that we 7 find in the Fusión Memo and the Judgment.
- Q. Now, did you find that other--the Plaintiffs' 9 documents were copied or plagiarized in the Judgment?
- A. Yes. Here is an example from the Clapp Report, 11 and we have some 43 words, I--I think it's 34 in the first 12 string and nine in the second string. So, again we have 13 identity correspondences, here is the overlap, and then 14 what are the better--which is the better hypothesis. 15 Again, the hypothesis that instantly explains this 16 distribution of data is through direct copying from common 17 authorship.
- Q. Okay. Now, did you find any examples of copying 18 19 from the Plaintiffs' documents that resulted in the 20 mistakes in the Judgment?
- A. Yes. Again, this is an interesting example. 21 22 Now, in the left-hand column we see the unfiled 23 January Index Summary. In the next, the unfiled June Index 24 summary; the next, the Judgment itself, and finally on the 25 right, we see the Record.

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This is an interesting example, too, because it 3 demonstrates a movement of words within the documents that 4 I have had identified to me as unfiled. So, we see the 5 unfiled Fusión Memo--remember, the Fusión Memo was an 6 appendix, an annex to the unfiled Draft Alegato, so there 7 is more information about various topics in the Fusión 8 Memo, and that's what we see here, quite more wording, and 9 only part of it gets copied into the Draft Alegato. That's 10 2007, and the Draft Alegato was 2010.

Now, we see the filed Final Alegato, and we see 12 that only a few words overlap, and we can be fairly sure 13 that this is the place in the Final Alegato where these 14 topics are discussed because we see Declaration de Robert 15 Bischoff, "Sietos Paroles Contra Agro de TexPet," similar 16 concepts and some few words.

However, now comes the Judgment Sentencia, and we 17 18 see the wording there coming not from the filed Final 19 Alegato, but from the unfiled Fusión Memo.

- Q. Now, I notice that in the Judgment there are a few 21 interstitial words that are not copied directly from the 22 Fusión Memo. Are those of any significance to your
- 23 conclusions?
- A. You mean like the "sino que a" and "mientras que," 25 et cetera?

10:32 1 What is in the Record here is the testimony of a 2 witness. What is bolded is going to be copied into the 3 unfiled January index, but it's going to be copied out of 4 order, so "muestras e tomoran al azar" becomes the last 5 part of the paragraph, let's call it, in the unfiled 6 January Index Summary. "Me contrató el Frente" Becomes the 7 first sentence of this paragraph, and now the other 8 overlaps get copied in, and then some more information gets 9 put in, "y por eso seguramente se," et cetera.

It is precisely this with a couple of minor 11 mistakes corrected that gets put into the unfiled June 12 Index Summary, and then this exact wording gets put into 13 the Judgment, and now with quotation marks around the first 14 part of it, which in error indicates that this is the 15 direct verbatim testimony of this Witness. And if you 16 compare now back to where we began the Record and the 17 Judgment, you see that one is based on the other, but 18 having come through the January and the June Index 19 Summaries.

- 20 Q. So, the exact quote, what is quoted here in the 21 Judgment, is that an exact quote from what's in the Record?
- A. No, not at all. It contains some of the same 22 23 phrases but in different order.
- Q. Okay. Now, I would like to direct your attention

25 to the Fajardo Trust e-mail of June 18, 2009, for a moment.

10:34 1 Did you reach any conclusion whether the Judgment 2 copies from that document?

- A. Yes. There are parts of the Fajardo Trust e-mail that are copied into the Judgment.
- Q. Okay. What's the basis for that conclusion? Can you illustrate that.
- A. Yes. Well, first, let's talk about what the Trust 8 e-mail is. This is an e-mail sent by Pablo Fajardo to 9 three recipients, one of whom was Mr. Donziger, and its
- 10 subject is fideicomiso, which means trust. He says
- 11 "Colegas, denle un ojaso," colleagues, friends, cast an eye
- 12 on this decision. I think that it will fully serve us.
- 13 Signed "Bebe," presumably Mr. Fajardo. Underneath that we
- 14 have a block of text that begins "Estimado Pablo," Esteemed
- 15 or Dear Pablo. So, clearly this is a correspondent of Mr.
- 16 Fajardo's, and he says, the text that I have transcribed is
- 17 the specific one about trusts, and then talks about that.
- Now, we see some of the language written by 19 Mr. Fajardo's correspondent copied directly into the 20 Judgment.
- Underneath, we have a transcription with some 21 22 errors, as we will see, of the Supreme Court Judgment, and
- that also gets copied directly into the Judgment.
- Q. You say of the Supreme Court Judgment. Is that 25 from the CONELEC case?

- O. Okay. And you have a citation formed to the 10:37 1 2 Andrade case first; is that correct?
 - A. Correct.
 - Q. And do you see in that citation form a reference 5 to the Official Register? In the first citation form for 6 Andrade?
 - A. Well, it says the decisions of the Supreme Court.
 - 8 It doesn't have the R-O, Registro Oficio that we have in
 - 9 the second one.
 - Q. Okay. And then after Andrade versus CONELEC, you 10 11 have a semicolon and then you have this other citation. Is
 - 12 that what you're pointing out?
 - A. That's correct. 13
 - Q. And this other citation that has the R-O, the
 - 15 official Registry, that is which case?
 - A. The Concha case. 16
 - 17 O. But we don't see a name of that case?
 - 18 A. That was my point.
 - 19 Q. All right.
 - 20 Did you find any other indicia of plaqiarism in
 - 21 this e-mail or from this e-mail into the Judgment?
 - A. Yes, now we're going to look at that
 - 23 which--Fajardo's correspondent. It says that he is quoting
 - 24 the Supreme Court decision, and he says "tengo escrito," I
 - 25 have written the decision, but he gets it a little bit

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- 10:36 1 A. Yes, it's from the Andrade versus CONELEC case.
 - 0. Okay.

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- A. Now, interesting idiosyncrasy we find in both 4 documents is two citations of cases, one right after the 5 other, but with different formats. So, here we have the 6 Andrade contra CONELEC case, and then at the bottom of the 7 top box there is a semicolon, the Spanish word and, "y,"
- comma, and then a partial citation.
- Now, this is a case called the Delfina Torres 10 Viuda de Concha case, but the word "Concha" doesn't appear.
- 11 It's a different kind of citation than the one in the
- 12 CONELEC case. Yet now we must explain how do these
- 13 idiosyncratic series because we're citing the CONELEC case
- 14 and then we're citing the Contra case and this odd
- 15 incomplete or I should say incomplete citation of the
- 16 Contra case. How did they wind up in the same documents?
- 17 Which is the superior hypothesis? Again, clearly direct
- 18 copying.
- 19 Q. Let me make sure I understand this. These 20 citations that pop up here, those are--am I correct that
- 21 those are from the first part of the e-mail?
- A. That's correct.
- 23 Q. So, this is not from a quotation of the CONELEC
- 24 case itself?
- A. No, it is not.

- 10:39 1 wrong, and it is precisely these errors that wind up in the 2 Sentencia Judgment.
 - The first difference is where the Registro Oficio 4 has Sentencia. He writes "condena," which is more like the
 - 5 English word sentence, but anyway it is "condena" that
 - 6 winds in the Judgment.
 - 7 And "el presente caso" becomes "la presente
 - sentencia," and that is what winds up in the Judgment.
 - 9 "Con," with, becomes "a través de," via, through, 10 and that is what winds up in the Judgment.
 - Q. So, you see certain identical words used in the
 - 12 Trust e-mail of Fajardo and in the Judgment that you don't
 - 13 find in the official Registry discussion of the case; is
 - 14 that correct?
 - A. Right. So, if the Judgment had been taken 15
 - 16 directly from the Registro Oficio, it would not have
 - 17 "condena sentencia a través de," it would have "sentencia
 - 18 caso" and "con."
 - Q. Okay. Now, another of your indicia of plagiarism 20 was identical mistakes. Can you give us an illustration of
 - 21 that?
 - A. Yes. Here are four of them. On the left column 22
 - 23 we have the unfiled Index Summary, the middle of the
 - 24 Judgment, and on the right the Record.
 - These first three are miscitation to Foja numbers.

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10:40 1 As is obvious, we see 1-3 is a miscitation. The actual 2 Foja citation should be 03. And that's what's in the 3 Record. So we have both the unfiled Index Summary and then 4 the Judgment.

5 So, in all of these, the Judgment tracks the 6 unfiled document, not the Record. 614, 614, but it should 7 be 612, 4103, 4103, but it should be 4105.

And then finally, another orthographic error, in a series of discussions about environmental, which is ambiental in Spanish, there is a mistaken spelling, an accent mark is put on to ambientales which would make it pronounced "ambientáles," and that's simply not a Spanish word, but we find that word again in the Judgment just like the unfiled Index Summary, but the Record has the word correctly. And this is in exactly the same sentence in the whole series of discussion of ambientales.

- 17 Q. So, the illustration you're giving here is of 18 mistakes made in the Index Summary that got copied into the 19 Judgment as compared to the Record?
- 20 A. I don't see any other explanation.
- Q. Now, another of the categories you gave is out of order numerical sequences. Can you give us an example of that?
- A. Yes. And this is an example that has both that and then another interesting datum.

10:44 1 ghostwriting of 188 Sentencia.

Q. That seems to be what they're saying.

Is that a fair characterization of what your

4 opinion is based on?

5 A. I don't think so. We've just seen in these few 6 slides an incredible range of, as I said before, depth and 7 breadth of indicia.

8 And we haven't even exhausted all the examples in 9 my Report let alone in the attachment to my Report, so we 10 have very, very long word strings that are identical. We 11 have a series of idiosyncratic mistakes, we have things

12 like this period. I think it's a gross

13 mischaracterization.

- Q. In your Report itself and in Exhibit 4 to your Report, how many examples do you give?
- 16 A. Thirty-eight.
 - Q. Thirty-eight.

Now, in your experience, how does the evidence in this case compare to others you have worked on?

- A. The evidence in this case is overwhelming.
- Q. Thank you, Dr. Leonard.
 - MR. BISHOP: I pass the Witness, Mr. President.
- 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.
- There will now be questions from the Respondent.
- 25 MR. BLOOM: Thank you. We will pass out the

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10:42 1 Here is the unfiled fusion memo on the left and
2 the Judgment on the right, so we have a good overlap in the
3 first place, but now we also see at the bottom of the
4 left-hand column the Foja number 6964 is given out of
5 order. It's in between 58 and 59, and this out of order
6 numeration is copied directly into the Judgment, or the
7 alternative hypothesis is that just by accident, by random
8 chance, the Judgment copied the same exact misnumeration, I
9 mean, generated the exact same misnumeration.

And this is interesting in another way, too. If
it you look at the period at the bottom of the left-hand
column, you see that it makes sense as the end of a
footnote, but that period gets copied into the Judgment at
the end of 6974 where it was in the Fusión Memo.

15 So, again, the analyst is left to explain how did 16 that period get there? This period now is totally spurious 17 and creates a sentence fragment on either side of it.

18 Again, impossible to explain for someone 19 generating this string of words to put a period for no good 20 reason in between in the middle of a sentence.

- Q. Dr. Leonard, one of Ecuador's Memorial tries to characterize your opinion by saying, and I quote it, "one accent mark plus two commas does not equal the Plaintiffs' ghostwriting a 188-page Judgment."
 - A. One accent mark plus two commas does not equal the

10:45 1 Witness binder and some slides.

2 CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. BLOOM:

- 4 Q. Good morning, Dr. Leonard. How are you?
- 5 A. Good morning.
- 6 Q. I'm Eric Bloom, and I will have the opportunity 7 this morning to ask you some questions.

8 You should now have, I hope, a witness binder that 9 we've provided. Have we yet provided you a witness binder?

10 A. No

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11 Q. It will be a very quick examination without a 12 witness binder.

(Laughter.)

14 MR. BISHOP: Are you also handing out a copy of 15 the slides to the Witness? I don't believe it's been

16 handed to him.

17 (Pause.)

BY MR. BLOOM:

19 Q. All right. Dr. Leonard, I would ask you, if you

20 will, to rely on the binder of documents we just gave you 21 and you can put the bound set of exhibits that you had for

22 your presentation aside for now.

And just some prefatory questions, for purposes of this arbitration, you prepared two reports; correct?

A. Yes. I presume so. 2012 and 2013.

O. That's right. And it's not a memory test, so feel 2 free to rely on what I'm showing you now.

If you take a look at Tab 1, that ought to be your 4 First Report, which was dated January 5, 2012.

- Q. And then Tab 2 was your Second Report, May 24,
- 2013: is that correct?
 - A. Yes.

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9 Q. And if during the course of the examination you 10 need to refer to them, feel comfortable to.

And I understand that you had a Third Report that 12 was in your earlier presentation. That was a report that 13 you submitted to the New York Court; correct?

- A. That could be.
- Q. And just for the record, that has been submitted 15 16 to the arbitration as well, so all three of the reports--
 - A. That is what I had understood, right.
- 18 Q. So, all three are part of the arbitral record.

19 Now, with respect to the two reports that we have

- 20 as Tab 1 and Tab 2--that is, your 2012 and 2013
- 21 report--could you explain what the differences are between
- 22 the two. Essentially, you added stuff to the Second
- 23 Report; correct?
- And perhaps just to be a little clearer in my
- 25 question, your 2013 report contains all of the information

10:50 1 0. At Page 3?

- A. That's correct. 2
 - O. And can you tell us what that definition is.
- A. Plagiarism is generally defined as, "the practice
- 5 of taking someone else's work or ideas and passing them off
- 6 as one's own." Oxford Online Dictionary. "This includes 7 submitting work written entirely or in part by another
- 8 author and representing it as one's own, regardless of
- 9 whether consent has been obtained from the earlier author."
 - Q. And you're adopting that definition, are you not?
- A. It's a bare-bones definition, yes, that seems to 11 12 work here, yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. And you're not a lawyer, are you?
- A. I am not.

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- Q. But you've testified, as you said, a number of
- 16 times in courts?
 - A. I have.
- Q. And you're generally familiar with the fact that, 18
- 19 in Court, both sides in the case have an opportunity to
- 20 present both written and oral submissions to a court on any
- 21 issue before the Court?
- 22 A. That's really beyond my area of expertise.
- O. Well, having testified as a witness before the 23
- 24 Court, sometimes I presume the Court agreed with you and
- 25 sometimes the Court did not; correct?

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10:49 1 in your earlier report, does it not?

- A. Yes, plus extra examples.
- Q. So, we can rely on that report for purposes of the 4 questions; that is, Tab 2?
 - A. All right.
- Q. Now, before we move on to your Report, could you
- 7 tell me whether you met with Claimants' attorneys to
- prepare for your testimony today? 9
 - A. I met with Claimants' attorneys.
- O. Can you tell us on how many occasions?
- 11 A. I can't recall exactly.
- Q. Could you perhaps give us an estimate as to the
- 13 number of hours you worked with them to prepare for your
- 14 testimony today?
- A. I really don't have a good number in mind. 15
- 16 Q. Are we talking dozens, or are we talking single 17 digits?
- A. Dozens. 18
- Okay. So, now, let's turn to your Report at Tab 2
- 20 so that we could all better understand both what you are
- 21 offering opinions on and what you're not offering opinions
- 22 on.
- 23 In your Report, you offer a definition for the
- 24 word "plagiarism." Isn't that right?
- A. I cite a dictionary, correct.

- 10:52 1 A. Is that a follow-up on the same question?
 - Yes.

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- A. I don't understand. Could you clarify it? 3
 - Sure.
- 5 I'm asking you, based on your own personal experience, has the Court ever in a written decision made 6
- findings based on your testimony or written work?
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 - Q. Are there times when your opinions were not
- 10 adopted by a court of law?
- 11 A. Not that I'm aware of.
- Q. And though you use the word "plagiarism" in your
- 13 Report, I take it that you're not suggesting that a court
- 14 or a tribunal has to identify in every paragraph of its
- 15 decision the source of its conclusions?
 - A. Would you repeat that?
- Q. Certainly. 17
- 18 You're not suggesting in your Report or by your
- 19 testimony today that a court has some kind of requirement
- 20 to identify in every paragraph of its decision the source
- 21 of each of its conclusions?
- A. I've had it represented to me that in the present
- 23 matter, the Sentencia Judgment was not supposed to have
- 24 copied from what has been identified to me as unfiled work
- 25 document. Therefore, if it was not supposed to have been

10:53 1 done, then it's plaquarism. So, I really have no opinion 2 on what you're saying.

- Q. Okay. Yeah, I was just going to say, I'm not asking you what was represented to you--
- A. But that is what I'm acting upon, not my great 6 knowledge of what judges are or not supposed to do in various courts.

And as you may know, as an expert witness, 9 sometimes I don't even know what the lawyers are doing in 10 terms of written and other submissions.

- Q. Right. So, you're not offering any opinion here 11 12 today as to the role of a court and whether a court has to 13 attribute to one party or another every proposition in the 14 Court's decision; isn't that correct?
- A. That's correct. And a court is fairly 15 16 non-specific anyway.

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- Q. Well, are you offering any opinion as to whether 18 any court has to source every proposition of law and every 19 proposition of fact in its decisions, based on your 20 expertise?
- A. It's beyond my area of expertise. 21
- 22 Q. Now, your Report concludes that a number of
- 23 lines--and you just went through this this morning--that
- 24 were issued in the February 14, 2011 Sentencia, were
- 25 passages from certain documents that you identified in your

10:56 1 A. That's a very lengthy question. Would you give 2 that to me again?

O. Sure.

Are you personally aware from your own experience 4 5 whether some courts, including courts in the United States, 6 sometimes adopt verbatim parts of submissions by the 7 Parties in the Court's decisions?

- A. With great respect, I'm not here to testify about 9 my personal observations, hit and misses they might be in 10 courts in the United States.
- Q. Could you please answer the question? 11
- 12 A. Am I personally aware that sometimes--it would not 13 surprise me.
- Q. Okay. Now, I've read your Report several times, 15 and I found no place in which you specifically conclude 16 that the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs or their counsel actually 17 authored the decision.
- A. I'm sorry, I didn't hear that. 18
- Q. I have not found anywhere in the report that we 19 20 have in your binder as Tab 2 in which you conclude that the 21 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs or their counsel actually authored 22 the Sentencia; am I correct?
- A. My findings are that material from what has been 23 24 identified to me as unfiled documents was copied directly 25 into the Sentencia Judgment, if that answers your question.

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10:55 1 Report. And again, I'm trying to understand the reach of 2 your Report.

> You're not offering any opinions as to what documents were actually lawfully provided to the Lago Agrio 5 Court; am I understanding that correctly?

- A. That is not in my area of expertise.
- Q. And you're, therefore, not offering any opinions on whether the Plaintiffs' documents you're comparing the 9 Sentencia to were, in fact, lawfully provided to the Lago 10 Agrio Court?
 - A. That is outside, again, of my scope.
- Q. And if these Plaintiffs' documents were provided 13 lawfully to the Court, your opinions would actually have no 14 relevance to the arbitration; am I understanding correctly?
 - A. My opinions--

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Q. Outside--I'm sorry.

17 MR. BISHOP: Excuse me, but I have to object to 18 that because--

19 MR. BLOOM: I will withdraw it. My apologies. 20 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Based on your personal experience, are you 22 knowledgeable that courts at least in the United States 23 sometimes adopt verbatim parts of proposed Orders or

24 proposed Findings of Fact or proposed Conclusions of Law in

25 their own respective decisions with or without attribution?

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Would you agree with me that hypothetically, if 3 the Plaintiffs' work product had been lawfully provided to 4 the Lago Agrio Court, your conclusion would still be the 5 same in your Report?

- A. My conclusion of copying would still remain the 7 same, certainly. Is that the conclusion that you're asking 8 me about?
- 9 O. Yes.
- 10 A. (Witness nods.)
- 11 Q. Your task, as you state at Page 12, was to
- 12 determine whether the facts supported the hypothesis that
- 13 "co-occurrence of language was due to common authorships."
- 14 Or alternatively whether the co-occurrence of language was
- 15 explainable by random chance; correct?
 - A. You're leaving some words out.
- Q. Yes. But am I understanding the gist of it? Am I 17
- 18 leaving anything out that's material?
- 19 A. Well, Hypothesis 1 is co-occurrence of language
- 20 due to common authorship. This suggests that the
- 21 co-occurrence strings were plagiaristically copied from one
- 22 document to the other and Hypothesis 2 includes both random
- 23 chance and set phrases, which you had omitted.
- Q. So, let's me ask the question again, and feel free
- 25 to rephrase it because I'm not trying to be tricky here.

- 10:59 1 Essentially what you want to know is whether or 2 not the copying was by--whether the fact that you've got 3 identical word strings are there by chance. That's what 4 you're essentially trying to determine.
 - A. Whether they were copied from one document to the other or is a better hypothesis chance or set phrases.
 - Q. Right. And at the end of the day you concluded 8 that the word strings were not there by chance?
 - 9 A. I concluded that the superior hypothesis to 10 explain all the data that I've already shown today and 11 everything else, superior hypothesis is direct copying and 12 not random chance or set phrases.
 - O. And, therefore, that whoever wrote the decision 13 14 relied on the documents found in the Plaintiffs' files?
 - A. That the author of the documents found in the 16 files that I have identified and were identified to me as 17 unfiled work product, there was one author to both of those 18 documents. So, the parts of the documents--the parts of 19 the Sentencia that I say were copied in from the unfiled 20 work documents, that would have one author, if that again answers your question.
 - Q. Let me ask you a follow-up, then.
 - 22 23 If, for example, I provide to the Tribunal and 24 Claimants provide to the Tribunal a CD or via e-mail 25 proposed findings for the Tribunal to adopt, and the

- 11:03 1 A. I do.
 - Q. And let's assume that the Tribunal adopts parts of 3 what Ecuador has said and parts of what the Claimants have 4 said. Do you understand that part of the hypothetical?
 - A. Yes.
 - 6 So, the final 200-page decision actually contains 7 documents submitted by the Parties. Do you understand that part of the hypothetical?
 - 9 A. Verbatim?
 - Q. Verbatim, yes.
 - A. So, parts of what winds up as a decision contains 11 12 parts of documents written by somebody else.
 - 13 0. Yes.

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- And your question is? Α.
- 15 Whether that decision has been authored by one 16 person.
- 17 A. Well, the very premise is that you are Ecuador and 18 the other side is not, and there are submissions from those
- 19 people, so--but each part of that would have a common
- 20 author. So, let's say the first page you wrote and it
- 21 winds up in a judgment, the common author would be you.
- 22 And the second page someone else writes and it's copied
- 23 verbatim and wholesale the way we find, and the common
- 24 author would be the writer of that commonly authored--the
- 25 common author of that page.

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11:01 1 Tribunal thereafter issues a decision, the extent to 2 which--strike that.

> If the Tribunal were to rely on our respective 4 electronic submissions and cut and paste and the Tribunal 5 issues its decision with some of the underlying work 6 product that the Parties provided to it, would that still 7 be your conclusion that there is only one author?

- A. Could you ask a rather shorter version of that and then perhaps a follow-up?
- Q. Why don't we take this one step at a time; and, 11 after every part of this, I will ask you whether you 12 understand the hypothetical. I appreciate it's a long 13 hypothetical.

14 The first part of this is: Let's assume that the 15 Tribunal asks both Mr. Bishop and counsel for Ecuador to 16 submit proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. 17 Do you understand that part of the hypothetical?

- A. I believe so.
- Q. And let's assume that the Tribunal is considering 20 our respective electronic submissions in reaching its
- 21 decision. Do you understand that part of the hypothetical?
- 22 A. Yes.

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- 23 O. Let's further assume that the Members of the
- 24 Tribunal sometime thereafter issue a 200-page decision. Do
- 25 you understand that part of the hypothetical?

- 11:04 1 Q. Would you say in that hypothetical that the 2 Tribunal did not offer the decision?
 - A. I'm sorry, would you repeat? I could not hear.
 - Q. In that hypothetical that I think you confirm now that you understand, would it be your conclusion that the 5 Tribunal authored that decision?
 - A. You just told me that you authored it, and someone from the other side authored it. 8
 - Q. But the hypothetical--
 - A. That's the hypothetical you're giving me, that you 11 authored it and Mr. Bishop authored it, so now you're
 - 12 asking me whether somebody else authored it.
 - Q. What I asked you--
 - A. This is some hypothetical.
 - 15 (Overlapping speakers.)
 - Q. Please listen carefully. It's a 200-page decision 16
 - 17 by the Tribunal, a few pages of which the Tribunal lifted
 - 18 from our electronic submission. Let's say only one page of
 - 19 which they adopted from Mr. Bishop, the other 190-some
 - 20 pages are all original work from the Tribunal. In your
 - 21 opinion, would the Tribunal's decision have been authored
 - 22 by the Tribunal?
 - A. By definition of "author"--and, of course, this is
 - 24 where we're getting into I think what you're
 - 25 intimating--the word "author" here I'm using very

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- 11:05 1 precisely. I'm saying the actual person who put pen to
 - 2 paper or typed, that is the person who is the author;
 - 3 therefore, in that situation, you would be the author or
 - 4 Mr. Bishop or whatever your hypothetical was, of those
 - 5 parts, you would be the original author and a common author
 - 6 of those parts and your original document. Whether they
 - 7 are allowed to do this and, therefore, would be said to
 - 8 have authored it because they are issuing it in their name,
 - 9 is a different meaning of authorship than I am using, which
 - 10 is a very, very precise one, whoever did it first.
 - 11 Q. Would you agree with me under that lengthy 12 hypothetical that the 190 pages of original work would be
 - 13 authored exclusively by the Tribunal?
 - 14 A. You're telling me that it was?
 - O. Yes.
 - In that hypothetical I just gave you.
 - 17 A. So, you're asking me if I will agree to the
 - 18 statement that you just made in a hypothetical.
 - 19 0. Yes

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- 20 A. And that hypothetical is 100--other pages are
- 21 written not by you, not by Mr. Bishop, it is written only
- 22 by the Tribunal, was it written by the Tribunal?
- 23 O. Yes.
 - A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Okay. And then with respect to the pages that the

- 11:08 1 the Plaintiffs; is that correct?
 - A. I didn't say the documents were authored by the
 - 3 Plaintiffs. I said they were Lago Agrio Plaintiffs'
 - 4 unfiled work product. I presume that means the same, but
 - 5 just to be clear--and also I'm not saying that from
 - 5 personal experience. That is what is represented to me.
 - So, now ask me the question again, please.
 - 8 Q. The question is: You cannot exclude the
 - 9 possibility, for example, that Judge Zambrano had a copy of
 - 10 the Fusión Memo, can you, based on your work?
 - 11 A. Whoever wrote the Sentencia had a copy of the
 - 12 Fusión Memo because parts of it are copied wholesale into
 - 13 the Judgment.
 - 14 Q. And you're not excluding the possibility that
 - 15 Judge Zambrano had the Fusión Memo?
 - 16 A. I have no idea.
 - 17 Q. And to be clear, you've performed no investigation
 - 18 to determine whether or not the so-called "Plaintiffs'
 - 19 unfiled work product" might have been distributed to the
 - 20 Court Clerk during the judicial site inspections. That was
 - 21 outside of your job description, was it not?
 - A. It's outside of my analysis.
 - O. And I take it you also have no reason to disagree
 - 24 with Dr. Juola--well, first off, did you read Dr. Juola's
 - 25 Report in this case?

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- 11:07 1 Tribunal adopted, in a loose sense it is the author,
 - 2 they're simply adopting it from other people, but more
 - 3 precisely to use your words, the original authors would be
 - 4 the Claimants and Respondents; correct?
 - 5 A. If I understand your hypothetical.
 - 6 Q. And a last question on this hypothetical. And in
 - 7 which case, the Tribunal would have relied upon and
 - 8 excerpted the materials the Parties provided to it; isn't
 - 9 that correct?
 - 10 A. Those are technical terms that I actually do not 11 pretend to understand perfectly, "relied upon."
 - 12 Q. You don't understand the definition of "relied
 - 13 upon"?
 - 14 A. Maybe if you give it to me.
 - 15 O. No, if you don't understand it, we will move on.
 - 16 A. It's a technical term as I understand it, and I'm
 - 17 wary of technical terms.
 - 18 Q. Is the word "excerpted materials" a technical
 - 19 term?
 - 20 A. No. If you mean "directly" excerpted. "Excerpt"
 - 21 again is vague and could mean many things.
 - 22 Q. And to be clear, based on your work--
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. --you cannot exclude the possibility that the
 - 25 judge had access to the documents you say were authored by

11:10 1 A. Yes

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- Q. You don't have any reason to disagree with
- 3 Dr. Juola that some of the scanned photocopies of the trial
- 4 record were not of sufficient quality to be OCR'ed; isn't
- 5 that correct?
 - A. I don't actually recall the detail of what
- 7 Dr. Juola said about that. I accept his final conclusions
- 8 in this.
- 9 Q. And you don't know whether the Fusión Memo was
- 10 among the scanned photocopies of the trial record that was
- 11 of such poor quality that it could not be OCR'ed?
- 12 A. Again, I'm relying on--I'm accepting the
- 13 conclusions of Dr. Juola. And no one seems to have come 14 forth and shown us the Fusión Memo somewhere in the Record,
- 14 TOTCH and shown us the ruston Memo Somewhere in the Rec
- 15 which is another reason that I'm happy to rely on it.
 - Q. You were here yesterday for the Opening?
- 17 A. Only for a minute.
- 18 Q. Were you lucky enough to avoid our presentation in 19 the evening?
- 20 A. Is that a trick--yes, I was.
- 21 (Laughter.)
- Q. Now, are you aware that--and we will put this on
- 23 the screen--that the Lago Agrio Court itself ruled on 39
- 24 Chevron motions filed on October 14, 2010, and that's a
- 25 slide, and this will be, with apologies, a long premise to

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11:11 1 my next question. But on October 14, Chevron--I'm
2 sorry--yes, on October 14, Chevron filed 39 documents, and
3 the Court ruled on the 39 documents, and I will represent

4 to you that the evidence reflects that only 35 of those 5 motions are in the Record, so that we know that there are

- 6 at least four motions that are not in the Record.
- So, I guess what I'm asking you is whether you know that Dr. Juola did not and could not have OCR'ed or reviewed the entirety of the Lago Agrio Record?
 - A. That's a question? Where is the question?
- 11 Q. Are you aware of the fact that Dr. Juola did not
- 12 have the entirety of the Lago Agric Record?
 13 A. This is again outside of my scope, and I
- 14 respectfully say that I'm not going to comment on things
- 15 that are totally outside of my scope.
- Q. Did you perform any linguistic analysis to determine to what extent, if at all, the Sentencia copied
- 18 documents submitted by Chevron?
- 19 A. Would you repeat that?
- 20 Q. Did you perform any analysis at all to determine
- 21 whether the Sentencia included submissions or excerpts of
- 22 submissions made by Chevron?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. So, you don't know whether the Court lifted word
- 25 strings from Chevron's pleadings; correct?

- 11:15 1 Q. Let me show you now Exhibit C-1641, which is at 2 Tab 13 of your witness binder. This is a
 - 3 November 15, 2000, e-mail chain between Steven Donziger and
 - 4 Juan Pablo Sáenz, and there's in this e-mail, there's a
 - 5 reference as to what the Plaintiffs want to file to the
 - 6 Lago Agrio Court, and the Plaintiffs' lawyer responds as to
 - 7 what they will be filing. It is "this document," referring
 - 8 to the merger or Fusión Memo, along with all of the
 - 9 attached documents it mentions.
 - 10 Now, you've actually read the Fusión Memo, have 11 you not?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. You had to to perform your analysis; correct?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 Q. And this e-mail at least shows that at this point
 - 16 in time the Plaintiffs had every intention of submitting
 - 17 the memo; correct?
 - 18 MR. BISHOP: I object. He's asking the Witness to
 - 19 speculate as to what was the intention of the Plaintiffs
 - 20 from reading their e-mail, which he probably hasn't seen
 - 21 before.
 - 22 MR. BLOOM: Well, Mr. President, he has referred
 - 23 to this document as the unfiled--
 - 24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, he's explained he's taken
 - 25 that from the Claimants, I don't think he's taken it from

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- 11:13 1 A. That's correct. I don't know.
 - Q. Okay. With that, let's focus our attention a little bit on the Fusión Memo.
 - 4 Dr. Leonard, in your report, you ordinarily have
 - 5 referred to the Fusión Memo as the unfiled Fusión Memo;
 - 6 correct?
 - 7 A. That's correct.
 - 8 Q. At the bottom of Page 7 of your report at Tab 2
 - 9 you state: "I referenced the following documents that
 - 10 pre-date the Sentencia that, to the best of my knowledge,
 - 11 were not filed in the Lago Agrio Litigation." And if you
 - 12 look at the first bullet point on Page 8, that's where you
 - 13 refer to it for the first time, I think, as the unfiled
 - 14 Fusión Memo.
 - 15 A. That is an accurate quote.
 - Q. And then you use that same term on Page 14. Feel
 - 17 free to verify that, and it's in your heading. You refer
 - 18 to again the "unfiled Fusión Memo."
 - 19 A. That's correct.
 - Q. At Page 16 at the top, again in the heading, you
 - 21 refer to it as the unfiled Fusión Memo?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. And we can go on and on, can't we? That's how you
 - 24 refer to it every time in this Report?
 - 25 A. Yes.

- 11:17 1 this Witness.
 - 2 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Okay. So, am I correct that when you say
 - 4 "unfiled," you have no information that it was not filed,
 - 5 correct? Other than what you were told?
 - 6 A. I've said repeatedly that I am accepting the
 - 7 Opinion of Dr. Juola and others that these documents were
 - 8 not filed.

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- Q. Right. Let me put it my way, if I may, sir.
- You have not performed any work that has led you
- 11 to reach the conclusion that the Fusión Memo was unfiled.
- 12 You're simply relying on others; correct?
- 13 A. Yes, but I feel compelled to point out that no one
- 14 has come forward and said "here it is, and it's in the
- 15 Record, " and it's been years.
 - Q. Well--
- 17 MR. BLOOM: And with that, I think he's now opened
- 18 the door for me to ask these questions.
- 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think the door is open, but
- 20 it's up to you. I mean, the door is open, but you made
- 21 your points, and you don't need to take it any further.
- MR. BLOOM: I won't take it too long. How about
- 23 that?
- 24 BY MR. BLOOM:
- Q. I want to take you to the next slide, sir, and

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11:18 1 here the Plaintiffs' lawyer, Steven Donziger, asked his
2 colleague: "Please send me the lists of documents we are
3 planning to submit on the question of Fusión at the
4 inspection, and let's get on the phone to talk about it."
5 My first question is: While you just testified
6 that no one has shown you where in the Record the Fusión
7 Memo is, have you been shown any of these e-mails

7 Memo is, have you been shown any of these e-mails 8 suggesting that the Plaintiffs had every intention of 9 filing it?

10 A. I believe I read this e-mail somewhere, and--was 11 that the question?

O. Yes.

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Okay. So, let's turn to the bottom of this slide
where there's an e-mail listed at Tab 14, if you want to
see the underlying document. It's in the Record as C-1638.
And there's a response: "Hey, Steve, the documents to be
submitted are a bunch of Chevron press releases calling the
operation a merger over and over again, as well as the
documents Chevron presented to its stockholders prior to
the merger, we are also submitting three FTC documents

21 where--although it's written as were--the Chevron/Texaco

 $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ merger is all over the place. This document could be

23 presented in one of Chevron's upcoming inspections. If 24 these inspections don't take place, we can try presenting

25 it as an informe de derecho or something on that line."

11:22 1 know whether or not the Fusión Memo was in fact submitted

2 to the Lago Agrio Court during the Aguarico 2 judicial site

3 inspection process, do you?

A. No.

Q. Okay. Let's turn to what you refer to in your

6 Report as the Fajardo Trust e-mail, and you presented on

7 that this morning. It is at Tab 21. I want to introduce

8 C-997. I will give you a moment to get there. Are you

9 there, sir, Tab 21?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. You are. Now, you also represented in your Report 12 that this e-mail is also on file; isn't that correct? That

13 is--I'm sorry, let's be more specific.

You represented in your Report the Fajardo Trust e-mail, as you refer to it, is also "unfiled;" correct?

16 A. Unfiled.

17 Q. And throughout your report at Tab 2 you called it

18 unfiled; correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 $\,$ Q. I could take you to pages if you have any doubts.

21 You're comfortable saying you refer to it as unfiled?

A. Yes.

23 O. Yes

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And that is again because you are presuming that

25 the language contained in the e-mail is nowhere found in

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11:20 1 Did you also read this document in your 2 preparation for the Report or for today?

A. I don't think so.

Q. Let's turn to Tab 15, next slide. For the record, this is C-1460. It's an e-mail from Steven Donziger dated June 9, 2008, at 9:12 a.m.

Do you see that, sir?

A. This is the new slide?

Q. Correct.

I will give you a moment to read it. I will read

11 it out loud.

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A. And it's at Tab 15?

13 Q. It's at Tab 15, correct.

Mr. Donziger says: "Please send me every document you are submitting, every court case, everything, even if it's fifty things. You should have a cover memo anyway listing everything you are submitting."

Do you seen that?

A. Yes.

20 Q. Were you shown this document before?

21 A. I don't recall.

Q. When you reached--when you decided to use the term

23 "unfiled work product," were you aware of these documents?

24 A. I don't recall.

Q. So, let me ask you this, Dr. Leonard--you don't

11:24 1 the Lago Agrio Record; correct?

A. I'm presuming it's unfiled.

Q. And you're presuming that based on what?

A. As I've said before, I am accepting the

5 representation by Dr. Juola and others.

Q. So, it's not based on your work or your analysis

7 at all?

8 A. What isn't based on my work or my analysis?

Q. Your conclusion that the Fajardo Trust e-mail is

10 not in the Lago Agrio Record.

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. Now, in your Report, you found that portions of

13 the Judgment in the Fajardo Trust e-mail contained matching

14 or similar word strings; correct?

15 A. Identical or virtually identical word strings and

16 other things, yes.

17 Q. And feel free again to look at your Report. The

18 language is at Page 30, if you want to reference that at

19 all.

20 Again, these aren't trick questions.

Now, in your analysis, did you find overlapping

22 any whole sentences in full between the Fajardo Trust

23 e-mail and the Judgment?

24 A. Would you hold on for a moment?

25 Q. Take your time.

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- 11:25 1 A. Thank you.
 - 2 (Witness reviews document.)
 - A. I'm there.
 - 4 Q. Very good.

5 Doctor, did you find overlapping whole sentences

- 6 in full between the Fajardo Trust e-mail and the Judgment?
 - A. I found an independent clause.
- 8 Q. And as a Doctor of Linguistics, an independent
- 9 clause is not a whole sentence; is it not?
- 10 A. Well, that's what a sentence is, it has a noun and
- 11 a verb and can stand by itself.
- 12 O. It could stand by itself, and I don't want to
- 13 argue with a Doctor of Linguistics, so you'll tell me if
- 14 I've been teaching my kids wrong, but if I have two
- 15 independent clauses, for example, but there is only one
- 16 period, technically that's not--I'm sorry--that's a whole
- 17 sentence; is it correct?
- 18 A. So, you're saying you have an independent clause,
- 19 an independent clause and a period?
- 20 O. Correct.
- 21 A. Yes, that's typically taken to be one sentence.
- 2. Q. And if I take part of it, even though it could be
- 23 standing alone, that's not a whole sentence, is it?
- A. No, it simply has all the components it would
- 25 need, had there been a period.

- 11:29 1 discusses the CONELEC.
 - Q. Now, to be clear, the CONELEC Decision is cited selsewhere in the Judgment, is it not?
 - A. Well, it's cited earlier on in the Fajardo Trust 5 e-mail.
 - 6 Q. That's not my question. My question is: The
 - 7 CONELEC Decision is cited elsewhere in the Judgment, is it
 - 8 not?

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- 9 A. I don't recall.
 - Q. Let's put up Slide 29.
- 11 How is your Spanish, sir?
- 12 A. I have some facility. I studied it in college. I
- 13 ran a business in Puerto Rico in Spanish. But it's been a
- 14 very long time.
- 15 Q. Your pronunciation has impressed me as a
- 16 non-speaker.
- 17 A. Oh, thank you.
- 18 Q. So, you have this here on Slide 29 that it's cited
- 19 for example at Page 173 from the Sentencia. Had you
- 20 reviewed the Sentencia to determine whether or not the
- 21 CONELEC decision was cited outside of the context that you
- 22 found it referenced in the Fajardo Trust e-mail?
- 23 A. Repeat that?
 - Q. I just want to know whether you knew that this
- 25 citation to the CONELEC case was in the Sentencia.

- 11:27 1 Q. My children will be happy to hear that.
 - 2 And if Claimants represent in their written
 - 3 submission that the Judgment actually copies whole
 - 4 sentences, plural, in full from the Fajardo Trust e-mail,
 - 5 that would not be correct, would it?
 - A. It's not accurate.
 - 7 Q. And they're citing to your Report of that
 - 8 proposition would be misplaced; correct?
 - A. It would be a slight misinterpretation, yes.
 - 10 Q. Now, let's turn to Example 10 of your Report? I
 - 11 believe that's at Page 32.
 - 12 A. It is.
 - 13 Q. Okay. Example 10 shows the overlap between the
 - 14 Fajardo Trust e-mail, the Judgment and a third source;
 - 15 correct?
 - 16 A. (In Spanish)? We're looking at my Example 10;
 - 17 correct?
 - 18 Q. Correct.
 - 19 And what is that third source?
 - 20 A. The Official Registry.
 - 21 Q. And you're also comparing it to the CONELEC
 - 22 Decision, are you not?
 - 23 A. Comparing what to the CONELEC Decision?
 - Q. Excerpts of the Fajardo Trust e-mail.
 - 25 A. Yes. This is the part of the Registro Oficio that

- 11:30 1 A. I don't recall.
 - Q. Now, the text from the CONELEC case, you have
 - 3 said, accounts for virtually all of the linguistic overlap
 - 4 between the Judgment and the Fajardo Trust e-mail as shown
 - 5 in your example ten; correct?
 - A. Repeat that, please?
 - Q. The text from the CONELEC case accounts for
 - 8 virtually all of the linguistic overlap between the
 - 9 Judgment and the Fajardo Trust e-mail as shown in your
 - 10 example ten. Would you please confirm that?
 - 11 A. Yes. But there is another example as well, yeah.
 - 12 Q. But it's--most of the overlap is attributable to
 - 13 the CONELEC case?
 - 14 A. The overlap, just talking about the overlap in
 - 15 example ten now?
 - 16 Q. Yes.
 - 17 A. Yes
 - 18 Q. And the Judgment actually cites the CONELEC in the
 - 19 very section that you address in example ten; correct?
 - 20 A. Repeat that?
 - 21 Q. The Judgment actually cites to the CONELEC case in
 - 22 the very section that you address in example ten.
 - 23 A. Yes, Page 186.
 - Q. So, to summarize, the matching or similar word
 - 25 string that you address in example ten of your Report comes

11:32 1 from CONELEC, an Ecuadorian Supreme Court case that was 2 relied upon elsewhere in the Judgment and was specifically 3 cited to in the very section of the Sentencia in which you 4 found this overlap.

A. Yes. I see that my heading to example ten is 6 misleading. The import of this example is not that we have 7 endless word strings identical as we see in so many other 8 examples, but here we have the actual filed documents and 9 the unfiled--or what I'm told is unfiled--and the 10 Sentencia, and the slight idiosyncratic misquotations are 11 what appear in the Sentencia. So, it's true that the 12 overlap is here, and most of it--virtually all of it, 13 that's the whole point--is attributable to the official 14 Registry.

Q. Okay. Now, let's address those idiosyncratic 15 16 changes, and the new vocabulary word that I learned this 17 morning that Mr. Bishop asked you about. I have a side bar 18 later on that.

19 According to your Report, the Fajardo Trust e-mail 20 purports--and I'm quoting now at Page 31--purports to give 21 a transcription of language in the CONELEC case; correct?

A. Correct.

O. And given this, the overlap between the Fajardo

24 Trust e-mail and the Judgment, by itself anyway, isn't 25 terribly surprising, putting aside these idiosyncratic

11:34 1 But condena is a negative, it's something that is found 2 against you, whereas in Spanish sentencia is not 3 necessarily. In English, sentence is something that has 4 been found against you, so to speak.

Also, sentencia and caso are not really identical, 6 but you can see how if somebody is writing something--you 7 see, when we write things and when we use language, we 8 don't actually pay attention to the words. We're paying 9 attention to the meaning that we hope is underlying the 10 words. This is why people are always having discussions 11 with their significant others. You said this, and I will 12 say, no, I didn't say that. No, I heard you, I wish I had 13 a recording. It's because what we're listening for is the 14 meaning.

15 So, when someone is typing, unless you are a 16 perfect touch typist, you're getting the meaning in your 17 head, you think you have the words, but then when you type 18 it, you make it a little bit different, and this is a 19 well-known phenomenon.

20 So, la presente sentencia and el presente caso are 21 not really exactly the same, but I see how somebody might 22 use it. And then a través de and con are very close.

O. Okay. So, let's talk about condena and sentencia, 24 since you just opined on that at some length.

Did Judge Zambrano use the word condena elsewhere

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11:33 1 differences?

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A. You mean if we didn't know about the Fajardo Trust 3 e-mail?

Q. If you didn't know about the Fajardo Trust e-mail 5 and the idiosyncratic errors, as you would refer to them?

A. And, I'm sorry, what's the question again?

We can move on.

In your Report, you note that the Fajardo Trust e-mail contains "three misquotations"; correct?

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Q. You look to, for example, the substitution of 11 "condena" for "sentencia"; correct?

"Condena," right. 13 Α.

14 0. I'm sorry?

Condena, yes. 15

Okay. The substitution of "la presente sentencia"

16 17 for "el presente caso."

A. Correct.

19 And three, the substitution of "a través de" for 20 "con."

21 Correct. Α.

22 Q. And apologies to all my Spanish-speaking friends. 23

Isn't it true that each of these words or phrases

24 means essentially the same as the alleged substitution?

A. Not exactly, but they're in the same ballpark.

11:36 1 in the opinion?

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A. I believe so.

Do you know how many times?

A. No.

Q. Let's me show you a few examples. We have one at 5 6 Page 171, 178, 179, again at 179, at 180, 184.

7 You would agree that this is a term that the

8 author of the opinion used many times?

The author of the opinion? Didn't you say--

10 The author of the Sentencia.

A. Okay. The author of the Sentencia knows the word 11

12 condena. Is this what you're saying?

13 Q. Used the word condena.

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. In fact, the word was used four times on the very 16 page of the Judgment at issue in your Report as well as

17 another instance on the following page. Did you consider

18 that in forming your opinions?

19 A. I don't recall, but it does not apply because it's 20 the unique word choice that maps the unfiled work product

21 that is of interest to us here.

As I said, that Judge Zambrano or whoever wrote 23 the Sentencia knows the word condena and condenado is not

24 surprising or particularly informative here.

Q. Out of curiosity, in forming your opinions, did

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- 11:37 1 you even look specifically to determine whether or not the
 - 2 Sentencia had used the word condena throughout the
 - 3 Sentencia?
 - 4 A. No.
 - 5 Q. Let me ask you something else. Would you agree
 - 6 with me that the Judgment, in fact, includes words and
 - $7\,$ phrases, when paraphrasing the CONELEC Judgment, that do
 - 8 not appear in the Fajardo Trust e-mail?
 - A. I don't know.
 - 10 Q. Let's take a look at Slide 33. You will see the
 - 11 inclusion of the additional phrases, like "considerando"
 - Do you see that? Do you see that?
 - 14 A. Oh, oh, I see what you're saying. Sorry.
 - Go back to where you began this.
 - 16 Q. Would you agree with me that the Judgment, in
 - 17 fact, includes words and phrases, when paraphrasing the
 - 18 CONELEC Judgment, that do not appear anywhere in the
 - 19 Fajardo Trust e-mail?
 - 20 A. I'm not sure I accept your "when paraphrasing the
 - 21 Judgment."

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- Q. You can use your own words. When excerpting or
- 23 using the Judgment.
- 24 A. Well, there is a--let's just say that there is not
- 25 an absolute identity correspondence between the Fajardo

- 11:40 1 A. Correct.
 - Q. But it's not found in the Fajardo Trust e-mail?
 - A. Yes, that one letter, that's very true, or shall I
 - 4 say the form of that letter, because the letter itself is 5 found.
 - Q. And I think you've already testified that the words a través de and con are very similar. They both mean
 - 8 through or with, do they not?
 - 9 A. Well, in this context, I believe they're rather
 - 10 close. Of course, with and through have very different
 - 11 meanings, but here they're essentially the same.
 - 12 Q. With and through mean something very different for 13 a doctor of linquistics.

 - 15 different words that survive.
 - 16 Q. And would you also agree that la presente
 - 17 sentencia implies saying the present judgment?
 - 18 A. Repeat that, please.
 - 19 Q. The term la presente sentencia is another way of
 - 20 saying the present judgment?
 - 21 A. It means the present sentencia, opinion, judgment,
 - 22 yes.
 - Q. Very similar to el presente caso, which means the
 - 24 present case?
 - A. Well, I'm not sure. Judgment and case mean two

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- 11:39 1 Trust e-mail and the Sentencia, as we have seen throughout 2 in the presumed copying examples.
 - Q. Okay. And I'm going to ask you to just, you know,
 - 4 listen carefully to my questions and if you can confine
 - 5 yourself to answering the questions being asked.
 - Do you also see the phrase--and again with
 - 7 apologies for my Spanish--"derechos de los demandantes y de
 - 8 los afectados"? Do you see that, too?
 - A. Yes.
 - 10 Q. And those words do not appear in the Fajardo Trust
 - 11 e-mail; correct?
 - 12 A. That's correct. That's why they're not
 - 13 highlighted.

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- 14 Q. And doesn't the Sentencia share at least one
- 15 similarity with the published CONELEC Judgment that is not
- 16 found in the same passage from the Fajardo Trust e-mail?
- 17 A. I seem to recall, yes, it's a capital letter as
- 18 opposed to a small letter.
- 19 Q. Right. It would be the capitalization of the "J" 20 in "judicial efectiva"?
- 21 A. Um-hmm, correct.
- 22 Q. So, to be clear, that capital J is found in the
- 23 CONELEC Decision; correct?
- 24 A. It is.
 - Q. And it's found in the Sentencia; is that correct?

- 11:42 1 different things.
 - Q. So, in your expert opinion, the word case is different than judgment in this context?
 - A. Well, my expert opinion on this example is, not to
 - 5 repeat myself too many times, that the changes from the
 - 6 Registro Oficio are tracked perfectly by the unfiled work
 - 7 document, or what I'm told is, and the Sentencia.
 - 8 Q. Are you offering an expert opinion on whether or
 - 9 not the word case and judgment are similar in the context
 - 10 here?
 - 11 A. No. The point is that I did research and found
 - 12 that they were close enough to be reasonable that it might
 - 13 have--it might be that someone would misquote to those
 - 14 words.

- 15 Q. Now, I take it you have not done any analysis of
- 16 any publicly available documents, like legal treatises, to
- 17 determine whether there might be another source?
 - A. I did not.
- 19 Q. And you cannot rule out the possibility that both
- 20 Mr. Fajardo and the Court relied on a third party's
- 21 description of the CONELEC case?
- 22 A. I don't know.
- 23 Q. Let's turn briefly to the January and June Index
- 24 Summaries.
- 25 Could you explain your conclusion regarding what

- 11:43 1 you call the overlap between the January and June Index
 - 2 Summaries in Judge Zambrano's Decision?
 - A. Do you want to direct me to a specific place?
 - Q. Sure. Tab 24 is the January index. For the
 - record, that's C-1800.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And could you briefly explain, when you have a 8 moment and you are where you want to be, if you could
 - 9 briefly explain your conclusion?
 - A. Yes. There are a number of examples in my Report
 - 11 and appendix that show again mistakes, perhaps, or other
 - 12 wording that tracks--that the Sentencia uses to--that
 - 13 tracks with the unfiled, supposedly, Index Summaries
 - 14 instead of the correct citations or whatever in the
 - 15 Registro Oficio or in the Record.
 - Q. Thank you, Doctor. 16
 - 17 And the January and June indices are two versions
 - 18 of the same index; right?
 - A. The June seems to be a later version of the
 - 20 January.
 - Q. And generally speaking, what are these indices of? 21
 - 22 A. These are mapping out the evidence in the Record.
 - 23 O. Do you know who prepared the index?
 - 24 A. No.
 - Q. Do you have any information whether, in fact, it

- 11:47 1 A. I see. And what was that? I'm sorry.
 - Q. Do you need the second question again? 2
 - A. I did not. Yes, please.
 - Q. You represented in your Report that the relevant
 - 5 Selva Viva data were unfiled; correct?
 - A. By "relevant," do you mean the ones that I
 - 7 reproduce from the Younger Report?
 - O. Yes.

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- 9 A. Yes. Unfiled.
- 10 Q. But as a preliminary matter, you don't contest the
- 11 fact that the Court has sampling results from the Selva
- 12 Viva Record as part of the Official Record; correct?
- A. Are those what I refer to as Lab Results? 13
- - A. In, for example, Page 36 of my Report?
- Q. I think my questions -- the intent of my question 16
- 17 is, I think, pretty basic. You refer to certain references
- 18 in the Sentencia that you say are unfiled; correct? I'm
- trying to do this in smaller chunks for you.
- 20 A. Let me remind you that I'm relying on the Younger
- 21 Report here.
- 22 Q. Now, you used the following examples that were
- 23 found in the Judgment: That there was an "sv"
- 24 nomenclature. You know what I'm referring to; correct?

- 11:45 1 might have been the Court or the clerk versus the 2 Plaintiffs?
 - A. I understood they were unfiled.
 - Q. And what do you mean by the term "unfiled" in this 5 context?
 - A. The unfiled work product of the Plaintiffs.
 - Q. Well, it's an index of documents submitted to the Court; isn't that right?

 - 9 A. It's an index of documents. It's not the
 - 10 documents. And that's why when there are miscitations, we
 - 11 know that because, in the Record, we can look it up and see 12 what the actual citations are.
 - Q. Do you disregard the possibility that the Court
 - 14 clerk may have maintained his or her own index of the
 - 15 documents?
 - 16 A. I have no knowledge of that.
 - Q. Doctor, you also concluded that Judge Zambrano
 - 18 relied on data from the Selva Viva Database; isn't that
 - 19 right?
 - 20 A. No.
 - Q. You did represent in your Report that the relevant
 - 22 Selva Viva data was unfiled; correct?
 - A. You--I just said no to your question. I didn't
 - 24 assume anything about Judge Zambrano.
 - Q. And I, therefore, asked you a second question.

- Q. After the data, there will be a little "s" and a 11:49 1 2 little "v"; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, as a preliminary matter, you agree with me, I
 - 5 presume, that the Court indisputably had some sampling
 - 6 results of the Selva Viva Record that was part of the
 - 7 Official Record.
 - A. Well, I believe these are the ones that
 - 9 Mr. Younger cites as not matching the ones that are in the
 - 10 Selva Viva Data Compilation and the Sentencia.
 - Q. Right. So, you're not--that's what I'm
 - 12 saying--so, you're not disagreeing with me that the Selva
 - 13 Viva Database, or parts of it, were lawfully provided as
 - 14 part of the Record?
 - A. I have no idea. I'm just reading what I see in 15
 - 16 Mr. Younger's report.
 - Q. Do you understand that at the judicial site
 - 18 inspections the Parties and their experts had an
 - 19 opportunity to specifically discuss the site inspection
 - 20 data?
 - 21 A. I have no direct knowledge of site inspections.
 - 22 Q. Do you have any indirect knowledge of the site
 - 23 inspections as you were preparing your Reports?
 - 24 A. What would that mean?
 - Q. Your answer just said that you had no direct

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- 11:51 1 knowledge, and that suggests that you might have had
 - 2 indirect knowledge. So, I'm asking you what knowledge did
 - 3 you have of the site inspections as you were preparing your
 - 4 opinions in this case.
 - A. None of my opinions rely on site inspections.
 - Q. What is the basis for your conclusion that the
 - 7 Selva Viva data, in relevant part, were not lawfully
 - 8 provided to the Court?
 - 9 A. As I said, I'm relying on the Younger report and
 - 10 showing that his findings are congruent with my findings.
 - 11 No more. And no less.
 - 12 Q. Okay. But then, to be clear, you're relying on
 - 13 someone else. Your own work is not establishing--strike
 - 14 that. Let me put it this way: Your work--the analysis you
 - 15 performed--does not establish that the Selva Viva data, in
 - 16 relevant part, were not submitted to the Lago Agrio Court?
 - A. I have no opinion on that.
 - 18 Q. You said that the--in your Report, you said that
 - 19 the Clapp Report was also unfiled; correct?
 - 20 $\,$ A. In the same way that I said the other things were
 - 21 unfiled.
 - Q. So, based on your own work and your own knowledge,
 - 23 you don't have an opinion, one way or another, as to
 - 24 whether the Clapp Report was lawfully submitted to the Lago
 - 25 Agrio Court by the Plaintiffs; isn't that correct?

- 11:54 1 Q. And these are lexical or word bundles; correct?
 - 2 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And they're essentially words that are--that
 - 4 commonly go together in speech or in writing.
 - A. That's correct.
 - 6 O. And so, you conclude that if a writer were to use
 - 7 a well-established lexical bundle that a prior writer also
 - 8 used, it would not necessarily constitute a case of
 - 9 plagiarism; is that accurate?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 11 Q. And then five- or six-word strings become less
 - 12 frequent; isn't that right?
 - A. They are less frequent.
 - Q. And then Biber et al. found that strings of seven
 - 15 or more words are much less common; correct?
 - 16 A. Yes, to the point of not occurring.
 - Q. In fact, you've said that Biber's research, and
 - 18 I'm quoting--and it's on Slide 32--
 - 19 A. 52?
 - 20 Q. I'm sorry, Slide 52--indicates that with strings
 - 21 of seven, eight or more words, the number of reoccurring
 - 22 lexical bundles falls off quickly from five or six words;
 - 23 that's what Biber et al. said; correct?
 - 24 A. Right. Biber, by the way, but...
 - 25 Q. Biber?

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- 11:53 1 A. I'm accepting the opinions of Dr. Juola and others 2 as to what was and what was not "in the record."
 - 3 Q. Okay. Dr. Leonard, you note in your Report that
 - 4 the authors Biber, Johansson, Leech, Conrad and Finegan set
 - 5 the bar for three- and four-word strings as those that
 - 6 occur more than 20 times per million words and across five
 - 7 different authors; is that correct?
 - 8 A. What was the beginning of that? I cite that? I 9 state that?
 - 10 Q. Yeah. We can turn to your Second Report?
 - 11 A. I cite that. I state that.
 - 12 Q. And you adopt that; correct?
 - 13 A. Adopt it?
 - 14 Q. This is your position, is it not, as well?
 - 15 A. I'm using their research.
 - 16 Q. You're using their research, and are you disputing
 - 17 their findings?
 - 18 A. No.
 - 19 Q. You're adopting their findings to make your
 - 20 opinions, are you not?
 - 21 A. I'm--if that's what you want to call it, I'm using
 - 22 their findings to inform my opinions.
 - Q. And three- or four-word strings are work strings
 - 24 like "I don't know," "I don't think so," that are common.
 - 25 A. Yes.

11:56 1 A. Yeah. Um-hmm.

- Q. Don't tell him I mispronounced his name.
- A. I'll try not to.
- Q. And you reached the following conclusion--and it's
- 5 on Slide 53, and it's at Page 5 of your Report at Tab 2:
- 6 "Therefore," you say, "when longer strings of words are
- 7 found to be exactly or near exactly the same as in another
- 8 prior text, especially when there are multiple occurrence
- 9 of it in a matching text, this increases the likelihood of
- 10 such co-occurrence being held to constitute plagiarism
- 11 rather than being explainable by chance or as an instance
- 12 of a set phrase."
- Now, isn't this conclusion a true statement based
- 14 on statistical principles?
- 15 A. Isn't which statement? The one you just quoted
- 16 from me?
- 17 Q. Yes.
- 18 A. It's an inference I'm making from a highly
- 19 computational study.
- 20 Q. Isn't Biber's conclusion based on a statistical 21 analysis?
- 22 A. In what sense are you using "statistical"?
- $\,$ Q. $\,$ Well, the more words that are put together, the
- 24 less frequently it's likely that they will be replicated 25 elsewhere; isn't that correct, as a general matter?

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- 11:57 1 A. Is that a statistical statement?
 - 2 Q. I'm asking you. Yes.
 - A. No, you used the word "statistical" and you're asking me to agree to a statement. Therefore, I'm trying to find out what you think I should mean by statistical.
 - 6 Q. I'm asking you whether or not that is based on 7 statistics?
 - 8 A. What is? Biber's statements about five- and 9 six-word bundles, seven- and eight-word bundles, three- and 10 four-word bundles?
 - 11 O. Yes.
 - 12 A. But statistics in the sense of what? I mean, 13 doing a statistical test of it?
 - Q. Let me ask it this way: As a general proposition, sir, when an unusual event keeps repeating itself, the likelihood that the occurrence is purely by chance
 - 17 diminishes; is that right?
 18 A. Repeat that.
 - 19 Q. As a general proposition, when an unusual event 20 keeps repeating itself, the likelihood that the occurrence
 - 21 is purely by chance diminishes?
 - 22 A. If it's by definition an unlikely event, and now
 - 23 it is becoming likely, the inference is what?
 - Q. You don't understand the question?
 - 25 A. No.

12:01 1 Q. And as a general proposition, all other things 2 being equal, the more-the longer the word string, the more

3 unlikely it becomes. Would you agree with that?

- 4 A. The more likely it, "it" being--
- 5 Q. The co-occurring--
- 6 A. The co-occurring just--
- 7 Q. Being by chance?
 - A. Yes.

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Q. Let me take a different example.

10 Let's say my daughter--we will make this my older 11 daughter, oldest daughter--has a child and names the child

12 Tomás, the name of my colleague. It might be by chance

13 that I'm naming the child after my colleague. It might not 14 be; correct? Expanding on the hypothetical, but if I

15 name--she names--she has triplets and she names them Tomás

16 and Doak and unusual names from this Tribunal or from this 17 proceeding, that becomes less by chance; would you agree

18 with that as a general proposition?

19 A. It depends on what you consider an uncommon or 20 unlikely name.

21 Q. Now, the chances that the Lago Agrio Court relied 22 on and quoted from the documents not properly before it

23 increases with the more examples you're able to find; isn't

24 that the case?

25 A. Would you repeat that?

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11:59 1 Q. Okay. Do you have any conclusion as to the
2 statistical likelihood of a person repeating a lexical
3 bundle of 90 words that are identical to a lexical bundle
4 used by a person by random chance?

A. Based on Biber's research, for example, and I
don't know how you wanted to use statistics, but let me
point out that multi-word strings that co-occur usually do
so in violation of what you would statistically assume
simply by taking a bag of words and just arranging it. So,

10 I don't think that co-occurs more often than any other just 11 four random words. So, that's statistical.

12 So, Biber says that we do not have recurring word 13 strings of ten per million words that once you get much 14 above seven words.

So, now you asked me about a recurring word string 16 of how many words? 150 words?

Q. Sure.

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18 $\,$ A. Okay. And you're asking me what the statistical

19 probability or the probability--let's stop using the word

20 "statistic"--is for that to co-occur by chance in two 21 different documents written totally independently by two

22 different people?

O. (Counsel nods.)

A. I don't know, but I would opine probably it is

25 vanishingly small.

12:02 1 Q. Mr. Bishop asked you some prefatory questions this 2 morning. Do you recall his questions?

3 A. Which question?

4 Q. Well, he asked you a question about one accent

5 plus two commas does not equal the ghostwriting of the 6 Judgment, and your answer was, well, it's a whole lot more

7 than one accent plus two commas; correct?

A. Yes.

9 Q. And your point there is, you had many examples of

10 these co-occurrences, and that factored into your

11 decision-making; isn't that also correct? In fact, you

12 were asked by Mr. Bishop to compare this case to other

13 cases, and you did based on the amount of lexical bundles 14 or the number of lexical bundles.

15 A. The number of lexical bundles?

 ${\tt Q}.$ That were duplicated in the Sentencia versus what

17 you refer to as the unfiled work product.

18 A. 150-word string is not a lexical bundle. "Lexical

19 bundle" is a technical term, and it means something that

20 co-occurs--that recurs--in a specific text type. Five to

21 six words is 20 times--ten times per million words, three

22 to four 20 times per million words. So, 150-word string is

23 not a lexical bundle, unless you want to use some other

24 made-up--I mean, "lexical" means word, "bundle" could mean

25 a string, I guess, of any length, but the technical term by

- 12:04 1 Biber that you kept asking me about, 150-word, there is no 2 such thing.
 - Q. Can you answer the question I asked you?
 - A. I'm trying.
 - Q. Do you recall being asked by Mr. Bishop this
 - morning to compare the overlap--
 - A. Yes.
 - --between the Sentencia and the so-called "unfiled 8
 - 9 work product"? Do you remember that line of questions?
 - A. Yes. You then characterized 150 words.
 - Q. My question was whether you recall it, and I'm 11 12 trying to get answers.
 - A. I recall it. 13
 - Q. Okay. So, now let's go to the next step. 14
 - Do you recall Mr. Bishop asking you why, in your 15
 - 16 opinion, the evidence was more overwhelming here than
 - 17 elsewhere? Do you recall that?
 - 18 A. I do.
 - 19 Q. Do you recall the fact that you specifically
 - 20 relied upon the extent of the overlap as one factor between
 - 21 the Sentencia and the so-called "unfiled work product"?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And if the Tribunal were to conclude that the
 - 24 Fusión Memo had been lawfully submitted to the Court during
 - 25 a judicial inspection openly and transparently, there would

- 12:07 1 that's what we discovered?
 - A. My analysis is of common authorship, so, it would 2 3 have no effect.
 - MR. BLOOM: No further questions.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.
 - There will now be some questions from the 6
 - Claimants.

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- MR. BISHOP: Mr. President, I wonder if we could 8
- 9 take a very short break.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course we could.
- 11 MR. BISHOP: For comfort reasons.
- 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, I just want some idea of
- 13 how long you might be in your redirect.
- MR. BISHOP: I don't expect to be very long at
- 15 all. I would just like to--
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take 15 minutes. 16
- 17 MR. BISHOP: Okay.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: So, we will come back here at 18
- 19 25 past 12:00.
- 20 Please don't talk about the case, Dr. Leonard, to
- anybody away from the Tribunal.
- 22 THE WITNESS: I understand.
- 23 (Brief recess.)
- 24 MR. BISHOP: This is going to be short redirect,
- 25 Mr. President: I have no questions.

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- 12:05 1 be one fewer example of an unfiled document relied on by 2 the Court; isn't that correct?

 - A. If a document that is now considered to be unfiled 4 is filed, then that will change the -- not the copying
 - 5 aspect, but presumably--well, I don't really know about the 6 plagiarism aspect. Is that what you're asking me about?
 - Q. Well, it would be--all I asked was--that would, of
 - course, be one fewer example of an unfiled document; correct? If it's--if you've learned--
 - A. Oh, yes, sorry. So, if we have six documents that 11 are unfiled, and we take away one, we have five. Correct.
 - O. And if the Tribunal were to conclude that the
 - 13 Clapp Memo had been submitted to the Court during a
 - 14 judicial site inspection openly and transparently, there
 - 15 would again be one fewer example of an unfiled document
 - 16 relied on by the Court?
 - A. In that hypothetical, yes. 17
 - Q. And the fewer examples of unfiled work product 18
 - 19 being used by the Court would impact your analysis?
 - A. Well, remember, we have an overabundance of
 - 21 evidence pointing a specific direction, so--
 - Q. My question wasn't whether it would affect your
 - 23 conclusion. My question was whether it would affect your
 - 24 analysis. You would certainly take into account, would you
 - 25 not, that some of these documents were lawfully filed, if

- 12:34 1 So, thank you.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Dr. Leonard, the Tribunal also
 - 3 have no guestions. We thank you for coming to assist the
 - 4 Tribunal as an expert witness, and you may leave the table.
 - 5 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.
 - 6 (Witness steps down.)
 - 7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Shall we move on to the next
 - 8 witness?

- 9 MR. BISHOP: I think it would be appropriate to
- 10 take our lunch break now, and that's what we would prefer,
- 11 if that would be all right for the Tribunal.
- 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: For the Respondent, is that
- 13 convenient?
- MR. BLOOM: I will defer. Obviously, I would like
- 15 to move as quickly as possible, but we will come back in an
- 16 hour.
- 17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Come back at 20 past 1:00, so
- 18 we will just have the usual hour's break.
- 19 MR. BLOOM: I will defer.
- 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do that. Let's adjourn
- 21 and come back at 20 past 1:00.
- 22 MR. BISHOP: Thank you.
- 23 (Whereupon, at 12:20 p.m., the Hearing was
- 24 adjourned until 1:20 a.m., the same day.)

AFTERNOON SESSION

2 PATRICK JUOLA, CLAIMANTS' WITNESS, CALLED

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

Before we move on to the next witness, do we need 5 to address anything arising from this morning in regard to 6 Dr. Lynch?

MS. MOUAWAD: As I understand it, we have shared 8 with Respondent's counsel the text that Mr. Lynch would 9 testify to, and I believe that we are consulting with them. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 10

MR. EWING: That is correct. I've passed it on to 11 12 our experts to figure out what we need to do from here, and 13 we'll get back to you as soon as we know more.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

15 We move on to our next witness, Mr. Juola. Thank 16 you for coming to be an expert witness in these 17 proceedings.

You will see a form of words on the Declaration 18 19 before you; and if you will, could you state your full name 20 and then give the Declaration in that writing.

THE WITNESS: My name is Patrick Juola, and I 22 solemnly declare upon my honor and conscience that I shall 23 speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the

24 truth, and that my statement will be in accordance with my 25 sincere belief.

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Prior to that, I was a graduate student at the 2 3 University of Colorado at Boulder in the computer science 4 department, where I completed a Ph.D. thesis in 5 computational linguistics and received a degree in 6 cognitive science as well.

I also run a small start-up consulting company 8 called Juola and Associates that specialize in text 9 analysis for, among other things, forensic purposes 10 providing text classification and analytic technology for 11 the benefit of the judiciary--well, for the benefit of the 12 justice system generally.

13 I am an active participant in the relevant 14 political -- in the relevant professional organizations, and 15 I have approximately 50 publications in the area of 16 artificial intelligence and computational linguistics and 17 forensic linguistics.

O. And what is computational linguistics?

Computational linguistics is the study of human 19 20 languages performed by or with the aid of a computer.

Q. So, what were you asked to do for Chevron in this 21

22 case? A. Well, as you will recall from this morning's 23

24 testimony, there were a number of lexical overlaps

25 identified by Dr. Leonard, among others, that had been

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01:20 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

We'll have questions first from the Claimants.

MS. MOUAWAD: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MS. MOUAWAD: 5

Q. Dr. Juola, good afternoon.

A. Good afternoon.

Now, you have given four expert reports that have 8 9 been filed in this case; correct?

10 A. That is correct.

Q. And I've put those reports in front of you in the 11

12 notebook jobbing and that's also been passed out to the

13 Members of the Tribunal and to Respondent's counsel. Do 14 you have any corrections to these Reports?

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A. I do not.

Q. Do you affirm that the opinions in your reports 16 17 represent your sincere and genuine beliefs?

A. I do.

Q. Now, Dr. Juola, what educational and professional 20 qualifications do you have to render the opinions in your

21 Reports?

A. Well, I am a professor of computer science at

23 Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Prior to

24 that, I was a postdoctoral researcher in experimental

25 psychology at the University of Oxford in the United

01:22 1 shared between the Judgment in the Lago Agrio Case and 2 various documents that were believed not to have been filed 3 in the Court Record.

I was tasked with determining whether, in fact,

5 these passages had any source in the Court Record from 6 which they could have derived. Less formally I was asked

7 to compare these passages to the Court Record and find

8 them, if possible.

9 O. And on Slide 3, are these the documents, the

10 Plaintiffs' work-product documents from which the

11 overlapping text that you searched for in the Court Record 12 came from?

13 A. Those are the eight documents.

Q. And what conclusions did you reach?

A. I reached the conclusions that those documents 15 16 were not in the Court Record.

Q. Okay. So, Dr. Juola, I'd like to break it down 17 18 and walk through each one of your Reports. Let's start

19 with your first report which is dated December 20, 2011,

20 and was submitted as Exhibit C-1007.

21 What were you asked to do in this First Report?

A. I was asked to determine whether the overlapping 22

23 texts between the Judgment and the Plaintiffs' work-product 24 documents that had been identified in a number of expert

25 reports, a report by Dr. Leonard, a report by Dr. Turrell

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- 01:24 1 and a report by Mr. Younger could be found in the more than 2 216,000-page Court Record.
 - O. And what were the Plaintiffs' work-product documents that were at issue in your First Report?
 - A. There were four of them. There was the Fusión
 - 6 Memo, there were the index summaries, there was the Draft 7 Alegato, and there was the Selva Viva Database.

 - Q. When you say Lago Agrio Court Record, what do you 9 mean in the context of your First Report?
 - A. In the context of this Report, my understanding is 11 that the Record in the Lago Agrio Case is kept on paper
 - 12 down in Ecuador. As part of their procedures, this record
 - 13 was photocopied and converted into electronic image files
 - 14 as well as files containing the text of the documents, and 15 this was what I received.
 - Q. Is this what you referred to in your December 2011 17 report as the entire Court Record?
 - A. It is.

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- 19 Q. Who gave you a copy of the Court Record on--who gave you a copy of the Court Record?
- A. I received it from counsel for Chevron.
- 22 O. And which counsel is that?
- 23 A. That would be Gibson Dunn & Crutcher.
- Q. How do you know that the copy of the Court Record
- 25 that Gibson Dunn gave you is, in fact, or was, in fact, the

- 01:26 1 determine whether any of the overlapping texts identified 2 in these Reports could be found in the more than 3 216,000-and page Court Record.
 - Q. So, what were the Plaintiffs' work-product documents that were at issue in your Second Report? 5
 - A. Well, there was the original four that had been 7 addressed in the First Report. There were also added to that the Clapp Report and the Fajardo Trust e-mail.
 - 9 Q. What conclusion did you reach in your Second 10 Report?
 - A. I reached the conclusion that the overlaps cited 11 12 by Dr. Leonard and Mr. Younger were not in the Court 13 Record.
 - Q. Your January 2013 report also examines the quality 15 of the OCR process that was applied to the TIFF images?
 - A. That is correct. 16

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- Q. Well, first of all, what is OCR process?
- 18 A. OCR is an acronym for optical character
- 19 recognition. It's basically the process by which a
- 20 computer will look at the little blobs of ink on a
- 21 photocopy or the little ones and zeros in an image file and
- 22 say this blob in conjunction with that blob and that third
- 23 blob together look like it's a C, so I'm going to convert
- 24 that into the machine-readable letter C.
- Q. Okay. And so, what was the scope of your work

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- 01:25 1 Lago Agrio Court Record?
 - A. It was so represented to me.
 - Q. Did you independently verify that what you were 4 told was the Court Record was, in fact, the entire Court 5 Record?
 - A. I did not.

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- Why not?
- A. The services that Juola and Associates provide 9 focus on computational text analysis, and so it wasn't
- within the scope of what we do.
 - Q. Is this something that you would typically do?
- A. No, it is not. 12
- 13 Q. So, what conclusion did you reach in your First 14 Report of December 2011?
- A. That the passages in question were not in the 15 16 Court Record.
- Q. You then submitted a Second Report dated 17 18 January 27, 2013, and that was submitted in this 19 arbitration as Exhibit C-1635.
- What were you asked to do in your Second Report?
- A. There had been some additional documents that had
- 22 come to light in the intervening period and also some
- 23 additional overlaps that had been identified, so we were
- 24 asked to again search the Court Record after reviewing
- 25 these new reports of Dr. Leonard and Mr. Younger and

- 01:28 1 with respect to the OCR quality and assessing the OCR 2 quality?
 - A. The criticism had been raised that, because OCR 4 can produce errors, we might have missed some matches that
 - 5 were actually in the Court Record, so we ran some
 - 6 experiments to determine whether or not this was, in fact,
 - 7 a realistic possibility whether we could have missed any of
 - 8 the matches.
 - 9 Q. Why didn't you perform these quality checks with 10 your First Report of December 2011?
 - A. Well, to some extent, we had, and that's actually 12 alluded to briefly in one sentence in my first report, but
 - 13 the criticism had been raised, so we felt it was
 - 14 appropriate to address it more formally using more
 - 15 statistics.
 - 16 And, frankly, we didn't think it was necessary on 17 the basis of our original analysis and on the basis of the
 - 18 full analysis that we performed for this. I confirmed that
 - 19 it was not, in fact, necessary for the first one. The OCR
 - 20 was extremely high quality overall, and the overlapping
 - 21 texts are still not in the Record.
 - 22 Q. You then submitted a Third Report dated June 3rd,
 - 23 2013. What were you asked to do in your Third Report?
 - A. Well, again, some--it transpired that there were
 - 25 some documents that were part of the Court Record that had

- 01:29 1 not been part of the paper Court Record. They had actually 2 been stored as a set of 69 CDs, and so I was asked to
 - 3 examine the same set of overlaps as the previous report
 - 4 against the documents contained in the 69 CDs.
 - Q. So, were the Plaintiffs' work-product documents at issue in this Report the same ones as in the Second Report?
 - A. That is correct. They're the same ones as the 8 Second Report.
 - 9 Q. Okay. And who gave you a copy of the CDs, the 10 content of the CDs?
 - A. Again, that was counsel for Chevron. 11
 - O. Is it your understanding that these 69 CDs are 13 also part of the Lago Agrio Court Record?
 - A. That is my understanding.
 - Q. Is this what you referred to in your June 2013 15
 - 16 report as the augmented record?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. Does the existence of the 69 CDs have any impact
 - 19 on the conclusions that you reached in your Second Report
 - and in your First Report?
 - A. It does not. My First Report and Second Report
 - 22 concluded that they were not in the Record paper Record,
 - 23 the overlaps were not in the paper record, and the overlaps
 - 24 are still not in the paper record. In addition in this
 - 25 report, I concluded that the overlaps are not in the

01:32 1 by the other experts to the Court Record?

- A. Well, the first thing that was necessary was to 3 normalize all of the texts--this is the procedure that we 4 followed from the beginning specifically to remove the
- 5 effect of OCR errors that might introduce minor changes 6 into the text.
- So, for example, one of the easiest ways for a 8 text to change is for a stray bit of dirt to appear on a 9 document and then be misread as a period, a comma, an 10 accent mark, something like this.
- So, our first step was to strip out of the of the 11 12 documents the accent marks, the diacritical marks and the 13 punctuation marks, leaving only the actual letter forms.
- The second step was similarly to take all of the 15 capital letters and reduce them down to the lower 16 case--their lower case equivalent. So, I ended up with a 17 normalized form. This normalized form is a conservative
- 18 method of text analysis to reduce any impact that the OCR 19 process would have on the final outcome.
- 20 Q. And just to be clear, this was something that you 21 did with your First Report as well, your very first report; 22 is that correct?
- 23 A. That is correct. We did this with the First 24 Report.
 - Q. And why do you call this a "conservative" measure?

- 01:30 1 extended record of the CDs, so they're not in either part 2 of the Record, so they're still not in the Record.
 - Q. Okay. You then prepared a Fourth Report dated 4 August 12, 2014. What were you asked to do in that report?
 - A. Again, some new documents had come to life--to 6 light, excuse me. There were two legal memoranda that
 - 7 seemed to share certain legal assertions and also legal
 - 8 citations with a temporary file and ultimately with the 9 Judgment, and I was asked to examine whether these legal
 - 10 memoranda--these legal memoranda could have been found in
 - 11 the Court Record, and also whether these assertions and
 - 12 citations could be found in the Court Record from which the 13 author of the Judgment might have drawn them.
 - Q. And what were the memoranda that you were 14 15 examining in your Fourth Report?
 - A. One of them was called the Erion memo and the 16 17 other was called the Moodie Memo.
 - Q. And what did you conclude?
 - 19 A. That these were not in the Court Record, nor were 20 the assertions nor were the citations.
 - Q. Dr. Juola, for these four reports, did you use the 22 same general approach, analytical approach?
 - 23 A. I did.
 - Q. Can you describe to us your general approach? How
 - 25 did you go about comparing the overlapping texts identified

- A. Because it will make sure that we are more likely 2 to catch genuine matches at the expense of possibly finding 3 a match where there is not one because there was actually a 4 real difference in punctuation, for example.
 - Q. Okay. So, once you have the overlapping text 6 stripped of punctuation marks and accent marks and 7 capitalization, what did you do with it?
 - A. What we did with it then was we broke it down into 9 five word chunks. These are formally called 5-grams. So,
 - 10 for example, in this passage which is an actual passage
 - 11 taken from Leonard's first example, the first 5-gram is, as 12 you see, and then there is another 5-gram immediately
 - 13 following it and another immediately following it and so
 - 14 on. And then once we have broken all of the passages down
 - 15 into their component 5-grams and all of the documents in
 - 16 the Court Record down into their component 5-grams, we 17 compared to see whether any 5-grams were shared across any
 - 18 of these documents and, if so, where they were shared.
 - 19 Q. Now, when you say you compared to all 5-grams in 20 the Court Record, how many 5-grams does that represent in
 - 21 the Record of 216,000 and some pages?
 - 22 A. Oh, millions.
 - 23 Q. Okay. So, then you compare--why did you choose
 - 24 5-grams and not 7-grams or 8-grams?
 - A. Well, as Dr. Leonard testified earlier, there is

01:35 1 always a certain degree of linguistic overlap that is to be 2 expected either by chance or from what he termed "lexical 3 bundles, " so lexical overlaps starts to be interesting 4 about when it hits the seven-character level.

So, again this was a conservative procedure. We 6 were looking for all overlaps of five words or more, 7 knowing that most of the overlaps that we found that were 8 only five words long would not be interesting, but if it we 9 found several five word overlaps in a row, as in for 10 example, in this passage here, if we found all five of 11 these, we would then stitch them together to make an 12 overlapping--to make a 9-gram overlap representing the fact 13 that this is a nine-word phrase comprised of several 14 five-word phrases and nine words--nine words is likely to 15 be a significant and interesting overlap.

- Q. And just to clarify, when you are referring to 17 "grams," that refers to words, not characters; correct?
 - A. In this context, it is referring to words.
- Q. Okay. And did you find any 9-gram overlaps 20 between the Court Record and the passages identified by the other Experts?
- 22 A. We found no significant 9-grams in the--between 23 the overlaps and the Court Record.
- Q. Did you find any overlaps between the Court Record 25 and the passages identified by the Experts that were longer

01:38 1 with the only way you could get a shorter overlap being 2 with a longer overlap on the other page.

> So, we would see at least one 20-gram and another 4 up to 20-gram if this were overlapping.

And, of course, this is only an excerpt from 6 Example 1. In Example 1, what we really had was about 90 7 words of overlaps, so we would have seen a 45-gram and 8 another 45-gram if that passage existed somewhere in the 9 Record.

- Q. Did you find any 45-grams or any significant 10 11 45-gram overlaps in your analysis of the Court Record?
 - A. I did not.

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- 13 In your Expert Opinion, could the phrases 14 identified by Dr. Leonard and the other Experts be 15 explained by a source document in the Court Record?
 - A. They could not.
- 17 Q. Now, I want to go back and talk about the Court 18 Record that you received. In what format did you received 19 the 216,000 page Court Record that you used for your 20 analysis?
- A. We actually received the Court Record in two 21 22 different formats. As I testified earlier, my
- 23 understanding is the original is kept on paper. The first
- 24 step in producing the electronic copy was to make TIFF
- 25 images, document images which are essentially photographs

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01:36 1 than 9-grams?

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A. We found no significant shared overlaps between 3 the Court Record and the relevant passages that were longer 4 than nine words, either.

- Q. So, given your process of breaking down the entire 6 Court Record and the overlaps and successive 5-grams, would 7 it make a difference or would it impact your reading of the Court Record if the pages of the Lago Agrio Record were misnumbered or unnumbered?
 - A. It would not.
- 11 Q. Would it impact your reading of the Court Record 12 if the pages of the Lago Agrio Record were out of sequence?
 - A. It would not.
- 14 0. Could you elaborate on that?
- Certainly. Let's imagine for a moment that this 16 passage were actually found somewhere in the Court Record, 17 but it were found across two pages, and these two pages had 18 for whatever reason become misfiled so they were widely 19 separated.

Well, in this case, this is a passage of about 40 20 21 words taken from a large passage of about 90 words. But 22 just focusing on these 40 words, at least 20 of them have 23 to be on one page, so there would be an at least 24 20-word--20-gram that would have been found. And then on 25 the other page, there would be up to a 20-word overlap,

- 01:39 1 of the relevant page. But then in order to facilitate 2 computer analysis, these were converted to a readable text 3 version, like a .txt file, via a process called optical 4 character recognition. So we received both the TIFF images 5 and the text versions of these TIFF images.
 - Q. You told us earlier that as part of your Second 7 Report of January 2013, you ran some analysis to assess the quality of the OCR process that converted the TIFF images 9 into readable text. How many analyses did you do?
 - A. We ran three additional analyses in all.
 - Q. Would you tell us about the first one, please?
 - A. Certainly.

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The first one was just an assessment on a document 13 14 by document basis to determine whether each document 15 contained a reasonable representation of Spanish text and, 16 therefore, a faithful representation of the actual contents 17 of the document.

So, to do this, we took each document in its

19 textual format, and we compared that against a corpus that 20 we had developed based on high quality, well curated 21 documents from public sources. For example, we took the 22 entire Wikipedia corpus in Spanish, we took the UN Multex 23 corpus, the Spanish section, which is essentially all of 24 the documents produced by the UN over a particular period 25 in their Spanish versions, and we took the Google Books

01:41 1 N-gram database for Spanish, which is essentially all of 2 the Spanish documents that have been read by Google Books 3 in the process of their compiling of this.

So, we had this huge corpus that was a relatively 5 faithful representation of the vocabulary and syntax of 6 Spanish as collected by everyone who has been writing 7 Spanish over guite an extended period of time and 8 publishing it in one of these fora.

- Q. And what did you do with that information? Once 10 you had the Spanish corpus, how did you use it to assess 11 the quality of the OCR?
- A. Well, we did what amounts to a frequency analysis 13 between each document and the Spanish corpus. Some words 14 in Spanish, for example, are very frequent, some words are 15 less frequent, some words are very rare, and some things 16 that aren't words at all are, of course, even rarer.

So, the question is, in this particular document, 17 18 do the common Spanish words appear commonly, do the rare 19 Spanish words appear rarely, do the non-words appear 20 extremely rarely? Does the frequency of words or the 21 frequency of characters or the frequency of word pairs--we 22 actually ran several different analyses to determine this.

23 Do they match with the expected distribution as measured 24 from this corpus of billions of words of Spanish as

25 collected by these public sources.

01:44 1 appear in Spanish like "the."

So, this would have been a non-Spanish text 2 3 because it was not in Spanish, but because it was in 4 English.

Another example of a non-Spanish text would have 6 been Document Number 2. Now, this one would have been more 7 difficult to OCR because it's in tabular format and it's 8 got all of these lines which will introduce errors, but 9 beyond that, this is not Spanish text. This is a table, 10 and so it lacks verbs, it lacks articles, it lacks the 11 ordinary structure of what we would expect to see in a

12 Spanish document, so this was also thrown up as a 13 non-Spanish document.

This example is a handwritten form, now, this is 15 actually a Spanish document, but it is handwritten. 16 Handwriting is something that does not OCR very well. 17 Handwriting analysis is a very difficult problem for 18 computers, but on the other hand, this is not the sort of 19 document that would contain, for example, the Fajardo Trust 20 e-mail because the Fajardo Trust e-mail would not have been

21 written by hand. 22 Again, this is a non-Spanish document because the 23 OCR that ran on it did not produce something that the

24 computer considered to be similar to Spanish. 25

And, finally, Example 4 is an example of a

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01:42 1 Q. So, what did you find as a result of this 2 analysis?

A. We actually found that the overall quality of the 4 OCR was quite good. About 98.5 percent of these documents 5 contained what we considered to be high quality Spanish. 6 They were Spanish of the quality that you see in the Google 7 Books N-grams or the UN documents or Wikipedia, so about 8 98.5 percent of these documents were good, which was a much 9 higher percentage than we would have expected or than 10 statistical theory would have led us to believe was the 11 case.

Of course, this leaves about 1.5 percent that did 13 not contain good Spanish, and we reserved these 1.5 percent 14 non-Spanish documents for another analysis.

What do you mean by non-Spanish documents? 15 A. Well, I mean documents that did not contain 16 17 Spanish. That is to say, the text extracted by the 18 computer did not match Spanish text. This did not 19 necessarily mean that they were badly OCR'ed Spanish 20 documents. For example, if you look at Sample 1, Sample 1 21 is actually a relatively clean document that would have 22 OCR'ed relatively well, but the document itself is in

23 English; so, if you look at the text extracted from it, it 24 does not contain the common words that we expect to contain

25 commonly in Spanish, and instead contains words that rarely

01:45 1 non-Spanish document because this is basically a

2 non-textual document. This is a map or an aerial 3 photograph. This is a diagram, and there is very little

4 text in it. What there are, are there are random blobs

5 that the computer will say, well, this blob and this blob 6 and this blob together kind of look like a "C," so I'm

7 going to assume it's a "C."

Q. So, just to be clear, is this what you refer to, 9 this kind of image, once it's OCR'ed, is that what you 10 refer to in your Report as something that would produce 11 gobbledygook?

A. Exactly.

13 Q. So, tell us exactly in your words what you mean by 14 "gobbledygook"?

A. Gobbledygook is text that, when you look at it, 15 16 does not bear any relationship to any known human language. 17 It doesn't have recognizable words. It usually doesn't

18 have recognizable words at all. Most of the time it's just

19 random collections of punctuation marks and similar

20 symbols.

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O. Can you show us an example?

A. Certainly, I'd be happy to.

This is an example of gobbledygook. If you look 24 at the document on the left, that is the OCR extracted from

25 the document--sorry, that is the text extracted via OCR

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01:46 1 from the document on the right, and specifically the area 2 described within the red box. And you can see that much of 3 that text is not English, it's not Spanish, it's not any 4 language at all.

- 5 Q. Are the Plaintiffs' work-product documents that 6 you were looking for in the Court Record the types of 7 documents that would produce something like what we see on 8 the left of the screen?
- 9 A. No. The Plaintiffs' work-product documents under
 10 discussion are all essentially machine-written born digital
 11 documents that would typeset very cleanly. They did not
 12 contain large amounts of diagrams. In most cases, they
 13 didn't have any diagrams at all, so, they would have OCR'ed
 14 extremely cleanly and they would have produced--they would
 15 not have produced gobbledygook.
- 16 Q. Did you do any further analysis on that 17 1.5 percent of non-Spanish text documents?
- 18 A. I did.
- 19 Q. What did you do?
- 20 A. I actually did--undertook a manual review of each
- 21 of the page images associated with those documents. So,
- 22 for every document that had--that had non-Spanish OCR, I
- 23 actually looked at the original TIFF images. I looked at
- 24 the document image to see whether that particular page
- 25 could be a source for the passages identified in Leonard's

01:49 1 OCR process, and what you will actually notice is that the 2 section that is handwritten does not OCR well, but you can 3 actually see, for example, at the very bottom of the--at 4 the very bottom of the red box and also at the very bottom 5 of the window on the left, you can see that the parts of 6 the document that are actually typeset generally OCR well. 7 Now, while this is not always the case--for example, you 8 can have, like, a stamp, one of the stamps on it that will 9 produce localized errors in general. You will find that 10 these--you will find that the typeset parts of documents 11 still OCR well, even when there are parts of a specific 12 page that do not OCR well.

Another example of that would be in the next
slide, if I remember correctly. This is the aerial
photograph which, of course, does not OCR well at all. And
you can see that on the left, it doesn't really produce
text except when it's analyzing actual parts of the image
that have text. So, it very clearly and correctly
identifies the title of this image. It very clearly and
correctly identifies the Number 17 at the bottom, and it
even clearly and mostly correctly identifies that little
strip of words at the bottom of the image describing where
it came--where and when it came from.

Q. Now, if there is an image that also has text just like what we're looking at now, where it's a hybrid page,

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- Q. How many documents does that 1.5 percent represent?
- A. How many documents? About 50. I actually did, sqain, a conservative procedure, and I ended up looking at about 150 documents, so about three times as many were actually within that 1.5 percent.
 - Q. And did you do the manual review all yourself?
- 9 A. I did. I did a complete manual review of those 10 documents by myself, but in addition there was an 11 additional manual review done by a member of my staff, so 12 we had at least two pairs of eyeballs look at every 13 document image within this 1.5 percent.
- Q. And just to be clear, what you are looking at in your manual review is the original TIFF image, not the OCR text readable that's been--none of the text readable version that was produced by the OCR?
- 18 A. That is correct. We looked at the original TIFF 19 image.
- Q. Can we take a look at an example from your list?

 I think you listed--documents that you manually reviewed

 are listed in Appendix B of your January 2013 report. So,

 I'd like to turn your attention to what's on the screen, if
- you can describe to the Tribunal what we are looking at.
 A. Well, what you are looking at is the outcome of an

- 01:51 1 for example, it would have a chart and text on it, is it
 2 your opinion that your computer would have read the text in
 3 its initial review of the Court Record?
 - A. It is, because as you can see, the text gets
 extracted accurately, so the computer would have seen
 the--would have seen the Number 000000017 in the initial
 review because that Number 17 was correctly picked up.
 - 8 Q. Did you do any further analysis on the 9 98.5 percent that you identified as Spanish text?
 - 10 A. I did.

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- Q. What did you do?
- 12 A. Well, taking seriously the criticism that there 13 might be OCR errors and that these OCR errors might have 14 hidden the relevant passages in question, we did an 15 experiment to determine how high a level of OCR errors 16 would be necessary to mask these passages.

So, we looked specifically at measuring the level of OCR necessary to hide these within the OCR images that we saw.

Now, to put things in perspective, all OCR has errors. This is inevitable. Good OCR will have an error rate of approximately 1 percent, which is to say one character out of about 100 will be misread. Bad OCR will have an error rate of about 5 to 10 percent, sometimes as high as 20 percent OCR, but these--this is the kind of

01:52 1 stuff that we would be looking about if we're talking 2 typically about bad OCR.

In order to mask the relevant passages, our tests 4 showed that we would have needed an OCR error rate of 5 between 50 and 60 percent, so almost three times what would 6 constitute a bad OCR would be necessary for our 7 computational analysis to have missed this.

- Q. And is that a plausible percentage in terms of bad 9 OCR?
- 10 A. I do not consider 50 percent to be a plausible 11 percentage for bad OCR.
- O. So, what did these three analyses that you did on 13 the quality of the OCR lead you to conclude?
- A. Well, they led me to two specific conclusions. 15 The first is that, as I said earlier, the OCR applied to 16 the documents in the Lago Agrio Court Record is of
- 17 generally extremely high quality. And the second
- 18 conclusion is, again, support of the previous three, which
- 19 is that the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' work product cannot be 20 found in the Lago Agrio Court Record.
- Q. And Dr. Juola, you were in the room this morning 22 when Dr. Leonard testified; correct?
- A. I was.
- Q. Do you remember the back and forth between
- 25 Mr. Bloom and Dr. Leonard about the 39 motions that Chevron

01:55 1 the Witness going to be shown?

MS. MOUAWAD: I'm going to show him just the last 2 3 page which has the Record date and stamp on the--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Does the Respondent have this? 5 Do we have this?

6 MS. MOUAWAD: It's an exhibit that they put in the 7 Record.

8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Oh, it's their exhibit?

9 MS. MOUAWAD: Yes.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: So, we're getting back to

11 R-1945?

12 MS. MOUAWAD: Yeah, this is what we're looking at.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Thank you.

MS. MOUAWAD: It's within that, I'm sorry.

15 It's--there are two different cites to it. One is--it's 16 TEMP--sorry, TEMPS0003303. That's the name of the file

17 within R-1545.

It also appears separately as Exhibit R-1544. 18

19 Which I'll explain in a minute.

20 BY MS. MOUAWAD:

Q. So I would like to turn your attention to the last 22 page, and specifically to the Court stamp. You'll see that

23 the date says the 14th of October 2010 at 17:45, which is

24 5:45 p.m., correct? Do you see that language?

A. Yes, I do.

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01:54 1 filed? Do you remember that part of the testimony? A. I do. 2

Q. If we could pull that up. It's Exhibit R-182, and 4 it was on Page 4 of Dr. Leonard's Cross-Examination Bundle.

5 Just bear with us.

And do you remember that Mr. Bloom represented to 7 Dr. Leonard that the four motions at the bottom, the last 8 four, the one filed at 5:45, 5:46, 5:47 and 5:48, were not 9 found in the Court Record? Do you remember that?

A. I remember him making a statement to that effect.

Q. Okay. So, I would like to take you to some of 12 documents on the Record that you reviewed, Dr. Juola, and

13 that's Exhibit R-1545, which is the Court Record that you

14 received from Gibson Dunn, which was produced to

15 Respondent, and that Respondent put in the Record a week or

16 two ago. So, this first document is TEMPS0003303, and I

17 would like to draw your attention to the top of the page

18 where it says the name Adolfo Callejas.

Do you see that?

20 A. I do.

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21 MR. BLOOM: Do we have a copy of these exhibits?

MS. MOUAWAD: It's in--I don't have a copy. I

23 didn't have a chance to make a copy. But we're happy to 24 get one printed out for you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just stop a second. What is

Q. Okay. And this is something that was from

2 your--the Court Record that you received. That document

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3 was on the Court Record that you received and reviewed.

A. Yes.

Q. All right. So, I would like to take you now to 6 still R-1545, and within it the file name is TEMPS0003306.

7 And again, on the first line, do you see the same Adolfo

8 Callejas?

9 A. I do.

Q. Which I represent to you is the name of Chevron's 11 Ecuadorian counsel.

If we could go to the last page, again to the

13 Court stamp, do you see the date as being the 14th of

14 October 2010? Do you see that on the screen?

15 A. I do.

Q. And the time stamp is 5:46, 17:46; correct?

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Q. And again, this is one of the documents that was 18

19 in your hard drive that you reviewed?

20 A. It is.

O. All right. I would like to pull up TEMPS0003308,

22 which is still--it's a file within R-1545. Again, the

23 first line, Adolfo Callejas. Do you see that?

A. I see that. 24

Q. And if we could turn to the last page, the Court

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- 01:57 1 stamp will say the date is the 14th of October 2010, and 2 the time stamp is 17:47; correct?
 - A. I see that.
 - Q. And again, the TEMP file is one of the files that was on the Court Record that you reviewed?
 - A. That is correct.
 - 7 Q. The last one that I'd like to turn your attention 8 to is TEMPS0003312. And if we look at this document,
 - 9 again, it's from R-1545. The first line, Adolfo Callejas.
 - 10 Do you see that language?
 - A. I do.

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- 12 Q. And you--as I've already told you, this is 13 Chevron's counsel down in Ecuador.
- 14 If we could take a look at the signature--sorry,
- 15 at the Court stamp at the bottom of the page, it's a 16 one-page document, you see the language that it's
- 17 October 14, 2010, time stamp of 17:48, which is 5:48 p.m.?
- 18 A. I see that.
- 19 Q. And again, this is a TEMP file from R-1545 that
- 20 was part of the Record that you reviewed?
- 21 A. That is correct.
- 22 Q. Okay. And just for purposes of the Record, in our
- 23 case, I would point out that these motions are found in
- 24 Cuerpo 1990, which Respondent put in the Record as Exhibit
- 25 R-1544. They submitted the entire Cuerpo, and so I will

- 02:11 1 of your Report as Tab 1, at Page 1 of the Witness binder,
 - 2 which is identified for the record as C-1007, as, and I'm
 - 3 quoting--and it's on the screen--"Having analyzed the Court
 - 4 Record in the Lago Agrio Case, I conclude, to a reasonable
 - 5 degree of scientific certainty, that the vast majority of
 - 6 the overlapping text and data in the Judgment and the LAPs'
 - 7 work-product documents does not exist in the trial court
 - 8 record of the Lago Agrio Court (sic)."
 - 9 And I think counsel has established that when you 10 used the term, "trial record," here, you're referring to
 - 11 only the official Court Record as provided to you by
 - 12 Chevron's attorneys; is that correct?
 - 13 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And as a result, when you say, "certain documents
 - 15 are not in the trial record," you mean they were not found
 - 16 in the trial record as provided to you?
 - A. That is also correct.
 - 18 Q. And you, like Dr. Leonard, were not tasked with
 - 19 investigating whether the Parties lawfully filed documents
 - 20 with the Court that might be missing from the Record;
 - 21 correct?
 - 22 A. That is correct.
 - 0. In fact, in the last set of guestions that you
 - 24 just received from my colleague, you identified four
 - 25 documents from a different cuerpo than where those

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01:59 1 just draw your attention to that.

2 And with that, I have no further questions, and I 3 pass the Witness.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just before we start with
questions from the Respondent, it might be useful if we had
hard copies, paper copies, of the documents to which you

7 just referred.

8 MS. MOUAWAD: We will get those done. Thank you.
9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take 15 minutes break.

10 We ask you to not discuss the case away from the Tribunal.

11 THE WITNESS: Of course. Thank you very much.

12 (Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. There will now be questions from the Respondent.

15 CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. BLOOM:

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- 17 Q. Good afternoon, Doctor.
- 18 A. Good afternoon.
- 19 Q. And I will compliment counsel for allowing me to
- 20 $\,$ skip many of my prefatory questions. It will probably save
- 21 30 minutes as a result.
- 22 There are two pieces or two parts of this
- 23 examination. The first part we should be able to run right
- 24 through as a result.
- You state your conclusion in the first paragraph

- 02:13 1 documents should have been had; correct?
 - A. Now you're asking me to go beyond my expertise. I don't know where they should have been.
 - Q. In any event, you're not offering any opinions on whether the Parties submitted documents to the Court that
 - 6 are not in the official Court Record?
 - 7 A. No, I am not. I'm only testifying to what I 8 analyzed.
 - 9 Q. And you also answered some questions--you also 10 answered some questions regarding pages out of order;
 - 11 correct?

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- A. That is correct.
- 13 Q. And you said, even if there were pages out of
- 14 order, it would not affect your conclusions; correct?
- 15 A. That is correct, assuming that passages were of
- 16 sufficiently large size, which the example under discussion
- 17 was.
- 18 Q. But your personal involvement in reviewing these
- 19 many documents, you personally saw that there were a lot of
- 20 errors in pagination; correct?
 - A. I'm sorry, can you rephrase that?
- 22 Q. You do recognize, however, that the page numbers
- 23 are not always sequential; correct?
- 24 A. I did not pay attention to that, so I can't say I
- 25 particularly noticed it. As I testified earlier, the page

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- 02:15 1 numbering was largely irrelevant.
 - Q. So, let me just show you at Slide 7, if you look
 at the page numbers or numbers Foja numbers at the top here
 our Page 1 begins with 153,000, Page 2 is 92,000, Page 3 is
 back to 153,000, Page 4 back to 92,000, and then some, then
 it goes on and on. You don't dispute the fact that the
 page numbering is substantially or materially incorrect;
 correct?
 - 9 A. I might dispute seven errors above 200,000 as 10 substantial.
 - Q. Do you want us to start going through more examples? I mean, at what point do you think they become substantial?
 - 14 A. Substantial is a legal term, so you would be 15 better off answering that than I, perhaps.
 - 16 Q. I'm not sure it's a legal term, so let me ask you, 17 sir: Do you dispute that there were a number of page--that 18 there were a number of mistakes in the numbering of these 19 documents?
 - 20 A. I do not dispute that.
 - Q. Are you aware of the fact that there were
 - 22 instances where the Lago Agrio Court Record was not
 - 23 numbered at all?
 - 24 A. Again, I'm not aware of that.
 - O. And we have a Slide 8 where we have certain

02:18 1 version maintained by the Provincial Court of Justice of
2 Sucumbíos. I was also told that this photocopy was
3 prepared by the Clerk of Court of The Provincial Court of
4 Justice of Sucumbíos per normal Court procedures, stamped
5 with a court seal on each page to indicate authenticity of
6 the copy, and delivered to Chevron in installments as
7 requested by the company's Ecuadorian trial counsel over
8 the course of the lower court trial."

9 Those are your words. You wrote those words; 10 correct?

- 11 A. I wrote those words based on information received 12 from GDC, of course.
- Q. And then you went on to say: "I'm informed that
 Chevron maintains its photocopied version of the Record in
 Quito, but also scanned the copies, creating PDFs, which
 were delivered to U.S. counsel. I understand that the PDFs
 were then converted to single page TIFF format and uploaded
 to an electronic platform, at which point the files were
 subjected to an automatic optical character recognition OCR
 process," and those are also your words; correct?
- 21 A. Those are my words, yes.
- ${\tt Q.}~{\tt Now,\ you\ obviously\ used\ a\ lot\ of\ passive\ tense,\ so}$
- 23 I want to ask you a few questions regarding who did what.
- 24 Do you know when Chevron received its photocopies 25 of the trial Court Record?

25 of the trial court Record.

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- 02:16 1 examples, and if you look at, for example, the second or 2 the middle column, you don't see a Foja number in the 3 140,000's, do you?
 - A. I do not.

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- Q. And you don't know whether there may have been dozens or even hundreds of documents submitted to the
- 7 Parties that never made its way into the official Court
- 8 Record? That's not something you looked at?
 - A. That is not something I analyzed.
- 10 Q. Okay. So, now let's turn to the second piece of 11 this examination, which I hate to say will be a little bit
- 12 longer than the first piece, which is your effort to review
- 13 the documents that actually made it into the trial record
- 14 that Chevron provided to you. If we could turn to
- 15 Slide 17. This is a quote from your Report found at Tab 1.
- 16 If you want to turn to Page 3 of your Declaration, the
- 17 second sentence, and I have it on the screen, if that's
- 18 easier for you, sir.
- 19 Beginning, G D.C., and that's referring to whom?
- 20 A. That is referring to Gibson Dunn & Crutcher,
- 21 attorneys for Chevron.
- 22 Q. Thank you.
- 23 So, you represent that the Gibson Dunn law firm,
- 24 Chevron's attorneys, "has informed me that the version of
- 25 the Record I reviewed is from a photocopy of the official

- 02:20 1 A. I wrote that they were delivered in installments, 2 so it would presumably be at several different times.
 - 3 Q. Do you know? Was the information ever provided to 4 you on what dates they received the Court Records?
 - A. That information was not provided to me.
 - 6 Q. Do you know how many installments?
 - A. I do not.
 - 8 Q. Once Chevron received anything from the Court, do 9 you know if they immediately put it on an electronic
 - 10 platform?

- 11 A. I do not.
- 12 Q. So, it's possible that certain documents may have 13 stayed in the Court for some period of time and then went 14 to Chevron for some period of time before it was ever
- 14 to the violitor some period of time before it was ever
- 15 uploaded onto an electronic platform? You don't have any 16 information one way or the other on this?
 - A. I have no information one way or another on this.
- $\ensuremath{\text{Q}}.$ And you would agree with me, would you not, that
- 19 the age of the document and the conditions in which it was 20 kept for months or years could have the potential of
- 21 affecting the accuracy of the OCR version of the document?
- 22 A. In general, keeping documents for months or a
- 23 small number of years will not have a significant effect,
- 24 depending on the storage conditions. But since I have no
- 25 knowledge of the storage conditions, it is possible.

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- 12:21 1 Q. What kind of storage conditions could adversely 2 affect the quality of the document to be OCR'ed?
 - A. Well, for example, if you're keeping it in a shower and running water over it on a regular basis, then
 - 5 that would very quickly reduce the quality. If you are 6 keeping it in an un-air-conditioned room in a humid
 - 6 Keeping it in an un-air-conditioned room in a numid
 - 7 climate--in a humid climate, excuse me, that would reduce
 - 8 the quality much more slowly. If you're keeping it in an
 - 9 air-conditioned storage facility like they have at the
 - 10 Library of Congress, there would be no perceptible
 - 11 degradation over an extremely long amount of time.
 - 12 Q. Now, you also say--and it's in this excerpt that I 13 just gave you--this photocopy was prepared by the Clerk of 14 Court of the Provincial Court of Justice of Sucumbios per
 - 15 normal Court procedures stamped with the Court Seal.
 - How do you know that the photocopy was prepared with normal Court procedures?
 - A. It was so represented to me by Gibson Dunn.
 - .9 Q. Let me ask you: What other conditions in which a
 - 20 document could be stored could affect the quality of the
 - 21 OCR review? You said more humid conditions versus an
 - 22 air-conditioned facility could adversely affect the
 - 23 quality. What other conditions?
 - A. Well, I'm not really a specialist in archiving
 - 25 techniques, so this isn't really my area of expertise.

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- 2 A. I don't know.
 - O. Who scanned them?
- A. I don't know.
- 5 Q. Who delivered them to U.S. counsel?
- 6 A. I don't know.
 - Q. Do you know who was responsible to ensure the
- 8 delivery of the product to U.S. counsel?
- 9 A. I don't know.
 - Q. Do you know to whom they were sent in the U.S.?
- 11 A. I don't know.
- 12 Q. Or how they were delivered?
- 13 A. I don't know.
- 4 Q. Were the conditions--do you know, for example,
- 15 whether a thumb drive was sent by plane or whether this was
- 16 all sent electronically to U.S. counsel?
 - A. I don't know.
- 18 Q. Now, you also state that you "understand" that the
- 19 PDFs were then converted to single page TIFF format and
- 20 uploaded to an electronic platform, at which point the
- 21 files were subjected to an automatic optical character
- 22 recognition process.
- So, just to be clear, but I think we are, you
- 24 didn't actually go to the Provincial Court of Justice to
- 25 conduct any of this review?

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- 02:23 1 Q. Let me just press you a little bit on that, if I $_{\rm 2\ may}.$
 - You are an expert on OCR; correct?
 - A. I have not been offered to the Court as an expert
 - 5 on OCR in this case. I'm not sure what you mean by, "an
 - 6 expert." I believe I know more than the average person by 7 virtue of a computer science degree.
 - 8 Q. Have you ever been qualified as an expert in OCR 9 in any court?
 - 0 A. I have not.
 - 11 Q. But you conducted an OCR analysis for purposes of 12 this case, did you not?
 - 13 A. I have, and I have also published peer-reviewed 14 papers on OCR quality.
 - 15 Q. But you're not offering any opinions as to how 16 storage conditions could adversely affect the quality of a 17 document for purposes of conducting an OCR?
 - A. I am not.

- 19 Q. Now, you also stated in your Report on the
- 20 same--on the previous slide that you were informed that
- 21 Chevron also scanned the copies creating PDFs which were
- 22 delivered to U.S. counsel, so we know these documents were
- 23 first photocopied and then later scanned; correct?
- 24 A. That is my understanding.
 - Q. Where were they scanned? Were they scanned in

- 02:26 1 A. No, I did not.
 - Q. You did it all from the comfort of the United
 - 3 States?
 - 4 A. Yes. Again, this is the service that we provide,
 - 5 and our expertise is on the document analysis, not the
 - 6 document processing.
 - Q. Right. So, you didn't scan the documents?
 - 8 A. I did not scan the documents, nor did anyone under
 - 9 my supervision.
 - 10 Q. Nor did you or anyone under your supervision
 - 11 convert the PDFs to a single page TIFF format?
 - 12 A. No.
 - ${\tt Q.}$ And you did not or anyone under your supervision
 - 14 upload the TIFF images to an electronic platform?
 - 15 A. Well, actually we did do that, but not as part of
 - 16 this. We received them on a hard drive and uploaded them
 - 17 to our own electronic platform for analysis.
 - 18 Q. And your Declaration does not specify which OCR
 - 19 engine was used to recognize the text?
 - 20 A. It does not.
 - Q. And what was the OCR engine that you used?
 - 22 A. I'm sorry?
 - Q. Can you tell us what the OCR engine was?
 - 24 A. I cannot.
 - Q. Who did it?

- 02:27 1 A. I don't know.
 - Q. Do you know whether it was the same person or a different person who converted the photocopies to PDFs and the PDFs to TIFF format?
 - A. I don't.
 - Q. Do you know what controls were in place to ensure that no mistakes were made prior to the time of you
 - receiving all of this data?
 - A. I do not.
 - 10 Q. In fact, you don't know if any controls were ever 11 put into place, do you?
 - 12 A. I only know about the controls that were in place 13 at the final stage when the document--when the hard drive
 - 14 were delivered to us, and there were controls in place at 15 that point.
 - 16 Q. I just to want make sure I understand.
 - 17 After you received the data, you put into place 18 certain controls; correct?
 - 19 A. No. Certain controls were put in place at GDC 20 prior to shipping the data to us.
 - Q. And you know that how?
 - 22 A. Because we received the data with those controls
 - 23 intact.
 - 24 Q. I see.
 - 25 Do you know when those controls were put into

- 02:30 1 still be modified even after they're encrypted; isn't that 2 correct?
 - 3 A. I don't believe that's possible. I'd like to know 4 more of the scenario you have in mind.
 - Q. Can I ask you, how were you able to access the documents after they were encrypted? Did you have the encryption key?
 - 8 A. Yes, we had the encryption key which was sent 9 separately from the hard drive.
 - Q. And then what did you do?
 - 11 A. We used the encryption key to decrypt the drive to 12 upload the files onto our own platform.
 - ${\tt Q.}$ So, am I correct that your testimony is while it ${\tt 14}$ was encrypted that the documents could not be modified
 - 15 neither before, although before and after they could be 16 modified?
 - 17 A. I'm not understanding what you're asking.
 - 18 Q. Would you agree with me that while the documents
 - 19 were encrypted, they could not be modified?
 20 A. Yes, I believe I testified to that effect.
 - Q. But prior to the time of encryption, they could be
 - 22 modified?
 - 23 A. Yes, that is true.
 - Q. And after they were--after the encryption was
 - 25 unlocked, theoretically, they could have been modified.

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- 02:28 1 place prior to your receipt of the data?
 - 2 A. I do not.
 - 3 Q. You don't know whether they were put into place a 4 week before or months before?
 - A. I don't know.
 - 6 Q. And what were the controls specifically put into 7 place, please?
 - A. The document that we received consisted of
 - 9 a--sorry, the documents, plural, that we received consisted
 - 10 of a large number of files which were stored on a TrueCrypt
 - 11 platform and encrypted. This has two effects. The first
 - 12 effect is that by encrypting the data, that makes it
 - 13 unlikely to the point of impossible that any unauthorized
 - 14 third party will be able to read it, but as a side effect
 - 15 that also institutes error correction or at least error
 - 16 detection if there is a hardware failure on the hard drive,
 - 17 for example, or if the hard drive is hit with a sphere
 - 18 cosmic ray, this will produce an error in reconstructing
 - 19 the data, and the drive as received will be unreadable.
 - 20 Since the drive that we received was not unreadable, this
 - 21 meant that the data was not corrupted in transit.
 - 22 Q. But you would agree with me that even after they
 - 23 were encrypted they could still be modified?
 - 24 A. I'm sorry?
 - 25 Q. The documents that were encrypted, they could

- 02:31 1 A. After the encryption was unlocked, they were under 2 our control.
 - 3 Q. So, to some extent, the correctness of your
 - 4 conclusions is, in fact, dependent on other people having
 - 5 done what they say and having done it properly; isn't that 6 right?
 - A. That is correct.
 - 8 Q. Okay. Now, if you take a look at your second--at
 - 9 Tab 2--and we have it on the slide--this was your Third $\,$
 - 10 Report in this proceeding, June 2013? I'm sorry,
 - 11 January 27, 2013.

- 12 A. I believe this is my Second Report and not my 13 Third Report.
- Q. Okay. And it's just to be clear--okay,
- 15 January 27, 2013.
- 16 And this Declaration or Report was filed more than
- 17 a year after your previous one; correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. And I want to direct your attention to
- 20 Paragraph 45 at Page 7. And we should have a slide on
- 21 this. You said: "We have been informed that criticism has
- 22 been raised specifically by a report authored by
- 23 Dr. Fateman, of the Record search we performed based on
- 24 machine-generated (OCR) image files of the Court Record of
- 25 the Lago Agrio matter; specifically that the images were of

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02:33 1 sufficiently poor quality that the text could not be
2 reliably inferred from them, and therefore the text we
3 analyzed did not accurately reflect the contents of the
4 Court Record."

My first question is: Who is Dr. Fateman?

- A. I believe Dr. Fateman is a Professor Emeritus at one of the California schools. I forget which one exactly.
- 8 Q. And do you know when or why he had occasion to 9 offer criticism of any of your opinions?
 - A. I'm not fully understanding the question.
- 11 Q. Do you know whom he represents or who he submitted 12 this on behalf of?
- 13 A. Not specifically, no.
- Q. So let me take you to Tab 15, slide--there is no slide, okay. So Tab 15, it's R-655, my understanding is he was an expert for the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs. At Paragraph 7, he said, "The aspect of the case that I have been asked to review is whether OCR, followed by computer search, is capable of determining whether materials claimed to be on file in the lower court records were filed or otherwise
- 21 incorporated in the filed materials."
- 22 Could I have you read out loud at Slide 22 your
- 23 response to this at Paragraph 46 of your Report.
- A. The section that you've highlighted?
- Q. If you can begin with the words, "we acknowledge.

- 02:37 1 Q. Then could you please expand what you're referring 2 to.
 - A. The initial analyses--the initial techniques we applied were applied at the very beginning in the
 - 5 normalization procedure as described in that particular
 - 6 paragraph to unify the effects of common errors and,
 - 7 therefore, eliminate them from the analysis stream. So,
 - 8 the idea is if we can correct errors at the start, then the 9 output will be more robust and more correct.
 - 10 Q. Okay. What did you do then specifically as a 11 result to achieve--what did you do at the beginning to 12 better ensure better quality at the end?
 - 13 A. We, as I testified on direct, we went through the 14 text files, stripping out the punctuation and the 15 diacritical marks and doing case unification to eliminate 16 the more common types of errors that will be produced under
 - 18 Q. Very good. Thank you.

17 OCR.

- Then also in Paragraph 46 you acknowledge it's still possible that a particularly bad document could produce nothing but gibberish that is impossible to process
- 22 successfully by computer or even to read by humans; is that 23 correct?
- 24 A. That is what I wrote.
- Q. And in response to this criticism at Paragraph 51

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- 02:35 1 A. "We acknowledge that the text files received were
 2 in many cases quite poor, but also point out that in many
 3 cases the 'text' files were not in fact files or text, but
 4 apparent gobbledygook produced, for example, by submitting
 5 a scanned photograph to an OCR. Our original analysis as
 6 described above attempted to mitigate this problem by using
 - 7 fuzzy matching at both the word and character level (as 8 described above) to unify the effects of common errors
 - 9 (such as the misreading of diacritical remarks).
 - 10 Nevertheless, it is still possible that a particularly bad
 - 11 document could produce nothing but gibberish that is
 - 12 impossible to process successfully by computer or even to 13 read by humans."
 - Q. So, here is the first time that you acknowledged in this case that text files received in many cases were quite poor. You didn't mention that in your earlier
 - 17 reports; correct?
 18 A. I mentioned in the earlier reports that we applied
 - 19 error correcting technologies to mitigate the effect of OCR 20 errors.
 - 21 I can find the passage for you, if you would like.
 - Q. No. The only question is, the tools you used were
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{23}}$ the respective analyses that you testified to when
 - ${\tt 24}\ {\tt Ms.}$ Mouawad asked you questions; correct?
 - 25 A. That is not correct.

- 02:38 1 of your Report, you and a colleague of yours manually 2 examined a list of documents that you identified as being 3 of particularly low quality OCR?
 - A. That's actually a poor phrasing.
 - 5 OCR is a process, and what was of particularly low 6 quality in this instance and that would lead to a document 7 being placed on this list is not a poor quality--is not a 8 poor process but a poor result--that is to say a result 9 that did not match the expectations of normal Spanish, as I 10 testified earlier.
 - So, a better description would be that we had identified it as being particularly unrepresentative of Spanish, according to word distributions.
 - Q. In either event, there is still a chance that the results will be of poor quality in some instances?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. And at Paragraph 78 of the same report, you note
 - 18 that you "personally examined by hand the primary
 - 19 candidates for OCR errors."
 - A. That is correct.
 - O. And when did you do this? Before or after
 - 22 Mr. Fateman criticized your Report?
 - A. We did the full hand examination after we received
 - 24 Fateman's criticism.
 - Q. Why didn't you do it before?

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- 02:40 1 A. Because we had done a preliminary analysis, and we 2 felt that our error-correcting procedures would be adequate 3 to allow us to do a reliable and robust analysis. Having 4 then been criticized on that basis, we did a more formal 5 analysis, and we confirmed as a result of that analysis 6 that we had done an initially reliable and robust analysis.
 - 7 Q. And how did you determine which were "the primary 8 candidates" for the OCR review?
 - 9 A. Those are the documents that differed--that 10 differed significantly from the distribution of words 11 expected in Spanish.
 - Q. In other words, it was based on a statistical analysis comparing the documents to the Spanish corpus?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. I see. And then these were the documents you characterized in Paragraph 48 as "particularly egregious" or in Paragraph 50 as "unsearchable" or Paragraph 55 "completely unreadable." Or are we talking apples to oranges here?
 - A. We're talking apples to oranges here. In
 Paragraph 48, we're attempting to identify if there are any
 particular egregious documents that may require hand
 examination, so we examined a much larger pool of documents
 - 24 on the off-chance that any of them might be some
 - 25 particularly egregious documents.

02:43 1 A. That is correct.

- Q. Now, in Appendix B of your Second Report, you list the documents that you called "bad" that you and your colleague reviewed by hand; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. Would you agree that some of these were actually really poor OCR quality, or no?
 - A. A relative few of them were, yes.
- 9 Q. If you hand-reviewed 100,000 pages or about, why 10 didn't you just review the entire record by hand?
- 11 A. When we set out to do this, it wasn't obvious that 12 the documents that were the worst were also going to be
- 13 among the longest, but as it turns out, a lot of the
- 14 documents that we were reviewing were almost collections of 15 other documents that had been attached as appendices to
- 16 further things, so I ended up reviewing the same image over
- 17 and over and over again.
- 18 Q. How long did it take you to review 100,000 pages 19 or so?
- 20 A. Approximately four or five months.
- Q. Can you explain exactly how you reviewed these
- 22 documents by hand? Did you have a certain specific method?
- 23 A. I can.

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- I identified specific passages of proper nouns,
- 25 because proper nouns are easy to spot in page images,

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- 02:41 1 Similarly, it is possible that the tiny minority
 2 of documents that were completely unreadable, that doesn't
 3 mean that every document we examined by hand was completely
 4 unreadable. The majority of documents that we examined by
 5 hand were, in fact, quite readable, but in the wrong
 6 language and/or they were documents that were completely
 7 unreadable because they couldn't be read. They weren't
 8 text, they were photographs, and it's difficult to read a
 9 photograph.
 - 10 Q. Now, some of the documents that you hand-reviewed 11 were quite lengthy, were they not?
 - A. That is correct.
 - 13 Q. Approximately how many pages of the Record did you 14 hand-review?
 - 15 A. We ended up hand-reviewing about 100,000 pages of 16 the Record.
 - Q. 100,000 were primary candidates for OCR error?
 - 8 A. No, about 1.5 percent of the documents were
 - 19 primary candidates for OCR error, and those documents
 - 20 contained about 100,000 pages. But we did not do a page by
 - 21 page search to identify which pages were candidates for OCR
 - 22 error.

- Q. It was all based on the statistical analysis comparing the characters and the respective documents to
- 25 the Spanish corpus?

- 02:44 1 corresponding to each of Leonard's Examples 1 through 4,
 2 which are the major lengthy passages that indicate linkage
 3 between the unfiled work product and the Judgment.
 - I then flipped through each of the TIFF images,
 manually looking for this passage--looking for this passage
 of proper nouns in the TIFF image. In most cases this is a
 - 7 decision that could be made instantly because when you're 8 looking at a photograph of a field, it's obvious that it
 - 9 doesn't contain any proper nouns or when you're looking at
 - 10 a document in English, it's obvious that it doesn't have
 - 11 the Spanish passages. In some cases it took longer because
 - 12 I was forced to scan the document looking for this 13 particular word pattern.
 - 14 Q. What proper nouns were you looking for?
 - 15 A. One of them was the combination TexPet y Texaco or 16 Texaco y TexPet. One of them was Bischoff. One of them
 - $17\,$ was Shields. They're listed in relevant Leonard examples.
 - 18 Q. And how many N-grams that you were looking for 19 that you had found suspicious for purposes of this 20 assignment?
 - 21 A. This analysis did not involve N-grams. This was 22 me looking at TIFF images. This was me and a staff member,
 - 23 I should say more accurately.
 - Q. Other than looking for proper names, is there anything else that you were looking for when you were doing

02:46 1 the manual search?

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- A. We were looking for proper names. If we found 3 these proper names, which, by and large we did not, we 4 would then go back and do a more detailed review of the 5 relevant passage.
- Q. And if you found the proper name, what was the 7 next step?
- We'd actually look--I would actually call up the 9 relevant passage, look at it, look at the TIFF image and 10 determine whether or not there was a match.
 - Q. And how many relevant passages were there?
- 12 What are you asking?
- Q. How many relevant passages were you looking for 13
- 14 when you were doing your hand-review?
- A. Four, one from each of Leonard's Examples 1 16 through 4.
- 17 Q. And those are the only four that you were looking 18 for?
- 19 A. In the manual review, yes.
- Q. And if you found a proper noun that came from one
- 21 of the passages, did you go through and examine whether it
- 22 matched any of the four passages that you were looking to
- seek--to see if whether there was a mirror image?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. And having spent so much time looking at them, do

02:49 1 see whether it mirrored Spanish passages; correct?

- A. That is correct, but this particular analysis can 3 be done simply by checking that the characters are 4 identical. You don't--one does not need an understanding 5 of the Spanish language to determine that these two letters 6 are or are not the same.
- Q. So, just for fun, here is a word search in 8 Spanish. Would this not be any more difficult because it's 9 in Spanish, certainly you can still look for odd letters 10 like Z or Q, but would you not agree with me it's more 11 challenging when it's not your native language?
- 12 A. Well, this is definitely much more challenging 13 than the task I undertook. First of all, all of these 14 documents--all of these letters are capital letters, so I 15 don't have the advantage of only being able to look for 16 capital letters because they're all capital letters.

17 Second of all, they're written in many, many 18 orientations instead of being written in the ordinary left 19 to right as Spanish is.

20 Third, these things are deliberately designed 21 to--by the puzzle designers to have false combinations so 22 that you may or may not go down garden paths.

So I would consider this to be a much more 24 difficult task than the one that I was asked to do for 25 Chevron.

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02:48 1 you know those four passages now by heart?

- A. I'm afraid not.
- Q. Did you have them written down right next to you?

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- O. It's a little bit like one of those word searches where you're looking for letters--
 - A. Or "Where's Waldo."
- Q. And it's made more difficult, is it not, by the 8 9 fact that you're not fluent in Spanish?
- A. That's why we chose the procedure that we did, 11 although I'm not fluent in Spanish, I am fluent in the 12 alphabet in which Spanish is written. And so, by 13 identifying these capital letters, which also stand out 14 really well in running text, I can very quickly find these 15 phrases.
- So, although I could not necessarily tell you the 17 meaning of any passage in which the name "Shields" appears, 18 I can definitely tell you that the name "Shields" appears in this passage, and it is or is not identical to this 20 other passage in which the name "Shields" appears.
- Q. And to be clear, you have a limited understanding 22 of Spanish; correct?
 - A. I do have a limited understanding of Spanish.
- Q. So, when you found the proper noun like Texaco or
- 25 TexPet, you then had to look at the surrounding words to

02:50 1 Q. I want to nonetheless return to the question that 2 I just asked you that I'm not entirely sure you answered. 3 Would you not agree with me that a hand review in a 4 language other than your native language is still more 5 difficult than doing a hand review in your native language,

6 or is it your testimony that they are equally easy?

A. Well, since you phrased the question in that 8 direct manner, no, I would actually say it's easier to do 9 the hand review in a language that is not your native 10 language because you do not get as distracted by reading 11 the document since you're just looking for patterns. There 12 is an automatic activation of words that you recognize and 13 understand that can actually slow down processing of simple 14 lexical pattern recognition.

15 If you're familiar with the Stroop effect, it's a 16 well-known psychological phenomenon. It takes longer to 17 read the word--it takes longer to identify the letter--the 18 color of an ink in which a word is read--excuse me. It 19 takes longer to identify the color of ink in which a word 20 is written if the word is itself a color word. So, if I 21 write the word "red" in green ink, you will have a harder

- 22 time naming the word "green" because it conflicts with your 23 understanding of the word "red." This would not be the
- 24 case if I wrote a word in Japanese in green ink. If you
- 25 don't knowledge any Japanese, you will just see some random

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02:52 1 scribbles in green ink, and you will be able to say, oh, 2 yes, that's green ink.

3 So, in direct answer to your question, no, it's 4 actually easier in Spanish to do this kind of manual 5 review.

- 6 Q. Let's talk a little bit about the specifics of the 7 OCR process, okay, Doctor?
 - A. Okay.

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- 9 Q. Would you agree with me that for purposes of OCR 10 each text has its own peculiarities?
- 11 A. Yes, I will agree.
- 12 Q. And that there are a number of well-known scanning
- 13 errors that tend to be reoccurring?
- 14 A. I will agree with that.
 - Q. For example, you've already identified that
- 16 punctuation is oftentimes a problem?
 - A. Correct.
- 18 Q. If you did not correct for it, periods oftentimes
- 19 would be confused with other punctuation marks?
- 20 A. That is correct.
- Q. And it was in recognition of these errors that you
- 22 stripped punctuation marks out from the document before you
- 23 began the process?
- 4 A. That is correct.
- 25 Q. Would you also agree that there are oftentimes a

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- 2 A. "R" is a possibility, "I" is a possibility, "O" is 3 also a possibility.
- I've also seen it confused with an "M" if there is extraneous black material on the page.
- I think it's actually fair to say that any
- ${\bf 7}$ character could under the right circumstances be confused
- 8 with any other character.
- 9 Q. But the ones I'm identifying, do these tends to be 10 the most reoccurring ones?
- 11 A. They are common, yes.
- 12 Q. Lower case "M" is sometimes an "R" and an "N" in
- 13 the OCR version?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 Q. And sometimes an "M" will come out as an "N" and a
- 16 lower case "I?"
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. And would you agree with me that the letters "H"
- 19 and "B" are sometimes confused?
- 20 A. I believe that's rarer, but it's not unheard of.
- Q. And the letters "E" and "C" are sometimes misread?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. That's a relatively common error, is it not? One
- 24 of the more common errors?
- 25 A. Actually, in my experience, "O" and "C" are more

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- 02:53 1 number of extra spaces in the electronic text?
 - A. I would.
 - 3 Q. Were you able to do anything to resolve that
 - 4 issue?

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- ${\tt 5} \qquad {\tt A.} \quad {\tt Yes.} \quad {\tt We were.} \quad {\tt That's one of the reasons that we}$
- 6 used the word N-grams. We defined a word for purposes of
- $7\,$ this analysis as a maximum non-blank sequence of
- 8 characters. So, when we collected a word 5-gram, this
- 9 would have been five character clusters separated by a
- 10 non-zero but unbounded amount of white space.
- So, technically speaking, had there been a
- 12 document, a section of a document where there was one word
- 13 in isolation on a page, another word in isolation on the
- 14 following page and so on for five pages, those five words
- 15 would have collectively made a single 5-gram.
- 16 Q. Would you agree with me that the numeral "1", the
- 17 lower case--and the lower case "l" are all routinely
- 18 confused in OCR?
- 19 A. I will.
- Q. What you about the lower case "N"? Would you
- 21 agree with me that that is oftentimes mistaken by the OCR?
- 22 A. Yes, I would.
- 0. How would that be mistaken?
- 24 A. Hmm'
- Q. How would it sometimes be mistaken, an "R" and an

- 02:56 1 common than "E" and "C."
 - Q. To the extent "E" and "C" would be an error, then

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- 3 you might have the word ear, E-A R, misidentified as car,
- 4 C-A R; correct?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. And the word eat, E-A T, could wind up looking
- 7 like cat, C-A-T?
- 8 A. Also correct.
- 9 Q. And the word "he" could get confused with the word
- 10 "be?"

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- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 Q. And the word "bear" might get confused with the
- 13 word "hear?"
 - A. That is correct.
- 15 Q. And the word "heard" could get confused with the
- 16 word "beard?" The "H" and the "B" get transposed?
- 17 A. That's heard as in listened to, not herd as in a
- 18 collection of deer?
- 19 Q. Right.
- 20 So, in all of these cases, not only would OCR be
- 21 wrong but spellcheck would not catch the error; correct?
- 22 A. That is correct.
 - O. Can you--
- 24 A. Actually, may I amend that?
- 25 Q. I'm sorry?

- A. Actually, may I amend that? 02:57 1
 - Q. You may.
 - A. There are rather sophisticated--there are rather 4 sophisticated spellcheckers out there that are actually not
 - 5 only spelling checkers but also grammar checkers. So, for
 - 6 example, "heard" versus "beard," that would possibly be
 - 7 picked up even by Microsoft Word as using a noun in a spot
 - 8 where a verb would be expected or vice versa. So,
 - 9 depending on how exact you are being about spell-checking,
 - 10 certainly what ordinary people say--mean by spell-checking
 - 11 meaning I pushed the button on Microsoft Word, some of
 - 12 those would be caught.
 - Q. Did you use any software like that to see whether 13
 - 14 there were any changes in the words that would make it
 - 15 grammatically incorrect and therefore identify an error
 - 16 like that?

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- A. We did not.
- O. Can you tell me the maximum number of OCR errors
- 19 you found on any given page of the Lago Agrio Court Record?
- 20 A. I cannot.
- Q. Did you do any statistical analysis to determine
- 22 the average number of errors on a given page of the Lago
- 23 Agrio Court Record?
- A. Our analysis was not by page but by document.
- Q. I take it you would agree with me that, on an

- 03:00 1 covering up text, would the OCR version show what's 2 underneath here?
 - A. It would not show what's underneath.
 - 4 Q. What happens if there is a crease? Would that 5 affect the OCR?
 - A. No, the crease may show up as a dark line.
 - O. And what is the effect of a dark line?
 - A. The dark line would be spurious noise on the image 8
 - 9 which would make it more difficult to recognize the
 - 10 characters and, therefore, increase the error rate.
 - O. What if the text is slanted?
 - 12 A. Slanting--

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- Would that have an effect?
- Slanting text very rarely has an effect. We
- 15 solved that problem in the Eighties.
- Q. Okay, sir, I would like to walk you through some 16
- 17 of the documents from your hard drive that has been marked
- 18 in the Record as 1545 and I'm now turning to the second
- 19 binder, which says Part II.
- 20 Now, just so the record is clear, we have selected
- 21 a handful of the documents on your hard drive, and at least
- 22 we began just by trying to correlate these documents to
- 23 documents one party or the other independently submitted to
- 24 the Tribunal.
- 25 So, all of these documents are on the hard drive

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02:58 1 average page of text, it would be most unusual not to find 2 at least a couple of OCR errors; correct?

- A. On a document -- on an ordinary typeset document 4 with a reasonable font, et cetera, yes.
- 5 Q. What happens to an OCR--the OCR version with respect to a page that's been folded?
 - A. That depends on the quality of the engine.
 - Q. Can you tell me what the possibilities are?
- 9 A. Well, in the best case, absolutely nothing will 10 happen to it, and it will just be processed as normally.

In the worst case, the fold will persist when the

12 document is scanned as a necessary precursor, which will

13 typically produce a black line across the page that can 14 interfere with the optical character recognition process.

Actually, if I may amend that, I suppose an even 15

16 worse scenario is where you fold it in half and then you

17 ran the folded paper through the scanner without unfolding

18 it at which point you'll get nothing because you would be 19 looking at half of the backside of the page.

- Q. And of course, if it's folded in such a way
- 21 that--where the characters cannot be visually seen, I
- 22 assume the OCR version of that will come out as gibberish?
- A. Not necessarily. I mean, when you say it's been 24 folded in such a way as the characters cannot be seen--
- Q. If I fold a page like this, such that I am

- 03:02 1 at R-1545, but I will go ahead and identify the CL number 2 for you. And to the extent they relate to a document
 - 3 already in the Record, I will try to be clear and identify
 - 4 what that document is.
 - MR. BLOOM: And just so that the Tribunal 5
 - 6 understands, the CL number is the Cuerpos number, and then
 - 7 the number following the dash is the sheet or the page
 - 8 number of the Record.
 - 9 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - O. Now, the Judgment is at CL2065-0216338, so the
 - 11 Cuerpos where the Judgment is found is in 2065, and then
 - 12 the Judgment is at the page number after the dash. You
 - 13 understand that, do you not?
 - A. It is at the page number after the dash and the
 - 15 subsequent pages because the Judgment is more than one
 - 16 page.
 - Right. And you understood that; correct? 17
 - 18 A. I did.
 - 19 Q. Okay. So, I'm going to ask you to turn to the
 - 20 first tab in this binder?
 - 21 MR. BLOOM: And at this point, both for the
 - 22 Witness and counsel and the Tribunal, I personally think it
 - 23 will be a lot easier focusing on the documents in the
 - 24 binder than it will be the slide.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:

- 03:03 1 O. Now, let me ask you to turn to the third paragraph 2 here, and you will see the date of 25 of October of 2003 is 3 there. Do you see that, in Spanish?
 - ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Twenty-nine.
 - MR. BLOOM: Okay. 29, your eyesight is better 5 than mine.
 - ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: You need glasses.
 - MR. BLOOM: Yes, I need glasses.
 - 9 BY MR. BLOOM:

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- 10 Q. Yes, October 29, 2003. Do you see that, sir?
- A. I see that date. 11
- 12 And then it says "a las 17H55"--45 or 55? 55, he
- 13 needs glasses and he's got glasses. He needs new glasses.
- Do you see that, sir? I'm going to ask you to 15 stick with me on Tab 1, and on Tab 1 it says 17H55.
- Do you see that? 16
- 17 A. I see that.
- Q. And if you haven't already peeked, can you guess 18
- what that says on the OCR copy?
- A. I'm afraid I've already peeked. 20
- 21 Q. Okay. Let's stick there, but thank you for that.
- 22 We will get to the next tab in just a moment.
- 23 If you go to the previous paragraph that begins
- 24 "mediante," and if you look at the third line, you will see
- 25 about two-thirds down that first line the word, I don't
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- 03:05 1 know if I'm pronouncing it correctly, "sitios," or "sitios" 2 for the word "sites," S-I-T-I-O-S.
 - Do you see that?
 - 4 A. I do.
 - Q. If you haven't already peeked, do you know how 5 6 that would look on the OCR version?
 - A. The "T-I" combination looks particularly fragile,
 - so, it would not surprise me to see it turn into an "N".
 - Q. How about in the first paragraph, the name Maria
 - 10 Aguinda, a good proper noun, and focusing specifically on
 - 11 Aguinda.
 - A. Okay.
 - 13 Q. How do you think that would turn out in the OCR 14 version?
 - A. I don't know. 15
 - 16 Q. And then, well, it's going to turn out, maybe, to
 - 17 be a silly question but for my own edification, in the
 - 18 second line there's the word "danos," with a tilde above
 - 19 the "N."
 - A. I see that. 20
 - Q. How do you think that will look like in the OCR?
 - 22 Will that tilde still be there?
 - A. If you recall, tildes and other diacritical marks
 - 24 are fragile and one of the more common candidates for OCR
 - 25 errors.

- 03:06 1 O. The reason why I was asking about that, in your
 - 2 earlier presentation you indicated, I believe, that you 3 stripped out the accents.
 - A. I may have been misunderstood. I stripped out the 4 5 diacritical marks.
 - O. And that would not include the tildes?
 - A. That would include the tildes.
 - O. That would.
 - 9 A. Diacritical marks are a technical--are a term of
 - 10 art in typography for all the little stuff that gets
 - 11 sprinkled on top of words or underneath words--so tildes,
 - 12 umlauts, accents, the little tails at the bottom of the
 - 13 French "C".

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- Q. And if you hadn't done that, am I correct that
- 15 the--not only would the tilde not be in the OCR version but
- 16 the "N" might not be in the OCR version? If you had not
- 17 corrected for that?
- A. I'm not following. 18
- 19 O. The word "senor"--
- 20 Α. Um-hmm.
- --has a tilde over the "N". 21
 - A. That is correct.
- O. And my understanding is if you do a typical OCR 23
- 24 version, the "N" will not be there at all because there is
- 25 a tilde above it.
- 03:07 1 A. It depends on the OCR engine you use.
 - Q. And by correcting the way you did with the OCR
 - 3 version have both the "N" and the tilde?
 - A. Sometimes we had both the "N" and the tilde and we 5 made appropriate corrections, sometimes we only had the "N"
 - and we made appropriate corrections. Q. And I'm sorry for belaboring this, because I'm not
 - 8 sure it's very important. If you would take them all out, 9 I would think that the "N" would be there and the tilde
 - 10 would not be. So, I'm confused why, and I'll tell
 - 11 you--this isn't a trick--that the tilde and the "N" are
 - 12 there. I just need to understand why is the tilde and the
 - 13 "N" on the OCR version?
 - A. I'm sorry? Why did the--you're asking why the OCR
 - 15 got it right?
 - 16 O. Yes.
 - A. I don't know what the OCR version is, but getting
 - 18 it right is what OCRs are supposed to do. So, I would hope
 - 19 that the OCR would get it right.
 - Let me back up: OCR engines are typically tuned 20
 - 21 to a specific language, so they are aware of the sort of
 - 22 things that you are likely to see.
 - 23 Q. I quess what I'm representing is I saw other
 - 24 instances where the "N" is just gone through the OCR
 - 25 process. On this particular exhibit--and if you want to

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- 03:08 1 peek, you can peek but, you know, at that word--daños does 2 have the tilde. And if you had stripped it out, I did not 3 think it would be part of the OCR version.
 - A. Oh, no, you misunderstood. Allow me to clarify.

 We took the text that had been produced by the OCR version,
 - 6 so, essentially, the stuff that was contained in Tab 2, and
 - 7 then we made the appropriate corrections to this prior to
 - 8 processing. We did not make any changes to the TIFF
 - 9 images, nor did we make any changes to the text files that
 - 10 you hold in your hand. These are as we received them from
 - 11 Chevron, but we stripped the things out prior to
 - 12 processing, so we had our own normalized versions.
 - Q. Okay. I appreciate that. That helps me.
 - 14 Okay. Let me ask you to turn, again, back to
 - 15 Tab 1. Under Roman numeral two--
 - 16 A. Um-hmm.
 - 17 Q. You'll see the first four lines are a little
 - 18 lighter than the next five lines.
 - 19 A. That is correct.
 - 20 Q. Okay. What would the effect be of the lighter
 - 21 lines versus the darker lines without peeking at Tab 2?
 - 22 A. The effect would probably be a higher error rate
 - 23 for those particular four lines.
 - Q. And you can check at your Appendix B, but if you
 - 25 can just confirm for me, this is not a document you

- 03:12 1 A. Actually, I didn't think I said it was going to be 2 a little bit greater. I think I just said greater.
 - Q. Okay. And I will represent to the Tribunal, and to you, I personally find it easier when I do this to take these out, but defer to you however best you want to do it.
 - 6 So, these four lines, if you go to the
 - 7 fourth paragraph of Tab 2, the last few words are "perforo
 - 8 y contruyo el mejor numero de, " and those are the last
 - 9 words on Line 4 of Tab 1 on that same paragraph that are
 - 10 readable, and then you would agree with me that the
 - 11 entirety of the next five lines are erased?
 - 12 A. I would.
 - 13 Q. I'm sorry?
 - 14 A. I would agree with that.
 - Q. And because they were erased, they were entirely
 - 16 unsearchable through the OCR review; correct?
 - A. What do you mean by the OCR review?
 - 18 Q. You would not have been able to find the word
 - 19 strings or the sentences that are in the fourth paragraph
 - 20 of Tab 1 on the fifth through ninth lines in the OCR
 - 21 version?

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- 22 A. I would not have. On the other hand, this is also
- 23 a relatively small section of the document. If we were
- 24 dealing with the passage, for example, from Leonard's
- 25 Example 1, which is 90 words long or Leonard's Example 2,

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03:10 1 manually reviewed?

- 2 A. If you want to simply represent it to me that it 3 is, I will accept that representation.
- Q. That is my representation, but never accept a lawyer's word for it.
- 6 It's also Tab 65 in the same binder, if that's 7 easier for you. Right? The very last tab.
 - And the Cuerpo and page number are on the screen.
- 9 A. The issue is, is this the initial page of the document?
- 10 document?
- 11 Q. Is this document--was this document manually 12 reviewed by you or someone under your supervision?
- A. Is this the initial page of the document?
- 14 O. Yes, it is.
- 15 A. Is this document, in fact, 92442?
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 A. And not a subset of 92440?
- 18 Q. Yes. This is the first page.
- 19 A. This was not on my list of manual review.
- Q. Okay. Now, given the darkness, you said that the
- 21 error rate of these four or five lines is likely to be a
- 22 little bit greater than the first four lines; correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, sir, if I could have you turn to
- 25 Tab 2--

- 03:13 1 which is 150 words long, a minor localized issue like this 2 would not have prevented us from finding it.
 - Q. Can you tell me how many character errors there are on these five lines, even approximately?
 - 5 A. Approximately? 200.
 - 6 Q. So, you're assuming fewer than 40 characters on a
 - 7 line?
 - 8 A. Hmn
 - 9 Q. You were assuming fewer than 40 characters and
 - 10 spaces on a line?
 11 A. Well, there's four complete lines, so I'm assum
 - 11 A. Well, there's four complete lines, so I'm assuming 12 about 50 to 60 characters in a line and an incomplete fifth
 - 13 line.
 - 14 Q. And then if you could walk up on Tab 2 to the
 - 15 first paragraph, do you see how Maria Aguinda came out?
 - 16 The "A" looks like a one and a back slash?
 - 17 A. That is correct.
 - 18 Q. If you look at the second paragraph, the word
 - 19 sitios--S-I-T-I-O-S--comes out S-I-T-L-O-S; correct?
 - 20 A. Correct.
 - Q. The next paragraph, the time, 17H55, comes across
 - 22 as 171-155; is that correct?
 - 23 A. That is correct.
 - Q. If you could turn with me to Tab 3, which again
 - 25 comes from your hard drive R-1545, and this is

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03:15 1 CL1338-0123454, which correlates to a document that the 2 Claimants put into the Record at C-189.

Now, sir, with respect to the very first paragraph after the caption, the paragraph beginning "Pablo Fajardo Mendoza," approximately how many errors do you believe the OCR copy will reflect? Simply on that first line?

- A. Simply on that first line? 30 to 40.
- 8 Q. Well, again, I'm going to take this out because 9 we're going to be spending a lot of time on this document, 10 or some time.

11 If I can ask you to turn to Tab 4 which is the OCR 12 version that came from your hard drive, you will first see 13 that there is what looks like a quotation mark after Pablo 14 Fajardo Mendoza's name.

15 Do you see that?

- 16 A. I do.
- 17 Q. And that really should not be there; correct?
- 18 A. As I said, punctuation marks are fragile.
- 19 Q. And you see on the very first line, after Pablo
- 20 Fajardo Mendoza's name, that there are words entirely
- 21 missing from the OCR text. The original begins
- 22 "Procurador," and then there are one, two, three, four,
- 23 five, six, seven or eight words that are missing?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. None of the letters of any of those words are

03:19 1 Do you see that too?

- A. I'm sorry, I didn't understand.
- 3 Q. The first document, meaning Tab 3, begins: "Señor
 4 Presidente."
- Oh, I'm sorry. I'm reading it incorrectly. My error, not yours.

7 Let's take a look at the first page of Tab 3, the 8 penultimate paragraph beginning with "considerando."

- A. Okay.
- 10 Q. And let me ask you to match that up with that same 11 paragraph in Tab 5. The they both begin "considerando que 12 para la evacuación de," and then can you read the rest of 13 that paragraph for me in Tab 4.

And we do have the OCR version of this paragraph to on the screen, if that's any help.

- 16 A. "Considerando de para la evacuación," and at that 17 point it turns into a localized high error rate related to 18 additional salt-and-pepper noise on this particular page.
- 19 Q. So, most of that paragraph is, in fact, 20 unreadable; correct?
- 21 A. Most of that specific paragraph is unreadable,
- 22 although it comes back--you can see, you get "participación 23 de un Perito; y," and so, basically anything that appeared
- 24 on the left side of the page is fine, anything that
- 25 appeared on the right side of the page is obscured by

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03:18 1 there; correct?

- A. That is correct.
- Q. Do you know why that is?
- A. Again, it looks like we have a certain degree of salt-and-pepper noise on the image.
- Q. What do you mean by "salt-and-pepper noise?"
 That's what people used to call my hair, and now it's just
 white, but...
 - A. I sympathize, sir.

10 (Laughter.)

- 11 A. I mean the little dots. It looks like somebody 12 put a whole bunch of very small dots approximately one
- 13 pixel in size.

- Q. Then if you turn back to the original document at 15 Tab 3, you will see at the very top of the document "Señor 16 Presidente" is this caption. It's in bold.
- 10 residence is ents experent to sin a
- 17 Do you see that?
- 18 A. I do.
- 19 Q. And if you turn to and compare that to Tab 4,
- 20 again you've got words entirely missing, do you not?
- 21 "Justicia de nueva" are entirely missing.
- 22 A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. You also have what I'm referring to as the heading
- 24 or the caption transposed with the first substantive
- 25 paragraph of Tab 3.

- 03:21 1 salt-and-pepper noise, which, again, is an argument in 2 favor of use of the N-grams because we will pick up, for 3 example, "participación de un Perito; y" as a match and 4 then can investigate further.
 - 5 Q. But you won't be able to pick up anything that's 6 not there; correct?
 - 6 not there; correct?
 7 A. True, but when we're dealing with--when we're
 8 dealing with passages such as Leonard's Example 2, which is
 - 9 $\,$ 150 words long, we can find the bits of it that are not
 - 10 obscured, which is the reason for doing the lowered N-grams 11 in the first place.
 - 12 Q. And if the passage at issue does not use the last 13 several words that are there, you would not be able to find 14 the relevant passage?
 - 15 A. If the passage at issue does not use any of the 16 words because we're looking for every 5-gram in that, so
 - 17 you would need to wipe out an entire 150-word passage,
 - 18 which you can see in this is not typically what
 - 19 happens--what's happened. Even in a case where there are
 - 20 localized errors, they are localized errors, and you get
 - 21 some degree of readability, which can be--which can be
 - 22 zeroed in on by the use of the N-grams. That's basically
 - 23 why we did the N-gram approach in the first place, because
 - 24 we knew we were looking for long passages that would be
 - 25 unlikely to be masked by localized noise.

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- 03:22 1 Q. Let me ask you to turn to Tab 5, and let's begin 2 with what I call the caption, Señor Presidente--and I would 3 suggest for this again taking it out if it's easier for 4 you, but we're going to be going back and forth a lot with 5 this one, so, again, whatever is your pleasure, Doctor.
 - 6 So, here, if you're looking at the caption, Señor 7 Presidente, am I correct again that there are missing 8 words?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. What words do you see that are missing?
 - 11 A. Well, I can't vouch for the validity of "señor,"
 - 12 because there is a binding hole, but "superior" has a
 - 13 missing space before it, and the "I" has become an
 - 14 exclamation point, and then "justicia de" has been lost in
 - $15\,$ a combination of the salt-and-pepper noise and possibly the $16\,$ handwriting.
 - 17 Q. And then if you look at the next paragraph of the 18 original, beginning with "Dr. Adolfo Callejas Ribadeneira," 19 you will also see words missing entirely, do you not?
 - 20 A. That is correct.
 - 21 Q. And what words are missing?
 - 22 A. "Callejas" appears to be misspelled, and again the
 - 23 words covered by the salt-and-pepper noise did not come
 - 24 through.

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25 Q. How many words are missing here?

- 03:26 1 Q. The third paragraph, "me refiero a su."
 - 2 A. Um-hmm.
 - Q. And if you take that to the very end of the line and disregarding any errors there, it's the next paragraph.
 - 5 Can you match that up with the OCR version?
 - 6 A. There is a section in the middle where it says (in
 - 7 Spanish), and so there is actually--there is actually a
 - 8 substantial section that emerges from the noise. So,
 - 9 again, this is an example of a localized error that
 - 10 wouldn't mask as many as 150 words.
 - 11 Q. And there are also a lot of missing words, are 12 there not?
 - 13 A. There are a lot of missing words in this case,
 - 14 depending on what you consider "a lot" to be, there are
 - 15 certainly missing words.
 - 16 Q. There are more missing words than accurate words
 - 17 in the OCR version as to this paragraph; correct?
 - 18 A. As to this paragraph, I would have to count. It
 - 19 looks about the same to me.
 - Q. Okay. And then if you continue on in this page,
 - 21 it begins with, after that indented quote, it says, "al
 - 22 respecto manifesto."
 - Do you see that? Or "manifiesto?"
 - 24 A. I do.
 - Q. And then there is a Number 1, and then a Roman

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- 03:24 1 A. It looks like four words on the first line.
 - Q. Anything on the second?
 - 3 A. Looks like seven.
 - Q. And here the caption that begins "Señor
 - 5 Presidente" actually has been transposed with the first
 - 6 substantive paragraph beginning with Dr. Callejas' name?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. Out of curiosity, why did that happen?
 - 9 A. I'm not sure. Possibly it has to do with the
 - 10 handwritten annotation in the upper right corner.
 - Documents are usually segmented prior to
 - 12 processing, and so because of the way this segmentation
 - 13 works and the degree to which the initials drop down, the
 - 14 computer might have believed that these were actually two
 - 15 side by side paragraphs instead of one above another, and
 - 16 arranged them--and arranged the output as appropriate. You
 - 17 can--this would be the correct thing to do, for example, in
 - 18 a document in a columnar format where you had Column 1 and
 - 19 Column 2 that should be processed separately instead of
 - 20 reading the lines across.
 - Q. Now, if I can refer you to the next paragraph
 - 22 beginning "me refiero." Do you see that in the original?
 - A. Just a second.
 - Q. Certainly.
 - 25 A. Beginning "me refiero." Yes.

- 03:27 1 numeral II?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. And how did the Roman numeral two indented
 - 4 paragraph come out? Do we have a number of missing words

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- 5 and mistakes in this paragraph as well? Yeah, it's on the
- 6 screen, if that would help.
- 7 A. No, I can't agree with that characterization. I
- don't think there are that many missing words.
- 9 Q. Okay. Let me ask you another question, sir. You
- 10 see the seal on the bottom right-hand corner, do you not?
 - A. I do.

- 12 Q. Now, you said earlier, and I read your language,
- 13 you said that all the documents from the Court Record have
- 14 the seal; correct? That's in your Report.
- 15 A. That is in my Report.
- 16 Q. And did you see a number of the documents that did
- 17 not have the seal?
- 18 A. I did not notice any documents in the course of my
- 19 manual review that did not have the seal.
- 20 O. Were you looking for that?
- 21 A. I was not.
- Q. How does the seal affect the OCR process?
 - A. It's another example of the sort of localized
- 24 noise that will cause localized errors in the OCR.
- 5 Q. Let me ask you to turn to the fourth side of this

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03:29 1 page; and, at the top, the page number ends in 968.

- A. Yes, I see it.
- 3 Q. Can you tell us what that correlates to in the OCR 4 version?
- A. The 968?

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6 Q. Yes. I'm sorry.

7 If you turn to that page, turn to Number 7, 8 beginning with "otros antecedentes a los que."

A. If you will give me a moment.

There appears to be with a section beginning with a one and a comma and the phrase "otros antecedentes a los."

- Q. And I'm looking for the one and the comma. Can
- 14 you be a little more specific where we can find this?
- 15 A. This would be the fourth side, about a third of 16 the way down the page, immediately--in the seventh 17 paragraph.
- 18 Q. And can you go ahead and read the language under 19 that. Under Number 1.
- 20 A. "La parte," probably "pertinente del escrito
- 21 presentado por la parte actora el 29 de Octubre del 2003 a
- 22 las 171145 que, "probably "textualmente dice."
- 23 Quote--and at this point the original goes into an
- 24 unusual script which is slightly more difficult to read,
- 25 but you can see that it's pulling out some--

03:33 1 Q. Let's turn back--well, actually, you know what? 2 Let's take a break now.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do that.

4 MR. BLOOM: And then I will finish up. Thank you. 5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes. You were about to say

something.

MS. MOUAWAD: I just wanted to ask whether we could get a sense of how much longer we will be going after the break, or you can tell us after the break.

MR. BLOOM: I'm quessing about an hour 15.

11 MS. MOUAWAD: Okay.

MR. BLOOM: It might be less.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'll come back at ten to 5:00.

14 I'm sorry, that's a bit of a long break. Ten to 4:00.

(Brief recess.)

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

We have more questions from the Respondent.

18 BY MR. BLOOM:

19 Q. Dr. Juola, if you can stick with the same

20 document, and you can look at either Tab 5 or 6, maybe we

21 will begin with Tab 5, and on the second page that is the

22 back of the first page, you will see a Number 2 beginning

23 with "esto."

Do you see that? Or "esta."

5 A. I do see that.

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03:31 1 Q. And on the original document, sir--

- 2 A. Um-hmm.
- Q. You will see under seven, little two, there are underlined words. It goes on for about five lines.
- 5 Do you see that?
- A. I do.
- 7 Q. Beginning with an "esta"?
- 8 A. Yes, I see that.
 - Q. Can you match that up to anything in the OCR
- 10 version?

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- 11 A. Give me a moment, please.
- 12 (Pause.)

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, we do need a break.

14 If this is a convenient time?

15 MR. BLOOM: Why don't we just finish this

16 document.

17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Up to you. Finish the

18 document, and we will have a 15-minute break.

19 MR. BLOOM: Okay. Thank you.

20 THE WITNESS: There is some--what looks like OCR

21 errors between the phrase "peritos" and "Director del

- 22 Instituto," where there is actually substantial structure
- 23 in the noise. It is not what I would considered
- 24 gobbledygook, but I will certainly acknowledge that it's
- 25 not textbook Spanish, either.

- 03:51 1 Q. And under that we have--we have a quote,
 - 2 "Presidencia de la Corte."
 - 3 Do you see that?
 - A. I do.
 - 5 Q. And the first couple of lines are kind of there,

 $\,$ 6 $\,$ but then we have a lot more difficulty in the OCR version $\,$

7 at Tab 6.

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8 Would you agree with me?

- A. I agree.
- 10 Q. It's a high error rate for this quote; correct?
- 11 A. For this quote, yes.
- 12 Sorry, can you hear me?

13 I apologize, I have a lot of papers in front of

14 me.

15 Q. And then if I can ask you to turn to the fifth

16 page where there are Paragraph Numbers 8, 9, and 10, and if

17 you look at the last two lines and compare them to the OCR

18 version, you're going to have a most difficult time

19 comparing them to the OCR version. In fact, can you tell

20 us where we can find it in the OCR version?

- 21 A. No, it's not there at all.
- Q. It's not there at all. And then if you turn to
- 23 the next page, the back of that page, Page--it's the sixth
- 24 side, Paragraph 12, and you will see towards the bottom of
- 25 the page, it seems to get a little darker for about the

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03:53 1 last eight lines or so.

2 Can you direct our attention to where it is in the 3 OCR version?

- 4 A. Give me a moment, please.
- 5 Q. Certainly.
- A. The last three lines did you say?
- Q. No, I'd say about one, two, three, four, five,
- 8 six--the last seven lines of Paragraph 12 seem to be
- 9 slightly darker than the first number of lines in
- 10 Paragraph 12, beginning with I believe, "aprobo,"
- 11 A-P-R-O-B-O.
- 12 Do you see that?
- 13 A. I do.
- 14 Q. And if you turn to the sixth page or side of
- 15 Tab 6, you'll see Paragraph 13, so this language, these
- 16 last seven lines ought to be there.
 - Do you find them there at all?
- 18 A. I do not.
- 19 Q. So, just to be clear, the entirety of all seven
- 20 lines are missing from the OCR version; correct?
- 21 A. Yes, this appears to be another example of a
- 22 localized OCR error.
- Q. Let me ask you to turn to the penultimate page of
- 24 the original "petición C."
- 25 Do you see that?

- 03:56 $\,$ 1 $\,$ A. It was not. On the other hand, it actually does
 - 2 not appear to be the sort of document that would have
 - 3 required it because the N-grams would have picked up
 - 4 snippets from the relevant sections.
 - Q. Well, we're going to get to that a little bit
 - 6 later, again, as to how you chose what should be reviewed,
 - 7 so trust me, sir, we will certainly get to that.
 - 8 If we could turn to the next tab, Tab 8. And
 - 9 Tab 7. Tab 7 is the original, Tab 8 is the OCR version.
 - O You would agree that, on the first page, you have
 - 11 "señor" incorrectly spelled in the OCR version?
 - 12 A. That is correct.
 - 13 Q. And Justicia de Nueva Loja has some problems
 - 14 presumably because there is a line through the V and the A
 - 15 of Nueva; am I correct?
 - 16 A. And the initials immediately above.
 - 17 Q. And at the bottom of the page you will agree with
 - 18 me that this Court Seal adversely affected the OCR which is
 - 19 at the bottom of the first page of the OCR version, Tab 8.
 - 20 A. Yes, I agree.
 - 21 Q. You'll see a lot of spurious marks and a high
 - 22 error rate on those lines where the--where the Court Seal
 - 23 is; correct?

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- A. That is correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, we're going to turn to Numbers 9 and

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A. I do see "petición C."

- Q. Okay. And then I'm going to ask you to turn to
 - 3 the OCR version on the last page. Again, you'll see
 - 4 "petición C."

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- 5 A. I do.
- 6 Q. And you'll see at the bottom of the--well, you'll
- 7 see the last couple of words of the second line; it says,
- 8 "en la que." This is on the OCR version, second line.
- 9 A. It's, I'm sorry, on the OCR version, yes, "en la 10 que," on the second line.
- 11 Q. Okay. And then it tries to pick it up after some
- 12 spurious notations; correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. But there is a healthy error rate on this line
- 15 too; correct?
 - A. Yes, there is, there is an elevated error rate.
- 17 Q. And then as we go through this paragraph we begin
- 18 to lose not only characters, but words and lines; isn't
- 19 that correct?
- 20 A. That is correct. This is another example of
- 21 isolated OCR error due to salt-and-pepper noise. I think
- 22 Payton may have called that "speckling" in his Report.
- 23 Q. I'll represent to you that this document was not
- 24 hand-reviewed by you, but again I want to give you the
- 25 opportunity to please double-check, if you would like.

- 03:58 1 10, and this will be just be very quick. I just want you
 - 2 to confirm for me the existence of the Court Seal at the
 - 3 bottom right-hand side of Tab 9?
 - 4 A. I'm sorry, you asked me to confirm the existence
 - 5 of the Court Seal at the bottom right-hand of Tab 9?
 - Correct.
 - 7 A. Yes, it is there.
 - 8 Q. And what was the effect of the OCR version?
 - 9 A. I'm sorry, did you say the effect of the OCR
 - 10 version?
 - 11 Q. But now I'll correct it.
 - 12 (Laughter.)
 - 13 Q. What is the effect of the Court Seal on the OCR
 - 14 version?
 - 15 A. It produces a localized error--set of localized
 - 16 errors.
 - 17 Q. There is also an extraneous line perhaps initials
 - 18 on the lower left, and would that have any effect on the
 - 19 OCR version?
 - 20 A. It's not clear whether that had an effect or not.
 - 21 The letter "E" in "estas" has disappeared, which might be 22 an effect.
 - 0. How about the word above "estas"?
 - 24 A. Yes, it appears to have knocked out everything
 - 25 except the "O" in the word above the "estas."

Sheet 54 542 544 04:00 1 O. Let's turn to Tabs 11 and 12. 04:04 1 O. And it's all missing, isn't it? MR. BLOOM: For the record, that's CL0847-0093031, A. It is. 2 3 which corresponds to our R-479, and this is a multi-page 3 Q. Approximately how many words do you estimate are 4 document. 4 missing here? I'm not going to ask you about the first page, A. Let's see. That's single-spaced, but it's got 5 6 back or front of Tab 11. I do, however, have a few 6 extremely wide margins. 7 questions about the next page, which, in the original, At a quess, 300. 8 begins "informe que presente el Señor Mayo." 8 Q. As a matter of fact, in the OCR version you see 9 BY MR. BLOOM: 9 "reservado" followed by what word? A. Two words? 10 Q. Do you see that in the original? 10 O. The word after "reservado" is identified in the A. I do. I do. 11 11 Q. Can you tell me how that four-line heading comes 12 OCR version. Can you tell me what word follows. 13 out in the OCR version? A. There was a word immediately after it which begins A. It does not appear to be there. 14 with a 15 and a period. Q. Okay. Now, do you see the first "antecedentes"? 15 Q. Okay. 15 16 A. And then immediately after that, there is another 16 17 Q. And you see something that resembles that, do you 17 word. 18 not? 18 Q. And then in the original -- can you tell me what 19 A. I do. 19 that word is? Q. What about Desarrollo? Do you see that word? A. My bet is that it is "recommendación." A. I see something very close to that word. Q. And in the original, how many sentences should Q. And then what about for the rest of that page? 22 have been in between the title of "reservado" and the 23 Are you able to match up the words or the sentences or the 23 recommendation? A. Probably about 4 or 5 hundred. 24 paragraphs? 24 A. There are some phrases that I believe I can match Q. And that's all missing? 543 545 04:03 1 up. 04:06 1 A. Was that a question? Q. Well, there are 35 to 40 lines on the original Q. Yes. 2 3 under that heading. A. Yes, it's all missing. Do you see that? Q. We're going to skip a couple so we could move this 5 examination along, so if I could ask you to turn to Tab 15, 5 A. I do. Q. And it carries over onto the next page, so there and Tab 15 correlates to our document that the Claimants 7 are a total of about 45 lines, and now that's been put into the record as C-664--I'm sorry, 644. remarkably reduced to about a dozen lines; correct? And if you look at the original--I quess the first 8 9 A. That is correct. 9 question is, do you see a Court Seal on this first page? O. So, there are an awful lot of words missing in 10 A. I see some lines, but not a Court Seal. 11 their entirety in this OCR version; correct? Q. How about the second page? 11 A. That is correct. 12 Α. No. 13 Q. And sentences that are missing entirely; correct? 13 Q. And the third page? A. That is correct. 14 Α. Q. And then if you continue in the original, you will 15 0. And the fourth page? 16 see a section called "reservado." I'm able to say that 16 Α. No. 17 word. Kind of. 17 And the fifth page?

/ word. Kind of. 8 A. Yes, I see that.

19 Q. I see in the OCR version towards the bottom of the 20 third page the word, "reservado."

21 Do you see that?

22 A. Yes.

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Q. In the original, there are about 20 to 25 lines.

24 Do you see that?

25 A. That is correct.

A. Yes.

19 Q. And in this instance it's not a little Court Seal,

20 is it?

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21 A. I have actually two copies--two Court Seals.

22 O. Fair enough.

The little Court Seal at the bottom right-hand

24 side of the page cuts through, in part, three lines;

25 correct?

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- 04:08 1 A. Possibly a fourth.
 - ${\tt Q}. \hspace{0.5cm} {\tt And} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt the} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt big} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt seal} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt cuts} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt through} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt approximately} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt how}$
 - 3 many lines?

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- A. About 25.
- Q. And the big seal has what looks like words around it; correct?
- 7 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And it also looks like it has a picture in the
- 9 middle. Can you make that out?
- .0 A. I can--I can see the picture.
- 11 Q. Would you agree with me that the picture and the
- 12 lines and the seal and the words all have an adverse effect
- 13 on the readability in the normal course in during the--of
- 14 the OCR version?
- 15 A. I would.
- 16 Q. Now, the first page of this document, at least to
- 17 me, to the naked eye to someone who might be a little bit
- 18 less familiar with the page looks pretty readable. What
- 19 about to your eyes?
- 20 A. There is a higher level than I would have expected
- 21 of individual character errors, but most of the words seem
- 22 to be recoverable.
- 23 O. How high of an error rate do you think we have
- 24 here in terms of character errors?
- 25 A. At a guess, that would be somewhere--in this

- 04:12 1 Court Seal is somewhere on that first page, although it's
 - 2 not as dark as the one we saw previously?
 - A. It is extremely faint, and it has mostly
 - 4 degenerated into intermittent speckling.
 - 5 Q. By the way, do you know why it would have
 - 6 degenerated? Would that be because it's multiple copies?
 - 7 Would it be because the seal when it was placed may have
 - 8 not been pressed hard enough?
 - 9 A. I don't know why.
 - 10 Q. Do you believe that even these extraneous lines
 - 11 might have an effect on the OCR version?
 - A. It's possible, yes.
 - 13 Q. Then if you turn to the second page, you don't see
 - 14 the little Court Seal there at all, do you?
 - 15 A. I do not.
 - 16 Q. And then if you turn to the next page, you do see
 - 17 the Court Seal?
 - 18 A. I do.
 - 19 Q. If you turn to the next page, there is no Court
 - 20 Seal again?

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- 21 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And then if I ask you turn to Tab 18, which is the
- 23 OCR version, would you characterize this as a high-quality
- 24 OCR version of the document?
- 25 A. I would not.

- 04:10 1 particular paragraph? Around 10 percent.
 - 2 Q. In this particular paragraph, it seems like in
 - 3 Ecuador they write in just one paragraph, so I'm not sure
 - 4 what you're referring to?
 - 5 A. I'm sorry, on this particular page.
 - O. I see.
 - A. Okay. This particular section to which you drew
 - 8 my attention. This document appears to be one huge
 - 9 paragraph, I agree.
 - 10 Q. Can you just tell me how you estimated your
 - 11 10 percent?
 - 12 A. Looked at some words and kind of counted the
 - 13 number of changes, probably closer to 20 percent on further
 - 14 inspection because there is--I'm not sure how the spaces
 - 15 were processed. Most of the short words appeared to have
 - 6 passed through fine, but the longer words.
 - We get typically one or two in an eight or nine word thing.
 - 19 Q. Sir, if you could take a look at Page 17. And
 - 20 this correlates to R-538, the CL number is 1495-0159416.
 - 21 First question is, you see the Court Seal at the
 - 22 bottom right-hand corner?
 - 23 A. One moment, please.
 - 24 Okay. Yes, I do.
 - Q. Can you tell that it looks like the great big

- 04:13 1 Q. Would you care to estimate the error rate here?
 - A. This is probably closer to 40 percent.
 - ${\tt 3} \qquad {\tt Q.} \quad {\tt In fact, the OCR version is about two and a half}$
 - 4 pages, is it not?
 - A. Two and a half double pages, five page sides.
 - 6 Q. When you referred to error rate right now, are you
 - 7 referring or including text that's missing entirely?
 - A. No, I was not.
 - 9 Q. So, when you were referring to error rate, you
 - 10 were referring to the characters that are mistaken from one
 - 11 version to the next; correct?
 - 12 A. That is correct, in the estimates I just gave you.
 - 13 Q. And then in addition to that, we have missing
 - 14 words; is that correct?
 - 15 A. Can you show me some missing words in this
 - 16 example?
 - 17 Q. I suspect we could have some fun with this.
 - 18 Well, I think the low-hanging fruit here would be
 - 19 certainly--
 - 20 (Cellphone rings.)
 - Q. Do you see on the very first line in the original
 - 22 the month of November is there in Spanish?
 - 23 A. I do.
 - Q. Do you see that in the OCR version?
 - A. I do not see it in the form of the word

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- 04:15 1 "November," but I believe that, in fact, the section that 2 says tilde, tilde, EMP, tilde, comma, comma, comma, D is 3 actually the word November.
 - 4 Q. Would that be an N-gram?
 - 5 A. Depending on context, it could be, although it 6 would be a character N-gram, not a word N-gram.
 - Q. Is that an N-gram that was used here?
 - A. Hmm?
 - 9 Q. Was that an N-gram used here?
 - 10 A. I'm not understanding the question.
 - 11 Q. Was that N-gram specifically searched for?
 - 12 A. That was not part of anything for which I
 - 13 searched.

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- Q. And I'm not going through the OCR version, but
- 15 would you agree with me that the words in the bottom
- 16 right-hand part of the first page are likely absent in
- 17 their entirety, if for no other reason because of the Court 18 Seal?
- 19 A. I don't think I can agree with that without
- 20 looking at this document further.
- Q. Let's turn to 19 and 20, sir, and Tab 19 again
- 22 comes from your hard drive identified as CL1587. That is
- 23 from Cuerpo 1587-0168517. This is a document that the
- 24 Respondent had put into the Record as R-689.
- 25 And, sir, on the first page again you see this

04:19 1 to what I'm asking.

- The OCR version is not very readable to somebody like me, and my question to you is, are all of the spurious
- 4 characters on the OCR version due to, for example, the
- 5 darkness of the original or could it be due to some kind of 6 scanning error?
- 7 A. Scanners are in general fairly reliable. They're 8 essentially cameras, so if you imagine taking--getting a 9 digital camera and taking a picture, it is rare that the
- 10 camera does not faithfully reproduce what you see.
- 11 Q. But if you take a picture of a picture of a 12 picture of a picture and you're talking fifth or sixth 13 generation, that would start affecting the quality?
- 4 A. That would have an effect on the quality.
- 15 Q. So, you don't believe it's a scanning issue. You
- 16 believe it's an issue of the document itself?
- 17 A. It could be an issue of the document itself. It 18 could also be an image of how the document was processed
- 19 electronically prior to being entered into the paper
- 20 record. There are a number of potential sources for how
- 21 this document could have gotten the way it did. It could
- 22 also simply have been printed on a bad--old model printer
- 23 that did not print very well.
 - Q. And again, you had nothing to do with this
- 25 scanning; correct?

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- 04:17 1 great big seal, do you not?
 - A. I'm sorry, did you say Tabs 19 and 20?
 - Yes, sir.
 - 4 A. Yes, I do.
 - 5 Q. And this is a little darker than the faded one we
 - 6 saw a few moments ago; correct?
 - A. It is.
 - Q. Can you tell us by looking at the OCR version at
 - 9 Tab 20 what the effect was of this Seal?
 - .0 A. It introduced a lot of errors.
 - \mathbb{Q} . And even above the Seal, it's very difficult to \mathbb{Q} make out some of the words.
 - Can you explain that for me, because again this looks like to the naked eye as someone who doesn't do this,
 - 15 this looks like a very readable copy?
 - 16 A. Actually, there is still a fair amount of 17 salt-and-pepper noise on this one.
 - 18 If you'll look, a lot of the individual characters
 - 19 look like they have been badly scanned through a dot
 - 20 matrix, and there are little white flecks in a lot of the
 - 21 characters.
 - Q. You're raising something I'm just curious about as
 - 23 someone who doesn't do this. Is this based on scanning or
 - 24 is it based on the quality of the document?
 - 5 Let me rephrase that because you look confused as

- 04:21 1 A. I had nothing to do with the scanning.
 - Q. Or the printing?
 - 3 A. Or the printing.
 - 4 Q. And what would you estimate the error rate is on 5 this first page?
 - A. I couldn't really come up with an estimate off the top of my head. I would need to sit and count.
 - 8 Q. But would you agree that putting the quality of
 - 9 the document aside, the presence of these two Court Seals
 - 10 would cause a number of words to be missing in their
 - 11 entirety?

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- 12 A. That is possible.
- 13 Q. And even putting aside the Court Seal, if you were
- 14 to look at second line, which again to the naked eye looks
- 15 pretty good, after "Nueva Loja," which I'm not even sure
- 16 that's there, do you see the rest of the line?
 - A. Um-hmm, I do.
 - Q. Where do you see it? Where is the version?
- 19 A. No, I'm sorry. I misunderstood your question. I
- 20 thought you were drawing my attention to a certain section 21 of the--
- Q. I think you interpreted my question as the
- 23 original document. So, let me ask it again so the Record 24 is clear.
- 25 On the second line of the original document, it

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- 04:22 1 begins with the words "Nuevo Loja."
 - 2 Am I correct that every word on the rest of that 3 line is missing?
 - A. It's not clear whether the words are missing or masked by a high degree of noise.
 - O. How does it come out on the OCR version?
 - ${\bf 7}$ ${\bf A.}$ It comes out as a collection of apparently random ${\bf 8}$ characters.
 - 9 Q. Can you tell us what those characters are for that 10 one line?
 - 11 A. Yes. There is the word "Nueva," the letter--lower
 - 12 case "R," a capital "O," a capital "U" with an acute
 - 13 accent, a back slash, a--what looks like an em-dash, a
 - 14 tilde, a closing square bracket, the letter "Q," an upside
 - 15 down exclamation point, another em-dash, a keyboard
 - 16 apostrophe, and octothorp, the letter "I," another keyboard 17 apostrophe, the letter "O"--
 - 18 Q. I think we can stop there. Thank you, Doctor.
 - 19 If you turn to the back of that page, there is no
 - 20 Court Seal there at all; correct?
 - 21 A. I see no Court Seal.
 - Q. And then on the final page, again, you see the big
 - 23 Court Seal?
 - 4 A. I do.
 - Q. And on the second page there is not a big Court

- 04:25 1 Q. Next page you have no Seal, big or little?
 - 2 A. That is correct.
 - Q. Next page they make up for it and give you both
 - 4 the big and little Seal; correct?
 - A. Correct.

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- Q. Now, without even looking at the OCR version,
- 7 unless it's too late, do you want to hazard a guess as to
- 8 how reliable the OCR process was here?
- 9 A. Not--again, we have a lot of speckling or
- 10 salt-and-pepper noise, and, of course, the Seals to which
- 11 you drew my attention, so it could be acceptable or it
- 12 could be bad.
- 13 Q. Sir, if you could look at Tab 22, and you can't
- 14 compare the original with this OCR version, can you?
- 15 A. It looks like it extracted a total of seven words 16 from the document.
 - Q. So, we essentially have a blank page; correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Would you tell us what the error rate in your view
- 20 would be here?

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- 21 A. Nearly 100 percent.
 - Q. Well, you said a few moments ago that you didn't
- 23 focus on missing words, missing sentences?
- A. I'm sorry, you asked me for an estimate of the
- 25 error rate in those specific passages. For the reports

- 04:24 1 Seal or a little Seal.
 - 2 A. That is correct.
 - 3 Q. Okay, so, let's now turn to--we're going to go to
 - 4 21 and 22. This is CL1760-0185866, which correlates to a
 - 5 document the Respondent put into this record as R-1489. 6 Sir, again, do you see that great big Seal on the
 - 7 first page of the document?
 - 8 A. I do.
 - 9 Q. And can you remind the Tribunal what the effects
 - 10 could be on the OCR version as a result of this great big
 - 1 Seal?
 - 12 A. The great big Seal could produce errors.
 - 13 Q. And a Seal of this size and of this darkness has
 - 14 the potential of creating a lot of errors; correct?
 - 15 A. Possibly, yes.
 - 16 Q. And on the next page there is no Seal?
 - 17 A. That is correct.
 - 18 $\,$ Q. And the page after that you've got another great
 - 19 big Seal?
 - 20 A. That is correct.
 - Q. Next page you don't have any Seal at all, big or
 - 22 little?
 - 23 A. That is correct.
 - Q. Next page you've got a great big Seal?
 - 25 A. Again, correct.

- 04:27 1 that I gave, it was a more formal definition of error rate
 - 2 related to Levenshtein distance, which is somewhat
 - 3 technical, but it relates to missed characters, inserted
 - 4 characters or deleted characters, so it includes all three
 - 5 kinds of errors under the rubric of calculating error rate.
 - Q. So, employing the analysis that you used in your report, what would the error rate be as it relates to Tabs
 - 8 21 to 22?
 - 9 A. Nearly 100 percent.
 - 10 Q. You would have had this whole thing deemed an
 - 11 error?
 - 12 A. I beg your pardon?
 - 13 Q. You would have considered 100 percent error?
 - 14 A. For this particular document, the error rate would
 - 15 be nearly 100 percent.
 16 Q. Employing the analysis that you used?
 - 17 A. Yes.
 - 18 Q. Could you explain why?
 - 19 A. Well, there are approximately, call it 30
 - 20 characters on this page that were correctly detected, and,
 - 21 so if I deleted everything on the page except for the first
 - 22 "E" and then I deleted everything from that point to the
 - 23 first "S" and then everything on the page to the first "C"
 - 24 and similarly, I would essentially be deleting all of the
 - 25 document except for about 30 characters.

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- 04:28 1 Q. Could you confirm with me that you did not hand 2 review this document?
 - A. I did not. I did not.
 - 4 Q. Okay. Let's now turn to Tab 23. Again, it's got
 - 5 the big Seal on the first page.
 - A. Yes.

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- 7 Q. Nothing on the second?
 - A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. In fact, every other page has a Seal and every
- 10 other page has no Seal; is that correct?
- 11 A. Every other page has two Seals. It's got the big
- 12 one and the little one.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, if you look at the OCR version, do you
- 14 want to try to match up the text where the Seal is on the
- 15 first page?
- 16 (Pause.)
- 17 Q. You're having difficulty finding it, sir?
- 18 A. I am
- 19 Q. Could you estimate the error rate on this page?
- 20 A. Not quickly.
- Q. Let me ask you to turn to Tab 27 just for a
- 22 moment, but not 28 quite yet.
- 23 A. I'm sorry, Tab 27?
- Q. Tab 27. Thank you, sir.
- 25 And Tab 27 is a fairly short document. It's only

- 04:33 1 salt-and-pepper noise on this thing. It is probably
 - 2 significant that the areas where there are no
 - 3 salt-and-pepper noises, that noise is the date, the
 - 4 salutation and the signature block.
 - 5 Q. Walk with me, if you would, to Tab 29. This is 6 also slanted.
 - MR. BLOOM: For the record, it's
 - 8 Cuerpos 951-0104227.
 - 9 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. And does this have a lot of salt and pepper?
 - 11 A. It does.

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- 12 Q. And if you turn to Tab 30, you would agree with me
- 13 that it's mostly--the document is mostly gone; correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. If I can walk you to document or Tab 31, which is
- 16 CL Cuerpos 1144-0124242, you would agree with me that the
- 17 quality of this document is not particularly good?
- 18 A. I would.
- 19 Q. And if you turn to Tab 32, you would agree with me
- 20 that it came out largely as--what was the technical word
- 21 you used? Gobbledygook?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. What's the difference between gobbledygook and
- 24 gibberish?
- 25 A. I'm not sure there is one.

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- 04:32 1 two paragraphs, but this is a little bit slanted; correct?
 - A. That is correct.
 - 3 O. And I'm sorry, would the fact that it's slanted at
 - 4 all have an effect on the OCR, without looking?
 - A. It would not.

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- 6 Q. Okay. And I think you testified earlier that that
- 7 problem was solved in the Eighties?
- B A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. Is it that the OCR software now is just better
- 10 software than back in the Eighties?
- 1 A. We are better at blocking documents, which is to
- 12 say that we recognize regions of the documents that contain
- 13 text. And then once the regions have been identified, they
- 14 will be normalized to a local set of axis so the text is
- 15 analyzed as though it were horizontal.
- 16 Q. And then if you--and I should just for the record
- 17 say that this is CL0951-0104226.
- 18 If you do turn the tab to Tab 28, you will see
- 19 that there is very little text there. And we have this one
- 20 on the screen.
- 21 A. That is correct. Although I don't believe it's
- 22 the slanting that is the issue.
- Q. I was just going to ask you that. You think it's
- 24 the quality of the image itself?
- 25 A. As you will notice, there is a lot of

- 04:34 1 Q. Okay.
 - 2 If I can ask you to turn to 33, Tab 33, which for

- 3 the record is Cuerpos 1144-0124254, you will see another
- 4 document that is not particularly strong in terms of its
- 5 quality?
 - A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And if you look at Tab 34, you will see the OCR
- 8 version, and it's not surprisingly of poor quality;
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. That is not good--that is not a good
- 11 representation of the document.
- 12 Q. And what would you say is the error rate?
- 13 A. High.
- 14 Q. And when you say "high," you're talking in the 50,
- 15 60 percent range?
- 16 A. Probably higher than that for this document.
- 7 Q. If you turn to document 35, which is
- 18 Cuerpos 1144-0124255, you would agree with me that the
- 19 quality of this document is not very good?
- 20 A. Agreed.
- 21 Q. Maybe slightly better than the previous document.
- 22 But if you look at the OCR version at Tab 36, you would
- 23 agree with me that most of the language is gone entirely;
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

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- 04:36 1 0. And, therefore, not searchable?
 - 2 A. Correct.
 - 3 Q. It's not usable for your purposes?
 - 4 A. Correct.
 - 5 Q. And the error rate would be approximately what?
 - A. Approximately 100 percent again.
 - 0. And then if we turn to documents behind Tab 37,
 - 8 and again, this is an image from your hard drive, it comes
 - 9 from Cuerpos 1145-0124328, you would agree with me, I take
 - 10 it, that the quality of this document is not very good?
 - 11 A. Agreed.
 - 12 Q. And if you look behind Tab 38 you would agree with
 - 13 me that almost all of the document is missing?
 - 14 A. Agreed.
 - 15 Q. And if you turn with me to Tab 39, which is
 - 16 Cuerpos 1146-0124378, you would agree with me that the
 - 17 quality of this document is not very good?
 - 18 A. I would agree.
 - 19 Q. Would that include the backside of the document?
 - 20 A. That would, although I think the backside is
 - 21 marginally higher quality than the front.
 - 22 Q. And if you look behind Tab 40, you will see how it
 - 23 came out in the OCR version, and you would agree with me
 - 24 that that has an exceedingly high error rate, probably in
 - 25 the 90 percent or more range?

- 04:39 1 A. The bottom line is I don't know.
 - Q. If you look at Tab 43, you have a document that
 - 3 has the big Seal on it?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. Otherwise a relatively clean version?
 - 6 A. Well, it's got a lot of Seals and it's got some
 - 7 strange signature over the signature block.
 - 8 Q. And then if you look at Tab 44, this document is
 - 9 largely blank; correct?
 - 10 A. Correct.
 - 11 Q. And, therefore, again, we have a high error rate;
 - 12 correct?
 - 13 A. Correct.
 - 14 Q. If I can take you to Tab 45, which, for the
 - 15 record, is Cuerpos 0605-0067022.
 - 16 And is this document of fairly good quality?
 - 17 A. I would say moderate.
 - 18 Q. And then if you look at the OCR version behind
 - 19 Tab 46, we're missing most of the document, are we not?
 - 20 A. Apparently.
 - Q. And you would agree with me that the error rate is
 - 22 quite high with respect to this document?
 - 23 A. I would.
 - Q. If we can turn to Tab 47, you would agree with me
 - 25 that the quality of this document--strike that.

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- 04:37 1 A. I would agree.
 - Q. If you look at Number 41, Tab 41, which for the
 - 3 record is Cuerpos 1469-0156739, here the document appears
 - 4 to be of relatively good quality at least again to my naked 5 eye, but I know I need glasses.
 - 6 A. No, I would concur with that.
 - Q. But if you look at the OCR version at 42, most of
 - 8 the text is gone. Do you have any explanation for this?
 - 9 A. Actually, my explanation would be that the person
 - 10 who did the scanning only scanned one side of it, but
 - 11 that's merely speculation, of course.
 - 12 Q. So, you think that might be a scanning error--an
 - 13 error committed by somebody else?
 - A. Yes, that one looks like human error.
 - 15 Q. And as a result, an entire page was missing?
 - 16 A. That is correct.
 - 17 Q. Now, we had the TIFF image because we provided
 - 18 that to you in Tab 41, so would that change your opinion as
 - 19 to whether or not it was merely a scanning error?
 - 20 A. It's not clear the process--it's not clear to me
 - 21 the process by which the TIFF images were selected for
 - 22 scanning, for OCR. If they were selected on a page by page
 - 23 basis, they may have not clicked on the correct page.
 - Q. The bottom line is you don't know why we have a
 - 25 blank OCR version; correct?

- 04:40 1 For the record, the document is
 - 2 Cuerpos 1145-0124322. You would agree with me that the
 - 3 quality of this document is not very high?
 - A. Agreed.
 - 5 Q. And, in fact, when you look at the OCR version, it
 - 6 is missing entirely lines and sentences, is it not?
 - A. It is.
 - 8 Q. And, therefore, we have a high error rate again?
 - A. Agreed.
 - 10 Q. If you look at the document behind Tab 49, we're
 - 11 looking at Cuerpos 814-008936.
 - 12 And is this of moderate quality or less than
 - 13 moderate quality?
 - 14 A. I would say less than moderate.
 - 15 Q. And, in fact, you can look document--behind
 - 16 Tab 50, most of the document is gone?
 - 17 A. That is correct.
 - 18 Q. And, in fact, we have a high error rate, do we
 - 19 not?

- 20 A. Yes. Most of the document is missing.
 - O. Okay. You would agree with me that the same is
- 22 true of the next document which is Cuerpos 1227-0132498,
- 23 that the OCR version has eliminated most of the document?
- 24 A. Agreed.
- 5 Q. Let's turn to Tab 53, which is Cuerpos

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- 04:42 1 1482-0158130. And this is of moderate quality except for
 - 2 the fact you got a great big seal. Would you agree with

3 me?

- A. I would. Well, a great big seal, two little seals and a huge signature block.
- Q. And in any event, the OCR version found behind
- 7 Tab 54 wipes out most all of the documents; correct?
- 8 A. Because they're behind most of the--behind the 9 great big seal, possibly.
- 10 Q. And, therefore, the error rate is very high on 11 this page.
- 12 A. Granted.
- 13 Q. Close to 100 percent?
- 14 A. Yes
- 15 Q. If you turn to the document behind Tab 55, which
- 16 is Cuerpos 410-0046213, how would you describe the quality
- 17 of this document?
- 18 A. Overall not good. There is a lot of
- 19 salt-and-pepper noise on the top half, and the characters
- 20 are not well-defined even on the lower half where there
- 21 isn't as much salt-and-pepper noise.
- 2 Q. And if you look at the document behind Tab 56, it
- 23 came out as a blank. Do you know why that is?
- A. I do not.
- Q. If you turn with me to the document behind Tab 57,

- 04:45 1 A. That would possibly produce errors.
 - 2 Q. And if you turn the page it produced a blank 3 document.
 - 4 Do you know why it produced a blank document?
 - 5 Would it be because of those shaded areas?
 - A. Probably not because of those shaded areas because
 - 7 the shaded areas don't cover things like the salutation, 8 for example.
 - 9 Q. So, do you have any other hypothesis as to why 10 that turned out blank?
 - 11 A. As a hypothesis, human error.
 - 12 Q. And then if you turn to Page--I'm sorry, Tab 63,
 - 13 we have a very lengthy document.
 - 14 Do you see that?
 - A. I do.

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- 16 Q. It's about 25 pages.
 - And how would you characterize the quality of this

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- 18 25-page document as you flip through it?
- 19 A. The textual sections are not good, and then when
- 20 we get to the list at the end of the tables, it's still not
- 21 good, made worse by the fact that the text itself is no
- 22 longer usefully Spanish.
- Q. And then if you turn the page, that's the OCR
- 24 version?
- 25 A. Yes. It appears to be a blank page.

- 04:46 1 Q. So, what was the error rate here?

 2 A. A hundred percent.
 - A. A hundred percent.Q. Twenty-five pages gone?
 - 4 A. Twenty-five pages gone.
 - 5 O. Not searchable?
 - 6 A. Not searchable.
 - 7 Q. And you would not disagree with me--well, strike
 - 8 that.

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- 9 Do you want to accept my representation that none
- 10 of these documents were hand-reviewed, or would you like to
- 11 take the time here?
- 12 A. I will accept your representation.
- Q. Okay. Now, did you know, prior to today, that the
- 14 OCR process sometimes yielded blank pages altogether?
- 15 A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. That wasn't in your Report, was it?
- 17 A. It was not.
- 18 Q. You chose not to note it in your Report; correct?
- 19 A. It did not seem relevant.
- 20 Q. And you, in fact, hand-reviewed some pages--not
- 21 the document--some documents--not the ones we showed
- 22 you--where you knew that they were blank; correct?
- 23 A. Yes, I believe so.
- Q. In fact, many of the hundred thousand pages that
- 25 you tried to hand-review were ones that were blank, blank

- 04:43 1 at CL1133-0123011. It's a one-page document, I think you
 - 2 will agree, of less-than-terrific quality?
 - 3 A. That is correct.
 - 4 Q. And if you look at the document behind Tab 58, you
 - 5 will see it came out entirely blank through the OCR
 - 6 process.

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- 7 Do you see that?
 - A. That is correct. I see that.
- 9 Q. And the error rate would, therefore, be what?
- A. 100 percent. All characters deleted.
- 11 Q. And if you turn with me to Tab 59, a document
- 12 comes from Cuerpos 1145-0124291. This document is not of 13 good quality?
- 14 A. No, it is not.
- 15 Q. It's a two-page--or two-sided document; do you
- 16 agree?

- 17 A. Agreed.
- 18 Q. And the OCR process yielded blank pages; correct?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- Q. If we turn to the document behind Tab 61, that's
- 21 CL1483-0158180.
- 22 A. That is correct.
 - Q. You will see a document that has some dark images?
- 24 A. That is correct.
- Q. And how would that affect the OCR?

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- 04:47 1 when you did the OCR review?
 - 2 A. I wouldn't say "many."
 - Q. Approximately how many?
 - 4 A. A relative handful.
 - 5 Q. Including some of the largest documents; correct?
 - 6 A. I'm sorry?

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- 7 Q. Including some of the longest documents; correct?
 - A. I'm sorry, are we doing statistics on the basis of
- 9 the documents now instead of pages? Yeah, I could not
- 10 estimate how many documents had been blank.
- 11 Q. I mean, based on my--
 - A. No, let me--
- 13 Q. Please, go ahead.
- 14 A. Give me a moment to think.
- 15 O. Certainly.
- 16 A. My best recollection is maybe five of them.
- 17 Q. I mean, honestly, I was trying to determine how
- 18 you determined which documents to hand-review. And I quess
- 19 what I noticed is that many of those that were completely
- 20 blank, that might be 1,000 pages, were some of the
- 21 documents you hand-reviewed. So, my question to you is:
- 22 Was that a basis for you to do a hand-review, a lengthy
- 23 document that you knew to be blank?
- 24 A. It was not.
- Q. Now, in Paragraph 50 of your 2013 Report, you

- 04:51 1 percentage or lower percentage, no?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. So, if you could still answer my question then,
 - 4 4 percent of 216,000 pages would be how many pages?
 - A. 4 percent of 216,000 pages would be about 10,000 6 pages.
 - Q. And if we turn to your Paragraph 88, you determine
 - 8 there, and I quote: "We can estimate that no more than $\,$
 - 9 $\,$ 10 percent of the documents contained in the Court Record
 - 10 were unusually difficult to analyze".
 - 11 A. That is correct.
 - 12 Q. Ten percent of 216,000 pages is how much?
 - 13 A. It's still not relevant.
 - 14 Q. I'm asking you how much.
 - A. Ten percent of 200,000 pages is 20,000 pages.
 - 16 Q. Now, to be clear, differences in documents that
 - 17 are not more than even a single deviation could at least
 - 18 theoretically cause the OCR review to miss a word string or
 - 19 an N-gram you're looking for.
 - 20 A. I'm sorry, is that a quotation?
 - 21 Q. No.
 - A. I'm sorry, can you repeat the question?
 - Q. I'm asking you.
 - 24 A. Can you repeat the question?
 - 0. Differences in documents that are not more than

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- 04:49 1 stated that you conducted five separate analyses of the 2 quality of the Court Record compared with the controlled
 - 3 Cuerpos.
 - 4 Do I understand that correctly?
 - 5 A. Paragraph 50, you said?
 - 6 Q. Paragraph five-zero.
 - 7 A. Yes.
 - 8 That is correct.
 - 9 Q. And you explain this at a little greater length in
 - 10 your Appendix A at Pages 13--I'm sorry, at paragraph--or
 - 11 Pages 13 and 14, so if you want to turn to your Report, you
 - 12 should certainly feel free to.
 - So, if you turn to the Appendix A at Paragraph 92,
 - 14 you state here that using one of your quality-control
 - 15 analyses that you would expect an error rate of not more
 - 16 than 4 percent, right?
 - 17 A. I'm sorry, which paragraph is this from?
 - 18 Q. Ninety-two.
 - 19 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And 4 percent of 216,000 pages is what?
 - 21 A. It's not relevant because 4 percent of the
 - 22 documents, not 4 percent of the pages.
 - Q. But you don't know whether the 4 percent of
 - 24 documents where there are error approximate or don't
 - 25 approximate 4 percent of the pages. It might be a higher

- 04:52 1 even a single deviation from the Spanish corpus could still
 - 2 cause the OCR review to miss an N-gram, at least
 - 3 theoretically?
 - A. At least theoretically, but the probability of
 - 5 that happening is low.
 - 6 Q. Now, to be clear, you never determined the error
 - 7 rate by directly comparing the OCR version to the original
 - 8 version; correct?

- A. I did not.
- 10 Q. You, instead, compared the OCR version to the
- 11 Spanish corpus; correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- Q. And what you're looking for are, among other
- 14 things, one, whether the letters A through Z were
- 15 replicated in the same approximate percentages as the
- 16 Spanish corpus. Would that be a component of hat you're 17 looking for?
- 18 A. I don't believe that letters was one of our
- 19 components.
 20 Q. Okay. You're looking to see whether the letters
- 21 follow one another in the same approximate percentages as
- 22 the Spanish corpus?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- Q. So, this exercise is premised on the assumption
- 25 that statistically significant differences between

- 04:53 1 character strings--my term--I don't think you used 2 that--character strings in the OCR version of the Lago 3 Record and the Spanish corpus might indicate a problem?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. Or, in other words, if the Spanish corpus will withdraw that.

Now, if an entire paragraph is illegible to the 8 OCR software, the error rate on that page, according to 9 your quantitative analysis, should not be affected by the 10 loss of an entire sentence, should it? That is, if the 11 letters are random? Not well put. Let's go back to the 12 initial question.

If an entire paragraph is illegible to the OCR 14 software, the error rate on that page, according to your 15 quantitative analysis, should not be affected by the loss 16 of the entire paragraph?

- A. What do you mean by illegible and/or loss?
- Q. That no part of that paragraph is replicated in 19 the OCR version.
- 20 A. Thank you.

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- If a paragraph is missing from the document in
- 22 question, then we will have a smaller document which is,
- 23 therefore, less subject to the law of large numbers, which
- 24 is, therefore, more likely to display wild variations from
- 25 the established statistics. So, it would be slightly more

04:57 1 A. Yeah, I'm assuming that the--I'm assuming that the 2 words are generally of the same length. So, what you would 3 be talking about is you would be talking about deletion 4 errors that affect 75/300ths of the page.

- Q. How does the OCR version know that there are 6 deletions? Because you're comparing it to the Spanish 7 curpos.
- 8 A. I'm sorry? Oh, you asked me what the error rate 9 was.
- 10 Q. I'm asking you what the error rate was 11 using--maybe this is where we had a disconnect--using the analysis that you used in your Report. When you say that
- 13 90 percent--you have a 90 percent error-free rate--you
- 14 determined that by comparing the document--I thought you
- 15 were comparing the document, the OCR version, to the
- 16 Spanish corpus. Am I correct or incorrect on that?
- 17 A. I am comparing it but I'm not comparing it using 18 an error rate.
- 19 Q. So, what are you doing?
- 20 A. I'm doing a frequency analysis, as I testified on
- 21 direct.
- 22 Q. And if you deleted 75 of the 300 words, you are
- 23 still comparing the remaining 325 words to the Spanish
- 24 curpos; correct? 225 words to the Spanish curpos.
- A. Two hundred twenty five. Yes. Yes.

- 04:55 1 likely to show high error rates.
 - Q. But as you said, only slightly more; correct?
 - A. It would depend on how much of the document had 4 been not read. If we are talking about a two-paragraph
 - 5 document and we lose half of it, that would display
 - 6 substantially more effect than if we were talking about a 7 200-paragraph document and lost one paragraph.
 - Q. Let's assume that the remainder of the document 9 other than this missing paragraph is otherwise perfect.
 - 10 What would your error rate be? In other words, you have a
 - 11 perfect document other than the fact it's missing a 12 paragraph.
 - 13 A. How long is the document in question?
 - 14 Q. A one-page document.
 - A. How many-how many characters are on this page,
 - 16 how many characters are in the--how many characters are in the missing paragraph?
 - Q. If I have a document that's, let's say, 300 words, 19 and it's missing 75 words.
 - A. Thank you. 20
 - And the remainder of the document is otherwise
 - 22 perfect, there are no other errors other than the missing
 - 75 words, what would the error rate be?
 - 24 A. Approximately 25 percent.
 - Q. Can you explain the analysis?

- 04:58 1 Q. And if those 225 words line up without errors, 2 then you would actually have a zero percent error rate, 3 would you not? Or would your error rate, using this 4 analysis, take into consideration the fact that we're 5 missing 75 words?
 - A. It would take into account the fact that with only 7 225 words there would be more missing words and more words 8 that occurred at a higher frequency, so we would have 9 greater difference.
 - O. Okay. So, let's--we have a 25 page document.
 - 11 Let's say we have 5,000 words, and it's missing an entire
 - 12 page. The other 24 pages are all perfect; is that going to
 - 13 substantially increase the error rate under your analysis
 - 14 that you deployed for purposes of your Report in your
 - 15 opinion?
 - 16 A. I don't know. I haven't looked at that specific 17 situation.
 - 18 Q. Now, let me ask you another question that we were 19 curious about. The files on your drive starting with
 - 20 T-E-M-P, TEMP files, are not official documents; right?
 - A. My understanding is that they were.
 - Q. If they have--if they're TEMP and there are no 22
 - 23 seals, no Foja numbers, do you have an understanding
 - 24 whether they came from Chevron--in other words, were they
 - 25 Chevron copies, versus the official Court Record copies?

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- 05:00 1 A. I represented that what I was given--I was 2 represented--they represented to me that what I received 3 was the Court Record.
 - Q. I mean, I'll just ask you, to take very--and I 5 think your answer is going to be you don't know--but if I 6 could just ask you to turn to Tab 63. There is no Court Seal on this document?
 - A. There is no Court Seal.
 - Q. And you don't know whether--other than what was 10 represented to you, you have no idea about this document; 11 correct?
 - 12 A. Correct.
 - Q. Did you receive the TEMP files at the same time 13 14 that you received all the other documents?
 - A. I don't recall. I believe so, because I believe 16 they were on the same hard drive.
 - Q. Now, when you executed your original Declaration 18 in this case, you had been operating on the assumption that 19 you had searched the entire lower--this is a quote now from 20 your December 20th Report that "you searched the entire
 - 21 lower court Lago Agrio Court Record for potential sources
 - 22 that may have served to provide the text and data cited by 23 the experts in this case."
 - Did you write those words yourself?
 - A. I did.

05:04 1 minutes, but I would appreciate a short break if I may.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: How short is short? 2

3 MS. MOUAWAD: Not even ten minutes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take ten minutes. 4

5 (Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 6

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

8 BY MS. MOUAWAD:

- 9 O. Good afternoon, Dr. Juola.
 - A. Good afternoon.
- Q. Mr. Bloom showed you some OCR pages that were 11
- 12 blank. Do you remember that?
 - A. He did.
- And he also showed you the TIFF images -- well, on
- 15 the slides that were next to it, but I think you had the
- hard copy to look at as well; correct? 16
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. Were any of the TIFF images that you looked at in
- 19 the past two hours with Mr. Bloom the Fusión Memo?
- 20 A. They were not.
- Q. Were any of those TIFF images the Draft Alegato? 21
 - A. They were not. They were not even similar to the
- 23 Fusión Memo or the Draft Alegato.
 - Q. Were any of those TIFF images an e-mail from Pablo
- 25 Fajardo?

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- Q. But you would agree with me that the OCR process 05:02 1 2 did not accurately identify some of those documents; isn't 3 that also correct?
 - A. They did not represent it with 100 percent 5 accuracy, which we knew going in because that's what OCR 6 does, and that's why we applied the error of robust 7 techniques.
 - Q. Would you agree with me that there are more 9 documents--we can hand out more binders--do you--would you
 - 10 agree with me that there are going to be more documents
 - 11 that--where the OCR version also came out blank other than
 - 12 what we showed you here today? It would not surprise you, 13 would it?
 - 14 A. It would not surprise me to learn that.
 - Q. Let me just ask you one more question: You'd 16 represented that you had the entire record, but there seems 17 to be missing certain of the CL documents, the Cuerpos.

Is it your--or can you explain why some of these 18 19 documents would be--might be missing from your hard drive?

- 20 A. I cannot.
- 21 MR. BLOOM: Okay. I'll pass the Witness.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 22
- 23 We will have some questions from the Claimants no
- 24 doubt, but how long do you think you will be?
- MS. MOUAWAD: I shouldn't take more than ten

- 05:14 1 A. They were not.
 - Q. Now, Mr. Bloom also asked you about TEMP files on 2
 - 3 the hard drive that you received and whether or not you
 - 4 knew they were in the Record, so I want to take you back to
 - 5 what we looked at in your direct examination, and
 - 6 specifically I'd like to pull up R-1545, TEMPS0003303. If 7 you could pull that up.
 - MS. MOUAWAD: I think the Tribunal Members have 8
 - 9 gotten a copy. Maybe that's an easier way to do that.
 - (Pause.)

- 11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could we ask if the Respondent 12 have hard copies, too?
- 13 MS. MOUAWAD: So, now we've got it sorted out.
- 14 BY MS. MOUAWAD:
- 15 O. This is what we looked at in your direct
- 16 examination. As I said, in the record it is R-1545, 17 TEMPS0003303.
- Do you remember that document that we looked at as 19 one of the Chevron motions that was filed?
- A. I remember looking at it with you this morning. 20
 - O. Okay. And let's take a look again at the last
- 22 page of that document, and that has a court stamp; correct?
- 23 On the last page, where we looked at the date and the time
- 24 earlier?
- A. We looked at the date and the time. That's

05:16 1 not--that is, of course, not the same Court stamp that has 2 been shown to me extensively during cross.

Q. Right. So, let's take a look at R-1544, which is 4 specifically the Page Cuerpo 1990, the entire Cuerpo that 5 was submitted by Respondent, and you'll see at the top of the page it has the page, the Foja number which is 208915. 7

Do you see that?

A. I do.

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9 Q. And that's the except same document that I just 10 showed you, except that it's one that's marked with the 11 page number from the Court Record. I will make that representation to you.

13 If you could look at the third page, that 14 also--you'll recognize that has the stamp that we just looked at and the time of 1745.

A. Although it appears to be a different stamp. 16

O. Right.

18 A. It's in a slightly different location than the 19 stamp that I have.

Q. Right. It's still marked 1745; correct? 20

It's still marked 1745.

Q. And it has an official page number in the Cuerpo?

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Q. Mr. Bloom also spent some time showing you

25 examples of localized errors.

05:19 1 number of overlapping approximately ten-word passages with 2 each of the successive lines, so there would still have 3 been enough material in that, again in Example 2 of Leonard 4 to find the relevant passage, even if every other line in the document had been knocked out.

> 6 MS. MOUAWAD: I have no further questions. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. The

8 Tribunal has no questions. We've come to the end of your 9 testimony.

10 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you for coming to assist 11 12 the Tribunal, and you may leave the table.

(Witness steps down.)

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's 20 past 5:00. We don't 15 suggest we start with the next witness now. We prefer to 16 start clean tomorrow.

17 We seem to be doing quite well on time, so shall 18 we start at 9:30 tomorrow?

19 We ask the Claimants first.

20 MR. BISHOP: That would be fine for the Claimants.

21 yes.

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22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent?

23 MR. BLOOM: At your pleasure.

24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, it's your pleasure, too.

25 MR. BLOOM: You want to start at 8:00 a.m. or

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05:17 1 Do you remember that?

A. I do.

Q. And when he asked you about that, you mentioned 4 that your methodology of breaking down the Court Record in 5 successive 5-grams mitigated against that risk. Can you 6 explain to us what you meant by that.

A. Yes. This is more or less the same argument that I made on direct when you asked me about pages being out of 9 sequence. If we assumed that there is a 150-page--sorry, a 10 150-word passage somewhere on a page but somebody has put a 11 Court stamp on it or somebody has spilled coffee on it or 12 somebody has signed across a particular passage or even 13 somebody has put a crease across the document, that will 14 produce localized errors that will cause local issues with 15 the OCR. It will knock out, for example, in the case of a

16 single line maybe ten to 12 words. However, if it you knock out ten words from the 17 18 exact middle of a 150-page passage, that will still leave a 19 70--sorry, 150-word passage, you knock out ten words from 20 the middle of that 150-word passage you will still have 70 21 words above it and 70 words below it which would still be 22 searchable and could still be found by the methodology that 23 we used. In fact, you could have knocked out every other

25 line in that passage, and that would still have created a

05:20 1 10:00 a.m.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We don't to want fall behind, 2 3 we may have to adjust the time forward, but for the moment 4 we think 9:30, and tomorrow is obviously going to be a long 5 day, as will probably be the following day.

MR. BLOOM: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, and we will think about the housekeeping overnight and we'll come back 9 to you at some appropriate time tomorrow. Until tomorrow. 10 Thank you.

11 MR. BLOOM: Thank you.

12 (Whereupon, at 5:20 p.m., the Hearing was 13 adjourned until 9:30 a.m. the following day.)

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, SIGNED AUGUST 27, 1993 (THE "TREATY")

and

THE UNCITRAL ARBITRATION RULES 1976

In the Matter of Arbitration :
Between: :
CHEVRON CORPORATION (U.S.A.), :
TEXACO PETROLEUM COMPANY (U.S.A.), :

Claimants, : PCA Case No. : 2009-23

and

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THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR,

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Respondent. :

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TRACK 2 HEARING

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Sheet 3 594 1 PROCEEDINGS APPEARANCES: (Continued) 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good morning, ladies and On behalf of the Respondent: 3 gentlemen. We'll start Day 3 of this Track 2 or Phase II PROF. EDUARDO SILVA ROMERO Hearing. We have certain housekeeping matters, and we'll PROF. PIERRE MAYER MR. JOSÉ MANUEL GARCÍA REPRESA keep them until. We'll proceed immediately with the next 5 MS. AUDREY CAMINADES witness, unless there are certain matters that need to be MS. GABRIELA GONZÁLEZ GIRÁLDEZ Dechert LLP raised by the other side at this stage. 32 rue Monceau 75008 Paris 8 We ask the Claimants first. France 9 MR. BISHOP: There are none from the Claimants. MR. ÁLVARO GALINDO CARDONA PRESIDENT VEEDER: And from the Respondent? 10 MR. DAVID ATTANASIO Dechert LLP MR. BLOOM: There are none at this time. 11 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 United States of America 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 13 ALBERTO GUERRA BASTIDAS, CLAIMANTS' WITNESS, CALLED MR. BRIAN CUMMINS PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm address addressing you in 14 LitOptix 15 English, but I understand that you're following me in 16 Spanish through the headphones; is that correct? THE INTERPRETER: He may be in the wrong channel. 18 MR. KEHOE: I can't hear the Spanish either, 19 Mr. Veeder. 20 THE INTERPRETER: He may be in the wrong channel. 21 I think Mr. Guerra can't hear me for some reason, 22 Mr. President. 23 Can you hear me, Mr. President? PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's try it again with the 24 25 interpreters. 593 595 09:31 1 (Pause.) CONTENTS THE INTERPRETER: Can you hear me, Mr. President? 2 PAGE 3 The Witness may be on the wrong channel. WITNESSES: PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's try again. 4 ALBERTO GUERRA BASTIDAS 5 I'm addressing you in if English through the Direct examination by Mr. Kehoe interpreters. Can you hear what I'm saying as interpreted 598 Cross-examination by Mr. Bloom 604 7 into Spanish? 8 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we've now fixed it. 10 Can you hear what I'm saying as interpreted into Spanish? THE WITNESS: Yes, I do. 11 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Can you ask him to come 12 13 closer to the microphone. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you for that. Are there any technical difficulties on the Claimants' side? 16 MR. KEHOE: Not that I can see right now. 17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we're resolving them on 18 the Respondent's side. 19 MR. LEONARD: Could I ask the translators to 20 speak. 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Put your microphone on. 22 MR. LEONARD: Could I ask the interpreters to 23 speak so we could hear them on channel two. THE INTERPRETER: Maybe we should get the 25 technician, Mr. President, just to help us out.

Sheet 4 596 598 09:33 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we're going to be okay. 09:37 1 with questions from the Claimants. MR. LEONARD: We all have two. MR. KEHOE: Thank you, Mr. President. 2 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. If not, we can call the 3 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. KEHOE: technician. It's up to you. THE INTERPRETER: Mr. Leonard, can you hear the Q. Mr. Guerra, I have a few questions for you, but 5 6 first there is a binder in front of you with four 6 Spanish now? MR. LEONARD: Let's proceed. I have the screen in 7 Declarations. Would you look at each of them briefly, 8 front of me. I can manage. please, and tell us whether they're your Declarations and 9 9 your signature on the last page of each one. (Pause.) Since we're limited in time, I'm going to help the 10 MR. LEONARD: Could we test it one more time, 11 Witness find the pages, if that's not a problem. 11 please. 12 THE INTERPRETER: Now the English. 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Not at all. 13 THE WITNESS: Yes, these are my signatures. 13 What about the English? Can you hear the English? 14 Channel one. Q. Sir, when you signed these declarations, did you (Pause.) 15 state the facts truthfully and to the best of your ability 15 THE INTERPRETER: English, can you hear the 16 and memory at the time that you signed them? 16 17 English now? All right. Thank you. 17 A. Yes, that is correct, I did. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's proceed. We seemed to Q. Sir, what country were you born in? 18 18 19 have resolved the technical difficulties. 19 A. I was born in Ecuador. 20 Could I ask you to look at the piece of paper 20 Until recently, have you lived in any country 21 which is on your left side on the table, and you will there 21 other than Ecuador? 22 find a form of words in Spanish. It's a single sheet of 22 A. I did not. I have lived in Ecuador. paper. Would you pick it up. 23 O. Yes, until recent--well, can you reside in Ecuador And if you will, I will ask you to state your full 24 now? 25 name and then to read the Declaration in the Spanish A. I cannot. 597 599 09:35 1 language. 09:40 1 Q. And why is that? THE WITNESS: Yes, with pleasure, Mr. President. A. The circumstances do not allow for that to happen. 2 2 I'm Alberto Guerra Bastidas, and I solemnly 3 I consider that my liberty and my life are at risk in my 4 declare upon my honor and conscience that I shall speak the 4 country at the moment because I have facilitated the truth 5 in connection with the history of the Chevron Judgment. 5 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 7

We have certain rules about the way in which you 8 will be questioned, first of all, of course, by the 9 Claimants, and then by the Respondent, and then by the

10 Claimants again, and possibly by the Tribunal. 11

Because you're giving evidence in Spanish, it will 12 be translated into English, and some of the questions will 13 be in English will be translated into English; it's very 14 important that the lawyers who question you and you do not 15 overspeak. There has to be a pause between each question

16 and each answer, not only for the shorthand recorders

17 because they can't record two people speaking at the same

18 time, but also we need a pause to allow the interpreters to 19 complete their interpretation, so we ask all the lawyers

20 who ask questions, and we ask you, too, just to pause

21 between the question ending and your answer beginning.

22 Do you understand what I'm saying? 23 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, I understand.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: If there's any problem, please 25 signal to us, and we will try to resolve them, but we start

Q. And what country do you live in now, sir?

A. I live in the United States of America.

Do most of the your family and friends still live 8 9 in Ecuador?

10 A. That is correct, yes.

11 What was your profession when you lived in

12 Ecuador?

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13 A. I was a lawyer, have been a lawyer, and I have all 14 worked as a lawyer.

0. And you had a job as a lawyer in Ecuador? 15

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17 Were you able to support yourself and your family

18 through your profession in Ecuador?

A. Yes.

Q. If you, sir, had kept quiet, had not facilitated 20

21 the truth that you just testified to, could you have

22 continued to support yourself and your family in Ecuador?

23 A. That is correct, yes.

Q. Are you in a position to practice your profession

25 here in the United States of America?

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- 09:41 1 A. I am not, not--in no way possible.
 - 2 Q. Do you speak any English?
 - A. I do not, sir.
 - Q. Mr. Guerra, I'm just going to take a few moments to review some of the facts that you say facilitated the
 - 6 truth coming to light in this case.

7 Did you have a meeting with anyone in September or

- 8 October 2010, at the Honey Honey restaurant in Quito?
- 9 A. I did. At that time I met with Mr. Steven
- 10 Donziger, with Pablo Fajardo, Luis Yanza, who represented 11 the Plaintiffs against Chevron in Ecuador.
 - O. What did you say to them at that meeting?
- 13 A. Specifically at that meeting, I conveyed a message
- 14 from Judge Nicolas Zambrano related to the fact that he
- 15 would accept for them to prepare the draft Judgment in the
- 16 Chevron Case, in exchange of the sum of at least \$500,000.
- 17 O What did they gay in regresses to that and who
- 17 Q. What did they say in response to that, and who 18 said it?
- 19 A. Specifically, and mainly, Mr. Steven Donziger
- 20 stated that at that time, unfortunately, they did not have
- $21\,$ the money to conduct negotiations or to provide a specific
- 22 offer.
- 23 O. Did you report that back to Mr. Zambrano?
- 24 A. I did, yes.
- 25 Immediately, and then later on, he told me that he

09:45 1 Q. One last thing before I hand you over for 2 cross-examination, Mr. Guerra.

3 You met with the lawyers for Chevron about 53 4 times during the period of 14 months from September 2012 to 5 November 2013; is that right?

- A. That is correct, the number of meetings is correct because I have a habit of writing relevant
- 8 information--including that relevant information in my
 9 personal diary.
- I would like to clarify the fact that those
 meetings were due to a number of factors, many factors,
 such as issues related to immigration, the situation of my
- 13 children, issues that had to do with leasing of housing,
- 14 looking at documents, also my provision of certain
- 15 documents--well, a large number of issues and matters.
- Q. Has anyone choreographed your every statement for testimony?
- 18 A. No, no one has done so in any way whatsoever.
- 19 Q. Has anyone choreographed your every facial
- 20 expression and mannerism for testimony?
- 21 A. By Chevron's lawyers or the individuals that I
- 22 have met with, I have never observed or seen that kind of
- 23 attitude.

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- MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, I tender the Witness
- 25 for cross-examination.

- 09:43 1 had reached an agreement, a personal agreement, with
 - 2 Chevron's representatives, and that money was going to be
 - 3 received, but later on, after the Judgment was to be
 - 4 enforced.
 - 5 Q. Sir, you just said Chevron's representatives. Did
 - 6 you mean the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' representatives?
 - A. I am referring to the lawyers that were the attorneys of record of the Plaintiffs against Chevron.
 - 9 Q. Before the Lago Agrio Court issued the Judgment,
 - 10 did Mr. Zambrano give you a draft of it to review and 11 comment on?
 - 12 A. Yes, that is correct. That is how the facts 13 transpired.
 - 14 Q. And when doing this, did he tell you how he came 15 into possession of it?
 - 16 A. Expressly, he indicated to me that Pablo Fajardo 17 was the one who gave the document to him.
 - 18 $\,$ Q. Mr. Guerra, do you know how Chevron learned of
 - 19 these facts that you and I just reviewed on your direct 20 examination?
 - 21 A. Of course. These events I commented myself to
 - 22 Chevron's representatives.
 - Q. When did you do that?
 - 24 A. I commented this issue to them approximately
 - 25 between June and July 2012.

- 09:47 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.
 - There will now be questions from the Respondent.
 - 3 Before we proceed, is technically everything
 - 4 working? I'm asking the Respondents first.
 - 5 MR. BLOOM: Yes.
 - 6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.
 - 7 MR. BLOOM: We will hand up some documents.
 - (Pause.)
 - 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just one further matter,
 - 10 Mr. Bloom, at some stage we're going to need a break for
 - 11 the shorthand writers, the interpreters, for the witness,
 - 12 for counsel, for the Tribunal. You decide when that best
 - 13 comes during the course of your cross-examination this
 - 14 morning.
 - MR. BLOOM: Certainly. Do you want to give me an
 - 16 estimate as to how long you would like to go before we
 - 17 break? Because what I'll do is, at the end of a line of
 - 18 questions around that time, I'll suggest a break, and I
 - 19 could get some guidance.
 - 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Between an hour and a quarter
 - 21 and an hour and three quarters from now.
 - MR. BLOOM: Approximately 11:00?
 - 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.
 - MR. BLOOM: Thank you.
 - 25 CROSS-EXAMINATION

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- 09:50 1 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Good morning, Mr. Guerra.
 - A. Good morning to you, sir.
 - Q. I would like to begin with some housekeeping matters. We have provided you with two binders. You now
 - 6 have two binders in front of you?
 - 7 A. Yes, I do. You're referring to the ones that I'm 8 touching right now; right?
 - 9 Q. That is correct.
 - The bigger binder--
 - 11 (Overlapping interpretation.)
 - 12 O. The bigger binder should have a series of
 - 13 statements that you have made. I'd like to walk briefly
 - 14 with you through that binder so that you understand what is
 - 15 there in the event you want to refer to it. Do you
 - 16 understand?

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- A. Yes, I do. I understand.
- 18 Q. At Tab 1 reflects a May 6, 2012, telephone
- 19 discussion that you had with an unidentified representative
- 20 of Chevron. Feel free to take a look at Tab 1, but can you
- 21 confirm that that meeting or that conversation was, in
- 22 fact, recorded and that the transcript is at Tab 1?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, I'm looking at it.
- Q. Very well.
- 25 And then at Tab 2 should be the transcript of a

- 09:53 1 Q. And then on June 4th, 2012, you had three more 2 telephone calls with the same individual. Do you recall 3 that?
 - 4 A. Are you referring to which document? Where is it? 5 What's the tab number?
 - Q. If you refer to Tabs 6, 7, and 8, which, for the record are exhibits in this arbitration at 1338, 1341, and 1342, for these transcripts of conversations that you had with the same unidentified Chevron representative.
 - A. Yes, sir, that's correct, I remember.
 - 11 Q. And then on June 5, you had two more telephone
 - 12 conversations, this time with an attorney from Chevron
 - 13 named Andres Rivero and a Chevron investigator named Yohir 14 Akerman. Those transcripts should be behind Tabs 9 and 10
 - 15 which are exhibits in this arbitration as R-1343 and
 - 16 R-1344.
 - 17 Can you confirm that those are transcripts of your 18 conversations on June 5?
 - A. Yes, sir, they are.
 - Q. And then behind Tab 11 is Exhibit R-1213, which is
 - 21 a transcript of a June 25, 2012, interview that you had
 - 22 with the same Chevron attorney, Mr. Rivero. Do you recall
 - 23 that conversation, and can you confirm that that Transcript
 - 24 is at Tab 11?

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25 A. Yes, sir. I'm looking at it, and I recognize it.

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09:51 1 May 24, 2012, telephone discussion you had with Chevron's

- 3 Do you recall having a conversation with this 4 representative?
- 5 A. Yes, I do. I remember.
- 6 Q. And Tab 2 is a transcript of this conversation, is 7 it not?
- A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 9 MR. BLOOM: For the record, Tab 1 is R-1214; Tab 2 10 is R-1334.
- 11 BY MR. BLOOM:
- Q. And then, sir, on May 29, 2012, you had three
- 13 additional telephone calls with this same identified agent.
- 14 Do you recall that?
- 15 A. Yes, I do remember this. I remember having talked
- 16 to him personally and telephonically with Chevron's
- 17 representatives and with the individuals that you've
- 18 identified as unidentified.
- 19 Q. Very well. Thank you.
- And if you can take a look at the documents behind
- 21 Tabs 3, 4, and 5 which are marked as exhibits in this
- 22 arbitration as R-1335, R-1336, and R-1337, and if you can
- 23 confirm that these are transcripts of these conversations
- 24 that you just testified that you recall?
- 5 A. Yes, I remember this. That's correct.

- 09:55 1 MR. BLOOM: And, for the record, that exhibit is 2 R-1213.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. And then, sir, you had a further interview with
 - 5 Mr. Rivero and Mr. Akerman on July 13, 2012. I believe you
 - 6 will find that Transcript behind Tab Number 12, which is
 - 7 Exhibit 1345. Can you confirm that, please?
 - A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
 - Q. And you recall that conversation as well?
 - 10 A. In general terms I do, but details--well, I would
 - 11 have to read it.

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- 12 O. I understand.
- 13 And then if you look behind Tab 13 is our Exhibit
- 14 R-1346 which should reflect a July 31, 2012 interview by
- 15 Mr. Rivero and Mr. Akerman. Could you take a moment and
- 16 confirm that that document is, in fact, a transcript of
- 17 that conversation?
 - A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 19 Q. And then behind Tab 14 we have Claimants'
- 20 Exhibit 1616a, and this is a declaration you were just
- 21 asked about in direct examination. It's your Declaration
- 22 of November 17, 2012, on Chevron's behalf filed both in the
- 23 New York Action and in this arbitration. Can you confirm
- 24 that that is your Declaration?
- 25 A. Yes, sir, it is.

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- 09:57 1 O. And then if I may take you to Tab 15, which for 2 the record is Claimants' Exhibit 1648. Am I correct, sir, 3 that the document at Tab 15 is a supplemental Declaration
 - 4 dated January 13, 2013, that you signed?
 - A. You are correct, sir. I did sign that document.
 - 6 O. Thank you, sir.
 - And then if you can take a look behind
 - 8 exhibit--I'm sorry, behind Tab 16, which is R-1331, and can 9 you confirm that this is a second supplemental Declaration,
 - 10 this one dated April 11, 2013, signed by you?
 - A. Yes. That statement was signed by myself.
 - O. And then you offered a witness statement on
 - 13 October 9, 2013, that you provided to Chevron's counsel for
 - 14 Chevron to submit in the New York Action. That document
 - 15 should be behind Tab 17. It is marked as Claimants'
 - 16 Exhibit 2358. Can you please confirm that that is the
 - 17 Witness Statement that was submitted to the New York
 - 18 Action?
 - A. Yes, sir, that is correct. 19
 - Q. And then do you recall being deposed by counsel
 - 21 for the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs for that New York Action on
 - 22 May 2, 2013?
 - A. Yes, I do remember.
 - Q. And you were under oath that day, were you not?

- 10:01 1 Transcript by your counsel on your behalf?
 - A. I am not aware of any.
 - Q. And then let me represent to you, sir, that
 - 4 Tab 19, which has been marked as Claimants' Exhibit 1978,
 - 5 is a transcript of your testimony in the New York Action
 - 6 from October 23 to October 25.
 - Let me ask you, sir, do you recall testifying in
 - 8 the New York Action?
 - A. I do remember, yes, offering my testimony under 10 oath for the RICO Case as stated in the document at Tab 19
 - 11 identified as C-1978.
 - 12 O. And then finally, sir, at Tab 20, which has been
 - 13 marked as Respondent's Exhibit 907 is a transcript of a
 - 14 deposition by you by one of my colleagues on
 - 15 November 5, 2013, in New York.
 - 16 Do you recall being deposed for purposes of these
 - 17 arbitral proceedings?
 - A. Yes, sir, I do remember that.
 - Q. And you provided testimony that day also under 19
 - 20 oath, did you not?
 - 21 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And again, your answers were recorded by a Court
 - 23 Reporter; correct?
 - 24 A. Yes.

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Q. And would you confirm for me that neither you nor

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- 09:59 1 You swore to tell the truth?
 - Yes. Α.
 - Q. And you have never objected to the accuracy of the 4 Transcript of that deposition, have you?
 - A. Would you repeat your question? 5
 - THE INTERPRETER: Would you please repeat your
 - question, says the Witness?
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
 - 9 Q. Certainly. The official Transcript is behind
 - 10 Tab 18 at R-906. Under the U.S. Rules of Evidence, a
 - 11 witness who has been deposed has an opportunity to correct
 - 12 mistakes in a deposition Transcript.
 - Did you ever seek to correct mistakes made in the 13
 - 14 deposition Transcript that is at Tab 18?
 - A. No, unfortunately, I do not speak English. When I
 - 16 read documents sometimes in connections with depositions
 - 17 and answers to questions, I did notice that there was some
 - 18 difference in the way that I said the things as to what was
 - 19 transcribed after the interpretation or translation, but I
 - 20 have not done what you have suggested--I did not do what
 - 21 you said I could have done.
 - Q. At that deposition, you were represented by
 - 23 counsel, were you not?
 - 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. And are you aware of any corrections made to the

- 10:03 1 your counsel sought to correct any errors in the 2 Transcript?
 - A. I cannot give you any certainty whether the
 - 4 counsel did anything in that regard, but I can tell you
 - 5 that, in general, at the end of my deposition, be it
 - 6 Mr. Clayman, the counsel or any other attorney with Gibson
 - 7 Dunn, the representing law firm, I was asked to clarify
 - certain answers that I had offered given certain questions.
 - 9 Q. And you availed yourself of that opportunity and
 - 10 clarified, did you not?
 - 11 A. That is correct, yes. 12
 - COURT REPORTER: Can you repeat that?
 - 13 THE WITNESS: That is correct. I did so. I
 - 14 answered the questions that were meant to clarify the
 - 15 Transcript.

- BY MR. BLOOM:
- Q. And so that the Record is clear, after that 17
- 18 deposition, you never sought to correct the Transcript;
- 19 isn't that correct?
- A. Honestly, I don't know what you are referring to. 20
- 21 But it's true, I have not participated in any act to
- 22 correct the contents of the translations.
- Q. Now, I provided you this binder for your reference
- 24 in the event you needed it during the course of your
- 25 examination. As I have said to other witnesses, this is

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10:06 1 not a memory test so, if you need those documents, please 2 let me know, okay?

- A. I will do so.
- Q. So, now, I want to discuss your relationship with Chevron's legal representatives. As you were asked in
- ${\tt 6}\,{\tt direct}$ exam by Mr. Kehoe, you, in fact, met with lawyers
- 7 from Chevron on 53 occasions during the 14-month period of 8 September 2012 through November 5, 2013; isn't that
- 8 September 2012 through November 5, 2013; isn't that
 9 correct?
- 10 A. I should tell you that there is a mismatch in 11 connection with the time--I don't know if it is my mistake
- 12 or a mistake in the interpretation. I was referring to the
- 13 meetings that I had starting in November 2012 to
- 14 November--yes, 2013, yes. 2013.
- Q. But to be clear, it began in November 2012 rather than September 2012?
 - A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. Sir, over that 12-month period, you had 53
- 19 meetings, and am I correct that your meetings generally
- 20 lasted on each occasion from four to six hours?
- 21 A. Not exactly.

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- 22 I should tell you that, out of the 53 meetings,
- 23 most of them were the meetings that I held with them
- 24 initially in Chicago, later on in New York, then in Miami
- 25 because of migration issues and I had endless meetings that

2 referring to specifically refers to my meetings with Gibson
3 Dunn lawyers to prepare depositions, statements, or any
4 interventions that I needed to have before U.S.
5 authorities.
6 There are some other sorts of meetings that I also

10:11 1 answer is not the truth. But, the question you are

There are some other sorts of meetings that I also had with Gibson Dunn lawyers, and they were never intended for that, so my answer is correct, sir.

- 9 Q. Could you identify the names of the lawyers from 10 the law firm of Gibson Dunn with whom you met?
- 11 A. Yes. I basically held meetings with
- 12 Mr. Randy Mastro, Mr. Avi Weitzman as representatives of
- 13 Gibson. I only met with them or mainly with them, there
- 14 were others but the last names were sort of difficult to 15 remember for me, so I wouldn't be able to tell you the
- 16 names--the last names--are English names.
- 17 Q. Were there members of the King & Spalding legal 18 team?
- 19 MR. KEHOE: I have an objection. The line of 20 questioning began with the meetings over a period of 14
- 21 months. Now the Witness is being asked questions about 22 meetings over three months and now he's being asked
- 23 questions about meetings with King & Spalding. I would
- 24 just request that counsel be more specific when he's asking
- 25 about particular time frames and particular meetings

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- 10:08 1 sometimes dealt with reviewing documents or submitting 2 documents to the migration attorneys, signing documents
 - 3 that had to do with the asylum process. Also, I visited
 - 3 that had to do with the asylum process. Also, I visi
 - 4 the migration offices in Florida, and I had several
 - 5 processes like these, so it is not accurate for me to say 6 that these meetings lasted as long as for as hours, as you
 - 7 are saying.
 - Q. Sir--and I understand that you don't speak English
 - 9 so, I will be asking the Court Reporter to translate some
 - 10 of your prior deposition testimony, but I want to confirm
 - 11 again that at both of your depositions you swore to tell
 - 12 the truth, the whole truth, nothing but the truth; isn't
 - 13 that correct?
 - 14 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And I will represent that at Page--at Tab 19 in that deposition of October 24, 2013, Page 1049, Line 24,
 - 17 you were asked: "When you come for three or four days a
 - 18 week, do you meet with the Gibson Dunn attorneys?"
 - 19 Your answer was: "Yes."
 - 20 "For how many hours a day?"
 - 21 Your answer was: "Between four and six hours a
 - 22 day."
 - 23 That was your testimony on October 24, 2013.
 - Do you dispute your prior testimony?
 - 25 A. At no time am I saying that the content of that

- 10:13 1 because it's confusing to me, so it must be confusing to 2 the Witness.
 - 3 MR. BLOOM: I will clarify.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
 - 5 Q. At any time, can you tell me what lawyers from
 - 6 Gibson--sorry, from King & Spalding you had met with?
 - 7 A. For the purposes of preparing for this commitment, 8 for this testimony, I met with King & Spalding lawyers, in
 - 9 March and April. Their names are Ed Kehoe and Caline
 - 10 Mouawad. They are the ones that I met with mainly. These
 - 11 meetings, to clarify, have taken place approximately in
 - 12 March six times, in April two or three times.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Excuse me for intervening, you said March and April. Of what year?
 - THE WITNESS: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I said last March and April, so I'm referring to the current
 - 17 year 2015.

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- BY MR. BLOOM:
- 19 Q. Did you ever meet with King & Spalding lawyers for 20 any purpose before March of 2015?
- 21 A. No. No, I did not--I did not meet with King &
- 22 Spalding lawyers before these dates, but I should explain,
- 23 clarify that at some point when I held meetings with Gibson
- 24 Dunn lawyers, the lawyers that I just mentioned from King &
- 25 Spalding used to be--used to also attend those meetings,

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- 10:15 1 but at no time did they talk to me on a personal or
 2 professional basis.
 - Q. Just so that I'm clear, I believe what you're saying is that, during at least some of the 53 meetings that you had with the Gibson Dunn lawyers, King & Spalding lawyers were present; is that accurate?
 - A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
 - 8 Q. You've testified that you had 53 meetings with
 9 Chevron's lawyers from November 2012 to November 2013. Can
 10 you tell us how many meetings you've had with Chevron's
 11 lawyers since November 2013?
 - 12 A. I do not have the specific information regarding 13 your question, but in general terms, I counted 53 meetings 14 total with the participation of migration lawyers, my 15 personal lawyer, Mr. Clayman and some other people.
 - Q. Fifty-three times over what time period?
 - 17 A. You said it a couple of minutes ago:
 - 18 November 2012 to November 2013.

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- 19 Q. It was a miscommunication. What I'm now asking 20 you is: How many meetings have you had with Chevron's 21 attorneys since November 5, 2013?
- 22 A. If you allow me to tell you that immediately after 23 the deposition in the RICO Case--
- 24 THE INTERPRETER: I was just waiting for him. 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you could restart your

10:20 1 A. The statements--are you referring to the 2 discussions I've had with Chevron representatives, or are 3 you referring to my sworn statement?

Q. We went through 20 statements. Some were recorded conversations with Chevron, some were deposition transcripts, some were declarations, some were trial transcripts. Is it your statement today that your

8 statements regarding the Lago Agrio Case have always been 9 consistent, that you have always told the same story the 10 same way every time?

11 A. The specific answer to your question is yes. And 12 if the Tribunal allows me, I would like to elaborate.

Certainly, the recorded conversations that I had
initially with Chevron representatives include some
inconsistencies, some discrepancies, but in the sworn
statements that I signed myself or ratified or

17 authenticated myself with my signature, those statements do 18 not include them any discrepancies or inconsistencies.

19 Q. As a prefatory matter and to be clear, you do not 20 claim to have had any involvement at all in the Court of 21 Appeals Decision in respect to the Lago Agrio Case; isn't 22 that correct?

23 A. Yes, sir.

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Q. And you had no knowledge about the Court of

25 Appeals Decision-making process--isn't that

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10:18 1 answer because we lost the interpretation.

2 THE WITNESS: Would you please repeat your 3 question?

4 BY MR. BLOOM:

- 5 Q. On how many occasions have you met with Chevron's 6 attorneys since November 5, 2013?
- A. Up to when, sir? Can you please specify the date between after November 5th and until when?
 - Q. Until today.
- 10 A. Based on my recollection, I did not have any other 11 meetings.

After my commitment to testify in New York before
Judge Kaplan, after that, I did not have any meetings with
Gibson Dunn lawyers. The ones immediately following were
King & Spalding lawyers as I just mentioned.

- Q. You testified on direct that you have a habit of writing down relevant information, including of meetings.
- 18 Are you still writing down the dates of meetings that you 19 have with attorneys?
 - A. Yes, I usually do that.
- 21 Q. Now, you previously recognized, sir, that some of 22 your statements found in that binder that we just went
- 23 through have not always been consistent. Would you agree
- 24 with me that your statements have not always been
- 25 consistent?

- 10:22 1 correct?--specifically as it relates to the Lago Agrio 2 Case.
 - 3 A. Would you please restate your question, to better 4 understand it.
 - Q. I think your prior answer was sufficient.Nor have you ever claimed to have had any

7 involvement at all in the National Court's Decision; is 8 that correct?

- A. Of course, that is correct.
- 10 Q. In fact, you were in the United States at the time 11 that Decision was issued; right? In November of 2013?
 - A. Yes, I was already in the United States.
- 13 Q. And with respect to the underlying Lago Agrio
- 14 Case, am I correct that you understood that Chevron had
- 15 tried for years to slow down those proceedings?
- 16 A. I did have that understanding, and that was also 17 an understanding that was shared by the Plaintiffs.
- 18 Q. The Claimants recognized that they were trying to 19 slow down the Lago Agrio proceedings?
- 20 A. In the opinion of the Plaintiffs Chevron was 21 trying to extend the Lago Agrio process--proceeding. The
- 22 intention of the Plaintiffs was to continue with it in a
- 23 streamline fashion.
- Q. When you refer to the word "Claimants," whom are you referring to? And I ask this, sir, so that you

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10:25 1 understand, for purposes of this arbitration, Chevron and 2 Texaco Petroleum are the Claimants, and it may be when you 3 are referring to "Claimants" that you are referring to 4 Chevron in this arbitration or you may be referring to--

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Q. --you may be referring to Chevron in this proceeding or to the Plaintiffs in the Lago Agrio Case.

So, I need to know--rather than use the word "Claimants," if you could be a little bit more specific.

So let me ask it this way: It was your 11 understanding that Chevron was trying to delay the 12 adjudication of the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that correct?

13 A. If you allow me, and to clarify this question, 14 when we are referring to Lago Agrio, I am referring to 15 Plaintiffs, and that those represented by Mr. Yanza, 16 Donziger, and Fajardo. And yes, in the opinion of both Mr. 17 Zambrano, at that time, as well as the Plaintiffs

18 represented by Mr. Fajardo and others, in their opinion, 19 Chevron was delaying, slowing down or was intending to slow

down that proceeding.

Q. And you agreed with the opinion that Chevron was 22 trying to slow down those proceedings; isn't that correct?

A. I shared the view and the intention of the 24 Plaintiffs represented by Fajardo and others, and clearly I 25 had the same opinion.

10:29 1 justification, from their point of view, of the existence 2 of fundamental errors, right?"

> That was your opinion in June of 2012, sir, was it 4 not?

A. Id you allow me, upon reading the document, that 5 6 confirms my earlier position in the sense that the

7 translation is not exactly exactas expressed in 8 Spanish--when, for example, you are saying fundamental

9 errors, I was saying that they are essential errors. Well, 10 but in any case, if you allow me, that confirms that indeed

11 I was informed of the daily process, precisely because to 12 be able to draft the rulings, the Court orders in the

13 Chevron case as asked by Mr. Zambrano, I needed to have the 14 statements by the Parties on a weekly basis or whenever it

15 was necessary to make an order statement.

16 So, because of this I was--that statement of mine 17 indeed is an appraisal, a position of mine because I 18 noticed that, that specific conduct by Chevron, just as I also noticed the conduct to speed up the proceeding by the representatives of the Plaintiffs against Chevron.

21 Q. Sir, my question was: That was your opinion in 22 June 2012? Is the answer yes, that was your opinion in 23 June 2012?

24 A. That is what I stated, and that was my opinion.

Q. And I'm going to ask you, sir, to listen very

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Q. And you believed that Chevron was trying to 10:27 1 2 generate as many legal issues as possible to help it 3 justify the existence of fundamental errors; correct?

A. Under Ecuadorian law, those are essential errors, 5 and I did share that opinion, yes.

Q. And when you spoke with Chevron's representatives 7 in your very first meeting in June of 2012, you, in fact, told them that Chevron was playing games in the Lago Agrio Case, did you not?

A. I told them what is stated in the recording. I do 11 not remember saying "playing games." I don't remember 12 saying that.

Q. You said: "The attorneys from Chevron would bitch 13 14 over everything, right? We call it 'generating incidents.' 15 They generated incidents about everything. They liked 16 nothing. Approved nothing. If there were two lines in a 17 court order containing ten lines--damn! They would say, 18 'we agree with half of this line and half of the other,

19 what it says. As for the rest, we oppose it because of 20 this, that, and the other.' Meaning, they created

21 incidents, but the whole issue was aimed at delaying.

22 Damn! I hope that, because of them, the trial will be

23 delayed 100 years. First point. And second point,

24 obviously, they were very interested in generating 25 incidents which, which would definitely cause the

10:32 1 carefully to my questions and to answer only my questions.

2 Your counsel will have an opportunity to ask you questions 3 on redirect.

Now, you also advised Chevron's representatives 5 that "the administration never influenced the process"; 6 isn't that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. In fact, you also said that they never butted in. 8 9 Your quote was, "during this whole time, the administration 10 never butted in." That was your statement to Chevron's 11 representatives; is that correct?

A. That is correct. But that is my position. My 13 position is that the Government did not intervene.

Q. And you also stated that the Government never 15 sought to influence the process "during this whole time." 16 That was what you told Chevron; correct?

A. Yes. 17

O. You also called the administration "idiots." You 18 19 said: "These guys are idiots, but the truth, the truth, I 20 attest, damn, they never got involved." That was also your 21 position and your understanding; correct?

A. Yes, that is the way in which I understood things. 22

23 Q. Now, you also said that there was a time, a long 24 time ago, that a prior Attorney General of Ecuador spoke to

25 you and thought that, if anything, the case should be shut

10:34 1 down. So, that wasn't on behalf of the Plaintiffs;

2 correct?

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MR. KEHOE: Objection. That's a confusing question. I don't understand it at all.

MR. BLOOM: I would like to see if the Witness understands it. 6

MR. KEHOE: Okay.

THE WITNESS: Yes, I also talked about that 9 specific matter. I was talking about the Attorney General 10 of the State when I was the Presiding Judge of the Court of 11 Justice; and, consequently, I was the first judge in the 12 Chevron Case.

13 BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. So, no one in the administration, to your 15 knowledge, ever sought to intervene on behalf of the 16 Plaintiffs, but there was a single phone call back in about 17 2003 suggesting that maybe you dismiss the case on behalf 18 of Chevron: is that correct?
- A. Yes. 19
- 20 Q. Before we get too specific as it relates to the 21 general allegations that are contained in your Declaration,
- 22 I want to address some general matters first about your
- 23 testimony regarding the Lago Agrio Case. Is that okay?
 - A. Yes, please.
- Repeat your question or your statement.

10:38 1 connection with who, indeed, in truth wrote that judgment.

- Q. And, sir, we will deal with those other pieces of 3 evidence I think you're referring to during the course of
- 4 this examination. But what I was simply asking here is you
- 5 have nothing from Judge Zambrano himself, whether it's by
- 6 e-mail or by written correspondence, indicating that he was 7 letting someone else write the Sentencia; am I correct on
- 8 that?
- 9 A. Yes. As far as I know, there isn't.
- 10 Q. And nor do you have any written communication from
- 11 the Plaintiffs, from Mr. Donziger, from Mr. Fajardo,
- 12 whether by e-mail, whether by handwritten notes of any
- 13 kind, indicating that the Plaintiffs had written or
- 14 intended to draft any part of the Judgment?
 - A. I know that those pieces of evidence do not exist.
- Q. Nor do you have any recorded conversations with 16
- 17 anybody--Judge Zambrano, Mr. Donziger, Mr. Fajardo, or any
- 18 of Plaintiffs' counsel--suggesting that the Plaintiffs and
- 19 Zambrano reached an agreement to let the Plaintiffs write
- 20 the Sentencia?

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- A. In that regard, I don't have any recording, but I 21
- 22 do have a real personal memory that Mr. Zambrano did say
- 23 that to me.
- 24 Q. I understand, and we'll talk about your
- 25 recollections. Again, I'm going to ask you to listen to

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Q. Am I correct, sir, that it is your testimony that 10:36 1 2 Judge Zambrano allowed the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs to draft 3 the Lago Agrio Judgment?

- A. You are entirely correct.
- Q. Would you also agree with me, however, that the 6 early drafts of the Lago Agrio Judgment have been found on 7 Judge Zambrano's computer? You don't disagree with that, do you?
- 9 A. According to press releases, I know that those 10 documents, those drafts, were found in the computer that 11 Judge Zambrano used at the Court of Justice, not in his 12 personal computer.
- Q. And would you also agree with me, sir, that no 13 14 draft of the Judgment has ever been found on your computer?
- A. Yes, that is correct. 15
- 16 Q. And you have not provided any hard-copy draft of 17 the Judgment to Chevron or to this Tribunal?
- A. That is correct. 18
- 19 Q. And you also have nothing in writing from Judge
- 20 Zambrano--no e-mail, no correspondence, no notes--in which
- 21 he tells you that someone other than Judge Zambrano himself
- 22 drafted the Judgment?
- 23 A. A specific document in that regard certainly does
- 24 not exist, but in that context, there are other pieces of
- 25 evidence, other indicia that lead us to that conclusion in

- 10:40 1 the questions. That question was limited to recorded 2 conversations.
 - A. Yes, there are no recorded conversations in my 4 possession in that regard.
 - Q. Do you have any documentary evidence showing that 6 Judge Zambrano ever received even a single dollar from 7 Plaintiffs' counsel?
 - A. I do not, sir. No.
 - 9 Q. At no time--in 2009, 2010, 2011 or after--at no
 - 10 time, do you have any evidence of any payment to Judge
 - 11 Zambrano from Plaintiffs; correct?
 - A. I do not have any document, no.
 - Q. And while you say that you edited the draft 13
 - 14 Sentencia, there is no electronic evidence that shows that
 - 15 you actually edited the Lago Agrio Judgment, is there?
 - 16 A. There isn't, because precisely the forensic
 - 17 analysis of the computer that I worked on was not
 - 18 conducted.

- 19 Q. And you haven't produced any handwritten edits 20 made by you to a draft of the Lago Agrio Judgment; am I
- 21 correct?
- A. Yes, sir. 22
- 23 Q. Okay. Now, may we turn to your allegation that
- 24 Judge Zambrano paid you money to help him while he was a
- 25 judge. Could we just turn to that subject?

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In your November 17th, 2012, Declaration--and if 10:42 1 2 you need to look at it, it is at Tab 14 at Paragraph 7, but 3 I will read it for you and have the Court Reporter or Court 4 Interpreter translate.

You say--and let me give you a moment to look at it. And again, sir, it's Tab 14, Paragraph 7.

- A. The document you are making reference to is in 8 English. If we could have a copy in Spanish.
- 9 Q. There should be a Spanish version for you. Can 10 you confirm that, sir?

MR. BLOOM: May we approach the Witness? 11

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course you may. And I think 12 13 he may need a permanent helper.

It is, in fact, in the Claimants' bundle. It's 15 the first document in the Direct-Examination Bundle. If 16 that could be found for him, we could move on. But I can't 17 see the Spanish in the Respondent's bundle. It seems to be 18 missing.

19 You mean it was there? I will look again. I'm

20 sorry.

(Comments off microphone.) 21

22 BY MR. BLOOM:

23 Sir, you said: "After he was appointed judge of 24 the Sucumbios Court, Mr. Zambrano and I reached a financial

25 agreement in which I would help him by writing writs and

10:46 1 BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. When you were first interviewed by Chevron in 3 June 2012, you said \$1,500 to \$2,000 a month; isn't that 4 right?
 - A. Yes, that is how I stated it.
- Q. And you were specifically asked in the New York 7 trial about your representation that Judge Zambrano paid 8 you 1,500 to \$2,000 a month, were you not?
- 9 A. Yes, I remember that they did that.
- 10 Q. And you acknowledged then, and I will quote: "I
- 11 did tell them, " meaning Chevron's representatives, "some
- 12 exaggerated things because it was my intention or for the 13 purpose of bettering or improving my position." That was
- 14 your testimony under oath, was it not? 15
 - A. Yes, sir, you are correct.
- Q. And can you confirm for me that when you said "I 17 did tell them some exaggerated things," you were referring
- 18 to Chevron: correct?
- 19 A. Yes. Chevron's representatives.
- 20 Q. You knew your statement to them was an
- 21 exaggeration?
- 22 A. Of course. I stated this at some point in time
- 23 and I ratify it today. I did not know them. I did not
- 24 trust them. I was trying to improve my position vis-à-vis
- 25 a forward-looking negotiation, so I, in some cases,

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10:45 1 rulings which Mr. Zambrano had to issue as judge in civil

2 cases assigned to him randomly, in exchange for

3 compensation, a payment 1,000 U.S. dollars per month

- 4 approximately, for this work. At that time I was dealing
- 5 with financial hardships after having been dismissed,
- 6 unjustifiably, from the Sucumbios Court of Justice, and for 7 this reason I agreed to this arrangement."

Now, sir, to be clear, you did not always contend 8 9 that you received \$1,000 every month, did you?

A. I'm stating that that was the content of the 11 agreement, and I am indicating that the commitment on my 12 part was to write the rulings for him and to receive from 13 him \$1,000 a month on a permanent basis.

14 THE INTERPRETER: Mr. Bloom, this is the 15 interpreter speaking. When you are referring to the paragraph, please indicate where you're reading, what line 17 or--it's difficult for me to find it otherwise.

18 Thank you.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, just be careful,

20 because as you read it and as the statement says, it's

21 "\$1,000 per month, approximately."

22 MR. BLOOM: I said that. 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: The first time you did, not the

24 second.

MR. BLOOM: Oh, okay.

10:48 1 exaggerated--possibly I lied in other cases--but that is 2 how the events transpired.

- Q. You lied because you thought it would be to your 4 advantage to lie; correct?
- A. I sought to be in a more important position after an agreement was reached with Mr. Zambrano. 6
- Q. Is it true, sir, that you have said a number of 8 things in this case that have not been true or that have 9 been exaggerations because you believed it was to your
- 10 advantage to do so?
- 11 A. Look, if you allow me, perhaps it's a genetic
- 12 thing in human beings or perhaps amongst Ecuadorians to try 13 to present a better image than what we really are vis-à-vis
- 14 individuals that we're just meeting for the first time.
- 15 And all the more so if they have the possibility of helping
- 16 us at some point in time or benefit us in some way.
- Q. You say that this arrangement between Judge 17
- 18 Zambrano and you started after he was appointed judge of 19 the Sucumbios Court. That was when?
- A. He was appointed judge of the Court in August 20 21 2008.
- 22 Q. And this arrangement continued until when?
- 23 Until the end of February 2012, when Judge
- 24 Zambrano was dismissed from his function.
 - Q. So, it lasted approximately three-and-a-half

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10:50 1 years?

- 2 A. That is correct, yes.
- Q. And if my math is correct, about 42 months?
- 4 A. Forty to 42 months, yes.
- 5 Q. Do you have evidence of 42 payments?
- A. I do not.

7 The evidence of the payments are the ones that I 8 have provided to Chevron. And specifically the reason for 9 that is that, in most instances, Judge Zambrano gave me

- 11 Q. So, you have evidence of exactly six of the 42 12 payments; correct?
- 13 A. If you say so, possibly that's the case.
- Q. And exactly how many months do we have payments of exactly \$1,000 supported by the evidence that you provided to Chevron that has since been provided to the Tribunal?
 - A. Could you please repeat the question.
- 18 Q. You said that there were 42--approximately 42
- 19 payments of approximately \$1,000. And my question to you,
- 20 sir, is, with respect to the evidence that you have
- 21 provided, how many times does that evidence support
- 22 payments of \$1,000?
- A. As far as I can recall--as far as I can
- 24 recall--there is no evidence supporting payments of exactly
- 25 \$1,000, but other amounts, yes.

10:54 1 A. Yes, sir.

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- Q. And if you had actually received \$1,000 or so a month for approximately 42 months you should have received
- 4 approximately \$42,000 from Judge Zambrano; would you agree 5 with me?
 - A. Yes. It is a mathematical thing.
- 7 Q. Now, let's look at these six dates again. The 8 Lago Agrio Judgment was issued on what day?
 - A. It was issued in February 2011.
 - Q. And the Clarification Order was issued when?
- 11 A. March of the same year.
- $\mbox{\em Q.} \quad \mbox{\em So, am I correct that each and every one of these}$
- 13 payments on the screen occurred at a time after Judge
- 14 Zambrano's role in the Lago Agrio Case had already ended?
- 15 A. The evidence shown on the table that I'm looking 16 at, yes, that's correct.
- 17 Q. All of these payments were made for the 12 months
- 17 Q. All of these payments were made for the 12 months
 18 after the Sentencia was issued: is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 MR. BLOOM: May I suggest we take our break now? 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do that.
- We're going to take a 15-minute break so that we
- 23 can all have a cup of coffee, including you. But what we
- 24 do ask is you don't discuss the case with anybody until you
- 25 come back before the Tribunal in 15 minutes' time. I'm

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10:52 1 As in the specific case of February 2012, when 2 Judge Zambrano makes a \$2,000 deposit to me.

- Q. So, we have a slide here that identifies the six payments. On June 24, 2011, the payment was for \$300.
- 5 Would you me agree with me that that is considerably less 6 than \$1,000?
- 7 A. Yes. 300 is 300, and 1,000 is 1,000. I 8 understand the difference perfectly well.
- 9 Q. And on June 27th, 2011, there was another payment 10 that you've identified of \$300; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And that also is significantly less than \$1,000;
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 15 Q. And on June 28th, 2011, you've offered evidence of
- 16 a payment of \$200, which is also significantly different
- 17 than \$1,000; correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And then on July 15, 2011, there was a payment of
- 20 \$500; correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And you would agree with me that there are also
- $\,$ 23 $\,$ payments or evidence of payments on October 14, 2011, and
- 24 February 24, 2012, of \$500 and \$2,000 respectively;
- 25 correct?

- 10:56 1 sure you will be looked after and a cup of coffee or a cup
 2 of tea will no doubt be welcome. But please don't discuss
 3 the case or your evidence.
 - 4 MR. KEHOE: President Veeder, I was remiss at the 5 outset for not introducing Charles Clayman sitting behind 6 me. He's Mr. Guerra's attorney.
 - 7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. You're 8 welcome here and, again, if you want to intervene,
 - 9 obviously, we'll hear your intervention at any stage.
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 - 10 So, 15 minutes, we will come back at quarter past 11 11:00.
 - 12 (Brief recess.)
 - 13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
 - 14 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Mr. Guerra, when we broke, we had this slide up that identifies the six payments allegedly provided to you
 - 17 by Mr. Zambrano, but this time I'd like us to take a closer
 - 18 look at the evidence that you and the Claimants have
 - 19 offered.
 - Now, three of the pieces of evidence we have are vour own handwritten notations; is that correct?
 - 22 A. Yes, that is correct.
 - 23 Q. And then other than your word, how do we know that
 - 24 Judge Zambrano, in fact, gave you money on these dates?
 - A. If you allow me, for example, on February 24th,

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- 11:16 1 2012, I remember that correctly, \$2,000, that went into the 2 savings account that I had or have with the Pichincha Bank.
 3 This is a very old account. The deposit receipt was signed 4 by Mr. Nicholas Zambrano, and I think that there is another 5 one dated June 24th, 2011, those \$300 were also deposited 6 by Mr. Nicholas Zambrano, and the deposit slip is also part 7 of the Record.
 - 8 Q. Let's look at the specific notations, the first 9 relating to the alleged payment on July 15, and here you 10 have a notation that \$500 was received from Nicolas. This 11 is your notation; correct?
 - A. Yes, that is correct.
 - Q. And I will represent--we will get to the bank records separately, but at least focusing on this document, you would want us to take your word that this \$500 came from Nicolas Zambrano; correct?
 - A. I say that I received \$500 from Nicolas Zambrano.
 - Q. And if we take a look at the next slide, there's a reference to having received \$2,000 from a Nicolas on 20 February 24, 2012; is that correct?
 - 21 A. This is Nicolas Zambrano. I ratify that, and the 22 date is correct, and the amount is also correct.
 - 23 Q. By the way, sir, do you perchance know anybody 24 else named Nicolas?
 - 25 A. No.

11:20 1 Q. And even if there were payments from Judge
2 Zambrano on these days, again different amounts other than
3 the \$1,000, we don't know what the money was for based on
4 your handwritten notations; isn't that correct?

- 5 A. I am saying in my sworn statement what the cause, 6 the grounds and the reason, and this was because of the 7 work I was conducting for his benefit.
- 8 Q. Right. So, we should relying on your word; 9 correct?
 - A. That is what is also shown by the facts.
- 11 Q. Now, we also have bank records with respect to the 12 three payments showing that you made deposits of \$300,
- 13 \$300, and \$200 in June of 2011, again four months, five 14 months after the Sentencia was issued.
- Now, these bank records do not indicate where you for the money; isn't that right?
- 17 A. I understand that there is no specific information 18 in that regard.
- 19 Q. Nor do the bank records show what any of this 20 money was for; correct?
- A. At one point I'd requested the bank to give me all
- ${\tt 22}\,$ of the information if possible, in connection with the
- 23 operations of deposits and debits in the account, the
- 24 moneys kept at that bank but there were in that account,
- 25 but there were some problems, and they did not provide all

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- 11:19 1 Q. Isn't your son-in-law's name Nicolas?
 - A. No, sir. My current son-in-law's name is Nick, it's not Nicolas. But, rather, Nick.
 - Q. Well, if we look at the next slide, which references a payment of \$500, this time you say it's from Nicolas Zambrano as distinguished from Nicolas; correct?
 - A. Yes. And what it says there, but the substance is the same. I am referring to the only Nicolas Augusto Zambrano Lozada that I know, and that was a former judge.
 - 10 Q. There is no e-mail thanking Mr. Zambrano, is 11 there?
 - 12 A. There is no e-mail.
 - Q. No electronic communication at all regarding these payments; correct?
 - 15 A. There is--it is what it is. What's there is 16 there.
 - Q. And you didn't tell anyone else about these payments who has vouched for you; isn't that also right?
 - 19 A. Back then I discussed it with Chevron's
 - 20 representative, and I also discussed this with my wife in
 - 21 particular about the income I had, and she was aware
 - $22\,\,$ because she knew what it for and where it came from.
 - Q. And she did not offer a witness statement to these proceedings; isn't that right?
 - A. That is correct. She didn't do it.

11:22 1 of the information.

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- Q. And if--even if these funds had been from Judge Zambrano, based exclusively on the records you produced and which are in this record, the money could have been a loan to you; correct?
- A. No, not at all. Judge Nicolas Zambrano did not loan me any money, not a single penny at no time.
- 8 Q. And we should take your word for that; correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. In fact, you considered yourself very good friends 11 with Judge Zambrano over many years?
 - A. We had a good relation for about ten years.
- Q. Now, sir, you were financially struggling in 2011, 14 were you not?
- 15 A. Back then, I as anyone else, needed some financial 16 resources to conclude with a housing project.
- Q. And in 2012, you told Chevron's investigators that wou had no savings; isn't that right?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 Q. And that you could not afford airfare to the
- 21 United States to visit your children who were then living
- 22 in the United States?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. How much money did you have in the bank at that
- 25 time? Did you have even a thousand dollars?

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- 11:25 1 A. I do not remember.
 - Q. In fact, according to your July 2011 bank statement, you had all of \$146 in your bank account; isn't that correct?
 - A. If it's stated in the bank statement, it is correct.
 - 7 Q. Now, sir, are you aware that even Chevron's own 8 expert, Adam Torres, concluded that your claim of receiving 9 \$1,000 a month from Judge Zambrano, "is not entirely 10 consistent with statements made by Guerra during prior 11 recorded conversations"? Are you aware of that?
 - A. No, sir, I was not aware.
 - Q. Now, given that the February 24, 2012 payment,
 according to your notation, took place an entire year after
 Judge Zambrano's Lago Agrio Court Judgment was issued,
 would you agree that that alleged payment was not related
 to any work you allegedly did in connection with the
 environmental case?
 - A. This last payment, as well as the previous one, ones to that date and also the ones after March 2011 were obviously payments made to me by Mr. Zambrano on a regular basis for the work that I conducted drafting the rulings in civil cases that he had been assigned to him through the raffle system.
 - Q. Other than the Lago Agrio Case; correct?

11:29 1 document or incorporates it into the case record, that

- $\,$ 2 $\,$ document is provided to the Secretary of the Court in its
- 3 original form, and in as many copies as there are parties.
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{4}}$ If there are only two parties, there might be a need to
- 5 submit extra copies, so that even one of them is stamped,
- 6 with what we call a certificate of filing. This
- 7 documentation is provided to the Clerk so that the Clerk's
- 8 Office may enter this into the record or the proceeding,
- 9 and that's it. At no time does the Judge receive from the
- 10 Parties to the proceeding, from the counsel, or their
- 11 representatives any documents. That is done through the 12 Clerk's Office.
- Q. So, how can the Judge resolve disputed issues if he doesn't receive from the Party a duplicate copy of the court submission?
- 16 A. Let me explain. Immediately after the litigant 17 submits to the Clerk's Office the corresponding document, 18 the Clerk's Office gives the litigant submitting the
- 19 document a receipt evidencing the receipt of the document.
- 20 The Clerk of that case has the obligation to include in
- 21 chronological order that document into the file, and then
- 22 it has to number each one of the pages of the file.
 23 Once that was done, the original file is
- 24 physically submitted to the Judge of the case, so that the
- 25 Judge may rule as he or she deems fit, study the issue, and

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- 11:27 1 A. Yes, the Lago Agrio Case concluded in March 2011 2 for Judge Zambrano.
 - Q. Just so that the record is clear, so that the payments received beginning in June of 2011 going through February of 2012 were unrelated to the Lago Agrio Case;

6 correct?

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- 7 A. The payments that I received from Mr. Zambrano 8 starting in April 2011 to February 2012 had no connection 9 with the Chevron Case.
- Q. Now, sir, you say that you used to send packages to Judge Zambrano in relation to the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. And in your November 17, 2012 Declaration, you 15 stated, "another mechanism we would use, less frequently,
- 16 is that Mr. Zambrano would send me the documents in freight
- 17 packages on TAME airline, and I would return them in the
- 18 same manner, via shipment on the same airline, TAME." And 19 that's still your testimony; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. Now, maybe you could help me understand something.
- 22 When a party makes a submission to the Court in Sucumbios,
- 23 does it file just one copy, or is a duplicate copy also
- 24 provided to the Judge?
 - A. Yes, well--when a party to a proceeding submits a

- 11:32 1 make the decision that he or she sees fit.
 - Q. So, the Judge actually receives the original copy when it's time for the Judge to rule on a matter?
 - A. Correct.

- 5 Q. And then the Judge is supposed to return it to the 6 Clerk?
 - A. Immediately thereafter, yes.
- Q. Does a party who wants a copy of the submission deemed official get the copy stamped by the Clerk?
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- 10 A. Yes. 11 Yes, allow me please--allow me, it is necessary
- 12 for me to clarify this matter.
- Once the Judge takes cognizance of the petition evidenced in the latest writ presented by the litigant, the
- 15 Judge issues an order, the corresponding administrative
- 16 order via a procedural mechanism known as a decree in
- 17 Ecuador. This ruling--ruling is a general term--I'm using
- 18 the term "ruling" as a general term, Providencia in
- 19 Spanish, the decree specific--this Decree is used by the
- 20 Judge to notify the opposing party of the contents of the
- 21 document that the Judge is deciding on, and the Judge
- 22 issues decisions in connection with whatever it is that the
- 23 Party requested in the writ, in the documents.
- 24 For example, this needs to be sent to the Ministry
- 25 of Agriculture, whatever is relevant.

So that once the Clerk's Office notifies the 11:34 1 2 contents of the Decree issued by the Judge, the opposing 3 party gains knowledge of the decision by the Judge--aside 4 from becoming aware of the judge's order--and it receives 5 the original copy, so to speak, of the document submitted 6 by the other Party.

O. And let me just stick with this subject just a 8 little bit longer and allow my question to be just a little 9 bit more precise.

How does a party prove receipt of, let's say, a 11 motion that it submits to a Court? Does it get back a copy 12 of the motion with a receipt stamp on the submission?

- A. Yes. The Party receiving the document that has 14 been submitted by the opposing party generally receives it 15 with a certificate of submission that the Clerk's Office 16 put on the document once the document was received.
- O. And is that certificate of submission different 18 from the stamp that is put on the official copy?
 - A. No. Usually, everything is exactly the same.
- 20 Q. We have seen stamps that are circular. When 21 documents are filed before the Court, they appear to be the 22 official copy. And then we have also seen stamps that are 23 not in circles, indicating it's been received, and my

24 question is whether or not there is a significance to those 25 two different stamps. And perhaps I can show you after

11:39 1 specifically testified that you sent Court documents, 2 including Court files, relevant to the Lago Agrio Case 3 through the airline carrier TAME; correct?

A. Yes, that is correct.

Q. So, I want to put on the screen the list of the 6 TAME packages that Chevron has identified in this 7 arbitration as coming from you, and I want to walk through 8 these one at a time.

Now, to be clear, you've identified 11 packages 10 from you directly to Judge Zambrano through TAME, and we 11 have the 11 on the screen. There were also other shipments 12 that did not go to Judge Zambrano, and we will go through 13 these too, but I believe these are the 11 that you've 14 identified that went to Judge Zambrano.

15 I would like to work from the bottom up, and 16 you'll see on the slide before you one shipment of 17 February 28, 2012.

And other than your word, we don't know what you 18 19 were sending to Judge Zambrano, whether you were sending 20 books, a postcard, a thank you for lending him money, or 21 whether you were paying him back for a loan, do we? All we

22 know is you sent him something on February 28, 2012? A. On February 28, 2012, I sent him the originals or 23

24 a number of files with the relevant judgments.

What's more, at that date, for whatever reason, I

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11:36 1 lunch, if you have any questions.

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A. Look, unfortunately, up until the time when I was 3 a judge in Ecuador, as far as I know, there was no 4 administratively obligatory norm, talking about within the 5 judiciary, whereby the shape of the seals was to be 6 determined to the degree that especially in the Oriente 7 Region in Ecuador, a region far away from the capital, 8 oftentimes the Clerk or the Judge took money out of his or 9 her own pocket to have a seal made. We're talking about 10 places that are not very sophisticated. We're talking 11 about ordinary seals that had a rubber base, and then the 12 handle is made of wood.

Later on, in the capital, in the large cities' 14 courts, the clerks used seals that were a little bit more 15 sophisticated, for example, numbering seals that were made 16 of metal, and they were quite elegant. But the judiciary 17 itself did not provide, at least to the Lago Agrio courts, 18 not even seals. Everyone there had to do as best they 19 could, but there were seals.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, let's come back to 21 this after the lunch with the two examples you had in mind. 22 We saw them yesterday.

23 MR. BLOOM: I agree.

24 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Sir, coming back to the TAME shipments, you have

11:41 1 kept with me four or five cases that I was not able to send 2 to him because I had not finished the relevant judgments.

The cases I'm making reference to that I was not 4 able to send on February 28 I delivered personally in early 5 March to the Clerk of the Court at that time.

- Q. Now, I want to be crystal clear here. This 7 shipment was made more than a year after the Sentencia was 8 issued in Lago Agrio; correct? February 28, 2012?
 - A. Correct.

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- O. And what you were sending to Judge Zambrano had 11 nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case; correct?
- A. No, but it did have to do with the work he 13 performed as a judge in the civil cases.
- Q. And the October 3, 2011, shipment had nothing to 15 do with the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that correct?
- A. Yes, not with the Chevron Case, but yes, with the 16 17 court cases of Mr. Zambrano's.
- Q. And again, I understand that you'll have an 19 opportunity when your counsel asks you questions, but I'd 20 like you to confine your answers to the questions that I'm 21 asking.

22 You would agree with me, sir, that the shipment of 23 September 27, 2011, didn't have anything to do with the

24 Lago Agrio Case; isn't that right?

A. Yes, sir.

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- 11:43 1 Q. And the shipment of July 5, 2011, had nothing to 2 do with the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that also correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - 4 Q. And would you agree with me that the shipment of
 - 5 May 30, 2011, had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case?
 - A. Correct.
 - 7 Q. And the shipment of May 24, 2011, was postdated
 - 8 the Sentencia by three months also had nothing to do with
 - 9 the Lago Agrio Case; would you agree with me?
 - .0 A. Yes, sir, that is correct, I agree.
 - 11 Q. And on April 21, 2011, you would agree with me,
 - 12 sir, that that shipment also had nothing to do with the
 - 13 Lago Agrio Case?
 - 14 A. That's correct.
 - 15 Q. And then the March 8th, 2011, shipment similarly
 - 16 had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that also
 - 17 correct?
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. Now, sir, as to the July 22, 2010, shipment, that
 - 20 was an earlier package to Judge Zambrano. Do you see that
 - 21 on the screen? The very first one?
 - 2 A. July 22, 2010. I do see it.
 - Q. And you're not contending that that shipment had
 - 24 anything to do with the Lago Agrio Case, did you?
 - 25 A. I am not. I'm not maintaining that.

11:46 1 environmental case?

- A. The documents--the shipments that I made to
- 3 Mr. Zambrano directly to his name or indirectly via third
- 4 parties are part of the list that I believe is included in 5 the proceedings. The list that was provided by TAME, the
- 6 airline company.
 - Q. This February 11, 2011, shipment could not have
- 8 been related to the Lago Agrio Case because that was only 9 three days before the Sentencia was issued, and you have
- 10 repeatedly testified under oath that your work on the
- 11 Judgment was allegedly completed a least a couple of weeks
- 12 prior to then; isn't that correct?
 - A. Yes, that is correct.
- Q. So, you can confirm that none of the shipments
- 15 directly to Judge Zambrano for which Claimants have offered 16 the evidence in this arbitration relate to the Lago Agrio
- 17 Case specifically. Could you confirm that for me, sir?
- 18 A. It seems to me, if you allow me, I would like to
- 19 tell you that I think there are a couple of shipments that $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1$
- 20 are--

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- Q. I will certainly allow you to answer, but I
- 22 thought you just confirmed for me one by one under oath
- 23 that none of these shipments related to the Lago Agrio
- 24 Case. That was your testimony over the last ten minutes,
- 25 was it not?

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- 11:44 1 Q. In fact, Judge Zambrano was not the Presiding 2 Judge of the environmental case at the time of the
 - 3 shipment; isn't that also right?
 - A. Your statement is correct.
 - 5 Q. He first served as Presiding Judge from
 - 6 October 2009 to March of 2010, so this July payment came
 - $\ensuremath{\text{7}}$ about four months after he had stopped serving his first
 - 8 term; you would agree with me? I'm sorry, I misspoke.
 - 9 He served first as Presiding Judge from
 - 10 October 2009 to March 2010, so this July shipment came
 - 11 about four months after he had stopped serving his first
 - 12 term, would you agree with me?
 - A. Yes.
 - 14 Q. And he began serving as Presiding Judge again
 - 15 when? In October of 2011--I'm sorry, October 2010;
 - 16 correct?

- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. So, this package was sent almost three months
- 19 prior to him beginning his second term as Presiding Judge;
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes, sir. Correct.
- Q. Now, Mr. Guerra, can you confirm for me that there
- 23 was, however, one instance in which you offered evidence
- 24 that you sent a package directly to Judge Zambrano through
- 25 TAME while he served as the Presiding Judge of the

- 11:48 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can we just let the Witness 2 finish his answer because I wasn't quite clear that he went 3 as far as that.
 - 4 Please complete the answer that you were beginning 5 to give.
 - THE WITNESS: Yes.
 - 7 In order for me to better understand this, I'm
 - 8 going to ask to be shown the document that TAME sent in
 - 9 connection with the shipments.
 - 10 MR. KEHOE: It is Attachment F, like "Frank," as 11 an attachment to the November 17, 2012, Declaration.
 - 12 THE WITNESS: If you allow me, according to the
 - 13 copy of the original document and the certification that
 - 14 was provided to me at the date indicated here,
 - 15 9 October 2012, by the Legal Directorate of TAME in the
 - 16 City of Quito, in the first two boxes dated
 - 17 November 19 2009 and November 29 2009, shipments of
 - 18 documents that I made of documents to Mr. Zambrano, but
 - 19 that, on instructions by Mr. Zambrano, I sent to Narcisa
 - 20 Leon, who receives them and delivers them.
 - 21 This one--I believe it's important that I mention
 - 22 shipments in particular because at those dates I sent to
 - $23\,$ Mr. Zambrano documents related to rulings in connection
 - 24 with the Chevron Case. This item, if you allow me, is
 - 25 corroborated because, in the relevant rulings that I'm

11:51 1 making reference to, well, those were located in my 2 computer and are dated one day before this shipment, and 3 the rulings issued by Mr. Zambrano during the proceedings 4 were issued one or two days immediately after this date. So, this confirms that I did send documents 6 related to the Chevron Case to Mr. Zambrano, all this

7 looking at it from a context, with all due respect.

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BY MR. BLOOM:

9 Q. Sir, my question that was pending that you did not 10 answer was relative to the 11 shipments made directly to 11 Judge Zambrano. We will get to the other shipments.

With respect to these 11 shipments directly to 13 Judge Zambrano, you have confirmed that ten of them were 14 made after the Sentencia was issued and had nothing to do 15 with the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that correct?

A. Yes, sir. 16

- 17 Q. And you have testified that the July 22, 2010, 18 shipment had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case and that Judge Zambrano was not even Presiding Judge at that 20 time; would you agree with me, sir?
- A. Yes, that's correct.
- 22 Q. And you also testified that the February 11
- 23 shipment of 2011 also had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio
- 24 Case. In fact, you've testified previously that all of
- 25 your work as related to the case had ended weeks before;

11:56 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

> 2 BY MR. BLOOM:

- 3 Q. Sir, I'm going to ask you to read the dates of 4 these nine Orders.
- A. Yes. The first one, if you allow me, the first 6 one is dated 20 October 2009; November 20, 2009; 7 December 1st, 2009; 7 December 2009.
- Q. May I ask you to stop for a moment because we're 9 going to have a little bit of a difference.

Let me offer up as Slide 26 the issuance dates of 11 these nine Orders, and I will quickly read them into the

12 record. They're October 21, 2009; November 23, 2009; 13 November 30, 2009; December 7, 2009; December 14, 2009;

14 January 5, 2010; January 19, 2010; February 2, 2010; and 15 February 18, 2010.

16 And again so that the record is clear, these are 17 the dates of the nine Lago Agrio Orders that, according to

18 Chevron, correlate to the nine Orders found on your hard 19 drive.

20 Now, I wanted to ask you, sir, some questions back 21 to the TAME shipments.

The October 21, 2009, Order was issued well before 23 any of your TAME shipments to Mr. Zambrano; would you agree

24 with me?

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A. Allow me to tell you that I didn't understand your

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11:53 1 isn't that also correct?

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A. Yes, sir.

MR. BLOOM: And for the Tribunal's reference, at 4 our Tab 27 is where we have the TAME records.

BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. Now, Mr. Guerra, you understand that Chevron 7 claims to have found what it refers to as nine Draft Orders related to the Lago Agrio Case on your computer; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir. I wrote those rulings.
- 10 O. Could you turn to Tab 41 of your binder.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just help us with that number.

12 MR. BLOOM: Forty-one.

13 THE WITNESS: I cannot find that number.

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just wait a minute. We're all 15 having trouble.

MR. KEHOE: Eric, if it helps, they're Attachments 16 17 Q through Y in the white binder that he has in front of him as declarations.

19 MR. BLOOM: Thanks. Let's do that. That will be 20 easier.

21 BY MR. BLOOM:

22 Q. Mr. Guerra, did you hear Mr. Kehoe?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Would you stay there and make

24 sure that he's looking at the right tab. Tab Q.

MS. BEES: Yes, he's there.

11:59 1 question because I am confused. The first ruling--here it

2 says 20. Let's see. The first ruling says

3 20 October 2009. That is what the contents of my computer 4 indicate. But over there it says October 21st. Perhaps

5 it's the same, but the date is different.

In any case, from what I understand, this document 7 was prepared in my computer on 20 October 2009 at 7:24. I don't know if it was a.m. or p.m.

Q. My question is whether this shipment--strike that. We've gone through all of the shipments directly

11 to Judge Zambrano. Again, we will get to the other

12 shipments. In fact, can we show the slide of the shipments

13 to Judge Zambrano. And you will see here the earliest

14 shipment, of which you have produced evidence for this

15 proceeding, to Judge Zambrano was July 22, 2010. That's

16 the first evidence of any shipment directed to Judge

17 Zambrano was July 22, 2010.

Would you agree with me, sir, that what you call a 19 "Draft Order" of October of 2009 well pre-dated your first

20 shipment directly to Judge Zambrano?

21 A. I agree.

22 Q. Now, these are the dates that the Orders were

23 actually issued. So the first shipment to Judge Zambrano

24 of which you have evidence was July of 2010. The Order of

25 October 21 was issued well before then; would you agree

12:02 1 with me?

MR. KEHOE: Objection. Mischaracterizes his 3 testimony. I didn't object previously because counsel said 4 "directly" each time. There was no evidence of a shipment 5 directly to Judge Zambrano. Here, he did not, and the 6 Witness has clearly testified that he would send them 7 indirectly through the intermediaries, and that's why I 8 object to that question.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, can you rephrase the 10 question?

11 BY MR. BLOOM:

O. And, sir, when I'm talking about shipments to 13 Judge Zambrano, I'm referring to shipments made directly to 14 Judge Zambrano. I want you to understand that.

Would you agree with me, sir, that the first 16 shipment of which you have evidence that went to Judge

17 Zambrano--and again, I mean directly to Judge

18 Zambrano--happened in July 2010, some nine months after

19 this October 21, 2009, Order was issued from the Lago Agrio

20 Court?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. In fact, there are a total of six Lago Agrio

23 Orders issued in 2009 that Chevron contends that you wrote,

24 but I want you to confirm for me that each of these six

25 Orders was issued well before any evidence of any shipments

12:06 1 any of the shipments made directly to Judge Zambrano which

2 began in July of 2010?

A. Yes, sir. Q. In fact, all nine of these Lago Agrio Orders were

5 issued by the Court prior to the first shipment of which 6 you have offered evidence that went directly to Judge

7 Zambrano: isn't that also correct?

A. I understand that that is the case.

9 Q. So, none of the shipments that went directly to 10 Judge Zambrano contained any of these nine Orders; isn't

11 that correct?

12 A. These Orders or most of these Orders were given 13 personally by me to Mr. Zambrano.

Q. Now, you and Chevron have identified 12 additional 15 packages from you to people other than Judge Zambrano

16 through TAME; isn't that also correct?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And three of them went not to Lago Agrio but to

19 Coca, which is a couple-of-hour car drive from Lago Agrio;

20 isn't that also right?

A. Some shipments were sent to Coca, but they are

22 unrelated to Lago Agrio.

23 Q. So, now we are down to nine TAME shipments to talk

24 about.

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25 Now, you sent packages to Narcisa Leon, to Juan

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12:04 1 made directly to Judge Zambrano?

A. The nine Orders--rather, the nine drafts or the 3 contents of nine rulings related to the procedural dispatch 4 of the Chevron case that were found in my computer were 5 drafted in my computer by myself and sent to Judge Zambrano 6 for him to sign and send to the Parties--for him to sign 7 and send to the Parties and serve on the parties as his 8 own. I should say that, of the nine rulings in my computer

9 also include three or four additional rulings that I 10 drafted in Lago Agrio on a computer that was given to me

11 back then by Mr. Pablo Fajardo. And if you allow me, I

12 would like to conclude this by indicating in the first

13 stage I sent these rulings to Mr. Zambrano through third 14 parties because that is what he requested me.

Q. Sir, do you remember my question?

23 question.

16 A. Yes, yes. You--yes. You are trying to link the

17 time when these rulings were drafted to the time or the

18 moment when the documents were directly sent to

19 Mr. Zambrano, and clearly there are inconsistencies.

Q. Can you answer the question I asked, if you 21 remember it?

22 A. I consider that I have already answered your

Q. I asked you a timing question. I asked you

25 whether the six Orders that were issued in 2009 pre-dated

12:08 1 Jurado, Pedro Moreira Colorado and Fernando Albán and

2 Orlando Daza; isn't that correct?

A. Yes, sir, that is correct.

Q. And, sir, you have alleged that only the packages

5 to Albán and Leon related to the Lago Agrio Case; would you

6 agree with me? 7

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What is your relationship to Mr. Albán? 8

9 A. We have been friends and colleagues for several

10 years.

11 Q. Are you related to him by blood or marriage

12 afinidad?

A. No, sir. If you're referring to Mr. Fernando 13

14 Albán, the answer is no.

Q. Do you have a professional relationship with 15

16 Mr. Albán?

17 A. Currently, I do not.

18 Q. But in the past, you have published articles and

19 books with him, have you not?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And you wrote, was it an article or a book (in

22 Spanish)?

23 A. As you said, yes.

Q. And another called "Procedural reality of the

25 Judgment's enforcement?"

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- 12:11 1 A. Correct, yes.
 - Q. Have you ever given any seminars or presentations 3 with him?
 - A. No. With Mr. Albán, we wrote the legal book. We 5 promoted it and sold the books.
 - O. Did you attend with him the "Seminario de derecho 7 procesal el penal con leyes y codigos"?
 - A. I recall attending some seminars and courses 9 on--the ones that were promoted by the Government, the 10 Judiciary, the office of the Attorney General, or the 11 Office of the Prosecutor General.
 - O. Now, you have exactly seven--you have documentary 13 evidence of exactly seven TAME shipments to Mr. Albán, and 14 you will see them on the screen. And those shipments, sir, 15 were on what dates?
 - A. They are dated December 22, 2010, and up to 17 February 3rd, 2011.
 - Q. And am I correct, therefore, that each of the Lago 19 Agrio Orders found on your hard drive was issued by Judge
 - 20 Zambrano many months prior to any of these shipments to
 - 21 Dr. Albán?
 - 22 A. The Chevron Judgment was issued on
 - 23 February 14, 2011, and the rulings in that case or the
 - 24 Decrees that allowed for the continuation of the proceeding
 - 25 were issued around the dates stated in the rulings found in

12:17 1 ruling that I work on in the Chevron case, dated October 2 20, 2009, in which Judge Zambrano takes over the case, this 3 takes place, to me, October 20. From October 20, 2009 to 4 January--18 January 2010, well, maybe four or five months 5 went by.

I'm sorry if I misunderstood you.

- O. You can confirm, based on these dates, that none 8 of the shipments to Mr. Albán had anything to do with the 9 nine Lago Agrio Orders found on your hard drive; isn't that 10 correct?
- A. I cannot confirm that, but I can tell you that I 11 12 sent documentation to Mr. Albán for him to provide this 13 information to Mr. Zambrano. And as part of that
- 14 documentation, I would sen Chevron Case those times when it 15 was--when I received it, and the cases that belonged to
- 16 Mr. Zambrano as a judge.
- 17 Q. Is it your contention, sir, that you sent 18 something to Mr. Albán in December of 2010 for an Order 19 that was issued in January of 2010?
- 20 A. The dates are there. I don't want you to confuse 21 me, sir, with all due respect.
- Q. The first shipment directly to Mr. Albán was in
- 23 December of 2010. That came close to a year after the nine 24 Lago Agrio Orders were issued.
- My question to you, sir, is: Will you confirm for

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12:13 1 my computer.

- Q. Would you agree with me, sir, that each of these 3 shipments substantially postdated the issuance of the nine 4 Lago Agrio Orders found on your computer?
- A. We would need to review one by one in connection 6 with the shipment and the date, but I can assert and assure 7 you that I personally handed the rulings to Judge Zambrano because for the most part, that was our tradition.
- 9 O. The first of the shipments to Mr. Albán was on December 22, 2010; correct?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. If we can turn back to the slide of the nine Lago 13 Agrio Orders. Just a moment.

14 (Pause.)

- Q. So, the last of the Orders that you say were found 16 on your computer is dated February 18, 2010, and that's
- some ten months before your very first shipment of which
- 18 you have evidence that was sent directly to Fernando Albán; would you agree with me, sir?
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- A. Excuse me, did you say February 18, 2010?
- O. Correct, was the date of the actual order.
- A. Yes, I have it here. It says January 18th, 2010. 22
- So, that's 11 months before the first shipment
- 24 directly to Mr. Albán; isn't that correct?
- A. It might be like that. But--if we take the first

- 12:19 1 us that the shipments directly to Mr. Albán did not relate 2 to the nine Lago Agrio Orders you say were found on your 3 hard drive?
 - A. I should say that I cannot answer expressly 5 because I do not remember, and I do not remember because 6 you confuse me with the dates.
 - 7 Q. What are you confused about, sir? How can I help 8 you?
 - 9 A. Would you please tell me one detail at a time? 10 Please do not include several assertions in your question. 11 Just one at a time.
 - Q. I'm comparing two things, so if you'll forgive me, 13 there are two details I would like to share with you, okay? 14 The first detail is the first of the shipments to Mr. Albán 15 was December of 2010. Do you understand that, sir?
 - A. Yes, sir, I do understand that.
 - Q. Are you ready for the second detail? 17
 - 18 A. Yes, sir.
 - 19 MR. KEHOE: Mr. Guerra, what are you looking for? 20 THE WITNESS: I'm looking for the certification,
 - 21 TAME's certification.
 - If you allow me--would you please help me find it? 22 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, can you help him
 - 24 with the reference. We need to take this slowly.
 - MR. BLOOM: It's Attachment F to the white binder.

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12:21 1 THE WITNESS: This is Attachment F in the white 2 binder.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could somebody find it for the 4 Witness. It will save time.

MR. BLOOM: Or Tab 27 of Respondent's slides.

MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, would it help if we had

7 one of our attorneys sit next to Mr. Guerra and turn the 8 binders?

9 MR. BLOOM: We have no objection.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's not right for the Witness 10

11 to take time looking for documents.

12 So, bring up another chair.

13 MR. KEHOE: Okay.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Guerra, we're going to 15 provide you with an assistant to help you find the right

16 document. It's getting a bit dangerous because these

17 bundles are very heavy.

MR. KEHOE: Scoot over just a little. This is 18 19 Elizabeth Silbert.

20 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. So, Mr. Guerra, again, the two points that I would

22 like you to focus on, the two dates, are as follows: The

23 first is that the first of the TAME shipments directly to 24 Fernando Albán was December of 2010. Can you confirm that

25 now? You confirmed it earlier, but you wanted to look at

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A. December 22nd, 2010, correct.

Q. Then the second fact that I wanted you to focus on 4 is the last of the nine Lago Agrio Orders found in your

5 computer. We had February of 2010, you said January of 6 2010, but in either event, you would agree with me that

7 January or February of 2010 is ten or 11 months

before--before--your first shipment to Mr. Albán; correct?

9 A. I sent--I made the first shipment to Mr. Albán in 10 December 2010--that is clear--and this is also ratified 11 here by the document.

As to the rulings that you're referring to, the 13 dates are stated in the documents themselves. I cannot 14 tell you directly whether Ruling 1, 2, 3, 7 or 9 were sent 15 or not through TAME. What I can assure you is that all of 16 these documents, without any exceptions, including the ones 17 that I worked on Lago Agrio were used by Mr. Zambrano for 18 the Chevron Case.

19 Q. And, sir, you should feel free to look at the last 20 of the nine Orders found on your computer, and if you could

21 be kind enough to share with us the date of that. MR. BLOOM: I think he's looking at the Claimants'

23 binder. That's why I don't know why he's using it.

THE WITNESS: If you allow me, would you please

25 tell me the tab in your binder?

12:38 1 But I really have only a couple of questions on this.

Can you tell us or can you confirm for me that the 2 3 last of the nine Lago Agrio Orders that correlated to your 4 so-called "Draft Orders" was, in fact, issued in February 5 of 2010?

MR. BLOOM: If we can take a five-minute break.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a five-minute break

Again, we ask that you not discuss this case,

Q. Sir, we just handed to you Tab 41, and I--which

A. I was concerned with the first ruling that was

Q. And there may be some confusion, sir, because the

2 We're going to give out another binder that I think might

7 Mr. Guerra, during this five minutes away from the

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

14 contains the nine Lago Agrio Orders, and I wanted to ask

15 you, did you have time during this break to page through

18 delivered by you, 21 October 2009, in connection with the

22 ones that were prepared on your computer are in the white 23 binder provided by Chevron's counsel. The ones that are in

24 the black binder were the Orders as they were issued. So,

25 they might be different and the dates might be different.

19 one that I have as the first one worked, drafted in my

16 those Orders to look at the dates of those Orders?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

(Brief recess.)

BY MR. BLOOM:

A. Yes, sir, that is what is evidenced here.

Q. And that was approximately ten months before your 8 first shipment of which you have offered evidence directly 9 to Fernando Albán; is that correct?

10 A. Yes. sir.

11 Q. And as a result, we know that the seven shipments 12 to Albán beginning in December of 2010 had nothing to do 13 with the Lago Agrio Orders found on your computer; correct?

A. That is your statement, yes.

14 Q. Do you agree with my statement? I realize you 16 contend that you performed other work for Judge Zambrano,

17 but my question is very specific: Would you agree with me

18 that the seven shipments to Mr. Albán beginning in December

19 of 2010, that post-date by nearly a year the Lago Agrio

20 Orders found on your computer, can you confirm for me that

21 the shipments to Albán had nothing to do with the nine

22 Orders found on your computer?

23 A. If the dates that you're making reference to are 24 correct, yes, that is correct, your statement is correct.

Q. And you have never alleged that the shipments to

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- 12:40 1 Juan Jurado had anything to do with the Lago Agrio Case; 2 correct?
 - A. What name did you say? Excuse me? Juan Jurado?
 - 4 Q. Yes.

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- A. Yes. I maintained that the shipments sent to the City of Coca have nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case.
 - Q. Nor have you ever alleged that any of the shipments to Pedro Moreira had anything to do with the Lago Agrio Case; am I right?
- 10 A. Pedro Moreira. I cannot identify him. If they
 11 were sent to Lago Agrio, it is possible that they had to do
 12 with the case but if they were sent to the City of El Coca,
 13 most certainly they did not have anything to do.
- Q. So then, among all of the shipments of which you have offered evidence, we are left with just two unaccounted for packages, both of which went to Narcisa Leon. But as before, there is no document or electronic evidence or other contemporaneous evidence confirming that the package contained--let me withdraw that.
- As before, there is no documentary or electronic evidence indicating what was in these packages other than what you have indicated?
- A. I sent documents to Ms. Narcisa Leon for them to be delivered to Judge Zambrano. And, indeed, there is no other evidence. You will understand that I was not able to

- 12:45 1 about your shipments to Judge Zambrano; am I correct? You 2 weren't holding anything back?
 - 3 A. I didn't hold anything back. That documentation I 4 obtained officially from TAME.
 - Q. And you provided no other TAME records showing deliveries to Judge Zambrano or Mr. Albán or Narcisa Leon. You provided everything to us, did you not?
 - A. I provided everything that TAME certified to me.
 - 9 Q. Sir, let's talk a little bit about your
 - 10 travel--changing subjects--you have also offered testimony 11 affirming that you regularly traveled between Quito and
 - 12 Lago Agrio to work on the Court rulings for the
 - 13 environmental case; correct?
 - A. During Mr. Zambrano's second mandate, yes.
 - 15 Q. And we have on the screen, and if your assistant 16 wants to turn to Paragraph 45--I'm sorry, Paragraph 44 of
 - 17 his Witness Statement, that can be found at C-2358. It's 18 Tab 17 of our binder. It's also in the Claimants' binder.
 - 19 We also have the relevant language on the screen.
 - 20 Paragraph 44.
 - 21 And I will just read it for the record, and then
 - 22 we are going to discuss this for a little bit.
 - 23 You wrote, and you affirmed under oath: "From 24 that point forward, a modus operandi regarding my role as
 - 25 ghostwriter in the Chevron Case changed. Mr. Zambrano

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- 12:42 1 go to the TAME office and provide a detailed account
 2 saying, okay, I'm sending ruling for the case 2020 of A
 3 versus B. The only thing I said was documents are being
 - 5 Q. So, there is no other evidence, is what you said?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And you left the Court in 2008?
 - 8 A. Yes

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- 9 Q. So, we don't know whether you're sending documents 10 back to the Court that you may have had in your house now 11 that you were no longer a judge, again, other than your 12 testimony, other than your word; correct?
- A. When I left the Court--when I officially left the Court in early February 2008, I recall that I formally delivered all of the files that I had under me, and also all of the property--computers, equipment--that I had.

By May 2008 and going forward, I didn't have to go back to the Court or send documents that I owed the Court.

- 19 Q. Am I correct that neither Mr. Leon nor Mr. Albán
- $20\,$ has ever corroborated your allegations? No one has stepped
- 21 forward with a declaration or a witness statement saying 22 that they acted as a messenger for you and Judge Zambrano?
- 23 A. I have no personal knowledge in that regard.
- Q. Now, you've testified--sir, you provided to
- 25 Chevron all of the evidence that you had at your disposal

- 12:47 1 advised me that we had to be more careful because the
 - 2 attorneys for Chevron will be very attentive to any
 - 3 irregularities. Because of that, there were times when I
 - 4 traveled to Lago Agrio to work on the Court rulings for the
 - 5 Chevron Case. I would regularly travel to Lago Agrio by
 - 6 bus, and less frequently by plane on TAME. True and
 - 7 accurate copies, certified by TAME, of TAME's records
 - 8 reflecting my travel between Quito and Lago Agrio from 2009
 - 9 through 2010 are marked as PX 1722 through PX 1726. Those
 - 10 records reflect, for example, that I traveled via TAME from
 - 11 Quito to Lago Agrio on August 4, 2010, returning to Quito
 - 12 on August 6, 2010; and that I again traveled from Quito to
 - 13 Lago Agrio on August 11, 2011, 2010, returning to Quito on
 - 14 August 12, 2010." And then it goes on.
 - Now, sir, is it your testimony that you had no reason to travel to Lago Agrio during this time other than to help Judge Zambrano with the environmental case?
 - A. What period of time are you referring to? What the timeline are you referring to? Can you be more specific?
 - Q. In your Declaration, and the time that I'm
 - 21 focusing on, is August of 2010, and my question to you is:
 - 22 Did you have any reason to travel to Quito other than the
 - 23 Lago Agrio Case? You had no family there?
 - 24 A. My wife and my children, my family used to live in
 - 25 Quito. When I traveled to Lago Agrio, I was doing it

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- 12:49 1 regularly, and specifically because I was to assist
 - 2 Mr. Zambrano in his own cases, and specifically in the
 - 3 Chevron Case, this in the period of time that you're making 4 reference to.
 - 5 Q. You had--okay, well, let's back up.
 - So, during this time period, you were helping
 - 7 Mr. Zambrano in the Lago Agrio Case; correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- 9 Q. In fact, you were a Claimant in several actions in 10 Lago Agrio in the 2009 and 2000 (sic) timeframe; isn't that 11 right?
- THE INTERPRETER: Did you say 2009 and 2010, sir?
- MR. BLOOM: Yes.
- 14 THE WITNESS: It seems to me that as a lawyer I
- 15 participated in one or two cases. Perhaps just the one.
- 16 BY MR. BLOOM:
- 17 Q. And you were also the subject of disciplinary
- 18 actions at the time; isn't that right?
- 19 A. No, sir, not at that period of time. I was no
- 20 longer a judge at that time and no disciplinary action was
- 21 current against me.
- Q. So, focusing specifically with respect to these
- 23 trips, the first one is August 4. You declared that you
- 24 traveled from Quito to Lago Agrio and that you returned on
- 25 August 6, and you just testified that that related to work

- 12:53 1 you see when you--whom you would visit when you were in 2 Lago Agrio? Do you consider Mr. Albán a friend of yours 3 with whom you collaborated on a number of occasions?
 - A. I considered that he was a good friend, but I am not an individual that does--goes on trips exclusively to visit friends.
 - 7 Q. Now, you have produced two deposit slips allegedly 8 signed by a Ximena Centeno; correct?
 - 9 A. Yes, sir.

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- 10 Q. But you claim never to have met anybody named
- 11 Ximena Centeno; isn't that also right?
- 12 A. That is correct, yes.
- 13 Q. Nor have you ever spoken to a Ms. Centeno?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes. I don't know her.
 - Q. And Pablo Fajardo never spoke to you about a
- 16 person named Ximena Centeno; isn't that also right?
 - A. That is correct, yes.
- 18 O. Now, you believe she is associated with the
- 19 Plaintiffs, but that's based on information provided to you
- 20 from the Gibson Dunn law firm; isn't that right?
- A. Yes, and also because, on the Web page of the
- 22 Internal Revenue Service of Ecuador, we see the fact that
- 23 she is an employee of Selva Viva, and Selva Viva is
- 24 connected with the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs.
 - Q. You have provided to Chevron, and Chevron has

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12:51 1 on the Lago Agrio Case; am I correct?

- 2 A. At that date in August 2010, between August 4 and
- 3 August 6, 2010, Judge Zambrano was not the Judge of the 4 case. So, if I traveled during those dates, it wasn't for
- 5 me to provide assistance to the Chevron Case but possibly
- 6 to assist him in other matters that were--that had to do
- 7 with the cases that he also heard.
- 8 Q. The Presiding Judge in August of 2010 was Judge
- 9 Ordoñez; isn't that correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And Judge Zambrano did not resume the bench until
- 12 sometime in October, a couple of months after this travel;
- 13 isn't that also correct?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 15 Q. In fact, the motion to recuse Judge Ordoñez was
- 16 not filed until August 26th, sometime after your
- 17 August 4th travel; isn't that correct?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 19 Q. And also after your travel of August 11 to
- 20 August 12th?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. In which case neither of those trips related to
- 23 the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that correct?
- 24 A. Yes, sir, that's correct.
 - Q. Do you have friends in the Lago Agrio area whom

- 12:55 1 provided to this Tribunal exactly two deposit slips with
 - 2 her name on them; isn't that correct?
 - 3 A. Those documents were provided to me by Banco de
 - 4 Pichincha, once I requested them.
 - 5 Q. And they were dated December 23, 2009, and
 - 6 February 5, 2010; isn't that also right?
 - A. That is what the documents themselves evidence.
 - 8 Q. And just to be clear, again, the Lago Agrio
 - 9 Judgment was issued on February 14, 2011; correct?
 - 10 A. Yes. sir
 - 11 Q. And you allegedly did not agree to cooperate with
 - 12 Chevron until 2012; isn't that also right?
 - 13 A. That is correct.
 - 14 Q. And there is no evidence of any payments from
 - 15 Ms. Centeno at all in 2012.
 - 16 A. There is no evidence because at that date the
 - 17 agreement had ended. My agreement with them was to receive
 - 18 \$1,000 a month while I assisted in the preparation of the 19 rulings.
 - 20 Q. Nor is there any evidence of any payments from
 - 21 Ms. Centeno at all in 2011, the year the decision was
 - 22 issued; correct?
 - 23 A. There are none because the payments were made
 - 24 personally by Mr. Fajardo to me in cash.
 - Q. So, there is no evidence of those payments other

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- 12:57 1 than your word; correct?
 - 2 A. Possibly in Mr. Fajardo's accounts that evidence 3 can be found.
 - Q. You're not aware of any other corroborating evidence, are you?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Nor do you have any evidence of any payments from
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ Ms. Centeno or from anyone else associated with the--nor do
 - 9 you have any evidence of any payments from Ms. Centeno or
 - 10 from anyone else for the entirety of Mr. Zambrano's second 11 term as judge in the Lago Agrio Case?
 - 12 A. The payments were made to me by Mr. Fajardo in 13 person.
 - 14 Q. Again, I'm going to ask you to listen carefully to 15 the question.
 - Do you have any evidence of any payments from
 - 17 Ms. Centeno or anyone else associated with the Plaintiffs
 - 18 for the entirety of Mr. Zambrano's second term as a judge
 - 19 in the Lago Agrio Case beginning in October of 2010
 - 20 forward?
 - 21 A. I do not. I don't know if that exists or if it
 - 22 doesn't exist.
 - 23 Q. And you have evidence of exactly two payments with
 - 24 Ms. Centeno's name on them; correct?
 - 25 A. In accordance with the evidence, yes.

- 01:01 1 Zambrano's second term; can you please confirm that?
 - MR. KEHOE: Objection. For the third time can he confirm that? This is getting repetitive.
 - 4 MR. BLOOM: I'm obviously asking for an answer.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you got it.
 - 6 MR. KEHOE: Three times.
 - THE WITNESS: For the fourth time, and with all
 - 8 due respect, I am saying that I did not have that physical
 - 9 evidence. I don't know if anybody has it.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
 - 11 Q. And there is nothing on the deposit slips that had
 - 12 Ms. Centeno's name written on it that indicate what these
 - 13 payments were for; correct?
 - 14 A. If you allow me, I should tell you that based on
 - 15 the configuration of the bank document, the deposit slip
 - $16\,$ does not have any area where you can state the reason for
 - 17 the deposit.
 - 18 Q. And to be clear, the deposit slip indicated that
 - 19 the money went into your bank account; correct?
 - 20 A. Yes. The money went into the bank account, and
 - 21 the bank states that. And I received it and spent it.
 - Q. And not the bank account of Judge Zambrano?
 - 23 A. The values deposited by Ms. Centeno were sent to
 - 24 myself, Alberto Guerra Bastidas.
 - Q. And there is no evidence that that money ever went

- 12:59 1 Q. And both of those alleged payments would have 2 occurred well before you or Judge Zambrano allegedly
 - 3 negotiated a deal to let the Plaintiffs draft the Judgment;
 - 4 can you confirm that, please? You earlier confirmed that
 - 5 the two payments by Ms. Centeno were December 23, 2009, and
 - 6 February 5 in 2010, and both of those alleged payments
 - 7 would have occurred well before you and Judge Zambrano
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ allegedly negotiated a deal with the Plaintiffs to let the
 - 9 Plaintiffs draft the Judgment?
 - 10 A. Your statement is correct, but I must say that
 - 11 those payments have to do with the work I performed in
 - 12 connection with the preparation of the rulings during the
 - 13 first mandate of Mr. Zambrano.
 - And the last part of your question has to do with the second mandate of Mr. Zambrano, so it's one year after
 - 15 the second mandate of Mr. Zambrano, so it s one
 - 16 the payments by Mrs. or Ms. Centeno.
 - Q. And there is no evidence of any payments to you during his second-during Judge Zambrano's second tenure;
 - 19 isn't that correct?
 - 20 A. I have said that the payments were done
 - 21 personally, personally to me.
 - Q. I understand that. I'm asking you about the
 - 23 physical evidence.
 - 24 There is no physical evidence reflecting any
 - 25 payments to you at all from the Plaintiffs during Judge

- 01:03 1 to Judge Zambrano; correct?
 - A. Honestly, I do not understand your question.
 - O. Not one dollar--
 - A. Your question is very--it is very elusive. The
 - 5 money deposited by Mrs. Zambrano goes into my account, and
 - 6 I don't know if any other money deposited by Mrs. Zambrano,
 - 7 Mrs. Centeno was deposited into Mr. Zambrano's account. If
 - 8 you're referring to that, I'm not aware of it.
 - 9 Q. So, the only person you know who received money
 - 10 from the Plaintiffs is you?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. Okay. Let's turn back to the general nature of
 - 13 your allegations. You've claimed that Judge Zambrano
 - 14 agreed to let the Plaintiffs prepare the Judgment for
 - 15 \$500,000; correct?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And the money would come from the Plaintiffs to
 - 18 Judge Zambrano?
 - 19 A. That is what was indicated to me by Mr. Zambrano.
 - 20 That was what he had negotiated with the representatives
 - 21 those are the terms that Mr. Zambrano indicated to me that
 - 22 he had negotiated with the representatives of the
 - 23 Plaintiffs against Chevron.
 - Q. And it would be paid to him when?
 - 5 A. Based on what Mr. Zambrano told me, the agreement

01:05 1 was that he would be paid once the Chevron Claimants

- 2 received the product of the Judgment when it was
- 3 implemented. From what Mr. Zambrano indicated, the
- 4 agreement was set so that he would be paid once they,
- 5 Chevron's Plaintiffs, received the product of the judgment,
- 6 upon enforcement.
- Q. And you've testified that the money would be paid 8 to Judge Zambrano only after the Plaintiffs actually
- 9 recovered a money judgment from Chevron?
- A. I said that because Mr. Zambrano personally 11 indicated to me that situation.
- O. And, of course, that meant necessarily that Judge 13 Zambrano would not be paid for a very long time; isn't that
- A. I didn't think about that back then. 15
- Q. Well, you knew that there were layers of appellate 16
- 17 review in Ecuador; correct?
- A. Of course.
- Q. You know, the Court of Appeals and the National 19
- 20 Court; correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And now the Constitutional Court is reviewing the
- 23 Lago Agrio Sentencia; correct?
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Were you aware that this arbitration has been

- 01:08 1 to draft the Judgment, and that was the biggest concern
 - 2 Mr. Zambrano had. He would not have known how to do it.
 - 3 He had no experience with civil proceedings.
 - Q. And, of course, there would be no way for Judge
 - 5 Zambrano to enforce in a court of law his alleged agreement
 - 6 with the Plaintiffs if they chose not to pay him at this
 - 7 uncertain date in the future; correct?
 - A. I cannot answer that specific question. I am not
 - 9 aware of the agreement, the core elements, whether this was
 - 10 only an oral agreement, or if it's in writing, or if
 - 11 there's some document, some bill of exchange, a promissory
 - 12 note signed by a third party, et cetera, et cetera. I
 - 13 cannot give you any certainties in that regard.
 - MR. BLOOM: Members of the Tribunal, I come to at
 - 15 the end of a line of questions, if you would like to break.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's break now. It's ten past 16
 - 17 1:00. We will come back at ten past 2:00.
 - 18 Again, Mr. Guerra, we ask you not to discuss the
 - 19 case away from the Tribunal or your testimony. Do you
 - understand that? Thank you.
 - 21 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
 - (Whereupon, at 1:10 p.m., the Hearing was
 - 23 adjourned until 2:10 p.m., the same day.)
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01:06 1 pending since 2009?

- A. No, I wasn't aware of that detail.
- Q. And, of course, you recognized that there would 4 inevitably be enforcement actions to try to enforce the
- 5 Judgment?

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- A. I didn't think about that back then.
- Q. But you did testify earlier that you knew Chevron was trying to delay things as it related to the Lago Agrio
- Case at least; correct?
- A. I said that in connection with the first-instance 11 proceeding.
- Q. And did you have reason to believe that Chevron 13 would try to expedite payment to the Plaintiffs after the
- 14 Sentencia was issued?
- A. I didn't think about that. Or I didn't think 15
- 16 about it back then.
- Q. So, it's your testimony, sir, that Judge Zambrano
- 18 accepted a bribe for some future uncertain date that might
- 19 never come to pass; correct?
 - A. I cannot forget that Mr. Zambrano asked me to
- 21 present--submit that proposal to the Plaintiffs against
- 22 Chevron and that's what I did. When we--when I had a
- 23 second meeting with Mr. Donziger and his friends at the
- 24 Honey Honey hotel in Quito, Mr. Zambrano later on told me
- 25 that he had reached that agreement. This is to allow them

- AFTERNOON SESSION 1
 - 2 (Discussion off the record.)
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
 - 4 Mr. Guerra, we were just having a discussion with

- 5 counsel. We are not going to sit today beyond 6:00 p.m.,
- but we may finish earlier, possibly at 5:30 p.m. But if at
- any stage you want to break or you feel tired, let us know.
- 8 Let's proceed.
 - CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 10 MR. BLOOM: Thank you, Mr. President.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
- Q. Mr. Guerra, could you please tell us how much you 12
- 13 were making as an Ecuadorian judge at the time that your
- 14 employment there was terminated.
- A. At the end of my tenure as a judge of the Superior
- 16 Court of Sucumbios--that was May 2008--I was making about
- 17 5,000 U.S. dollars a month.
 - Q. And am I correct that shortly before you were
- 19 removed as a judge, you had begun to build a new house; is
- 20 that right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. You worked with an architect; correct? 22
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And how far did the construction of your new home
- 25 get? Was it completed?

- 02:20 1 A. No. When I was removed from my functions as a 2 judge--that was in May 2008--the level of progress was 3 about 15 to 20 percent in the construction of the house.
 - Q. Can you describe the construction that was 5 completed?
 - A. Well, the structure, the house is on a lot that 7 has 1,000 square meters in surface. It has two floors, two 8 stories, with a total of 375 square meters in terms of the 9 main house; and there is also an ancillary house next to 10 the main house, and this is a small quest house of about 60 11 square meters of construction.
 - O. And you were pleased with the construction that 13 was done; correct?
 - A. Back then I wasn't very satisfied, because when I 15 lost my job, in the future I knew I would have problems 16 continuing with the construction project that was already a 17 little bit advanced.
 - Q. And I believe you've already testified that you 19 were terminated in 2008; is that correct?
 - A. The Council of the Judiciary issued a resolution 21 in May 2008 that was clearly a unilateral decision, and I 22 was removed, terminated as a judge.
 - Q. And the termination happened exactly in the middle 24 of this construction; correct?
 - A. It could be said that the construction had been

02:25 1 of years after I left my judicial office.

- Q. So you were removed in 2008, and your best 3 estimate is you began working as a Municipality attorney in 4 2010?
- A. I was removed from office in May 2008; and 6 starting in July--rather, June 2008, I started to work for 7 a company as an attorney for that insurance company in 8 Ouito.
- Q. And then after you worked for the insurance 10 company, is that when you took on a job as an attorney for 11 the Municipality?
- 12 A. If you allow me, I worked for the insurance 13 company. And later there was an opportunity to advise the 14 National Congress with one of the Assembly members, and I 15 worked for six to eight months there, and that was between 16 November 2009 and August 2010. And I worked for the 17 Municipality in 2012, between May, June--in May, June, 18 July.
- 19 Q. I want to make sure I understand this. 20 After your removal, you began working for the 21 insurance company; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- O. And then you worked for an Assembly member from 23 24 November 2009 until August of 2010; is that right?
- A. Yes, it is correct.

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02:23 1 completed a third rather than 50 percent.

Q. Then you've testified as a result that your 3 removal obviously came at, quote, "precisely the worst time 4 possible"; isn't that Yes. The impact is the same. I don't 5 perceive correctly the term you use, but for me, it was a 6 dismissal from my duties. That is what I understand, the 7 term "rescission" or "recession", I understand it 8 differently as a legal term. Here it would be a 9 termination, termination of my duties due to a dismissal by 10 the proper authorities; right?

- A. Yes. The impact is the same. I don't perceive 12 correctly the term you use, but for me, it was a dismissal 13 from my duties. That is what I understand, the term 14 "rescission" or "recession", I understand it differently as 15 a legal term. Here it would be a termination, termination 16 of my duties due to a dismissal by the proper authorities.
- Q. And you stopped getting paid about \$5,000 a month 17 18 when you were removed; correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And therefore you tried to get another job after 21 your removal?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And you, in fact, worked as an attorney for the 24 Municipality; is that also right?
- A. The job with the Municipality came about a couple

- 02:27 1 Q. And then you said you worked for the Municipality 2 from May until July of 2012; is that correct?
 - A. Correct.
 - 4 Q. Were you receiving--did you have a job from
 - 5 August--or September 2010 until April 2012?
 - A. I worked for the insurance company starting in
 - 7 June 2008 up to February--rather, December 2012. And I had some down times, and that was, for example, when I
 - 9 mentioned that I worked for the Assembly member and also
 - 10 for the Municipality. 11
 - Q. That's clear. Thank you.
 - Now, your salary as a Municipality attorney was 13 just \$1,012 a month; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, sir; that is correct.
 - Q. So that was about one-fifth of your salary as a 15
 - 16 judge at the time of your removal; is that correct?
 - 17 A. Yes, sir.
 - 18 Q. And your salary at the insurance company was, at 19 its most, \$1,500 a month; correct?
 - 20 A. Yes, sir.

 - But towards the end, it was approximately only
 - 22 \$500 a month; is that also right?
 - 23 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. So the funds you were getting from the insurance
 - 25 company was something between 10 and 30 percent of what you

- 02:29 1 received as a judge?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, you accumulated a debt from all that
 - 4 construction; isn't that right?
 - A. I kept--I practically continued the
 - 6 construction--it took basically about five years total.
 - 7 And I generally accumulated debt due to the work that was 8 being done little by little.
 - Q. And, sir, at the time of your removal as a judge, 10 you owed about \$20,000 for that construction. Would you 11 agree with me, sir?
 - A. I cannot confirm that. I cannot confirm that that 13 was the amount of the debt when I left the judicial
 - 14 function. Later on the answer is yes.
 - Q. Meaning the debt--you can confirm later on that 16 you owed \$20,000?
 - A. The \$20,000 that your question I understand refers 18 to, I needed that money because I owed that amount by mid
 - 19 or late 2012. This because of the expenses made through
 - 20 the advances in the construction.
 - Q. So the construction continued to take place even
 - 22 after your removal as a judge?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And so by the middle part of 2000--or 2012 or so,
 - 25 you owed approximately \$20,000 for the ongoing

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- A. That is correct, sir. That is the case.
- Q. And you say that the purpose was for you to try 4 and negotiate an agreement pursuant to which Chevron would

pay Judge Zambrano and pay you for issuing the final

- 6 Judgment in Chevron's favor. Would you agree with me, sir?
- A. In part, yes. But I would like to clarify that 8 the purpose was to establish a connection between Chevron
- 9 and Judge Zambrano, for discussions to be had for
- 10 agreements to be made by both Parties, Chevron and Judge
- 11 Zambrano, in connection with relevant aspects of the
- 12 procedure of the case and also discussions related to the
- 13 possibility of a draft Judgment.
- Q. When you refer to the possibility of a draft 15 Judgment, am I understanding correctly that what you mean
- 16 is that you are offering to assist Chevron in ensuring that 17 the Sentencia be issued in Chevron's favor?
- A. The message, or the position, the intention and
- 19 the will of Mr. Zambrano that I conveyed to Chevron was
- 20 that a connection had to be made, friendships had to be
- 21 forged, a link had to exist for enough trust to exist.
- And then from that moment on, when Mr. Zambrano
- 23 started to work as a judge in the case, from that point
- 24 forward work with a view toward a foreseeable future,
- 25 Chevron to draft the Judgment, of course obviously in their

- 02:31 1 construction. Am I understanding correctly?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you also advised Chevron's investigator that 4 you had no savings at that -- in that time period in 2012; 5 isn't that also right?
 - A. Sir, I was talking about my own savings.
 - Q. So to be clear, from the time of your termination
 - in 2008 until you worked out an agreement with Chevron in 9 2012, you're making a living or earning wages that range
 - 10 from about 10 percent to maybe 30 percent or a little bit
 - 11 more of what you made as an Ecuadorian judge; is that 12 correct?
 - 13 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And during all of this time, from 2000--from the
 - 15 middle of 2012 through the time of you negotiating a deal
 - 16 with Chevron, you continued to owe \$20,000 on the
 - 17 construction of your new house; is that correct?
 - A. I owed approximately that amount of money, and I 19 needed more resources to finish the construction.
 - O. How much more did you need?
 - A. I did not recall, but about 20- or \$30,000 more.
 - Q. Now, in 2009, when it became apparent that Judge
 - 23 Zambrano was going to preside over the Lago Agrio Case for
 - 24 the first time, it's your testimony that he asked you to
 - 25 get in touch with the attorneys of Chevron; isn't that

- 02:36 1 favor. 2
 - And what did you hope to get out of that?
 - A. Sincerely, if that situation ensued, I was hoping 4 to obtain a financial benefit of some sort myself.
 - 5 O. A bribe?
 - A. It pains me to say it. I recognize it: A bribe. 6 7 That is what it was--sought.
 - Q. You sought a bribe from Chevron; correct?
 - 9 A. Mr. Zambrano was mainly who was looking for the
 - 10 bribe, and I was going to take up a portion of that.
 - Q. So you sought, on your behalf and Judge Zambrano's 12 behalf, a bribe from Chevron?
 - 13 A. Excuse me. I by myself was not able to seek that.
 - 14 What I was doing ultimately was to be the spokesperson that
 - 15 conveyed the intention of Mr. Zambrano to Chevron; and
 - 16 obviously I understood if that situation was forged, then I
 - 17 collaterally was going to obtain an economic benefit.
 - Q. So to be clear, you sought a bribe from Chevron to 19 benefit Mr. Zambrano and yourself; is that right?
 - 20 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And, in fact, you have testified that you reached
 - 22 out to a Mr. Racines about this proposal; isn't that
 - 23 correct?
 - 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. And could you tell the Members of the Tribunal who

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02:38 1 Mr. Racines is?

A. Mr. Racines, his name is Alberto Racines. He has a doctorate in jurisprudence; he is a lawyer. And he works for the law firm of Mr. Adolfo Callejas, it is precisely Adolfo Callejas' law firm in Ecuador--they are the lawyers for Chevron in the Lago Agrio case.

- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{7}}$ Q. And you called Mr. Racines on his cell phone; $\ensuremath{\mathsf{8}}$ correct?
- 9 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 10 Q. And you've talked about a proposal with them, did 11 you not?

12 And you raised with Mr. Racines the possibility of 13 a proposal; correct?

- 14 A. Yes.
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- 16 between Chevron and Mr. Zambrano for the purpose of
- 17 discussing or agreeing on certain important issues of the
- 18 Chevron Case and the Judgment; isn't that also right?
- .9 A. In the way you are stating it--well, not exactly.
- 20 What I maintained is that I was saying that I was the
- 21 spokesperson or the intermediary for that link to exist
- 22 between Chevron and Zambrano.
- Q. Sir, you remember being asked questions about your
- 24 communications with Mr. Racines during the New York RICO
- 25 trial, do you not?

02:43 1 Q. And you took that to mean he had to consult with 2 his client, Chevron; correct?

- 3 A. What I understood is, because that's how I
- 4 understood it, that he had to convey this suggestion or 5 this concern to Mr. Adolfo Callejas, who is the immediate
- 6 superior of Mr. Racines. Possibly Mr. Callejas had to talk
- 7 to a representative of Chevron, someone from Chevron
- 8 specifically. And then, later on, I was going to be given
- 9 the relevant answer. That was my understanding.
- 10 Q. In fact, you understood that, as a lawyer, he or
- 11 one of his colleagues would have had a duty to tell the
- 12 client, to tell Chevron; correct? And that was your
- 13 understanding?
 - A. Yes, sir, that is what I understood.
- 15 Q. And Mr. Racines eventually got back to you;
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. Yes, later on he did.
- 18 O. But it was not a matter of hours, was it?
- 19 A. No, no, not at all. Not hours, no. A few days.
- 20 A few days, as far as I can recall.
- Q. In fact, it took him weeks, not even days. Do you
- 22 believe it was days or weeks?
- 23 A. Well, I think that perhaps a couple of weeks
- 24 transpired. In other words, up to 15 days.
 - Q. So you understood from Mr. Racines--no.

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02:41 1 A. I do not recall that. Excuse me.

Q. I will represent to you that--for the Members of the Tribunal and Counsel, Tab 19 of our binder, Page 916,

4 Line 20. The official transcript is in English, so I would

5 ask the court reporter--or the interpreter to translate.

6 But at Page 916, Line 20, you were asked, "What was that

7 proposal, sir, that you made to Mr. Racines?"

8 Your answer--and these are the precise words I 9 used in my question--"Specifically, the proposal was that I

10 would be a link between Chevron and Mr. Zambrano for the 11 purpose of discussing or agreeing on certain important

12 issues of the Chevron Case and the Judgment, if need be."

13 You do not deny that that was your testimony;

14 correct?

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A. I do not deny that, no, sir.

16 MR. KEHOE: And I have an objection. To the

 $17\,\,$ extent that that was an attempt at impeachment, that is

18 exactly what the Witness just testified to during 19 cross-examination as well.

20 $\,$ MR. BLOOM: I think the record will speak for 21 itself.

22 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. And Mr. Racines told you he had to consult with

24 his superiors; isn't that right?

25 A. Yes, sir.

02:45 1 He eventually did get back to you; correct?

2 Mr. Racines, he got back to you?

A. Yes. Eventually we did hold that conversation in connection with the answer coming from Chevron. That was

5 my understanding through Mr. Racines.

6 Q. So several weeks after you made the proposal,

7 Chevron had a little time to think about it; Mr. Racines $\,$

8 reported back to you that Chevron declined your offer;

9 correct?

10 A. Yes. Specifically speaking, the proposal had been 11 declined.

12 Q. So Chevron knew that you were corrupt in 2009; is 13 that right?

14 A. I don't know about that matter specifically.

15 Q. Well, you proposed that you would go ahead and fix

16 the Decision with Mr. Zambrano in 2009 through your

17 communication with Mr. Racines. You agree with that?

18 A. I do, yes. We--we talked about that before, and I 19 said yes.

20 Q. Right. And you understand fixing a Decision is a

21 dishonest, illegal, and corrupt act, do you not? 22 A. I do, sir, yes. I understand.

23 Q. So when Chevron declined your offer in 2009, they

24 were declining your offer of corruption; correct?

A. In the words of Mr. Racines, Chevron said no, and

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- 02:47 1 that is all; no.
 - Q. But Chevron knew that you were making a solicitation for a bribe back in 2009.
 - 4 A. I cannot tell you what Chevron knew or did not 5 know.
 - Q. Well, that's what you believed at the time from Mr. Racines, isn't it? You believed that your proposal was conveyed to Chevron?
 - 9 A. Yes, that is my understanding, that Mr. Racines 10 conveyed this possibly in the way in which I indicated it 11 to him. My understanding is that, according to 12 Mr. Racines, Chevron declined the offer.

Now, the characterization of more corrupt-less corrupt Guerra Zambrano, no mention was made of that.

- Q. But assuming Mr. Racines communicated your proposal to Chevron, that means that Chevron knew that you personally were involved in an unlawful attempt to solicit a bribe because it was you who personally made the offer to Mr. Racines?
- MR. KEHOE: I'm going to object to that question. It starts with an assumption. This is a fact witness, not an expert.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you're stepping over the line, Mr. Bloom. Let's stick to the facts.
- 25 BY MR. BLOOM:

02:51 1 accumulating as we were moving forward with the 2 construction.

- Q. And by the time that you reached out to Mr. Racines in the last quarter of 2009, you had already been removed as a judge; correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- 7 Q. So you were no longer making your \$5000-a-month 8 salary at this time?
- 9 A. I did not have that revenue; that is correct.
- 10 Q. Your salary instead at that time that you made the 11 proposal was a mere fraction of what it once was?
- 12 A. At that time, apart from the \$1,500 that I earned 13 at the insurance company--well, that was added to other 14 revenue that was--that were smaller in nature because of
- 15 legal advice or legal fees that are provided to private 16 institutions or third parties; and I--I got that--that kind 17 of revenue.
- 18 Q. But you were still struggling financially given 19 the fact you didn't have your job as a judge and given the 20 construction; correct?
- A. Well, mainly because of the construction, I required higher income.
- Q. Higher income than what you were actually receiving at the time?
- 25 A. That was a construction pending, and I couldn't

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12:49 1 Q. Your understanding at the time--and I think I'm
2 confirming your prior testimony, but it would serve as the
3 predicate of the next question.

4 Your understanding at the time was that your 5 proposal was made to Chevron; correct?

- A. I was waiting for the answer that Mr. Alberto Racines was going to provide to me. And when he did, my understanding was that the source of that answer was Chevron itself.
- .0 Q. Do you have a different understanding today?
- 11 A. No, in no way whatsoever.
- 12 Q. So based on that prior answer, you believed in 13 2009 that Chevron knew at that time that you made an 14 unlawful attempt to solicit a bribe.
- 15 A. At that time, Chevron did not know me and I did 16 not know Chevron via its representatives. I knew Chevron's
- 17 lawyers, the ones that I have indicated, and the lawyers
- 18 representing the opposing Parties--the opposing Party to
- 19 Chevron. And I've also cited them.
- 20 Q. At that time, sir, you were in debt by about 21 \$20,000--no. I strike that.
- Were you in debt at all in 2009 as it related to the construction?
- A. I would not be able to assert that, but I was constantly making small expenses, expenses that were

- 02:53 $\,$ 1 really leave up that investment and leave it unfinished.
 - 2 This would have been more serious economically speaking.
 - Q. So it was not only an issue of any debt incurred already; you also were facing the prospect of trying to finish the construction, which you knew would cost another
 - 6 20- or \$30,000? 7 A. Possibly, yes.
 - 8 Q. And meanwhile, Judge Zambrano did not attend that 9 meeting with Mr. Racines, did he?
 - 10 A. No, he did not.
 - 11 Q. Nor did Judge Zambrano, during this period of time 12 in 2009, himself talk to any representatives of Chevron, to 13 your knowledge, about the solicitation of a bribe; isn't
 - 14 that also right?
 - 15 A. I have no knowledge in connection with that 16 matter, but my understanding is that he did not.
 - ${\tt Q.}$ So when you testified that you reached out to
 - 18 Chevron through Mr. Racines in 2009, there's no evidence to
 - 19 support your claim that you were doing so on behalf of
 - 20 Judge Zambrano, other than your word; correct?
 - MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, I'm going to object to this. It's happened this morning, and it's happening now.
 - 23 Counsel is asking the Witness if he knows whether or not
 - 24 there's evidence in the record to support something one way
 - 25 or the other. It's just not a proper question.

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02:55 1 MR. BLOOM: I think it's clear, and I'll try to be 2 clear on my questions. But I--what I'm really asking is, 3 have you provided any evidence to Chevron--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, that would be different--

MR. KEHOE: I'm fine with that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop, stop.

MR. KEHOE: Sorry.

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8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That would be a different
9 question, and that you can ask. Because I think the
10 broader question is really a question that you're asking of
11 the Claimants, which is not appropriate for this witness.
12 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. When you testified that you reached out to Chevron in 2009, you're not aware of any corroborating evidence to support your claim that you were doing so on behalf of Judge Zambrano, other than your word?

A. As Alberto Guerra, I wasn't able to go tell the company, "Look, I guarantee that I am going to rule in your favor in the Judgment." But I could say precisely what I said to you, that I was going to be a link for a connection to be established between Chevron and Zambrano for them to agree in that situation.

Q. But you could have made that representation whether or not you were, in fact, acting at the behest of Mr. Zambrano. So let me ask you this question again, sir. 02:59 1 Mr. Zambrano in that regard. I have not looked at his 2 statement or nothing of that nature. Mainly, no.

Q. And no Chevron representative has come forward, to your knowledge, to say that they had a direct dialogue at any time with Judge Zambrano. Is my understanding correct?

A. I am not able to state anything about situations that I have no personal knowledge of in connection with other individuals or institutions.

9 Q. And again, you have nothing in writing and no 10 recording of any communications with Mr. Zambrano 11 reflecting his authorization that you act on his behalf; 12 correct?

A. I do not, sir. Physically I do not.

Q. And in either event, you're not aware of Chevron reporting to the Judicial Council your solicitation of a bribe of Chevron; correct?

A. I have no knowledge of that, sir.

18 Q. And you're also not aware of Chevron reporting 19 Judge Zambrano to any governmental body in 2009. Is that 20 your understanding, sir?

21 A. That is my understanding. I have no knowledge of 22 that matter.

Q. And you are also unaware of any attempt by Chevron to seek to recuse Judge Zambrano on the basis that he was allegedly complicit in your solicitation of a bribe?

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02:57 1 When you reached out to Mr. Racines to communicate
2 your proposal to Chevron in 2009, you're not aware of any
3 corroborating evidence to support your claim that you were
4 doing so on behalf of Judge Zambrano, other than your word?

5 A. When I reached out to Mr. Racines, I conveyed to 6 Mr. Racines the proposal, if you will, coming from 7 Mr. Zambrano. It wasn't my own.

8 And yes, as far as I know, I was unable to say to 9 Mr. Racines, "Look, allow me, I will record this contact to 10 have it in evidence."

But I do know that Mr. Racines, at some point in time, gave a sworn statement somewhere, and somewhere in these proceedings evidence of that must exist.

Q. In 2009, when you approached Mr. Racines, did you provide him with any physical evidence that you were acting on behalf of Judge Zambrano?

17 A. I did not.

Q. Have you provided any evidence to Chevron since to show that when you approached Mr. Racines in 2009, that you were acting on behalf of Mr. Zambrano at that time?

21 A. I did not.

Q. And Mr. Zambrano has never admitted, to your knowledge, that you were acting on his behalf as it related to your proposal to Chevron; isn't that also correct?

A. I have no personal knowledge of the decision of

03:01 1 A. I do not know about that.

Q. And now to be clear on all of your statements,
your recorded conversations with Chevron and sworn
testimony, it is also true that you never, not once,
suggested that you were acting for the Government of the
Republic of Ecuador when you solicited a bribe; isn't that
correct?

8 MR. GUERRA: A bit louder because I did not hear 9 you clearly. A bit louder, please.

10 THE INTERPRETER: (No interpretation).

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, you might have to 12 ask that question again.

13 MR. BLOOM: Okay. Can we test the system? 14 (Pause.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's start again. Please put the question again.

17 MR. BLOOM: Sure.

BY MR. BLOOM:

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19 Q. To be clear, sir, in all of your statements,

20 including your recorded conversations with Chevron's 21 investigators and Chevron's attorneys and all of your

22 testimony, am I correct that, while you have alleged that

23 you solicited a bribe from Chevron at the request of Judge 24 Zambrano, you have never suggested that you did so on

25 behalf of the Republic of Ecuador; correct?

03:03 1 MR. KEHOE: I object to that question. And I 2 don't want to telegraph anything to the witness, but it's 3 obvious that the Judge is a Member of the Court, which is a 4 Member of the--an organ of the Government. So it's a 5 misleading question.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let me stop you there.

6 I think you're pushing against an open door. I 8 don't think--on the facts, if you're talking to this 9 witness as a fact witness, you need to pursue this much 10 further. But it's a matter for you. But I think we're 11 going to get the clear answer, and I'm not sure it's going 12 to help us any further than the material you've already 13 received.

14 MR. BLOOM: Okay.

BY MR. BLOOM:

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A. Am I allowed to answer?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: No. The question has gone. So

we'll move on to the next question.

20 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Judge Zambrano's first term as Presiding Judge in 22 this case ended in the middle of March of 2010. Do you

23 recall that, sir?

A. Yes. March 4th.

Q. And he resumed his position as Presiding Judge

03:07 1 always rejected that possibility. Therefore, with due 2 respect, I wouldn't be able to say that that would have 3 been the case from the economic point of view.

> Q. And, sir, I'm just asking you what your thinking 5 was at that time.

Am I correct that it is your testimony that you 6 7 and Mr. Zambrano wanted to reach out to Chevron because at that time you believed, rightly or wrongly, that Chevron 9 had more money that it could pay and that you could get 10 paid more quickly than the Plaintiffs?

A. In essence, the answer is yes.

12 O. And it's your testimony that you and Judge

13 Zambrano wanted to get as much money as you could; correct?

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15 Q. And you really didn't care who actually won the 16 case so long as it yielded a substantial financial benefit 17 to you; isn't that right?

A. Would you please restate your question? 18

19 O. Certainly.

20 You really didn't care who actually won the case 21 so long as it yielded a substantial financial benefit to 22 you; isn't that right?

A. I was not the Judge in the case--the Presiding 23 24 Judge that could have had the moral, ethical and legal

25 commitment in connection with the result of the proceeding.

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03:04 1 again on October 11, 2010. Does that sound right to you?

A. Yes, that is correct.

Q. And you say that you approached Chevron again 4 seeking a bribe at the beginning of Judge Zambrano's second tenure: is that correct?

A. Yes, sir. That was the -- that was my conduct on 7 behalf--or at the request of Judge Zambrano.

Q. And that was my next question.

9 You've testified that your second approach to Chevron was also on behalf of Judge Zambrano; correct?

A. Yes, sir.

And you've previously testified that you reached 13 out to Chevron on the assumption that Chevron could pay 14 more money than the Plaintiffs; isn't that right?

A. That was mainly the idea Mr. Zambrano had. And 16 that was also my idea, I supported it, I must be truthful, 17 but the aim was--it was understood that, if an agreement 18 was reached with Chevron in connection with the acceptance 19 and--and also the payment of a bribe, this was going to be 20 made effective immediately.

O. So if you could consummate a deal with Chevron, 22 the idea was that you could get paid more money and get

23 paid more quickly. Is that a fair characterization?

A. That was not the situation. When we look at the 25 facts, no agreement was reached with Chevron. Chevron

03:09 1 Therefore, the final outcome was not something that

2 concerned me in connection with the impact of the result

Q. I wanted -- I'm sorry. I wanted to know what your 5 motive was--we've been talking about Mr. Zambrano, but I want to know what your motive was.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, I think he answered that question: "Therefore, the final outcome was not something that concerned me in connection with the impact 10 of the result," and he added "back then."

MR. BLOOM: I'm trying to get something,

12 Mr. President.

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13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please, there's a certain 14 flexibility, which you can deploy.

15 MR. BLOOM: I'm happy to discuss when the witness 16 is not present.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue.

BY MR. BLOOM:

19 Q. Sir, if I may ask that again, I want to know what 20 your personal motive was. What was your personal motive in

21 involving yourself in this solicitation of a bribe?

22 A. I would like to say again that the bribe was not

23 requested on a personal basis. I wouldn't have been

24 capable of approaching Chevron without any backing and just

25 show up and say, "Look, I want money, and I offer nothing

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03:11 1 in exchange."

My motive was to help my friend, Nicolas Zambrano, so that he could have a good result in the--in addressing the civil issues and also have some sort of economic benefit for me.

Q. And that's all I was asking. You were looking for an economic benefit for you as well; correct?

8 You wanted to help pay off any debt to complete 9 your house? Would that be accurate?

- 10 A. Yes. Somehow I also needed some income. The 11 regular income was not enough, and that was one of the 12 reasons why I was also acting as a ghostwriter to 13 Mr. Zambrano--and also as a paid ghostwriter, writing the 14 rulings on behalf of the Plaintiffs suing Chevron.
- Q. And as in your solicitation back in 2009, there's no physical evidence to corroborate your testimony that your bribery solicitation in October of 2010 was on behalf of Judge Zambrano. You want us to take your word for it; correct?
- A. I relate the facts just--I have related the facts just as they happened. That is my truth. And if--whether I am believed or not, it no longer--allow me, it is not
- 23 longer, not greatly a concern of mine. But that is the
- 24 truth.
 - Q. And you're not aware, sir, of any attempts by

03:15 1 received by the office of the clerk of the Court's
2 Presidency, and this was presented to Judge Ordoñez Peña.
3 Judge Ordoñez Peña I think kept that in the drawer of his
4 desk for almost a month and a half. And for that reason,
5 the whole thing was delayed after a month and a half.

Approximately a month and a half later, Judge
Ordoñez, due to the pressure exerted by Chevron lawyers and
also by the Plaintiffs' lawyers, returned the petition to
the Clerk's officeand it is at that point that it is
transferred to the substitute judge, who is Nicolas
Zambrano, who had to rule over the Ordoñez recusal. Judge
Zambrano as the substitute president, at the end grants the
recusal and due to that reason, he becomes, in his capacity
of substitute president, the presiding judge for the rest
of the time, the two years that Judge Ordoñez purportedly
had to fulfill.

And then Judge Zambrano was going to be presiding
over the Chevron Case between October--for the second time,
between October 2010. And from the legal point of view, he
could have continued up to January 2012. That was going to
be the end of his tenure as the alternate or substitute
judge in the Chevron Case.

Thank you.

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24 So as I understand your testimony, Chevron took 25 advantage of Judge Ordoñez taking too much time in ruling

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03:13 1 Chevron after your second solicitation of a bribe to seek 2 the recusal of Judge Zambrano; is that correct?

- A. I am not aware that may have happened.
- Q. Do you recall the circumstances of Judge Zambrano becoming Presiding Judge for the second time in October of 2010?
- 7 A. Yes, sir, I do remember that.8 And if you allow me, I can elaborate on that.
 - Q. Please.

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A. Mr. Leonardo Ordoñez Piña became the Presiding
11 Judge for the court of Sucumbios; and as a consequence, he
12 was also the Judge in the Chevron Case, and that was in
13 February 2010. Based--under the law in force at that time,
14 he had a two-year tenure, and he was going to be leading
15 the Chevron Case for two years, and also based on the law
16 up to January 2012.

In August 2010, Judge Leonardo Ordoñez neglected is issuing rulings in the proceeding and for that reason has given grounds for his recusal. These grounds state specifically: regarding not ruling in triple the time provided by law. Chevron's attorneys took advantage of this situation and it is they who proposed the recusal. The recusal had to be presented before the Office of the Courts--of the Clerk of the Court.

And as far as I know, that recusal writ was

03:17 1 on certain motions, and that constituted grounds under 2 Ecuadorian law for recusal. Am I understanding that 3 correctly?

> A. If you allow me, I wouldn't say that they took advantage--advantage, but they benefited from the lack of attention to the case provided by Judge Ordoñez.

- 7 Q. They had the legal right to seek Judge Ordoñez's 8 removal, because Judge Ordoñez was too slow in issuing 9 Providencias; is that correct?
- A. If you allow me, the term you are-the term you're using is not the right one. It's not to ask for the removal of the judge. There is some other causes for the removal of the judge. In this case, there is a lack of competence or jurisdiction in connection with a specific case, in particular because there has been a lack of timely decision-making.
- 17 Q. Very well. And this is the same Chevron you 18 earlier testified this morning that was seeking to generate 19 incidents to delay the adjudication; isn't that right?
- A. Yes. During the time I was the ghostwriter for I Mr. Zambrano and also after--upon noticing the contents of the pleadings presented by Chevron, I did notice that that
- $\,$ 23 $\,$ was the intention of the Ecuadorian lawyers of Chevron.
- 24 That is to say, to create some confusion. Definitely, they

25 were trying, at any cost, to delay the regular process, the

03:20 1 regular proceeding.

- Q. Would you agree with me, sir, that Judge Zambrano 3 became the Presiding Judge in October of 2010, for his 4 second tenure, only after and because Chevron successfully 5 filed a motion to recuse or replace or remove Judge

6 Ordoñez?

- A. Yes, sir; that is correct.
- Q. So if Chevron had not filed the motion, Judge 8 9 Ordonez was in line to draft the Sentencia; correct?
 - A. I cannot offer you any certainties.
- Q. Once Chevron filed the motion, did you understand 11 12 that Zambrano would take over as the Presiding Judge?
- A. In connection with the presentation of the motion 13 14 by Chevron to recuse Judge Ordoñez--this is something that 15 I learned of from Mr. Zambrano. Let's not forget that back 16 then, my permanent domicile was in Quito. The case and the 17 domicile of the Judge were in Lago Agrio. This is, at 18 least, six hours away by car and 45 minutes by plane. The
- 19 distance was 45 minutes by plane.
- 20 And Mr. Zambrano and myself, knowing that the 21 motive for recusal was legitimate, that it was supported on
- 22 a valid motive, on a valid ground, I discussed this with 23 Mr. Zambrano, and we knew that Mr. Zambrano was going to
- 24 accept this request and that, in short, Mr. Zambrano was
- 25 going to become the Presiding Judge in the Chevron Case.

03:25 1 A. I learned about that at some point given some news 2 reports, where I think that this was--I noticed that when I 3 watched the videos that were published of the Internet.

Q. You saw those interviews -- not those interviews. 5

You saw those videotapes?

6 A. Yes.

Q. Did you also learn through the Ecuadorian media 8 that Mr. Borja received a substantial financial benefit 9 from Chevron?

MR. KEHOE: I'm going to object to these 10 11 questions. To the extent that the Witness learned of 12 anything through the media, it seems to be somewhat 13 irrelevant to his direct examination or his

14 cross-examination.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, where are you going? 15 16 MR. BLOOM: I'd rather not disclose it in front of 17 the Witness. I'm happy to do it if it's not being

18 translated.

19 MR. KEHOE: What we object to is I see the slides 20 that we're going through. If the Witness is going to be 21 asked questions about something that he's learned about 22 through the media--

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop, stop.

24 Interpreters, could you please stop interpreting 25 into Spanish.

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Q. So there were valid grounds to remove Judge 03:22 1 2 Ordoñez; correct?

Q. And how did you know that it would be Judge 5 Zambrano, rather than another judge, who would succeed Judge Ordoñez?

A. This has to do with the legal provisions. The Presiding Judge has also an alternate judge. In the absence of the presiding judge, the alternate judge is the 10 one who takes over. And so based on the law, it was Judge 11 Zambrano the one who would be taking over.

Q. So anyone who was knowledgeable of Ecuadorian law 13 should have known that, if the motion were granted, Judge 14 Zambrano would take over the case; correct?

A. Yes. sir. 15

Q. In which case, Chevron sought the removal of Judge 16 17 Ordoñez knowing that, if it were successful, that it would 18 result in Judge Zambrano taking over the case? MR. KEHOE: Objection. The Witness doesn't know

19 20 what Chevron did or didn't know.

MR. BLOOM: I'll withdraw that. 21

BY MR. BLOOM: 22

Q. Now, sir, you're aware, are you not, that one of 24 Chevron's former contractors, Diego Borja, allegedly

25 offered a bribe to Judge Nuñez in 2009?

03:26 1 So just give us the slide number to which you're 2 referring.

> MR. KEHOE: I'm sorry. 3

> > MR. BLOOM: Fifty-two, Mr. President.

MR. KEHOE: I'm sorry--I'm sorry to interrupt. 5

6 This Witness is being--this Witness has been in the United 7 States I believe now for two and a half years. So I think

8 he understands enough English. Maybe we can ask him to 9 step into another room.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's just take it slowly.

11 And if you have this document, Mr. Guerra, could 12 you-- he doesn't have the document. Just give me the slide

13 number.

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14 MR. KEHOE: 52. For some reason, they put it on 15 the screen already.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: No. Stop there, and take it 17 off the screen.

18 MR. BLOOM: Take it off the screen. That's fine.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's just see where you're 20 going. But you keep going. And if there's a problem, we

21 can come back to this.

MR. BLOOM: And we can do this also without 22 23 slides, if that will help accommodate Claimants.

24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It might make it worse.

MR. KEHOE: I don't know. Let's just see.

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03:28 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You take your own course for 2 the moment, and let's start the interpretation again.
3 BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. You're aware, if you saw those videotapes, that a con-that Diego Borja was a contractor or former contractor of Chevron?
- 7 A. I do not remember getting to that conclusion after 8 watching the videos, but this was a comment afterwards, 9 whether he was a contractor or former contractor with 10 Chevron.
- 11 Q. Are you aware, sir, that Mr. Borja received 12 substantial financial benefits from Chevron?
- 13 A. I understand he may have, but this is not 14 information I have. I haven't seen any documents.
- ${\tt 15} \qquad {\tt Q.} \qquad {\tt And \ what \ information \ did \ you \ receive?} \qquad {\tt Was \ it} \qquad {\tt 16} \qquad {\tt through \ the \ media?}$
 - A. Yes, through the media, on the Internet.
- 18 Q. Do you recall the nature of that information and 19 specifically whether the media reported and whether you
- $20\,\,$ read that he received financial benefits from Chevron?
- A. Specifically I do not recall. But it seems to me that it was said that the individual who filmed these
- 23 videos was taken out of Ecuador and got asylum in the U.S.;
- 25 VIGEOS WAS CAREN OUT OF ECUACOT AND GOT ASYTUM IN THE O
- 24 and, just like me, he lives in the U.S., and the
- 25 expenses--his expenses are somewhat covered by--somehow,

03:33 1 could help yourself financially?

2 MR. KEHOE: Objection; asked and just answered.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You can continue.

BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. You may answer the question.
- A. I must say that I decided to personally cooperate with Chevron once that Mr. Zambrano decided definitively not to cooperate with Chevron.
- 9 Q. And when you began cooperating with Chevron in 10 2012, you were hoping for a financial benefit for that
- 11 cooperation; isn't that right?
- 12 A. Yes. And Mr. Zambrano just the same.
- 13 Q. In your November 17th Declaration--and Ms. Bees 14 can find that for you at Paragraph 13. And that's Tab 17
- 15 from our binder, but it's--do you have that?
- 16 THE INTERPRETER: For the interpreter,
- 17 Paragraph 13. You said, sir, 13? Yeah.
- 18 MR. KEHOE: November 17th? Yeah. It's the first 19 tab on the-- it is there. It's behind the English version.
- 20 Which paragraph did you want?
- 21 MR. BLOOM: Thirteen.
 - MR. KEHOE: I'm sorry. You're looking-- you're
- 23 looking at two different things, Eric. You're asking him
- 24 about November 17th, and I believe they're looking at the
- 25 RICO October Declaration.

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03:30 1 rather, covered by Chevron.

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- Q. At the time that you began to cooperate with Chevron in 2012, you believed that if you ingratiated yourself with the company, made yourself important to the company, that maybe you could receive a financial benefit also from the company?
- A. With all due respect to the Tribunal and to
 everyone present here, Mr. Zambrano and I believed that if
 Chevron was told about the real circumstances that led to
 the issuance of the Court Judgment at the trial level,
 Chevron could pay a substantial--that is to say a
 substantial amount of money. And I thought that a portion
 of that amount was going to come into my pockets, and that
 was the reason.
- Q. And I think I'm asking a question that's different than the one you think I'm asking. So I'd like to focus your attention on the time period of 2012, after the Sentencia was issued, at the time that you began to cooperate with Chevron.

20 Are you with me so far?

- 21 A. I'm listening to you, yes.
- 22 Q. Thank you.
- When you agreed to cooperate with Chevron, you
- $\,$ 24 $\,$ believed at that time that if you ingratiated yourself with
- 25 the company, if you made yourself important, then maybe you

03:35 1 (Pause.

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- 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Do we all have that now?
- 3 MR. BLOOM: Yes.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
- 5 Q. So Mr. Guerra, in your November 17, 2012,
- 6 Declaration at Paragraph 13, you state that in the last
- 7 quarter of 2009, during his first term as Presiding Judge,
- 8 Mr. Zambrano asked you to have a meeting with Pablo Fajardo
- 9 because Mr. Zambrano "had reached an agreement with
- 10 Plaintiffs' representatives"; is that correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And this agreement allegedly occurred shortly
- 13 after you had approached Chevron and solicited a bribe from
- 14 Chevron; correct?
 - A. It's after Chevron's refusal.
- 16 Q. And as with respect to the other proposals you've
- 17 made, you don't have a recording of a conversation with
- 18 Mr. Zambrano or any electronic or handwritten
- 19 correspondence from Judge Zambrano authorizing you to act
- 20 on his behalf; am I correct?
- 21 A. Yes. I don't have any, because I didn't concern
- 22 myself with that. I never thought that we were going to
- 23 come to these kinds of instances. I didn't ask for a
- 24 document. I didn't have a recording. I have no evidence
- 25 in that regard. But in the context, that evidence exists.

- 03:37 1 O. And if I understand you correctly, when 2 Mr. Zambrano came back into the case in the last quarter of 3 2010, he already had a preexisting agreement with the 4 Plaintiffs to move this case along; is that right?

 - Q. But it is also your testimony that notwithstanding 7 his alleged preexisting agreement with the Plaintiffs to move this case along, Mr. Zambrano allegedly authorized you 9 to then solicit a bribe from Chevron?
 - A. Yes, that is correct. Your statement is correct.
 - Q. Now, you've never alleged in any of your 11
 - 12 statements that you've ever had any information from any 13 source that the Plaintiffs paid Judge Zambrano any money 14 pursuant to this first agreement to move the case along;
 - 15 isn't that right?
 - A. I have not stated that because I have no personal 17 knowledge of the fact that Judge Zambrano and the
 - 18 Plaintiffs, in their agreement, included transfers of
 - 19 money. In that regard, Mr. Zambrano didn't tell me whether
 - 20 he received moneys for that purpose.
 - Q. Right. Judge Zambrano never told you that the
 - 22 Plaintiffs paid him any money; correct?
 - A. As regards the issues of moving the case ahead,
 - 24 Judge Zambrano at no time told me that he was going to
 - 25 receive moneys from the Plaintiffs for such an agreement.

03:42 1 of 2010, after Chevron has moved for the recusal of Judge 2 Ordoñez.

Now, at this time, Mr. Zambrano does not ask you 3 4 to immediately go back to the Plaintiffs; right? He asks

- you, instead, to go back to Chevron? A. Notwithstanding adverse situations, et cetera, 7 Mr. Zambrano, in his heart of hearts, felt that, at some
- 8 point in time, the Chevron thing could work. And far from 9 benefiting from an amount of money promised at a future
- 10 point in time, perhaps possibly he could receive firsthand
- 11 the moneys. That is why, given these circumstances, up to 12 a point he forces me or demands that I insist with my
- 13 friends, with Chevron, with the lawyers, to put forth the
- 14 specific proposal to allow them to draft the judgment in 15 exchange for an amount of money to be negotiated.
- 16 Q. And after Chevron declined, it's your testimony 17 that Mr. Zambrano allegedly authorized you to seek an
- 18 agreement with the Plaintiffs?
- 20 And in the New York trial, you testified that
- 21 Mr. Zambrano came up with the proposal that you personally
- 22 transmitted to the Plaintiffs; correct?

A. Yes; that is correct.

- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 Q. But again, you've got nothing to--no physical
- 25 evidence to corroborate your discussion with Mr. Zambrano;

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- Q. And you've never testified that the Plaintiffs 03:40 1 2 ever represented to you that they paid any money to Judge 3 Zambrano; am I correct?
 - A. In that regard, I have not stated anything. If 5 Judge Zambrano didn't affirm nor did he deny that he 6 received money or that he didn't receive money in 7 connection with moving ahead the case on behalf of 8 Chevron's Plaintiffs, then I would not be able to make any
 - 9 statement in that regard. I have no personal knowledge of 10 that.
 - 11 Q. Nor have you ever testified that in exchange for 12 moving the case along, there was even a promise by the 13 Plaintiffs to pay Judge Zambrano any amount, isn't that 14 also; right?
 - A. I have not stated that, because I have no personal 15 16 knowledge of that, I repeat.
 - But I have stated that I received \$1,000 a month 17 18 by the Plaintiffs in order to move the process along in a 19 faster manner.
 - Q. So you're the only one who received money from the 21 Plaintiffs, to your knowledge?
 - A. I was the only one that was working in preparing 23 the rulings. There was no other lawyers--no other lawyer 24 providing assistance, working.
 - Q. So Judge Zambrano returns to the bench in October

03:44 1 correct?

- A. But I do have them in connection with the proposal 2 3 that I made to Plaintiffs' representatives on behalf of 4 Zambrano when I said that I talked to Mr. Donziger. And I 5 know that Mr. Donziger accepts that he spoke to me--that he 6 spoke to me.
- Q. And to be clear, I'm not talking about your 8 communications with Mr. Donziger with the Plaintiffs. I
- 9 just want to focus you for a moment on your discussions 10 with Mr. Zambrano. And I'm asking you, sir, whether you
- 11 have any physical evidence to corroborate that Mr. Zambrano
- 12 authorized you to have this conversation with the 13 Plaintiffs--any email, any correspondence.
- 14 A. With all due respect, I'm telling you I don't
- 15 because it's obvious. Zambrano was the Presiding Judge in
- 16 this case. And he, well, had given me a written order from 17 his computer to mine, or a letter with a signature, well,
- 18 had he done that--well, no person in his or her right mind 19 would do that. That's my understanding.
- 20 I don't have that in the terms that you want me to 21 state it. I don't have them.
- Q. Now, you've previously testified that Mr. Zambrano 22 23 had a lot of trust in you; correct?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. You've said that, "he had enough confidence in me

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03:46 1 that he trusted that I would do what was proper and 2 prudent."

3 Would you generally agree that that was your 4 testimony?

- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And it was generally known in the community that you were close to Mr. Zambrano; isn't that right?
- 8 A. The community knew that we had a very good 9 communication and a good friendship, yes, the Lago Agrio 10 legal community.
- 11 Q. And specifically that you were close to 12 Mr. Zambrano?
- 13 A. I don't know from your viewpoint what you mean to 14 say when you said that we were close to each other.

We had a good friendship, a good communication, good understanding, and that is all. And there was trust, so much so that he asked me to be his writer--to help him, to be his ghostwriter, and I did it.

- 19 Q. Are you comfortable to represent that you were 20 close with Mr. Zambrano?
- A. I don't feel as comfortable when you talk about being close. Being close, it sounds to me that the matter is a bit askew.
- But I can tell you that we had a good friendship.
- 25 Q. And if you turn to your Declaration of

03:50 1 presume or believe that you were, in fact, close to Judge 2 Zambrano and was acting on his behalf; correct?

A. Look, the representatives of Chevron, at least the lawyers--the Ecuadorian lawyers that represented Chevron knew that I was the first judge in this case. And they knew that I knew them; I was able to identify them, both Chevron's lawyers and Plaintiffs' lawyers.

8 And when I came to them with the relevant 9 proposal, well, at no time--at no time was I asked to 10 justify the status that I was holding when I was discussing 11 this with them.

12 Q. If Chevron believed that you were close to 13 Mr. Zambrano, you believed that you had a better chance of 14 having Chevron agree to pay money; isn't that right?

 $\,$ MR. KEHOE: Objection. It's another hypothetical $\,$ 16 $\,$ as to what Chevron believed.

17 MR. BLOOM: No. I'm asking him what he understood 18 at the time.

19 BY MR. BLOOM:

20 Q. Did you understand at the time--

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think it's a fair question.

22 It's his belief that's being queried.

23 Please proceed.

24 BY MR. BLOOM:

5 Q. Do you understand the question, sir?

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03:48 1 November 17th, at least as translated, it has you saying, 2 not me--has you saying, "it was publicly known that I was 3 close to Mr. Zambrano."

MS. BEES: Which paragraph are you--

5 MR. BLOOM: I'm sorry. Paragraph 12.

BY MR. BLOOM:

7 Q. Sir--

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8 A. I know that that is what it says.

Q. Those are your words, are they not?

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. And you wanted Chevron to know that you were close

12 to Mr. Zambrano, did you not?

13 A. At that point in time, many lawyers in the legal 14 community of Lago Agrio--authorities, court employees,

15 other judges, and other individuals--knew that Mr. Zambrano

16 and I were very good friends, and we also had a

17 professional relationship.

Q. When you approached Chevron in 2009 and 2010, you wanted Chevron to know that you were close to Mr. Zambrano,

20 didn't you?

21 A. When, at that time, I approached Chevron via

22 certain individuals, what I wanted was for Mr. Zambrano's

 $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ $\ensuremath{\text{position}}$ to be accepted for him and I to obtain a financial

24 benefit at some point in time.

Q. In which case, the Chevron representatives had to

03:52 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please ask it again.

THE WITNESS: Could you please repeat the

3 question?

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BY MR. BLOOM:

5 Q. Yes. At the time that you solicited Chevron for 6 bribes, you understood that it was important, in order to 7 secure a bribe from Chevron, that Chevron, in fact,

8 believed that you were acting on behalf of Judge Zambrano?

9 A. When I approached Chevron in--on two occasions, in 10 2009 and in 2010, I did not expressly held [sic] that I was 11 looking for a specific amount of money on behalf of myself 12 or Ms.--on behalf of Mr. Zambrano.

13 What I said is that I had the authority--or, 14 rather, the authorization of Mr. Zambrano. I was looking 15 for the possibility, if they so chose, if they so want, to 16 establish a contact through me between them and Judge 17 Zambrano, so that for some benefit to be determined at some

23 point between them, certain goals be achieved.

Now, in connection with that specific offer in the

approximate terms that I'm expressing to the Tribunal, they said that they had no intention of heeding that kind of request.

- Q. When you say "that kind of request," what are you referring to?
 - A. To the request of establishing a link to reach a

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03:54 1 certain objective, in 2009, to speed up the process, 2 preferably and, in 2010, to specifically draft the draft 3 Judgment.

- Q. And you understood that if Chevron did not believe that you were acting on Judge Zambrano's authorization, that you would have no chance of securing a bribe from Chevron; isn't that also right?
- 8 A. I do not know what Chevron believed. I cannot 9 speak to that.
- 10 Q. That's not my question. I want to focus on what 11 you believed.

At the time that you solicited a bribe, you
understood that if you could not persuade Chevron that you
were acting on behalf of Judge Zambrano and that you were
close with Judge Zambrano, that the prospects of securing a
bribe from Chevron would diminish markedly; isn't that
correct?

18 A. That is not correct.

19 If you allow me, I think you're interpreting my 20 answers in a manner that is not correct; you're 21 mischaracterizing it.

When I approached Chevron via third parties,
Mr. Racines and via John Doe 1 in the second case, I did
not say, "I come here on behalf of Mr. Zambrano to ask for
million," just talking about an amount of money.

04:17 1 RICO case that Mr. Zambrano had assured you that once he
2 had received the \$500,000 from the Plaintiffs, whether in
3 installments or lump-sum, he would share 20 percent with
4 you; correct?

A. Well, if you allow me, if one can be explicit or implicit in regards to that of Mr. Zambrano, at no moment did he tell me that he was going to share 20 percent with me, but he said that I was going to receive a proper benefit to be subtracted from the total amount.

- 10 Q. So, your testimony today is that he never assured 11 you that you would receive 20 percent of \$500,000?
 - A. That is correct.
- 13 Q. But your testimony in the RICO case was a little 14 bit different, was it not?
- 15 A. For some circumstance, an abrupt remark due to a 16 momentary situation of a mental nature, I got confused, and 17 I mentioned the 20 percent but there was no statement in 18 those terms.
- Q. Was there or was there not a sworn statement by you under oath that Mr. Zambrano, "had assured me that once he had received the \$500,000, whether in installments or lump-sum, he would share with me 20 percent"?

MR. KEHOE: Objection. The Witness just answered the question. He said that he was confused, and he's asking it a second time now.

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03:56 1 I said, "I come here on behalf of Mr. Zambrano,
2 the judge of Chevron's case, to state to you, as the
3 Chevron company, the possibility that, if you so wish,
4 Judge Zambrano agrees to reach an agreement to establish a
5 contact, hold conversations, friendly discussions to allow
6 you eventually to draft a sentence as much as you like or
7 dislike. This in exchange for some benefit, some amount,
8 that is going to be determined in the future. And at an
9 opportune time, that may be agreed between the both of
10 you."

11 As you see, Counselor, I did not go there to sav.

As you see, Counselor, I did not go there to say,
I "I would like a bribe for Mr. Zambrano or for myself." I
was not there saying that I was seeking a bribe. I was
there just to establish a contact for that relationship to
exist. That is how things transpired.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We're going to need a break.
Would this be a good time?

18 MR. BLOOM: I was just going to say that.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's come back at 4:15.
20 Again, we ask you, please don't discuss the case away from

21 the Tribunal. Thank you. 22 (Brief recess.)

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

24 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Mr. Guerra, it's your testimony from the New York

04:19 1 MR. BLOOM: I was clarifying because the end of 2 his answer was there was no statement to that effect.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please proceed.

MR. BLOOM: It will need to be translated because this is the official English transcript, so if I may ask the interpreter to please interpret for the Witness the answer as he provided under oath, and I will quote it:

"Mr. Zambrano had assured me that once he had received the \$500,000, whether in installments or lump-sum, he would share with me 20 percent."

BY MR. BLOOM:

- 12 Q. Sir, do you dispute that that was your sworn 13 testimony under oath in New York?
- A. That was my sworn statement in New York, but what Is I said is that, because of a circumstance, because of a situation, I mentioned 20 percent when it wasn't true, and I think that, as a gentleman, I should say the truth, and we did not discuss-I did not discuss 20 percent with Mr. Zambrano--but we did discuss that he would share with
- 19 Mr. Zambrano--but we did discuss that he would share wit 20 me from what he received.

21 Q. Sir, I'm not going to ask you about all of the

- 22 financial benefits you received from Chevron. That's 23 largely in the record, but at this time I want to ask you
- 24 about the nature of some of your negotiations. Do you

25 understand?

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- 04:21 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, there came a time in 2012 when you met
 - 3 Chevron's representatives in a hotel in Ecuador; is that
 - 4 correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And they approached you in 2012; right?
 - 7 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And the purpose of this meeting was their
 - 9 solicitation of you, of your cooperation with them; is that 10 also correct?
 - 11 A. The purpose of that meeting, based on my
 - 12 understanding, was to request my cooperation for me to be
 - 13 the liaison with Mr. Zambrano.
 - 14 Q. So, they were asking for you to cooperate and also
 - 15 to ask you to cooperate by creating a connection with Judge
 - 16 Zambrano; was that correct?
 - 17 A. If you allow me, I would like to elaborate briefly
 - 18 on your question.
 - 19 Q. Sir: Chevron's representatives told you that they
 - 20 had money with them; isn't that right?
 - 21 A. At some point in time, yes.
 - Q. And they specifically told you that they had
 - 23 \$20,000 in cash; is that right?
 - 24 A. Yes, sir. That's what they said.
 - Q. Approximately the same amount of your construction

- 04:26 $\,$ 1 $\,$ A. Upon reading the content of what Mr. Rivero said,
 - 2 it is a little bit confusing because it is not precise,
 - 3 straightforward, but this is another person who is speaking
 - 4 and saying, yes, yes, we do have \$20,000 in our hand, so
 - 5 that certainly led me to understand what they wanted, to
 - 6 make the proposal, what was the proposal? That they had
 - 7 \$20,000 to begin conversations or to talk about the
 - 8 possibility of giving them to me.
 - 9 Q. So, you understood that this would be a
 - 10 negotiation; right?
 11 A. Yes, because they had already told me that they
 - 13 had, and I had also already told them the issue,
 - 14 specifically, in relation to the planners--with the
 - 15 calendar, with the calendar that I always had at hand.

12 could buy my computer and the evidence that I had said I

- Q. And after Chevron told you that they had \$20,000
- 17 of cash with them, you responded by asking Chevron's
- 18 representatives to add a few zeros as your price as part of
- 19 your negotiation. Do you remember that?
- 20 A. Yes, I do remember that at some point regarding
- 21 this I've said that was a joke. And Ecuadorians sometimes
- 22 are playful, and we're not very serious as other people as
- 23 in other cultures. We're not dry.
- Q. You stated several times that \$20,000 was very
- 25 little, or so little. Isn't that also right?

- 04:23 1 debt at that time?
 - A. It is possible that was the case.
 - 3 Q. Possible, or likely?
 - 4 A. Likely, and possible.
 - 5 Back then the 20,000 as a debt advance--yeah, it
 - 6 could have been that amount, a bit more, a bit less.
 - 7 Q. Do you recall one attorney for Chevron,
 - 8 Mr. Rivero, telling you, in fact, that he was an attorney
 9 for Chevron?
 - 10 A. Yes, I do remember that.
 - 11 Q. And do you remind--I'm sorry. And do you remember
 - 12 him telling you that he did not mind setting a starting
 - 13 figure?
 - 14 A. He may have said that.
 - 15 Q. Do you recall him saying that?
 - 16 A. I do not remember in those words. I need to look
 - 17 at the translation into Spanish.
 - 18 Q. We do have the translation in Spanish of this if
 - 19 you want to see that, and that is at Tab 12 at 49.
 - While it's being looked for, let me represent to
 - 21 you that the Transcript does say, "I'm an attorney. I
 - 22 don't mind setting a starting figure, right? Starting.
 - 23 Understand? Or what do you think?"
 - 24 And my question to you, sir, is what does the term
 - 25 "starting figure" mean to you?

- 04:28 1 A. I may have said that.
 - Q. You even counteroffered \$50,000 for your evidence;
 - 3 isn't that also correct?
 - A. I thought that the Judgment draft would be-that's
 - 5 what I remembered and I believed the draft judgment was
 - going to be in the computer.
 - ${\tt 7} \qquad {\tt Q}. \qquad {\tt Let \ me} \ {\tt ask \ the \ question \ again \ because \ I'm \ not \ sure}$
 - 8 that you answered the question I asked.
 - 9 When they offered you as a starting figure
 - 10 \$20,000, you counteroffered \$50,000; am I correct?
 - 11 A. Not exactly. They said that they had 20,000 and
 - 12 also led me to believe that they would have that amount of
 - 13 money and that they could initiate a negotiation with that
 - 14 amount of money. Yes, at some point, I said, well, why
 - 15 don't you add some zeroes to that amount, and then later on
 - 16 I said, "I think it could be 50,000."
 - 17 But to be candid, they said we can only give you
 - 18 18, and I said, okay, I take them.
 - 19 Q. So, you did suggest that perhaps they could make
 - 20 the offer of \$50,000; correct?
 - 21 A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. And you also argued to the investigators that you
 - 23 met with that they probably have spent about \$50,000 in
 - 24 hotels alone; correct?
 - 25 A. I do not recall having done that. Possibly I did.

04:30 1 If it's in some of the transcripts, then I did it.

- Q. So, you were trying to negotiate a better price than the \$20,000 in cash that they brought with them; isn't that right?
- A. Possibly I intended to do that because I had the mental assurance, if you will, that the draft judgment was in my computer. Later on, hours later, on the same date, when a technical person that was called by them reviewed the computer and was unable to find to find the draft Judgment, well, in the end I accepted: They said, "Look, we can only give you \$18,000," and I accepted without
- 12 qualms, and I said okay, well, 20,000, they had and they 13 needed 2,000 to go back to their country to cover their
- 14 expenses, and I thought, well, I'm not going to leave them 15 without some pocket money that they can use to meet their
- 16 needs. That's okay. I have no issue with that, and I 17 received the 18,000.
- 18 Q. During this negotiation, the Chevron 19 representatives even showed you the money in the hotel, in 20 the safe, did they not?
- 21 A. I was shown it, yes.
- ${\tt Q.} \quad {\tt Q.} \quad {\tt Did} \ {\tt they} \ {\tt offer} \ {\tt to} \ {\tt show} \ {\tt you} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt money,} \ {\tt or} \ {\tt did} \ {\tt you}$
- 23 ask to see it?
- A. As far as I can recall, one of them took me by the arm and said, "Look, look, look what's down there. We have

04:34 1 that he did not find the draft Judgment, that he was unable 2 to find the draft Judgment, amongst other things, then at 3 around 5:00 or 6:00 p.m. that day, they told me, look, we 4 have \$18,000 to give you for this. We were unable to find 5 it. We were unable to find the main document. Had we been 6 able to find it, we would have been able to offer you a 7 larger amount, something like that, we have 18,000 for you, 8 and we're going to take the computer with us.

9 I agreed, and at the time, at the end of that day, 10 close to the nighttime, I received the \$18,000 that were 11 given to me. Earlier on, I had accepted to receive a 12 laptop computer that was going to replace the one that they 13 were going to take with them.

- Q. So, you received the \$18,000 of cash the same day that they came to your house, and within hours of coming to your house; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.

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- 18 Q. And at that time did you discuss the value of what 19 you were giving to them?
- 20 A. Excuse me, could you repeat the question? I 21 wasn't--it wasn't clear, in my mind.
 - Q. I'll ask you a different question, then.
- From your perspective, at the point that you gave them your evidence, you understood that what you gave them
- 25 wasn't worth anything to you; correct?

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- 04:32 1 \$20,000 there." "Oh, okay very well, very well." That was 2 it. I didn't ask to see that. Specifically, one of them 3 was the one that led me to take a look at it. It was 4 inside a safe.
 - 5 Q. And it was your understanding that they were 6 trying to use the cash to induce you to cooperate with 7 them; is that correct?
 - A. I understood at that point in time that the time had come to make the decision to provide part of the evidence I had, collect the money or not to do it.
 - 11 Q. And they ultimately went to your house; correct?
 - 12 A. Yes, they did.
 - 13 Q. And they brought the cash with them, didn't they?
 - 14 A. Yes, I understand--yes.
 - Q. And they paid you at that time the \$18,000 in cash at your house; isn't that right?
 - 17 A. Not at that time.

 - 19 afternoon, and I allowed myself to invite them to lunch.
 - 20 After that, with my authorization, they reviewed the 21 contents--the contents of the computer. Later on, they
 - 22 called an American man who was a computer technician, and I
 - 22 Carred an American man who was a computer technician, and
 - 23 also allowed him to come into my home and to revise my 24 computer.
 - 25 And at the end, when the technical person said

- 04:36 1 A. It's an expression that I've used in one of the 2 statements, but I can say to you that this computer was 3 somewhat old, a bit oldish--that's what we say--and the 4 data, the information included in that computer, from my 5 viewpoint, was not beneficial to me, financially beneficial 6 to me. There were a number of other rulings, 100-some 7 rulings, from cases that I had prepared for Judge Zambrano 8 that had already been issued, so from that viewpoint, for 9 me at that point in time, the computer and the contents 10 thereof didn't have a lot of significance, economically 11 speaking. Other than practical. It was the only computer 12 at home. I had pictures of my family, things from my 13 grandchildren, et cetera.
 - Q. And because what you were giving them had no value to you, you understood that they were essentially gifting you the \$18,000 of cash; isn't that right?
 - 17 A. At some point in time I did state it in that way, 18 but, given the explanation that I gave in my previous
 - 19 answer, well, that also corresponds to this one.
 - 20 Q. And you were hoping for still more money from 21 Chevron; wouldn't you agree?
 - 22 A. At that date? No, sir.
 - Q. Well, you understood from the Chevron
 - 24 representatives that you would get more money if you could
 - 25 establish a connection with Judge Zambrano; isn't that

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04:38 1 right?

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2 Yes, sir.

Q. In fact, you don't dispute that you testified in 4 deposition under oath, and I quote, "I understood from the 5 representatives of Chevron that I would get more money once 6 I was able to establish a connection between them and 7 Mr. Zambrano"? You don't dispute that that was your sworn 8 testimony; correct, sir?

A. No, sir. I knew that because the representatives 10 of Chevron expressly told me that once I was able to 11 arrange a meeting between them and Zambrano, then there was 12 going to be a little bit of money, additional money for me, 13 some financial benefit, additional financial benefit.

Q. So, that became a goal of yours, didn't it?

A. Let us not forget, with all due respect, that in 15 16 all this mess, in all this matter, I got into it because of 17 the initial insinuation by Mr. Zambrano. I thought that 18 the specific physical evidence in connection with the 19 Judgment was going to be given by Zambrano and not by 20 myself. I thought that Chevron's purpose--the purpose of 21 Chevron's representatives had to do with Mr. Zambrano and 22 not with myself.

Then, at the end, all my struggle, my actions, my 24 telephone calls, my work--all that was focused on 25 Mr. Zambrano, and Mr. Zambrano insisted and insisted in

04:42 1 a connection with Zambrano?

And the Chevron representatives made it clear to 3 you that they hoped that they could get your cooperation 4 for money; isn't that also right?

A. Yes, somewhat that's what they did, yes.

Q. In fact, they said to you--and I'm quoting--"the 7 Americans have a saying that I believe is good also. They 8 say 'money talks.'"

Do you remember Mr. Rivero saying that to you?

A. Yes. He made a reference in those terms somewhat, 10 11 yes, I do remember that.

12 Q. And you responded by saying: "There's a saying 13 here, and I think it's worldwide. It says: 'Money talks, 14 gold screams.'".

That's how you responded to him; isn't that right?

A. Yes, sir.

17 Q. Now, when Chevron's representatives said to you 18 that money talks, what did you think that meant?

19 A. I understood that they were assuring to me that 20 once I met the objective of linking them with Zambrano 21 which, in my understanding, was their wish, the wish that 22 they had, then I was going to receive an economic benefit.

Q. And what did you mean when you said that "money 24 talks" but "gold screams"?

A. I was seeking somehow to indicate to them that in

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04:40 1 saying, how much am I going to get? And I said, you have 2 to meet with him, and they said, no, they need to tell you 3 how much they're going to give me, and that was the 4 dispute, and that is why things got delayed.

Perhaps from May until October, when Mr. Zambrano 6 finally says: "I'm no longer in, I'm going to exit this 7 issue definitively."

Q. And I'm going to ask you again, respectfully, to listen to my question and to try to answer my question.

You have already acknowledged that, under oath, 11 that you understood that you would get more money from 12 Chevron once you were able to establish a connection

13 between Chevron and Mr. Zambrano. My question was: That

14 became a goal of yours. You had hoped to create a 15 connection between Chevron and Mr. Zambrano because you

16 expected to get more money if you did?

A. Yes, sir. 17

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18 Q. In fact, as you sought the priority what would be 19 most valuable to Chevron and redound to your economic

20 benefit would, in fact, be for you to establish a link or a

21 connection between Chevron and Mr. Zambrano; would you

22 agree with me?

23 A. Yes, sir.

Q. In fact, you previously have testified that, at

25 that point, the priority for you was to establish a link or

04:45 1 Latin America that we also have expressions that are 2 somewhat similar to the American expressions that they 3 cited.

> 4 Q. Did you intend to convey to the Chevron 5 representatives that the more they gave you, gold compared 6 to just money, the more you were willing to cooperate with 7 them, the more you would give them what they wanted?

A. I did not, sir.

9 Q. And just to be clear, you were always looking to 10 maximize your negotiating position, were you not?

A. Somehow, yes, I was trying to improve my position 12 so that--ahead of a possible future negotiation.

Q. Can you recall how you tried to increase your 14 negotiating position with the Chevron representatives? For 15 example, if this will help you, can you remember things you 16 said or did with the purpose of increasing your leverage in 17 the negotiation?

18 A. Yes, some things--I must recognize that I did 19 exaggerate about them, yes.

If you allow me, when we are looking for a job, 20 21 you say, how much experience do you have, and in fact you 22 really don't have any experience, and you say, well, I have 23 ten years of experience really. It's a situation just like

24 that.

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Q. And among the ways you tried to leverage your

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- 04:47 1 position was to falsely tell the Chevron representatives 2 that the Plaintiffs had offered you \$300,000; isn't that 3 right?
 - A. Yes, sir. I lied there. I recognize it. I wasn't truthful. That statement was never made by the representatives of the Plaintiffs.
 - Q. But your intent was to improve your negotiating position, your leverage, with the Chevron representatives; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir. Somehow that was it, yes.

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- 11 Q. And how did you believe lying to the Chevron 12 representatives and falsely stating that the Plaintiffs had 13 offered \$300,000 to you would give you more leverage with 14 Chevron in your negotiations?
- A. That way--I possibly didn't think about it, I was careless, certainly I was hasty. They were asking questions in an abrupt manner, if you will. I never went ready to face that kind of answers, and they posed those questions. And I answered those questions without thinking duly thinking about my answers. I answered right away.
- 21 And, obviously, I made mistakes. I know it.
- Possibly I thought that, in this specific case,
- 23 well, if I said to them that I was going to get a benefit
- 24 of \$300,000, and you, Chevron representative, can do
- 25 something, well, perhaps you can give me double or would be

04:51 1 specifically accept or not accept the challenge to speak
2 the truth in connection with my intervention, well, that
3 time was by mid-October 2012. Then I finally took the
4 decision, and I said to myself, okay, I will either--either
5 I speak the truth or I will forever hold my peace, and I
6 decided to tell the truth to keep a clear conscience.

7 Q. But you also just testified that you were in a 8 negotiation, you were trying to leverage your position to 9 make more money and that you were hoping to make more 10 money.

MR. KEHOE: Objection. We have confusing time
frames. The question about hoping to make more money was
in connection with the conversations he was having with the
investigators, and then counsel went to the January
Cooperation Agreement, and there is confusion.

MR. BLOOM: I have not talked about the January

17 Cooperation Agreement at all.
18 MR. KEHOE: I believe you did, when you said an
19 agreement with Chevron. That's certainly what I

20 understood, and it's apparently what the Witness 21 understood.

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you would specify the 23 particular date, I think you can rephrase the question.

24 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. To be clear, I'm still focused on your

04:48 1 able to give me double. Perhaps that was it.

- Q. You wanted Chevron to outbid how much you represented the Plaintiffs were paying to you; is that correct?
- A. No, sir. I didn't want that. I didn't think
 about that. The only thing that I thought was to improve
 my position vis-à-vis further benefits that I could receive
 down the line.
- 9 Q. In fact, in deposition, you testified that you 10 made what you called a number of exaggerations; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir. Yes.

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- 12 Q. You said: "A number of those things were 13 exaggerated, well, they weren't very precise as to space 14 and time." Do you remember that testimony generally, sir?
- 15 A. Yes, I have stated that, and I know that that has 16 been evidenced in documents, recordings related to these
- 17 inconsistencies that were to be found in my answers. 18 Q. And also in that same deposition, you testified
- 19 under oath that you were "hoping that in the future I could 20 obtain a larger benefit or earning." You don't dispute 21 that testimony, do you?
- 22 A. I do not dispute it.
- Q. And you saw your cooperation with Chevron as one
- 24 way of making some money; isn't that correct?
- 5 A. Truth be told, when I understood that I had to

04:52 1 conversations with the investigators.

Now, you provided certain evidence and you got \$18,000, so you did reach some kind of agreement with the investigators in Ecuador in 2012; isn't that correct?

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A. Yes, sir.

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Q. And while you were talking to the investigators in Ecuador, you were trying to leverage your position. You've already testified to that; correct?

9 A. In my initial discussions with representatives of 10 Chevron in Quito, in Ecuador, I sought to improve my 11 position. But then I ceased to do that when I understood

12 that the dye had been cast, that the objective was

13 Zambrano, and I stopped doing that even more when Zambrano 14 told me on 14 October that he was no longer going to go.

Q. You got \$18,000 in cash, promises or hopes of more money while you were talking to the investigators, and at this very time, you falsely said you were getting \$300,000

18 from the Plaintiffs, and my question, in light of all of

19 that which you have testified to, is you saw that by

20 cooperating with Chevron, by giving Chevron what it wants, 21 that that would be an avenue through which pursuant to

22 which you could make money: "Money talks, gold screams."

23 Can you confirm for us that you saw your cooperation with 24 Chevron as a way of making money?

25 A. I started conversations with Chevron's

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04:54 1 representatives at the request of Mr. Zambrano. He wanted
2 to know specifically how much Chevron was going to offer to
3 Mr. Zambrano for expressing its truth in connection with
4 the preparation of the Chevron Case Judgment, but he didn't
5 want to do it personally. He wanted to do it through me,
6 and possibly he wanted to receive the money, if that had
7 been the case, not personally by through me. That's my
8 understanding.
9 And these comings and goings, in these

9 And these comings and goings, in these
10 discussions, these gentlemen, of evidence that I gave to
11 them, they gave me \$18,000, and I received it, yes. Then
12 later on-- and they told that to me, and I understood,
13 that perhaps other revenues could be given to me. Probably
14 that would be the case once Chevron's representatives met
15 or spoke with Mr. Zambrano.

16 When this never happened, when that possibility 17 was forever closed, this happened by mid-October 2012, 18 Chevron's representatives expressly told me that the 19 purpose in those circumstances was myself.

And given those circumstances, in November of that 21 year, I provided another set of documents, evidence, and I 22 received an additional \$20,000 because at that point in

23 time I asked them for that amount of money.

Q. I'm just going to ask this one more time, then I promise I will move on. You have my assurance, sir.

04:58 1 interlocutor, a link between Chevron's representatives and 2 Zambrano, and then the "connector" between Zambrano and 3 Chevron's representatives, I thought that that was going to 4 yield some benefit for me, however small that benefit may 5 have been.

Q. I promised to move on, and I will.

Let's turn to the subject of the Memory Aid.

Now, what you called a Memory Aid was yet another source of cash from Chevron, was it not?

A. Look, the Aide Memoire when in late March/early
April 2013, well, when I obtained that document and I
provided it to Chevron through my lawyer, well, at that
time I didn't know that the possibility existed that I was
going to get 10,000 additional dollars for that document.
That matter had been discussed by my lawyer, and I did not
expressly ask to be given not even one cent. This,
regardless of everything else, I had my heart, I had my

18 feelings, I have never been a thief with a gun--so that you 19 understand what I'm trying to say--in those kinds of

20 things, and the \$20,000 came from Chevron.

It was said to me that my lawyer had obtained that, and I said you are very kind, thank you very much.

23 Q. So, providing the Memory Aid of Chevron was, in

24 fact, another source of cash from Chevron?

A. That was the effect, but at any time, as I said,

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04:56 1 From June of 2012 to November 2012, when you were
2 paid the 18,000, the subsequent 20,000, the period of time
3 when you asked Chevron's representatives to add zeroes to
4 their offer of \$20,000, to your counteroffer of \$50,000, to
5 your misrepresentation that the Plaintiffs were paying you
6 \$300,000, did you, in fact, see your cooperation with
7 Chevron as a way of making money for yourself?
8 MR. KEHOE: I have to object to the question

9 because counsel went from June to November. It's confusing
10 because the Witness has just testified that things changed
11 in October when Zambrano said that he wouldn't participate,
12 so it is a very confusing question based on what the

12 so it is a very confusing question, based on what the 13 Witness had just testified to a moment ago.

14 MR. BLOOM: I will ask it a little bit 15 differently.

MR. KEHOE: Okay.

17 BY MR. BLOOM:

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18 Q. At any time between June and November 2012, did 19 you see your cooperation with Chevron as a way for you to 20 make money?

20 make money?
21 A. The money that I received from Chevron was in July
22 2012, and later on, the final money in Ecuador was on

23 November 2, 2012. Before July in the month of June, I 24 didn't think that I was going to receive anything from

25 Chevron. I thought that my actions of becoming an

05:00 1 did I have the intention at least to say this is what I

3 my lawyer, my attorney had arranged this, he was--but that

4 was the result.

5 Q. Right. I understand.

6 The payment of \$10,000 from Chevron surprised you, 7 did it not?

8 A. Honestly, the payment of \$10,000 was unexpected. 9 Let me be very honest.

10 Q. But you still took the money; correct? You didn't 11 give it back to them?

12 A. I spent it.

Q. Now, during your discussions with Chevron's investigators in 2012, you told them that Pablo Fajardo, one of the Plaintiffs' representatives, in fact, prepared and gave you the Memory Aid to assist you in revising the

17 Lago Agrio Court Judgment. That's what you told them;

18 correct? And we will go through--I understand that you

19 have a different recollection now, but I just want to

20 confirm for the Tribunal that when you first spoke with 21 Chevron's representatives you told them that Pablo Fajardo

22 gave you the Memory Aid to assist you in revising the Lago

23 Agrio Court Judgment; correct?

 $\,$ 24 $\,$ $\,$ A. Let me see. I recalled the issue of the Aide

25 Memoire in general terms. This is something that I

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05:02 1 mentioned to Chevron's attorneys in Quito, and yes, I
2 remembered, I had it in my mind, in those circumstances,
3 that I received the memory aid by email or that I received
4 it in Quito on a memory flash," et cetera, et cetera. And,
5 yes, I requested said memory aid from Mr. Fajardo once I
6 reviewed the draft Judgment, and I saw some concerns in
7 connection with some issues that I had discussed with
8 Mr. Fajardo over the phone, and Mr. Fajardo proceeded in
9 due time to provide me the memory aide.

10 Q. And I'm going to walk you slowly through the 11 different statements that you have made as it relates to 12 the provision of the so-called "Memory Aid."

In June of 2012, you told Chevron's investigators
that Pablo Fajardo e-mailed you that document. I think you
just confirmed that, but is that correct?

- A. Yes. I said that on that date.
- 17 Q. In fact, you told them that several times on that 18 date, on June 25, 2012; isn't that correct?
- A. Back then, that was my recollection. But you also need to remember that, that talk, those assertions, at that time I did not swear over the life of my mother that that
- 22 was the final word. That's how I remembered it.
- Q. And then on November 17, 2012, which is, again, the Declaration that we have relied on previously, that
- 25 was--that Declaration was, in fact, made under oath, was it

05:06 1 Q. But you nonetheless have testified that you at 2 least remember calling Mr. Fajardo on his cellphone; isn't 3 that right?

- A. Yes, sir, I did call him.
 - Q. And you remember that he told you not to worry.
- A. I remember that he said that, given my concerns, the concerns that I stated, I detailed the concerns I had in connection with the document that I had just read; and, in that regard, he told me that for me to have a better vision, a better view of the problem, he was going to give me an Aide Memoire that had some aspects connected to the concerns that I mentioned.
- Q. And both in June of 2012 and then in your
 Declaration of November of 2012, you reaffirmed that your
 recollection at that time was that Mr. Fajardo also told
 you that he would e-mail you a Memory Aid; correct?
- 17 A. That is stated--if that is stated in the 18 Declarations in the testimony that you mentioned, the 19 answer is yes.
- 20 Q. But Chevron's representatives did not want your 21 word for it; they actually wanted to review your hard 22 drive, did they not?
- A. I do not know what Chevron's gentlemen want. If they are referring to my hard disk or--I don't know what hard disk you're referring to.

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05:04 1 not?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And in that Declaration, you did swear to tell the truth, and you said, and I quote--and this is at Paragraph 26--"I remember that I called Mr. Fajardo on his cellphone to ask him about some sections of the document that confused me. Mr. Fajardo told me not to worry, and that he would e-mail me a Memory Aid to clarify my questions. Mr. Fajardo e-mailed me a document around ten to 12 pages titled 'Memory Aid' with some information about the case."

12 So, that's what you said on November 17th, sir; 13 correct?

- A. Yes, sir. That's on the record.
- 15 Q. And you specifically represented that you called 16 Mr. Fajardo on his cellphone; am I right?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And there are no cellphone records that you are aware of that confirm that phone call to Mr. Fajardo; isn't that also right?
- A. I tried to obtain those records. I requested them, but it seems that my phone did not maintain those records since it was a pre-paid phone as I was informed by the company. Mr. Fajardo may have those records; that is likely.

05:08 1 Q. You understand that Chevron looked through all of 2 your saved e-mails, and they looked for a record that the 3 Memory Aid was e-mailed to you by Pablo Fajardo; is that 4 your understanding, sir?

A. If you allow me, I would like to say the following: On the first day, when Chevron's representatives went to my domicile in Quito, which was on July 13, 2012, the day I gave them the computer, the day I received the \$18,000 from them before they left my house, I accepted to give them the passwords and also the code words to go into--the passwords to go into the e-mail. They tried to go into the contents of all of the documentation on the e-mail, but they received the information that the e-mail had been closed down, and that the information had been lost, and I testified that that was the case.

- Q. The bottom line is that Chevron advised you that they never found the Memory Aid e-mail to you; am I correct?
- A. What I'm saying is that on the day I gave my computer to Chevron representatives, they also placed a phone call from their own cellphone to somewhere to the U.S. asking for access, giving the user name and also the access code, and they were unable to access my accounts.

 So, from that very moment, they knew that the

So, from that very moment, they knew that the e-mail and also all of the information that I had been

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05:11 1 referring to was not going to be found there because it had 2 been lost.

- Q. You initially recalled receiving the e-mailed document from Mr. Fajardo while you were at your home in Quito; correct? That's how you first recalled it.
- 6 A. Yes. I had said that I may have received it 7 through--via e-mail or a USB drive.
 - Q. While you were at your home?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And then your memory changed after that, and you 11 subsequently recalled working not from Quito but from Lago
- 12 Agrio. And instead of receiving it while at home, you
- 13 recalled receiving it at an internet cafe. That was a
- 14 later recollection, was it not?
- 15 A. Look, with all due respect, the human mind cannot 16 be totally infallible, absolute, like computer. And there 17 are memories that evolve over time little by little when -
- 18 as when one focuses mentally on certain facts. When
- 19 Chevron's representatives were asking me questions that
- 20 way, by that very way, or sharply, so to speak, well ${\tt I}$
- 21 would say just about anything without paying too much
- 22 attention to its essence. So I accept, admit that there
- 23 are inconsistencies, but definitelyIn the main these are
- 24 details I fine-tuned, especially regarding the final
- 25 November affidavit I submitted for the RICO case

05:15 1 MR. BLOOM: I could stop now.

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's stop now.

MR. KEHOE: Thank you.

4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's stop today now. It's 5 5:15. We're going to resume tomorrow at 9:30. If you

6 could come back, please, for further questions at 9:30

7 tomorrow morning. In the meantime, we ask you not to

8 discuss the case or your testimony with anyone, not until

9 you come back before the Tribunal at 9:30 tomorrow.

Do you understand that?

11 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. Please rest assured that 12 I will observe this order.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You may leave the table.

14 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, we're not tying you down, but just to get some idea of planning.

MR. BLOOM: I think I am on pace to finish by late morning, by lunch.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I understand. And, again, you

20 probably can't say, but on redirect re-examination, it will 21 take us to the end of tomorrow, or will it take us into

22 Saturday?

MR. KEHOE: It will not take us into Saturday. It

24 may take us towards the ends of the day, but that's--

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's fine.

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05:13 1 Q. And today, your recollection is no longer that you
2 received it in an internet cafe or even by e-mail. Your
3 current recollection is that it was hand-delivered to you
4 by Mr. Fajardo; correct?

5 A. Yes, sir, at some point. I already said it. That 6 is the case.

7 Q. And that's very different from having received it 8 by e-mail.

9 A. I was in Lago Agrio. Mr. Zambrano was in Lago 10 Agrio back then. And logic tells us that there was no need 11 to send me an e-mail when Mr. Zambrano did not have 12 internet or a computer at home.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just stop. Are you meaning to refer to Mr. Zambrano in your answer?

THE WITNESS: Mr. President, I meant that when I received this document, the Aide Memoire, Mr. Zambrano did not have internet connection at home, and he did not have a personal computer at home.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

MR. BLOOM: The one concern that a colleague is asking is whether the interpreter might be getting a little bit tired.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think that is a real concern.

24 I think we ought to finish quite soon.

Have you got many more questions for this evening?

05:17 1 MR. KEHOE: Yeah.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

3 MR. KEHOE: Thank you.

4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Until 9:30 tomorrow. Thank

5 you.

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6 MR. BLOOM: May I ask one question?

7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

8 MR. BLOOM: Because we had talked about it before, 9 if we were going much faster than expected, we were talking

10 about whether Mr. Lynch will be here tomorrow. So, I

11 just--my only question--we could wait and provide and have 12 Mr. Lynch here on Monday, or we could proceed tomorrow, but

13 I wanted to know before we adjourn for the evening.

MR. BISHOP: I think that if it's--there's a fair

15 likelihood that we will take a good bit of the afternoon,

16 we would prefer to start with Mr. Lynch on Monday. Is

17 that--if we could have that agreement, that's what we would

18 prefer.

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19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that agreeable?

MR. BLOOM: Yeah, we're amenable either way.

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do that. We won't start

22 Mr. Lynch, provided we went into the afternoon, until

23 Monday. Monday morning.

24 Thank you.

25 (Whereupon, at 5:18 p.m., the Hearing was

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09:34 1 this is a certified copy of the original," and then you see 2 the signature of the relevant Clerk.

Q. And at the top of the page--and you'll see on the slide that we have it highlighted--you'll see the Foja number on this page. I believe, if my eyesight is good enough, it's 158630 [sic], or at least I'm close.

7 Can you tell me what the purpose is of putting the 8 Foja number on there?

A. Thank you very much for your question.

The correct number, the one evidenced here, is 11 159630. The purpose of placing there the page number, the 12 Foja number, in Ecuador, for procedural purposes--well, 13 this is called as the pagination. And the person

14 responsible for processing the case, the Clerk of the Court 15 or some auxiliary of the Court, upon receiving the document

16 from one of the litigants, includes in the main file the

17 document that was received, entered and delivered. And 18 then immediately thereafter, the Clerk paginates each one

of the pages chronologically, according to the sequence in

20 which it was delivered. That's what it refers to.

Q. Now, in your prior answer, you indicated that the

22 Court Seal alone does not indicate or establish the

23 authenticity of the copy, and you said that the Clerk of

24 the Court had to include some kind of further notation or

25 certificate.

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A. I do. I do see it, sir.

Q. Now, we're going to show you another slide, and this corresponds to the document behind Tab 49.

5 For the record, this document is 6 R-1545TEMPSC0003306.1.

7 And first you'll confirm for me that neither on 8 Point 1, nor on the backside, Point 2, do you see the Court 9 Seal itself?

A. In the document that you're making reference to,
my understanding--and I can say this objectively--that this
is a pleading that contains a prayer for relief or some
kind of request to the President of the Court by Diego
Larrea Alarcon, attorney. I understand that he is an

15 attorney for the Chevron group.

And if you look at the lower right part overleaf of the document, you see the Seal of the Provincial Court of Justice of Sucumbios for the President's office, and then you see here the certification of receipt: Received

20 in Nueva Loja at 5:46 p.m. on 14 October 2010. And it has

21 two or four annexes, according to this. This has been 22 signed by the Clerk of the Court--the recording Clerk of

22 Signed by the cierk of the court--the recording cierk of

23 the Court. And this is a certification of submission for

 $24\,\,$ this document, a receipt of filing of this document.

Q. Can you explain why there would not be a Foja

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te 09:42 1 number on this document at all?

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A. I don't know why. But if this was included into the file, then it must have been paginated; the number must be there.

5 Q. So what is the significance of the Foja number not 6 being here?

7 A. Well, we would have to look at the case binder 8 (cuerpo) for that date to verify whether this document has 9 been included in the case file. And if it was included in 10 the case file, then we would have to see if the pagination 11 is not there.

But the document as is--well, possibly this is a copy of the original document that was received by the person delivering the document, and obviously the original document, the authentic original is in the case file, and I'm sure it has to be paginated.

And this is a copy with the filing certification, that to this end has been provided by the interested party, who kept this copy with the certificate of submission.

Let me conclude by saying that I mean to say that 21 we paginate the pages, and we exclusively paginate those

22 pages that are included in the case file. We did not

23 paginate--we do not paginate similar documents that are 24 held by the party delivering a document.

Q. I thank you, sir, for that clarification.

09:36 1 Is that on the same document or on a separate 2 document?

A. This certification of authenticity is to be placed on the same document, the document that is provided as a copy, if you wish, to one of the litigants.

Q. And if you turn the pages, at Tab 49, do you see anything on this document specifically to confirm its authenticity?

MS. BEES: Tab 49 or 48?

10 MR. KEHOE: I'm sorry. Tab 48. Thank you for 11 that.

THE WITNESS: This document, apart from the Seal of the President's Clerk's office--there's also a certification here, apart from initials as well, the Seal of the reporting clerk Marieia Salazar Jaramillo. It contains--it contains the signature--

The interpreter is asking for clarification.

We are saying that this ruling is authentic. It
contains the signature of the Clerk. It is an original
document.

Q. In fact, I see her signature on the last two pages; correct?

A. I am looking at the signature at Page 159634.

Q. And if I may ask you to turn to 159633. Do you

25 see Ms. Jaramillo's signature at the bottom of that page as

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09:44 1 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Excuse me. Mr. Bloom,
2 are you done with this line of questioning? Because I have
3 a question for Mr. Guerra.

MR. BLOOM: please.

5 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Mr. Guerra, I am looking 6 at this document, R-1514--R--essentially R-1514, and I am 7 looking at the stamps on the documents. I am looking at 8 the stamps on the documents, stamps on the documents, and I 9 read "Presidencia of the Provincial Court of Sucumbios, 10 "and I read "Secretaire or Secretariat of the Presidencia."

Does this mean that documents submitted to the Court have to be necessarily submitted at the seat of the Court, or maybe they submit it somewhere else?

THE WITNESS: Thank you. Generally speaking, I
would say that generally 99 percent of the cases the
litigants go to the offices of the competent Court during
business hours, and they submit their document to the Clerk
of the Court. That is the usual practice

19 inexorably--inexorably speaking.
20 But there is a legal admissible possibility for
21 the litigant in certain circumstances to go to the domicile
22 of the Clerk of the Court outside of business hours, for
23 special circumstances, and submit the relevant document for
24 the Clerk of the Court to include the document in the case
25 file during business hours.

09:48 1 turn with me to the first binder at Tab 16. Ms. Bees will 2 help you. This is Exhibit R-1331, the so-called "Memory 3 Aid."

I take it you're quite familiar with this
document. You've been asked about it in prior testimony,
have you not?

A. I know the document.

8 Q. And if I understand correctly, you allegedly told 9 Mr. Fajardo, while you were looking at a draft Sentencia, 10 that some sections of the draft Sentencia confused you; is 11 that right?

12 A. If you allow me, I--I did see that there were 13 certain issues that concerned and confused me. And I did 14 say to him what you have just stated.

Q. And as yesterday, I'm just going to ask you to listen very carefully to the question that I'm asking.

And because certain sections confused you, you needed help from Mr. Fajardo. That's your contention?

19 A. More specifically, if you allow me, there were 20 certain aspects of the draft Judgment that I was examining 21 at the time, well, that created certain concerns in my 22 mind, concerns rather than confusions.

And, obviously I relayed those concerns to him, and I specifically asked him to help me because in the past he had offered to help me; to send me some document to help

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09:46 1 Now, the secretary--or, rather, the Clerk of the 2 Court must write the Certificate of Submission, when he is 3 at his domicile, stating that date and that time.

This situation generally--takes place generally in civil law cases when we're talking about deadlines. And the periods of time provided by the Court start running as the law or the Court has established them.

8 In connection with the Chevron Case, each Parties
9 were provided six days to provide evidence. And I remember
10 that one of the Parties at one point in time--one of the
11 litigants went to the domicile of the Clerk of the Court at
12 night and asked the Clerk of the Court to receive the
13 document after business hours, and that was legitimate.

The Clerk of the Court affixed the certificate of submission and the very next business day included this in the case file, paginated it, and sent it to the relevant judge.

17 judge.
18 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Do I understand
19 correctly then that this happens in very exceptional
20 circumstances and when there is a situation of urgency

21 because a delay--a procedural delay is about to expire?

22 THE WITNESS: That is correct, sir, Member of the 23 Tribunal, yes.

24 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Okay. Turning subjects now, if you can please

09:51 1 me overcome those confusions, concerns.

Q. And you have testified that Mr. Fajardo promised that he would provide you with what we are calling the "Memory Aid."

5 A. I am recalling the beginning of that conversation 6 with Mr. Fajardo during our meeting. He said that he 7 committed to provide to me the help that I needed.

8 So according to those expectations, at a--at a 9 given point in time, I called Mr. Fajardo. I said that I 10 had certain doubts, certain confusions in connection with 11 certain aspects, and I determined those aspects to him.

And then Mr. Fajardo, because of that, told me that he was going to provide to me a document that was qoing to help me overcome those concerns.

15 Q. And the document you say that he provided you to 16 help you overcome these concerns is this document that 17 you're now looking at; correct?

A. That is the document that he provided to me.

19 Q. Looking at the Memory Aid now, how did it help you 20 revise the Sentencia?

A. In point of fact, the truth is that Mr. Fajardo, apparently--according to what he said to me, he understood the reasons for my confusion. And he told me that he was

24 going to give me a document that was going to help me

25 overcome these confusions of mine.

09:53 1 But actually, the truth is that the document 2 provided to me, the Aide Memoire, did not help me at all to 3 overcome the confusions or concerns that I had.

So this document, with all due respect, I must say 5 to you, was not used by me at that point in time at all. 6 Just as it was not used by me either in other situations or 7 in connection with other--or in connection with other 8 documents at all.

- Q. So it's your testimony that Mr. Fajardo provided 10 you with absolutely no useful information, even though his 11 whole life for years had been about this one case and even 12 though the Plaintiffs were seeking billions of dollars. Is 13 that your testimony?
- A. Would you be so kind as to repeat the question? 15 But could you please perhaps break down your question? 16 There are a number of parts to your question, and I 17 wouldn't want to give you a false statement, and I wouldn't 18 want to go against the truth.
 - Q. Well, you--

20 MR. KEHOE: I'm going to object to the question,

21 if he's going to break it down--it's argumentative,

22 obviously. I was going to let it go, but--

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's just give him--give him a

24 try.

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25 MR. KEHOE: Okay. 09:56 1 a lawyer for the Plaintiffs starting in '06 or '07, 2 approximately around that time.

> Now, before that, my understanding is that he was 4 not a lawyer, he was not practicing the legal profession, because he did not have a professional degree.

- Q. But it is your testimony that Mr. Fajardo provided 7 you in this document with absolutely no useful information; isn't that correct?
- 9 A. If you allow me, I would have to explain briefly 10 this matter and to state what the concerns were that I had, 11 and then it will be understood that I relayed my concerns 12 to Mr. Fajardo and asked Mr. Fajardo to give me a document 13 and help me solve these problems.

And then, only in that situation, would we be able 15 to understand the core of this case--or of this issue,

16 rather. 17 Q. I'd like you to take a look at the Memory Aid.

18 And on the very first page, there is a chronology, and that is at part 1.

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Do you see that, sir?

21 I do.

22 Q. And the relevant dates in that chronology are as

23 follows: 1.1 refers to a date of May 7, 2003. 1.2 refers

24 to the date of October 21, 2003. 1.3 refers to the date of

25 August 18, 2004. 1.4, which we have on the screen, refers

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please try, Mr. Bloom. Break 09:54 1 2 it down, as the Witness requested, and see what happens. MR. BLOOM: Certainly, Mr. President. 3 4 BY MR. BLOOM:

5 Q. You certainly understood that this case was a very important case for Mr. Fajardo; is that right?

A. Obviously, yes. I understood that this case--this struggle, if you would like to call it that, of Mr. Fajardo and his team, was very important. Not just for the group 10 of Plaintiffs, but also for the prestige of the justice 11 system, the respectability of my country. I have all of 12 that clear in my mind.

Q. And you also understood that Mr. Fajardo had 14 devoted years to this case at this point; correct?

A. Perhaps I may disagree with you in that regard, 16 because I think Mr. Fajardo is a professional, from my 17 viewpoint a bit young, and I think that he graduated a long 18 time after the Chevron Case started and I remember Mr. 19 Fajardo when the case began in 2013, the court of which was

20 my responsibility at the time. I remember and I identify 21 Mr. Fajardo as a lawyer for this case a long time after--in 22 2007--I think he actually obtained his degree in 2006.

Q. So for his entire professional life he was acting 24 as counsel for the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs; isn't that right?

A. I would not be able to assert that. I knew him as

09:59 1 to the date of March 19, 2007. 1.5 refers to the date of 2 April 1, 2008. 1.6 refers to the date of September 15 and 3 16. And then 1.7 refers to the date of November 17, 2008, 4 and subsequently February 5, 2009.

And if you look substantively at these paragraphs, 6 at least 1.4 through 1.7, they focus on Richard Cabrera, do 7 they not?

A. Yes, sir; that is correct.

9 Q. And Mr. Cabrera was appointed as the global 10 damages expert in this case, isn't that also correct?

11 A. Yes, sir.

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And to be clear, the Sentencia says that the Court 13 did not consider the work done by Mr. Cabrera; isn't that 14 correct?

15 A. Judge Zambrano at a given point in time has stated 16 that in the reasoning that he provided.

Q. And the Judgment or the Sentencia instead 17

18 expressly relied on and cited to other experts offered by 19 the Parties in the environmental case; isn't that right?

A. Such reasons or explanations are recorded in the 20

21 Judgment. 22 Q. And feel free to look at the Sentencia if you need

23 to. It is at Tab 36.

24 A. I got it.

Q. And I can point you in the Spanish pagination to

- 10:02 1 Page 105. And please, sir, tell me when you are at 2 Page 105.
 - A. Yes, sir. I have it right here.
 - Q. Thank you.
 - You will see on the third and seventh lines
 - references to the expert, Luis Villacreces?
 - A. Yes, sir. I see it.
 - 8 Q. You'll also see about halfway down the page the 9 name of another expert, José Robalino.
 - José Robalino, yes.
 - Q. You see that as well? 11
 - 12 Yes, sir. I'm seeing it.
 - And then two lines down, you see the name John 13
 - 14 Connor?
 - 15 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. If I may ask you to turn to Page 107. And 11 16
 - 17 lines down is the name of another expert, Edison Camino.
 - 18 Can you confirm that you see that as well?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - 20 Q. And then just a little bit more than halfway down
 - 21 is the name of another expert, Gino Bianchi.
 - Yes, sir. It says here as Gino Bianchi does it.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just pause for a moment, we
 - 24 have a technical problem.
 - (Pause.)

10:06 1 BY MR BLOOM:

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- Q. Just to confirm at Page 179, 10 lines up from the
- 3 bottom of the page, you will see the name of another
- 4 expert, Douglas Allen. Can you please confirm that his
- 5 name, in fact, is cited in the Sentencia on this page.
 - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. If I could ask you to turn to Page 182, six lines
- 8 down you will also see the name of Dr. Lawrence
- 9 W. Barnthouse.
- A. On the sixth line from the bottom I see--it says: 10
- 11 Expert Barros states." Excuse me, page 182?
- O. Correct that it is at Page 182, six lines from the 13 top towards the left-hand side.
- A. Yes, sir, Dr. Lawrence W. Barnthouse.
- 15 Q. Sir, you're able to confirm that the Sentencia, in
- 16 fact, specifically cites to a number of experts. And am I
- 17 correct that none of the names that we just went through in
- 18 the Sentencia are, in fact, contained in the Memory Aid?
- 19 And if you want to take a moment or two to look
- 20 through the Memory Aid, certainly you should feel free to.
- A. If you allow me to tell you, I am not sure that 21
- 22 the names of the experts that we just reviewed and are
- 23 included in the contents of the Judgment are--are included
- 24 in the Aide Memoire.
- Q. Do you want more time to look, or shall we move

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- 10:04 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Sir, if you turn the page to Page 108, on the 4 first line towards the end, you will see the name of

 - 5 another expert, Bjorn Bjorkman y Gino Bianchi.
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And then a little bit more than halfway down the
 - page, you'll see John Connor and Gino Bianchi on the
 - right-hand side of the page.
 - A. Yes, sir. John Connor and Gino Bianchi.
 - Q. And then five lines down, you'll see Oscar Dávila 11
 - 12 and Edison Camino.
 - A. Oscar Davila and Edison Camino. Yes, sir. 13
 - 14 And then four lines down, you'll see John Connor's
 - 15 name?

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- A. Yes.
- 17 Q. If I could ask you, sir, to turn to Page 179. And
- 18 then 10 lines up from the bottom, you will see the name
- 19 Douglas C. Allen?
- 20 MR. BLOOM: We may have another technical
- 21 difficulty. I don't know that the expert is Hearing.
- 22 THE WITNESS: Yes, he's Hearing.
- 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think the Witness may be
- 24 rather than expert. That threw me.
- MR. BLOOM: I thought he signaled.

- 10:10 1 on, Mr. Guerra?
 - A. I do not have any issues with that. If you think

- 3 that any of those names are here in any page and you are
- 4 certain about that, would you please show me the page and
- 5 the line number? Otherwise, I think that we can move on.
- O. You do not believe that those names are contained 7 in the document.
- Now, sir, in the chronology contained in the
- 9 Memory Aid at Paragraph 1.7 the last date you will see here
- 10 is February 5, 2009. Do you see that?
- 11 A. Yes, sir. I am seeing it. Q. And you purportedly received a copy of the Memory
- 13 Aid while you were revising or reviewing the draft
- 14 Sentencia when?
- A. The review of the Judgment was done by me
- 16 approximately a couple of weeks before it was issued. This
- 17 was the first week in February or days before, the last
- 18 week in January 2011.
- 19 The timeline that you are referring to refers to
- 20 up to February 5th, 2009, and that is the key of the
- 21 issue. Since you have not asked me, with all due respect I
- 22 want to tell you that one of the main concerns when
- 23 reviewing the draft Judgment was the swearing in of expert
- 24 Cabrera, Witness Cabrera, because I had enough information
- 25 in the sense that Cabrera was appointed under the law by

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10:12 1 the Judge at some time and it was ordered that expert 2 Cabrera would be sworn in at a certain date a few days 3 after designation date.

> But, in this case, expert Cabrera, as far as I 5 know, he was sworn in established by the Judge.

And based on the information I had, Expert Cabrera 7 at no time sent any documents to the Judge indicating that he was accepting his appointment and that he was not going 9 to be able to be sworn in on the designated date.

If this is true from the procedural point, this 11 would have led to the -- to the expiration of that 12 appointment. And according to my understanding and my own 13 opinion, my concern was that if this aspect was seen from 14 the legal standpoint, the report by expert Cabrera was null 15 and void.

16 Thus, it would have also been seen, given this 17 situation, that due process would have been--was violated. 18 And this, in my opinion, my legal opinion, this was another 19 ground to declare the process null and void since this 20 nullity would have actually taken place.

This was one of my concerns, and this is something 22 that I mentioned to Mr. Fajardo. And I thought he clearly 23 understood my position. But far from sending any document 24 to focus this procedural concern, he sent me a general 25 document, as you can see. And clearly from my own legal

10:16 1 can briefly with an answer, please do so.

But again, if you feel you need to add something, 2 3 again, please feel free to do so.

But if you can, try and keep your answers 5 responsive to the particular question asked by Counsel, whether it be the Claimants or the Respondent.

THE WITNESS: Very well, Mr. President.

BY MR. BLOOM:

9 Q. The chronology in the Memory Aid ends on 10 February 5, 2009, does it not?

A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And you purportedly did not begin to review the 13 Sentencia until approximately two years later; correct?

A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. And therefore, the events between February 5, 16 2009, through the remainder of 2009 through the remainder 17 of 2010 are not included anywhere in this Memory Aid; isn't 18 that also right?

A. That is correct, sir.

20 Q. And just like there was no mention of the Experts 21 specifically relied on in the Sentencia, there's no mention 22 of the so-called "supplemental experts' reports" that were 23 filed in 2010 by both parties; isn't that correct?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. I was corrected so I want to be more specific.

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10:15 1 procedural point of view, and also given my modest 2 knowledge in the civil area, being in the law area for 32 3 years as a practitioner, you may understand that clearly it 4 wasn't enough for me to understand and offer a solution or 5 clarify that concern.

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Thank you very much for listening to me.

MR. BLOOM: Mr. President, if I may ask you to instruct the Witness as to how the system works when he 9 begins an answer with the phrase "and you haven't asked me 10 but," that should be a signal that it's not an appropriate 11 subject for him then to be expounding on.

MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, in fairness, if the 13 Witness is being asked questions completely irrelevant to 14 the document that he's being shown, it's difficult for a 15 witness to understand the questions and to give answers 16 without giving actual answers to what actually happened.

MR. BLOOM: Well, I certainly object to that 17 18 characterization.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let me stop the debate now 20 before it gets more difficult. I think the Witness has

21 been doing pretty well in answering the question.

22 Inevitably, he's going to want to add things, but I'll 23 certainly speak to him.

Mr. Guerra, we have a limited time for questions 25 for you. If you can answer your question--sorry. If you 10:18 1 There were a number of supplemental experts--there was a 2 Plaintiffs' expert named Picone, P-I-C-O-N-E.

Do you know, sir, whether his supplemental expert 4 report was contained in the Memory Aid?

A. I'm sorry. What supplementary report are you 6 referring to?

Q. Were you aware of the fact that the Plaintiffs 8 filed supplemental Expert Reports in the last quarter of 9 2010, what Chevron has referred to as cleansing reports?

A. I recall that when I reviewed the file, the 11 record, when I was the ghostwriter, several objections were 12 logged by both Parties in connection with the Experts' 13 reports. And I think that motions were also presented in 14 connection with essential errors with regard to most of the 15 reports, by the Parties, in particular, by the Plaintiffs 16 suing Chevron.

Q. Well, the Plaintiffs' Expert Picone filed a report 17 18 in the last quarter of 2010. The Plaintiffs' Expert

19 Shefftz, S-H-E-F-F-T-Z; the Plaintiffs' Expert Scardinia,

20 there was an expert report by a Mr. Rourke, R-O-U-R-K-E.

21 There were Expert Reports of an Expert Barnthouse, and an 22 Expert Allen.

23 And none of these people are mentioned in the 24 chronology, are they, in the Memory Aid?

A. Yes. I do see that those certain names are not

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- 10:21 1 included in the Aide Memoire.
 - Q. And as said, the chronology is focused on
 - A. It's because of what I explained before, which was 5 also my concern.
 - Q. You're aware, are you not, that in December 2009, 7 Chevron began investigating, through U.S. Court procedures, 8 Cabrera's relationship with the Plaintiffs' Attorneys?
 - 9 A. No, sir.
 - Q. Are you aware of the fact that Chevron, in fact, 10 11 attained U.S. Court orders to review the Plaintiffs'
 - 12 lawvers' documents?
 - A. I heard or I learned through the news articles. 13 14 But this was a very superficial information I had. It was 15 not in-depth.
 - Q. Are you aware of the fact that Chevron began 17 providing to the Lago Agrio Court in 2010 some of the 18 evidence that Chevron received through the U.S. Court
 - 19 procedures?

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Q. And Chevron--withdraw that. 21

A. No, sir.

- Sir, have you ever written any article related to
- 23 the environmental conditions in Ecuador whether published
- 24 or not?
- A. Yes, sir.

- 10:24 1 Ecuador; is that correct?
 - A. Yes, sir. 2
 - Q. Approximately how many essays?
 - A. Several. I do not remember the number because I
 - 5 was I was also a master's degree student in Ecuador
 - 6 University--at Central Ecuador University, and I also had
 - 7 those documents prepared as semester papers based on
 - 8 important documents that I had, such as the claim against
 - 9 Chevron and also the reply to that lawsuit or that claim.
 - Q. And, in fact, the essays related mostly to
 - 11 environmental damages occurring as a result of oil and gas
 - 12 production in the Oriente region?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And in some of these essays you, in fact,
 - 15 discussed the litigation against Chevron?
 - A. That is correct, sir. 16
 - 17 Q. And you have previously testified that you wanted
 - 18 to have enough information about the case in the article so
 - 19 that it would be clear that the person writing the article
 - 20 was familiar with the case and, in fact, was a Judge in the
 - 21 case; isn't this correct?
 - A. Yes. Somehow that was the case. But clearly, the
 - 23 final idea went beyond that, that is to say to write a
 - 24 piece of an article specifically that would be published as
 - 25 an idea, a goal, an intention, and at some point, I'd even

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10:23 1 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: I'm sorry, Mr. Bloom,

2 sorry, because I see you are getting a different--MR. BLOOM: Related, but--

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: But before, you know,

5 when I was looking at the list of experts on the pages that 6 you mentioned, Page 105, of the Spanish version of the

7 decision, I see another name Pilamunga.

And when I go to the last page, you mentioned, 9 Page 182, I see a reference to another Expert Barros. I do

10 not know if, to make the record complete, whether you

11 should also consider those names when putting a question to

12 see if those names are in the Aide Memoire or not because

13 they don't seem to be any of the other names that you

14 mentioned.

15 MR. BLOOM: And my list was not intended to be 16 exhaustive.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Oh, I'm sorry. 17

18 MR. BLOOM: It was merely to show that there are a

19 number of experts' names not in the Memory Aid.

20 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: It's up to you, I just--

21 MR. BLOOM: I appreciate that.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Okay. 22

23 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. So, sir, you said that you have written one or 25 more articles related to the environmental conditions in

- 10:26 1 draf a draft Judgment from my own point of view. 2
 - Q. Who is Ms. Orellana, Magali Orellana?
 - A. Magali Orellana an Assembly member from the
 - 4 Republic of Ecuador representing the Republic of
 - 5 Orellana -- the Province of Orellana.
 - O. And have you ever worked with her?
 - A. Yes. I worked as an adviser at the National
 - 8 Assembly for this Member to her benefit in 2010 up to
 - 9 August 2010, and I think starting in November 2009.
 - O. Just to confirm, you worked with this
 - 11 Assemblywoman from November 2009 through August 2010. Are
 - 12 those the correct dates?
 - A. Approximately. I understand that, yes, they are 14 correct; and I am just trusting that my recollection is
 - 15 correct.
 - 16 Q. And as her aide, you helped her prepare for
 - 17 conferences?
 - A. Yes. I was her legal adviser. Therefore, I had
 - 19 to advise her, study and provide quidance; and I was also
 - 20 asked to review documents for her to use during her
 - 21 presentation before the National Assembly in connection
 - 22 with the topics in which she participated.
 - Q. And you also helped her prepare articles and 24 prepare for lectures?
 - A. Preferably for presentations on TV or interviews

10:30 1 that she had, radio interviews in Quito.

- Q. Now, sir, when you first described the drafting of the Sentencia, you specifically affirmed that you had given to Judge Zambrano the Draft Judgment on a flash drive; isn't that right?
- 6 A. I assume--well, at that time, that's how I 7 recalled it.
- 8 Q. And do you remember telling Chevron's 9 representatives that in June of 2012?

10 In fact, Mr. Rivero and you specifically discussed 11 you receiving the Sentencia on the flash drive; is that 12 correct?

- A. That statement, which was very light on my part,
 was due to the fact that practically every week--almost
 every week I received documents from Zambrano and the
 relevant flash drives. And my perception evidently was
 that everything had been managed by means of that
 mechanism, usually.
- 19 Q. And this may be a translation issue, but when you 20 say that statement was made "very lightly," what do you 21 mean by that term?
- 22 A. I meant to say that I wasn't ready to answer those 23 questions and to provide answers to them.
- 24 I was to meet with Chevron's representatives at 25 that time. I considered at that time that I was not the

10:35 1 touched up if you will. And obviously, with time that
2 became scattered, it got confused in my memory, that of me
3 having worked on the draft at home, that I received it via
4 flash drive--I originally believed that, so much so that I
5 thought that that document was to be found somewhere in the
6 computer that I generally used.

8 Chevron's representatives, which was in July 2012, and then 9 days later at the end of the month, later, when I was told 10 that the Draft Judgment was not found in that computer, the 11 one that I had referred to during our discussions at that 12 time, well, I became concerned. And I said, "Well, how is 13 it? It should be there. What happens--what happened?

But, obviously, when I delivered the computer to

15 And then, when I decided, since this was an 16 important matter, to talk to Chevron to share the truth in 17 connection with my involvement, I thought hard, and I

14 Where was it? Where is it?"

18 remember that--that I worked with that document in Lago 19 Agrio, not in Quito, as I have already said in my prior 20 statements.

Q. And I want to walk through this a little slower, so if you will indulge me, Mr. Guerra.

You went into great detail about how you used the flash drive. You said that you, quote, put it in your CPU,

25 correct?

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10:32 1 objective; it didn't have to do with investigating me,
2 et cetera. But I was just to be a link for the future
3 meetings that they were going to hold shortly thereafter
4 with Mr. Zambrano.

- Q. Were you deliberately lying to them?
- 6 A. If you allow me, not at all. I was careless. I
 7 didn't think about the answers that I gave them. I
 8 provided general answers, careless answers, because I was
 9 being posed questions that were abrupt or that were
 10 unexpected.
- 11 Q. And at the same time, you told Chevron's 12 representatives this not on a single occasion but on two 13 occasions, correct, both on May 6th, 2012, and again on 14 June 25, 2012?

15 And you had a little time to reflect between the 16 two, did you not?

- 17 A. I must tell you that immediately after the meeting 18 with these gentlemen, I focused on other things; and I 19 didn't think too much--I didn't really concern myself too
- 20 much with that, if you allow me to say it that way.
- Q. When you told Chevron that you had given Judge Zambrano the Draft Judgment on a flash drive, you were sure
- 23 of that at that time, were you not?
- A. I had in mind, in my conscience, that I saw the Draft Judgment, the one I made the changes to, corrections,

- 10:36 1 A. Those details--well, those situations, as far as I 2 understand, have to do with the time when I worked in 3 Quito. When I stated that the document was done in Quito, 4 that statement must be correct.
 - Q. And you said that you copied it; correct?
 - A. For purposes of the changes that have been suggested to me, the review, the touch up, to straighten it up, if you will, I indeed copied that document on a different page in the same computer.
 - 10 Q. And you made some changes; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - 12 Q. And when you were done, you said, "Once again, I 13 copied in the flash drive, and I gave it to him"; correct?
 - 14 A. I am making reference, sir, to the time when I saw 15 that document in the city of Lago Agria in Mr. Fajardo's 16 computer in Mr. Fajardo's residence. I'm not referring to

16 computer in Mr. Fajardo's residence. I'm not referring to 17 the timeline that you are referring to.

18 Q. I will refer you to Tab 1 of the very first
19 binder, because these statements were made on May 6, 2012.

20 Will that help you place the timing? It is at Page 5 of 21 Tab 1.

- 22 And you can also look at Pages 5, 7, and 14.
- 23 Those are the three references on the slide.

24 MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, I'm going to object,

25 because this is obviously a sensitive area.

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10:39 1 The first question was, "And you said that you 2 copied it; correct?" And the Witness answered that 3 question.

> And then Mr. Bloom asked, "You said you copied it 5 on a flash drive."

Those are two different questions, and that's what--that's why the Witness is confused right now.

8 MR. BLOOM: I think his language speaks for 9 itself. "And, once again, I copied in the -- in the flash 10 drive, and I gave it to him." Those were his words.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's not argue about what the 11 12 witness has answered, but you might want to clear it up to avoid any risk of misunderstanding, Mr. Bloom.

MR. KEHOE: Line 10 of the transcript of the page 15 we're on, Mr. Bloom, was your question.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You can pick it up from Page 5. 16 17 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Sir, did you say, at the bottom of Page 5 of Tab 19 1, "He sent me that he gave me--gave it to me on a flash 20 drive"?

21 Did you say that?

22 A. Yes, sir.

Q. And then did you also say, "So what I did then was 24 put it in my CPU. I made some changes, because it didn't

25 have ruling-like material, meaning from the point of view

10:43 1 Mr. Guerra, about Page 5. You've acknowledged that you 2 used the words--and I speak in English--that set out at the 3 bottom of Page 5: "So what I did then was put it"--and 4 that is the flash drive--"in my CPU."

Do you see those words in Spanish?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: What do you mean by--when you 8 say you put the flash drive in your CPU? Electronically 9 what happens, or physically what happens? Can you describe 10 what you did?

11 THE WITNESS: Now, in connection with this 12 citation, Mr. President, what I am mentioning is the fact 13 that I took the flash drive--and I think they also call it 14 USB Drive--and I put it in the CPU to be able to copy it or 15 to look at it. That is what I am referring to here.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, there are two different 17 things: One, you can look at a document on a flash drive 18 without copying it onto the hard drive of the computer; and

19 you can also save the document from the flash drive onto 20 the hard drive of your computer.

Now, in your answer just now, you used both 21 22 phrases.

Do you recall if you copied it over onto the hard 23 24 drive of the computer or you only looked at the document on

25 the flash drive?

10 my statement.

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10:41 1 of moderately related to the environment, something more 2 legal. Somewhat more grammatical, something like that"? Did you say that?

A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. And then at the bottom of Page 6, carrying over to 6 Page 7, did you say, "So then for corrections, I had barely 7 two days to--to--to write, a Friday to--to--to Sunday 8 evening, when Buddy himself came over, when he or I wasn't 9 there, the way we would always do things. So already I 10 waited for him at the airport. Then-then I obviously--I 11 made the changes I considered the most appropriate, bam,

12 bam, bam. And, once again, I copied in the -- in the flash 13 drive, and I gave it to him"?

14 Was that what you told the Chevron investigators 15 on this date?

16 A. I said what you have mentioned and what has been 17 stated in this document, but I did not say this to

18 Chevron's representatives. These are the contents of a

conversation that I had with John Doe 2 telephonically. 20

Q. Okay. You said this; correct?

Yes, sir. Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, are you leaving 22

23 Page 5?

24 MR. BLOOM: Yes.

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'd like to ask you a question, 10:45 1 THE WITNESS: This conversation, Mr. President, I 2 held it with a friend telephonically. But, the truth, the 3 truth--I have later clarified this--the content of the 4 Draft Judgment, I found it, or it was shown to me in a 5 different computer, not in the computer in my house in 6 Quito, but in a computer belonging to Mr. Fajardo, which 7 was in Mr. Zambrano's residence in Lago Agria. I made a 8 duplicate of that document, and I made changes to the 9 duplicate of the document in the way that I have stated in

This statement--this assertion was an assertion 11 12 made in June, on or about 2012, before I agreed to provide 13 sworn statements in this regard. And this was a statement 14 that was evidenced here.

At that time, I assumed that all documents were to 16 be worked on my computer and all flash documents were going 17 to be worked in my computer in the city of Quito.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

19 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. By saying that you had a flash drive of the Draft 20 21 Judgment, you understood that that would make you pretty 22 valuable to Chevron; isn't that right?

23 A. Not precisely. However, I did consider that if 24 the Draft Judgment was found in my computer this would have 25 really made me felt relieved because they would see that I

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10:48 1 had not lied.

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Now, in connection with valuable, like you said--well, I think in those circumstances, I would have received perhaps not the 18,000 but an additional amount.

- Q. If you had a flash drive of the Draft Judgment, it would also show a direct connection between you and Judge Zambrano; isn't that right?
 - A. Well, I don't know how to answer that.

 Possibly yes, now that you're saying it.
- Q. And saying that you had a copy of the Sentencia on your own computer would also show a direct connection between you and Mr. Zambrano; isn't that right?
- 13 A. Yes, sir. Yes. But just like the payment of 14 \$1,000 by Fajardo by Ximena Centeno--well, that fact--that 15 fact evidences that there was also a connection between us. 16 Perhaps at some point in time I could have kept

17 Fajardo's computer and not return it to him, and that would 18 have shown that as well.

But at that time, I didn't think that things were going to come to this point, that I was going to intervene later on, but such is life.

- Q. You wanted to be valuable to Chevron and receive a financial benefit for being valuable to Chevron; isn't that also right?
 - A. I was hoping to get some kind of benefit somehow,

10:52 1 I am saying and asserting and reaffirming only and 2 exclusively those aspects related to my personal

3 intervention or of which I have personal knowledge. That
4 is all, Mr. Bloom.

Q. I want to ask the question again. I'm not asking you about your testimony today.

7 I'm asking you: Because you could not help 8 Che--Chevron in the way you said you could, at that time 9 you had an incentive to try to help them in other ways; 10 isn't that correct?

MR. KEHOE: I'm going to object to the question.

He can ask the question: Did you then go out and help them in other ways?

But this incentive part of the question is confusing and objectionable.

MR. BLOOM: I think we have-MR. KEHOE: It's argumentative.

MR. BLOOM: I think we have a former judge who can

19 answer questions without the assistance of counsel.
20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I don't think it's that. I

21 think it's the language. I don't know how "incentive" is 22 coming out in Spanish for this witness.

23 Can you reformulate your question?

24 It's a perfectly appropriate question, but just

25 try and make it clear, beyond misunderstanding.

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10:50 1 but I wasn't hoping to become a millionaire or anything 2 like that. I was hoping to receive something, like a good 3 set of fees.

- Q. And if you got \$10,000 for a Memory Aid, a flash drive would be worth more money in your view, the flash draft of the Sentencia; isn't that right?
 - A. Possibly, yes.

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- 8 Q. And at some point you had to hand over to the 9 Chevron representatives all of your hard drives; correct?
 - A. I voluntarily handed over those materials.
- 11 Q. And the Draft Sentencia was not on any of your 12 flash drives; correct?
- 13 A. The technical people that worked with these 14 gentlemen indicated that they had not-had not found them.
- Q. And you were concerned that that did not make you look very honest; wouldn't you agree with me?
- 17 A. I was concerned that I would be told that possibly 18 I had lied. Possibly that was it.
- Q. And because you could not help them in the way you said you could, you had an incentive to try to help them in other ways; isn't that also right?
- 22 A. No. I have come here only to tell the truth about 23 the contents of my statement. I have not said that I 24 authored the Judgment or things of that nature. I have not

25 said that I helped prepare the report of Richard Cabrera.

10:53 1 And then, by all means, ask the second question 2 suggested by Mr. Kehoe.

BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. Because you could not help Chevron in the way you promised, you wanted to help them in other ways; isn't that correct?
- 7 A. I wish I could feel capable of helping Chevron. I 8 wish I could help myself, help my family, help my children. 9 But help Chevron? No, sir. I think Chevron does not need 10 my help.
- Q. Your recollection as it related to the flash drive, again, in the New York trial you testified, "Upon learning from the Chevron representatives the statement that the Draft Judgment had not been found on any of the flash drives or on my home computer, and after engaging in a mental process strengthening my memory regarding these events in time and space, I was able to recall that I had worked on that project in Laqo Aqrio."

That was your testimony in New York; correct?

20 A. Yes, sir.

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Q. Now, when you spoke with Chevron's representatives in June of 2012, you not only remembered that you allegedly received the Draft Judgment on a flash drive, but you also remembered then receiving the flash drive in person from

25 Judge Zambrano; correct?

A. That is how I recalled it at that point in time, 2 and that is why I stated--stated it that way, sir.

- Q. And you also then remembered that Judge Zambrano 4 allegedly gave you the flash drive at the Quito airport; 5 isn't that right?
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And you further represented then that this all 8 happened a couple of weeks before the Sentencia was issued; 9 is that right?
 - A. Yes, sir.

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- Q. So to be clear, your June 2012 version of the 12 events was that Judge Zambrano gave you a Draft Judgment by 13 way of a flash drive; correct?
- A. If you allow me, during a period of about three 15 and a half years, I had received from Mr. Zambrano, 16 generally every week, documents--well, on Fridays, when he

17 came by Quito to go to his house in Manta, Guayaquil. 18 And that perception that I received everything 19 personally from Mr. Zambrano, well, that led me to say at 20 that time to Chevron's representatives, well, because I 21 assumed that I received it from him, I could not have

- 22 received it from Fajardo, nor from Donziger, generally, all 23 the material I received from Judge Zambrano, who was the
- 24 person of trust, the confidante.

And because of that confidence, I stated what I

10:59 1 You were asked, guote: "You had not told Chevron

2 that you had worked on any part of the project on a

3 separate computer in Lago Agrio before July 31st;

4 correct?"

And you answered: "I told Chevron several things.

Some of them were true; others were exaggerations."

That's what you testified that day under oath,

8 isn't it?

- 9 A. Yes, sir. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. And Judge Zambrano never gave you a flash drive 11 with the Draft Judgment on it; correct?
- A. With due respect, I several times said that it is 13 correct. Correct. He never gave it to me.
- Q. So you exaggerated a lot to Chevron's
- 15 investigators; would you agree?
- A. If you allow me, possibly, the exaggerations are 17 three or four but you are making it seel like there are 18 40,000, but they are not.
- 19 Q. Well, that was an exaggeration, was it not? 20 That's what you called it.
- A. That's the way I recalled it. Exaggeration was 22 like when I said that I received 1,500 or 2,000 from the
- 23 Plaintiffs or from Mr. Zambrano when in reality I received
- 24 1,000. I lied-that's correct- when I said that I was

25 going to receive 300,000 from the Plaintiffs to help with

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10:57 1 stated at the date you indicated. But then later on, I 2 rectified things, my memory became stronger, et cetera. 3 And that is how the mind works.

> And finally, I remembered that the document I 5 received and worked on in the city of Lago Agrio.

- Q. In which case, you would agree with me that every 7 time you represented that Judge Zambrano gave you a Draft Judgment by way of a flash drive was incorrect; you were 9 wrong every time you said that?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. You were wrong every time that you represented 12 that the flash drive was provided to you personally by 13 Judge Zambrano, and you were wrong every time you said that 14 this transaction occurred at the Quito airport?
- A. I have stated in--that in that regard. I have 15 16 stated that I was wrong.
- Q. In fact, you never told Chevron, prior to July 31, 18 2012, that you had worked on any part of the Sentencia on a 19 separate computer in Lago Agrio; correct?
- A. No, because my perception and my recollection--or 21 my perception was that that document I had worked on in
- 22 Quito and that it was somewhere in my computer. Q. Do you remember being asked this identical
- 24 question during your May 2, 2013 deposition? And I will 25 quote.

- 11:01 1 the Judgment when in reality, there was no offer of payment 2 in this sense help with the Judgment when there was no 3 offer of payment.
 - MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, we're covering old 5 ground now. Is it a good time for a break? It's been an hour and a half.
 - MR. BLOOM: I have no objection.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's have a 15-minute break. 9 We'll come back--let's make it quarter past, quarter past
 - 10 11. 11 MR. BLOOM: Thank you.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, we ask you, as 13 yesterday, Mr. Guerra, not to discuss the case or your 14 testimony away from the Tribunal.

- 15 (Brief recess.)
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 17 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Mr. Guerra, just to clarify a couple of points.

19 You testified today that Parties to a proceeding

- 20 usually submit documents to the Court at the courthouse; is 21 that correct?
- A. Usually the Parties, when submitting the 22
- 23 documents, do so at the Office of the Clerk where the case 24 is pending.
 - Q. And you also explained that there are instances

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- 11:19 1 where Ecuadorian law permits a party to submit documents 2 outside of the courthouse. Is that also right?
 - A. When it's almost at the end of a deadline, for 4 example, as warned by one of the Judges, it could be that 5 this is submitted directly to the Clerk of the Court.
 - O. And when the Court is conducting a legal 7 proceeding outside the courthouse, may Parties submit 8 documents to the Court at that time?
 - A. In cases of a judicial inspection, for example, it 10 is clearly admissible to file, and for the authorized judge 11 to receive, and the clerk, the clerk for that case, 12 inevitably must be present for that procedure, he can
 - 13 receive documents. 14 (Pause.)
 - BY MR. BLOOM: 15
 - Q. Did Chevron tell you on July 13, 2012, that you 16 17 would be left with nothing if you did not deliver Judge
 - 18 Zambrano to them? A. Yes, they did so.

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- 20 Q. And you understood at that time that without Judge
- 21 Zambrano in order for you to reap the maximal financial
- 22 benefit that you had to become even more valuable to
- 23 Chevron in some other way?
- A. I understood that Chevron intended to deal
- 25 directly with Judge Zambrano, and I was the link for that.

- 11:25 1 O. He lives in Chicago?
 - A. Correct. 2
 - 3 How often do you get to see him now--or, let me
 - 4 rephrase that.
 - How often have you seen him or his family over the 5 6 last two years?
 - A. Quite frequently over the last two years.
 - Q. And your daughter has been living in the United
 - 9 States since October 2009; is that right?
 - Α. Yes.

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- Q. And prior to Chevron moving you here to the United 11
- 12 States, how often did you see her?
- A. Once; possibly once. 13
- O. And does she have children?
- 15 A. Currently, she does.
- So two of your children have been living in the 16
- 17 United States for some time previous to you moving here;
- 18 correct?

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- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 Q. Now, your son entered the United States legally
- 21 with a valid Visa; correct?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- 23 Q. And his Visa later expired; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And your son has not returned to Ecuador for more

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- 11:22 1 And in the end, if I wasn't able to do so, I think that
 - 2 that was their perception, that I couldn't facilitate that
 - 3 approach and I understood; and they told me that I was not
 - 4 going to reap any financial benefits.
 - 5 Q. And you actually admitted in your early
 - 6 discussions with Chevron that you had a weak case, that you
 - 7 said to them that with the very little that you had that
 - your story is very weak. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes. I do remember that.
 - 10 Q. Mr. Guerra, you have three children, do you not?
 - 11 A. Yes, sir.

- Q. And am I correct that your two youngest children
- 13 were living in the United States long before Chevron moved
- 14 you to the United States?
- A. That is correct, sir. 15
- 16 Q. And your son has lived here in the United States
- 17 since October 2003; is that right?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. And does he have children? Do you have
- 20 grandchildren from him?
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And how often did you get a chance to see your son
- 23 and his children before you moved to the United States?
- A. It was a very low frequency; every two or three
- 25 years.

- 11:26 1 than 10 years now; is that right?
 - A. That is true.
 - Q. And that has been a subject of concern for you;
 - 4 correct?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - Q. And both you and your wife have been concerned for
 - 7 some time that your son, who has a wife and children in the
 - United States, could be deported; is that right?
 - 9 A. Yes, sir.
 - O. And at the time that you made contact with Chevron
 - 11 in 2012, you actually had not seen your son or daughter for
 - 12 several years; is that right?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - 14 Q. You had not seen your daughter since 2009?
 - 15 A. Possibly, yes.
 - 0. And you hadn't seen your son since 2008? 16
 - Possibly, the answer is yes. 17
 - 18 Q. And you were moved to the United States when? Am
 - 19 I remembering correctly that it was at the end of 2012?
 - A. I was moved to--with intent to stay here in the 20
 - 21 U.S. in January 2013.
 - Q. And, in fact, Chevron has been trying to help your 22
 - 23 son stay in the United States legally; isn't that right?
 - 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. Does your son or his family have an immigration

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11:28 1 Attorney working on their behalf?

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And I'm quessing that they are not paying for
- 4 immigration counsel, are they?
- 5 A. That is correct. That is correct.
- Q. Chevron is paying?
- A. Yes, sir.

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- Q. Do you, by chance, know how much the immigration
- 9 Counsel has been paid by Chevron?
 - A. No, sir.
- 11 Q. And is the same immigration Counsel also
- 12 representing you for immigration purposes?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. And you do not know how much Chevron has paid this
- 15 immigration counsel on your behalf?
- 16 A. No, sir.
- 17 Q. And you have your own personal counsel here today;
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Dr. Clayman, yes, that is correct.
- Q. And am I correct that he attended all 53 meetings
- 21 with you when you met with the Gibson, Dunn attorneys from
- 22 about November 2000 and--2012 through November 2013?
- 23 A. My attorney, Dr. Clayman, was always present in
- 24 all meetings that I've held. And he has come with me to
- 25 the different errands that had to be performed at offices

- 11:33 1 Q. And you're not paying that person's fees either;
 2 correct?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. And I'm assuming that you are most grateful to
 - 5 Chevron for helping your son and his family; are you not?
 - A. In some way, I am grateful for the support
 - 7 provided to--for me to maintain my emotional balance, my $\frac{1}{2}$
 - safety, et cetera--et cetera, yes.
 - 9 Q. By the way, at this point in time, am I correct
 - 10 that just two of your children are currently living in the
 - 11 United States?
 - A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. You had one son move with you to the United States
 - 14 who has since left the United States; is that right?
 - A. That is correct.
 - 16 Q. And where is he living now?
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that relevant?
 - 18 MR. BLOOM: Depending on the answer, yeah.
 - 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, I'm asking you--
 - 20 THE INTERPRETER: Microphone, please.
 - 21 MR. BLOOM: Depending on the answer, yes. And I'm
 - 22 happy to do a sidebar.
 - MR. KEHOE: I'd like to confer with Mr. Clayman
 - 24 for a moment, please.
 - 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's just take time out.

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11:30 1 of the Government, et cetera, but not starting in

- 2 November 2012, but after he was retained, January 2013.
- Q. Thank you for that clarification.
 - And I don't want to know the substance of
- 5 discussions between you and your attorney, but I assume
- 6 that there have been times when you have met with him
- 7 without Chevron's counsel present.

Can you confirm that?

- A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. And you're not paying his attorneys' fees, are
- 11 you?

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- 12 A. I do not, no, sir.
- 13 Q. Chevron is paying his fees; correct?
- 14 A. I consider that Chevron should pay the attorneys'
- 15 fees for my lawyer.
- Q. And are you represented also by a tax attorney?
- 17 A. Yes, currently I do. As far as I know, he's
- 18 working in connection with issues related to taxes.
 - Q. And who is paying his fees?
- 20 A. It is my understanding that Chevron does.
- Q. Do you have an accountant here in the United
- 22 States?

- 23 A. I don't know if I have one, but what I do know is
- 24 that Chevron has hired--via my lawyer, has hired an
- 25 accountant or somebody specialized in the field of taxes.

- 11:34 1 MR. KEHOE: Thank you.
 - 2 (Pause.)
 - 3 MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, we're going to object
 - 4 to that question and ask that you direct that the witness
 - 5 not have to answer it for security reasons, for
 - 6 Mr. Guerra's son.
 - 7 MR. BLOOM: May I be heard on a sidebar?
 - 8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We don't really have sidebars
 - 9 in arbitrations. That's the trouble.
 - 10 THE INTERPRETER: Your microphone, sir.
 - 11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: As I said, we don't really have
 - 12 sidebars in arbitration.
 - We need to know a little bit more where you're
 - 14 going. We may have to ask the Witness to leave while
 - 15 that's happening, or can you explain it in his presence, if
 - 16 it's not translated?
 - 17 MR. KEHOE: I can assure you that Mr. Guerra does
 - 18 not read or speak any English to any degree whatsoever.
 - $19\,$ MR. BLOOM: I would prefer that the witness not be $20\,$ present.
 - 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Guerra, a question has come
 - 22 up where we have to discuss the matter with counsel, and
 - 23 it's best done if you're not in the room.
 - Would you mind going with our secretary or--who is
 - 25 coming, just to wait outside for five or so minutes.

11:35 1 Please don't go away, but it's best if you are not in the 2 room.

(Whereupon the Witness exits the proceeding room.) 3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. I'm also going to ask

5 that the transcript from now on is strictly confidential, and its circulation will be limited, depending on our

7 ruling. But now we can hear the purpose of the question.

MR. BLOOM: He obviously--part of Chevron's story 8 9 has been security concerns in Ecuador.

My question really is--and I don't know the 10 11 answer--is: Is he back in Ecuador?

12 That certainly would suggest that there's not a

13 lot of great fear of family safety. MR. KEHOE: We have a lot of -- we have history of 15 transcripts in these proceedings are--not as much the

16 transcripts, but reports that the Tribunal has designated 17 as confidential being leaked out into the public.

MR. BLOOM: Should we just do this off the record 18 19 then?

20 MR. BISHOP: Yeah. I think we should do this off 21 the record, if that's all right with the President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's stop the Transcript now.

23 There will be no transcript and no recording until we order

24 others in a few moments. But we can also write it on a

25 piece of paper for the Tribunal, if it's even more

11:42 1 In confirming something I believe that you said

2 yesterday, that you, in fact, gave to Chevron's

3 representatives access to your email account, am I

4 remembering that correctly?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And, in fact, you provided the Chevron

7 representatives with your email passwords; correct?

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9 And you know that no email from Pablo Fajardo was 10 ever found in your email account. You were told that, were 11 you not?

12 A. Yes, sir.

Q. And if I can have you take a look at Tab 42. 13

14 Ms. Bees will assist you. For the record, that's

15 Exhibit R-1332. This document lists your contact

16 information from your Hotmail account.

From this list, it appears that Mr. Fajardo's

18 email does not appear; correct?

A. Yes, that is correct.

20 Q. You don't see it there even once; correct?

21 A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you previously testified that you and he

23 emailed each other not infrequently; correct?

A. On some occasions we exchanged emails, yes, sir. 24

By telling Chevron that you had emails between

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(Discussion off the stenographic and audio 2 3 record.)

(Whereupon the Witness reenters the proceeding 5 room.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Guerra, thank you for stepping out. We've resolved the difficulty. We're going to move on with a different question.

> MR. BLOOM: Thank you for your indulgence, sir. BY MR. BLOOM:

11 Q. Just to finish that line of questions, just some 12 summary questions, to be clear, right as of now, you have 13 two children in the United States; correct?

A. Yes.

Q. And your grandchildren? 15

> Α. Yes.

And you also have a brother living in the United 17

18 States; correct?

A. Two brothers.

19 Q. And even before you made contact with Chevron, you

21 had a not insubstantial part of your immediate family in

22 the United States; is that correct?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Now, moving on to another subject, let me ask you

25 this:

11:45 1 Mr. Fajardo and yourself, you assumed that your value to

2 Chevron would have been enhanced; isn't that right? To the extent you were able to show connections

4 between you and Plaintiffs' counsel, you understood that 5 that would increase your value to Chevron?

A. At that time, no, I did not think about that.

Q. And it's also true that you told Chevron's

8 representatives, in June of 2012, that you had calendars

9 showing notes of meetings with Pablo Fajardo; isn't that 10 correct?

A. Yes. 11

Q. And you understood that if you could produce

13 calendars showing notes of meetings with Pablo Fajardo,

14 that that would make you valuable to Chevron; isn't that

15 right?

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16 A. No. Not precisely, no.

You did not understand that, even though the 17

18 investigator specifically told you, on June 25, 2012, "That

19 would be very valuable for us" and even though Chevron's

20 counsel told you, "It would be very valuable, yes?"

21 So notwithstanding the fact that they told you it

22 would be very valuable, you did not understand that that

23 would make you more valuable, if you provided that to them;

24 is that your testimony?

MR. KEHOE: Mr. Veeder, I need to lodge an

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11:47 1 objection. Throughout this entire examination, the Witness 2 has had words on screens in front of him in language that

3 he does not speak. I know that the translator--the

4 interpreters are interpreting Mr. Bloom's questions. But

5 it's entirely unclear the extent to which he is

6 interpreting words on the screen or simply asking a

question, and it's--it's--

MR. BLOOM: I'm happy to clarify, certainly.

MR. KEHOE: Thank you.

10 And the transcripts exist in Spanish. We do have 11 Spanish transcripts.

12 BY MR. BLOOM:

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I think another thing which would help the 13 14 Tribunal is, if--when you are referring to a PowerPoint, if 15 you just indicate the slide number, where later on in the 16 transcript we're going to have difficulty making sure to 17 what reference is being made. But sometimes no reference 18 is being made even implicitly to a slide number.

MR. KEHOE: Right.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: So I think we just ought to be

21 clear, when you're referring to it, please refer to it

22 expressly. That's advice to both sides.

23 MR. BLOOM: Certainly.

MR. KEHOE: Thank you, Mr. President.

And one further point, these transcripts exist in

11:50 1 and 114 of that exhibit.

Sir, do you see that now? 2

A. I do, sir, yes. I do see it.

Q. So on this date, on June 25, 2012, there was a

5 discussion with Chevron's investigator and Chevron's

6 attorney regarding calendars that belonged to you with

7 notes of meetings with Pablo Fajardo. Do you recall that?

A. I do, sir, yes, I recall.

9 Q. And now that you have had an opportunity to review 10 this transcript, you also recall that the investigator told

11 you, "That would be very valuable for us."

12 A. Yes, sir. That is what the document evidences.

O. And that Chevron's counsel reaffirmed that that 13

14 would be very valuable; isn't that also right?

A. Yes, that is what is stated here in the document.

Q. So would you now agree that you understood, as of 16

17 at least June 25, 2012, that if you could provide calendars

18 to Chevron referencing notes of meetings with Pablo

Fajardo, that that would be very valuable?

20 A. Very valuable for them, yes.

Q. But you have not produced any calendar showing

22 notes of any meetings with Mr. Fajardo; isn't that right?

23 A. I have not.

Q. And it's also true that you told Chevron's

25 representatives in June of 2012 that you had calendars

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11:48 1 Spanish. We all have them. It would be more fair, I 2 think, to show the Witness the Transcript in Spanish than 3 in English.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we've been watching 5 that. When the Witness feels comfortable answering the 6 question immediately, as he has, it seems to be unnecessary 7 to take the Witness to the Spanish--

MR. KEHOE: I agree with that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: But I think there should be a 10 standing offer--and I can say it, or perhaps you can say 11 it, Mr. Bloom--that when he wants to look at something he 12 has said to have said, you show him what he did say in the 13 deposition or the Transcript or the statement.

14 MR. BLOOM: I will do that now. I did do it in 15 the beginning. And in response to Mr. Kehoe's objection, I was going to do with this specific case.

BY MR. BLOOM:

18 Sir, I want to renew my offer to you, as I did at 19 the beginning of the testimony yesterday, that you have a 20 standing offer at any time to be looking at any of the 20 21 statements made by you in that first binder.

22 With respect to this specific line of questions, I 23 am now referring for the record to slide 117 that can be 24 found at Tab 11 of the first binder. It is Exhibit R-1213. 25 And I would refer your attention specifically to Pages 113

11:53 1 showing notes of meetings with Steven Donziger?

A. That is true.

Q. But you never produced any such notes of meetings 4 with Steven Donziger; isn't that right?

A. That is correct, sir.

Q. In fact, do you recall telling Chevron's

7 investigators that you had, quote/unquote, everything that

would indicate or prove your meetings with Mr. Fajardo and

9 Mr. Donziger?

A. At that point in time, I considered that I had all 11 the day planners stored in my home. But when I looked for 12 them and reviewed them, I had lost them. I wasn't able to

13 find them.

Q. Do you remember being asked almost this identical

15 guestion during the New York RICO trial?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. You were specifically asked--and do you recall 17

18 telling the Chevron representatives that you had

19 everything, everything that would indicate your meetings

20 with Pablo Fajardo and Mr. Donziger? And rather than

21 saying that you lost them, your answer, instead, was, "I

22 said many things to the gentlemen, to their representatives 23 from Chevron. On many of those, I was exaggerating. I

24 wanted to improve my position regarding these gentlemen in

25 the face of what was expected to be a sure agreement

11:55 1 between them and Mr. Zambrano. I really wasn't--I really 2 didn't consider that I was Chevron's objective. My intent 3 was to negotiate for Mr. Zambrano, to be the link with 4 Mr. Zambrano."

That, for the record, is at slide 119. We have 6 that in the binder, but I do apologize that that's only in English, but we can translate that back, if you want.

But my question here is: Do you recall that that 9 was your testimony?

And that's also at Tab 19.

- A. Yes, sir, that is what I answered that time, when 11 12 that question was posed to me.
- 13 Q. So when you answered to Chevron's investigators 14 that you had everything to prove that you had meetings with 15 Mr. Fajardo and Mr. Donziger, this was another exaggeration 16 to the Chevron representatives? That's essentially what 17 you are saying under oath in the New York trial; correct?
- A. If you allow me, look. The meeting between myself and Mr. Donziger did take place. Generally, I wrote down important day-to-day issues, such as this, in day planners 21 that I generally have every year.
- The answer that I provided was correct in its full 23 magnitude in connection with the meetings with Mr. Donziger 24 and in connection with the fact that I thought that the 25 objective was Mr. Zambrano, so much so that I ratify my

11:59 1 don't recall, but they said not that--well, they didn't 2 take them.

> O. None of the calendars that you provided to Chevron 4 actually showed a meeting with Pablo Fajardo?

THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry. The interpreter 6 needs to ask a question. Is there a difference between 7 calendar and day planner? Are you making a difference 8 between a calendar and day planner, or are you using them 9 interchangeably?

10 I'm asking you, Mr. Bloom, if you're using them 11 interchangeably, day planner and calendar?

12 THE INTERPRETER: I'm asking you, Mr. Bloom, if 13 you're using them interchangeably, day planner and 14 calendar.

15 MR. BLOOM: I'm not using them interchangeably. 16 THE INTERPRETER: Okay. I understand. Thank you. 17 MR. BLOOM: Certainly.

18 BY MR. BLOOM:

- 19 Q. Sir, none of the calendars that you provided to 20 Chevron actually showed a meeting with Pablo Fajardo; isn't 21 that right?
- 22 A. They did not because these day planners say: 23 regarding the period from July 2011 to July 2012. And my 24 meeting with Mr. Pablo Fajardo, the last meeting with Pablo

25 Fajardo, as far as I can remember, took place between May

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11:57 1 position in that regard.

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Finally, I'd like to clarify that, indeed, I 3 assumed that the day planner in which I had my notes of 4 those meetings with Mr. Donziger and the conversations with 5 Fajardo, well--and matters related thereto, well, I thought 6 that I had the relevant day planners.

But when I went to look for those day planners, I was not able to find a couple of day planners that were vital, specifically those related to 2010 and 2011.

- Sir, did you turn over your calendars to the 11 Chevron representatives?
- A. At a given point in time, I put, at the disposal 13 of Chevron's representatives, a number of day planners, 14 possibly six or eight.

They chose those that were more contemporaneous to 16 the date of our conversations and the others they considered were not relevant, and they discarded them.

- Q. And did you turn over to Chevron representatives 19 daily planners that you maintained?
- A. I remember that I gave to them a day planner that 21 has to do with July 2011 to December 2011, and the day 22 planner contemporaneous to January 2012 to July 2012. They 23 considered that pair of day planners, they asked me for 24 them, and I gave them to them. The other day planners they
- 25 saw related to 2007, 2008, 2005, et cetera, et cetera, I

12:00 1 and June 2011.

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- Q. Just so that the record is clear, none of the 2 3 calendars or day planners that you provided to Chevron 4 actually showed a meeting with Pablo Fajardo or Steven 5 Donziger; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And did the Chevron representatives ask you to 8 sign a permission slip for them to get access to your phone 9 records?
 - A. I remember that that was the case. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And did Chevron get access to your phone records?
- A. It is my understanding that a petition was made to 12 13 the relevant telephone company, and they said that some
- 14 technical issue had taken place; they had been lost and
- 15 they weren't able to give them the oldest records. But
- 16 they were able to provide the period of time, two or three
- 17 months contemporaneous to the date where those records were 18 requested.
- 19 Q. And had you retained any of your bills or invoices 20 reflecting telephone calls that you made or received in 21 2010 or 2011?
- 22 A. I have been somewhat organized in that regard.
- 23 And the invoices for services of telephone service, water,
- 24 gas--I maintained them for some time. But then when I 25 moved to the U.S., I discarded all those documents and I

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12:02 1 threw it out.

- Q. Did you offer to Chevron the opportunity for them to review your cell phone records, your personal cell phone records before you threw them out?
- 5 A. I do not understand the content of your question, 6 because I don't remember having a specific phone record.
- 7 I've not been in the habit of asking IETEL, in this case,
- 8 for a monthly record of details of all of the calls. I
- 9 haven't done so, and I do not know whether they were able
- 10 to obtain that document on my behalf.
- 11 Q. You're not aware of any currently existing record, 12 documentary phone record evidencing any phone calls between 13 you and either Mr. Donziger or Mr. Fajardo; isn't that
- 14 right?
- 15 A. No, I do not know. I haven't seen any.
- Q. Now, Mr. Guerra, would you agree with me that you
- 17 have previously characterized Judge Zambrano as very
- 18 distrustful?
- 19 A. I referred to Mr. Zambrano, based on my view, and 20 I had said that he was a strong, rigorous person who didn't
- 20 I had said that he was a strong, rigorous person who drun
- 21 trust very easily and somehow unpredictable. That's what I
- 22 had said about him.
- Q. At Slide 120 which makes reference to Mr. Guerra's
- 24 November 17, 2012 Declaration at Claimants 1616a, it is in
- 25 the white binder in Spanish. It is Tab 4 of Respondent's

12:06 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we understand the

problem, and let's continue.
BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. But at the same time that you said this, even though you understood that Chevron believed you were Judge
- 6 Zambrano's ghostwriter and even though you had twice
- 7 approached Chevron for a bribe, you also have testified
- 8 that you and Judge Zambrano would meet at the airport to
- 9 exchange Court files and flash drives; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, sir; that is correct.
- 11 $\,$ Q. And the airport is a pretty public place, is it
- 12 not?

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- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. And Mr. Fajardo allegedly worked from Judge
- 15 Zambrano's apartment; isn't that also right?
- 16 A. The question is a little bit confusing. Would you
- 17 please repeat me that?
- 18 Q. You have previously testified that Mr. Fajardo
- 19 worked on the Sentencia from Judge Zambrano's apartment;
- 20 isn't that right?
- 21 A. No, sir. You are wrong as to certain facts and
- 22 circumstances.
- 23 Q. Is it your understanding that Mr. Fajardo met with
- 24 Judge Zambrano in his apartment?
- 25 A. That's what I said, that once I got to Lago Agrio

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12:05 1 binder. And if I may refer you to Paragraph 8--and again,
2 we have this on the screen--but you said that "Mr. Zambrano

- we have this on the screen--but you said that "Mr. Zambran is very careful and distrustful; and therefore, he would
- 4 tell me we had to be careful and not leave any evidence
- 5 regarding this."

And that was what you wrote and what you signed?

A. That is correct.

8 MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, I'm going to object 9 again. It's being presented as some type of impeachment

10 when, in fact, it was entirely consistent. I just don't 11 understand the process that's happening right now.

MR. BLOOM: I'm happy to do this any which way.
I'm happy to ask and keep going back and forth to the

14 documents. I was trying expedite this.

And at your suggestion, I'm now trying to give him
the testimony. I'm just trying to get through this. I

17 don't think these are controversial points. 18 MR. KEHOE: Okay. My only point is that the

- 19 witness answered the question. What's the reason to then
- 20 bring him to the place in his transcript where he said the 21 same thing?
- 22 MR. BLOOM: I guess I would appreciate a little
- 23 latitude with the understanding that I'm trying to move 24 this along.
- 25 MR. KEHOE: Okay.

- 12:08 $\,$ 1 $\,$ to observe the document at the request of Mr. Zambrano, I
 - ${\tt 2}\$ found Mr. Zambrano and Mr. Fajardo already there together,

- 3 they greeted me because I had traveled to that city.
- 4 Q. So you and Mr. Fajardo were both at Judge 5 Zambrano's apartment; correct?
 - A. Together with Mr. Zambrano.
- Q. And you all would do this even after Chevron's
- 8 contractor secretly videotaped meetings with Judge Nuñez;
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. The question is a little bit confusing to me. But
- 11 if you allow me, the issue of Judge Nuñez, had happened
- 12 long time before. The issue regarding Judge Nuñez, the
- 13 videos on Judge Nuñez were previous to August 2009 or took
- 14 place in or happened in August 2009.
- And the meeting I'm referring to, the meeting I
- 16 had with Mr. Fajardo and Mr. Zambrano took place a couple 17 of weeks before January 14th, 2011.
- Q. And I guess that's my point, sir. You understood that Judge Nuñez was secretly videotaped in 2009; correct?
- 20 A. Based on the news, I know that Judge Nuñez was
- 21 secretly videotaped in 2009.22 Q. And here you are allegedly exchanging flash drives
- 23 and documents at the Quito airport and going along with
- 24 Mr. Fajardo to the apartment of Judge Zambrano in late 2010
- 25 or early 2011.

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12:10 1 Am I understanding the chronology correctly?

A. No, sir. With due respect, you are 3 misunderstanding it. If you allow me, the meetings that I 4 usually had with Mr. Zambrano were held on Friday afternoon 5 at the Quito airport or in the nearby area to the airport 6 in an area close to the main entrance to the airport where

7 there is the TAME freight--the freight department for TAME.

8 This is the place where shipments are sent or received. And our meetings, as agreed over the phone, were 10 held at the Aeropuerto Shopping Center, that's what it's 11 called, that's it's name, that is across from the Ouito 12 airport. I am talking about Ouito's old airport on La 13 Prensa Avenue in Quito. This Aeropuerto Shopping Center is 14 approximately around 150-200 meters from the main entrance 15 to the Quito airport.

- Q. Sir, when was the last time you were in Judge 16 17 Zambrano's apartment?
- A. This was when we introduced cosmetic changes to 19 the ruling in the Chevron Case.
- Q. Thank you. And in May 2012, isn't it true that 21 you actually told Chevron's investigators that Mr. Zambrano 22 didn't want you to be seen in Lago Agrio?
- A. If you allow me to look at the quote, I may 24 confirm it as you say that you have it. But I do
- 25 understand that I was told that, as many other things.

12:17 1 working on the Sentencia?

- A. Yes. I told them that.
- Q. And that's because you understood that Judge 4 Zambrano had enough confidence in you that he trusted that you would do what was proper and prudent?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. And because you told Chevron's investigators how 8 much trust and confidence Judge Zambrano had in you, you 9 thought that made you even more valuable to Chevron; isn't 10 that right?
- 11 A. No. That was not my understanding. I had been 12 working already for several years, assisting with law suits 13 on civil law matters Mr. Zambrano had, and he trusted me 14 that I was doing it right.
- 15 Q. But isn't it true that about a year later in 16 May 2013, you allegedly remembered that you had had dinner 17 together with Judge Zambrano in the evening when you were
- 18 actually working on the draft Sentencia?
- 19 A. Yes. That's my view that that actually happened. 20 Q. And in the New York trial, do you recall
- 21 testifying that you were in constant communication with
- 22 Mr. Zambrano during the days when you were working on the
- 23 Judgment?
- 24 A. I possibly said it. But the telephone
- 25 communication with Judge Zambrano took place when I was

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MR. BLOOM: If I may refer the Witness to Tab 1 of 12:13 1 2 our binder at Page 15; for the record, it's reflected in

3 Slide 121, and the document is Respondent's Exhibit 1214.

(Pause.) BY MR. BLOOM:

5 Q. Sir, have you had a chance to look at the 7 document?

- A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. And you would agree that Mr. Zambrano didn't want 10 you to be seen in Lago Agrio?
- A. Mr. Zambrano and I agreed that it was not the best 12 to be seen together on the streets of Lago Agrio. But we 13 had no problems meeting in his own domicile or when I went 14 to his personal office--or rather, the office he had at the 15 Courthouse. But we were careful not to be seen together on 16 the street.
- Q. Because it couldn't be known that you guys were 17 18 part of the same office--you couldn't be known as part of 19 his office; is that correct?
- A. Yes. Perception--the perception was that people 21 could think that we were conspiring on some things;
- 22 especially the local lawyers.
- 23 Q. Now, sir, in June of 2012, did you tell Chevron's 24 representatives that there was no reason for you to consult 25 with Judge Zambrano during the weekend, you were allegedly

- 12:19 1 trying to find out whether he was ready--whether I was 2 ready to go out for dinner, or if I had concluded, or 3 whether I had made progress in that sense. It was not on 4 the topics that I was addressing when working on the Draft 5 Judgment.
 - Q. Sir, when you made your edits to the Sentencia, 7 you did it electronically. That's your testimony. It was actually in a computer; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.

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- Q. And you did not use redline or track changes or 11 whatever it might be called in Spanish?
- A. I was not an expert on those topics and under--and 13 in underlining.
- Q. So how did Judge Zambrano even know what changes 15 you made?

THE INTERPRETER: I'm just trying to clarify his 16 17 answer. I didn't understand completely what he said.

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please repeat your answer.

19 THE WITNESS: What I would like to say is that I 20 did not know how to, for example, highlight yellow or

21 introduce colors. That's the reason why I did not use that 22 mechanism.

- 23 But I did underlined words or sentences.
- 24 BY MR. BLOOM:
- Q. You knew how to underline in the document?

- 12:21 1 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. Did you delete any words?
 - A. On the original document I was given, the answer
 - 4 is no. I copied that document in the same computer, and I 5 worked on the duplicate copy that I created.
 - Q. And then when you were revising the document, did you suggest the deletion of any words? Did your edits include any deletions of even a single word?
 - 9 A. Yes, sir, some; some words, some phrases, the 10 order of some things.
 - 11 Q. And how would Judge Zambrano know which words you 12 were deleting?
 - A. Because they were already in the duplicate copy.
 - ${\tt 14} \qquad {\tt Q.} \quad {\tt So \ you \ expected \ him \ to \ look}$ and compare the two ${\tt 15 \ copies?}$
 - A. Preferably not him but Mr. Fajardo, because
 - 17 Zambrano was not very good like--and I wasn't either in
 - 18 handling the computer. But Mr. Fajardo is as good as many
 - 19 others.
 - 20 Q. So you have a 188-page document. You deleted a
 - 21 few words, and you wanted Mr. Fajardo to find those words
 - 22 that you deleted?
 - 23 A. If it was not going to be Mr. Fajardo, at least
 - 24 the assistant, the assistant Mr. Zambrano had because I
 - 25 knew, I had observed that his personal assistant was the

12:25 1 the final Sentencia?

- A. The goal of my work in connection with the
- 3 Judgment was to have a Judgment that would seem to the 4 naked eye and would leave no doubt to have been drafted in
- I have eye and would leave no doubt to have been didited
- ${\tt 5}\,{\tt a}$ normal way by the Superior Court of Justice in
- 6 conformance with the tradition, the form, the style. That
- 7 was the idea. That was the goal and also to have some
- 8 elegance in the text in the expression of the ideas, in the
- 9 use of syntax, the sentences, the use of terms. That was 10 my goal.
- 11 Q. And you were kind enough just now to tell us what 12 your goal was. My question is a little bit different.
- What value did you actually add to the final
- 14 Sentencia as it was issued?
- 5 A. The fact that it would seem an original--a
- 16 document that would seem a document that originated at the
- 17 Superior Court of Sucumbios.
- 18 Q. So you would make it look more legal; correct?
- 19 A. If you allow me more than a legal aspect, more in
- 20 terms of formatting, it had to do with a form with what was
- 21 usually done back then at the Court of Justice.
- 22 Q. You were trying to make it more proper, more
- 23 appropriate, more official-looking; correct?
 - A. That it would look--yes, as drafted by Judge
- 25 Zambrano.

- 12:23 1 one who transferred from the actual document, the physical 2 copies that Mr. Zambrano received from me as the assistant,
 - 3 to transfer those physical documents into the computer.
 - 4 Q. Sir, returning for a moment to your contention 5 that you were to receive 20 percent or so of the \$500,000
 - 6 you say was promised to Judge Zambrano, let me ask you a 7 couple of questions.
 - Exactly how much money did you personally expect to receive if Judge Zambrano received \$500,000?
 - 10 A. Whatever Mr. Zambrano decided to give me, there 11 wouldn't be any problem with that.
 - 12 Q. But you've also testified--and I'm happy to take 13 you through the documents. But I want to first establish
 - 14 whether you'll agree with me that you have testified that
 - 15 you expected to receive 20 percent; is that correct?
 - 16 A. Yes, sir, at some point, I said that. But it was 17 my perception there was no specific offer by Mr. Zambrano.
 - 8 But that was the habit, the tradition we had. I
 - 19 would receive 20 percent of what he would receive. And if
 - 20 at some point he received a thousand dollars, he would give 21 me 200.
 - 22 Q. So your expectation was that you would receive
 - 23 20 percent of \$500,000, which is \$100,000; correct?
 - 24 A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And what value do you contend that you added to

- 12:28 1 Q. But, in fact, sir, you made very few changes to 2 the document; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - 4 Q. And your changes were mostly word changes. Would 5 you agree with me?
 - 6 A. Words; and in some cases, stylistic formalities, 7 if you can use that term.
 - 8 Q. And the word changes were due to your personal 9 preference; correct?
 - 10 A. In some cases. But in others, it had to do with 11 the customary way--the natural way of drafting a ruling of 12 this sort by the Second Instance Court in Ecuador.
 - 13 Q. In fact, according to your own Declaration--and 14 I'll give you the citation, if you want to look at it--you
 - 15 returned the document to Judge Zambrano in a form that was
 - 16 not too different from the one that you received,
 - 17 allegedly, from the Plaintiffs; isn't that correct?
 - 18 And let me know if you want to look at your 19 Declaration.
 - 20 A. Yes. It is correct.
 - Q. And if, as you contend, Judge Zambrano solicited
 - 22 and agreed to a bribe in exchange to let the Plaintiffs
 - 23 prepare the Judgment, isn't it true that Judge Zambrano
 - 24 didn't need you for a deal at all?
 - A. I cannot characterize whether I was essential for

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Judge Zambrano or not. The truth is that during the time 2 during which Mr. Zambrano was the Judge of the Chevron 3 Case, I cooperated with him.

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And the truth is that during the time that Judge Zambrano was the Judge in civil cases, I wrote for him 5 between 300 to 400 judgments in different cases.

So I think that I must have added some value and 8 perhaps I was in some way necessary for Judge Zambrano.

- Q. But the suggestions and changes that you made were 10 not taken into account, were they?
- A. Upon reading the Judgment, something that happened 12 here in the United States when I read it in detail, I 13 noticed that, indeed, possibly the suggestions and changes 14 that I had recommended had not been taken into account.
- Q. So I want to return to the question that I asked 16 you previously. And that is, what value did you contribute 17 to the final Sentencia?
- A. I've explained this to you. For it to be seen as 19 issued out of the President of the Superior Court of 20 Justice of Sucumbios, that it would seem that it was 21 prepared by the alternate President of the Superior Court 22 of Justice of Sucumbios and not as it was stated, for 23 example.
- Q. I understand that you have already testified as to 25 what your goal was, what you were trying to accomplish.

12:34 1 MR. BLOOM: Thank you, sir.

BY MR. BLOOM:

- 3 Q. Now that we have our understanding, my question is 4 this: Given the fact that all of your edits and 5 suggestions and comments were rejected and did not find 6 their way into the final Sentencia as issued, would you 7 agree with me that, in fact, you provided no contribution 8 to the final Sentencia?
- A. Rather, I'd agree with the fact that because of a 10 given circumstance they erased or they lost the document on 11 which I worked.
 - O. Do they even see the document that you worked on?
- A. Mr. Zambrano saw the final document that I worked 13 14 on. Evidently, it was not too, almost not to different 15 from the original document. But, rather the document I 16 worked on, the duplicate I made the relevant changes. I 17 changed terms, the format, words; and that document was 18 seen by Mr. Zambrano.
 - Q. Let me ask you this, sir. By bringing you--well, strike that. You believed you expected to receive about
- 22 \$100,000 for edits you did to a Sentencia that were never 23 accepted?
- 24 A. Well, not precisely. It wasn't about receiving 25 things exclusively for what you have stated.

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12:32 1 But I also understood you to confirm for me that your 2 changes and suggestions were not taken into account.

First, am I misunderstanding those two 4 conclusions?

A. No, you did not misunderstand. But I do want to 5 6 indicate that the changes that I suggested and I 7 noticed--and I noted those changes in the document, I then later saw that those changes were not included in the 9 Judgment.

For example, the Judgment seems to have been 11 issued out of the panel of the Court of Justice of 12 Sucumbios; but the panel of the Court of Justice represents 13 an Appellate Court, whereas the President of the is the 14 first instance court in the cases at issue.

Q. So let me try this one more time, sir; and then we 15 16 can move on.

If all of your suggestions and comments and edits 17 18 were rejected in the final Sentencia as issued, then does 19 that not mean that you did not make any contribution to the 20 final issued Sentencia?

MR. KEHOE: I'm going to object to the question. 22 It's argumentative. It's been answered twice. He's been 23 given all of the facts, and Mr. Bloom is looking for some 24 kind of a sound bite that will mischaracterize the facts. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom, ask your question.

12:36 1 The matter was that I-that I was going to 2 share--it was about me sharing a percentage, I hoped that 3 it would be 20 percent of what Judge Zambrano would receive 4 at the end or was going to receive at the end from the 5 Plaintiffs, for the fact of my having coparticipated 6 specifically in the rulings, in studying the record the 7 court order during Judge Zambrano's two periods, and that 8 whole general context, not exclusively for having gone a 9 couple of days to review one document, no. But rather for 10 keeping--this includes my continuing to keep the secret of 11 my ghostwriting and all those kinds of things.

It had to do with keeping this ghostwriting secret 13 secret and all those kinds of things.

- Q. Now, sir, you've testified previously that the 15 deal was struck directly between Judge Zambrano and the 16 Plaintiffs and that you only learned about this alleged 17 bribe of \$500,000 through Judge Zambrano; isn't that 18 correct?
- 19 A. Yes, sir. But with the precedent that the initial 20 proposal related to the \$500,000 that I told Mr. Fajardo 21 then I confirmed it before Mr. Donziger and Mr. Yanza, all 22 of this suggest and requested by Mr. Zambrano.
- Q. But allegedly only after Mr. Zambrano had already 24 spoken with the Plaintiffs. That's your testimony; isn't 25 that right?

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12:38 1 A. No. Mr. Zambrano was the one who asked me to talk 2 to Plaintiff representatives in connection with the 3 \$500,000 and the drafting of the Judgment. And I spoke 4 about this initially with Mr. Fajardo.

A few days later, I ratified the same proposal to Mr. Donziger, Mr. Yanza; Mr. Zambrano was also present at that time. And later on, Mr. Zambrano told me that in connection with this matter, this agreement, he had agreed directly with Plaintiffs' lawyers.

- 10 Q. But he didn't need you to cut a deal with the 11 Plaintiffs. He could have done that himself, could he not?
- 12 A. Mr. Zambrano, as I said, was very careful. He was 13 very distrustful. And I think that he asked me to put 14 forth that proposal on his behalf because, ultimately, if 15 that proposal that I made was recorded, he said, "Oh, I 16 don't know anything about this."

But if this proposal was recorded and this came to light in the media and juricially, Judge Zambran would have come off poorly, and he wanted to avoid that risk.

- Q. Well, in fact, you told Chevron that Fajardo did once approach Mr. Zambrano, and Zambrano threw him out of his office; isn't that right?
- 23 A. In connection with that, Mr. Fajardo told me about 24 that event personally to me.
- 25 This occurred when Zambrano took over the Chevron

12:42 1 Sir, you told Chevron's investigators: "Fajardo

- 2 is the one telling me, once he finds me, says, But, damn, I 3 almost died. This monkey made me, had me leave; and, damn,
- 4 he is impossible. There is no, damn, I just--not even, I
- 5 damn. It would have been worse had I gone to propose $\,$
- 6 something, he would have killed me. Damn."
- 7 So this is the story that you personally remember 8 Mr. Fajardo telling you that you conveyed in this instance
- 9 to the Chevron investigators; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.

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- 11 Q. And you also told the investigators that Zambrano 12 wouldn't give them a chance--that's what you told Chevron's 13 investigators; correct?
- And that's at Page 70 of Tab 11. If you want to look at it, we have that on Slide 129.
- Just so you understand the question, you told the investigators that Mr. Zambrano wouldn't give the Plaintiffs a chance; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Then you continued, Zambrano "is not like me, for
- 21 example, as far as temperament with everyone."
- "Um, yes, come in, let's take a look, let's take a
- 23 look. We'll do all that's possible. Be well."
- 24 And sometimes I would I would say, "Have some
- 25 candy."

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- 12:41 1 Case the first time, well, in this connection with this 2 matter, Mr. Zambrano also corroborated about that somewhat 3 aggressive attitude that he took.
 - Q. I'd like to show you a slide.
 - And for Counsels' edification, it's not for purpose of impeachment, it's for purpose of facilitation.
 - MR. KEHOE: Okay. On the issue of facilitation, can we get an estimate of when we might break for lunch?
 - 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's nearly quarter do 1:00.
 - 10 You were hoping you might finish this morning. How's it 11 going?
 - MR. BLOOM: Great. What I would suggest is this line of questions, we'll break, I'll consult with my
 - 14 colleagues; and I might have five or ten minutes after.
 - 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Fine. And this line of 16 questioning will last?
 - 17 MR. BLOOM: A couple of minutes.
 - 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: A couple of minutes. Thank
 - 19 you.
 - 20 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - 0. So we have Slide 128 on the screen. For the
 - 22 Witness, this is Tab 11. This is Respondent's
 - 23 Exhibit 1213. And if I could refer you to Page 69 of the
 - 24 document--but again, I will read it from the screen to
 - 25 facilitate.

- 12:45 1 So you understand that you have a very inviting 2 personality, and that's very different than Mr. Zambrano's 3 personality; correct?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And, in fact, you called Zambrano a tyrant,
 - 6 because he would not talk to the Plaintiffs; isn't that
 - 7 right?

- A. I am answering that, sir, yes.
- 9 Q. And after Mr. Zambrano threw the Plaintiffs out
- 10 the door, you told Chevron's investigators that the
- 11 Plaintiffs had to work through you; isn't that right?
- 12 A. Possibly I did that, sir. If it's stated there,
- 13 yes.
- MR. BLOOM: Now would be an appropriate time for
- 15 lunch, Mr. President.
- 16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We have one question from the
- 17 Tribunal.
- 18 ARBITRATOR LOWE: It's just a point--
- 19 THE INTERPRETER: Microphone, please.
- 20 ARBITRATOR LOWE: It's a small point of
- 21 clarification that I can probably best put through
- 22 Mr. Bloom.
- I understood the Witness to say that the day
- 24 planners for 2010, 2011 had been lost and he couldn't find
- 25 them.

Sheet 24 851 853 I'm not entirely clear in my mind what the word is 12:46 1 01:42 1 AFTERNOON SESSION 2 that we're using to describe the document which appeared on PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 2 3 Slide 13. Is that not a day planner or a calendar? What 3 BY MR. BLOOM: 4 do we call that? Q. Mr. Guerra, we're coming towards the close of the It's Slide 13. It's from the Torres report, and cross-examination, and I thank you for being patient with 5 6 it appears also as Tab 22 in the second binder. 6 MR. BLOOM: My understanding is that's a day Sir, have you paid any U.S. taxes on all income 8 planner. 8 received while in the United States? 9 ARBITRATOR LOWE: And which year is it for? 9 A. Thank you. Not yet. But as far as I know, MR. BLOOM: It's 2011. It looks like June and 10 Chevron is going to do it--to do it in due time. 10 Q. Do you know what your income was for 2013? 11 July of 2011. 11 ARBITRATOR LOWE: Maybe that's something that I 12 A. Yes. I have been receiving the amount of \$12,000 13 can look at after lunch, because at Page 815, Line 11 of 13 a month during 2013. And we're talking about 12 by 12, 14 the transcript today, I understood the Witness to say that 14 we're talking about \$144,000. 15 he couldn't find that document. Maybe that's something we Q. Do you understand that your U.S. income would 16 could check on after lunch. 16 include finance benefits beyond \$12,000 a month? For PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before we break for lunch, one 17 17 example, payments made on your behalf for your counsel? 18 other further item, we'd like to welcome Ms. Kathryn Owen, A. I sincerely have to tell you that I have no 18 19 the Tribunal's expert, who is coming to listen to the 19 knowledge about those kinds of details. 20 technical witnesses starting at Monday morning. But 20 Q. So you don't know whether your income, for U.S. 21 Ms. Owen has come early and is sitting with our 21 tax purposes, would include payments made by Chevron on 22 ICSID--sorry, PCA Secretariat. I think many of you know 22 your behalf, even if not made directly to you? A. I am getting that information from you at this 23 her already. So we'll break for lunch. We'll come back at 10 24 point in time. I don't know anything about that matter. 25 to 2:00. And again, Mr. Guerra, we ask you not to discuss Q. And you don't know how much you may be required to 852 854 12:48 1 the case or your testimony away from the Tribunal. 02:03 1 pay in 2013; correct? (Whereupon, at 12:54 p.m., the proceedings were A. I do not. 2 3 adjourned until 2:00 p.m., the same day.) Q. Or for the tax year of 2014? A. The same answer: No. Q. You only know that Chevron will be paying all of 5 6 your taxes for 2013 and 2014? 6 7 A. In a supplementary agreement, the last one that 8 was signed about a month ago, in March of 2015, that 8 9 9 Agreement was made in the sense that Chevron offered to pay 10 the taxes that I owe for the years 2013 and 2014, because 10 11 of taxes that I owe the U.S. government. 11 12 Q. Did Chevron offer or did you ask Chevron to pay 13 13 for the taxes? 14 A. Frankly speaking, I have to say that I asked 15 Chevron to do that. 15 O. And Chevron agreed? 16 17 A. It did. 17 18 Q. Sir, I want to ask you to turn to--or at least I

21 39. It is Respondents' Exhibit 892.
22 And for the record, we also have Slide 131 on the
23 screen.
24 Are you with me, sir, so far?
25 A. I have not found it in Spanish.

20 Claimants, and it is in your binder at R-39--I'm sorry--Tab

19 want to reference a document provided to Respondent by

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- 02:05 1 O. Let me first ask you to turn to Page 6 of that 2 document and confirm for me that your signature may be 3 found towards the bottom of that page.
 - A. Yes, that is my signature.
 - Q. And I will represent to you that this appears to 5 be an agreement between you and Chevron.

And you anticipated my question: Is this 8 document--is the contract dated January 27, 2013, that you 9 signed, also in Spanish?

A. Yes, sir.

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Q. Since we do not have the Spanish version here, I'm 11 12 going to have to rely on the court reporter and interpreter 13 to help me. But I will be referencing, on Page 4 of that 14 document, at Tab 39, at Paragraph 5.

15 And this paragraph reads, in English--and we will 16 have it translated for you, sir: "Chevron is under no 17 obligation to make any further payments to Guerra pursuant 18 to this agreement after the 24th month. Chevron will 19 obtain, at least one month prior to the last of the 24

20 monthly payments, an independent third-party assessment of

21 the ongoing risk, if any, to Guerra's personal safety and

22 security at that time, and the nature and time horizon of 23 any such risks. If that independent assessment finds

24 substantial evidence of a risk to Guerra's personal safety

25 and security, Chevron and Guerra will act in good faith to

02:10 1 English, with apologies, is at Tab 38, behind the 2 green-colored page.

> And I would ask you, sir, to turn to Page 6 of 4 this document and confirm for us that you, in fact, signed this document.

A. Yes, I did. My signature appears therein. 6

Q. And do you recall--and please let me know if you 8 don't, because we can, again, read out the paragraph and have it translated.

10 But do you generally recall a similar provision as 11 the one that I just read, except it says that Chevron is 12 under no obligation to make any further payments to Guerra 13 pursuant to this agreement after the 12th month, whereas 14 the predecessor agreement said after the 24th month, but 15 raised the possibility of yet a further agreement with you?

Do you recall that?

A. I do recall that, yes, sir.

Q. And you understand that this current agreement 19 with Chevron will expire in March of 2016?

20 A. That is correct, yes.

Q. And today, as you testify, you also understand

22 that a new agreement might be negotiated to cover a

23 timeframe after March of 2016; is that correct?

A. Yes. If the circumstances referred to in one of

25 the clauses of this agreement occurs, yes.

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02:07 1 reach an agreement on new terms (including the provisions

2 of Section II(B)(1) and the duration of any agreement) to

3 address Guerra's personal safety and security concerns

4 under all the circumstances as they exist at that time.

5 Chevron shall base any agreement in this regard on that

6 independent assessment. Any further agreement will not be

7 contingent on the content of Guerra's statements or

8 testimony or the outcome of any matter in which Guerra

9 testifies, or on the outcome of any investigation in which

10 he provides statements or testimony."

Sir, do you remember generally the substance of 11 12 this paragraph as I read it to you? 13

A. I do, sir.

14 Q. And you knew when you prepared and executed your

15 Declarations and provided deposition and trial testimony,

16 that a new contract might one day still be negotiated for

17 you at the conclusion of the 24th month of this

18 agreement; isn't that right?

19 A. Yes. I understood that, as of 27 January 2013,

20 then two years after that, the vaidity of this agreement 21 would end, according to the terms stated therein.

Q. And, in fact, you executed a supplemental

23 agreement, did you not?

24 A. I did.

Q. And that supplemental agreement, again, only in

02:12 1 MR. BLOOM: And with that, Members of the 2 Tribunal, I tender the Witness.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

4 Do you want a short break, or should we proceed 5 immediately with the reexamination?

MR. KEHOE: I think we can just proceed 6

immediately. Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, just for planning 8

9 purposes, time estimate?

10 MR. KEHOE: Yes. As I had mentioned to Mr. Bloom during the lunch break, I expect to be less than one hour. 11

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay.

13 MR. KEHOE: Thank you.

Mr. Guerra--

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Oh, if you wouldn't mind, I'm going to just hand 15 16 out one single binder, and that way we can eliminate the multitude of binders that are in front of everyone. 17

THE INTERPRETER: Microphone, please.

19 (Pause.)

20 THE INTERPRETER: There is no microphone.

MR. KEHOE: It's--I find it difficult to read the 21

22 TAME shipping record in such small type, which is Exhibit 3

23 in the binder that--or Tab No. 3 in the binder that I just

24 gave you, so we've had it blown up. It's an exact

25 duplicate of Exhibit 1616a, Attachment F, like "Frank."

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02:14 1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. KEHOE:

Q. Mr. Guerra, I just want to clear up something from your testimony this morning. I believe it's--you just made a misstatement. It's not a big deal, but we may as well clarify the record.

7 On Page 84 of the transcript, you were being-8 asked.

9 (Pause.)

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You might start again, given 11 the technical problem.

12 MR. KEHOE: Sure.

13 BY MR. KEHOE:

14 Q. Mr. Guerra, can you hear me in Spanish?

A. I do, yes. Right now I do.

16 Q. Thank you.

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Mr. Guerra, I want to ask you just a few questions
to clarify, I think, a misstatement by you in the record.
I think you just got two names confused. It's not a big
deal, but we may as well clean it up while we're here.
On page 83 of the transcript, you were asked,
Whow, sir, you've testified previously that the deal was

23 struck directly between Judge Zambrano and the Plaintiffs,

and that you only learned about this alleged bribe of \$550,000 through Judge Zambrano; isn't that correct?"

02:17 1 the Parties.

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2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, there is obviously a 3 dispute, because there's an objection.

MR. KEHOE: Okay.

5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: But in a sense, this is 6 something that's--the Witness has said--I can see the point 7 you're making, but can you really do this by way of

8 redirect in the way you've done it?

9 To put it mildly, it's about as leading as it can 10 possibly be.

MR. KEHOE: It is, and the reason that I did it that way is because, frankly, the Parties do not

13 disagree--Mr. Donziger has admitted under oath that he was

14 in the Honey Honey restaurant with these people--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We understand that.

16 MR. KEHOE: -- and not Judge Zambrano.

17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We understand that. It's just 18 a question of--the witness has actually said what he said.

19 It's for us really to work out whether it's a

 $20\,\,$ mistake or whether it's a genuine statement on his behalf.

MR. KEHOE: Okay.

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I just query whether you can do

23 it in the way you indicated.

24 MR. KEHOE: That's fair enough. I'll ask it

25 differently.

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02:15 1 And you said, "Yes, sir, but with the precedent 2 that the initial proposal related to the \$500,000 that I 3 had told Mr. Fajardo then I confirmed it before 4 Mr. Donziger and Mr. Yanza, all this as suggested and 5 requested by Mr. Zambrano."

So that's all good.

7 But then you were asked, "But allegedly 8 after--only after Mr. Zambrano had already spoken with the 9 Plaintiffs--that's your testimony; isn't that right?"

10 And you said, "No. Mr. Zambrano was the one who 11 asked me to talk to the Plaintiffs' representatives in

12 connection with the \$500,000 and the drafting of the 13 Judgment. And I spoke about this initially with

14 Mr. Fajardo, and a few days later I ratified the same

15 proposal to Mr. Donziger, Mr. Yanza--and Mr. Zambrano was 16 always present at the time. And later on Mr. Zambrano told

17 me, in connection with this matter, this agreement--he had

18 agreed directly with the Plaintiffs lawyers."
19 At the end there, where you said that Mr. Donziger

20 and Mr. Yanza were joined by Mr. Zambrano, did you mean to 21 say Mr. Fajardo?

22 MR. BLOOM: Objection.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: For the moment, please don't translate what I'm saying into Spanish.

MR. KEHOE: There is no dispute about this between

02:18 1 BY MR. KEHOE:

Q. Mr. Guerra --

 ${\tt 3}$ ${\tt MR.}$ KEHOE: Oh, if we can have the translation ${\tt 4}$ back, please.

5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes. I'm sorry.

6 Could you please start translating into Spanish

7 again?

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BY MR. KEHOE:

9 Q. Mr. Guerra, I'm going to ask you a different 10 question.

11 Who was present at the meeting in September or 12 October of 2010 at the Honey Honey restaurant? Yourself 13 and who else?

14 A. Mr. Donziger, Mr. Fajardo, and Mr. Yanza. Those 15 three individuals, including myself. So four exclusively.

16 Q. Thank you. I'm moving on to a different topic 17 now.

18 Mr. Guerra, you were asked quite a few times

19 yesterday about the extent to which the physical evidence 20 supports your claim that you qhostwrote orders for

21 Mr. Zambrano in the Chevron Case beyond simply taking your 22 word for it.

Do you remember that, those lines of questions?

24 A. Yes, I do remember it.

Q. And similarly, on the same topic, I'm going to ask

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02:19 1 you some questions about this.

Do you remember you were asked quite a few times 3 about the physical evidence and the extent to which it 4 supports your claim that the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs were 5 paying you to move the case along faster in your role as a 6 ghostwriter for Mr. Zambrano, other than simply taking your word for it? Do you remember all those questions?

A. Yes, I do.

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Sir, a little slower, please.

10 Yes, I remember these questions that were related 11 to this matter, and I also remember the content of the answers that I provided in that regard.

13 Q. Okay. I'd like to look at some physical evidence 14 with you, and I'll ask you to please open the binder in 15 front of you to Tab 5A. It is Exhibit 1616a, which is your 16 November 17, 2012, Declaration, Attachment O.

Do you recognize that document, sir?

- 18 A. I do, sir, yes. I recognize it. It is the first 19 Ruling that I wrote for Mr. Zambrano during his first tenure in the context of the Chevron Case.
- Q. Looking five or six lines down, you wrote, "I 22 hereby assume jurisdiction over Case No. 2-2003," filed by 23 Maria Aguinda against Chevron for environmental damage.
- Why did you write that? What was the timing and 25 the context of this October 20, 2009, draft order?

02:23 1 O. Turn the page, if it you would, please. The 2 paragraphs are numbered paragraphs. Down near the bottom, 3 we see paragraph numbered 13.

And tell me when you're there.

A. Yes, I have it before me.

MR. BLOOM: Mr. President--and I don't want to be 7 intervening for my friend's redirect, but I am a little bit 8 concerned in terms of where we're going and whether this is 9 exceeding the scope of cross. I did not get into the 10 substance of any of the Orders or the nine Orders that were 11 on his hard drive.

12 We--this is beginning to sound like maybe a direct 13 examination that they were preparing, but I'm very 14 concerned that we are going down a road--and if the only 15 link is that I asked the Witness about physical evidence, 16 that cannot be an invitation for them to now use that to 17 basically make whatever affirmative case that's beyond the 18 scope of my cross-examination.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's see where it goes.

20 Please continue.

21 MR. KEHOE: Thank you.

22 BY MR. KEHOE:

23 O. So paragraph numbered 13 refers to a brief filed 24 by Dr. Adolfo Callejas, counsel for the defendant, on

25 September 11, 2009.

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02:21 1 A. Yes, thank you.

> Procedurally, the law in Ecuador establishes that 3 the judge upon taking over a case as in this case it was 4 Judge Zambrano's first turn, he expressly has to issue a 5 court order. The order is different from a decree, because 6 here we find the term "whereas," "vistos." And, in this 7 order which is the first order issued by Mr. Zambrano, it 8 expressly provides reasons for the background that 9 determined the reason why Judge Zambrano took over the case 10 as the Judge presiding over the case.

After making reference to those background events 12 very briefly in this ruling, he states: Consequently, in 13 my capacity as Alternate President of the Court or 14 Alternate Judge, I take over of the Case No. XXX, that 15 Maria Aguinda has brought against, Chevron, et cetera.

And so once he has the power to act as a judge in 17 this case, he indicates that procedurally he's going to 18 make decisions and resolutions, and then he starts indicating each one of the points that have to do with the 20 Orders that he has issued in order to move the case along.

I hope that I've answered your question.

22 O. You have.

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23 And did you write that language that you just 24 talked about?

A. I did, sir, yes.

02:24 1 Sir, what was Dr. Callejas asking for on behalf of 2 Texaco in this application, and what was your ghostwritten 3 ruling with respect to that request?

> A. Mr. Callejas, in his motion--in the motion in 5 connection with the ruling stated in numberal 13, asked 6 that all the procedural steps taken by the former judge, 7 Juan Nuñez, for all of that to be declared null and void, absolutely null and void. That was the motion.

9 That was the claim, and in accordance with what is 10 stated under 13, that you make a reference to, I expressly 11 stated that the grounds for procedural nullity determined 12 by the law, Articles 346 and Article 1014 of the Code of 13 Civil Procedure that had to be applied to this case, did 14 not include as grounds for nullity what was stated or 15 singled out in the motion filed by Mr. Callejas. And that 16 was precisely the support and grounds that were the basis 17 for denying Mr. Callejas his motion to annul all of the Court's proceedings during Judge Núñez's tenure. 18

19 MR. BLOOM: And I'd like to renew the objection, 20 Mr. President. We've had five years or more of briefing on 21 these subjects. This is not a subject matter that I

22 covered in the cross-examination at all.

23 MR. KEHOE: I respectfully disagree completely 24 with Counsel's argument.

Most of the cross-examination was spent on an

02:27 1 effort to undermine the credibility of the witness by 2 suggesting that this Tribunal needs only to rely on the 3 Witness' word, including an extensive period of time on the 4 TAME shipping records, which I'm going to get to in a 5 minute, where Counsel was attempting to show that 6 Mr. Guerra was not shipping Chevron Orders. This goes to the heart of one of the two main bits

8 of testimony that Mr. Bloom was soliciting. I don't see 9 how it could be remotely outside the scope.

MR. BLOOM: The substance of the Orders have 11 nothing to do with that.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let the Counsel deliberate.

13 (Pause.)

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14 (Comments off the record.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you for your submission.

The Tribunal has deliberated, and the objection is 16 17 overruled. Please continue.

BY MR. KEHOE: 18

19 Q. Mr. Guerra, please turn to Tab B in the binder in 20 front of you. It's Exhibit 1616a, your

21 November 12th--November 2013 Declaration Attachment P,

22 like "Paul."

23 Tell me when you're there.

A. I do, sir, yes.

Q. Now, do you recognize this document?

02:31 1 problem.

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So, they knew, Mr. Zambrano knew, that I placed 2 3 this date. Sometimes this date, as I remember it was 4 respected by him. Or, otherwise, this date was respected 5 by him, or he placed the date when the ruling was asked of 6 them, two, three, or four days after I prepared it.

O. Like the last Order, Mr. Guerra, this one is 8 sequentially numbered paragraphs. Where does this Order 9 end, the actual Order?

A. Thank you very much.

The Order finishes at No. 12 where it says "be it 11 12 notified." All of the Rulings are completed with that 13 formal text, be it notified, or it is so ordered.

Q. Now, turn the page. Even though you've just 15 testified the Order is ended with notice to be given, we 16 see lots of--more words.

What is that? Why was that in your computer as 18 part of this order?

A. The truth of the matter is that due to lack of 20 technique or time, I was hurried here. Generally I used to 21 copy the first ruling to develop a second one. And in this

22 second one which was contemporaneous with the documents

23 that I received, so I used some literature that was already

24 used in the first Ruling.

For example, generally at the very beginning

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A. I do, yes. This is a Ruling prepared by me in my 02:29 1 2 computer at the date stated here.

Q. On the date. Now, let me ask you about that.

On the page on the left--right, it's up's the 5 screen--it says "metadata fields." And I am told that the 6 "docdate," the fourth line down, dated November 18, 2009, 7 is the last date that you worked on this document,

according to your computer.

9 And my question to you is, if you look at the next 10 page, the date is November 20th, 2009, which is two days

12 Do you know why that is, why those dates are 13 different?

A. I used to place an estimated date--perhaps two or 15 three days later on because, generally, when I was working 16 on these Orders, I worked late Friday evening and Saturday 17 or Sunday. So the dates that I wrote was possibly the very 18 first or second business day after that weekend, and I did 19 it for purposes of having both Mr. Zambrano and his

20 assistant--or his assistant who would transfer these

21 Rulings to their computers for later editing.

Well, they didn't--I didn't want them to make a 22

23 mistake. I was scared that if I wrote the date of a

24 Saturday, perhaps they thought, well, they're going to

25 include a Saturday date on the ruling and then may cause a

02:33 1 where it says President of the Superior Court of Justice of 2 Sucumbios the trial of Mrs. Aquinda against Chevron, number

3 such and such, generally that--obviously, so I wouldn't

4 have to Retype because that would perhaps take time. And

5 that's how I did it, that's how I did it one after the 6 other, one after the other, to the point that it

7 accumulated it became, it accumulated. I didn't believe

8 that with time this would leave a bad impression of me -

9 but there it is. These were the accumulated remnants of the 10 previous court orders, one after the other.

Q. And, sir, just to be clear, neither I nor anyone 12 else is suggesting that this creates a bad impression on 13 you. I'm just asking you the facts of how this document 14 was created.

15 Please turn to C, Tab 5C, which is C 1616a, 16 Attachment O.

Do you recognize this document?

A. Are you referring to the document dated December 1st, 2009? Yes.

20 Q. Yes, sir. That's exactly what I'm referring to. 21 So you're there?

22 A. Yes, sir.

23 Q. Now, again, we see the paragraphs are numbered

24 sequentially. And I'm going to ask you to turn to

25 paragraph numbered 4.

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A. Yes, sir. 02:35 1

> Q. And you don't need to read the entire paragraph. 3 I'm not going to be asking you about the substance of it.

But I note that, until the end, until the 5 parenthetical at the end, all of the text is in normal type 6 of capital and lower case letters. And then at the end, 7 you have a Note in all caps.

And my question to you is, why did you write that 9 Note? Why did you write it in all caps? What does it have 10 to do with?

A. In that note I said: Watch out, note to Judge 11 12 Zambrano or his assistant, precisely so they would comply 13 with the suggestions I was making as to how to fill in the

15 In this case, it refers to including 16 the--inserting the names of the professionals, of the 17 corresponding experts, which I did not include and which I 18 was unable to complete.

19 And this is clear, since the list of the experts 20 that were accepted or qualified by the Public Prosecutor is 21 found in the Secretary of the Judiciary, and I did not have 22 that information.

In the case of this case, Judge Zambrano usually 24 invited the Parties to the proceeding before naming the 25 Parties and before recording the names, Judge Zambrano had 02:39 1 A. Yes, got it.

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Q. Did you write this Draft Order? 2

4 Q. Please turn to paragraph numbered 10, and read it 5 to yourself, if you would, please, and let me know when you're done reading it.

Α. Yes.

8 Q. Towards the bottom of Paragraph 10 about five 9 lines up from the bottom, you wrote: "It is provided that 10 ordinary timeframes may not exceed those given under 11 Article 288 of the Code of Civil Procedure with regard to 12 issuing judgments. This is done in accordance with the 13 provisions of Articles 303 to 319 ibidem, which without

14 fail must be observed by the Parties as applicable." 15 Sir, what was your aim or goal or purpose for 16 rendering that particular ruling in draft form for Judge 17 Zambrano?

A. It was to streamline the process. Basically, that 18 19 was the reason, and also to avoid any delays as we had seen 20 throughout the proceeding starting from this day backwards, 21 and also for several years too.

22 Q. And did you make this ruling, at least in part 23 because of your agreement with the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs to 24 move the case along quickly through your ghostwritten

25 Orders?

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02:37 1 the habit of inviting the litigants and saying to them: 2 Look, gentlemen, I have these names for this expert 3 assignment. Do you agree? Let's do an internal draw, et 4 cetera. And clearly those names had to be recorded once 5 Judge Zambrano, by draw, or in their presence revealed the 6 appointment based on the list he had.

Thank you, Mr. Guerra.

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In this same document, please turn to the last 9 page numbered--paragraph numbered 17. And here again we 10 see a Note in this same order--referring back to Section 4 11 that you just testified to about appointing experts. Why 12 did you write this Note here at the end of the order?

13 A. This was just a second reminder in connection with 14 numeral 4.

I did it because I believed that Judge Zambrano, 16 because of all of the tasks he had to complete, he would 17 allow the assistant, the young assistant to do it. And 18 this assistant, who was very young, could have made 19 mistakes or could have had some omissions; and I just 20 wanted to make sure that that did not happen with this 21 ruling.

Q. Please turn to the next tab, which is D in your 23 binder. It's an order dated December 7, 2009. It's 24 Attachment R to your November Declaration, sir. Tell me 25 when you're there.

A. It could be said that the answer is yes, and also 2 in agreement with the Judge of the proceeding, Judge 3 Zambrano.

4 Q. Well, when you say "it could be said," what do you 5 mean by that?

A. If you allow me, and briefly, from the onset, when judicial inspection started--and that was late 2004 onwards and almost up to the date that we're discussing in this 9 ruling, 2009, for five years, approximately--the Parties 10 were used to having very long deadlines, very long periods. 11 For example, 100 days for the Expert to issue a report, 150 12 days for the parties to the proceeding to issue a decision 13 on the Expert's report, 45 days for one Party to provide 14 comments as to whether the lab will be paid given the work 15 that has been conducted. And that was the way the case was 16 being handled.

Numeral 10 was part of a legal warning. It was 17 18 analyzed, and it was--it basically conveyed the idea that 19 we wanted to prevent very long deadlines or terms. And 20 here, at this number, says, the law states that every 21 Judgment should be issued within the following six days, 22 starting from the date the decision is passed.

23 So according to the law, there could be the 24 recusal of a judge if that judge does not issue a Judgment 25 in three times--three times the deadline provided for under Sheet 30 875

02:44 1 the regulations, under the law. So we need to include all 2 of the conditions, all of the terms, and to make clear that 3 they should not go beyond 18 days.

This way we were trying to avoid for Chevron

people who were always asking for 40, 50 days for

something, or 25 days; and when they got there, when the 25

days expired, the day before they would request an

extension of the deadline. And the same happened with the

Plaintiffs in the case, the same story.

So all in all, this order at 10 says, Gentlemen, enough. We're not going to give you more than 18 days for Expert Reports, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera.

So that's the reason why, later on, the terms are more reasonable, such as three days for the Expert to elaborate on the report; three days for the Parties to issue decision on such and such a thing and no more than five days for the other thing, so that was the reason for this order. Well, at least that was the idea behind the order.

It was drafted with that legal idea so as to speed up the proceeding and try to prevent any sort of delays.

22 And I hope I satisfied your--your curiosity or 23 your question with this.

Q. You have, to a great degree. So I understand the legal basis for the ruling. 02:48 1 A. This is part of a ruling that denies the intention 2 of Chevron's attorneys to dismiss the provision to limit 3 the deadlines to no more than 18 days.

Q. Sir, you stated in your written Declaration that you personally ghostwrote all nine Orders that were found on your computer which were attached to your November 2012 sworn Declaration.

8 I've just reviewed five of them with you. In the 9 interest of time, I won't go through the remaining four.

10 But as you sit here today in these proceedings, do you 11 reaffirm and confirm that you, Alberto Guerra, wrote all

12 Orders that were found on your computer that you

13 voluntarily provided to Chevron?

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. Now, the nine Orders that we just reviewed were

16 dated between October 20, 2009 and December 19, 2010. And

17 this coincides, if I have your testimony correctly and the 18 record, with Mr. Zambrano's first term as Judge on the case

19 which spanned from October 21st, 2009, to March 11th,

20 2012.

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A. Yes. That is correct.

Q. Do you know why there are no Draft Orders on your

23 computer during Mr. Zambrano's second term?

24 A. Precisely because I prepared those rulings from

25 the Chevron Case in Lago Agrio in Mr. Fajardo's computer.

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02:46 1 And a follow-up question is: Did you figure out
2 that legal basis and write it into this Draft Order, at
3 least in part because you were being paid by the Lago Agrio
4 Plaintiffs to speed the case along?

5 A. We had agreed that; and clearly, I did it based on 6 that commitment.

Q. Please turn to Tab 5E, which is Annex S, like Sam. B It's dated December 14, 2009.

Do you recognize this one, sir?

.0 A. Yes, sir.

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11 Q. Please turn to paragraph numbered 12. You don't 12 have to read the whole thing. I'm just going to ask you

13 why you left blank spaces there.

A. As I explained before, I did not have the names of the qualified experts. The Clerk's office to the President of the Court was the one that had the names, and The intent

17 was that when the time came, in order for these names to be

18 entered by the judge in the case, Judge Zambrano would

19 become aware that he had to certify the names of the

20 qualified experts.
21 0. And if you'll turn to Paragraph 18, just read it

22 to yourself. Let me know when you're finished.

23 (Pause.)

24 A. Yes.

5 Q. What is this?

2:50 1 Q. Thank you, and I misspoke. Just I'll clarify the 2 record earlier. I said that Mr. Zambrano's term ended in 3 2012. It was actually March 11, 2010; is that right?

4 MR. BLOOM: May I just also seek a clarification 5 after this?

MR. KEHOE: Sure.

BY MR. KEHOE:

8 Q. Sir, is that right? When did Mr. Zambrano's first 9 term end as Judge? Do you remember?

10 A. Mr. Zambrano concluded the term immediately after 11 Judge Ordoñéz was appointed the Judge of the Court.

Q. Do you remember when that was?

13 A. I remember that, in that meeting of the tribunal.

 $14\,\,$ It was was sitting en banc. This took place on

15 February 28, 2010.

16 Q. Mr. Zambrano--or Mr. Guerra, did Mr. Zambrano 17 normally pay you in cash or some other way for your

18 ghostwriting?

19 A. It generally was in cash. Occasionally--only 20 occasionally he did it differently, like by deposits, money

21 into my savings account, but that was very occasional.

Q. Please turn to Tab 1A in your binder, Annex H to your Declaration. Again, you were asked a lot of questions

24 on cross-examination about physical evidence and your

21 On closs examination about phys

25 testimony and your word.

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02:52 1 I'm going to ask you if you recognize this 2 document.

3 A. Yes, sir. This document is a deposit slip. And 4 this is a deposit into my savings account with Pinchincha 5 Bank in Ecuador.

And this is--this was done in Nueva Loja or Lago
Agrio on June 24th, 2011, for \$300; and the party making
the deposit was Judge Nicolas Zambrano. I'm familiar with
his signature.

- 10 Q. Is that his signature down in the lower right-hand 11 corner?
- 12 A. To the right, this is my note. But the signature 13 that looks like a seal of the Pinchincha Bank, that was 14 entered by an employee at the bank.
 - Q. And where is Mr. Zambrano's signature?
- 16 A. It is to the lower right of this deposit slip.
 - Q. And how do you know that's his signature?
- 18 A. I am familiar with his signature. It is typical
- 19 of him. I have seen him doing it several times. It's his 20 signature.
- Q. Okay. Moving on, Mr. Guerra, Ecuador's Counsel
- $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ asked you a series of questions about the TAME shipments
- between you and Mr. Zambrano and some intermediaries.
 And demonstrative exhibits were used that
- 25 reordered and re-categorized the information, so I need for

02:57 1 Secretariate--with that Secretary; and today, I'm not 2 aware.

- $\rm 3\,$ $\,$ Q. Now, you testified yesterday on cross-examination $\rm 4\,$ that she was used as an intermediary, that you were
- 5 actually shipping the documents to Mr. Zambrano when you 6 were shipping them to her. Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Why didn't you ship them directly to Mr. Zambrano 9 during this period of time?
- 10 A. Mr. Zambrano was very careful, very possessive of 11 these things.

He told me that I shouldn't put any documents
under his name, and that's the reason why I send them to
Narcisa Leon so that she could receive them or withdraw
them from the TAME office in Lago Agria and then give them
to him in person.

- 17 Q. Now a few moments ago, you and I reviewed an Order 18 that was on your computer. It was in Tab 5B, like boy, you
- 19 don't need to go there. It's Annex P to your Witness
- 20 Statement, and you can look at it if you need to. But you 21 worked on it on November 18th, 2009.
- Do you remember I showed you the metadata field?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, I do remember that.
 - Q. And the first entry on this exhibit that we're
- 25 looking at is dated one day later, November 19th, 2009;

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02:55 1 us to go back to the actual document. You should have it 2 in front of you in a larger piece of paper that's easier to 3 read for everyone.

4 It's Exhibit 3 in the binders in front of 5 everyone, if anyone would prefer to look at the smaller 6 version.

 7 $\,$ Sir, did you personally request the TAME shipping 8 records from TAME?

- A. Yes, sir; personally, I did.
- 10 Q. Now, let me clarify what I said previously.

Did you testify yesterday that Mr. Zambrano's

- 12 first term on the Chevron Case lasted approximately four
- 13 months, from October 2009 to March 2010?
- 14 A. Yes.

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- .5 Q. Now, the first four shipments on this TAME
- 16 shipping record shows shipments from you during this period
- 17 of time that we just mentioned, Mr. Zambrano's first term;
- 18 is that right? The first four?
- 19 A. Yes, sir. That is correct.
- Q. And the first one is to Narcisa Leon. The first
- 21 two are Narcisa Leon, actually. Who is Narcisa Leon again?
- 22 A. Narcisa Leon back then worked with the Superior
- 23 Court of Justice of Nueva Loja. And later on, I learned
- $24\,\,$ that she was hired by the Council of the Judiciary to
- 25 continue working as an assistant with that

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- A. Yes, sir. That is correct.
- Q. Do you know whether the package of documents that
- 4 you sent on November 19th included the Order that you
- 5 drafted in the Chevron Case the day before?
- 6 A. I am completely sure that it was included in this 7 shipment.
- 8 Q. How are you so completely sure?
 - A. When it was not possible for me to give the
- 10 rulings personally to Judge Zambrano, because he did not
- 11 travel to travel from Lago Agrio to Manta or because
- 12 sometimes he told me that he was going to be delayed, that
- 13 he was in Guayaquil, he was going to take a different way
- 14 to get to Guaya--to Lago Agrio and that he would not be
- 15 able to pass through Quito. Generally Sunday evenings he
- 16 told me that oftentimes I had to send the documentation
- 17 through TAME.
- 18 And if I prepared the documentation on
- 19 November 18th, in this particular case, and I sent it on
- 20 the 19th, it was because once the Ruling was ready--the
- 21 specific Ruling was ready; in identical fashion to what
- 22 happened with other civil court cases, I prepared the box
- 23 with all of the Rulings to be returned, including the
- 24 rulings inside the packages and even the flash--the USB
- 25 drive that contained all of the rulings that I had handled.

03:00 1 And if possible, the same evening I would drop it 2 off at TAME. And if it was not possible, I would do it 3 early in the morning the next day so that this could be 4 sent on the plane because there was only one shift in the 5 morning. I think that the plane left Lago Agrio at 6 9:00 a.m. So that means that I needed to drop off the 7 package no later than 7:00 a.m.--6:00-6:30 a.m., to 8 quarantee that package left on that flight. Otherwise, 9 we--we could have had that package delayed until the next 10 day. 11

So if I prepared the ruling on the 18th and I 12 have a shipment on the 19th, I am completely sure that, in that case, that Ruling left with the shipment.

The fifth entry is July 22nd, 2010.

15 Am I right that this was during the six-month 16 period when Judge Zambrano--or Mr. Zambrano was not 17 presiding over the Chevron Case?

A. Yes, I see that.

19 Why did you send the shipment directly to him? 20 Why didn't you use an intermediary in that case?

THE INTERPRETER: Sorry. The interpreter pressed

22 the wrong button, Mr. President, to be perfectly honest.

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24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I've done that before.

25 THE INTERPRETER: -- my deepest apologies. 03:04 1 That, in essence, was what happened.

- Q. And the next seven shipments all went to Fernando 3 Albán, and all of--all of them were shipped during the 4 period when Judge Zambrano was presiding over the Chevron
- Case for his second term; is that right?

A. Yes.

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Q. And why did you go back to using--well, who were 8 those shipments intended for, the ones that you shipped to Fernando Albán?

A. They were intended for Mr. Zambrano. 10

11 Specifically, these were the Rulings that I had prepared in 12 the civil cases that Mr. Zambrano was Hearing, with the

13 exception of the Chevron Case.

The Rulings for the second term of Mr. Zambrano in 15 the Chevron Case, those were worked on in the city of Lago 16 Agrio itself.

17 The other matters I worked on in my computer in 18 the city of Quito, and evidently it was necessary for them 19 to be sent in this manner. When I travel to Lago Agrio to 20 prepare the Lago Agrio Rulings. I didn't want to bring the 21 package with me because, generally speaking, this was very 22 voluminous. It was a--very voluminous documents that were 23 very heavy.

24 I went by bus, and I was uncomfortable. And I 25 also thought of the possibility of a traffic accident, for

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03:03 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think it's best if you ask 2 your question again.

Pointing to the Witness, I'm very sorry. We had a 4 technical problem, so we didn't catch your answer. The question will be put again, and then you can give your answer again and complete it.

Please proceed.

BY MR. KEHOE:

Q. You just acknowledged that the fifth 10 shipment--Mr. Guerra, you had just acknowledged that the 11 fifth shipment was made during the period when Judge 12 Zambrano was not presiding over the Chevron Case.

And I asked you why did you ship directly to 13 14 Mr. Zambrano in--with this fifth shipment rather than 15 through an intermediary.

And you gave, I'm sure, a wonderful answer, but 16 17 half the room didn't hear it.

A. Thank you.

19 At that date, Judge Zambrano actually threw in the 20 towel, as -- so to speak. He was no longer concerned with 21 the Chevron case. He didn't handle the Chevron Case. This 22 is a case that really concerned him, because he thought 23 that he was being spied on, he was being followed, and he 24 got tired of that. And he said, "Okay. Just send all the 25 rulings to my name, and we will avoid all problems."

03:06 1 example, and I thought, well, if there's a traffic 2 accident, well, these Rulings, these original files are 3 going to be found in this accident, and a scandal could 4 ensue of national proportions. And if the plane crashes, 5 much less probable, well, that situation would not 6 transpire.

> 7 That is why I sent this to Mr. Zambrano, but 8 through Fernando Albán, because Zambrano requested this, and Mr. Albán was very happy to act as an intermediary.

O. And then my final question on this document, 11 Mr. Guerra, is to look at the bottom nine shipments, and 12 those are all shipped from you directly to Mr. Zambrano,

13 and these are all after he is off the Chevron Case; is that

14 right?

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A. Yes, sir.

Q. And this is a similar question to one I asked you 16 17 a moment ago: Why did you start shipping directly to him? 18 Why didn't you continue to use an intermediary after he was 19 off the case--the Chevron Case?

20 A. Yes. Mr. Zambrano had left the Chevron Case. He 21 had put it aside, and he was no longer--no longer concerned 22 with this matter, and he asked at this time that all 23 documents were sent to his name.

24 Q. Okay. We're done with the TAME shipping record. Moving to some more issues of physical evidence

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03:08 1 that you say supports your word.

How did the Plaintiffs' representatives normally 3 get you the \$1,000 a month, physically? How did they get 4 it to you usually?

A. Mr. Fajardo delivered the \$1,000 monthly to me in 6 our occasional meetings, whether they be in the city of 7 Quito or Lago Agrio. They were provided personally to me, 8 given personally to me.

There are a couple of aspects that justify the 10 fact that some of those payments were made via deposits in 11 my savings account by Ms. Ximena Centeno, and I don't know 12 Ms. Centeno up to now.

Q. I'll ask you about that. I won't belabor the 13 14 point, because it was covered extensively on cross.

But do please turn to Tab 4C, C like "Charlie." 16 This is Attachment N to your November Declaration.

And please tell us what this document is that you 18 attached to your November Declaration.

A. Yes, thank you very much. 19

20 This is exactly the same--or, well, very similar 21 to the document in connection with which I already made my 22 statement. This is a deposit slip--a cash deposit slip for 23 the amount of \$1,000, that it is made to be deposited in my 24 account in the Banco de Pinchincha. It says here

25 February 5, 2010, and then here you see, on the lower left

03:12 1 testimony away from the Tribunal.

(Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

MR. KEHOE: Thank you, Mr. President. 4

BY MR. KEHOE:

Q. Mr. Guerra, would you please turn to Tab 6B in 7 your binder--for the record, this is Torres Exhibit 26--and 8 tell me when you're there.

A. Yes, I have it.

Q. Sir, do you see at the bottom right-hand 10 11 correspond a series of numbers--letters and then numbers? 12 It says DONZ00059141.

Do you see that?

A. Yes, on the lower portion of the document. 14

Are you referring to that?

16 MR. KEHOE: I'm not able to hear the lower--

THE WITNESS: Are you referring to the lower

18 portion of the document?

BY MR. KEHOE:

20 Q. I'm sorry. Yes, the lower portion of the 21 document, sir, the lower right-hand corner. There should

22 be, if it's the same as the one I have, DONZ00059141.

23 A. Yes, sir. Yes.

Q. And can you identify this document?

It says it's from you to Steven Donziger on

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03:10 1 side of the document, a signature.

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And there is another document that identifies the 3 number of the--the document card right below the signature.

Q. And you testified that you didn't know Ms. Centeno 5 at the time that these deposits were made; is that right?

A. Yes. I have not met her up until today--I mean, I 7 don't know her at all.

Q. Did you know one way or the other whether or not 9 these deposits at the time were deposits by the Lago Agrio 10 Plaintiffs as their payment to you for your ghostwriting on 11 their behalf to move the case forward?

A. Yes. No other commitment has existed.

And the way in which I found out about this 14 deposit is that, at a given time, Mr. Fajardo called me on 15 the phone--well, he used to call me on the phone, and he 16 told me that the amount of \$1,000 had been deposited in my 17 account. And he had my account number, because I provided 18 it to him.

MR. KEHOE: Mr. President, I probably have another 20 15 minutes. If we could take a short break, I might even 21 shorten that further.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's an application which 23 never fails. We'll take a 15-minute break. We'll come 24 back at 3:30.

Mr. Guerra, please don't discuss the case or your

03:28 1 Sunday, September 5th, 2010.

Did you send him this email?

A. I sent this email from my computer in Quito, and I 4 sent it to Mr. Donziger, yes.

Q. In the email, down at the bottom, about, you know, 6 three or four lines up from the bottom, you say, "By the 7 way, my daughter is in Chicago. I will support the matter 8 of Pablo Fajardo so that it will come out soon and well.

9 Affectionately."

Sir, what are you referring to when you wrote 11 those words, "I will support the matter of Pablo Fajardo so 12 it will come out soon and well"?

A. Specifically speaking, I wanted to motivate 14 Mr. Donziger--so that he would concern himself with the 15 request that I made to legal advice for my daughter. And

16 it says here, "I will support the matter of Pablo Fajardo 17 so it will come out soon and well." Specifically and

18 concretely, I was speaking about the action of Lago Agrio 19 that they had brought against Chevron.

MR. KEHOE: I have no further questions,

20 21 Mr. Veeder.

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

23 The Tribunal may have questions. 24 QUESTIONS OF THE TRIBUNAL

ARBITRATOR LOWE: I wonder if I could get an

03:30 1 answer to the point I raised before the lunch break.

My understanding, sir, was that you had said that 3 you had lost your day planners for the years 2010 and 2011, 4 but one of the documents appeared to be taken from one of 5 the year planners for 2011. And I'm confused as to the 6 evidence on that. It's a reference to Slide 13 in the 7 slides that we had from Respondents. And you'll see there, 8 under the heading "Torres Expert Report," Exhibit 36, the 9 extract that I've got in mine.

Could you just explain--clarify the relationship 10 11 between this document and the planners which you said you 12 were unable to find, please.

13 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much. If you allow 14 me.

15 In early 2011, I had purchased the day planner for 16 2011 that goes January 1st to December 31st, clearly 17 and I was making notes in chronological order, if you will, 18 on January 1st, January 3rd, February 2nd, et cetera. But for some reason, I lost that day planner in July 2011.

20 And instead of going to a bookstore for a new day 21 planner for 2011 to continue taking notes starting on that 22 date--that is to say the date when I lost my previous day

23 planner--instead of doing that, which would have been 24 advisable, I took one of the old day planners from 2002 or

25 2003 that had not been used and that I had at home. I just

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03:32 1 took any of those, which was empty, and old one, and I get 2 more or less to the same date, July. But just to make sure 3 that I was using the right date--because July 5th of 4 2010, Saturday, will hardly be Saturday on July 5th, 5 2011.

So to avoid that situation, I started to take 7 notes in that day planner at the various dates: July 11th, July 12th, so on and so forth, as the situation called for.

10 I hope I was able to clarify your doubt, Member of 11 the Tribunal.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: That's very helpful. If I can 13 just ask two other points then.

14 Is it the case that the 2010 day planner was lost; 15 that you're unable to find that one at all?

THE WITNESS: Back then, I said at some point that 16 17 I was looking into the details of the construction of the

18 house. There I wrote down all of the nails and boards and 19 material that was needed for the construction. And

20 generally I maintained these agenda, these day planners, 21 and I went into the various hardware stores, and I remember

22 it is under those circumstances that I lost those day

23 planners.

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24 ARBITRATOR LOWE: The second and last

25 clarification.

03:34 1 Do I understand you correctly to be saying that, 2 from July 2011 onwards, your day planner is complete, or as 3 complete as a day planner ever is?

> THE WITNESS: Excuse me, I didn't catch, I 5 apologize, please. Would you repeat the question? I did not understand it.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: I understood you to say that 8 having mislaid--having lost your 2011 day planner in July, 9 instead of buying a new one, you decided to reuse an old 10 one.

Do I understand you properly? Did you, in 11 12 July 2011, start again the practice of making entries into 13 a day planner, and you are now able to find that day 14 planner in which you made those entries, so that the position from July 2011 onwards is complete? 16 THE WITNESS: If you allow me, there is

17 information from July 2011 to mid-July 2012, when I 18 willingly gave my day planner to Chevron's representatives.

19 ARBITRATOR LOWE: Thank you. 20 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I just have one topic to raise 21 22 with you. If you could take--or be shown Binder 3 of the

23 cross-examination bundles prepared by the Respondent. And

24 if you could turn to Tab 40. This is the Supplemental

25 Agreement No. 1 of the 31st of July, 2013.

03:36 1 Again, we only have the English version in the 2 file, although there is a Spanish translation elsewhere.

I'm going to ask you to look at Paragraph 10 and 4 11 on the second page, and I'm going to read each paragraph out slowly so that the interpreters can translate for you. 5

But you will see the heading to those two

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paragraphs is C, "Fajardo's Criminal Complaint against 8 Guerra in Ecuador." And in Paragraph 10: "In or about 9 February 2013, after Guerra and Chevron entered into the 10 Agreement"--and we take that to be the original agreement 11 of the 27th of January, 2013--"Pablo Fajardo Mendoza

12 caused a criminal Complaint to be filed against Guerra with 13 a Provincial Prosecutor's Office of Sucumbios. Said

14 criminal Complaint accuses Guerra of various crimes in 15 connection with declaration sworn to in Chicago, Illinois,

16 on November the 17th, 2012."

And we understand that to be your first statement, 17 18 which, for our purposes, is Exhibit C-1616a.

19 Now, can you tell us what you understand about the 20 Complaint and of what crimes the complaint addressed?

21 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

22 Immediately after the Declaration of November 23 17th, 2012, became public, there were many reactions of all

24 kinds in the Republic of Ecuador, my country, from the

25 Government, from various entities, and in particular,

03:39 1 obviously, from the attorneys representing the Plaintiffs 2 against Chevron there, Mr. Pablo Fajardo, and another 3 individual representing the Amazon Defense Front, et 4 cetera. The groups backing the matter, the claim against 5 Chevron.

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So a Complaint was filed in Lago at the Sucumbios 7 Office of the Prosecutor through which obviously the accuse 8 me of countless acts of irresponsibility, actions precisely 9 grounded on the text of the declaration I drew up here in 10 November before the notary public. And among the crimes 11 I'm accused of are attempting against the State's 12 authorities, the State's institutions, promoting 13 separatism, which is a crime that is part of or is related 14 to those that in my country are deemed to be in the class 15 of treason to the homeland, perjury, false testimony, to 16 mention a few I recall.

17 And the Prosecutor's Office that receives this 18 criminal complaint, obviously--based on that--it is my 19 understanding that it began a preliminary investigation so 20 as to carry out the corresponding investigation and, in the 21 long term, decide to criminally prosecute me or not.

Given that circumstance, given the Agreement and 23 also knowing of this, and upon my request, agreed to have 24 an attorney hired in Ecuador on my behalf by Chevron for 25 that attorney to be in charge of my defense and also to

03:42 1 be prison. Whereas for perjury it's jail.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And I think the last 2 3 guestion--but you've answered it, I think: You don't know

4 anything more about the current status of this

5 investigation at the Office of the Prosecutor General; is

6 that correct?

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THE WITNESS: No, it's not at--if you allow me, 8 this case is not in the hands of the Attorney General's

9 Office or any of its provincial delegations. This is in

10 the hands of the Public Prosecutor, meaning the Office of 11 the Prosecutor General, in this case, it is a Provincial

12 Prosecutor's Office in Pinchincha.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Are there any questions from

14 Counsel arising from the Tribunal's guestion?

We ask the Respondent first.

16 MR. BLOOM: None from Respondent.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: From the Claimants?

MR. KEHOE: None from the Claimants. 18

Mr. President, I would--just for your benefit, 19

20 C-1944 is the Fajardo Complaint.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 21

MR. KEHOE: You're welcome.

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

MR. BLOOM: May I just make one clarification so 24

25 that the record is clear?

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03:40 1 represent me in any other lawsuit. And I'm sure there will 2 be several.

But I suggested the name of the attorney, and 4 Chevron hired the attorney in Ecuador that I suggested, and 5 he's working on that. I am unaware of the current 6 situation of that case, but I was told that the case is no 7 longer with Sucumbíos, Lago Agrio. It has been transferred 8 to the provincial capital, not because of an appeal but 9 rather because of jurisdiction. It seems they consider I 10 committed this crime outside the territory of the Republic. 11 Therefore, the Judge of the Capital of the Republic is the 12 one that has jurisdiction to hear in this case; and this is 13 still pending. And I think that it will take some time 14 until we finish with all of the legal details.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, thank you. You've 15 16 answered a few questions I was coming to.

But coming back to my first question: The crimes 17 18 of which you were accused include, as I understand from 19 what you said, are perjury, separatism. And was there

20 anything else by way of a crime alleged against you by 21 Mr. Fajardo?

THE WITNESS: Yes, an offrent against the 22 23 institutions of the State. This is also a serious crime, 24 no less--somewhat more serious than perjury. And possibly

25 the punishment in this case, if memory serves me well, may

03:44 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course.

> MR. BLOOM: And I don't know whether we need to do 2 3 it by--by way of a guestion. But--unless there is a

4 dispute. But the Prosecutor General is different than the 5 Attorney General.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I understood that. Please. 6

7 MR. BLOOM: Okay.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: That I understood. Thank you. 8

9 We've come to the end of your testimony--sorry.

10 Maybe we haven't.

MR. KEHOE: I'm sorry. We may not have. May I--

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course you may.

13 MR. KEHOE: --converse with Mr. Bishop for just a

14 minute?

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(Pause.)

16 MR. KEHOE: Thank you. I would like to ask one

follow-up question. 17

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Does it arise from the

19 Tribunal's question?

20 MR. KEHOE: It does.

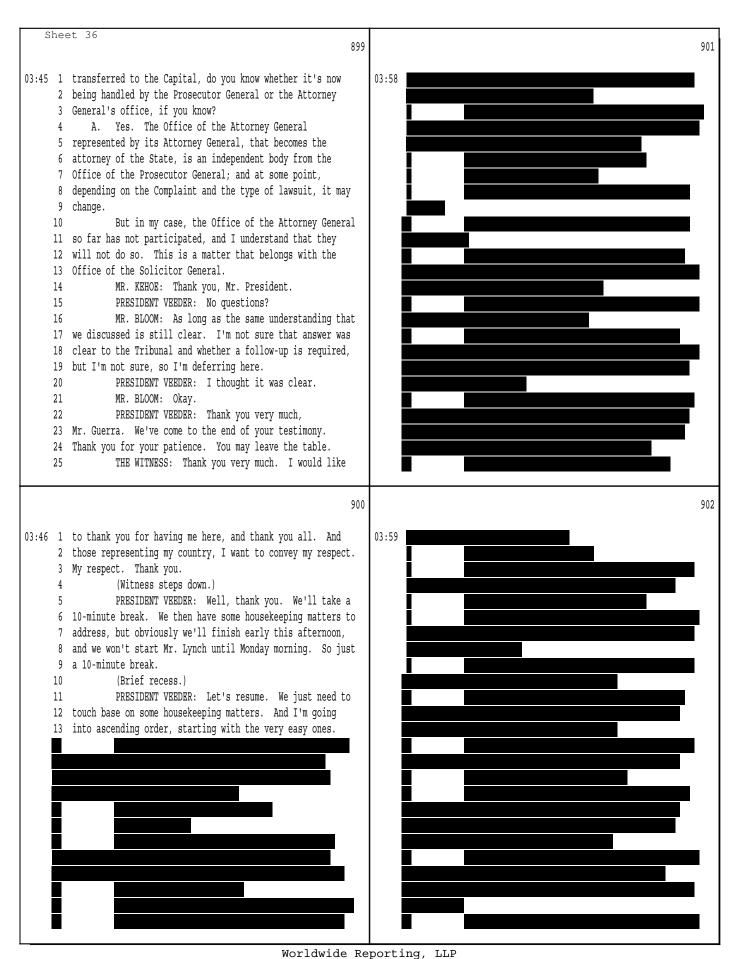
21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue.

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23 BY MR. KEHOE:

Q. Mr. Guerra, now that the Complaint, as you

25 understand it, the criminal action against you, has been



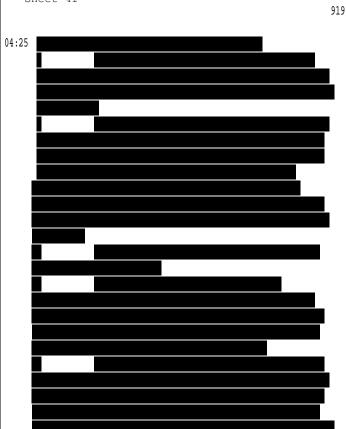












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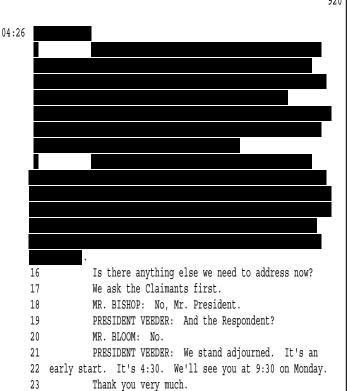
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(Whereupon, at 4:27 p.m., the Hearing was

25 adjourned until 9:30 a.m. Monday, April 27, 2015.)

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, SIGNED AUGUST 27, 1993 (THE "TREATY")

and

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TEXACO PETROLEUM COMPANY (U.S.A.), :

Claimants, : PCA Case No. : 2009-23

and

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THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR,

:

Respondent.

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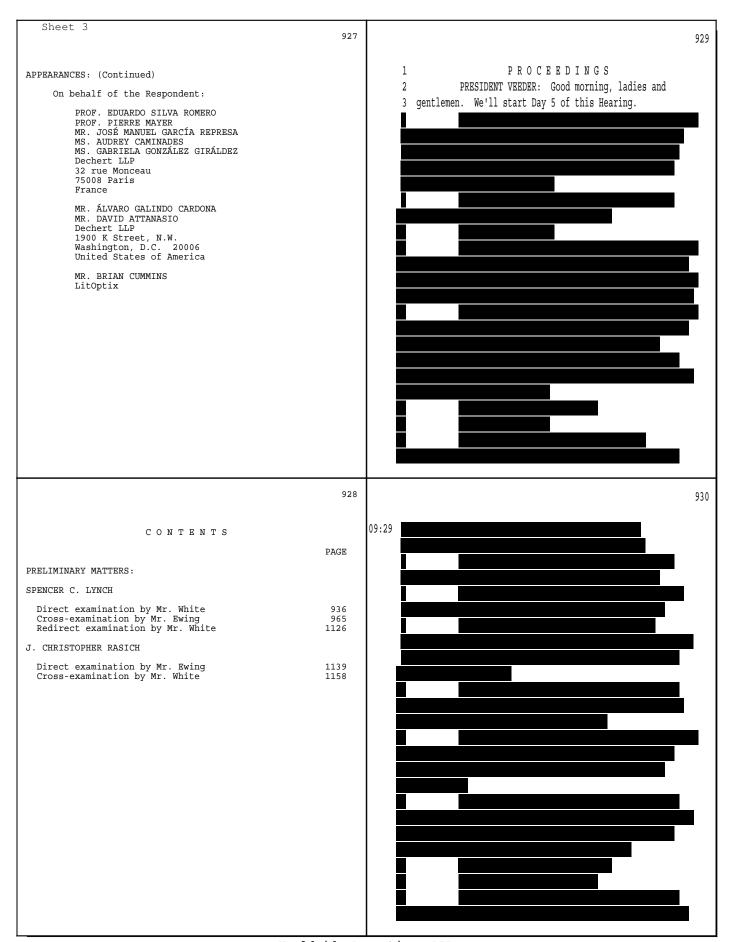
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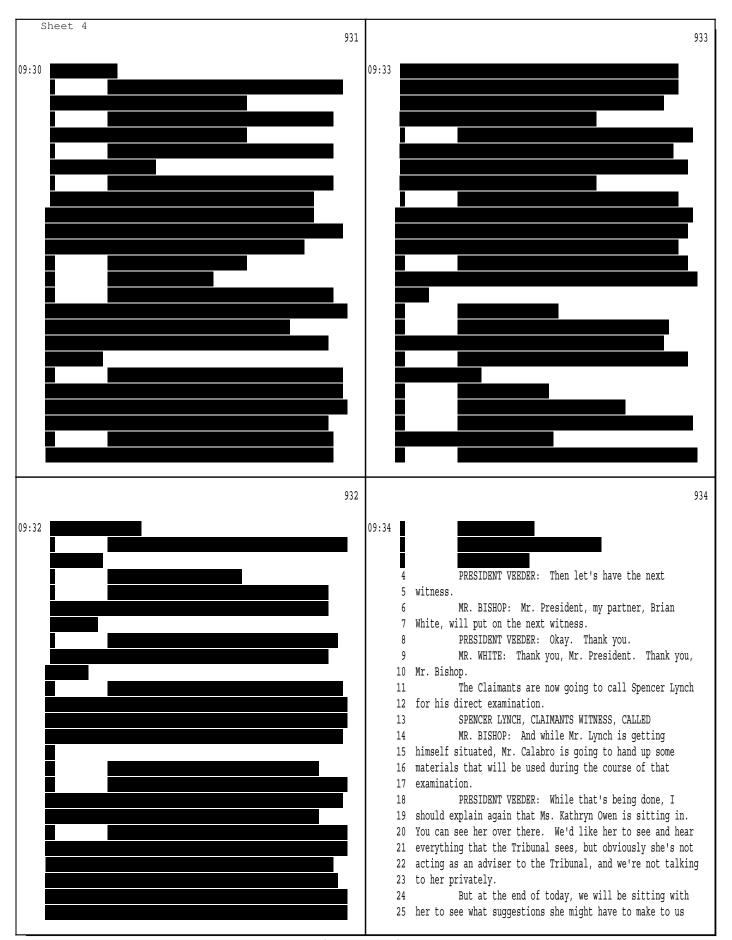
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09:35 1 about drawing up a supplement in terms of reference. And 2 if there is an exercise thereafter, obviously the Parties 3 will be engaged.

> MR. WHITE: We understand that, Mr. President. 5 Thank you.

And what you've been handed, just before we start 7 the examination, is really two things.

One is a slide deck that Mr. Lynch is going to 9 present, and the second is a short errata sheet. Mr. Lynch 10 had some corrections, mostly typographical in nature, and 11 I'll just ask him to explain what they are as part of his 12 direct testimony.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before you do that, we need to 14 swear in Mr. Lynch.

MR. WHITE: Certainly. 15

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Lynch, you have before you 16 17 a sheet of paper which is headed "Declaration of Witness." 18 Do you see that?

19 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'd like you to state your

21 full name. And then if you're minded to do so, to speak

22 the words of the declaration.

THE WITNESS: My name is Spencer Lynch. And I

24 solemnly declare upon my honor and conscience that I will

25 speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the

09:37 1 that don't affect the substance of my conclusions.

Q. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Lynch.

I'd like to ask you just a few questions about 4 your experience.

What is your educational background as it relates to your role as a digital forensic expert?

A. I have a degree from Duke University in computer 8 science and public policy and a minor in psychology.

9 Q. And do you have any further training that is relevant to your work as a digital forensic expert?

A. Yes. Part of my--as part of my work as a digital 11

forensic--digital forensics expert, I regularly receive and give training.

Q. And how long have you worked as a digital forensics expert? 15

A. Almost 10 years now. 16

17 Q. Have you ever been qualified as an expert to give

18 testimony in court as a digital forensics expert?

19 A. I have, yes.

20 0. Which courts?

A. In the UK, I've given--I've been qualified as an

22 expert in the Royal Courts of Justice. And in the U.S.,

23 I've been qualified in state court as well as federal court

24 for the Southern, Northern--Southern, Northern, and Eastern

25 Districts of New York.

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09:36 1 truth, and that my statement will be in accordance with my 2 sincere belief.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 3

There will first be questions from the Claimants.

But before we do that, can I just check that

6 Ms. Owen has the same papers that you've just handed us?

No, she doesn't.

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MR. WHITE: So Ms. Owen is being given the same 9 materials that the Tribunal and Ecuador have been given.

10 And with that, if I may, Mr. President, I'll start the

11 direct examination of Spencer Lynch.

12 DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. WHITE: 13

Q. So, Mr. Lynch, you have in front of you three

15 reports; is that right?

A. It is, yes.

Q. Are those the reports that you've offered in this 17 18 arbitration?

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A. They are, yes.

Q. Okay. And I understand you have some corrections 20

21 that have been handed up in an errata sheet.

What is the nature of those corrections? 22

23 A. They're corrections to typos, typographical

24 errors, that don't affect the substance of my conclusions.

Sorry. Yes. They're typographical corrections

09:38 1 Q. Have you ever been qualified as an expert in a 2 criminal case?

> 3 A. I have, yes.

Q. And who retained you? Was it the Government or 4 5 the Defense?

A. The Department of Justice in the United States.

Q. The U.S. Department of Justice?

8 A. Yes.

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9 Q. Okay. Now, I understand that you have a

10 presentation that you'd like to give, and I'll just ask you

11 to give that presentation now.

A. Sure. Thank you.

13 Before I begin the presentation, I wanted to open

14 a Word document that we'll come back to in a bit. To do

15 that, I just click on Word, which starts Word and, by

16 default, opens a new document, and I'll just do "File Save

17 As" and save that document as "Demonstration" on the

18 computer, so that saves that there and then go back to the

19 presentation. We'll come back to that towards the end.

So I have--I set forth in my Report some multiple 20 21 conclusions. Today I wanted to talk about three of those

22 conclusions and the analysis behind those conclusions.

23 In going through those conclusions, I'll highlight

24 some of the areas of agreement and disagreement between me

25 and Mr. Racich and describe in detail the analysis that

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09:39 1 leads me to my conclusions.

Starting with the Guerra Computer, when I received
the Guerra Computer, I performed an analysis to identify
documents on that computer that contained text from Orders
that were issued by Mr. Zambrano. And I found over 100
different documents where the document on the Guerra
Computer contains text that matched that or closely matched
that to an order issued by Mr. Zambrano.

And shown on the slide in the first example, there's a document on Mr. Guerra's computer that was last saved on that computer on December 19th, 2010. And the text in that order matched ar-matched an order-sorry--the text in that document matched an order that was issued by Mr. Zambrano on December 22nd.

15 And as I said, there were--there were 16 dozens--there were over 100 such examples that fit the 17 pattern shown on the screen here.

18 When I say the text matched, I mean what's 19 highlighted here. On the left is one of the drafts that 20 was found on the Guerra Computer, and on the right is an 21 order that was issued by Mr. Zambrano.

And the text highlighted in yellow shows all of the text that's identical between the two documents. So you can see from the little bits of white, or the little bits where there isn't highlighting, that there were minor 09:42 1 exact date it was connected. I only know from the evidence
2 the first time the thumb drive was connected and the last
3 time, but that--and that it was connected at other times as
4 well.

But from there, presumably Mr. Zambrano would have copied the file from the thumb drive to his computer, and it was that copying that resulted in the creation date of January 6th.

9 And to be clear there, the creation date doesn't 10 refer to the content. We know, since the content was on 11 Mr. Guerra's computer as of January 2nd, that the content 12 pre-dates January 6th, but the January 6th date is the 13 date that the copying from the thumb drive to the Zambrano 14 Computer would have taken place.

15 Then from there, the evidences shows that 16 Mr. Zambrano then issued that ruling on January 12th.

Looking more broadly at the other orders that I had, not just this one example, I didn't necessarily have every piece of evidence in this chain for every single order. But where I had this evidence, it was consistent with the--the chain of evidence that I set forth there.

I also reviewed Mr. Zambrano's testimony and noted that, in his testimony in the RICO trial, he confirmed that Mr. Guerra did sometimes draft Orders for him and ship them using TAME.

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09:40 1 differences; but largely the text in the draft on 2 Mr. Guerra's computer matched that that was issued by 3 Mr. Zambrano.

When I received Mr. Zambrano's computer, I looked
for evidence to test my conclusion that the Guerra Computer
had drafts of Orders issued by Mr. Zambrano. And here is
an example where Mr. Guerra's computer had a draft that was
saved on January 2nd, and the text matched an order
sisued by Mr. Zambrano on January 12th.

10 On Mr. Zambrano's computer, I found a document 11 created January 6th, where the text and the file name 12 were similar or matched that on Mr. Guerra's computer and 13 matched what was issued on January 12th.

And then I turned to look for evidence of how the file may have been transferred from Mr. Guerra to Mr. Zambrano.

I found that shortly after the file was saved on Mr. Guerra's computer, a file was saved on a thumb drive with the same name.

Then from there, I had records from TAME shipping,
a shipping company in Ecuador, showing that Mr. Guerra sent
a package to Lago Agrio. And I knew from my analysis of
the Zambrano Computers that that same thumb drive had been
connected to the Zambrano Computers.

I don't know for this particular thumb drive the

09:43 1 In addition to the Orders in other cases, I found
2 on Mr. Guerra's computer drafts of Chevron Orders, Orders
3 from the Chevron case in Lago Agrio.

The first example was an Order saved on

October 20th, and the text there matched an Order issued
by Mr. Zambrano the next day, on October 21st.

7 And there were nine such orders on Mr. Guerra's 8 computer where Mr. Guerra's computer had in it draft text 9 of an Order that was issued by Mr. Zambrano. And the first 10 eight fit the same pattern, where the document was saved 11 prior to the issuance of the associated Order by 12 Mr. Zambrano.

The ninth was slightly different. The version
saved on Mr.--or saved on the computer was saved on
March 7th, after the Order had been issued by

 $16\,$ Mr. Zambrano. But my analysis showed that that save was a $17\,$ Save As. So the content must have predated that Save As on

18 March 7th, and the Save As wiped out the metadata. But

19 looking at the text, it was again consistent with the other 20 drafts.

Turning to--to what Mr. Racich said on the Guerra Computer, he said a few separate things, but most recently

23 that, looking at a two-day time period, from January--or 24 from July 13th, 2012, to July 15th, 2012, that over

25 22,000 files were accessed; and that as a result of that

09:44 1 access, it's not possible to know what might have happened 2 to them.

I disagree with that. The metadata that 4 Mr. Racich highlights and that I show in Exhibit 2 to my 5 Report for these files shows what happened; that they were 6 accessed. And you can see that in the column in the 7 middle. The last access date was updated on July 13th,

But looking at the last written date--or sometimes 10 we call it the last modified date--that date shows that the 11 files weren't modified or changed. Had the contents of 12 those files been changed on July 13th, then the last 13 written date or the last modified date would have been 14 similarly updated.

Mr. Racich also says that Mr. Guerra's 15 16 reinstallation of Windows in July 2010 suggests that there 17 may have been an effort to destroy data. And I again 18 disagree with that.

19 Windows reinstallation is a common and sometimes 20 required part of computer maintenance. And I agree with 21 Mr. Racich that it can be a tactic to destroy data, but 22 there's no evidence that's what--that's what's happened 23 here.

24 In addition, looking at what we see on 25 Mr. Guerra's computer, there were a series--over a thousand 09:47 1 was imaged.

And then finally, Mr. -- Mr. Racich has suggested 2 3 that Mr. Guerra deleted emails and highlights evidence of 4 Internet access to a Hotmail account, and that--that's misleading.

The way Hotmail works, when you access it through 6 7 an Internet browser like Internet Explorer, you're 8 accessing emails that are stored on Microsoft servers, and 9 they're displayed temporarily to you. When you--when you 10 click to read the email, and there will be Internet History 11 recording that you read that email, but that particular 12 email isn't saved for any extended period of time on your computer. It's displayed to you; but then when you leave 14 the email, it's no longer on your computer. So the fact 15 that there's--there's access of evidence to a Hotmail 16 account doesn't mean that those emails were ever stored on 17 Mr. Guerra's computer and that he then deleted them.

I also would note that there is evidence that 18 19 multiple users of the Guerra Computer used that computer and the Hotmail access could have been from multiple 21 different users. So it's not necessarily Mr. Guerra's 22 account.

Turning to the--to the Zambrano Computers, one of 23 24 the things I did on the Zambrano Computers was to look for 25 evidence of documents with text that matched that, that was

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09:46 1 files that were copied to Mr. Guerra's computer immediately 2 after the Windows reinstallation. And that is also 3 consistent with someone reinstalling Windows for 4 non-nefarious purposes.

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It's normal, when reinstalling Windows, to back up 6 all your files to an external drive, like the Western 7 digital drive; because when you reinstall Windows, you 8 don't want to lose those files. And it's then normal, 9 after you reinstall Windows, to copy those back to the 10 computer.

And in inferring motive about whether or not there 12 was an effort to destroy data, timing of the Windows 13 reinstallation is key. You look at when the reinstallation 14 took place in relation to other events in the case. So in cases that I've looked at where the timing

15 16 suggested that there was a motive to destroy data, you can 17 see that in looking and observing that Windows was 18 reinstalled in some cases the day before the computer was 19 imaged or in other cases the day after a suspect received a 20 Court Order to turn over his computer for forensic 21 analysis.

22 But looking at the timing on the Guerra Computer, 23 Windows was reinstalled in July of 2010, and the computer 24 was imaged two years later. So there is no--no correlation 25 between the Windows reinstallation and when the computer

09:48 1 found in the Ecuadorian Judgment against Chevron. I found 2 two groups of documents, one named Providencias, one named 3 Caso Texaco.

Providencias was a series of documents all of 4 5 which contained Judgment text. The first one that I was able to recover was dated December 21st, 2010, and it 7 had 42 percent of the Judgment text. The next was December 28th, which had slightly more Judgment text.

Then I didn't find a version of Providencias

10 saved on or around February 14th, the day that the 11 Judgment was issued. The next version was from 12 March 4th, and it contained the Judgment text but also 13 text from the February 21st Order and the Expansion 14 and Clarification Order, and then there was a version 15 on--on March 18th.

Caso Texaco, I--like Providencias, I recovered 16 17 multiple versions of Caso Texaco, but only one of those documents had any Judgment text in it, and that was the 19 version dated January 19th.

And I'll walk through in more detail in the 20 21 presentation some of the analysis that leads to the bullet 22 points below; but I highlighted here the edit time, as it's a factor that's important for the analysis that Mr. Racich 24 didn't--didn't factor into some of his analysis.

In looking at the--those documents, the documents

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09:50 1 with Judgment text and the evidence there, I also looked at 2 Mr. Zambrano's RICO testimony and then compared the 3 evidence to his RICO testimony to determine whether or not 4 the evidence was consistent with that testimony or not. 5 I found that the evidence is--is largely 6 inconsistent and in some cases irreconcilable with his 7 evidence. As one example, he testified in detail about 8 which computer he used to draft the Judgment and said that 9 the whole writing of the Judgment was done on the New 10 Computer.

I compared that to some of the dates that related to Providencias. First, we knew that it was created on the Zambrano Computers on October 11th, and then Mr. Zambrano testified that he began drafting in mid-November.

Records from the Lago Agrio Court show that the
computer wasn't--the New Computer wasn't purchased until
November 26th, and the first record of any activity on
that computer was on December 7th. So it would have been
impossible for Mr. Zambrano to create Providencias or begin
drafting in mid-November, since he didn't get that computer
until--until December.

Mr. Racich looked at this and opined that perhaps
Mr. Zambrano could have used the New Computer, consistent
with his testimony, even though the files were stored on

09:52 1 Looking at the edit time of Providencias as it was
2 on December 21st, we know that the edit time was
3 35.12 hours and that it had 42 percent of the text.
4 Then from December 21st to December 28th, the

Then from December 21st to December 28th, the edit time increased by 17.43 hours and another 24 percent of the text from the Ecuadorian Judgment was added to Providencias.

8 We then know that Providencias was saved on 9 January 21st, but we weren't able to recover a version 10 from that date, so we don't know how the edit time changed, 11 and we don't know what changes were made in that time 12 period.

And then we know because January--on
January 21st it was saved using Save As, that the edit
time, which would have reset the meta--or the edit time to
zero on January 21st, we know that from January 21st to
March 4th, the edit time increased by 58 hours. But
because we don't know what the document looked like on
January 21st, we don't know what changes would have been
associated with that 58.3 hours.

So I focused my analysis in on the two time periods at the beginning, where we had more information. We knew both what changes were made and the edit time.

In addition, we know from Caso Texaco that from January 5th to January 19th, the edit time increased by

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09:51 1 the Old Computer. All of the files that I set forth 2 earlier were found on the Old Computer.

The evidence, though, shows that it's not just the files were on the Old Computer, but that they were saved using the Old Computer. Looking at the metadata of Providencias and of other files on the Zambrano Computers, we can identify whether or not the file was saved using the Old Computer or the New Computer based on the Last Saved by name. Files saved by the New Computer have the Last Saved by name of HP. Files saved on the Old Computer have an author name of CPJS. And all of these files with Judgment text were saved by CPJS, showing that someone was using the Old Computer, not the new Computer. They were sitting at the Old Computer.

Next, Mr. Zambrano testified that--about how long he worked on the Judgment; that he worked many hours, many days, including weekends.

And the computer doesn't record a running log of each and every action on the computer. I can't, for instance, say that, picking a random date, December 12th, what someone was or was not doing at 7:58.

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But as it relates to Providencias, the Word

document, what is recorded is an edit time. And the edit

time is a record of how long the document was opened

between when it was created and then the last saved.

09:54 1 11.5 hours and that 11 percent of the Judgment text was 2 added to Caso Texaco in that time period.

So looking at all of that together, we know that from October 11th, 2010, to January 19th, 2011, approximately 77 percent of the text from the Ecuadorian Judgment appeared on Mr. Zambrano's computers and that it appeared in documents that had 64.05 hours of edit time. It had been opened for 64.05 hours.

9 Mr. Racich ignored the edit time and assumed 10 that--that Providencias document was open every day from 11 October 11th to December 21st and offered that, based 12 on that assumption, the work was done at approximately one 13 page per day.

But that's--that's not true. You can't assume that it was open every single day and for the majority of the day, as Mr. Zambrano testified, because the edit time tells you how long it was open.

18 So looking at the edit time from December 21st
19 Providencias, we know that it was open for 35.12 hours from
20 October 11th to December 21st and that 81 pages of text
21 appeared in Providencias. That text, when it was issued in
22 the Ecuadorian Judgment, corresponded to Pages 1 through

23 107. There were-there were changes made to that text, and 24 it was reformatted when it was issued.

As to the changes, we know that 81--or of that

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09:55 1 81 pages, 94 percent of the text is unchanged. The text 2 appears verbatim from the 81 pages in the issued Judgment.

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And if we assume that--that whoever was working on
Providencias spent every single minute typing, that means
that text was entered into Providencias as a--at a rate of
approximately 26 minutes per page, but that's a--a--I guess
a generous assumption, and it's likely that text was
actually entered faster than that. One of the reasons we
know that is that, looking at October--or at
December 21st Providencias, it contains at the beginning

of the document other text beyond that of the Judgment.

So whatever time was spent inserting that text

into Providencias would have come out of the edit time that

we can attribute to the Judgment text. So, in fact, the

rate was likely faster.

Then looking at December 28th Providencias, we know that the edit time increased 17.43 hours and that there were 38 pages of additional text added. And

19 similarly, we know that that text was reformatted and 20 changed slightly, but--but 96 percent of that text is

21 verbatim from those 38 pages in the issued Judgment.
22 And if we make the same assumption that every
23 single minute was spent typing, that means that text was
24 entered into at a rate of approximately 27.5 minutes per
25 page. But here again, that--that assumption is likely

09:58 1 So I looked for evidence of legal research
2 Websites. And the only legal research Website that
3 Mr. Racich or I were able to identify was a Website named
4 fielweb--or--sorry--the only--the only legal research site
5 in the time period from October to March, when Providencias
6 was being modified was fielweb.

7 But fielweb, I understand, can't be used to access 8 any of the cases that were cited in the Judgment or in 9 December 21st Providencias. So it can't be the source of 10 the citations that appear.

Mr. Racich explained that Internet History degrades over time; that--that it's not possible to know what Websites may have been accessed.

But rather than--than explain why I think that's potentially misleading, I just wanted to explain how Internet History actually works. So use as an example a computer that's accessing the New York Times Website.

And in this example, the computer would first
access the New York Times on August 26th. When that
coess happens, there will be an Internet History record
created showing that someone went to NewYorkTimes.com on
August 26th and there'll be a visit count of one recorded
on the computer.

And then if that person accesses two stories on the New York Times Website, there will be two more records

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While all of the changes from December 21st to
December 28th are the insertion of Judgment text, it's
very likely that not every single minute was spent typing.
If you're working on a Word document for a little while,
get up, go get a glass of water, spend 15 minutes away from
your computer, come back, sit down, and type some more,
that 15 minutes is--is almost certainly part of the edit
time. So time spent with the document open, even if you're
not typing, is going to be in that edit time.

So it's--it's just as possible that someone spent every single minute typing, resulting in a rate of approximately 27.5 minutes per page, or someone left the document open for 16 hours and then, over the course of an hour, copied and pasted 38 pages of text in, hit Save, and that--that would leave the same metadata. We wouldn't be able to determine what the rate is between there, but that this 27.5 minutes is slower than the actual--actual rate that text was inserted.

Then I looked at--at Mr. Zambrano's testimony about certain English language cases that appeared in Providencias and in the Judgment.

23 Mr. Zambrano testified that Ms. Calva, his typist, 24 searched the Internet and found the cases that appear as 25 cited or as citations in the Judgment. 10:00 1 created showing the access date to that story and a visit 2 count of 1.

3 And if someone were to access 10 stories, there 4 would be ten different records created.

Then upon--sorry. In addition, there would be a cookie created showing that someone first accessed the New York Times Website on August 26th.

8 And then if in addition someone accessed the 9 New York Times Website again on August 27th, there would 10 be an update to the first record showing that the 11 NewYorkTimes.com Website was accessed on August 27th and 12 the visit count would be reflected to be 2.

And if someone accessed two more stories, there would be two more Internet History records created showing someone accessing those stories on August 27th.

And the cookie would remain from August 26th.

And if over time, if you were to go back to these computers and do an analysis months or years later, the Internet History will have degraded. Some of the records would likely have been deleted and overwritten.

So in this example, two of the records showing
access to the New York Times Website would have degraded
and been overwritten. There would no longer be recoverable
forensic analysis, but the cookie will likely stay. And
that's--because as Mr. Racich acknowledges in his Report,

10:01 1 the computer often does not delete old cookies even while 2 Internet History records are deleted.

> So in order for there to be no evidence of any 4 other legal research Website on Mr. Zambrano's computer, 5 all of the Internet History records would have had to have 6 degraded, disappeared and been overwritten such that 7 they're no longer recoverable and the cookie would have had 8 to have been deleted and overwritten.

But we have substantial Internet History in the 10 relevant time period from both of the computers, and we 11 have substantial records of cookies on both computers.

I then looked at Mr. Zambrano's testimony about 13 the content of the Judgment. He said that nobody else 14 wrote any of it.

And I reviewed December 21st Providencias and 15 16 December 28th Providencias and compared the content of 17 those two documents to text identified by Mr. Leonard as 18 having been plagiarized, and I understand that best text 19 from documents that were Plaintiffs' work product that 20 wasn't filed with the Court.

And I found in December 21st Providencias was a 22 series or a selection of that text and in the

23 December 28th Providencias is the same text plus more.

24 And I wanted to highlight two. Selva Viva Database, which

25 I'll come back to, and Citations to U.S. Cases and

10:04 1 rows long. And if you print it, it's thousands of pages. 2 It's effectively unusable in printed form because it's so 3 complex and so voluminous.

And I explained in my First Report that the Judgment copies information from the Selva Viva Database that isn't found in the filed lab results, and there are many reasons for that. One of the reasons or the analyses I performed related to the sample names. The Selva Viva Database uses an SV or a TX record to reference certain 10 samples. But having reviewed the filed lab results, it's 11 clear that the filed lab results don't use those SV or TX 12 references.

13 And the Judgment uses the SV or the TX references, 14 and it uses it for 61 different samples. And that's just one of the examples. There were other naming conventions 16 used in the Selva Viva Database that appear in the 17 Judgment, as well as data irregularities, where data in the Selva Viva Database doesn't appear in the filed lab results but the Judgment references the data exactly as it appeared in the Selva Viva Database.

Another thing the Judgment used the Selva Viva 21 22 Database for were a series of statistics about those 23 samples. The Judgment referenced that 10 percent of the 24 samples for TPH were above 5,000 and that 10.3 were from 25 1,000 to 5,000 and set forth in detail various percentages

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10:02 1 Treatises.

December 21st Providencias has in it Citations 3 that don't appear in the issued Judgment. So whoever was 4 drafting the Judgment, after inserting these English 5 Language Citations to U.S. cases, had to have deleted those 6 Citations before the document was issued as the Judgment.

And then looking at the Selva Viva Database, I 8 know that as of December 21st, there was content from the Selva Viva Database and from December 28th. There was 10 additional content from the Selva Viva Database inserted 11 from the 21st to the 28th.

I wanted to explain the Selva Viva Database in a 12 13 little more detail.

14 The Selva Viva Database or the Plaintiffs' unfiled 15 Selva Viva Databases is the database that I understand was 16 not filed with the Court and represented the Plaintiffs' 17 compilation of lab results in Lago Agrio.

So this sample here shows in the first column the sample name; the next column, the Expert who took the 20 sample, then the party that expert represents, then whether 21 or not the sample was a soil or water sample, the chemical 22 that was being tested for, the test method and then 23 finally, the result of that test.

And to be clear, this is a very limited sample of 25 that database. It is over 19 columns wide and over 65,000 10:05 1 of samples that fell into different buckets and in some 2 cases set them forth with decimal precision.

> And I reviewed the Selva Viva Database and the 4 filed lab results to determine where those statistics would 5 have come from. So I went to the Selva Viva Database and 6 performed a calculation across that data set to identify, 7 for instance, how many samples in that database were from 1,000 to 5,000, and found that in that database exactly 9 10.3 percent were in the Selva Viva Database.

10 We're looking at the percentage of samples that 11 were submitted by Texaco, and less than 1,000, exactly 88.2 percent of those samples in the Selva Viva 13 Database--the percentages in the Selva Viva Database 14 matched those listed by the Ecuadorian Judgment.

I then looked at the filed lab results to see 15 whether or not you could also calculate those statistics using the filed lab results and found that you couldn't. 17

And the reason for that is that the Selva Viva 18 database double and triple counts certain samples. So a single sample in the Selva Viva Database may be listed such 21 that you would count it both in the 1,000 to 5,000 bucket 22 and twice in the less than 1,000 bucket. And you have to

24 appears in the Selva Viva Database for the percentages to

25 match what's shown in the Judgment. So you have to use

23 re-create that exact double and triple counting as it

10:07 1 double and triple counting in the Selva Viva Database to 2 get those percentages.

> Knowing that the Selva Viva Database is the source 4 of data and naming irregularities that appear in the 5 Judgment and the statistics, I looked on the Zambrano 6 Computers about how long Excel was used.

Looking at the statistics, how long Excel was used 8 is important because the statistics are very complex to 9 calculate. I use Excel essentially every day and am 10 extremely well-practiced in using Excel. And even with 11 that experience, it took me multiple hours to calculate the 12 statistics the first time I did it.

And now knowing exactly how to calculate them and 13 14 having done it dozens of times, it's still--still takes me 15 20 to 30 minutes sometimes longer to do.

On the Zambrano Computers, Excel was only used for 16 17 four minutes, from October 2010 to March 2011, which, based 18 on my experience, calculating the statistics isn't enough 19 time to calculate those statistics.

20 I also looked at the time period from 21 December 21st to December 28th because I knew that 22 additional naming and data irregularities were copied into 23 Providencias in that exact seven-day window.

And Excel wasn't used at all on either Zambrano 25 Computer in that time period. So it wouldn't have been

10:10 1 to do so across thousands of pages of paper that when you 2 print it are multiple pages wide, multiple pages long.

As for the other documents, I agree that it's--the 4 point is not on computer forensics. I rely on other experts to establish the other documents aren't in the record. 6

Another thing that Mr. Racich and I agreed on is 8 that the evidence in Providencias is consistent with text 9 having been copied and pasted from other documents.

So looking at Page 34 is one example of that 10 11 evidence where the document on Page 34 begins in Bookman 12 Old Style and ends in Bookman Old Style; and in the middle 13 of the document is a block of text with the Times New Roman 14 font. And that's a block of text--or that formatting 15 difference is what we agree is consistent with copying and 16 pasting.

17 Mr. Racich has said that that block of text or 18 that other blocks of text may have been copied by--copied 19 from Caso Texaco, but there's no evidence consistent with 20 that.

21 This block of text shown here is not in any of the 22 versions of Caso Texaco that we recovered. And looking at 23 the font, none of the versions of Caso Texaco that we 24 recovered have any characters in Times New Roman. They're

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25 all in Bookman Old Style. And for this--this font and

10:08 1 possible for someone to open the Selva Viva Database, 2 reference--see the samples and then reference them while 3 drafting Providencias because Excel is the program that you 4 would use to open the Selva Viva Database and it was not 5 used.

7 about the Plagiarized Documents, he didn't offer an overall 8 opinion on that entire analysis but broke it into pieces as 9 to whether or not the Judgment contained content from the 10 Plagiarized Documents, he agreed; whether or not the 11 Plagiarized Documents were on the Zambrano Computers, he 12 agreed--he stated in his most recent report that it's a 13 fact that the documents aren't present electronically.

Turning to what Mr. Racich looked at and offered

As to whether or not the Judgment--whoever 15 authored the Judgment must have had those, he agreed and 16 offered some speculation as to ways that the Author may 17 have had those other than electronically.

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And then as to whether or not the Plagiarized 19 Documents were in the record, he stated that it wasn't 20 based on computer forensics.

21 And I agree with that, in part; but whether or not 22 someone used Excel is a point of computer forensics. And I 23 knew from my analysis of the Selva Viva Database that 24 someone must have used the Excel electronically to 25 calculate those statistics. It would be nearly impossible

10:11 1 formatting difference to exist, the source document would 2 have been in Times New Roman.

> So that brings me back to the two conclusions--or 4 overall conclusions I drew from the Zambrano Computers, that there's no evidence--or that the evidence isn't 6 consistent with Mr. Zambrano's testimony; the evidence is 7 inconsistent with his testimony and that at least some of 8 the content could not have been generated on either of the 9 Zambrano Computers.

10 And looking at what did happen or what remains 11 plausible based on the evidence, I wanted to go back to the Word document.

13 So this is the Word document that I opened at the 14 beginning of the demonstration. And it's possible that I could have--I can sit here and type from a preprinted document, here using the declaration for an expert. And I can type from documents that are preprinted, saved by someone else, given to me and do all of that.

19 And the metadata would be as we see. 20 The other thing that's possible is I can take a 21 thumb drive that I have here--and we know that on the 22 Zambrano Computers there were 13 different--or at least 13 23 different thumb drives connected to those computers in the 24 relevant time period. And I'm having some trouble with

10:13 1 So I can connect the thumb drive, wait for the 2 computer to detect it, go to that thumb drive and then open 3 a document that I've named in this case, Documento 1, which 4 is the name of a document that was opened from a thumb 5 drive on Mr. Zambrano's computer. And I know that there 6 were multiple such documents opened from thumb drives on 7 Mr. Zambrano's computer in the relevant time period. And this document that I've named Documento 1 is

9 actually December 21st Providencias. And I can copy a 10 block of text from this document, take roughly three pages, 11 go back to this demonstration document and paste that text

12 in. And what we'll have here is a block of text in this 13 case from Providencias in Bookman Old Style; and this text

14 at the beginning, which is in Calibri, that's the default 15 font in this document.

And if we look at the metadata for Documento 1, 17 you can see that it's authorized and Last Saved By CPJS,

18 and the metadata is all consistent with it from 19 Mr. Zambrano's computer.

Q. Sorry, Mr. Lynch. Can you clarify, what is the 21 user name--what's the computer associated with that user 22 name CPJS?

A. That's the old computer.

Q. Of Mr. Zambrano's?

A. Of Mr. Zambrano's computer.

10:16 1 you've--not necessarily that you've made any changes to the 2 content, but if you've even moved the mouse around, that 3 will increment the revision count.

BY MR. WHITE:

Q. Mr. Lynch, before you close all that out, at the 6 end I'm going to ask you to take screen shots so that what you've shown on the screen can be provided to the Tribunal.

8 A. Sure.

9 But that's--that takes me back to my conclusions, and I can take those screen shots now unless the Tribunal has any questions.

12 MR. WHITE: I have no further questions for the 13

witness.

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, thank you with that. 15

Then there'll be questions from the Respondent.

16 THE WITNESS: I'm going to take a few minutes just 17 to make those screen shots.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, it's up to you whenever 18

19 to take the midmorning break, so whenever it's convenient to you. 20

21 MR. EWING: Understood.

22 MR. WHITE: And if we could just give Mr. Lynch a

few moments to take those screen shots.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Take your time.

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10:14 1 0. Thank you.

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If I then remove that thumb drive, Documento 1 is 3 not on this computer. If we did a forensic analysis, we 4 almost certainly would not find a document with metadata 5 reflecting CPJS.

But if I go to the metadata from--and I've 7 misspelled "declare." If I go to the metadata from this 8 demonstration document -- I need to close it -- we see that it 9 shows that I created the document and I last saved the 10 document and that the revision count is 11 because I saved

11 it 11 times, and the edit time is roughly 37 minutes 12 because that's how long the document has been open here.

But we know, having all seen me do this, that none 14 of the content of that document came from me. I'm not the

15 Author of the document I started retyping, nor am I the

16 Author of December 21st Providencias.

But the metadata here shows that I am. And this 17 18 evidence is all consistent with what we see on the Zambrano 19 Computers and consistent with the text having been sourced 20 from a third party and then inserted into Providencias.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before you go, what does

22 revision number mean? Why is it 11?

THE WITNESS: The revision number is the number of

24 times the document was saved. And I have a habit of

25 hitting Control S; and every time you hit Control S, if

10:17 1 (Pause.)

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BY MR. EWING: 2

Q. Mr. Lynch, if you would make sure to hold onto those documents that you used as your demonstration, not 5 just your screen shots?

A. Yes.

MR. EWING: Thank you.

THE INTERPRETER: We have a problem with Ms. (sic) 8 9 Ewing's microphone. That microphone does not work.

10 (Pause.)

BY MR. EWING:

Good morning, Mr. Lynch, have you finished taking 12

13 your screen shots?

A. I have, yes.

And saving those documents for us? 15 0.

Yes. I have.

Excellent. Mr. Lynch, how long have you been 17

working for Chevron? 18

A. I did a little bit of work for Chevron in 2011 but

have been primarily working since 2013.

So your primary role in this project started in

22 2013?

23 A. Yes.

24 And how long has Stroz Friedberg been working for

25 Chevron?

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- 10:19 1 A. I wouldn't know the exact date; somewhere around 2 probably 2010.
 - Q. And you produced three Reports in this
 - 4 Arbitration; right?
 - A. Yes, I did.
 - 6 Q. Your First Report was dated October 7th, 2013,
 - 7 and that replaced a series of reports by Mr. Younger that
 - were dated before that; correct?
 - 9 A. Yes. That's correct.
 - 10 Q. And your October 7th, 2013, Report covered all
 - 11 of the materials in Mr. Younger's earlier reports; correct?
 - 12 A. That's my belief, yes.
 - 13 Q. So they've completely supplanted them?
 - 14 A. Yes, sir.
 - 15 Q. Okay. You'll see in the binders that we just
 - 16 handed out to you your October 7th, 2013.
 - 17 THE COURT REPORTER: It's too fast for
 - 18 interpretation.
 - 19 MR. EWING: Understood.
 - 20 BY MR. EWING:
 - 21 Q. You will see in your--the binder in front of you
 - 22 that we just gave you, Tab No. 1 is your--the First Lynch
 - 23 Report. Do you see that?
 - 24 A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. And then the second tab is your Second Report from

- 10:22 1 responded to it?
 - 2 A. I don't believe I had an opportunity to respond to 3 it.
 - ${\tt Q}.$ You understand that Claimants submitted two more
 - 5 reports after Mr. Racich's December 16th, 2013,
 - 6 Report--actually, excuse me, let me correct that.
 - 7 You understand that Claimant submitted three of
 - 8 your reports after December 16th, 2013, none of which
 - 9 responded to Mr. Lynch's--or Mr. Racich's December 16th,
 - 10 2013, Report?
 - 11 A. Yes, I do.
 - 12 Q. Okay. Were you not given an opportunity to
 - 13 respond to that Report?
 - 14 A. I understood that I issued my First Report on
 - 15 October 7th and then the--did my analysis of the Guerra
 - 16 Computers, among other things; and then my subsequent
 - 17 reports were on different topics.
 - 18 The two reports in the--in evidence in this case
 - 19 were on my analysis of the Zambrano Computers. I didn't--I
 - 20 didn't understand that I could revisit the Guerra
 - 21 computers.
 - Q. And you never even listed the Racich December 2013
 - 23 Report as a report that you've reviewed in any of your
 - 24 reports that you've submitted since; right?
 - 25 A. I don't know if I listed it as something that I've

- 10:20 1 August 15th, 2014?
 - 2 A. Yes, I see that.
 - Q. And the third tab is your Third Report from
 - 4 January 14th, 2015?
 - 5 A. Yes. I see that.
 - 6 Q. Okay. At any point, if you need to access or
 - 7 reference those reports, please do. That's why they're
 - 8 there
 - 9 This is not intended to be a memory test. So at
 - 10 any point, please take your time and review your reports.
 - 11 A. Thank you.
 - 12 0. Is that understood?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - 14 O. Excellent. And I also have included Mr. Racich's
 - 15 Reports at Tab 4 for December 16th, 2013; Tab 5 for
 - 16 November 7th, 2014; and Tab 6 for his March 16th, 2015
 - 17 Report.
 - 18 And the same goes for those; if you need to access
 - 19 them, please do.
 - 20 A. Thank you.
 - Q. Did you see Mr. Racich's December 16th, 2013,
 - 22 Report when it was first filed?
 - 23 A. I don't know exactly when I saw it; I mean, within
 - 24 a few days of it being filed.
 - Q. Okay. But as far as you know, you've never

- 10:23 1 reviewed. I think I--I listed in my--all the subsequent
 - 2 reports and materials I relied on for those reports, and I
 - 3 didn't rely on that Report for the analysis.
 - Q. Okay. If you could turn to Tab 1, which is your
 - 5 October 7th, 2013, Report, in Paragraph 1, Item D refers
 - 6 to two Nokia cell phones belonging to Former Judge Guerra.
 - 7 Do you see that?
 - 8 A. I do, yes.
 - 9 Q. And did you create forensic images of those cell
 - 10 phones?
 - 11 A. I personally didn't. Someone at Stroz Friedberg
 - 12 did.
 - 13 Q. And did they do that under your supervision?
 - A. When those were created in August of 2012, they
 - 15 weren't working under my supervision directly. But I've
 - 16 reviewed the forensic images.
 - 17 Q. Okay. To capture data from the Nokia phones, you
 - 18 had to turn those phones on; right? Or someone working
 - 19 under your supervision had to turn those phones on;
 - 20 correct?
 - 21 A. Yes. That's correct.
 - 22 Q. And turning those phones on very well may have
 - 23 changed them; right?
 - A. Yeah. Mobile phones are, I guess, particularly
 - 25 difficult to--to--in most cases, impossible to preserve

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- 10:25 1 without changing them in some way. And it's the process we 2 use to follow industry-accepted practices to turn them on
 - 3 and preserve them.
 - Q. Okay. Did you--what steps did you take to prevent loss of information from those phones?
 - A. Well, you turn them on in a--you remove the SIM
 - 7 cards, if they had any in them, and then turn them on
 - 8 somewhere that's RF-isolated; and then, if possible,
 - 9 disable the wireless and then preserve them.
 - Q. Just pausing for the Spanish.
 - 11 THE COURT REPORTER: Slow down just a little bit.
 - 12 BY MR. EWING
 - 13 Q. You also analyzed Mr. Donziger's hard drives;
 - 14 right?
 - 15 A. Yes, I did.
 - 16 Q. When were those hard drives imaged?
 - 17 A. They were--well, there are multiple hard drives
 - 18 that I called the Donziger Media, and they were imaged at
 - 19 various points in time in 2010 and 2011, I believe.
 - 20 Q. If you would turn to Paragraph 75 of your
 - 21 August--October 2013, Report.
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - 23 O. And do you see here where it says--it lists three
 - 24 images you that you called the Donziger Hard Drives; is
 - 25 that correct?

- 10:28 1 Q. And what date were those devices imaged?
 - 2 A. Those were imaged in September 2010.
 - Q. And approximately how long before the Judgment was
 - 4 issued is that?
 5 A. Approximately four or five months before the
 - A. Approximatery rour of five months before the 6 Judgment was issued.
 - 7 Q. And then if you look at Paragraph 76, what devices
 - 8 are listed there?
 - 9 A. Those were two external hard drives that were
 - 10 imaged.
 - 11 Q. And when were those devices imaged?
 - 12 A. Those were imaged, again, in September of 2010.
 - 13 Q. Which you would agree with me is approximately
 - 14 four to five months before the Judgment was issued;
 - 15 correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - $\ensuremath{\text{\fontfamily Q}}.$ And it is your understanding that this is the
 - 18 entirety of the Donziger media that Stroz Friedberg
 - 19 received; is that correct?
 - 20 A. Yeah. We also reimaged some of those devices,
 - 21 but--but my understanding is those were all of the devices
 - 22 that were produced by Mr. Donziger.
 - Q. Okay. And they were all--the earliest any of them
 - 24 was imaged--or the soonest--let me just start that over.
 - The closest any of these devices were imaged is at

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- 10:26 1 A. Yes. I see that. That's correct.
 - Q. And these are the multiple images that you're referring to?
 - A. Set forth through 74, 75, 76, 77 are the multiple 5 images; 75 is some of them.
 - 6 Q. Okay. So when--let's start with
 - 7 the--Paragraph 74.
 - 3 What devices are listed there that were imaged?
 - A. Seventy-four lists a laptop, a desktop and a
 - 10 MacBook Air.

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- 11 Q. And your understanding is that those are
- 12 Mr. Donziger's computers; correct?
- 13 A. That's my understanding. That was what was
- 14 represented to Stroz Friedberg.
- 15 Q. Okay. And those were imaged on January 19th and
- 16 20th, 2011?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you understand that January 19th and 20th,
- 19 2011, is approximately one month before the final Judgment
- 20 was issued?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. Looking at Paragraph 75, what computers are
- 23 listed there?
- 24 A. There--there's a--I believe it was a desktop and
- 25 two laptops for a Donziger and Mr. Woods.

- 10:30 1 least one month before the Final Judgment was issued;
 - 2 correct?

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- 3 A. Yes
- Q. And presumably Mr. Donziger would have known that
- 5 someone had taken his computers and imaged them; correct?
- 6 A. I think he--he provided them to a--a consultant he
- 7 had hired to image them.
- Q. Okay. When did you first see these computers?
- A. I--I've not personally handled the computers.
- 10 I've--I've had forensic images of the computers.
 - Q. When did you first see the forensic images?
- A. I--I couldn't recall an exact date. Some of my
- 13 involvement in 2010 related to these devices, January 2011.
- 14 But I don't--I can't recall sitting here right now exactly
- 15 which computers and on what dates those were.
- 16 Q. And after these devices were imaged, Stroz
- 17 Friedberg--
- 18 Friedberg?
- 19 A. "Friedberg."
- 20 Q. --Stroz Friedberg extracted all of the documents
- 21 on these images; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. And they turned all of the documents over to
- 24 counsel for Chevron; correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

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- 10:31 1 Q. Do you know which of these devices had the Fusión 2 Memo, for instance?
 - 3 A. No. Sitting here right now, I--I couldn't tell 4 you which of the devices had the Fusión Memo.
 - 5 Q. And the same would be true for all of what Chevron 6 calls the unfiled work product; correct?
 - 7 A. Yes. Sitting here right now, I couldn't tell you 8 which of the devices those documents were all found on, but 9 those documents were found in--in either these devices or 10 some of the other media that was produced as part of the 11 discovery.
 - 12 Q. You mentioned "other media." What other media are 13 you referring to?
 - 14 A. For example, we also received documents that were 15 produced by Stratus Consulting.
 - Q. But in terms of the Donziger media, this is the 17 full extent of the Donziger media; correct?
 - 18 A. Yeah. We didn't receive any--any image--any 19 other--
 - 20 If Mr. Donziger had other computers, he didn't
 - 21 tell--tell us about them.
 - 22 Q. So if Chevron has any documents from Mr. Donziger,
 - 23 they are from these images; correct?
 - 24 A. I--I couldn't speak to all of what Chevron has.
 - 25 If I have any documents from Mr. Donziger, they're

10:34 1 that, "As part of my analysis, I reviewed the Zambrano 2 testimony."

And the Zambrano testimony includes deposition and trial testimony from RICO; correct?

- A. That's correct, yes.
- Q. So, "As part of my analysis, I reviewed the
- 7 Zambrano testimony to understand his claims as to the
- 8 process by which he and an individual he personally hired,
- 9 Ms. Calva, purportedly drafted the Ecuadorian Judgment."
 - Do you see that?
 - A. I do, yes.
 - Q. And more specifically, you assess whether the
- 13 forensic evidence is consistent with Zambrano's testimony;
- 14 is that right?

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- A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. Comparing evidence to testimony is not itself a 17 digital forensic task; is that correct?
- 18 A. Doing so relies on the evidence--the forensic 19 analysis of the evidence.
- 20 $\,$ Q. In terms of what digital forensics is and what
- 21 $\,$ you're here as an expert for, you are here to discuss the
- $22\,$ information and data that you recovered from the various
- 23 computers at issue in this case; correct?
 - A. Yes, and describe what that evidence means, what
- 25 it--it shows and--yeah, that's what I'm here to do.

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10:32 1 from these documents--or these images.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Sorry. Can I ask you to speak again a bit more slowly? You tend to speak very fast.

THE WITNESS: Sorry. Yeah. I can't speak to what 5 Chevron may or may not have. I can only speak to what I--I have.

BY MR. EWING

Understood.

9 In terms of those computers that have been 10 forensically analyzed, it is your understanding that these

11 computers listed in paragraphs 74 to 76 of Mr. Donziger is

12 the universe of computers that were forensically analyzed

13 for Chevron of Mr. Donziger's computers; correct?

14 A. That is my understanding, that these were--these 15 were all of the computers that he produced for--for the 16 analysis.

17 Q. Okay. And if we could move to your Second Report.

18 $\,$ And we will be just jumping back and forth a little bit,

19 so--throughout today.

On Page 4 of your Report, you state that, among other things, counsel asked you to perform an analysis of

22 two computers used by Nicolas Zambrano.

Do you see that in the first paragraph?

24 A. I do, yes.

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Q. Okay. And on Page 9 of your Report, you note

- 10:36 1 Q. Thinking back to your First Report from
 - 2 October 2013 and focusing on Mr. Guerra's media, you at no
 - 3 time purport to rely upon Mr. Guerra's testimony, either in
 - 4 the form of trial or deposition testimony or affidavit
 - 5 testimony, to reach your conclusions; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, that's correct. At the time I wrote this
 - 7 Report, I--I didn't have any Guerra testimony--he hadn't,
 - B for example, testified in the RICO case at that point.
 - 9 Q. So when you wrote your Report in October 2013,
 - 10 counsel had not provided to you any of his prior statements
 - 11 or affidavits or recorded conversations?
 - A. No. I--I--I list in the Report what I had.
 - ${\tt Q.}$ Okay. Did you ever take up the task of assessing
 - 14 Whether Mr. Guerra's story is consistent with Mr. Guerra's
 15 evidence?
 - 16 A. Not explicitly in my Report, no.
 - 17 Q. In your First Report, you detail your experience
 - 18 in digital forensics, which are the skills on which you
 - 19 rely to reach your conclusions; right?
 - 20 A. Yeah. I--I describe generally some of my 21 background.
 - 22 Q. Okay. But your Report does not list assessment of
 - 23 witness testimony as an expertise; correct?
 - 24 A. I don't explicitly list that. I think that's
 - 25 something that--that forensic experts are--are often asked

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- 10:37 1 to do, to compare statements made--evidence through and
 2 statements to the forensic evidence and explain whether or
 3 not that evidence is consistent with those statements.
 - Q. But you've never been qualified as an expert to assess credibility of testimony, have you?
 - A. I have been asked multiple times to--to compare the forensic evidence that I find in my analysis to testimony.
 - 9 I--I--I don't--wouldn't make an actual credibility 10 assessment. I think that would be the job of the Court or 11 the Tribunal. But I will state if--if the evidence in my
 - 12 opinion is consistent with the narrative that's been put 13 forth.
 - 14 Q. Have you been at this Hearing since last Tuesday?
 - A. I've been--I've been to parts of it.
 - 16 Q. Did you hear our opening arguments?
 - A. I heard parts of it.
 - 18 O. And did you hear our cross-examination of
 - 19 Dr. Leonard?
 - 20 A. I heard parts of it. I wasn't--to be honest, I
 - 21 was not really paying attention. I had a document I had to
 - 22 write.

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- Q. A document which we requested; correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And Dr. Juola's testimony?

10:40 1 responsible for the evidence in question; correct?

- A. Well, it says that a--that people should certify the accuracy of the Chain of Custody.
- Q. Let me clarify that my understanding is that a Chain of Custody tell us who has which evidence and when.
 - Would you agree with that?
- A. Yes, it does.
- 8 Q. And it records the handing off of evidence from 9 one person to the next person; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And it is standard practice to include a Chain of 12 Custody record for physical evidence such as a forensic
- 3 image; right?
- 4 A. It's standard practice for--for people in
- 15 forensics to maintain one, and I don't--I'm not sure I
- 16 heard the entire question. Can you repeat that? Sorry.
- 17 Q. My question was: Is it a standard practice to 18 include a Chain of Custody record with all physical
- 19 evidence?
- 20 A. I think it's standard practice to maintain one.
- 21 I don't know that you include one with every
- 22 single copy of a forensic image, but maintain a Chain of
- 23 Custody on any original evidence, yes.
 - Q. Okay. So you would agree with me that it's
- 25 correct practice to include or to maintain one for all

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- 10:38 1 A. I heard parts of it.
 - Q. And Mr. Guerra's testimony?
 - 3 A. I didn't hear that, no.
 - Q. Okay. And were you in the back--in the break-out
 - 5 room with the rest of Chevron's experts?
 - 6 A. I don't know who all was in the room. I was in a
 - 7 break-out room with--
 - 8 Q. Did they at least give you popcorn?
 - A. I didn't get any popcorn.
 - 10 O. Okay. Would you turn to Tab 7, please. This is
 - 11 the letter from the Tribunal attaching the agreed-upon
 - 12 protocol for imaging the Zambrano hard drives.
 - Do you recognize this?
 - 14 A. Not the--the cover letter--I've not reviewed this
 - 15 document in full to see if I've seen this particular
 - 16 version, but it's at least similar to something I've seen
 - 17 before.

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- 18 Q. Okay. And I'll represent to you, I won't be
- 19 asking you any questions about the cover letter. I just
- 20 put it in there for completeness.
- 21 A. Okay.
- Q. We're going to be focusing on Page 5 of the
- 3 protocol. You will see the Chain of Custody section.
- 24 A. Yes, I see that.
 - Q. And the Chain of Custody document records who is

- 10:42 1 pieces of evidence; correct?
 - A. I'd agree that it's--it's standard practice for
 - 3 forensic examiners--or best practice for forensic examiners
 - 4 to maintain a Chain of Custody for original evidence.
 - 5 Q. Would you please turn to Appendix A of the same 6 exhibit?
 - 7 This is the Zambrano hard drive Chain of Custody
 - 8 form itself; correct?
 - 9 A. Yes. Yes, it is.
 - 0. And this Chain of Custody shows us that Zambrano's
 - 11 hard drives were picked up by someone--someone who's name I
 - 12 can't quite read, Mr. Jimenez, it looks like to me--and
 - 13 were delivered to Ms. Kathryn Owen on May 20th, 2014 at
 - 14 10:30 a.m.; right?
 - A. Yes, that's what this appears to show.
 - 16 Q. Okay. And then Ms. Owen returned the hard drives
 - 17 to the Ecuadorian officer's custody at 18:55 that same day;
 - 18 correct?
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - Q. So we know that if anything happened between--or
 - 21 before 10:30, the Ecuadorian officer would be the person
 - 22 who was responsible for those events; correct?
 - A. Assuming the Chain of Custody is accurate, yes.
 - Q. And let's do that. Let's assume that this is
 - 25 accurate.

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- 10:43 1 And this Chain of Custody would also tell us that
 - 2 from 10:30 a.m. on May 20th until 6:55 p.m. on
 - 3 May 20th, Ms. Owen was responsible for the Zambrano hard
 - 4 drives; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. And then after 6:55 p.m., the Ecuadorian officer
 - 7 took responsibility again; correct?
 - 8 A. I--I can't really read it. I think it's a
 - 9 different Ecuadorian officer, but an Ecuadorian officer
 - 10 took responsibility again.
 - 11 Q. I agree. This looks like "Santiago Crespo."
 - 12 A different--an Ecuadorian officer is all we're
 - 13 really looking for here.
 - 14 You would agree with me that he has now taken
 - 15 control of those hard drives at 6:55 p.m. from Ms. Owen;
 - 16 correct?

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- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. So if anything happened any time that day,
- 19 we would know the specific person to whom we should go and
- 20 ask questions of; correct?
- 21 A. Yes. Assuming that it's correct, yes.
 - Q. Assuming it's correct, we could ask Ms. Owen
- 23 between 10:30 and 6:55 p.m. what happened with the hard
- 24 drives during that time period?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 10:46 1 Q. And the same is true for the CDs, from the moment
 - 2 you received them?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. But you did not produce that in this arbitration
 - 5 as a part of your Expert Report?
 - A. Not as part of the Report, no.
 - Q. Did you produce it in any way in this arbitration?
 - A. I don't believe that I've produced the Chain of
 - 9 Custody for the documents in--in the arbitration, no.
 - Q. And you're not aware that Chevron has produced it
 - 11 either?

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- A. I'm not aware of that, no.
- Q. You were told--and if we could turn to Tab 1,
- 14 Paragraph 10.
- You were told that the data was collected from
- 16 former Judge Alberto Guerra's hard drive and flash drives.
 - Do you see that in Paragraph 10?
- 18 A. I do, yes.
- 19 Q. But you were not there when the data was
- 20 collected, right?
- 21 A. No, I was not.
 - Q. And no one from Stroz Friedberg was there either;

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23 right?

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- 24 A. No
- 25 Q. In fact, you have absolutely no firsthand

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- 10:44 1 Q. And if there were an issue--and there wasn't. I
 - 2 was there. There definitely was not--we could call
 - 3 Ms. Owen and ask her what happened and, if need be, get a
 - 4 sworn statement; right?
 - 5 A. We could, yes.
 - 6 Q. So you would agree that having a Chain of Custody
 - 7 like this is important; right?
 - 8 A. It--it can be. I would agree that it's standard
 - 9 practice, because it makes--makes the process of
 - 10 determining who had a computer slightly easier.
 - 11 Q. So it--so it isn't surprising to you that the
 - 12 Parties insisted on having a Chain of Custody in the
 - 13 protocol; right?
 - 14 A. No, it's not--not surprising, but I think I may
 - 15 have advised Chevron that they should ask for a Chain of
 - 16 Custody.
 - 17 Q. But you didn't produce any Chain of Custody for
 - 18 Mr. Guerra's hard drives, did you?
 - 19 A. I didn't attach a Chain of Custody to my Report.
 - Q. Did you maintain one?
 - 21 A. From the moment Stroz Friedberg received the hard
 - 22 drives, yes.
 - Q. Did you attach a Chain of Custody for his USB
 - 24 drives?
 - 25 A. From the moment I received them, yes.

- 10:47 1 knowledge as to what, if anything, was done with the media 2 on July 13th?
 - A. Well, I--I have the knowledge that I've--I've
 - 4 gained from my analysis of the computers as to--as to what
 - 5 happened.
 - 6 Q. But I'm asking you specifically: Do you have any
 - 7 firsthand personal knowledge of what happened to those
 - 8 computers on July 13th?
 - 9 A. I--I have the knowledge that I've gained from
 - 10 reviewing--from analyzing the computers. I can tell from
 - 11 my analysis when certain things happened with those
 - 12 computers.

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- 13 Q. You were not there on July 13th when these
- 14 computers were retrieved from Mr. Guerra; correct?
 - A. No, I was not.
- 16 Q. And you were not there on July 14th with those
- 17 computers, wherever they were?
 - A. No, I was not.
 - Q. And you were not with the computers on
- 20 July 15th, when they were handed over to Audio Forensic
- 21 Center; is that correct?
- 22 A. That's correct. I was not there.
 - O. And you have no firsthand knowledge of what
- 24 happened on these computers before July 13th; correct?
 - A. Well, again, I have the--the knowledge I've gained

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- 10:48 1 from analyzing the computers.
 - Q. But you were not physically with these computers any time before July 13th; correct?
 - 4 A. I was not physically with the computers any time 5 before July 13th.
 - Q. And you referenced in your opening presentation this morning that approximately 22,000 files have a last access date of the afternoon and evening of July 13th,
 - 9 2012?
 - 10 A. Yes, I did reference that.
 - 11 Q. And you said in your--
 - 12 Actually, what does the last access date signify?
 - $\,$ 13 $\,$ $\,$ A. It signifies that the files were accessed in some
 - 14 way.
 - 15 Q. Okay. And July 13th, when these files were
 - 16 accessed, is before you received them; correct?
 - 17 A. Yes. It's before the computers were imaged.
 - 18 Q. Do you know when--do you know who received those
 - 19 files from Mr. Guerra?
 - 20 A. I believe that it was Mr. Rivero, I think his name
 - 21 was, that got the files from--got the computers from
 - 22 Mr. Guerra.
 - Q. And if you want, I do have the transcript of the
 - 24 conversation that Mr. Guerra had with Andres Rivero and
 - 25 Investigator No. 5 at Tab R-1345, if you do need to refer

10:52 1 has given--

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- 2 MR. WHITE: I'm sorry to interrupt, Mr. Ewing,
- 3 with an objection. It's our understanding that time is the
- $4\,\,$ time in the recording, how long the recording has been
- 5 going, not the time of day. I'm not sure if it matters to 6 any point that Mr. Ewing is trying to make.
- 7 MR. EWING: We can--we can move past that. It's 8 not a--not an important time necessarily.
- 9 MR. WHITE: Thank you.
 - BY MR. EWING:
- 11 Q. The last access date for all of the files--the
- 12 22,000 files on Mr. Guerra's computer, what date is that?
- 13 Do you remember?
- 14 A. It was July 13th, 2012.
- 15 Q. And that's the same date that we have here, where
- 16 Mr. Guerra is handing the documents over to Mr. Rivero;
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. It's the same date that this recording was from
- 19 and the same date that I understand Mr. Guerra provided his
- 20 computer to representatives on behalf of Chevron.
- Q. And do you know why all of those files were last
- 22 accessed at that time?
- 23 A. I--I understand that Mr. Rivero explained that he
- 24 and others sat in front of the computer with Mr. Guerra
- 25 and--and reviewed files, opened them, and were

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10:50 1 to that. At this point, I don't think you will, but this
2 is the context.

- And actually, could you look to the end of this file?
- 5 On the last page, it says 91 page--at the
- 6 bottom--or page--at the top, it says "Page 93 of 94," so
- 7 the page right before the translator's certification.
- 8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm sorry. I've lost you.
- 9 Which tab is this?
- 10 MR. EWING: This is Tab R-1345.
- 11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm sorry. Okay.
- 12 BY MR. EWING:
- Q. What time does this recording end, according to this document?
- 15 A. Looking at the third-to-last line, it looks as 16 though it ends at 1:54:05.
- 17 Q. And that is probably in the afternoon; right?
- 18 A. It doesn't state what time zone it is or if it's
- 19 a.m. or p.m. I can assume it's p.m.
 20 Q. I'll represent to you that I also think it's p.m.
- 21 If Mr. Guerra is a night owl, we can learn that
- 22 later.
- 23 So this recording finishes at 1:54 in the
- 24 afternoon.
- 25 And at this point in the recording, Mr. Guerra

- 10:53 1 looking--looking through the contents of the computer.
 - Q. Do you know exactly what they did?
 - A. Well, I know from--from the evidence that
 - 4 they--they did, in fact, open files. There were what's
 - 5 called a link file, which tracks when a user opens a file
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 - $\ensuremath{\text{6}}$ created, showing that they were opening files, and the last
 - $7\,$ access date shows that files were being accessed.
 - 8 Q. So we know then that Mr. Rivero and Investigator 9 No. 5 were opening and reviewing files on Mr. Guerra's
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 - 10 computer at that point; correct?
 - 11 A. Yeah, that's--I mean, the evidence taken with what
 - 12 I understand Mr. Rivero said shows that to be the case,
 - 13 yes.

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- 14 Q. Is there any indication of what was changed?
 - A. Well, yeah. As I--as I set forth in my
- 16 presentation, the--at least for the files that I analyzed
- 17 and relied on, the last modified dates weren't updated, so
- 18 those files weren't changed.
 - Leaving a computer running will change files.
- 20 While a computer is running, it--it--there will be
- 21 operating system files and logs that are constantly being
- 22 modified. So there were changes to those types of
- 23 documents.
- But the files that I relied on were--the last
- 25 modified date for those files wasn't updated, so the

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10:54 1 files--I mean, that reflects the files weren't changed.

- Q. And to keep this easier, I'm only referring to the files that are relevant to this case. We can put aside operating system files, log files, et cetera.
 - A. Okay.
 - Q. Okay?
- 7 So you say that the last modified date was not 8 updated; correct?
- 9 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 10 Q. And by--it was not updated, you mean that it is
- 11 $\,$ not the same or later than the last access date; correct?
- 12 A. Well, it wasn't--it doesn't reflect July 13th. 13 It--it's--looking at the file system metadata and the
- 14 embedded dates, those are the same. They all--they all
- 5 predate July 13th.
- Q. And if you want to turn to your Report where you address this, this might make our lives easier.
- 18 Do you have that?
- 19 A. I'm not sure specifically what you're referring--I
- 20 have the charts with the metadata for the files.
- Q. The chart with the metadata, correct.
- 22 And what page are you looking at?
- 23 A. I'm looking at Page 11 for the--the chart with the
- 24 metadata for the 11 draft Guerra Orders.
- Q. Correct. So if we could look at Table 2, you see

10:58 1 Q. And it--when a file is saved, the operating system 2 or the file system simply takes the date and time that the 3 computer believes that it is; correct?

- A. Yes.
- 5 Q. So there's no indication that that is actually the 6 actual time when that was done, the file was modified; it's 7 simply the date that the file system thought that it was; 8 correct?
- 9 A. Yeah. The computer--there are--there are ways 10 that a computer can validate the date and time, the 11 software that does that.

But generally a computer only knows what its internal clock believes it to be, whether or not that date is accurate or not.

But I would note that I did an extensive amount of analysis on the Guerra Computer to see whether or not there was any evidence that date was wrong, if that computer--if the computer clock was ever mis-set or tampered with.

- 19 Q. So if I were to take your computer now and change 20 your clock to October 20th, 2009, at 6:24 a.m., open your 21 document that you used in your presentation this morning-
- 22 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. --and save it, what would the last written date be?
- 25 A. The Last Written date would be updated to whatever

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10:56 1 for all of these 11 orders, Documents 1 through 11, they 2 have an access date of 7/13/2012 at 5:00 in the

- 3 afternoon--5:00 or 6:00 in the afternoon.
 - A. Yes, I see that.
- 5 Q. And your contention is that the last written date 6 is earlier than that; correct?
- A. Well, the last written date is earlier than that.
- Q. And therefore, because the last written date is
- 9 earlier, the last access didn't actual change anything?
- 10 A. Yes. Had--had the activity that resulted in
- 11 updating the last access date changed the contents, then
- 12 the last modified date or the last written date would have
- 13 been updated.
- 14 O. Where does the last modified date come from?
- 15 A. The--comes from the file system the files are 16 stored on.
- 17 Q. So if, for instance I was looking at Document 1,
- 18 and it has a last written date of October 20th, 2009, at
- 19 6:24 a.m., that date came from the operating system;
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. That--that date comes from the file system that
- 22 the--the file is stored in. It's--that's a date that--when
- 23 you move a file from the computers to external devices, the
- 24 last written date generally stays the same, so it follows
- 25 the document, but it's saved in the file system.

- 10:59 1 date the computer believed to be, in your example, 2 October 20th, 2009.
 - Q. And if I then close that and reset your computer's date to the current date of April 27th at 10:59 a.m., any future edits I would do would reflect that date; correct?
 - A. Yes. Any further edits would reflect--well, at any point in time when you save the document, the time the computer believes it will be--believes it to be will be
 - 9 assigned as the Last Written date.
 - 10 Q. And if I then imaged your computer and extracted 11 all the document files and provided them to Counsel, they 12 could tell me that this file was not updated during this 13 presentation, according to the metadata?
 - 14 A. Looking at just the metadata for that document, 15 yes. But there would be other evidence in the image that 16 someone had manipulated the clock.
 - 17 Q. You referred to other evidence. What other 18 evidence are you referring to?
 - 19 A. It depends on exactly the programs that are on the 20 computer. But for example, if there was a virus-scanning 21 program on the computer, virus scanners--and many other
 - 22 programs maintain a log of what their activity is.
 - And if you look at that log, assuming a normally operating clock, that log appears sequentially. The first
 - 25 entry is the first thing the virus scanner did. The second

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11:01 1 entry is the second thing, and the dates will follow
2 because the clock is operating normally. It's always
3 advancing. And if you go down into the tens of thousands
4 of rows, the tenth thousand log entry will be the tenth
5 thousand thing that was recorded; and, assuming the clock
6 is operating normally from log entry 1 to 10,000, those
7 dates will all be sequential.

8 If you manipulate a computer clock, then those 9 dates won't be sequential, so you'll still see the first 10 entry's the first thing the virus scanner did. The tenth 11 thousandth thing is the tenth thousandth thing the virus 12 scanner did.

But you'll see that the clock jumps around. So 14 you may see that using July 13th, that on

15 July 13th--that some of the last entries in the virus

16 scanner log are July 13th; but then there would be a log 17 entry recorded October 20th, 2009. And then there might

18 be a log entry recorded another date because someone was
19 changing the clock at those dates, and then there would be

20 log entries going back to July 13th, 2012.

You'd see--you'd see stuff like that in the other

22 evidence in the computer. And I looked for that on the 23 Guerra Computer and found no evidence of any--any log out

24 of order, any sequential anomaly that would suggest someone

25 was tampering with the clock.

11:03 1 Q. So if I connected your hard drive to my computer
2 and my computer thought it was 2009 and I modified your
3 presentation from this morning and I gave you your hard
4 drive back, none of the logs, none of the catches that you
5 just told us about would actually show up on--on your
6 computer, would they?

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{7}}$ A. It would depend on--on how your computer is 8 configured.

9 It's likely that if you--if you access the 10 document to modify the file, that both the Last Access date 11 and the Last Written date would be--would be updated.

Q. But none of the logs would be modified?

13 A. No. The computer wouldn't have been running, so 14 the logs wouldn't have been updated.

15 Q. So the only thing that would change are the dates 16 on that file?

17 A. Yes. The dates would be--both the Last Access 18 date and the Last Written date would likely be--would be 19 updated.

20 MR. EWING: If we could take a break?
21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a break. We'll come

22 back in 15 minutes. We'd ask you, like all other

23 witnesses, not to discuss the case or your testimony until

24 you come back before the Tribunal.

25 THE WITNESS: Understood.

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11:02 1 Q. So Mr.--when Mr. Guerra gave his computer to the 2 investigators, they probably removed his hard drive in 3 order to image it; correct?

A. I would imagine that Mr. Peltier, who imaged the computer, removed the hard drive.

Q. Do you know whether the investigators took the whole computer or just the hard drive?

3 A. They took the whole computer.

Q. And it was a laptop?

10 A. It was a desktop.

11 Q. It was a desktop.

THE COURT REPORTER: Can we have a break soon?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Would it be convenient to have

14 a break?

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MR. EWING: Yeah; one more minute.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: One more minute.

17 BY MR. EWING:

18 $\,$ Q. And if they had attached Mr. Guerra's hard drive

19 to their own computer after taking it out of his desktop,

20 none of your safeguards or log files that you just

21 explained to us would actually be affected on Mr. Guerra's

22 computer; correct?

23 A. If you remove a hard drive and just connect it to 24 a--to a computer, the timestamps will still be recorded as

25 is

11:04 1 (Brief recess.)

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

BY MR. EWING:

4 Q. Mr. Lynch, would you turn to Tab 1, which is your 5 October 7th, 2013, Report.

A. Yes.

7 Q. And could you look at Paragraph 11, please.

8 A. Yes

9 Q. And do you see here where you say you used the acquisition hash values to verify that the EnCase evidence

11 files provided to Stroz Friedberg by AFC were a true and

12 correct representation of the original media?

A. Yes, I see that.

Q. What you're saying there is that you're comparing

15 the image files that you received to the image files that

16 Audio Forensic Center created; right?

A. That's what the hash value comparison does. Yes.

Q. So the hash value is a unique key for every file;

19 correct? You generate this hash value, and it's a unique

20 key for that file; correct?

21 A. Yes. You generate a hash value, and that hash

22 value kind of statistically will uniquely identify that

23 file.

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Q. So if I take a file and I generate a hash key and

25 then I generate it a hundred more times, it should always

- 11:21 1 be the same, correct, as long as the file does not change?
 - A. Yes. If you generate a hash value over the same 3 contents, you will always get the same hash value. If you
 - 4 change the hash value--or if you change the contents of the
 - 5 file, then the hash value will change.
 - O. So your comparison was intended to verify that the 7 images that were made on July 15th, 2012, were identical
 - 8 to what you received on July 23rd, 2012; correct?
 - A. That's what that particular hash value comparison 10 establishes.
 - 11 Q. So when you say "a true and correct representation
 - 12 of the original media, "that's not exactly what you mean
 - 13 there; right?
 - A. Well, no. That's exactly what I mean. The image
 - 15 I was provided is a true and correct representation of the 16 original media when it was imaged.
 - Q. So it is a true and correct representation of the 18 media as of July 15th, 2012; correct?
 - 19 A. Yes. That's what that--that's what that sentence
 - 20 means. Q. Okay. And you have no idea whether it's a true
 - 22 and correct copy of the original media as of July 14th?
 - A. Well, as I described, I did an analysis of the
 - 24 drive, saw what evidence was on the drive, that files were
 - 25 last accessed on July 13th.

11:24 1 image it.

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- Q. Have you ever brought a bag of cash to a meeting 2 3 where you intended to image a person's computer?
 - A. No. I've never traveled with a bag of cash.
- Q. So you've never paid a witness \$20,000 in cash in
- a backpack for computer access to the Witness' email
- accounts and two daily planners?
- A. I personally have never--never purchased something 9 from a Witness.
 - Q. In cash or otherwise?
 - A. In cash or otherwise. If that was happening, I
- would expect it to be my clients. I just go and image.
- 13 Q. Mr. Lynch, you have reviewed all of Guerra's media
- that he provided to Chevron's investigator; correct?
- A. Yes. One of the -- one of the thumb drives didn't
- 16 work, so I don't--couldn't review that. But generally,
- 17 yes, I reviewed it all in some way.
- O. And that included the hard drive, the USB drives
- or the thumb drives and CDs; right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And were you asked to search for any document that
- 22 contained text substantially similar to the 2011 Lago Agrio
- 23 Judgment?
- 24 A. That's one of the things that--that I searched for
- 25 in my analysis, yes.

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- 11:23 1 Generally, had any files been accessed or modified
 - 2 after that, then the Last Accessed or Last Modified dates
 - 3 respectfully would have been updated, and none were. They
 - 4 were all--all the Access dates were July 13th or earlier,
 - 5 and all the Modified dates were July 13th or earlier.
 - 6 There's no evidence of any changes on the drive after 7 July 13th.
 - Q. And again, the evidence you're referring to 9 is--are the dates for those files; correct?
 - A. Yes. The time stamps.
 - Q. And those dates could all have been changed by 11
 - 12 Investigator No. 5 if he had attached that hard drive to
 - 13 his own computer; correct?
 - 14 A. If he had attached that computer to his hard
 - 15 drive, I would have--would expect that there would be files
 - 16 updated when he attached that file to his--there would be
 - 17 metadata showing a Last Access date after July 13th.
 - Q. Let's talk for a minute about your past experience 19 collecting forensic evidence.
 - Have you ever been sent by Stroz Friedberg to
 - 21 collect images of someone's computer?
 - 22 A. Yes, I have.
 - Q. Have you ever purchased that person's computer in 23
 - 24 order to make forensic images of that hard drive?
 - A. I personally have never purchased a computer to

- 11:26 1 But you did not find any; correct?
 - No, I did not. Α.
 - No early drafts? 3 0.
 - No. Α.
 - 5 Not on any of the USB drives?
 - Not on any of the USB drives that were provided to 6
 - 7 me.

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- 8 Q. Okay. So Counsel for Chevron has never provided
- to you any external media: Thumb drives, hard drives, CDs
- 10 that it represented to you came from Mr. Guerra and which
- 11 contained the February 14th, 2011 Lago Agrio Judgment;
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. No. I have not been provided any media other than
- 14 the--or anything that I understand came from Mr. Guerra
- that had a draft of that document.
- Q. Have you ever investigated any media where you 16
- found a draft of the Lago Agrio Judgment?
 - A. Yes, I have.
- 19 O. What media was that?
- A. As I described in my presentation, the Zambrano 20
- 21 Computers had draft--had a draft.
- 22 Q. But other than the Zambrano hard drives, you have
- 23 never analyzed any media that contained any portion of
- 24 Final Lago Agrio Judgment?
 - A. No. The Zambrano Computers are the only computers

11:27 1 that I've analyzed that have a draft of that document on 2 it--or text from that document, I should say.

And actually, let me just add, I have reviewed,
for instance, Mr. Donziger's computer, which have some of
the unfiled work product, so there is text from those on
other computers.

- 7 Q. But you're not contending that those are the Final 8 Lago Agrio Judgment, are you?
- 9 A. No. I just want to make sure--when I say, "text 10 from the Judgment" that I'm not excluding those when I 11 shouldn't be.
- 12 Q. Just to be clear, you have not reviewed any
- 13 document, any computer, any media from any party that has a
- 14 Draft that purports to be a Draft of the Lago Agrio
- 15 Judgment; is that correct?
- A. Well, I've reviewed Mr. Zambrano's computers.
- 17 Other than Mr. Zambrano's computers, I've not received a
- 18 computer or media that has any document that purports to be
- 19 a draft.
- 20 Q. Could you turn in Tab 1--this is your
- 21 October 2013, Report--to Table 2, Page 11.
 - 2 A. Yes.
- 23 O. At Gibson Dunn's request you were asked to
- 24 identify and authenticate these 11 documents that were
- 25 found on Mr. Guerra's hard drive; correct?

11:30 1 2010, at 11:44 a.m.?

- A. It was--yes. From my analysis, it was copied to the--the computer. Then shortly after Windows was reinstalled.
- 5 Q. But it was put onto this computer for the first 6 time on July 23rd, 2010?
- 7 A. I can't say that was the first time it was put 8 there. It could have been there prior--or likely was there 9 prior to the Windows reinstallation, but this is when it
- 10 was copied to the computer after the Windows 11 reinstallation.
 - Q. Let's just take that one piece at a time.

 $\,$ You agree that it's the first time that we can see

14 this file on this computer; correct?

A. Yes.

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- 16 Q. But you said it could have been there prior to 17 that date?
- 18 A. Yes, I did.
- 19 Q. And you also said that it's likely that it was
- 20 there prior to that date?
- 21 A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. What do you base "could have been" or "likely
- 23 was"--what is your evidence that you're pointing to?
 - A. If it you look at Table 3, the last--well, I
- 25 should say that there are--there are multiple pieces of

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11:28 1 A. Yes.

- Q. And you concluded that they were nine Draft Orders issued by the Lago Agrio Court; right?
- 4 A. These were Drafts of Orders issued by the Lago 5 Agrio Court. Right.
- 6 Q. And in your Report, you call them "Draft Guerra
 7 Orders"?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. So Table 2 that we're looking at now is file
- 10 system metadata; right?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And this is the information that the computer or
- 13 the operating system attaches to these files; correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. So looking at these columns, the date columns in
- 16 particular, we've talked about the Last Written and the
- 17 Last Accessed. Let's talk about the Created date.
- 18 The Created date is when a file is created on a 19 computer; correct?
- 20 A. Yes. It's--it's when the file was first created
- 21 on--on this particular file system. As I describe in my
- 22 direct, that can either be through copying from another
- 23 device or--or if a file is first created there.
- Q. So looking at the first line,
- 25 "ProvidenciaTexaco.doc" it was created on July 23rd,

11:31 1 evidence.

- One, if you look at Table 3, the Last Saved By name of Usuario, that--that's a name that's associated with
- 4 other documents that--that appear to be, on their face,
- 4 Other documents that --that appear to be, on their race,
- 5 Mr. Guerra's documents. For example, his CV was last saved
- 6 using that same user name, which suggests to me that
- 7 Mr. Guerra's computer prior to the Windows reinstallation
- 8 was, in fact, using the user name Usuario.
- 9 And then all of these files--all of the files
- 10 shown in Tables 1 and Table 2, all these 11 draft Guerra
- 11 Orders, as I call them, were copied from the Western
- 12 Digital hard drive en masse with some 4,000 other files,
- 13 included his CV and including family photos of Mr. Guerra.
- 14 To me, it seems most likely that prior to
- 15 reinstalling Windows, he would have copied all of his
- 16 documents to the external hard drive, reinstalled Windows,
- 17 and then copied the documents back, particularly given
- 10 that that there there is a manufacture in the second has the
- 18 that--that these--these documents were last saved by the
- 19 same user name that was associated with some of his
- 20 documents.
- 21 Q. So, Mr. Lynch, you mentioned Mr. Guerra's CV.
- 22 Can you point to me in this Report where you
- 23 mentioned that before?
- 24 A. I don't highlight that document in my Report.
 - Q. So this is the first time today that you are

11:33 1 mentioning that?

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A. Well, I think it's the first time today that I've 3 mentioned it. I have mentioned it in the past. As an 4 example, it's in my--it was--I mentioned it in my RICO 5 testimony in the case.

Q. So in your reports that you submitted in this 7 arbitration, Mr. Racich responded to your October 2013, 8 Report in December 2013 and raised this point, that all 11 9 of these documents were not created on Mr. Guerra's 10 computer until at least six months after they were issued. 11

Would you agree with me?

12 A. Yes, that--he--he described that. I don't know 13 exactly what words he used, but he described that general 14 situation in his Report.

Q. And I am paraphrasing Mr. Racich.

You have since filed three reports, none of which 16 17 have mentioned Mr. Guerra's CV.

A. Yes. As I--as I described earlier, I understood 18 19 that--that the next three reports that I--I issued, two of 20 which are in evidence in this case, were on different 21 topics.

22 Q. And you told me earlier that you didn't listen to 23 all of Dr. Leonard's presentation because you were drafting

24 a document. Do you remember that?

A. Yes, I do.

11:35 1 explicitly mentioned it in my Report.

Q. Just to make sure our record is clear, you also 3 mentioned photos; correct?

A. Yes.

5 Q. Those also are not in any of your Reports in this operation?

A. They're not in my Reports, no. I--I believe I 8 described them in my RICO testimony.

9 Q. And are you testifying that photos have an Author 10 name of Usuario?

A. No, the photos don't have an Author name. The 11 photos are of Mr. Guerra.

Q. So there are pictures of Mr. Guerra that he copied 13 onto his computer?

A. Alongside these documents and other documents with 16 the name Usuario.

0. And that they came from a hard drive; correct?

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19 0. You call it the Maxtor hard drive?

20 It's the Western Digital hard drive.

Q. Oh, Western Digital, okay. 21

You have no idea how these documents got

23 onto--these documents--let me start over.

You have no idea how Documents 1 through 11 got

25 onto the Western Digital hard drive?

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Q. And that was your description of the scope of what 2 you wanted to address from Mr. Racich's October 2013,

3 Report that you had never taken the opportunity to respond 4 to; correct?

MR. WHITE: I'm going to object. That was an 6 issue that was argued by Counsel that related to the scope 7 of Mr. Lynch's direct testimony.

These are responses that Mr. Ewing is eliciting 9 from this witness on cross-examination, and that's quite 10 different.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue. 11

BY MR. EWING: 12

Q. But you did not--but you did not include this 14 point about the CV in your short description that you wrote 15 during Dr. Leonard's presentation; correct?

A. The description I wrote was--was specific to a 16 17 paragraph in Mr. Racich's most recent Report. I didn't--I

18 didn't describe the CV, for example. Q. So your testimony today, though, is that you have

20 testified before in other proceedings about these 21 documents, but for the first time today you're mentioning

22 them here? 23 A. Well, I understand that my RICO testimony is in

24 evidence. So, I mean, it--I don't think it's the first

25 time the CV has been before the Tribunal, but I've not

A. Well, I have an idea. As I said, it's--it's--when 2 someone reinstalls Windows, it's common for them to back up

3 their files to a hard drive so that when they reinstall

4 Windows, they don't lose their files. And it's also

5 common, once you reinstall Windows, for the files then to

6 be copied back to the computer.

So specifically whether or not, I have an idea,

yeah, I have an idea how they got onto the Western--

Q. But you have no forensic evidence?

A. No. I--I don't have forensic evidence showing 11 when they are copied to the Western Digital drive.

Q. So you don't know whether they were copied from

13 Mr. Zambrano's computer first and then onto Mr. Guerra's 14 computer?

A. Well, they're not--none of these files are on 15 16 either of Mr. Zambrano's computers that were produced for imaging. 17

Q. None of these files? Is the substance of these 18 19 files on Mr. Zambrano's computer?

A. Yes. The text is in some of the versions of 21 Caso Texaco.

Q. So Caso Texaco filed--on Mr. Zambrano's computer 22

23 has the contents of all of these files; correct?

A. Yes. Well, I guess specifically it has the--the

25 final or near-final versions of the Orders associated with

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11:39 1 these drafts. But the--just to be clear, the dates--so if
2 we look at--at one of these files--choosing one, the--I
3 can't choose right now--choosing one of them, the text was
4 last saved on Mr. Guerra's computer before the file named

4 last saved on Mr. Guerra's computer before the file 5 Caso Texaco contained that text.

6 Q. Mr. Lynch, you say it was last saved on 7 Mr. Guerra's computer.

8 Looking at Tables 2 and 3, which is all of the 9 metadata you have provided for these two files, what 10 evidence is there that these were saved on Mr. Guerra's 11 computer and when?

A. I should say that the--the files on Mr. Guerra's computer were last saved, but that they were saved using the user name Usuario and that, as I said earlier, is also

15 the user name that's saved from Mr. Guerra's CV.

16 Q. Do you know what Usuario means?

17 A. I understand it means user.

18 Q. That's a pretty generic user name?

19 A. It is a generic name, yes.

20 Q. Looking at Tables 2 and 3, just to be clear, the

21 only information that we have as to when these files were

22 created on Mr. Guerra's computer for sure is July 23rd,

23 2010, for the create date for all 11 of them; everything

24 else that you're suggesting is speculation?

A. I wouldn't--wouldn't say that it's speculation

11:41 1 Q. So, Mr. Lynch, if I took your document from this 2 morning--it's a great example you've made--given us--and it

3 probably has a Created date of July--or April 27th, 2015,

4 what, 9:35 p.m., approximately, when you started; right?

5 A. Yeah, assuming that was the--yeah, the date and 6 time when I created it. Yes.

Q. So the Created date would be 9:35 a.m. today?

A. Yes.

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9 Q. And the Last Written date would be today, when you 10 finished your presentation, you saved that file again, you

11 know, hit your final Control S and closed the file. So

12 it's probably April 27th, 2015, at 10:30?

A. Probably like 10:15, but--I don't know. But,

14 yeah, somewhere around there.

0. 10:15.

16 So if I took that file from your computer--I

 $17\,\,$ copied it from your computer and put it on my computer, the

8 Create date would be right now, 4/27 at 11:40 a.m.; right?

19 A. Yes. If we copied it from this computer to your 20 computer, the Create date on your computer would be when we

21 did the copy.

22 Q. It would be when I copied it?

23 A. Yes.

Q. But it would also show a Last Written date of

25 April 27th at 10:15 a.m.; correct?

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11:40 1 that the file was last saved on October 20th or that it's

2 Last Saved By the name--user name Usuario or that other

3 files have that same user name. I wouldn't characterize

4 all that as speculation.

5 Q. Let's try again.

October 20th, 2009, we all agree that this file

7 was last written?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And July 13th, 2012, we all agree this first

10 file was last accessed?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And July 23rd, 2010, we all agree this first

13 file was created on Mr. Zambrano's computer?

14 A. It was copied to Mr. Guerra's computer.

15 Q. Sorry. Mr. Guerra's computer.

So on July 23rd, 2010, that is the only date

17 that we know that ties this file--any of these 11 files to

18 Mr. Guerra's computer?

19 A. That's the--the first date that--that we can look

20 at and say definitively the file would have been there when

21 the computer believed it to be July 23rd.

But as I said, we know when it was Last Written

23 and that when it was Last Written it was done by the Author

24 name Usuario, or Usuario, and that other files on

25 Mr. Guerra's computer also have that name.

11:43 1 A. Yes

Q. So that information wouldn't change when I copied

3 it over?

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A. The Last Written date would not change, no.

Q. So the date that it was created on my

6 computer--the only date that we know that ties this to my

7 computer would be the Created date?

8 A. In that case, yes, that would be the date showing

9 when it was first copied to--to your computer.

10 Q. Could you turn, still in Tab 1, to Page 13.

Do you see that?

12 A. I do, yes.

13 Q. You compared all of the soft--or the files from

14 Mr. Guerra's computer and from the final Lago Agrio

15 litigation?

16 A. I compared the documents from Mr. Guerra computer

17 (sic) to the--the issued versions of the orders in the Lago

18 Agrio Court.

Q. And you found that they were similar; correct?

20 A. Yes.

Q. Okay. So now, just to keep you on your toes, can

22 you turn back to Table 4? Oh, sorry. We're already at

23 Table 4. I already took you there.

24 A. We are.

Q. Okay. You are on your toes.

11:45 1 How many of these Orders were issued during Judge 2 Zambrano's term as Presiding Judge from October 2010

3 through March 2011?

- A. I believe it's nine of the Orders--well, all nine 5 of the Orders, that--the 11 are--there are duplicates in 6 there.
 - Q. Just--listen carefully to the dates.

8 How many of these Orders, the nine that you have 9 listed, were issued by Judge Zambrano between October 2010 10 and March 2011?

A. Sorry. None of these Orders were issued in that 11 12 time period.

13 I understood that Mr. Zambrano was the Presiding 14 Judge earlier as well.

Q. So Mr. Zambrano was on the bench for two different 16 terms. Do you understand that?

A. That's my understanding.

Q. And none of these orders that you have here at all 18

19 relate to his second term?

20 A. No, they don't.

Q. I am correct that none of them relate to his

22 second term?

23 A. These all relate, as I understand it, to his first

24 term.

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Q. Okay. And these are all the same Orders which

11:48 1 BY MR. EWING:

Q. One question about the emails, nonsubstantive:

The emails that you recovered were all on

4 Mr. Donziger's computer; correct?

A. Yes, that's correct.

Q. You recovered no emails on Mr. Guerra's computer

7 from Mr. Donziger?

A. That's--that's correct. I didn't recover any--the

9 content of any emails between Donziger and Guerra on the

Guerra Computer.

Q. So the only emails that you're aware of are from 11

Mr. Guerra to Mr. Donziger?

A. I--sitting here now, I--I can't recall whether or

not Mr. Donziger ever replied or sent any new emails.

Q. Okay. And were you asked to search for emails on

Mr. Guerra's computer from or to Mr. Fajardo?

A. Yeah, I believe that's one of the searches that I

would have run.

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Q. Did you find any?

A. No. There are-there are effectively no emails on 20

21 the Guerra Computer to--to search.

Q. And let's talk about emails for a moment.

You mentioned in your opening slides, if I can

24 find them here, that Hotmail temporarily displays messages

25 on a user's computer; correct?

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11:46 1 have a Create date on Mr. Guerra's computer of July 23rd, 2 2010?

A. Yes. These Orders have the--have a Create date on

4 Mr. Guerra's computer of July 23rd, 2010. Q. And how many of these orders were issued by Judge

Zambrano after July 23rd, 2010?

A. None of them.

Q. Okay. Let's move on to a different topic.

You've testified that you analyzed both

10 Mr. Guerra's and Mr. Donziger's computers; right?

11 A. Yes.

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Q. And you have never uncovered any email between 12

13 Mr. Guerra and Mr. Donziger in which the two of them

14 reference a bribe; correct?

A. I have recovered emails between the two of them.

16 I don't--I can't recall the content of all of them. I

17 don't--I don't believe any of them do, but--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that really a question for

19 this witness? It probably isn't, is it?

MR. EWING: He had been the one who had recovered

21 them. I was asking him whether he had reviewed them. He's

529 14th Street S.E.

22 provided testimony on how documents overlap and don't

23 overlap.

But I can move on. 24

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please do. 11:49 1 A. Yes. When you access it through a web browser.

Q. Through a web browser. And we all agree that

3 there's no indication that Mr. Guerra accessed his email in

4 any other way; right?

A. Yeah, I would agree with that. 5

Q. I'm looking for your slide where you discussed

Hotmail. Do you know which one it is offhand?

A. Not off the top of my head.

O. It would be earlier in the deck.

10 MR. WHITE: That is 9.

MR. EWING: Thank you, Counsel.

BY MR. EWING:

13 Q. So Mr. Racich's concluded that on the Guerra

14 Computer there appear to be emails that have since been

15 deleted, and you said that you disagree with that

statement? 16

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A. Yes. I--I disagree with the implication that they 17

were on the Guerra Computer and then deleted. They

weren't--there's no indication that they were stored

long-term on the Guerra Computer to be deleted.

Q. You had complete access to Mr. Guerra's Hotmail

22 accounts; correct?

A. I--I had the user name and passwords for

24 Mr. Guerra's Hotmail account.

Q. And did you or anyone else at Stroz Friedberg log

- 11:51 1 in to those accounts?
 - A. Yes. I did not, but someone at Stroz Friedberg 3 did, yes.
 - Q. So someone under your supervision logged in to 5 those Hotmail accounts and forensically stored them;
 - correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you received this information from Chevron; 8 9 correct?
 - 10 A. Received the user name and passwords from Chevron.
 - O. Not from Mr. Guerra directly? 11
 - 12 A. Not from Mr. Guerra directly.
 - Q. Did you look for deleted messages in his Hotmail? 13
 - A. Yes, we would have. There--there were
 - 15 effectively no emails in the account when we preserved it.
 - 16 The--the first email was a notice--I don't recall the exact

 - 17 content, but implying that the account had gone inactive
 - 18 and that Microsoft purges all the emails out of it. So
 - there were no emails relevant to preserve.
 - 20 O. So there were no sent messages?
 - A. No, there were not.
 - O. And no drafts? 22
 - 23 A. No, there were not.
 - Q. Because all of those messages had been deleted? 24
 - A. Yes, they'd all been-they'd all been purged.

- 11:53 1 O. You didn't look, though?
 - A. Yes.
 - And you've not seen any emails or communications
 - 4 or texts from Mr. Guerra's computers, phones, USB drives in
 - which Mr. Guerra purports to transmit any Proposed Order or
 - 6 Final Decision to Mr. Zambrano?
 - A. I've not seen any--any electronic communication of 8 an Order from Mr. Guerra to Mr. Zambrano through email or a
 - 9 text message or anything like that.

 - But as I described earlier, there is evidence
 - 11 that--that Mr. Guerra saved orders to a thumb drive. There
 - 12 is evidence that Mr. Guerra sent packages to Mr. Zambrano
 - 13 or to Lago Agrio. There's evidence that those same thumb 14 drives were connected to Mr. Zambrano's computers.
 - The files--the drafts that Mr. Guerra had on his
 - 16 computer, that he created on his computer, appear on
 - 17 Mr. Zambrano's computer. I would consider all of that
 - evidence of transmission, not through email or text, but, I
 - quess, snail mail, as people sometimes call it.
 - 20 Q. And you mentioned TAME packages. You're referring
 - to the TAME packages; correct?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - 23 O. That Mr. Guerra claims to have sent?
 - A. And there are shipping records from TAME showing
 - 25 that Mr. Guerra sent packages.

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- Q. When you say "purged," you're just arguing that it 2 was Hotmail that deleted them, not Mr. Guerra; correct?
 - A. Well, that--that is what the first email
 - 4 suggested, that Microsoft automatically deleted all of the
 - 5 emails because the account had not been used for a period
 - Q. But we can agree that there were likely emails
 - there before and they are no longer there; correct?
 - A. I would agree with that, yes.
 - O. Okay. When you reviewed Mr. Guerra's media, did
 - 11 you find any email text or any other communications with
 - 12 Mr. Zambrano?
 - A. There was a--a reference to--in his--in his email
 - 14 account, the address book was still there. The address
 - 15 book contained an entry for an email address that had
 - 16 the--the name Nicolas Zambrano associated with it, but I
 - 17 didn't find any communications between the two of them in 18 email.
 - 19 Q. So you found that one judge had a former judge's
 - 21 A. Yes.
 - Q. Did you find any other judge's names? 22

20 email address in his Hotmail contact list?

- I don't know all--I mean, I don't know all the
- 24 different judges in Ecuador. So I won't--there could be
- 25 other judges; there may not be. I don't know.

- O. But we have no evidence of what is in those TAME 2 packages, other than what Mr. Guerra says; correct?
 - A. We also have Mr. Zambrano's testimony that
 - 4 Mr. Guerra shipped him Orders using TAME.
 - Q. Did Mr. Zambrano testify that Mr. Guerra assisted 5
 - with the Lago Agrio action?
 - A. I don't believe so.
 - Q. So we have no evidence--no TAME records that show
 - 9 that Mr. Guerra assisted with the Lago Agrio Final
 - Judgment?

- 11 A. No, there aren't any TAME records showing
- 12 that--that Mr. Guerra did that.
- Q. Okay. And you analyzed Mr. Guerra's two cell 13
- 14 phones; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And you used the forensic software that we
- 17 discussed earlier in an RF-blocking bag that would have
- enabled you to view and recover text messages; correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 O. But you found no evidence of text messages between
- 21 Mr. Guerra and Mr. Zambrano about a bribe?
- A. I can't recall all--whether--the content of any
- 23 text messages, but I don't--I don't recall any about a
- 24 bribe.
 - Q. And you didn't find any evidence of text messages

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- 11:56 1 between Mr. Guerra and any representatives of the
 - 2 Plaintiffs about a bribe?
 - A. Not that I can recall, no.
 - 4 Q. Or about the merits of the Lago Agrio Case?
 - 5 A. No
 - 6 Q. Or, in fact, no text messages at all between
 - 7 Mr. Guerra and any representative of the Plaintiffs?
 - A. No. Not that I'm aware of, no.
 - 9 Q. And to be clear, you found absolutely no text
 - 10 messages at all between Mr. Guerra and Mr. Zambrano?
 - 11 A. Yeah. I--I don't believe there were any text
 - 12 messages.
 - 13 Q. Okay. Let's move on to a different topic again,
 - 14 away from communications.
 - 15 A. Actually, I just--on--there may have been texts--I
 - 16 can't recall any text messages right now. There may have
 - 17 been text messages. If there were, they would be listed in
 - 18 Exhibits 37, 38, and 39.
 - 19 Q. Okay. We can double-check those, but I don't
 - 20 think there were any between Mr. Guerra and Mr. Zambrano.
 - 21 But we can double-check.
 - 22 So let's move on to a different topic, away from
 - 23 communications and text messages.
 - 24 Could you return to Page 29 of your October 2013,
 - 25 Report?

- 11:59 1 Annex H1?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you found that they are, for all intents and
 - 4 purposes, identical in terms of the data that is in there?
 - A. Yes. One had one more pit listed. But for all
 - 6 the other pits, they were identical.
 - Q. If you want to turn to the next page, we'll be
 - 8 focusing more there.
 - 9 Just to make sure our background is right, the
 - 10 Stratus compilation is Stratus Consulting's attempt to
 - 11 identify all of the pits in the Concession Area; correct?
 - A. I don't know what they were attempting to do. I
 - 13 just know that that's--I mean, I know what the data in the
 - 14 compilation is.
 - 15 Q. It's a compilation of pits in the Concession Area.
 - 16 You would agree with me on that?
 - A. Yes, that's what it is.
 - 18 Q. And Annex H1 is the same thing. It's a
 - 19 compilation of pits in the Concession Area?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. Annex--and for the Tribunal's reference, Stratus
 - 22 compilation is in the arbitral record at R-1217, and Annex
 - 23 H1 is in the record at R-1216.
 - So when you looked at the Stratus compilation,
 - 25 you noticed that many of the pits included information

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- 11:58 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And at the bottom, do you see where it says "Pit
 - 3 Counts"?
 - A. I do, yes.
 - 5 Q. So at this section, you are referencing the 880
 - 6 pits that the Final Judgment says require remediation;
 - 7 correct?
 - 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. And what you have done is calculated the 880 pits
 - 10 using what you call the Stratus Compilation or Annex H1
 - 11 from Mr. Cabrera's Report; is that right?
 - 12 A. Yes, that's what I--what I did.
 - 13 Q. And Mr. Younger did a similar analysis of this
 - 14 before and reached the same conclusion; right?
 - 15 A. Yes, he did.
 - 16 Q. And your conclusion is that the 880 Pit Count
 - 17 comes from the Selva Viva data compilation, or Annex H1;
 - 18 right?
 - 19 A. Yes, that's generally the conclusion
 - 20 specifically--I mean, I can walk you through that analysis.
 - Q. Let me do the walking through, and we'll get
 - 22 there.
 - 23 A. Okay.
 - Q. Stop me at any point.
 - 25 So you both looked at the Stratus Compilation and

- 12:01 1 in a column called Comentario del RAP; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 3 O. And that column provides some information about
 - 4 how a pit was or was not addressed in the Remedial Action
 - 5 Plan, or the RAP; right?
 - That's my understanding.
 - 7 Q. And you understand that the RAP was an agreement
 - 8 between TexPet and the Ecuadorian Ministry of Mines to
 - 9 clean up part of the Oriente as a part of a separate
 - 10 Release Agreement?
 - 11 A. That's my understanding.
 - 12 Q. And if we look at Figure 18, you have listed here,
 - 13 on the left side of your figure, the Comentario de RAP--del
 - 14 RAP; right?
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - 16 Q. And these are the categories that you found in the
 - 17 Stratus compilation and the Annex H1.
 - A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. Are you aware of the fact that Chevron also
 - 20 created its own pit compilations?
 - 21 A. No, I'm not.
 - Q. Or that HBT AGRA, one of the two auditors hired
 - 23 before the RAP, also had its own pit compilations?
 - 24 A. No, I am not.
 - Q. Or Fugro McClelland, the other auditor hired

- 12:02 1 before the RAP, had its own pit compilations?
 - 2 A. No, I'm not.
 - Q. So you didn't perform these same style
 - $4\,$ calculations on Chevrons' compilations or either auditor's
 - 5 compilations; correct?
 - 6 A. No, I didn't have them, so I could not have done 7 that.
 - Q. Okay. And you don't know whether the Lago Agrio
 - 9 Court-appointed experts also had these same pit
 - 10 compilations, do you?
 - 11 A. Well, do you mean Mr. Cabrera? I mean, he had the 12 same thing that Stratus did.
 - 13 Q. So, Mr. Cabrera had it. We all agree to that?
 - 14 A. Yes
 - Q. And Mr. Barros--do you know whether Mr. Barros had
 - 16 it?

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- 17 A. No, I don't know if Mr. Barros--I actually want to
- 18 revise my previous statement.
- 19 I don't know that Mr. Cabrera had it. It was
- 20 submitted under his name. I should say that differently.
- Q. Okay. But that's just an understanding you have
- 22 from counsel; that's not something you have determined by
- 23 your own expertise?
- 24 A. Well, I received his Report, and this information
- 25 is in it.

- 12:04 1 not have been listed in the Cabrera Report.
 - Q. Charapa 4 was one of the blank lines, wasn't it,
 - 3 in the Comentario del RAP?
 - 4 A. It was, yes.
 - Q. So it was one of the 676?
 - A. It was one of the 676 in the Stratus compilation.
 - 0. So then-
 - 8 A. I'm sorry. It was one of the 676 in the Stratus
 - 9 compilation. It did not appear in the Cabrera Anexo H1.
 - Q. And you then excluded Charapa 4 to get to your
 - 11 revised count of 675; correct?
 - 12 A. I--yes, I excluded it from the Stratus
 - 13 compilation. If you do the calculations using the Cabrera
 - 14 annex, you don't need to exclude it, because it's not
 - 15 there.

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- 16 Q. Okay. But that's the only pit you excluded from
- 17 the blank category; correct?
- 18 A. Yes, that's the--the only pit I excluded from the
- 19 blank category.
- Q. But you left the three pits that are at Charapa 1
- 21 on the list, right, that are also in the blank category?
 - A. Yes, because those appear in the -- in the Cabrera
- 23 Report, and I--I don't have any understanding that they're
- 24 outside the Concession Area.
- Q. So you didn't know that Charapa 1 is also not part

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12:03 1 Q. So both you and Mr. Younger concluded that the

- 2 Stratus compilation was the most likely source of the
- 3 Judgment's 880 Pit Count; right?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And you performed your analysis using the--using
- 6 the Stratus compilation because it was in Microsoft Excel
- 7 and therefore much easier to use; right?
- 8 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 9 Q. You could have done the same thing by hand using
- 10 Cabrera's Annex H1?
- 11 A. Yes, and--yes, I could have.
- 12 Q. So you and Mr. Younger both found that Cabrera's
- 13 Annex H1 listed 916 pits and the Stratus compilation listed
- 14 917 pits; right?
- 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. So there's a difference of one between the two?
- 17 A. Yes. And--and Footnote 23 identifies the pit that
- 18 was--

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- 19 O. Was different?
- 20 A. --different.
- 21 Q. Okay. So this footnote that Charapa 4 was not
- 22 part of the Concession Area was intended to explain why you
- 23 excluded Charapa 4; correct?
- 24 A. Well, it's--it's what I understand, and it's why I
- 25 understand it wasn't listed in the Cabrera report--or might

- 12:06 1 of the Concession Area?
 - 2 A. No. I--I--until you said that, I--I did not know 3 that.
 - 4 Q. Similarly, you left the four pits from Bermejo 1,
 - 5 3, and 4 on the list; right?
 - 6 A. Yes. Those appear in the Cabrera Report, and I
 - $7\,$ have no understanding that they are outside the Concession
 - 8 Area.
 - 9 Q. But you did this using the Stratus compilation;
 - 10 right?
 - 11 A. Well, yes, because it was in Excel, but I--I also
 - 12 confirmed that the Stratus compilation and the Stratus
 - 13 Report are--sorry--the Stratus compilation and the Cabrera
 - 14 annex, other than Charapa 4, have the same data. So the
 - 15 effects are the same, that--excluding Charapa 4 from the
 - 16 Stratus compilation makes the Stratus compilation the
 - 17 Cabrera annex.
 - 18 So I guess I did it with the Stratus compilation
 - 19 but excluded it so that it was effectively doing it
 - 20 with--with either one.
 - 21 O. But you also then left the pits at Coca 1 on the
 - 22 list, which is also not part of the Concession Area?
 - A. Yeah, because those are in the--the Cabrera annex.
 - Q. Did you know that Coca 1 was a Texaco-drilled well
 - 25 that's actually now part of the Burlington concession?

- 12:07 1 A. No, I did not.
 - Q. So you included all of these other pits at all of 3 these other sites that are not part of the concession, even 4 though you removed Charapa 1 because it was not part of the 5 Concession Area?
 - A. I removed Charapa 4 because it is the single 7 difference between the Stratus compilation and the Cabrera 8 Report, and I--I understood that the--the reason it may 9 have been different was because it wasn't in the Concession 10 Area.
 - Q. Okay. So the Younger Report found that the Lago 11 12 Agrio Judgment did not include no-impact figures or 13 similar--similar entries or those related to Petroecuador 14 and Petroproducción; correct?
 - A. I don't--I mean, I don't know if I describe it as 15 16 a--as a finding or something that's found.

The Judgment, reading the English translation, 18 describes what it's including in the count, and it 19 describes that it doesn't include those--those pits.

- 20 Q. At the top of page 30, you say the same thing:
- 21 Stroz Friedberg observed that the Judgment did not include
- 22 no-impact figures or similar entry--entries or those
- 23 related to Petroecuador and Petroproducción.
- Do you see that?
- A. I do, yes.

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12:11 1 O. Wouldn't you agree with me, though, that 2 remediation complete, remediación completa, also would be 3 no impact?

- A. To me, that sounds like there was an impact and it was remediated, not specifically that there was no impact.
- Q. So you understand that means that the impact has been cleaned up?
- A. But that's what it--you know, on its face, that's 9 what it seems to say to me--or that's what it seems to be
- Q. But this exercise that you were doing here is to 11 determine which pits needed to be cleaned still, yet you're including pits that have already been cleaned?
- A. No. I'm--I'm not making a determination as 15 to whether or not pits need to be cleaned. I'm--I am 16 applying the description in the Judgment to the Cabrera 17 annex, as I read it.
- O. So when Mr. Younger did this calculation, he 18 19 came--or calculated that there are 880 pits; correct?
- 20 A. Yes, he did.
- Q. And you used the same methodology and came up with 22 the same number?
- A. Yes. If you apply the same methodology to the 24 same data set, it's a good test that someone did it
- 25 correctly, that it's the same result.

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12:09 1 Q. Okay. What does "no impact" mean?

- A. To me--I mean, I--like I said, at an environmental 3 level. I'm not offering an opinion what "no impact" means, 4 just that's what it said.
- Q. But you went through these descriptions of sites 6 and decided which ones were no impact or similar; correct?
- A. It--I mean, from the descriptions, it appeared to 8 me which ones were saying there was no impact and which 9 ones didn't say that.
- So, for example, I looked at the line "no detecto 11 impactos"--and I apologize for my Spanish. I--I don't 12 speak Spanish.
- But I looked at that and said that that, to me, 13 14 seems to be saying no impact.
- O. And your Spanish is correct there. 15
- 16 But what are the other "or similar" categories 17 that you removed because they are no impact?
- 18 "No terminada coma piscina." A.
- 19 I believe those were the only two.
- Q. So you made some determination of what you thought 20
- 21 "no impact" meant, because you then also included no
- 22 determination as a piscina, no finding of a pool or a pit?
- A. Yeah. I quess--yes. But to me that seemed to be 23
- 24 saying there--there--if there wasn't a pit, there was no

25 impact.

- 12:12 1 Q. So if we could put Figure 22 from the Younger 2 Report--that's the equivalent of Figure 18--for the
 - 3 Tribunal's reference, the Younger Report is Tab 9, and 4 Figure 22 is on Page 19, almost the last page.

5 And both in your Report and Mr. Younger's Report, you start out with a full count of 917 pits and

- 7 end up with 880; right? A. Yes.
- 9 But you and Mr. Younger included and excluded different pits, didn't you?
- A. Yes. In this chart, Mr. Younger doesn't include a pit in impactful action level and didn't exclude the
- 13 Charapa 4. So there is a different pit that's counted.
- 14 I--I can't speak for Mr. Younger, but my
- 15 understanding of what he was trying--it was that we were applying the same analysis.
- Q. Your understanding is that you were applying the 17 same analysis, the same methodology, to the same data set, yet you used different pits in that analysis and included 20 and excluded different pits in that analysis?
- A. Yeah. I can't speak to what Mr. Younger did.
- 22 I--I would view this--this table as having a--an
- 23 error in that it should--it should exclude Charapa 4 from 24 the blank, and there should be a--a line that says 1.
- I don't know if that's just--if that was a

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- 12:14 1 typographical error or if he--he used a different counting 2 of the pits.
 - 3 Q. So you don't know whether he used the same 4 methodology?
 - 5 A. Well, he used the same methodology in that he--he 6 read the Judgment, tried to apply that description to the 7 Cabrera Annex or the Stratus compilation and--and came to
 - 9 Q. Let's move away from Pit Counts, and let's look at 10 your analysis of the Zambrano Computers, beginning with 11 your Second Report from August 15th, 2014, and that is
 - 12 Tab 2.
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - Q. Did you analyze the Zambrano hard drives to make sure they were not tampered with?
 - 16 A. Yeah. I looked for--for evidence of that.
 - 17 Q. And did you see any evidence that they were
 - 18 tampered with?
 - 19 A. I noted that--that on one of the computers
 - 20 there--the last apparent activity on the computer was
 - 21 the--the bulk copying of the group of files and then the
 - 22 deletion and said that that could have been consistent or
 - 23 that it was consistent with--I guess with tampering, but I
 - 24 don't know what the motivation was.
 - 5 Q. And that was the only indication that you found of

- 12:18 1 a computer, they still remain on the computer, generally 2 speaking?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. So if I deleted your document from the
 - 5 presentation this morning, that file would physically still
 - $\ensuremath{\mathsf{6}}$ be on your computer, but a normal user would not be able to
 - 7 access it?
 - 8 A. I understand that.
 - 9 Q. And that you would be able to, as a forensic
 - 10 examiner, use your forensic tools likely to recover that
 - 11 file; right?

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- 12 A. Yep.
- ${\tt Q.}$ Okay. And that file remains in unallocated space
- 14 on the hard drive?
 - A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. And you point to the fact that one may get rid of
- 17 deleted documents or files in the unallocated space by
- 18 overwriting the deleted documents; right?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- Q. And this can be done, you say, by copying data
- 21 onto a computer to fill up the unallocated space and
- 22 thereby overwrite previously deleted files?
- A. Well, that's--that's something one can do,
- 24 and--and that the copying of files--or creation of any new
- 25 file can overwrite data in unallocated space.

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12:16 1 tampering, in your definition of "tampering"?

- 2 A. That was the--the only evidence that I--I found 3 and highlighted, yeah.
- Q. Okay. And we will definitely come back to your contentions about bulk copying, but let's do some preliminary issues first.
- 7 Actually, you know what? Let's--let's just talk 8 about the bulk copying while we're here.
 - A. Sure.

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- 10 Q. In your Second Report, you discuss the issue of 11 bulk copying on the old and new Zambrano Computers; right?
- 12 A. I do describe that, yes.
- Q. And you conclude that, "In my experience, the bulk
- 14 copying of files will destroy data, and bulk copying and
- 15 subsequent deletion of the copied files is consistent with
 - 6 an attempt to overwrite previously deleted data."
- 17 Is that right?
- 18 A. That's what I describe in my Report, yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. But as a qualifier, you do state at the
- 20 beginning of that sentence that you, "Do not know the
- 21 motivation for these actions"; right?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's still true today?
- 24 A. Yes
- 25 Q. You understand that, when one deletes documents on

- 12:19 1 Q. But the person copying files to a computer has no 2 control over where that new file is placed, do they?
 - A. No. They can't--generally they can't control it.
 - Q. So if I deleted your document from this morning,
 - 5 it is now still an unallocated space; the file is still
 - 6 sitting there; correct?
 - A. The file is still sitting there, yes.
 - 8 Q. And you could copy a new file onto it and--in an
 - attempt to try and overwrite that file; right?
 - A. I could, yes.
 - 11 Q. Do you think you would be successful?
 - 12 A. It would depend on--on what other activity is
 - 13 occurring on the computer. The computer does generally
 - 14 tend to reuse certain portions, but I couldn't, as a
 - 15 layperson, target any one area for overwriting.
 - Q. So if you copied one or two files on there, you would have no certainty that you actually overwrote your
 - 18 deleted file?

- 19 A. No, I wouldn't--I wouldn't have certainty.
- 20 Q. Okay. So the only way to be sure that you
- 21 permanently removed a particular deleted file would be by
- 22 copying new files onto the computer to completely fill the
- 23 unallocated space; correct?
- 24 A. Yes. The only way to be--to be sure that you have
- 25 eliminated anything unallocated space is to fill

- 12:20 1 unallocated space with--with other data.
 - Q. And if you don't fill the entirety of unallocated space, you have no idea whether a particular deleted file has been permanently erased?
 - 5 A. No. I would--I would have no idea. As you copy 6 more files, it--I think most people would assume it becomes
 - 7 more likely that they've--they've deleted something that
 - 8 was unallocated space. But like I said, a forensic--as a
 9 forensic point, unless you fill unallocated space entirely,
 - 10 you would have no assurance that you've overwritten a file.
 - 11 Q. So if someone, for instance, filled up 1 percent
 - 12 of the unallocated space, they maybe would have 1 percent 13 chance of actually overwriting the deleted file; right?
 - 14 A. As I said, the computer tends to reuse some space
 - 15 more than others. I can't, sitting here right now,
 - 16 quantify the percentages, but...
 - 17 Q. You stated the most recent bulk copying on the old
 - 18 Zambrano computer took place on September 26th, 2012, and
 - 19 that's in Paragraph 68 of your August Report.
 - 20 A. Yes, on--on Page 11, so everyone can find that.
 - 21 Q. Sorry. Yes. Page 11. Sorry.
 - 22 You provide that 2,202 files were created on that
 - 23 computer on that day; right?
 - 24 A. Yes, that's what I describe.
 - Q. And those files were mostly Microsoft Word

- 12:24 1 A. No, I did not.
 - Q. The fact that it's such a small percentage of files indicates that it's very unlikely that anything was actually deleted, wouldn't you agree?
 - A. Well, no. Regardless of the--the percentage--I mean, there's a--there's a decent chance something was overwritten. I don't know what that--that would have been.
 - 8 But creating a new file, essentially regardless of its 9 size, has a chance of overwriting something.
 - 10 Q. But the person who creates that file would have no 11 idea which file was overwritten; right?
 - 12 A. No, they--they wouldn't. I--I--well, I wouldn't 13 be able to tell. I don't know whoever--if anyone is doing
 - 14 this with an intent to destroy data, what they knew or
 - 15 didn't know. They may just think that if you create a
 - 16 file, it destroys the most recently deleted file. I--and 17 I've heard people think that.
 - 18 So I can't speak to what whoever did the copying 19 and deletion thought. I also I think say clearly I'm
 - 20 not--I'm not--I'm going to say I do not know the motivation 21 for the actions.
 - 22 Q. And I agree that we don't know the motivation of
 - 23 the actions.
 24 As a forensic expert sitting here today, wouldn't
 - 25 you agree with me that copying 734 megabytes--it is only

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12:22 1 documents; right?

- A. That--that's my recollection. I can't--I can't speak to the specific percentages, but that is my recollection.
- 5 Q. The total size of these 2,202 files was 734 6 megabytes.
- $^{7}\,\,$ Do you remember that from Mr. Racich's Second $^{8}\,$ Report?
- 9 That is in Paragraph 68. And for the record, that 10 would be Tab 5, Racich's Second Report at November 7, 2014,
- Paragraph 68.
 A. Yes. I--I see him saying that it was only 734
- 13 megabytes. And I--I believe I would have confirmed that.
 14 I believe that number to be true.
- 15 Q. This is less than 1 percent of the total space on 16 the Old Computer; right?
- 17 A. Yes, it's less than 1 percent of the total space.
- 18 Q. But you didn't mention that in your First Report
- 19 where you brought up the bulk copying?
- 20 A. No, I didn't describe that in the Report.
- 21 O. And it's also less than 4 percent of the
- 22 unallocated space on the Old Computer; right?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And you didn't mention that in your earlier report
- 25 either, did you?

- 12:25 1 4 percent of the unallocated space--would be an incredibly 2 uneffective (sic) way to overwrite a previously deleted 3 file?
 - A. I would agree that if you were trying to--if--if you knew what you were doing and were trying to get rid of all deleted files, it would be ineffective.
 - 7 I--I can't speak to whether or not someone knew 8 what they were doing; just that I have seen, in my 9 experience, people try and destroy data by creating new 0 copies of files.
 - And it doesn't strike me as unreasonable to think that someone might think that they--that if they created 2,000 files on a computer, that they might overwrite something that had been deleted.
 - But again, I--I don't know why someone did that or the what they were trying to do.
 - 17 Q. And again, putting aside what they are trying to 18 do or their motivation, as a forensics expert, you would 19 agree with me that it was not an effective way to overwrite 20 those files?
 - 21 A. It would not have been effective to overwrite all 22 of the deleted files on the computer. It likely would have
 - 23 overwritten information on the computer, and that's the 24 point I try and make clear.
 - In addition to talking about the unallocated

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12:26 1 space, there are what's called the "MFT" on the computer.

- 2 The MFT is like an index of all the files on the drive.
- 3 When you delete a file, the file's contents remain in
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- 4 unallocated space to be overwritten, and the records for
- 5 that file remain in the MFT to be overwritten. They are
- 6 marked as deleted, but they're still there.
- 7 So if you created 2,202 files, as were done on the
- 8 Zambrano Old Computer, you'd both be putting files into
- 9 unallocated space, which would potentially overwrite
- 10 information; and you would have reused 2,202 MFT entries.
- 11 So whatever was in those MFT entries would be overwritten.
- 12 As to whether or not that would be effective--if
- 13 you were trying to destroy a single file, it would entirely
- 14 depend on where the computer--which MFT entries the
- 15 computer choose--chose to overwrote and what areas of
- 16 unallocated space.
- 17 And again, I don't--I don't know what someone was
- 18 trying to do. I am trying to highlight that that action
- 19 would have overwritten data, and we don't now know what
- 20 that data was; not--not to say that it was effective or
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- 21 ineffective. We don't know what it was, so we can't
- 22 determine whether or not it was effective.
- Similar, we don't know the motivations, we don't
- 24 know that someone was trying to do that, but we know that
- 25 it happened.

12:29 1 indication that these files were created as a backup?

- A. That file name alone would suggest that. It seems
- 3 odd to me that you would make a backup and then delete it.
- 4 That's not normally how people make--it's not a backup if 5 you then delete it.
- 6 So again, I don't know what the motivation was.
- o so again, I don't know what the motivation was I'm just stating that it happened.
- I'm just stating that it happened.
- 8 Q. And looking at the New Computer, you discuss a 9 bulk copying of data on July 9th, 2012, which resulted in
- 10 the creation of 4,701 new files; right?
- 11 A. Yes. That's correct.
- 12 Q. You didn't mention in your Report, though, that on
- 13 July 9th, 2012, a new user profile was created for Juan
- 14 Encarnación on the New Computer, did you?
 - A. No, I did not.
- Q. Would you agree with me that it's more likely that
- 17 copying files on the same day that a user has his profile
- 18 created on a computer is more likely just giving that user
- 19 his files and instead is not an attempt to overwrite data?
- 20 A. Yes. I--again, I'm not saying that that copy was
- 21 an attempt to overwrite data, just that it very likely did
- 22 overwrite data.

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- Q. Nor did you mention in your Report that the new
- 24 files created on the New Computer accounted for less than
- 25 one and a half of the total space on that hard drive and

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12:28 1 Q. Just one technical question. We'll just skip past 2 most of that.

- 3 Is there a limit on the number of MFT entries that 4 can be on a computer?
- A. No. The MFT--if it hits the maximum size--the MFT is set up so that it has a certain number of records in it.
- 7 When it hits that number of records, it will grow the MFT;
- 8 new space will be assigned to the MFT.
- 9 Q. Do you know how many MFT entries were on this 10 computer?
- 11 A. No, I don't know sitting here right now.
- 12 Q. But it's probably a lot more than 2,000?
- 13 A. Oh, yeah. There were--I mean, on any computer,
- 14 even without any user activity, there will be thousands of
- 15 MFT entries just from installing Windows.
- 16 Q. Right. The 2,202 files that were copied into a
- 17 folder on the Old Computer were copied into a folder called
- 18 "Respaldo PC Pentium 4."
- 19 Do you know what "Respaldo" means in Spanish?
- 20 A. I don't speak Spanish. I understand it, I think
- 21 from Mr. Racich's Report, to mean backup.
- 22 Q. So these 2,202 files were copied into a backup
- 23 folder. You would agree with that?
- 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. Would you agree with me that that's a pretty good

- 12:31 1 approximately 7 percent of the unallocated space?
 - A. No, I did not describe that.
 - Q. And again, the same would have hold (sic) true in
 - 4 terms of to effectively remove any particular file, one
 - 5 would have to overwrite the entirety of unallocated space;
 - 6 correct?
 - 7 A. Yes. To effectively remove a deleted file, you
 - 8 would have to--without using sophisticated data destruction
 - 9 techniques, you'd have to just overwrite all of unallocated
 - 10 space.
 - 11 Q. Would you agree with me that we either have an
 - 12 inept data destroyer or someone who is just creating user
 - 13 profiles for it to be used at the Court?
 - 14 A. On the New Computer, yes, it seems that the copy
 - 15 on July 9th was a creation of a user profile which--why I
 - 16 highlight that that would have--I mean, it's after the
 - 17 relevant time period, which is why we're able, perhaps
 - 18 not--we're maybe not to recover all of the evidence that
 - 19 would have been there prior, but that bulk copy would have 20 overwritten evidence. That's what I'm trying to highlight
 - 21 there.
 - 22 Q. Okay. Could we move on to Page 27 of your
 - 23 August 15th, 2014, Report.
 - 24 A. Yes.
 - MR. EWING: And actually, before I start this

12:33 1 line, Members of the Tribunal, when would be a good time

2 for us to take a break?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Whenever you think it's 4 appropriate.

MR. EWING: Well, I could go all afternoon, but we 5 6 are at an easy stopping point.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, let's stop now.

MR. EWING: So I would be happy to take a break.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I don't think anybody is

10 complaining.

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MR. EWING: Let's take a break.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's come back at 25 to 2:00,

13 and we'll resume.

And you've heard me say this before--

THE WITNESS: Understood. 15

PRESIDENT VEEDER: --please don't discuss the case 16

17 or your testimony away from the Tribunal.

THE WITNESS: Understood. 18

(Whereupon, at 12:33 p.m., the proceedings were 19

adjourned until 1:36 p.m., the same day.)

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AFTERNOON SESSION PRESIDENT VEEDER: Since we're all here, we'll 3 start early. Let's resume.

BY MR. EWING:

5 Q. Welcome back from lunch, Mr. Lynch.

A. Thank you.

You mentioned earlier that you found a CV file on

Guerra's computer with the Usuario user name and that that

9 was an indicator of how you could say Usuario was specific

10 to Mr. Guerra?

11 A. It was an indicator that he previously used a

12 computer with that name.

Q. We did a cursory search over lunch, and I

14 emphasize "cursory." Did you know there are actually 10

15 other CVs on Guerra's computer with Guerra's CV information

16 in them?

A. There are multiple files, yes. 17

Q. And that at least one of them has other Author

19 names such as Dr. Alberto Guerra B.?

A. Yeah. I don't recall the metadata for all of

21 them; but, yes.

Q. Okay. So if we could turn to your Second Report

23 at Page 27, so this should be Tab 2 in the Tribunal's

24 binder.

In looking at Page 27, you identify multiple

01:37 1 copies of two files from Mr. Zambrano's computers that

2 contained text from the Ecuadorian Judgment; one file is

3 named "Providencias" and the other is "Caso Texaco."

Do you see that?

A. I do, yes. 5

Q. With regard to the Providencias document, you

7 found copies of that document on both the Old Computer and

8 the New Computer; right?

9 A. Yes. There were copies of --copies of the document

10 on both.

Q. And in your Report -- in your Report, you state that 11

12 this document was created on Mr. Zambrano's Old Computer on

October 11th, 2010; right?

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Q. And that you don't know the content of that file

16 when it was first created on October 11th, 2010?

A. Yes.

O. And between October 11th, 2010, and 18

December 21st, 2010, the Providencias document was saved

at least 286 times; right?

A. Yes.

Q. You agree with me about that?

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Q. And as of December 21st, 2010, the Providencias

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25 document contained 42 percent of the text that was

01:39 1 ultimately contained in the Ecuadorian Judgment.

That's still your understanding? 2

O. And between December 21st and December 28th,

5 the Providencias document was saved an additional 29 times;

6 correct?

A. Yes.

Q. And as of December 28th, the Providencias

document contained 66 percent of the text that ultimately

was the Ecuadorian Judgment; right?

A. Yes.

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Q. And on January 21st, 2011, the Providencias

13 document was saved using a Save As; correct?

A. Correct.

15 Q. And this is all--also on your Slide 15, just to

16 reference back to that.

And we can't know how many times the document was 17

18 saved between December 28th and January 21st, 2011;

19 right?

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20 A. No, we can't.

And we don't know how long it was edited between

22 December 28th and January 21st, 2011; right?

A. No, we don't.

Q. But we know that between January 21st and

25 March 4th, 2011, the Providencias document was saved 124

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01:40 1 more times; right?

- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. And as of March 4th, 2011, the Providencias
- 4 document contained 99 percent of the Judgment text; right?
- A. Yes
- 6 Q. So overall, the application metadata tells us that
- 7 this document was saved over 400 times; right?
- A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you have no basis to dispute this evidence,
- 10 that the Providencias document was saved on Mr. Zambrano's
- 11 computer over 400 times, do you?
- A. No. It's the evidence I set forth in my Report.
- 13 Q. Okay. And this 400 times that this document was
- 14 saved is called the "revision number"; right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And--sorry.
- 17 A. Or the revision count. People use slightly
- 18 different names; but, yes.
- 19 Q. It was what we saw in your presentation as
- 20 "revision number"?
- 21 A. Yeah.

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- Q. Okay. And this morning in response to the
- 23 Tribunal's question about revision count, you said that
- 24 moving the mouse would be enough to allow revision number
- 25 to increase with a save.

01:43 1 reference.

2 You say that the March 4th, 2011 version of the 3 Providencia contained 99 percent of the Judgment.

Do you know what text was missing as compared to

- 5 the complete issued Judgment?
- 6 A. The header was inaccurate in the version--in 7 Providencias.
- 8 Q. Anything else?
- 10 heading.
 11 Q. If you look at the end, the signature is also
- 11 Q. If you look at the end, the signature is also 12 different.
- 13 A. Yes. Sorry. Yeah, the signature.
- 14 Q. So the heading and the signature were different?
 - A. Yes.

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- 16 Q. Exhibit 48, on the left of this file, you have
- 17 provided a--and this--let me start over.
- 18 Exhibit 48 is a comparison between the March 4th,
- 19 $\,$ 2011 version of the Final Judgment and the version that was
- 20 issued; correct?
- 21 A. Exhibit 48 is a comparison of the March 4th
- 22 version and the version that was issued.
- 23 O. Correct. And if we start at the first page of
- 24 Exhibit 48, on the left side, we see in red the text from
- 25 the March 4th document. And on the right side we see the

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01:41 $\,$ Do you stand by that statement that moving the

- 2 mouse is enough to increase the revision number?
- 3 A. If you move the mouse and click, yes. If you move 4 the cursor and save without changing the text, that will
- 5 increase the revision count.
- 6 Q. So if you click on a document without changing
- 7 anything, it's your testimony that you can increase the
- 8 revision count?
- 9 A. Yes. You don't have to change the contents to
- 10 increase the revision count.
- 11 Q. Okay. You agree with me that the amount of
- 12 Judgment text in the Providencias document increased
- 13 incrementally over time; correct?
- 14 A. Well, we--I would--to the extent set forth in my
- 15 reports, we know it went from presumably zero percent to 42
- 16 as of December 21st, that then it was 66 percent on
- 17 December 28th; and then that as of March 4th,
- 18 essentially all of the text, 99 percent was there.
- 19 Whether or not you would call two versions prior
- 20 to the--to after it was issued incrementally, I would leave
- 21 that to the person using the word "incrementally."
- Q. And the version--if we could pull up Table 13 on
- $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ Page 31 of your Report; and specifically on the screen, if
- 24 we could show Exhibit 48.
- 5 And Exhibit 48 is Tab 11, for the Tribunal's

- 01:45 1 text from the final issued Judgment; right?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - 3 Q. So in Exhibit 48 that we're looking at, the red
 - 4 text on the left is the--what eventually became the
 - 5 March 4th, 2011 Amplification or Clarification Order;
 - 6 correct?
 - 7 A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. And that, obviously, wasn't in the
 - 9 February 14th, 2011 Judgment, so that right-hand column
 - 10 is blank?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. And if we page past the March 4th order, it's
 - 13 line--starts at the very bottom. On the left-hand side, it
 - 14 says "Line 281." And most of the text we're interested in
 - 15 starts on the page that has "282" in the top left.
 - 16 A. Yes.

- 17 Q. Do you see that?
 - A. I see that.
- 19 Q. Now, on the left, which is the document from
- 20 Mr. Zambrano's computer, we see a short Providencia that
- 21 Mr. Zambrano issued on February 21st, 2011; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And that also is not part of the Final Judgment,
- 24 which is why it's not on the right?
 - 5 A. Yes.

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- 01:46 1 Q. Okay. And then below on the next page with the
 - 2 line starting with "334" and the header right above that,
 - 3 now we see the Judgment starting; correct?
 - 4 A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. So this file that you recovered on Mr. Zambrano's
 - 6 computer from March 4th, 2011, had the March 4th
 - 7 Clarification Order, the February 21st Providencia or
 - 8 Procedural Order, and then the Final Judgment; correct?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - 10 Q. So let's walk through what would have happened to
 - 11 this file in its life between February 14th and
 - 12 March 4th, 2011, based on what we know from this file.
 - 13 A. Okay.
 - 14 Q. On February 14th, the Final Judgment was issued;
 - 15 right?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And the text that you have here in this
 - 18 March 4th, 2011 document, there are no substantive
 - 19 changes until we get to the signature at the end. So the
 - 20 header and the signature are the only differences that you
 - 21 have; right?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - 23 Q. And I've paged through this looking for more red
 - 24 text, and I don't see any. So far as I can tell, this is
 - 25 100 percent the exact same except for the header and the

- 01:49 1 what your Exhibit 48 shows; right? It's the same document?
 - A. It's the same document, yes, assuming that
 - 3 Mr. Zambrano wrote February 21st Order in this document
 - 4 and then saved it--it is all the same document.
 - Q. Yeah.
 - A. Then the Create date would remain what it was when
 - 7 someone--the last time someone had saved it and before that
 - 8 until someone hit Save As.
 - 9 O. So for this document, the Create date would still
 - 10 be October 11th, 2010; but the Last Written date would be
 - 11 21st of February 2011?
 - 12 A. The filesystem Create date would be
 - 13 October 11th. The embedded Create date would be
 - 14 February 21st, the last time someone used Save As.
 - Q. If they used the Save As?
 - 16 A. Sorry. It would be January 21st, the last time
 - 17 the document was saved using Save As.
 - 18 O. But the document was created and would have a
 - 19 filesystem Create date of October 11th, 2010?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. And then when you save it on the 21st, the
 - 22 filesystem would have February 21st, 2011, as its Last
 - 23 Written date?
 - 24 A. Yes; assuming it was saved on that date, it would.
 - Q. And then you don't even have to page to the front;

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- 01:47 1 signature. Would you agree with me?
 - A. That's my understanding, yes.
 - Q. Let's assume that Mr. Zambrano had this
 - 4 Providencia or the Final Judgment order on his computer on
 - 5 February 14th, 2011. Okay?
 - A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. When he then wrote--sorry.
 - 8 So he had the file on February 14th, 2011. When
 - 9 he saved it, he would have a Last Written date of
 - 10 February 14th, 2011. You know, let's pick the time here,
 - 11 8:33 in the morning. You know, the details of the time are
 - 12 not important. But you would agree with me; right?
 13 A. Yeah. It would have--if it was saved on February
 - 14 14th, it would have a Last Modified date on
 - 15 February 14th.
 - 16 Q. Perfect. When he then wrote the February 21st,
 - 17 2011 amplifica--Procedural Order and saved that onto his
 - 18 computer, the Last Written date would be what?
 - 19 A. If he saved it on February 21st, it would
 - 20 be--the Last Written date would be February 21st.
 - Q. But the Create date would remain the same;
 - 22 correct?
 - 23 A. Assuming he's working in the same date, then,
 - 24 yeah.
 - Q. And he is. This is the same document. This is

- 01:50 1 but if Mr. Zambrano then saved the
 - 2 March 4th--Amplification Order on March 4th, the Last
 - 3 Written date, filesystem Last Written date would now be
 - 4 March 4th; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. But the original filesystem Create date would
 - 7 still be October 11th, 2010?
 - A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. And there would be no metadata in this file that
 - 10 remembered that this file was saved on February 14th,
 - 11 2011?

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- 12 A. Yes.
 - Q. That's correct?
 - A. That's correct. Looking at the file from
- 15 March 4th, there's no way to know whether or not it had
- 16 been saved on February 14th.
 - Q. Other than the fact that the content is here?
- 8 A. Yes. If you assume that the content means that it
- 19 was saved on February 14th, then--there's no way to
- 20 say--there's no way for the metadata to confirm or refute 21 that.
- Q. Okay. But at the end of the day, this document
- 23 would reflect the most recent saves, i.e., the saves that
- 24 were done to write the March 4th, 2011 Amplification and
- 25 Clarification Order and not the Last Written dates from any

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- 01:51 1 earlier work?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - O. So now, if we look at what is missing from the
 - 4 Final Judgment, on Line 331, we see the header. And you
 - 5 actually see another header up on Line 282. But let's
 - 6 assume the header is entirely missing just to make the math
 - 7 easier and give you the benefit of the doubt.
 - 8 And then if we look at the very last page, we see 9 the signature is missing.
 - 10 A. Yes.

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- 11 Q. I'll represent to you that I counted the words for
- 12 the heading and the signature and that the heading has 35
- $13\,$ words and that the signature has 15.
- 14 Assuming that I did my math right, that means the
- 15 Final Judgment on March 4th, 2011, the final document that
- 16 we have on Mr. Zambrano's computer is missing 50 words.
 - Would you agree, assuming that my math is correct?
- 18 A. Yeah. Assuming your math is correct, then, yes.
- 19 Q. In your August 2014 Report at Page 39, you
- 20 calculated that there are approximately 88,000 words in the
- 21 Final Judgment. Do you remember that?
 - A. That sounds right to me. Which page was that?
- 23 O. Thirty-nine.
- 24 A. Yeah. Okay.
- 25 Q. So if I calculate the percentage of the Final

- 01:55 1 A. That's correct.
 - Q. So all of these files were originally created on
 - 3 Mr. Zambrano's old computer?
 - A. Yes. The file was originally created on the Old
 - 5 Computer, and every save shown here was done using--from 11
 - to 16 was done using the Old Computer.
 - Q. So the Author name and the--so the Author name
 - 8 doesn't change as you save it, is what you're suggesting?
 - 9 A. The last Save By name changes, if you save it on a 10 different computer.
 - 11 Q. But the Author name does not change if you save it
 - 12 on a different computer?
 - 13 A. Yeah. The Author name--yes, that's correct.
 - Q. Now, if we looked at the Last Saved By date or
 - 15 Last Saved By Author--sorry--document 11 through 16 are all
 - 16 CPJS as well; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 18 Q. So those were all saved on the Old Computer as
 - 19 well; correct?
 - 20 A. Yes. 11 through 16 were all last saved on the Old
 - 21 Computer.

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- Q. And then Document 17 has a user name of HP. Which
- 23 computer is that?
- 24 A. That's the New Computer.
- 25 O. And when was that saved?

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- 01:53 1 Judgment that's complete, if we just look at the substance,
 - 2 you would agree with me that this is 100 percent complete;
 - 3 right? If the only difference is the heading and the
 - 4 signature, the substance is 100 percent complete?
 - 5 A. The--the body is 100 percent complete, but the 6 heading is different.
 - 7 Q. So if I take the heading out of that 88,000, I end
 - 8 up with 87,950 words that are the same. And if I calculate
 - 9 that percentage, it ends up being 99.94 percent the same.
 - 10 Would you, again, believing that I've done my math 11 correctly, agree with me?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. So even assuming that the header and signature
 - 14 actually matter in terms of calculating the percentage of
 - 15 substantively complete text, we're still at 99.94 percent.
 - A. Okay.

- 17 Q. So if we look now at Table 8 of your Report on
- 18 Page 28--we're moving on from the percentages so,
- 19 hopefully, there'll be less math.
- 20 A. Okay.
- 0. Looking at the Author names for documents 11
- 22 through 16, those are all CPJS; correct?
- 3 A. Yes. That's correct.
- Q. And that is the registered Author for Microsoft
- 25 Office on Mr. Zambrano's Old Computer; correct?

- 01:56 1 A. It was in 2012.
 - Q. So that's relatively irrelevant for what we're looking for at this point; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. You didn't find any forensic data--metadata or
 - 6 filesystem metadata, Table 7 or Table 8, that indicate that
 - 7 the Providencias document was provided to Mr. Zambrano in
 - 8 any way by Mr. Guerra, did you?
 - 9 A. I--I don't have any metadata to establish who
 - 0 would have provided content to Mr. Zambrano.
 - 11 Q. But looking at the objective dates that are in
 - 12 this file--these two tables, Table 7 and Table 8, you would
 - 13 agree with me that there's no indication in these--in this
 - 14 metadata that this file was provided to Mr. Zambrano by
 - 15 Mr. Guerra?
 - 16 A. No. Looking at just the metadata, there's no
 - 17 indication--the indication is that the file was created on
 - 18 Mr. Zambrano's computer, not necessarily the content.
 - 19 Q. And just looking at the metadata in Table 7 and
 - 20 Table 8, there's no indication that the Providencia was
 - 21 provided to Mr. Zambrano by Pablo Fajardo, is there?
 - 22 A. Looking at just the metadata, there's no
 - 23 indication that the file itself was provided by any third 24 party.
 - Q. So the metadata by itself supports the conclusion

- 01:58 1 that only Mr. Zambrano created, worked on and saved the 2 Final Judgment?
 - A. If you take the metadata on its own out of context 4 of other evidence, then it shows that the file was created and last saved on Mr. Zambrano's computer. But that--that 6 takes it out of context from other evidence.
 - O. And we will talk about the other context to which 8 you are referring.

But at this point, just looking at the 10 metadata--and I understand that I am limiting you to 11 looking at just the metadata that you presented here in 12 Table 7 and Table 8--this metadata fully supports the 13 conclusion that Mr. Zambrano created, edited, saved the 14 Final Judgment in the Lago Agrio case; right?

A. I think there are--there's very little you 16 can--can say just about this metadata alone.

It's consistent with a few different things, that 17 18 Mr. Zambrano created this file or, as I set forth in my 19 presentation, that someone retyped from an existing 20 document or copied from another source.

Q. Okay. Let's come back to that after we've 22 addressed some of your other contextual concerns.

In your analysis of the Providencias files, you 24 note that blocks of text existing on some of the

25 Providencia files have different formatting and that you

02:01 1 consistent with text having been copied and pasted from 2 another document."

> A. Yes. I--I don't conclude that it's consistent 4 with having been copied and pasted from another document on Mr. Zambrano's computer. I don't know the sources.

Q. So, you have no idea what other sources could be for those documents?

A. Well, they're--there are many other 9 sources--possible sources. It--it could have been a document on a thumb drive, or it could have been a document 11 on Mr. Zambrano's computer that's since been deleted.

12 I--I can't, from that block of text, confirm where it was copied from, because that block of text doesn't appear in any other document. So, I don't know where it came from. 15

Q. From all of these other sources that you mentioned 17 and any others that you could think of, do you have any way of indicating which one is more or less likely?

19 A. Yeah. I mean, given--given the--the block of text changes from Bookman Old Style to Times New Roman,

21 it's--it's more likely that it would be a document in Times 22 New Roman.

O. Given all of the sources, though, that you know 24 of, you have no way of telling which Times New Roman

25 document is more or less likely the source?

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02:00 1 conclude that this is consistent with text having been 2 copied and pasted from another document.

> And this is at Page 30 of your August 15th 3 4 Report.

5 A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember reaching that conclusion?

A. Yes.

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Q. And you stand by that today?

A. Yes, that the -- that blocks of text with formatting

10 differences like that are consistent with copying and pasting. 11

Q. Is that the only thing they're consistent with? 12

A. No. They could be consistent with other things,

14 but they are consistent with copying and pasting.

O. What else would it be consistent with? 15

In--in drafting a document, someone can choose to 16 17 change the formatting.

Q. So, to come back to your conclusion that you put 19 forward first, your conclusion is that text from another 20 document on Mr. Zambrano's computer could have been the

21 source of the copied text; right?

A. Could you--I--could you point me to where I--I

23 conclude that in my Report? Sorry. I'm just--

Q. The second-to-last sentence starts with: "In my

25 experience, blocks of text with different formatting is

A. No. It could be the -- the universe of other documents there are in Times New Roman.

> Q. And if we look at Slide 32 from your presentation 4 this morning, this is the Judgment text that was copied from an unknown document into Providencias.

> > Do you remember this slide?

A. Yes.

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Do you have it in front of you?

A. I don't have it before me, but I remember it.

Q. Have you noticed that the Judgment often uses 11 italicized font for quotes?

A. I have seen that, yes. 12

Q. Looking at this example that you provided, 13

14 couldn't this also be explained by a person selecting an

italicized font for a quote and then nonitalicized font for

regular text and then going back to italicized font?

A. Well, I mean, if you look--if you look above, it 17

18 begins in Bookman Old Style italicized and then switches to 19 Bookman Old Style italicized and bold, and then towards the

20 end it's--or at the beginning of the next block of text

21 with Bookman Old Style, it's Bookman Old Style without bold

22 or italics--I quess it's a long way of saying that one

23 could have switched from Bookman Old Style to Bookman

24 Old-size--Bookman Old Style italics. Switching from

25 italics to nonitalics doesn't explain the shift to Times

- 02:04 1 New Roman.
 - Q. But someone could have easily just picked a
 - A. Someone could have chosen at that point in time to--to write in a different font.
 - Q. And you have no way of knowing why the first part of this is Bookman Old Style, the second part is Times New Roman, and the third part is Bookman Old Style. It could just be someone wanted a different font?
 - 10 A. It--it could be. But as I stated and as I think 11 Mr. Racich agreed with me, this is--it is also consistent 12 with copy and pasting.
 - Q. Okay. So, the difference here that we're talking about is we're going from Bookman Old Style to Times New Roman to Bookman Old Style. That's your opinion; right?
 - 16 A. That's one difference.
 - There is another place in the document where the margins change entirely.
 - 19 Q. Okay.
 - 20 A. That's--that wouldn't be explained by someone just
 - 21 choosing a different italicized font.
 - Q. Is there--the Caso Texaco file that you analyzed
 - 23 was also written in Bookman Old Style; right?
 - 24 A. It was, yes.
 - Q. Are there any other files in Mr. Zambrano's

- 02:06 1 your document already had, then the few lines in Calibri
 - 2 that I showed, and then the block of text in Bookman Old 3 Style
 - Q. So, it would generally retain the text; right?
 - 5 A. Generally when you copy and paste in Word, it 6 retains the--the font and formatting.
 - 7 Q. So, if I took your document, instead of copying
 - 8 it, I cut it and then I pasted it into my document, it
 - 9 would still appear in my document as Calibri and then
 - 10 Bookman Old Style; correct?
 - 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. And it would no longer be in your document at all?
- 3 A. It would no longer be in the copy of my document
- 14 that you had, if you then saved my document after cutting 15 the text out.
- Q. So, if I cut your text out and put it into my
- $\ensuremath{\text{17}}$ document and saved your document, the forensics on $\ensuremath{\text{my}}$
- 18 computer will now show the only source for this
- 19 Calibri-Bookman Old Style transition is some unknown
- 20 document?
- 21 A. Yeah. We would--I would not be able to--if
- 22 you--if you change the document I gave you to ident--I
- 23 wouldn't necessarily be able to identify what the source
- 24 was, but that -- the font and formatting differences that
- 25 we're talking about would show that copying and pasting

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- 02:05 1 computer that were written in Bookman Old Style?
 - 2 A. I believe there were other documents in Bookman 3 Old Style.
 - 4 Q. Are there any others that were written in Times 5 New Roman?
 - 6 A. I think there are some documents in Times New 7 Roman.
 - 8 Q. So, any of those other documents could have been 9 the source for these different fonts?
 - 10 A. Well, none of those other documents contain this
 - 11 text. So, had that--had that text been the source, someone
 - 12 would have had to have chosen to delete text out of there.
 - Q. So, let's go back to your document from this morning, your example.
 - 15 You pasted in--was it--Calibri was your default.
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And what was the text that you pasted in?
 - 18 A. Bookman Old Style.
 - 19 Q. Bookman Old Style.
 - 20 If I took your document from this morning--and,
 - 21 again, I now have it on my computer--and I paste it into my
 - 22 own document, what font will appear on my document on my
 - 23 computer?
 - ${\tt A.}$ If you paste the entirety of my document into a
 - 25 document that you already have, it would be whatever font

- 02:07 1 likely did occur.
 - Q. So, any of the text that you've identified as copied and pasted could just as easily have been cut and
 - 4 pasted, and we would never see it anywhere else, because it
 - 5 has been cut out of that document?
 - A. If it was cut out of a document and then that
 - 7 document was saved, it would no longer be in that document.
 - Q. So, I could have written a document with this
 - 9 little section in Times New Roman in a separate document,
 - 10 cut it, pasted it into my Providencias draft, and saved my
 - 11 other file, and that other file will no longer reflect this
 - 12 text; correct?

- A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And we know that Mr. Zambrano has multiple
- 15 documents on his computer that are Times New Roman and
- 16 Bookman Old Style?
- 17 A. Yes. We know there are-there are many documents
- 18 on the document computer.
- 19 Q. Any of which could have been the source if the
- 20 text was cut out of them?
- 21 A. I--well, any of them in Times New Roman could be
- 22 the source, but there are--we have not--no one has
- 23 identified any document in Times New Roman that has any
- 24 Judgment text in it.
 - Q. And if it was cut out, it would not be there; so,

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- 02:09 1 we would never be able to find it?
 - 2 A. If someone took the text out and then saved the
 - 3 document, it would no longer be in the document. It would
 - 4 be unknown document, as I described.
 - 5 Q. Okay. Could we talk briefly about the Caso Texaco 6 document?
 - 7 A. Okay.
 - Q. This is Table 16 of your Second Report.
 - 9 A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. This table indicates that you found multiple
- 11 versions of the Caso Texaco document; correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 O. You found 17 of them, it looks like.
- 14 A. Yes. Some of--some of the versions are
- 15 essentially the same. But yes, there are 17 different
- 16 documents I list there.
- Q. Okay. And you state that a "single instance of
- 18 Caso Texaco contained text from the Ecuadorian Judgment in
- 19 the immediately subsequent instance that text was missing
- 20 from the document, indicating that it had been deleted."
- 21 A. Yes, I state that.
 - Q. Okay. And you calculated that the version of the
- 23 Caso Texaco document that you found had 11 percent of the
- 24 Judgment text; correct?
- 25 A. I believe that--yeah, that's correct.

- 02:12 1 other file and I cut that text out of that document and I
 - 2 pasted it into my Providencias, the Providencias Final
 - 3 Judgment would grow by 10 percent and my other file would
 - 4 have no text in it?
 - 5 A. Yes. If you have--if you have Providencias and
 - 6 you save it at, say, 11:51, and then a minute later you cut
 - 7 and paste text from another document and then save the
 - 8 other document, it won't be in that document anymore. And
 - 9 when you paste it into Providencias, it would then be in
 - 10 that document. If you save at 11:52, it will have then
 - 11 10 percent more text over a one-minute time period, because
 - 12 you've just moved it.
 - 13 Q. Which, if I calculated out the typing speed, would
 - 14 be incredible; right?
 - 15 A. Yes.

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- 16 Q. And we would all agree, probably not realistic?
 - A. Yes.
- 18 O. And we don't know how many other files on
- 19 Mr. Zambrano's computer he cut text out of?
- 20 A. We don't--we don't know if he cut text out of any
- 21 other documents on his computer or--or any of the USB
- 22 Devices that were connected to them.
- 0. Let's take a step back and make sure what we do
- 24 and don't know.
- 25 The Caso Texaco document you've already said

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- 02:10 1 Q. Sorry. That's on Page 34, Table 18.
 - 2 A. Yeah.
 - 3 Q. But that's just the 11 percent that you found in 4 one of these 17 snapshots; correct?
 - 5 A. Well, that's--that's the 11 percent that exists 6 across any of those snapshots.
 - 7 Q. So, if I had a version of this Caso Texaco
 - 8 document in which I was drafting portions of the Judgment,
 - 9 as Mr. Zambrano seems to have been doing, because we see
 - 10 that 11 percent of the Judgment was in this text--if I had
 - 11 another 10 percent, and, instead of copying it, I cut it
 - 12 out of that document and pasted it into my final
 - 13 Providencias, the final Providencias would reflect that
 - 14 text, but the Caso Texaco document would not?
 - 15 A. If you cut text out of the document and pasted it
 - 16 into Providencias, it will no longer, no longer be the
 - 17 document that it came from.
 - 18 Q. And again, sort of like your example this morning,
 - 19 if I did that with 10 percent of the Judgment text--I cut
 - 20 it out of the Caso Texaco document and I pasted it into the
 - 21 Final Judgment, the Final Judgment would grow 10 percent
 - 22 instantly; correct?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. And the same would be true of any other file which
 - 25 I used as my source document. If I had 10 percent in some

- 02:13 1 contained 11 percent of the Final Judgment; right?
 - A. Yes.

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O. So, we know--and that is a file that is different

- 4 from the final Providencias document; correct?
- A. Yes.
- 6 Q. So, we know that Mr. Zambrano had a working habit
- 7 of having a document in which he is drafting the
- 8 Providencia, and then he has a second document where there
- 9 is other text from it; right?
- 10 A. I don't--I don't know if I would consider that--we
- 11 have a single instance of text being cut and pasted. I--I
- 12 wouldn't classify that evidence of a working habit.
- 13 Q. We have a single instance where this definitely
- 14 happened; correct?
- 15 A. We have a single instance where text was in
- 16 Caso Texaco and then either copied and pasted and then
- 17 deleted from the original or cut and pasted into
- 18 Providencias.
- 19 Q. So, we know that Mr. Zambrano technically knew how
- 20 to do this; right?
- 21 A. Assuming Mr. Zambrano did it.
- 22 Q. And we know that he had done it before.
- 23 A. Assuming he did it. We know that--assuming he did
- 24 it, we know that he did it.
- Q. And there's no way for you to tell us today how

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- 02:15 1 many times he did or didn't do it. It could have been
 - 2 zero, or it could have been 10 more times?
 - A. Assuming he did it--and I guess I would also
 - 4 add--and we assume that the text did go from Caso Texaco to
 - 5 Providencia; that there wasn't a mutual predecessor
 - 6 document from which the text went to both.
 - 7 Q. A mutual predecessor. There's no evidence of 8 that, is there?
 - 8 tnat, is there?
 9 A. No. I mean, I just--I want to make clear the
 - 10 options that exist. I don't want to rule out one
 - 11 without--without cause.
 - 12 Q. So, there are--that's another option, but for
 - 13 which there is no evidence at this point?
 - 14 A. Well, there is--there is no evidence that that
 - 15 happened versus someone cut and pasting text from
 - 16 Caso Texaco to Providencias. I guess both are options, and
 - 17 I can't tell you which is more likely.
 - 18 Q. Okay. Can we turn to your August Report, Page 14.
 - 19 Let's talk about the USB Devices. This is Tab 2, Page 14.
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. You state here that nine USB Devices were used on
 - 22 the Guerra Computer and one or both of the Zambrano
 - 23 Computers.
 - 24 Do you see that?
 - 25 A. Yes.

- 02:18 1 "most recently connected"?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And that says March 16th, 2011.
 - A. Yes
 - 5 Q. And that is later in time than any of the four
 - 6 dates on the Zambrano Computer, old or new?
 - A. Yes
 - Q. The same question for the next line. March 8th,
 - 9 2011, is later than any of the dates for the Old Computer
 - 10 and New Computer?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. And we can go down through the rest of them until
 - 13 we get to mass storage device.
 - 14 All the USB Devices earlier have a later date of
 - 15 the most recently connected than Guerra than in either of
 - 16 the Zambrano Computers; correct?
 - A. No. The--the second, I guess, nonhighlighted
 - 18 line, with the serial number beginning 001B, was most
 - 19 recently connected to the New Computer in 2012, but most
 - 20 recently connected to the Guerra Computer in 2011.
 - !1 Q. Okay

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- A. The same for the--the document--well, not the
- 23 same. But the same condition exists for the USB Device
- 24 Data Traveler 108. It was most recently connected to the
- 25 Zambrano New Computer a day after it had been most recently

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- 02:16 1 Q. And I am--I'm paraphrasing.
 - 2 And you state that eight of the devices were used
 - 3 first on the Guerra Computer and then on the Zambrano
 - 4 Computer; right?
 - 5 A. I'm trying to find where I state that.
 - 6 Q. In Table 1 on Page 15--so the next page--is where
 - 7 you have it as a table.
 - 8 A. Yeah, but it sounds right to me.
 - 9 Q. You also discuss in the text, but we're going to
 - 10 focus on the table.
 - 11 According to Table 1, weren't all the nine USB
 - 12 Devices also used on the Guerra Computers after they were
 - 13 attached to one of the Zambrano Computers?
 - 14 A. I--I just do the comparison.
 - 15 Could you repeat the question? I want to make
 - 16 sure I heard it.
 - 17 Q. Yeah. According to Table 1, weren't all nine of
 - 18 the USB Devices also used on the Guerra Computer after they
 - 19 were attached to one of the Zambrano Computers?
 - 20 A. The--the last one was used after it had been
 - 21 connected to--to the Guerra Computer on the Zambrano
 - 22 Computers, but...
 - Q. Let's look at these one at a time. And maybe this
 - 24 is just a lack of clarity in my question, so I apologize.
 - 25 The first row on the far right column, it says

- 02:20 1 connected to the Guerra Computer.
 - Q. But you don't know who plugged these USB Devices into any of these computers; right?
 - 4 A. No, no. I don't know who was physically holding
 - 5 them when they were connected.
 - 6 Q. So, it could have been Mr. Guerra, or it could
 - 7 have been Mr. Zambrano, or it could have been someone else 8 entirely?
 - 9 A. Yeah. I don't know who was physically holding the USB Device when it was connected.
 - 11 Q. So, this evidence that you presented is equally
 - 12 consistent with Mr. Guerra having plugged it into all of
 - 13 these computers as it is with any other scenario, isn't it?
 - A. This evidence alone, though taken with
 - 15 Mr. Zambrano's testimony that Mr. Guerra shipped him
 - 16 Orders, it seems more likely that at least Mr. Zambrano
 - 17 connected some of these drives to his computer.
 - Q. And there are no records of USB Devices being
 - 19 inserted into Mr. Zambrano's computer in February of 2011?
 - 20 A. No. This--this--this chart is the USB Devices
 - 21 that were shared between the Guerra Computer and the
 - 22 Zambrano Computers.
 - 23 If you turn to Page 36, it's a more comprehensive
 - 24 listing of the USB Devices connected to the Zambrano
 - 25 Computer in general, regardless of whether or not they were

02:22 1 shared. And the last one there was connected on 2 February 21st.

> But taken more generally--and actually I think the 4 chart on the screen illustrates the point well--from the 5 forensic evidence, we can generally only tell the first 6 time a USB Device is connected and the most recent time. So, it's--it's possible that any device connected 8 to the Zambrano Computer prior to February 2011 was also

- 9 connected in February 2011 and then just also connected
- Q. It's possible, but there's no evidence; is that 11 12 right?
- A. There's evidence that this USB Device was 13 14 connected on February 12th, the last line on Table 23.
- There is no evidence of any other device having 16 been connected in February 2011, but it's possible, nor 17 would I necessarily expect there to be evidence of it.
- O. Okay. You state in your Report that you received 18
- 19 seven images of USB Devices, of which five are among the
- nine used on one or both of Zambrano Computers; is that
- 21 right?
- 22 A. That sounds right, yes.
- Okay. On Page 376 of your Report, which is the
- 24 Table 24--
- A. Yes.

02:25 1 recently accessed date has been updated.

So, I guess I'm saying I can't--I can't point to 2 3 anything and say there definitely was this document that 4 was accessed, but I also can't say that there wasn't a document accessed.

- O. But the guestion of whether there is some other 7 document that was accessed would be speculative. We have no evidence that another document was accessed?
- A. I wouldn't--I'm saying I wouldn't necessarily 10 expect there to be evidence, but I'm stating that it is 11 possible that--that one was.
- 12 O. So, when you stick a USB drive into your computer and there's a document on that USB drive and you open that document -- so if we took your document, right, put it on a
- USB drive and put it into my computer, and I opened it from
- 16 the USB drive--
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. --you would expect to see an MRU, or Most Recently 18
- 19 Used, entry for that document; correct?
- 20 A. Yeah, showing--showing when you accessed it.
- Q. So, in my list of Most Recently Used documents, I

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- 22 would see, you know, "E," for the name of my USB device,
- and then document without an extension or whatever. I
- 24 forget your exact name.
- A. That would be Documento 1.

Q. It's Tab 2, Page 37. This lists the files that 02:27 1 0. 2 were accessed from USB Devices on the Zambrano Computers

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3 between October 2010 and March 2011. Do you see that?

- A. This lists files--I don't want to say it lists all 6 of the files. It lists files that--that were--were 7 accessed in that time period. For some of them, I don't 8 know the specific date. But from the metadata of those 9 files, it seems most likely they were accessed in that time 10 period.
- 11 Q. But there's no evidence of a document having been 12 opened from a USB Device on either Zambrano Computer
- 13 between February 1st and February 14th, 2011, is there? 14 A. There is -- there is no specific evidence of a-- of a
- 15 file having been opened from a USB Device in that time period, though, as I said, this isn't--this isn't a
- 17 complete listing of every file that could have been opened.
- 18 The computer doesn't track when files are opened in that 19 way. You often only get the most recently accessed files.
- So, if we take the document--just--by way of
- 21 example, 8.docx, which we know was--was accessed 22 January 28th. It could have been accessed multiple times
- 23 before that. So looking at documents that were accessed
- 24 after February, they--they could have just been another
- 25 document was named--had the same name. So, the last

- Documento 1. I would see "E:Documento1.doc";
 - 2 right?
 - Α.
 - O. And we have here a list of documents that were opened on Mr. Zambrano's New Computer from November 25th, 5 2010, up through January 28th, 2011.
 - 7 There's no evidence of any other documents being opened; correct?
 - 9 A. No. And I guess to continue your example, I'm saying that one of the reasons that can be the case is
 - 11 that, if we came back in a month and reconnected the same
 - 12 thumb drive to your computer and then opened a document
 - 13 also named Documento 1, there would no longer be evidence 14 of us accessing that document today. There would only be
 - 15 the most recent date.
 - Q. Do you understand that the Most Recently Used 16 17 list, by default, keeps the last 15 or the most recent 15 documents?
 - 19 A. It keeps--actually, we have to be very specific 20 about this.
 - 21 O. Please.
 - A. It keeps the most recent date that a file was 22
 - 23 accessed. It's not that if you open the same document 15
 - 24 times that you get 15 different records, so--and that also
 - 25 depends on the version of the operating system that you're

02:28 1 using.

- Q. So, to make this practical, looking at what we have here, what you're saying is that 8.docx could have been opened 15 times before January 28th, 2011, and we
- 5 would only have the reference on January 28th, 2011?6 A. Well, I'll pick--you know, I'll just pick an
- 7 absurd number. It could have been accessed a million times 8 before January 28th. We would only know the most recent 9 date from the evidence that we have here.
- 10 Q. So, this is a list of the most recently accessed 11 versions of any of these files?
- A. This list is here from--from October 2010 to
 March 2011. If a file was accessed from October 2010 to
 March 2011 with a name, and then a file with that same name
 same name than the same name accessed later, we would have--then it would--it would
 fall outside the scope of this list, even though it had

17 been accessed in this time period.
18 And this is--this is also evidence that we were
19 able to recover forensically looking back in time. So, if
20 we were to look at this list on February 14th, there
21 would--there would likely be other records, but those

- 22 records have since been overwritten by subsequent access.
 23 Q. So this list of most recently used files here, you
 24 understand that these are link files that are created in a
- 25 directory by Microsoft Windows; correct?

02:31 1 recently used version is captured here. So the most 2 recently used version of 8.docx was on 1/28/2011?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And it may have been opened many times before that, but we know that it was not accessed after January 28th, 2011.
- 7 A. I would generally agree to that. There are some 8 specific scenarios where that may not be the case; but 9 generally, that's fair.
- 10 Q. The majority of the documents that we see on the 11 Old and the New Computer and particularly the Old have a 12 USB Device volume label with "Evelyn"; right?
 - A. Yes. That's correct.
- Q. And would you agree that the USB named "Evelyn" Is likely belonged to Mr. Zambrano's assistant, Evelyn Calva?
- 16 A. The name would suggest that it was at least the 17 device either named after her or that she named after
- 18 herself. Someone else could have named it after her,
- 19 but...

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- Q. And there are other documents here that are opened from USB Devices with the volume name "Mariela"; right?
 - A. Yes, there are.
- 23 Q. Were you aware that there was a Lago Agrio Court
- 24 secretary in 2010 and 2011 with the name Mariela Salazar?
 - A. Yes, I'm aware of that.

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02:30 1 A. On the Old Computer, they--they are link files
2 that would have been created in the--the recent folder.
3 And actually, specifically for the Old Computer, the reason
4 we don't know the most recent used date is that all those
5 link files were subsequently deleted.

So we're able to recover the link file showing
they had been being accessed. For the New Computer, it's a
combination of link files and what's called a jump list.
The New Computer is in--is a Windows 7 computer which uses
multiple ways to track files.

- 11 Q. But the point I'm trying to get to is these files
 12 that we have here have metadata like all the other files
 13 we've been looking at, don't they?
- A. Well, for the Old Computer, we have--for these
 link files we have the metadata that was embedded within
 them because we were able to recover the link files

17 themselves earlier when I was describing the unallocated 18 space in the MFT.

19 What's happened with these link files is the MFT 20 entries for these link files have been overwritten, so we 21 don't know when they were created.

But the unallocated space that contains that link file still exists, so we know the metadata inside the link file.

Q. You have said just a minute ago that the most

02:32 1 Q. So like the Evelyn devices, these devices are 2 likely Ms. Salazar's devices?

A. I wouldn't say they're likely their devices, but they're named after them. The Mariela drive could actually be a court-owned drive, for instance, and just named after her because she was assigned to it. I don't want to speak to ownership, if there's what you're implying.

- 8 Q. I'm not getting into the specifics of who 9 necessarily owned the USB drive. But given that it has a 10 name, a volume label of Mariela, you would agree with me 11 that it's likely that's a drive that she was using?
- 12 A. It's--I mean, it seems reasonable to assume it was 13 a drive that she was using.
- 14 Q. And we don't have evidence of the content of these 15 files that are listed here, do we?
- 16 A. No. We have no way of knowing of contents of
- 17 these files.
 18 Q. And when you analyze the metadata from the
- 19 Zambrano Computers relating to files accessed from USB 20 Devices, you did not find any evidence of a file containing
- 21 the Final Judgment text having been accessed on either
- 22 Zambrano Computer; right?
- A. I don't know the content on any of these files, so I don't know what they contained. I...
 - Q. Would you agree with me that we can look at the

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02:34 1 file names and have a good understanding of what these 2 documents are?

- A. In some cases, I think it's fair to assume that
- 4 the file name can tell you what the content may be, though 5 I don't think that's necessarily always the case. Looking
- 6 at, for instance, KKKK.docx, I have no idea what the
- 7 contents of that file could be.
- 8 Or even looking at Providencias--my understanding 9 is that Providencias means "orders"; yet, the vast majority 10 of that content is a Judgment or a Sentencia.
- So I think there are instances where you can kind of take a reasonable guess at the content based on the file name but there are also instances where it's not possible
- 14 to know what the content is from the name.
- 15 Q. Did you have any opportunity to look at any of the
- 16 other data about these files that would give you an
- 17 indication of whether they are or are not copies of
- 18 Providencias?
- 19 A. I have no idea what the content of these files is.
- 20 I can't speak to their contents.
- Q. Okay. Could we turn to Zambrano's Internet
- 22 History.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. On Page 23 of your Second Report, you conclude
- 25 that Stroz Friedberg did not identify any translation or

- 02:38 1 cookies tend to persist.
 - 2 Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes
 - Q. Could you turn to Mr. Racich's November Report,
 - 5 which is Tab 5, Page 13.
 - A. Yes. I see that.
 - Q. Specifically Paragraph 49.
 - 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Mr. Racich here identifies multiple cookies for
 - 10 LexisWeb and LexisNexis.
 - 11 Do you see that?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. And he also identifies numerous undated Internet
 - 14 History entries for Lexis.com.ec, Cervantesvirtual, which
 - 15 is a virtual library, books.google.com, and
 - 16 apuntejuridicos.com.ec. Do you see those?
 - A. Yes, I do.
 - 18 Q. All of those could also reflect Internet legal
 - 19 research during this time period; right?
 - 20 A. Well, the cookie that he references are all dated
 - 21 after the relevant time period. And as he says, generally
 - 22 cookies do persist. So where the cookie from LexisNexis
 - 23 shows it was accessed on May 31st, I would expect
 - 24 subsequent access to LexisNexis to have all been after
 - 25 that.

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- 02:36 1 legal research services in the Internet History from either 2 Zambrano Computer.
 - 3 A. I think I state a time period for that. There was
 - 4 no evidence of--when I wrote this Report, I was not aware
 - 5 of any evidence of any legal research cite or translation
 - 6 service from October 2010 to March 2011. I was not aware
 - 7 that fielweb was a legal research site.
 - 8 So I would agree now that there is evidence that
 - 9 fielweb was used. But looking at -- in context of what I was
 - 10 doing here, I would still stand by that there is no
 - 11 evidence consistent with Mr. Zambrano's testimony in the
 - 12 Internet History.
 - 13 Q. This morning you said that fielweb cannot be used
 - 14 to access any of the cases that were cited in the Judgment.
 - 15 But your slide, No. 21--
 - 16 A. If I said that, I meant English language cases.
 - 17 Q. In your slide, it says just English.
 - 18 A. I was referring specifically to just English
 - 19 language cases, or I meant to if I did not say that.
 - 20 Q. So your position is that the fielweb cannot be
 - 21 used to access any of the English language authorities
 - 22 cited in the December 21st, 2010 Providencias?
 - A. That's what I understand from Mr. Riofrio, I
 - 24 believe his name is, who wrote a Declaration about fielweb.
 - Q. This morning you also mentioned cookies and that

- 02:40 1 Q. When a person visits a Website that has a cookie
 - 2 on it, that cookie gets stored on the person's computer as
 - 3 a file; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 O. And that file has embedded metadata, has metadata
 - 6 that says when this file was created; correct?
 - 7 A. The file has metadata saying when it was created,
 - 8 yes.
 - 9 Q. For instance, here these say "January 11th, 2012,"
 - 10 or "May 31st, 2012"; right?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. So if I went to LexisNexis in January of 2009 and
 - 13 I received my cookie on that day and it's sitting on my
 - 14 computer, and then I went there every day from then until
 - 15 January--February 14th, 2011--
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. --and then I didn't visit the site again until
 - 18 January 11th, 2012, but in the meantime, Lexis changed
 - 19 their cookie, that would create a new cookie, wouldn't it?
 - 20 A. I guess I'll take this in two, focusing
 - 21 specifically on your hypothetical.
 - 22 It would create a new cookie, assuming that your
 - 23 cookie remained from 2009 to 2012. I would generally
 - 24 expect that the creation date for that cookie would stay
 - 25 from 2009 because of a property known as file tunneling,

02:42 1 where if you create a file in the same location with the 2 same name where a file was just recently deleted, it will 3 adopt the creation date of the file that previously 4 existed.

> So even though a new cookie is--though you may get 6 a new cookie three years later, that new cookie will delete 7 and then immediately adopt the creation date from the 8 previous cookie. But then, as I said, I want to take this 9 in turns.

10 Looking at Mr. Zambrano's computer, the New 11 Computer didn't exist in 2009. The Old Computer had 12 Windows reinstalled on it in 2010. So any of your activity 13 in--any of your cookies from 2009 would have been deleted

14 when you reinstalled Windows so that the scenario doesn't 15 necessarily apply to the Zambrano Computers because of the 16 reinstallation of the Windows.

Q. Are these cookies still extant on the computer or 17 18 were they recovered?

19 A. The cookies listed in Paragraph 49?

20 0. Yeah.

A. I couldn't, sitting here right now, recall for any

22 one cookie whether or not it had been deleted or was extant

23 on the New Computer, I couldn't specifically recall.

Q. So we know, though, based on these cookies, that

25 Mr. Zambrano went to LexisWeb and LexisNexis, albeit in

02:45 1 described, file tunneling.

Q. Let's move on from cookies. We're getting too 3 much into my former life.

Would you agree with me that the absence of 5 recovered Internet History does not necessarily mean that there never was Internet History?

A. I would agree that it does not necessarily mean 8 there never was an Internet History.

Q. So you would agree with me that your list of 10 Internet History is likely incomplete compared to what 11 existed contemporaneously on the Zambrano Computers?

A. Yes. And I tried to illustrate that in my example with the New York Times where it is likely that some

records have been--have been lost.

Q. Okay. If you could turn--

MR. EWING: Actually, before I move on to the next 17 section, do we want to keep going or is this a good time 18 for a break?

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's a good time for a break.

20 Let's have a 15-minute break. We'll come back at

21 3 o'clock.

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22 Again, please don't discuss the case.

23 THE WITNESS: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Or your testimony away from the

25 Tribunal.

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02:43 1 2011; correct?

A. I don't think Mr. Zambrano was a judge for some of 3 this activity. I think he had been dismissed for some of 4 this activity.

Q. Do you know when he was dismissed?

A. I can't recall the specific date.

Q. I think it was after January 11th, 2012, just to make this simpler. So we know at least January 11th 9 2011, Mr. Zambrano used LexisWeb.com on his Website--on his 10 computer?

A. We know someone using the computer visited Lexis. 11

Q. The computer that was assigned to Mr. Zambrano? 12

13 A. Yes.

Q. And your testimony today is that when that

15 operating system was reinstalled, you would have lost those cookies, any previous cookies?

A. When it was reinstalled in July of 2010, not that 18 you would have lost them. Some of them may still be

19 recoverable, but they would have been deleted.

Q. Do you know that when a Website updates their 21 policy on cookies that actually creates a new cookie?

A. It can. But as I described earlier, when a new

23 cookie is created, it doesn't necessarily get a new

24 creation date. It would take on the creation date of the

25 previous cookie, and that's because of the property I

02:46 1 THE WITNESS: Understood.

> (Brief recess.) 2

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

And if we've resumed, could we just ask, without pressing you, just get some idea of time.

MR. EWING: My estimate is I have approximately an hour to an hour and 15 minutes left.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Thank you.

BY MR. EWING:

Q. Mr. Lynch, could you turn back to, if you've 11 already closed, or keep open your August 2014 Report. It's

Tab 2 in the binder, and turn to Page 25, please.

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And do you see at the very bottom you conclude

15 that, "Although Mr. Zambrano testified that the New

Computer was used exclusively to type the Ecuadorian

Judgment, the only recoverable documents containing text of

the Ecuadorian Judgment were saved on the Old Computer."?

19 A. Yes, I see that.

20 Q. Am I correct that your decision to use the word

21 "although" indicates that you believe there's a

22 contradiction between Mr. Zambrano's testimony and the

23 forensics evidence on this point?

A. Yeah, I think the forensics evidence is

25 inconsistent with Mr. Zambrano's testimony.

- 03:02 1 0. Let's walk through that.
 - When the Old Computer was put into service,
 - 3 Mr. Zambrano's files were copied onto it; right?
 - A. I'm not sure I understood, when the Old Computer
 - 5 was put into service?
 - 6 Q. Let me rephrase.
 - 7 On Page 12 of your Report that we're looking at
 - 8 now, you say at the very top: "However, unlike the Old
 - 9 Computer, there was no discernible bulk transfer of
 - 10 documents to the New Computer when it first began to be
 - 11 used."
 - 12 Do you see that?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - 14 O. So, I understand that to mean that when
 - 15 Mr. Zambrano first started using the Old Computer, someone
 - 16 copied all of his files onto that computer for him to use
 - 17 them; is that your understanding?
 - 18 A. Yes. I think I explained that on the previous
 - 19 page where the beginning of Section A(1) I describe that
 - 20 same day shortly after Windows was installed, a significant
 - 21 amount of data was copied to the computer, including 2000
 - 22 Word documents, and I'm describing the Old Computer.
 - 23 O. Perfect.
 - 24 But you then go on, on Page 12, to say that there
 - 25 was no bulk transfer of documents to the New Computer when

- 03:05 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. Would you agree with me that that is a pretty common way of sharing files across computers?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And the New Computer was networked to the Old
 - 6 Computer so that Mr. Zambrano could access from the New
 - 7 Computer his files that were still on the Old Computer;
 - 8 correct?

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- 9 A. Yes.
 - O. And this was the Z drive on Mr. Zambrano's
- 11 computer, New Computer; correct?
- 12 A. Yes, the Z drive on the New Computer was, in fact,
- 13 files on the Old Computer.
- 14 Q. It was his actually My Documents folder on his Old
- 15 Computer?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. So, Mr. Zambrano would have been able to open
- 18 files while sitting at his New Computer when the files were
- 19 physically stored on his Old Computer; correct?
 - A. Yes, he would have been able to do that.
- Q. And if he opened a file like that, we would see
- 22 records of that; correct?
- 23 A. Yes, with the same caveat as whether or not files
- 24 were accessed on USB Devices, there isn't necessarily a
- 25 record--there isn't a running record of every single time a

- 03:03 1 that computer was first put into use; right?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. So, when Mr. Zambrano got the New Computer around
 - 4 December 7, 2010, that computer did not have on its own
 - 5 hard drive Mr. Zambrano's documents?
 - A. Yes, that would be true.
 - Q. And there is no indication that those files were
 - 8 copied to the New Computer for Mr. Zambrano to use them;
 - 9 correct?
 - 10 A. Not until later.
 - 11 Q. During this time period, there is no indication
 - 12 that those files were copied to Mr. Zambrano's computer?
 - 13 A. That's correct.
 - 14 Q. Presumably, Mr. Zambrano would need to have access
 - 15 to his files if he was going to use--if he were going to
 - 16 use them; correct?
 - 17 A. If he were to be using old documents, yes. If he
 - 18 were to create new documents, then, no.
 - 19 Q. But you recognize in your First Report--sorry,
 - 20 your Second Report--at Page 35 that the Old and New
 - 21 Computers were connected to each other over the same
 - 22 network; right?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. Have you seen computers networked like that
 - 25 before?

- 03:06 1 file is accessed, and some of those records could have been 2 overwritten.
 - 3 Q. You state that there was no evidence that the New 4 Computer was used to modify the Providencia document.
 - 5 A. Yes, I do state that, and I can explain that. I
 - 5 mean, I did explain that in my direct testimony.
 - Q. And let's get to that in just a moment.
 - 8 But you do recognize that the Providencia document
 - 9 was opened on the New Computer from the Old Computer at 10 least 40 times?
 - 11 A. A user sitting at the New Computer did open
 - 12 Providencia as it was stored on the Old Computer, yes,
 - 13 that--
 - 14 Q. And they did that at least 40 times?
 - 15 A. That sounds right. Mr. Racich includes the number
 - in his Report, but that sounds right, yes.
 - 17 Q. And if you'd like to check, that is Mr. Racich's
 - 8 November 7th, 2014, Report, Paragraph 33.
 - 19 A. Yeah, I see that.
 - 20 Q. Did you recognize this before Mr. Racich pointed
 - 21 it out in his November 2014 Report?
 - 22 A. Yeah. If you go to Table 21 of my Report on
 - 23 Page 35, I set forth times that Providencia was accessed
 - 24 and then describe that Z drive of the New Computer was, in
 - 25 fact, in My Documents on the Old Computer.

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- 03:08 1 Q. And Table 21 is intended to just give three 2 examples?
 - A. It gives the most recently accessed dates.
 - 4 Q. But you would agree with me that it didn't just

5 happen three times. It happened 40 times?

- A. Yes, but I didn't have the dates that it happened.
- 7 I mean, here I was just trying to list when I could date 8 the access.
- 9 Q. Did you review the internet history to verify your 10 conclusion that the Providencia file was not accessed 11 across the network?
- 12 A. I don't offer the conclusion that Providencia file 13 was not offered or not accessed across the network.
- Q. And I agree with you, I inartfully worded that.

 Did you review the internet history to verify your conclusion that the Providencia file was not changed across
- 16 conclusion that the Providencia file was not changed across 17 the network?
- 18 A. I also don't say that it wasn't changed, but to go
- 19 back to my conclusion, Mr. Zambrano's testimony was that
- 20 the New Computer was used exclusively to draft Providencia, $\,$
- $21\,$ and there are multiple data points that are inconsistent
- $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ with that: First, every single version that we found of
- 23 Judgment text was last saved using the Old Computer, so 24 that's--Providencia was modified using the Old Computer,
- 25 not the New Computer, and the New Computer didn't exist to

03:11 1 The other argument you put forward as to why the

- 2 New Computer did not modify the Judgment file on the Old
- 3 Computer is related to the metadata of the file that you
- 4 found on the Old Computer; correct?
- A. Yes. Had that file or had the versions of the
- $\ensuremath{\text{6}}$ file or snapshots of the file that I recovered been saved
- 7 using the New Computer, their Last Saved By name would be 8 HP, but it, in fact, was CPJS.
- 9 Q. Would you turn to Page 28 of your August Report.
 - A. Yes
- 11 Q. And we're going to look at Table 8.
- 12 A. Yes

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- 13 Q. So, document 17 is an example of what you're
- 14 talking about where the New Computer was used to Save the
- 15 file that existed on the Old Computer?
- 16 A. That's actually not quite right. Seventeen is a 17 file where the New Computer was used to Save a file, and
- 18 that file was stored on the New Computer. We know that
- 19 from Table 7, the full path there.
- Q. But in terms of the metadata, Document 17 is how
- 21 you would expect a file to look that was saved by the New
- 22 Computer; right? It would have a Last Saved By of HP?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And your contention is that Document 11
- 25 through 15 because 16 was also on the New Computer, 11

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03:10 1 Mr. Zambrano when he said he began drafting the Judgment.

- 2 So, that is what I'm setting forth, not that
- 3 Providencias was never accessed or modified using the New
- 4 Computer but that it wasn't accessed or modified
- 5 exclusively as Mr. Zambrano testified.
- 6 Q. Let's deal with those two statements in reverse
- 7 order?
- 8 A. Sure.
- 9 Q. First, Mr. Zambrano did not have the New Computer
- 10 until December 7, 2010. I think we all agreed to that;
- 11 right?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. But Mr. Zambrano said in his testimony that he
- 14 used the New Computer exclusively to draft the
- 15 Providencias; right?
- 16 A. He said he used it to exclusively draft the
- 17 Judgment.
- 18 Q. Do you remember what computer you were using in
- 19 December 7th, 2010?
- 20 A. December 7th, 2010, I do, for worker. I mean, I
- 21 would remember my computers. That's kind of my thing.
- 22 Q. That's kind of your shtick?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. I understand that.
- 25 Let's move on from that.

- 03:13 1 through 15 all have a Last Saved by date or Last Saved by 2 Author of CPJS; correct?
 - 3 A. Yes. Well, documents 11 through 16 all were last 4 saved by CPJS.
 - 5 And just to be clear about the difference between
 - 6 15 and 16, those are both there, copies of the March 18th
 - 7 version of Providencia. It was after March 18 it was
 - 8 copied to the New Computer. That's why it's shown on the
 - 9 New Computer for 16.
 - 10 Q. Okay. So, we're most interested then, I think, in
 - 11 documents 11 through 14; would you agree with me?
 - 12 A. We're most interested in 11, 12, 14 and 15.
 - 13 Q. Because 12 and 13 are copies of each other?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 Q. Okay. So, looking at Document Number 11, that
 - 16 document existed on the Old Computer; right?
 - 17 A. That's correct.
 - 18 Q. And, according to this, it was last saved by CPJS
 - 19 on December 21, 2010.
 - 20 A. Yes.

- O. If Mr. Zambrano--and it had been saved 286 times?
- 22 A. Yes, the revision count was 286.
- 23 Q. If Mr. Zambrano was sitting on his New Computer
- 24 and opened the file on his Old Computer across the
- 25 network--

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- 03:15 1 A. Um-hmm.
 - 2 Q. --and saved it 285 times before this, and then
 - 3 Mr. Zambrano or Ms. Calva opened the computer and saved
 - 4 this file on the Old Computer once, that would still
 - 5 reflect usage only on the Old Computer; right?
 - 6 A. I don't think the--I guess being very specific, I
 - 7 don't think the hypothetical you set forth is possible. At
 - 8 least one of those 285 prior Saves would have been the
 - 9 creation of the document, and that was before the New
 - 10 Computer existed on October 11th.
 - 11 Q. I appreciate the details. Let's do this again.
 - 12 The file is saved on October 11, 2010, on the Old
 - 13 Computer; right?
 - 14 A. Right.

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- Q. And the metadata would have looked, CPJS would be
- 16 the Author, and last saved would be CPJS; right?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Reflecting that that file was saved on the Old
- 19 Computer; right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And on December 21, 2010, that file was again
- 22 saved on the Old Computer?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. We don't know what happened or who saved that
- 25 file, whether it's the Old Computer or the New Computer,

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- Q. And the evidence we have here is four snapshots out of over 400 revisions of this file; correct?
 - A. We have recovered four versions of Providencias.
- Q. So, what you can tell us today is that this file
- $\,$ 6 $\,$ was saved four times from the Old Computer on the Old
- 7 Computer plus the original, five times.
- 8 A. Yes, it was saved five times in total using the 9 Old Computer.
 - Q. 395 other times we don't know.
- 11 A. I can't tell you what the content of those--that
- 12 looked like or where it was saved.
- Q. So, those 395 times could have all been the New
- 14 Computer. You don't know?
- 15 A. There is no evidence that they were--that it was
- 16 saved using the New Computer, but I can't rule that out.
 - Q. On Page 26, Tab 2, you state: "Although
- 18 Mr. Zambrano testified that he and Ms. Calva typed the
- 19 Ecuadorian Judgment for most of the hours of the day for a
- 20 multi-week period, including some weekends, 66 percent of
- 21 the Ecuadorian Judgment was present on the Old Computer as
- $22\,$ of December 28th, 2010, in a file that could not have been
- 23 edited for any more than 53 hours."
 - Do you see that?
- 25 A. I do, yes.

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- 03:17 1 the 284 interim revisions?
 - 2 A. Yeah, that's correct. We don't know when the
 - 3 interim versions were saved, what the contents of the files
 - 4 were, or on what computer they were saved.
 - 5 O. And the same is true between December 21st and
 - 6 December 28th. December 28th Save was on the Old Computer;
 - 7 correct?
 - A. December 28th Save was on the Old Computer.
 - 9 Q. But the 29 or 28 Saves before the 12 21 version
 - 10 could have been all on the New Computer; right?
 - 11 A. I quess, again, for those 28 Saves between
 - 12 December 21st and December 28th, we don't know where they
 - 13 were saved, how the content changed.
 - 14 Q. So, it could have been on the Old Computer or it
 - 15 could have been on the New Computer?
 - 16 A. The interim Saves could have been on the Old
 - 17 Computer or the New Computer.
 - 18 Q. So, Revision 314 could have been saved from the
 - 19 New Computer to the Old Computer?
 - 20 A. I can't tell you what revision 314 would have
 - 21 looked like. It could have been saved on the New Computer.
 - 22 It could have been saved on the Old Computer, it could have
 - 23 had the same exact content as December 21st. The
 - 24 Providencias could have had different content. I can tell
 - 25 you what we have here. I can tell you the evidence we do

- 03:21 1 Q. And I think you had a very similar slide this 2 morning in your presentation.
 - A. Yes.
 - 4 O. So, your conclusion here is that 53 hours is not
 - 5 enough time for 66 percent of the Judgment to have been
 - 6 saved on the computer; is that correct?
 - 7 A. No, I'm not. I'm not saying that. I'm stating
 - 8 what the edit time is and comparing that to the description
 - 9 of a multi-week period, including some weekends or as
 - 10 Mr. Zambrano said many days, many weeks, including some
 - 11 weekends.
 - 12 Fifty-three hours, if you assume an eight hour
 - 13 workday, is 13 hours more than one week. It's not what I
 - 4 would describe as many--a multi-week period.
 - ${\tt 15} \hspace{0.5cm} {\tt Q.} \hspace{0.5cm} {\tt So let's walk through that.} \hspace{0.5cm} {\tt You calculated how} \\$
 - 6 much of the Judgment was quoted; correct?
 - 17 A. Yes
 - 18 Q. And you determined that approximately 30 percent
 - 19 of the Lago Agrio Judgment was quoted text; right?
 - A. Yeah, approximately 30 percent.
 - Q. And this is on Page 39 of Tab 2; right?
 - 22 A. Yes.

- 23 Q. And that quoted text was quoted from submissions
- 24 of the Parties and other legal sources, et cetera; correct?
 - A. Yeah, I don't know the sources of all the quotes,

- 03:22 1 but that's text that appears in quotes.
 - Q. How did you determine that it was 30 percent 3 quoted?
 - A. Ultimately from a very time-consuming review of 5 the text. I first wrote a program to search for quotation
 - 6 marks, and then when I found an opening quotation mark, to
 - 7 the continue searching until the end--the next quotation
 - 8 mark, the ending quotation mark, pull it out--all those
 - 9 phrases, everything that appeared between quotes and then
 - 10 reviewed those to see where there was, for instance, they
 - 11 quote missing a hanging--a hanging quotation mark, and then
 - 12 review the context of the document. In some cases, I was
 - 13 able to find where it would say this is a quote from some
 - 14 law, find that source on line or from counsel, review it,
 - 15 see where the quotation actually ended, where the quotation
 - 16 mark was missing. I had to occasionally identify where it
 - 17 was missing and then add that quotation mark, which I will
 - 18 say was time-consuming, but ultimately it was a program to
 - 19 search for quotation marks, count the words between them
 - 20 with manual review to make sure that that didn't
 - 21 over-include any text.
 - Q. And just to make this a little easier, I'm not
 - 23 arguing with you that it is 30 percent guoted. I wrote a
 - 24 similar little program and it counted the same number, so
 - 25 we're in agreement about that.

- 03:26 1 Q. So, if Mr. Zambrano came in on the weekend and 2 handwrote portions of the Providencia, that would not be 3 counted in this 53 hours?
 - A. It wouldn't be, although I would want to actually
 - 5 see his testimony. I believe he said he didn't do that. 6 That he formulated the thoughts or reading from notes and
 - 7 then spoke them to Ms. Calva.
 - 8 Q. Does the 53 hours include the time Mr. Zambrano 9 spent handwriting his notes?
 - A. It would not include any time spent writing notes 11 unless Providencia was open when you were writing notes.
 - O. Does the 53 hours include any time working with notes from previous judges?
 - A. No, it's only the time Providencia was opened.
 - That's what it is. 15
 - Q. Would you please turn to Page 23 of your
 - 17 August 2014 Report. Again, Tab 2.
 - 18 And I'm sorry, I'm actually looking for the
 - 19 document that starts of Page--or the portion of your
 - document that starts on Page 21, dealing with usage of
 - 21 Excel.

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- 22 A. Sure.
- 23 I want to shift gears a little bit.
 - You conclude that: "It would not have been
- 25 possible in the amount of time Excel was recorded as having

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 - That text, though, could have been copied in from
 - 3 any other document, from the internet, from sources that
 - 4 Mr. Zambrano had in other documents; is that correct?
 - A. Well, I would agree that it could have been copied
 - 6 in, but in this--this exercise comparing it to his
 - 7 testimony, he didn't--I mean, he suggested that he dictated it entirely to Ms. Calva.
 - 9 Q. Does the 53 hours of edit time include time spent 10 writing in other documents, like Caso Texaco?
 - A. The 53 hours is the edit time of Providencia. It
 - Q. Does the 53 hours include--I quess maybe you just 14 answered this--it does not include edit time in any other
 - 15 document, does it?
 - A. No, this is the edit time of Providencia. 16

12 doesn't include edit time from any other document.

- Q. Does the 53 hours include time that Mr. Zambrano 17
- 18 spent handwriting portions of the document?
- 19 A. Well, the edit time, I quess--let me back up. If
- 20 Providencia was open on the screen while he was
- 21 handwriting, then it would, but it would--I mean, the edit
- 22 time is a record of how long Providencias was open, that is
- 23 what it is. It doesn't include time spent anywhere else
- 24 unless that time was spent with Providencia happening to be
- 25 open on the screen.

- 03:28 1 been used to derive statistics appearing in the Ecuadorian
 - 2 Judgment from the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' unfiled Excel
 - 3 spreadsheets or (2) copy the other Microsoft Excel data
 - 4 from the Plagiarized Documents appearing in the Ecuadorian
 - 5 Judgment."

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- Do you see that?
- A. I do, yes. That's at the top of Page 23.
- Q. And then at the end of your Report, you include
- 9 Appendix A, which is where you purport to compute the
- percentages in the Ecuadorian Judgment; right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you calculated these using the Selva Viva 12
- 13 Excel spreadsheet?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And the Selva Viva spreadsheet is the Plaintiffs' 15
- copy of the judicial inspection data in the record; right?
- A. It's the Plaintiffs' compilation. I wouldn't call 17
- it a copy. It doesn't represent the same data number in 18 19 every case.
- Q. So, it's the Plaintiffs' compilation of judicial
- 21 inspection data in the record. You would agree with me?
- A. I would--that's what I understood it was intended 22 23 to be.
- Q. And are you inferring by this appendix that the
- 25 Court also must have calculated the percentages using the

03:29 1 Selva Viva spreadsheet?

A. Yeah, if you take this appendix with my First 3 Report beginning at Page--or really beginning at Page 22, I 4 set forth a number of examples of data that is in the Selva 5 Viva Database and is not in the data that was the filed Lab 6 Results, naming irregularities, data irregularities and 7 then a section beginning on Page 27 where I talk about 8 numerical errors, which includes counts that appear in the 9 statistical section, and percentages, and I described that

10 in Paragraph 69 of my First Report, that the Selva Viva 11 data compilation or the Selva Viva Database double or

12 triple counts certainly Lab Results and that that counting 13 is necessary--that double or triple counting is necessary

14 to calculate the statistics as they appear in the Judgment.

Q. Okay. So, you have assumed that the Author of the 16 Judgment had access to the Selva Viva Database because, in 17 your expert opinion, that's the only way to calculate these 18 particular percentages?

A. I'm not aware of any other dataset from which it 20 could be calculated. I'm aware of two datasets, I quess, 21 from which one could calculate the statistics; the Lab 22 Results or the Selva Viva Database, and it's not the Lab

23 Results, so it's, therefore, the Data Compilation.

Q. Did Chevron give you access to their Data 25 Compilation?

03:33 1 10.2 percent. So, you have to have exactly the dataset in 2 the Selva Viva Data Compilation. You get these statistics 3 as they appear.

Q. The Judgment says 10 percent; right?

A. It says 10 percent, but then if you look at some 6 of the other places, it's more specific, it says

7 10.3 percent and 79.7 percent and 80.4 percent and 80.2.

8 So, it does go to two decimal places for some of those 9 numbers.

Q. Do you know how many samples there are in the 10 11 Selva Viva Database?

A. I know that the Selva Viva Database has more than 13 65.000 rows.

Q. And your testimony is that one sample out of 15 65,000 could affect your statistic that significantly?

A. Because this is a calculation across just the TPH 17 results, so there are--the Judgment sets forth some of the

18 numbers. There were I think 420 results from one set and

19 then there were 1984, 1,984 results that were attributable to Texaco or Chevron. The Judgment sets forth those

21 numbers, and those numbers match exactly to the Selva Viva

22 Database.

So, if you were to change a number, so if you take

24 a sample that's listed in the Selva Viva Database as

25 attributable to Chevron, and you take it out of that

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03:32 1 A. No, I don't have access to Chevron's Data 2 Compilation, if they were to have one. I don't know if 3 they do.

> Q. I will represent to you that they do, and it's in 5 Access.

So, you did not try and calculate these percentages using Chevron's Data Compilation?

A. Well, yeah, I don't have that Data Compilation.

Q. So, you don't know whether it could be done or 10 not?

A. For it to be done, it would have to do the exact 11 12 double and triple counting that the Selva Viva Database

13 does in the exact same way, and it would have to have the 14 same errors in some of the, for instance, the units and the

15 naming conventions. It would have to be an exact copy of

16 the Selva Viva Database, given the amount of information

17 that's set forth in my Report about the Selva Viva

18 Database.

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Q. So, sticking with the percentages, your testimony 20 is that the 10 percent for TPH samples greater than 5,000

21 can only be calculated using the Selva Viva Database's

22 particular anomalous data?

23 A. If you change a single sample from 5,000 to less 24 than 5,000, you don't get, as I set forth in Appendix 8,

25 10.02 percent or rounded to 10 percent. You get

03:35 1 population, then you will no longer have 1,984, so yes,

2 changing a single sample can impact the statistics so they 3 no longer match the Judgment.

Q. Okay. The percentage you calculated are all from 5 judicial inspection data; correct?

A. They're all from the compilation of inspection 7 data, yes.

Q. And do you know that the judicial inspections were 8 9 completed on November 6th, 2006?

A. I don't know that.

11 Q. I will represent to you that the judicial

12 inspections were completed at the end of 2006.

A. Okay.

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14 There were some non-party or independent 15 inspections later, but the judicial inspections were

completed as of the end of 2006.

17 So, the record reflected all of the judicial inspection data that you used to calculate--18

19 MR. WHITE: I'm sorry, I have to interject here.

20 The judicial inspections were never completed. They were 21 suspended. I don't want there to be a mistake about that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's a fair point. 22

23 You can rephrase your question.

MR. EWING: Well, I might not agree with the

25 suspension, but I will rephrase.

03:36 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Go ahead.

2 BY MR. EWING:

- Q. You know that--actually, let's just start from here: The record reflected all of the judicial inspections, the data from all the judicial inspections, that had been completed as of March 28th, 2007; correct?
- 7 A. I don't know, I guess sitting here now, when the 8 inspections occurred.
- 9 Q. Okay. So, they were--I will represent to you they
 10 were suspended in 2007 without agreeing to that term. Is
 11 there any reason for you to believe that at that time the
 12 sitting judge didn't calculate these percentages?
- 13 A. Well, I don't know if he calculated percentages.
 14 If he were to calculate percentages, he would have to
 15 calculate them using a dataset that exactly double and
 16 triple count samples in the same exact way as the Selva
- 16 triple count samples in the same exact way as the Selver Viva Data Compilation.
- 18 Q. And did you verify whether the samples in the 19 judicial or the Lago Agrio Record are not reflected 20 accurately in the Selva Viva Database?
- 21 A. I'm not sure I completely understand, but I guess 22 I can take a--I mean, what I think you're saying.
- I know that the Selva Viva Database does not accurately reflect all of the results as they're listed in
- 25 the filed Lab Results. I described that in a section

03:40 1 Q. And the second point that you make is that someone 2 would have had to have access to the Selva Viva Database,

3 in your opinion, to calculate these percentages; correct?

A. Yes.

5 Q. So, if we could address the first point, and then 6 we will come back to the second point.

7 You don't know whether one of the previous judges 8 may have calculated the percentages using Excel?

- 9 A. I don't know who calculated the percentages. I 10 just know that it would not have been done using the 11 Zambrano Computers in that time period.
- Q. Okay. So it could have been Judge Nuñez on his computer using Excel in 2007?
- 14 A. It could have been anyone who had the Selva Viva 15 Data Compilation.
- Q. And you know that other court-appointed experts had the Selva Viva Database?
- 18 A. I'm just trying to--I'm trying to go through all 19 the different court-appointed experts and think of who else 20 would have had it. If you could direct me to--
- Q. Well, by early 2010, Mr. Cabrera seems to have had it, according to Chevron. Do you know whether Mr. Barros

23 had it?

24 A. I don't know whether or not Mr. Barros had it.

25 Q. Okay.

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03:38 1 called "data irregularities," beginning at Paragraph 62 of

2 my First Report, where, just taking an example, the Selva 3 Viva Database gets the units wrong for a test result. It

4 lists, using the example in the Report, HAPs--or H-A-P--the

- 4 lists, using the example in the Report, hars--of h-a-r--the
- 5 Selva Viva Database lists them in milligrams per kilogram,
- 6 the filed Lab Results list them in micrograms per kilogram.
- Q. Mr. Lynch, if I could just interrupt you--I'm
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ really focused here on the percentages. I understand you
- 9 have other datapoints. I really want to talk to you about
- 10 the percentages. So, if we could focus on those at the 11 moment.

Do you know which snapshot of the Final Judgment contained these percentages?

- A. December 21st Providencias did.
- Q. And you have no idea whether one of the previous judges calculated those percentages?
- 17 A. Again, if they calculated those percentages, they 18 would have had to have done so using a dataset that exactly
- 19 double and triple count certain samples in the way that is
- 20 done so in the Selva Viva Data Compilation.
- Q. So, I think there are two points that you get at in your Report. One is that Excel was not open long enough
- 23 on Mr. Zambrano's computer to have calculated percentages;
- 24 correct?

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5 A. That's what I say, yes.

03:41 1 A. But I guess I would note that--I mean, this is
2 whether or not--the topic is whether or not Judgment text
3 came from a third party. I mean, I'm offering the opinion

4 that it must have.

- 5 Q. And you don't know whether the Selva Viva Database 6 was supplied to the Ministry of the Environment of Ecuador, 7 do you?
- A. I don't know.
- 9 Q. And that it could then have, therefore, been
- 10 provided appropriately from the Ministry of the Environment 11 to the Court in Ecuador?
- 12 A. I don't know. All I know is what I say in my
- 13 Report: That it must have been used to calculate the
- 14 statistics and that that calculation wasn't done on the 15 Zambrano Computers.
- 16 Q. Looking at the bottom of Page 26 of your Report,
- 17 you conclude that "the Ecuadorian Judgment contains text
- 18 that was electronically copied and pasted or otherwise
- 19 transferred from other sources, including the Plagiarized
- 20 Documents and the unfiled Selva Viva Data Compilation."
- 21 A. Yes, I see that.
- 22 Q. Did you do any independent analysis to determine
- $\ensuremath{\texttt{23}}$ whether these documents were filed?
- A. For the Plagiarized Documents outside the Selva Viva Data Compilation, I rely on other experts. For the

03:43 1 Selva Viva Data Compilation, I understand from other

- 2 experts that they weren't filed in the record and also know
- 3 that they weren't on Mr. Zambrano's computers.
- Well, I would say I know that none of the
- 5 Plagiarized Documents were on Mr. Zambrano's computer. I
- 6 know that the Selva Viva Data Compilation had been used to
- 7 calculate the statistics by Mr. Zambrano it would have had
- 8 to have been on his computers, but it wasn't on his
- 9 computers.
- Q. So, to use the words "Plagiarized Documents" and
- 11 "unfiled Selva Viva Data Compilation," you were relying on
- 12 Dr. Leonard and Dr. Juola's reports; correct?
- A. Yes, I adopt those terms. 13
- O. You would agree with me that if we see a thumb
- 15 drive being inserted into a computer and then a file being
- 16 created one or two minutes later, there is a presumption
- 17 that that file came from that thumb drive; right?
- A. I think you can infer that. I don't know that
- 19 it's--I mean, it's not necessarily accurate, but you can
- 20 infer that.
- Q. Would you turn to Table 24, Page 37. And do you
- 22 see the row near the bottom that says "E:\Providencia
- 23 Chevron/Texaco de fecha 15 de Junio 2010." My Spanish
- 24 numbers are bad.
- A. Yes, I see two of those rows.

- 03:47 1 O. So, now, if you turn to Table 23, and you look for
 - 2 a USB Device that was connected around 17:49 on 12/7/2010,
 - 3 you see one; right? On the fourth line.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. So, the last Kingston Data Traveler 2.0? Or the
 - fourth one down?
 - A. Yes. Not the last one, but yes, it's the
 - 8 fourth one down.
 - 9 Q. All right. And it ends with a serial number of
 - 10 16E3; correct?
 - 11 A. It does, yes.
 - 12 O. And those serial numbers are unique?
 - A. Those particular serial numbers are all--or at 13
 - 14 least all appear to be unique. Some manufacturers reuse
 - serial numbers, but that's not as common.
 - Q. Now, looking at your August 2014 Report again,
 - 17 could you now turn to Page 18. And in Table 2 you list the
 - file system metadata for each instance of the Zambrano
 - Index Summary; right?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. And the first one, Document 1, has a created of
 - 22 January 6th, 2011, at 11:38 a.m.
 - 23 A. Yes, it does.
 - 24 Q. And the Last Saved Dates for Documents 1-10--one
 - 25 to ten--so, for all of these, is December 2nd at 3:29 in

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- Q. So, that file was created or used on December 7th,
 - 2 2010, at 5:49 in the evening; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you would agree with me, based on the file
 - 5 name, that there is a strong likelihood that this is a copy
 - 6 of a Providencia issued in the Chevron/Texaco case on
 - 7 June 15th, 2010?
 - A. I don't want to, I quess, opine as to the
 - 9 likelihood that that--that the contents are accurately
 - 10 represented by the file name, but based on the file name--I
 - 11 mean, the file name would suggest it is an order in the
 - 12 Chevron Case from June 15th, 2010.
 - Q. And the fact it's copied on December 7th, 2010, in
 - 14 the evening, the same day Mr. Zambrano got his new
 - 15 computer, it's also a good indication that maybe he was
 - 16 getting this file to then use as a template, for instance?
 - A. I don't know what he was using the file for, if he

 - 18 was using it at all, or its contents. It's possible it was 19 being used as a template.
 - Q. And this file is coming from a USB device that is
 - 21 labeled "Mariela"?
 - 22 A. It is, yes.

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- Q. And we know that Mariela Salazar, as we discussed
- 24 earlier, is one of the Court Secretaries; right?
- A. Yes, we do.

- 03:49 1 the afternoon; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. So, looking at this system metadata, this file was
 - 4 most likely copied onto Mr. Zambrano's computer on
 - 5 January 6th, 2011; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. But was probably originally created on a different
 - 8 computer?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - 10 O. Do you know where that document came from?
 - 11 A. No, I don't know where that particular document
 - 12 came from.
 - 13 Q. So, let's see if we can figure it out, and I think
 - 14 that we can.
 - So, the file was created on January 6th, 2011, at 15
 - 16 11:38 a.m. on the Old Computer?
 - 17 A. Yes.

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- That's what Table 2 says.
- Now, if we turn back to Page 36, and Table 23, do
- 20 you see any USB Devices that were connected to the Old
- 21 Computer on January 6th, 2011, around 11:38 a.m.?
- 22 Α. Yes.
 - And it was plugged into the Old Computer; right? 0.
- 24
 - And it also has a serial number that ends in 16E3?

- 03:50 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. So, this is likely the same USB drive that was
 - 3 used to copy the earlier Providencia that we were
 - 4 discussing from the Court Secretary?
 - A. It's possible, yes.
 - Q. The fact that the two serial numbers are identical
 - 7 makes it likely; right?
 - 8 A. Yes, assuming that it was copied from a thumb
 - 9 drive.
 - 10 Q. The metadata here indicates that a thumb drive was
 - 11 inserted at 11:37; right?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. And that a file was created at 11:38; right?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 O. So, a minute or less later?
 - 16 A. Yeah.
 - 17 Q. So, there is a strong presumption that that thumb
 - 18 drive was where that document came from.
 - 19 A. Yeah. As I said earlier, I don't--it's not
 - 20 necessarily the case that it was copied from a thumb drive.
 - 21 It could have been another source, for instance, a Web mail
 - 22 account, but there is a strong inference that it was from
 - 23 the thumb drive.
 - Q. So, now we have Mariela Salazar, the Court
 - 25 Secretary, providing to Mr. Zambrano the June Index

- 03:54 1 have before alleged was part of an unfiled document, at
 - 2 least two examples, you just said.
 - A. It is not "at least." It is two examples.
 - 4 Q. Two examples?
 - A. Of the instances.
 - Q. Okay.

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- 7 A. Actually, let me just--one second--read...
- 8 (Witness reviews document.)
- 9 A. Yes, that's correct. I just wanted to make sure
- 10 that was...
- 11 MR. EWING: I have no further questions.
- 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.
- Do you want a short break or should we proceed?
- 14 MR. WHITE: It would be helpful to have a very
- 15 short break.
- 16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: How long do you need?
 - MR. WHITE: Ten minutes.
- 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's have ten minutes.
- 19 Same request.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 21 (Brief recess.)
- 22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 23 Again, we're not pressing you, but just for
- 24 planning purposes, some rough estimate as to how long the
- 25 redirect may take.

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03:52 1 Summary?

- 2 A. No. The Zambrano Index Summary.
- Q. Which you have indicated has the same index, the
- 4 same--one of the same tabs; correct?
- A. It has one of the same tabs, but it is, I
- 6 guess--I'll just see where I describe it, so I describe it 7 in the same way--the Excel file here, the Zambrano Index
- 8 Summary, had a tab with the same name and some of the same
- 9 content but lacked most of the content from the June or the
- 10 January Index Summary.
- 11 Q. But that tab is one of the sources that was
- 12 allegedly from an unfiled document; correct?
- 13 A. That particular tab does not include any of the
- 14 information that was allegedly "unfiled," as you say.
- 15 Sorry--I quess I said "doesn't include any." It
- 16 doesn't include all of it. There are two instances where
- 17 it has some of the information but not all of it.
 - Q. So--okay.

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- 19 A. So, I quess, it said--it may be clear if I say it
- 20 the other way. The January and the June Index Summary
- 21 contain information that isn't in the Zambrano Index
- 22 Summary, and some of that information is part of the
- 23 "plagiarized text," as we're using that phrase.
- Q. But the Index Summary that is on Mr. Zambrano's
- 25 computer has some of the information in it that Claimants

- 04:05 1 MR. WHITE: I think less than 15 minutes.
 - 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.
 - 3 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
 - 4 BY MR. WHITE:
 - 5 Q. Mr. Lynch, I wanted to pick up on the last line of
 - 6 questions you were just asked by Mr. Ewing.
 - A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. And I just want to be clear about something. When
 - 9 you say that there was some information from the
 - 10 Plaintiffs' Index Summary on Mr. Zambrano's computer, are
 - 11 you suggesting that the Plaintiffs' Index Summary was filed
 - 12 in the Court Record?
 - 13 A. No, I'm not.
 - 14 Q. Thank you.
 - Now, earlier today you were asked by Mr. Ewing a
 - 16 series of questions concerning what could be inferred about
 - 17 Mr. Zambrano's practices in drafting documents from an
 - 18 instance of Caso Texaco from January 2011.
 - Do you recall that?
 - 20 A. I do, yes.
 - Q. So, I'd like to pick up on that line of
 - 22 questioning and ask if you could be shown--and we'll need
 - 23 to just do this on the screen--Exhibit 65 to your Reports,
 - 24 and we can provide a paper copy.
 - 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: C-65?

04:06 1 MR. WHITE: No, I believe that's Exhibit 65 to--to 2 the August 2014 Lynch Report. There were several boxes of 3 exhibits, but we'll provide a paper copy.

BY MR. WHITE:

- 5 Q. Mr. Lynch, are you familiar with this document?
- A. I am, yes.
- 0. What is it?
- 8 A. Exhibit 65 is a comparison of Caso Texaco from
- 9 December 7th, 2009, to Caso Texaco from January 19th, 2010,
- 10 so it's a comparison of the changes that were made in that 11 time period.
- 12 Q. And what did you find in that version of Caso 13 Texaco?
- 14 A. I found kind of overall looking at that version of
- 15 Caso Texaco a series of Orders. Looking at the changes
- 16 between those two versions, I found that three Orders were
- 17 added to Caso Texaco.
- 18 Q. And what is the nature of the three orders that
- 19 were added to Caso Texaco during the time period you've
- 20 just described?
- A. Those are three Orders, and we can see the first
- 22 one on the screen here. Those are three of the Orders that
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{23}}$ were found on Mr. Guerra's computer, so this document here,
- 24 the first one from January 19 is one of the Orders that I $\,$
- 25 described in my presentation as having been on the Zambrano

- 04:09 1 A. Yeah. If you go to Table 16 of my August Report,
 - 2 that sets forth the metadata for this version of the
 - 3 document. It's Document 26, and the edit time in this
 - 4 version was 3,145, which is just over 15 or I guess it's
 - 5 about 1500 minutes more than the prior version, so over
 - 6 that 1500 minutes, these three Orders must have been copied
 - 7 and pasted from the other documents that were on
 - 8 Mr. Guerra's computer.
 - 9 Q. Over the course of 1500 minutes you said?
 - A. Yes

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- 11 Q. All right. And in that 1500 minutes, were you
- 12 able to tell how many times the revision count incremented,
- 13 in other words, how many times somebody hit Control Save on
- 14 this document?
- 15 A. Yes, the revision count increase that's shown
- 16 here, it went from 162 to 674, which, if my math is
- 17 correct, is 512 different Saves.
- 18 Q. And were you able to find over those 1500 minutes
- 19 in the 500-plus Saves that you just described evidence of
- 20 any activity other than cutting and pasting the Guerra
- 21 Draft Orders into Caso Texaco by Mr. Zambrano or somebody
- 22 using his computer?
- 23 A. There were minor changes made to the text, but not
- 24 substantial drafting.
- Q. Nothing other than minor changes?

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- 04:08 1 or--sorry, on the Guerra Computer.
 - Q. And is this one of the 105 non-Chevron Orders or one of the nine Chevron orders?
 - A. This is one of the nine Chevron orders.
 - Q. And just to be clear, you're saying that after you
 - 6 found this on the Guerra Computer, you found it in Caso
 - 7 Texaco?
 - 8 A. Yes. It's--looking at each of the three Orders,
 - 9 the text is on the Guerra Computer, but then it's saved in
 - 10 this version on January 19th. All of the text on the
 - 11 Guerra Computer is in a document that was last saved before
 - 12 this version.
 - 13 Q. And Mr. Ewing suggested to you in
 - 14 cross-examination that Mr. Zambrano may have been using
 - 15 Caso Texaco to input original work of his own, and then
 - 16 cutting and pasting it into Providencias. Do you see any
 - 17 evidence that he was inputting original text of his own
 - 18 into this version of Caso Texaco?
 - 19 A. Looking at the changes here, all of this text must
 - 20 have come from another document, specifically the documents
 - 21 that were on Mr. Guerra's computer.
 - 22 Q. Thank you, Mr. Lynch.
 - When you were looking at this document, did you
 - 24 draw any conclusions concerning the edit time of this
 - 25 document?

- 04:11 1 A. Yes. The changes to take the Guerra, what I
 2 called the Guerra draft and make the minor changes that
 3 then appeared in the final order.
 - Q. I wanted to ask you now to turn to a different
 - 5 topic. You were asked about the Chain of Custody for
 - 6 Mr. Guerra's computer from the time that Chevron's folks
 - 7 were given access to it until the time that it was
 - 8 imaged--for purposes of the image that you examined. Do
 - 9 you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. Who did the imaging?
 - 12 A. It was imaged by a gentleman named Christopher
 - 13 Peltier.

- 14 Q. And how long was the period of time between
- 15 Chevron's folks getting hold of this and Mr. Peltier taking
- 16 the image?
- 17 A. I understand that they received it on the 13th,
- 18 and it was imaged on the 15th, so approximately two days
- 19 later.
- 20 Q. Okay. Now, I want to take you to one of the
- 21 exhibits that Mr. Ewing took you to when he was asking
- 22 about the Chain of Custody. It's behind Tab 7 in the
- 23 binder that Mr. Ewing handed up. It's the one that has a
- $24\,$ letter from the PCA, and then behind that there is a

- 04:12 1 computer. And if you go back to Appendix A, you will 2 recall that Mr. Ewing asked you questions about the Chain 3 of Custody documentation that appears at Appendix A.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you have that in front of you, sir? 5
 - A. I do, yes.
 - Q. All right. Can you tell me what the first date is 8 on that Chain of Custody?
 - A. The first date appears to be--I think it says 10 May 20, 2013.
 - Q. And Mr. Ewing represented to you that Mr. Zambrano 11 12 was still--was--well, I'll represent to you that it was in 13 early 2012 when Mr. Zambrano left the bench.
 - Do you have a Chain of Custody form for this 15 computer from the period in early 2012, when Mr. Zambrano 16 left the bench, until this date in 2013, when this Chain of 17 Custody form starts?
 - 18 A. No.
 - 19 Q. Now, you were also asked about the two-day period 20 during which Mr. Ewing suggested there wasn't a Chain of 21 Custody form on the Guerra Computer, and you responded that 22 you had done certain tests to see if that--sorry.
 - You were also asked about the clock on the Guerra 24 Computer and whether it might have been manipulated. You
 - 25 indicated that you had done some tests associated with

04:16 1 though, in fact, it was 2012 because someone backdated the 2 clock.

- But looking at all that, tens of thousands, if not 4 hundreds of thousands of different data points, underlines and logs or Windows updates, I didn't find any evidence of any clock manipulation on that computer.
- Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Ewing put a hypothetical to you--I 8 hope I followed it correctly--that involved another
- 9 computer, an unknown computer being attached to
- 10 Mr. Guerra's computer during that two-day time period. Did 11 you see any evidence of an unknown computer being attached
- in the way that Mr. Ewing suggested? 13
 - A. No, I didn't.
- Q. And then turning to the Western Digital hard
- 15 drive--this relates to the testimony that Mr. Ewing 16 elicited concerning the Windows reinstallation--did you see
- 17 any evidence that the Western Digital hard drive was ever
- 18 attached to either of the Zambrano Computers?
- A. No, I did not. 19
- 20 Q. And I want to take you to Slide 3 of the
- 21 presentation that you gave this morning. And while we're
- 22 looking that out, I want to pick up another point very
- guickly.
- 24 You were asked a number questions about what you
- 25 found on Mr. Donziger's computer, what you found on

- 04:14 1 seeing that that clock had been manipulated. What are the 2 tests you ran?
 - A. I ran multiple tests to determine whether or not 4 the clock on the Guerra Computer had been manipulated. As
 - 5 I described, there are virus logs. There were thousands of
 - 6 lines in those virus logs. I looked at all of the lines to
 - 7 see if any of them were out of sequence, and I looked at
 - 8 other such log files.
 - 9 I also looked at Windows updates, when a computer
 - 10 such as--when a Windows computer is connected to the 11 internet, it will automatically download and install
 - 12 Windows updates, and I compared the dates of the Windows
 - 13 update installation on the Guerra Computer to the dates
 - 14 that those Windows updates had been released by Microsoft
 - 15 and found that immediately after the computer was--Windows
 - 16 was reinstalled on the computer, all of the updates that

 - 17 had been released prior to the reinstallation were
 - 18 downloaded and installed and then from that point forward,
 - 19 Windows updates were always downloaded and installed
 - 20 shortly after the update had been released.
 - 21 Had there been any clock manipulation, I would
 - 22 expect that Windows updates would not necessarily be
 - 23 installed with any correlation to when they were released.
 - 24 So, for example, you may have a Windows update that gets
 - 25 installed when the computer believes to be 2011 even

- 04:17 1 Mr. Guerra's computer and what you didn't find there. Did
 - 2 you ever have access to Pablo Fajardo's computer?
 - A. No, I did not.
 - 4 Q. Ever have access to any other media from Pablo 5 Fajardo?
 - A. No, I did not.
 - Q. Okay. When we look at Your Exhibit 3, this is
 - where you're talking about the over 100 Orders in
 - 9 non-Chevron cases, the dates on which--have I understood
 - 10 correctly that from this and from your Slide Number 5 that
 - 11 these are dates on which you found some evidence of sharing
 - 12 of thumb drives between the Guerra Computer and the
 - 13 Zambrano Computers?
 - 14 A. Across this time period, yes, there's evidence of
 - 15 thumb drives being shared between the Guerra Computer and
 - the Zambrano Computers.
 - Q. Do you have all of the thumb drives that were 17
 - shared between the Guerra Computer and the Zambrano 18
 - 19 Computers?
 - 20 A. No, I do not.
 - How many do you have?
 - 22 A. I have I believe images of five of the nine that
 - 23 were shared.
 - 24 Q. Nine were shared, you got five?
 - A. I believe. I would have to check my Report.

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04:18 1 That's by best recollection.

Q. I accept that if that's what you tell us.

And were there other thumb drives beyond those

4 shared thumb drives that were also attached to

5 Mr. Zambrano's computers during this time period?

A. Yes, there were.

Q. And did you have access to those I will call them the non-Guerra-Zambrano shared thumb drives? Did you have

9 access to the other ones?

10 A. No, I didn't receive other any thumb drives other 11 than--from Ecuador other than the ones Mr. Guerra produced.

12 O. Okay

13 MR. WHITE: I have no further questions.

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I have just two very minor

15 matters to raise.

16 THE WITNESS: Yes.

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18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you could turn to your First

19 Report of October in Tab 1 of the Respondent's bundle, and

20 turn to Page 30, Paragraph 72.

21 THE WITNESS: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Now, you say there on the 21st

23 of January 2011, this Court ordered Steven Donziger, et

24 cetera.

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25 THE WITNESS: Right.

04:21 1 bundles. Obviously the Transcript is, but it may be easier 2 if you just listed them for us.

MR. WHITE: C-2368, which is a tab in Mr. Ewing's bundle. And that's just an excerpt there, but that's the

5 exhibit.

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6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the deposition?

MR. WHITE: We would have to look for it.

8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you don't have it, we can 9 come back to it.

MR. WHITE: Okay.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And you're staying here to hear

12 the next witness, I hope? You're staying around?

THE WITNESS: That's my understanding.

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good. Thank you very much.

THE WITNESS: Thank you.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We may call upon you again, but

 $17\,\,$ for the moment, please leave the table, and we thank you

18 for coming here to assist the Tribunal.

THE WITNESS: Thank you for the opportunity.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before we take five minutes,

21 it's 4:20, I assume we go straight on with the next

22 witness?

23 MR. BISHOP: Yes, that's our assumption and our

24 preference.

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent, too?

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04:20 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that a reference to the New 2 York Federal Court.

3 THE WITNESS: Yes, that is. I guess I will

4 describe that--this, as I described in Paragraph 1, that 5 were Stroz Friedberg was retained in a related matter. The

6 reports--my analysis was my analysis, and my Report a

7 report that I used as the basis for both that. This should 8 say-- $\,$

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: The Court.

10 THE WITNESS: -- the Court in a related matter.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I understand that. So, in the

12 RICO proceedings in New York, you produced how many

13 reports? You produced one, but did you produce more than

14 one?

THE WITNESS: I produced one in August of 2013.

16 It may have been very early September, but somewhere around

17 the end of August.

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Were you deposed before the

19 RICO trial?

20 THE WITNESS: I was, yes.

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And you gave evidence at the

22 RICO trial with your evidence recorded in a transcript?

23 THE WITNESS: Yes.

24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could you give us the

25 reference? I don't have these at hand, if that are in the

04:22 1 MR. EWING: We would be happy to go on with him.
2 If he has not started questioning, the question would be
3 how far are we going to get tonight in terms of will the
4 cross start tonight or will it be just his direct
5 presentation.

6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Cross won't finish tonight, but 7 I assumed it would start.

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8 MR. WHITE: We would like to go ahead and get 9 started. We are mindful that we are falling a little

10 behind schedule.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We are. Let's take five
12 minutes, and then we will start with the next witness.

13 (Brief recess.)

14 J. CHRISTOPHER RACICH, RESPONDENT'S WITNESS, CALLED

15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. We have a new

16 witness before us. 17 Sir, if you would

17 Sir, if you would like to look at the piece of 18 paper which has the words of the Declaration for witnesses, 19 we would invite you to state your full name and if you will

20 to read out the words of the Declaration?

THE WITNESS: I, John Christopher Racich.

22 I solemnly swear and declare upon my honor and

23 conscience that I shall speak the truth, the whole truth,

24 and nothing but the truth, and that my statement will be in

25 accordance with my sincere belief.

04:31 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

- The first will be questions from the Respondent. 2
- DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. EWING:
- Good afternoon, Mr. Racich. 5
- Good afternoon.
- You submitted three reports in this arbitration;
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. I did.
- Q. You will see those as Tabs 1, 2, and 3 of the 10
- 11 binder in front of you that I have given you. Do you have
- anything to retract or modify from those Reports?
- A. No, I do not. 13
- You stand by the conclusions you drew in those 14
- 15 Reports?

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- 16 A. I do.
 - Q. Have you ever testified in arbitration before?
- 18 A. I have.
- 19 0. Where?
- 20 In JAMS Arbitration, AAA Arbitration, National
- Labor Relations Board Arbitration.
- 22 Have you ever testified in Federal Court?
- 23 I have.
 - Q. And have you been qualified as an expert in
- 25 Federal Court before?

- 04:33 1 A. Typically, I rely on the computer data. Without 2 some Herculean effort, the data is usually correct.
 - Q. Now, I understand you have a presentation that you wanted to give today?
 - A. I do.

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- 0. Would you, please?
- Α. Sure.

8 As Mr. Ewing said, my name is Christopher Racich, 9 and I'm the President and founder of Vestigant. Vestigant is a computer forensics and investigation firm, and I have 11 been doing computer forensics since 1997 when I graduated from law school.

13 With regards to my background and my experience, I have testified, as I said, over 28 times. I teach as an adjunct Professor at American University Washington College 16 of Law on a course on electronic discovery, and I have both 17 taken and taught courses on computer forensics for the last 17, 18 years now.

19 And what I would like to discuss here is the 20 summary of the main points that are very important with 21 regards to what I have been asked to do, and when I first 22 was involved in this case, we were asked to look at certain 23 parts of computer media images that were provided and as 24 this has progressed, we have gotten access to more and more 25 data, and a lot of this has focused on the creation of the

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04:31 1 A. I have.

- Q. How many times?
- A. In Federal Court, I don't know the exact number.
- I think it's in excess of 13, total being qualified as an
- expert in computer forensics I believe is 28 times.
- Q. Have you ever been retained by the U.S. Federal
- Government to testify in Federal criminal prosecution?
- 9 Q. And you're here today as a forensic expert; right?
- 10 A. Yes.
- O. And what does that mean? 11
- A forensic expert is someone who acquires and 12
- 13 investigates media and uses the data and metadata that
- 14 exists on the media in order to try to assess and determine
- 15 what's going on, what's happening during the timeframe,
- what can the computer tell us.
- Q. Does your work include review of witness 17
- 18 testimony?
- 19 A. Not typically. We may attempt to confirm witness
- 20 testimony based upon what the metadata and data of a
- 21 computer tells us. It's not really analysis for testimony
- 22 itself, but using the data to do a comparison of what's
- going on.
- Q. And if there is an inconsistency between the
- 25 forensic data and the Witness testimony, what do you do?

04:34 1 Ecuadorian Judgment.

But before we get into that, we really need to 2 3 understand what computer forensics can do. And the reality

4 is computer forensics is not a magic bullet. It doesn't

5 supply us with every bit of information. I believe

6 Mr. Lynch very clearly said that during his testimony. We

7 don't have a moment in time for every bit of information

8 that goes through a computer. But what we can do is we can

9 preserve and analyze the computer media that we are

10 provided. We can make forensic images of computers and

11 media in order to try to get a snapshot, a perfect moment

12 in time as the computer existed when we imaged it. And the

13 reason to do that is to make sure that what we do as

14 forensic investigators doesn't in fact change the data.

And that's an important part of what we do. We try as hard

as we can not to change the data. And if we are forced to

17 in the rare extenuating circumstances, we have to explain

that and be able to understand exactly what happened.

19 Another thing that we do is we recover deleted

data from computer media, and we do this using a variety of

21 tools, there are things that automate the process. We can

22 recover files, we can recover logs, we can recover internet

23 history. These are all things that are discussed within

24 the bounds of this case, and these are very important to

25 try to determine what's going on in a computer.

04:36 1 We can analyze metadata, and I don't think we 2 actually put the definition out of what metadata is, but 3 it's an important concept to understand. Metadata is 4 essentially data about data, and it sounds a little 5 redundant, but essentially what we have is the corpus of 6 files, we have the content, we know what is inside 7 documents, and if we printed it out, we have the document 8 itself. But computers throw a lot of other information 9 about the files and some of it has been discussed today 10 with regards to who was the registered Author of a file 11 when it was created, when it was created, where, what do 12 the dates and times state about a document. These are all 13 included in metadata. And there's different types of 14 metadata. There is operating system metadata, which we 15 will get into in a little bit, as well as application 16 metadata, these are all fields that can give us information 17 about what's going on on a computer.

And we can take this data, we can take the content 18 19 itself of the documents, of the files. We can look and 20 review that information with, including of metadata and log 21 files, and we can try to establish a timeline of activity, 22 and I think that's what both Mr. Lynch and I have tried to do here, to attempt to figure out what exactly is going on. And interpreting that data, including the gaps 25 where we may be missing information, is very important to

04:39 1 that are important with regards to this case. And we look 2 at certain things when we are looking for this information 3 in a forensic exam. We look for things like operating 4 system metadata. All these things I will explain as we go forward, but we look for Microsoft Office metadata. We 6 look for the amount of text that exists in documents, we 7 look how often a document is opened. We look for the use 8 and editing of documents over time. And we look to see how does the document actually exist when it's finished. These are all things we look for when we're trying to understand 11 the life cycle of a document.

12 In this particular case, we are looking at these specific pieces of information, and we're looking to see 14 when was the Ecuadorian Judgment created, when were the 15 drafts created, how does the operating system metadata tell 16 us this, when was the creation and the Saves of these types 17 of documents, how was it listed within the Microsoft Application metadata. We know we have certain snapshots in time with regards to this particular document. We have text being added to the document on at least three different instances over time.

22 We also have the use of Microsoft Office over time. From the October, early October, to the mid-February 24 timeframe, Microsoft Office is, in fact, being used. 25

And, finally, we do have evidence that the

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04:37 1 try to figure out exactly what's going on.

But there are some things that computer forensics 3 can't do. And again, this was discussed earlier, we can't 4 get a whole, entire understanding of every moment in time, 5 typically. That's not available on a computer. Computers 6 are not designed to keep every moment in time, every single 7 instance of event that goes on in a computer. If they did, 8 they would fill up so quickly you wouldn't be able to 9 actually determine--you wouldn't be able to use them. The 10 amount of data that would take up would be immeasurable. 11 You can't, in fact, always--you can't, based on the 12 computer forensic information that we have, you can't see 13 who is actually sitting at the keyboard, you don't have 14 that ability to see who is typing, who is plugging in a USB 15 Device into a computer. These are things you can't do with 16 computer forensics. You might be able to infer some 17 information but you can't definitively prove that. And as

19 person using the computer, what were they thinking at the 20 moment in time when certain things occurred. And as I discussed before, one of the things 22 that's very important is to try to determine, with regards

18 Mr. Lynch said, you can't establish the intent of the

23 to this case, is trying to figure out the life of a 24 document, where did it come from, what users were touching

25 it, how long was it being opened for. These are all things

04:40 1 Ecuadorian Judgment was, in fact, uploaded to the SATJE 2 Logs on February 14th, 2011, completing the lifespan of 3 this particular document.

4 So, let me start with the operating system 5 metadata.

One of the things that we definitely have is the Creation Date of the Providencias.docx file. The original creation, both according to the internal metadata and the operating system metadata, show that the Providencias.docx was created on October 11, 2010. We also have another 11 instance of that document being Saved As on

12 January 19, 2011. And as Mr. Lynch said, that in essence 13 resets certain metadata fields.

14 We also have a number of drafts and--meaning the temporary files that were able to be recovered--that existed on December 21st, 2010, and December 28th, 2010. And we have an increase of text. We have, on

December 21st, we have 42 percent of the document being--of the finalized Ecuadorian Judgment being in place, and on

20 December 28th, we have 66 percent of the document being in

21 place at that point.

22 And then, in our last Save, on March 4th that we have, we also have evidence of 99 and, as Mr. Ewing said, 24 99.9 percent of the document existed as of that moment in

04:42 1 With regards to the internal Microsoft Office 2 metadata, we also have that the Author information for the 3 Providencias.docx shows CPJS, which is the registered user 4 of Microsoft on the Old Computer. And that's important. 5 That shows that this document was created on 6 October 10th--I'm sorry, October 11th, 2010, by the user 7 CPJS on the Old Computer. That is where that document 8 first came into existence.

We have that the document was Saved, based on 10 internal metadata, over 400 times, and that includes the 11 124 times after January 19th but before March 4th of 2011. And we have the last Saved By field as the Author

13 information. For all the instances prior to the 14 March 4th timeframe, it's CPJS, which is, in fact, the 15 registered user of the Old Computer.

We have an increasing amount of text that exists 17 within the Ecuadorian Judgment, in the actual file itself 18 and in the temporary files. And again, I'm going to go 19 back for this, this is a--the pieces that we have are 20 snapshots. They aren't the entirety. We don't see every 21 moment in time and every bit of text that's being typed 22 over time. What we do have is certain snapshots on

23 December 21st, on December 28th, and on March 4th. What we 24 have is 42 percent of the document on the 21st, 66 on the 25 28th of 2010, and then 99 percent as it existed on

04:45 1 snapshots that we happened to be able to recover. So, we 2 have the December 21st, 2010, and we have the

3 December 28th, 2010 snapshots that show that we've got the 4 document being opened over the course of time.

We also can see that the edit time--and Mr. Lynch went into this--we have that the edit time increases over time in the snapshots that we have and in the final document. Some of this information, some of this metadata, is being reset with the Save As that occurred on

January 19th, 2011, but we do have editing over time

increasing, and that's again consistent with someone typing or someone adding text to this document.

13 Mr. Lynch also went into information about the Microsoft Office session logs, and what we can see is that the Office Session logs do, in fact, show that Microsoft 16 Office was being used essentially on a consistent basis 17 over--between October 11th on the Old Computer up to December, and then going further on to March of 2011 on both the Old and the New Computer.

20 And then finally, we have the SATJE Logs that were 21 provided by Ecuador. And we have an entry in the SATJE Log 22 that shows that on February 14th, 2011, the Providencias or 23 the content of the Providencias document was copied up to 24 the SATJE system, and we have this going on from a computer

25 with the name CPJS1, which is the name of the computer in

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04:43 1 March 4th. This is consistent with the adding of document 2 text over time. We were fortunate in that we were able to 3 recover these snapshots in time. They don't always stay 4 with us, and it's sometimes very difficult to recover this. 5 But in this case we were able to do so.

We have that this document was opened numerous 7 times, and that's really important to think about. What we 8 have is an indice that exists in the Microsoft Office 9 system that shows every time a document is opened using 10 Windows Explorer. And this information can be overwritten 11 over time, but we have a couple instances where it wasn't 12 overwritten, and we have the Providencias.docx and Caso 13 Texaco.doc that were opened many times on both the New and

14 the Old Computer. In fact, on the New Computer we have the 15 16 Providencias.docx file being opened at least 40 times 17 within the log file that we were able to recover. And on 18 the Old Computer we have it being opened over 400 times. 19 This is consistent with someone opening and editing a 20 document. If this was something where a lot of data was 21 being copied in at--in fell swoops, essentially, you 22 wouldn't expect to see hundreds and hundreds of times that

We also have specific instances of the document 25 being opened, and those are the temporary files, the

23 a document is actually being opened.

04:47 1 question, the Old Computer, and we have that the user that 2 was logged in at the time was ZambranoN. Again, this is 3 consistent with Judge Zambrano uploading this Providencias 4 to the SATJE system at this moment in time.

So, if you look at all the pieces that we looked for, we've got information that's consistent with--we have operating system metadata that's consistent with the document being edited over time. We've got Microsoft Office metadata, including Author information and Save As information and Edit Time that is consistent with the data 11 being edited on the Old and the New Computer over time.

We've got increasing amount of text in the snapshots that we were able to recover showing that data 14 has, in fact, been added to this document over time.

We have the document being opened numerous, in 15 fact, hundreds of times in the lifespan of this computer from the same location, both on the Old Computer and the New Computer.

19 We have Microsoft Office being used consistently 20 over time.

21 And then we have the document -- the

22 Providencias.docx, the content being uploaded to the SATJE system on February 14th, 2011.

But we don't see everything. One of the things we 25 don't see is we don't have any evidence that -- no forensic

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04:48 1 evidence that the Ecuadorian Judgment was introduced to the 2 Zambrano Computer using a USB Device. Neither Mr. Lynch 3 nor I have been able to find that.

We don't have any direct evidence, direct forensic 5 evidence, that shows any USB Devices were attached to the 6 Zambrano Computer in February 2011 prior to the February 7 21st date.

8 We don't have any evidence in the metadata of the 9 document itself that shows any Author information or 10 anything that might indicate that this Judgment came from 11 another computer.

12 But what we do have, on the--both the New and the 13 Old Computer, is we do have some internet history. And 14 internet history is not just about the internet. It also 15 shows certain documents. And I described before the fact 16 that the internet history does, in fact, tell you when a 17 document has been opened in certain circumstances, and we 18 get a running count of how many times. But we have some 19 information about, as well, about legal research and 20 translation Web sites that we were able to recover; the 21 fielweb, for example. But we also can see that there's a 22 lot of internet history that's not available. We have 23 instances, again, where--and Mr. Lynch described in his 24 presentation where you have an uptick of information as you 25 go to a Web site over and over and over again.

04:51 1 destruction.

And I think this is more consistent with the 3 use--with just normal computer use. In particular, 4 on--we've got the one instance where 4 percent of the 5 unallocated space was overwritten with the Respaldo folder and content being copied to the Zambrano Computer. And 7 that 4 percent is a very small amount of data. It's a very 8 small (sic) of overwriting.

Now, did it overwrite data? It could have. It 10 may very well have overwritten data. But the question is 11 is whether or not it was something dealing with data destruction. That's not a -- the scenario that we are seeing 13 here is not what I typically see with data destruction. 14 There is no evidence of data destruction tools, wiping 15 softwares, softwares that will destroy all evidence. 16 There's nothing like that that's ever been put forth. I 17 haven't found it. I don't believe Mr. Lynch has found it

either. What we have is small amounts of data being copied to the computer, and knowing that it's a very small amount, it is not consistent with the deliberate data destruction.

And what I'll do is I'm going to use a metaphor 22 to--of exactly what happens because this was one of the 23 best ways I ever heard that--of how data destruction works 24 or how deletion actually occurs on a computer. 25 The way I look at it is it's very similar to the

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04:50 1 But what we have here is we have instances of 2 that, where, say, we have the tenth time where that's 3 occurred but we don't have the seventh time or the sixth 4 time or the fifth time, indicating that that information 5 may no longer be available on the computer. So, we are 6 missing information from the internet history that existed 7 on both the New and the Old Computer of Mr. Zambrano.

And that's because internet history is very 9 ephemeral. It's not designed to stick around for a long 10 period of time. Sometimes you can recover it from a long 11 time, but over the course of time it does degrade. And, in 12 fact, here we had two years between when the Judgment was 13 issued and the computers were imaged.

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And that overwriting of internet history leads us 15 into an issue that's come up here, which is the deliberate 16 destruction of data. So, something you have to think about 17 is what exactly happens when a file is deleted or when data 18 is deleted on a computer. And, in essence--and I will get 19 into this in a little bit of detail in a little bit--what 20 you have is data being marked as deleted and then 21 essentially being available to be overwritten, but until it 22 is overwritten, you can potentially recover it using 23 forensic means.

So, let's go into some of the specific things that 25 Mr. Lynch contends could be construed as deliberate data

04:53 1 old card catalog in library system. What you have is 2 you've got a card catalog with an index. So, you have 3 certain information that exists in that index, and that's 4 the metadata. That's the operating system metadata. It's 5 things like the Creation Date, the pathing information, 6 where the file exists, the size of the file. All of that 7 is included in your index.

And then you have the content of the data: What 9 you're typing, what exists in the file. Those are the 10 books.

11 So, the index points to the books, and if you have 12 both of those, you have an active file. And on what we 13 have up here, we have green active files, and then we've 14 got an index, and this is an active file at this point.

But then you have to understand what happens when 15 16 you delete something. When you delete something, what 17 you're actually doing is you're marking the index as 18 deleted. It's not actually deleted. You're just marking 19 it as deleted, and you're marking the file as deleted. So, 20 it's not the -- the contents are still available, but the 21 file is still recoverable using forensic means at this 22 point.

23 The computer is essentially tricking itself into 24 thinking that this index is available, and this file area 25 is available to be--to have new data written to it. It's

04:54 1 still there, but the computer essentially fools itself into 2 thinking this area is available.

And this is what happens when you add about 4 4 percent of the data. You've got a small number of books 5 that are put on to the shelf. Now, the user has no ability 6 to direct where this data goes. This is done by the 7 operating system. And you don't know where the old data 8 is. You don't know where the new data is going. So, if 9 you're copying a small amount of data, you have a very 10 small chance of overwriting it. You could, it's possible, 11 but from a deliberate data destruction point of view, it's

12 exceptionally unlikely. If you really wanted to get rid of this file, what 13 14 you would have to do is you'd have to fill up unallocated 15 space. And what we're doing here is adding new files, 16 adding essentially, in our case, where we have 4 percent of 17 the unallocated space being overwritten, now we have 18 100 percent of unallocated space being written. And in 19 that way we can guarantee that this file is no longer 20 available. And, in fact, using a large number of files, 21 you can get rid of indices as well. But without doing that, there is no 23 quarantee--and, in fact, it's exceptionally unlikely--that 24 you're going to not overwrite the data.

04:57 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We were planning to go longer 2 than 5:30.

MR. WHITE: Okay.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: If that helps you.

Do you want to talk about it for five minutes?

6 And then--

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MR. WHITE: That makes sense.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We can sort it out, and we will

9 speak to the shorthand writers and the interpreters as

10 well.

MR. WHITE: Thank you. 11

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: But the feeling we get is we've

13 fallen slightly behind and we need to keep up with the

original program.

MR. WHITE: Thank you.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take five minutes.

You've heard this before. Please don't discuss

18 the case or your testimony until you come back.

(Brief recess.)

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

21 I think we're prepared and conferred with the

22 stenographers to go to 6:30. We will need another break

obviously, but is that agreeable to the Claimants?

MR. WHITE: That would be fine from our

25 perspective.

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04:55 1 to the point as to the highlights of what we're looking at

2 here, what we have on the Zambrano Computers is we have

So, in summary, and I tried to keep this short and

3 evidence of a document being created on October 11th, 2010.

4 We have evidence that data has been added to it. We have

5 evidence that multiple drafts occurred. We have evidence

6 that this document has been opened hundreds of times, has

7 been saved hundreds of times. And we have evidence that

8 the final product was uploaded to the SATJE system on

9 February 14th. What we don't have is any evidence that

10 affirmatively states that this information came from

11 anywhere outside of the Zambrano Computers.

And with that, that's my presentation. 12

BY MR. EWING: 13

Q. Thank you.

And I would, with no further questions, tender the 15

16 witnesses.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 17

There will now be questions from the Claimants, 18

19 but before we start, how long do you think overall you will

20 be? Again, this is just for planning purposes. We're not

21 going to hold you to it. We have to decide how long we go

22 on tonight.

23 MR. WHITE: My thought had been we'd go till about

24 5:30 as planned. I'm happy to go longer than that if

25 that's needed.

05:03 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondents too?

MR. EWING: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Witness?

THE WITNESS: That's fine, thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Last, but not least, there will 5

6 be questions from the Claimants.

MR. WHITE: Thank you, President Veeder.

CROSS-EXAMINATION 8

9 BY MR. WHITE:

Q. Mr. Racich, my name is Brian White. I'll be

11 asking you a few questions now. You prepared three reports

12 for this arbitration; correct?

A. I did.

14 Q. One in December 2013, one in November 2014, and

15 one in March 2015; is that right?

A. That's correct.

So, if I refer to them by those names as the 17

December 2013 Report, et cetera, you'll know what I'm

19 talking about?

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21 And those Reports reflect your work; is that

22 right?

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24 They reflect your analysis? Q.

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- 05:04 1 Q. And you apply your expertise; is that right?
 - 2 A. Yes
 - 3 Q. And you're responsible for the content of those
 - 4 Reports?
 - A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. So, I want to talk to you first about your
 - 7 analysis of the user names that are shown in the metadata
 - 8 on various documents. I want to start by talking about the
 - 9 $\,$ 105 documents that Mr. Lynch described as the non-Chevron $\,$
 - 10 orders that Mr. Guerra drafted for Mr. Zambrano.
 - 11 Do you know which documents I'm referring to?
 - 12 A. I believe so.
 - 13 Q. In your December 2013 Report, your First Report,
 - 14 you concluded that those documents were not created on
 - 15 Mr. Guerra's computer; is that right?
 - 16 A. I believe the Author information was not the same
 - 17 as the Author information as Mr. Guerra's computer.
 - 18 O. And that's because the Author name that's found in
 - 19 the file create field in the metadata to those documents,
 - 20 most of them is a punctuation mark, dot?
 - 21 A. I believe that's correct.
 - Q. And the user name registered to Microsoft Office
 - 23 on Mr. Guerra's computer when it was imaged is something
 - 24 different. It was Estación?
 - 25 A. I believe that's correct.

05:07 1 manner, no.

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- Q. Okay.
 - A. I don't know.
- Q. Fair enough.
- So, let's be clear about what you did here. You
- 6 used a forensic tool to extract metadata about documents
- 7 from Mr. Guerra's computer, and then you assembled it in
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ the Excel spreadsheet and you used the Excel spreadsheet to
- 9 organize that data; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. If we look at the bottom left-hand corner
- 12 of this document, you see we have a tab that says "Author
- 13 count," and we have a tab that says "export." You see
- 14 those?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And those are referred to as two different pages
- 17 on the spreadsheet; right?
- 18 A. They're not contained in the same page.
 - I'm not sure I understand the question.
- 20 Q. Sorry. So, if we click on "Author count," which
- 21 is where we now, we'll see one page of the spreadsheet;
- 22 right?

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- 23 A. Yes
 - Q. And if we click on "export." we'll see a separate
- 25 page?

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- 05:05 1 Q. Okay. Now, would you agree with me that when you
 - 2 just look at the Author name on a file, and even if you
 - 3 take that in connection with the last saved name or Last
 - 4 Saved By name on a file, that doesn't tell you anything
 - 5 about who generated the content for that file; isn't that
 - 6 right?

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- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. So, let's turn to Exhibit C to your First Report,
- 9 Mr. Racich.
- 10 A. Can you direct me where that--
- 11 Q. Sorry. There is a tab behind Tab 2 here that has
- 12 a placeholder, because it's not very useful to look at a
- 13 hard copy of Exhibit C. We're going to look at an
- 14 electronic copy. It's a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. So
- 15 if I could ask Jamie to pull up Exhibit C-on the screen.
- 16 So, this is the exhibit that you created to
- 17 illustrate the user names of the documents that you found
- 18 on the Guerra Computer; that's right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. All right. And it's a Microsoft Excel file?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And Microsoft Excel, just for the record, is the
- 23 same program that was used to create the Selva Viva
- 24 Database; correct?
- 25 A. I don't know if it was originally created in that

- 05:08 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. So, let's do that now.
 - 3 What's displayed on this page which has got the
 - 4 title on the tab "export"? Is this all the metadata that
 - 5 you recovered concerning documents that were found on
 - J you recovered concerning documents that were round
 - 6 Mr. Guerra's computer?
 - 7 A. I'm not sure if it's all the metadata, but it's
 - B metadata from the files on Mr. Guerra's machine.
 - 9 Q. And the way this works, let's just take the first
 - 10 document as an example, you've got a document ID number.
 - Do you see that?
 - 12 A. Yes

- 13 Q. And that is, within this spreadsheet at least,
- 14 that's unique for that file; right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. And then you've got a sort date time, and
- 17 that's how you've sorted this data; is that right?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And Excel did that for you?
- 20 A. With some help, but yes.
- 21 Q. And then you've got the file name. That tells you
- 22 the title that the document on Mr. Guerra's computer?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And there's a file path that tells you about where
- 25 you found it on the computer?

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- 05:09 1 A. Yes, with regards to the image of Mr. Guerra's 2 machine.
 - Q. Okay. And then the file Author, that's where you defect the Author name on the computer that it was generated
 - 5 on--
 - 6 A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. Was found on.
 - 8 A. Within the metadata fields, that's what was listed 9 as the file Author.
 - 10 Q. Okay. And there's other information in this 11 spreadsheet too; right?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. Okay. So, let's go back down to the page we were
 - 14 on a moment ago and click the Author count page.
 - 15 Here, you've organized the Author names in
 - 16 descending order of the frequency in which they appear; is
 - 17 that right?
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. So, the first Author name is in Row 4, I'm going
 - 20 to call it CERFIN. Do you see that?
 - 21 A. I don't know how to pronounce that one.
 - Q. So, if I say CERFIN, we'll be talking about that.
 - 23 And there are 477 documents on the Guerra Computer
 - 24 that were created on a computer with that Author name; is
 - 25 that right?

- 05:11 1 documents were all created from that template. That's a 2 possibility; right?
 - A. That's a possibility.
 - Q. Okay. Thank you.
 - And if we look down to Line 13, we see the user
 - 6 name Estación; right?
 - A. Yes.

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- 8 Q. And we got 34 documents out of all the documents
- 9 on Mr. Guerra's computer that have the user name and the
- 10 Author field of Estación; is that right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Now, I want to take you to your March 2015 Report,
- 13 and that is behind Tab 3 in the notebook that I handed out.
- 14 A. March
 - Q. That's the most recent report you filed. I'm
- 16 sorry, March 2015. I'm sorry, behind Tab 4.
 - A. Thank you.
- 18 Q. It's the March 2015 Report.
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. I wanted to take you, Mr. Racich, to Page 2,
- 21 Paragraph 5(c).
- 22 A. Okay.
- Q. Okay. But before I ask you about that, when you
- 24 wrote your original report in December 2013, you hadn't
- 25 gained access to the Zambrano hard drives yet; correct?

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05:10 1 A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. And then dot in Line 5, that is the user
- 3 name on the computer that originally created the dot--it's
- 4 the Author name on the computer on which the 105
- 5 non-Chevron Orders were originally created; is that right?
- 6 A. I believe it was 103, if I recall, but the vast 7 majority, yes.
- Q. Okay. And that appears on 425 documents.
- 9 I'm sorry, let me clarify that. That doesn't
- 10 necessarily mean that all 103 of the documents that
- 11 Mr. Lynch has described as draft Chevron Orders were
- 12 created on the computer that has the user name dot, does
- 13 it?
- 14 A. I don't think he characterized those as draft
- 15 Chevron Orders.
- 16 Q. Draft non-chevron Orders.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. So let me restate the question.
- 19 That doesn't mean that the content of all 103 of
- 20 those, what Mr. Lynch calls draft non-Chevron Orders was
- 21 created on the computer with the user name dot, does it?
- 22 A. Can you say that again?
- 23 Q. Yeah, it could be that there was one document that
- 24 was created as a template on the computer called dot. That
- 25 was transferred on to Mr. Guerra's computer, and the other

- 05:12 1 A. That's correct.
 - Q. You since have gained access to the Zambrano hard
 - 3 drives; right?
 - 4 A. That's correct.
 - 5 Q. Okay. And when you looked at those, you were able
 - 6 to identify the user name on the two Zambrano Computers;
 - 7 right?

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- 8 A. Yes
 - O. Neither of them has the user name dot, does it?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. Thank you.
- 12 So, what you say here in Paragraph (c) is that
- 13 there is no forensic evidence showing that Guerra created
- 14 or authored any of the 105 alleged Draft Orders and
- 15 non-Lago Agrio Cases that were found on his computers. All
- 15 non hago righto capes that were round on his compacers.
- 16 105 documents were created on computers other than
- 17 Guerra's.

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- That was one of your conclusions?
- 19 A. Yes
- 20 Q. Okay. Does that conclusion apply equally to
- 21 Mr. Zambrano's computers?
- 22 A. In what manner?
 - O. The basis for this conclusion is that the user
- 24 name that was used to Create or Author the 105 Draft Orders
- 25 is something different from the user name on Mr. Guerra's

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- 05:13 1 computer. It's also different from the user name on both
 - 2 Zambrano Computers; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. Okay. When you use the words "Created or
 - 5 Authored, " you're not talking about two different concepts
 - 6 here. This is all about the Author name and the Create
 - 7 field; right?
 - 8 A. Correct.
 - 9 Q. So, let's illustrate what the Author field is with
 - 10 reference to your Exhibit C here. If Jamie goes up to the
 - 11 File Tab here and clicks that, we get some of the metadata
 - 12 off your Exhibit C; right?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - 14 Q. Okay. And if we look off to the right-hand side
 - 15 here, we will see the Create Date; right? The Create Date
 - 16 is September 23, 2013; right?
 - 17 A. Yes.
 - 18 Q. That's a few months before you submitted this with
 - 19 your December 16th Report; right?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - 21 Q. And we see the Last Modified date--that's
 - 22 December 16, 2013; right?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. And that's the last time any activity was done in
 - 25 this document or any changes were made to this document;

- 05:16 1 other evidence, and draw conclusions from the metadata
 - 2 about the document. Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes
 - Q. Okay. So, let's look at the related people field
 - 5 on the metadata for this document.
 - The Author name, that's not the Author name on
 - 7 your computer, is it?
 - 8 A. No.

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- Q. Okay. The Author name is Ewing Gregory L; right?
- A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. And the last Modified Name is Greg Ewing; right?
- 12 A. Yes
- Q. That's not the user name on your computer, is it?
- 14 A. No
- 15 Q. Okay. Now, we know from your testimony today that
- 16 you prepared the content of this document; right?
 - A. Yes.
- 18 Q. So, if I asked you to focus just on the
- 19 metadata--if I asked you to focus just on those two pieces
- 20 of metadata, what the Author name is and the Last Modified
- 21 By name is and draw conclusions about who is responsible
- 22 for the content of this document, that would be very
- 23 misleading, wouldn't it?
 - A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Okay. But if we take into account the other

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05:15 1 right?

- 2 A. The last time it was saved.
- Q. And that's right before you filed your Report, so
- 4 that makes sense; right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. All right. Now, we don't have the last access
- 7 date for this file on Jamie's computer here, but if we did,
- 8 the fact that we have this file opened would update the $\,$
- ${\tt 9}$ last access date on the computer that's being used to
- 10 display this; right?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. But because we haven't gone in and done any typing
- 13 or modifying or otherwise change the underlying document in
- 14 any way, the Last Modified Date isn't changed?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. But if I go in and make changes to the document
- 17 and then hit Save, the Last Modified Date will change?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. All right. Now, if we look down here--actually,
- 20 before I do. I want to ask you a question.
- 21 You were here when Mr. Lynch was being
- 22 cross-examined earlier today; right?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And you heard Mr. Ewing ask him on a few occasions
- 25 to focus just on the metadata and not take into account any

- 05:17 1 evidence, your testimony, the fact that you're an expert
 - 2 witness in this arbitration, we know that the Author name
 - 3 and the Last Modified name really don't tell us anything
 - 4 about who generated the content of this document; right?
 - A. Not specifically, no.
 - Q. Okay. Now, there is another issue that this
 - 7 raises. You would agree with me; right?--that the Author
 - 8 name on this computer and the Last Modified By name are
 - 9 different; right?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. So, it's possible--there's a couple of
 - 12 possibilities here. One possibility is that this document
 - 13 was originally created in September 2013 on one computer,
 - 14 but it was then last saved on a different computer with a
 - 15 different computer name; right?
 - A. That's possible.
 - 17 Q. Another possibility is this is the same computer,
 - 18 but the user name was changed at some point; right?
 - 19 A. The Author information comes from who Microsoft
 - 20 Office is registered to, so typically unless you do a
 - 21 reinstall or something along those lines, that's not going 22 to change.
 - Q. Okay. Let's explore that a little bit further.
 - 24 Suppose that whoever the owner of the original computer was
 - 25 had Microsoft Office registered to the name Ewing Gregory

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- 05:18 1 L, they needed to do some routine maintenance on their
 - 2 computer so, they do a Windows reinstall some time after
 - 3 creating this document but before the Last Modified Date,
 - 4 but do the reinstall, the new version of Windows is
 - 5 assigned to, say, it's the same person but they've
 - 6 registered it under a different variant of their name.
 - 7 Instead of Ewing Gregory L, the new version is Greg Ewing.
 - 8 And they put that user name in, register the computer to
 - 9 that user name and after, they do the reinstall. That's a
 - 10 possible explanation for why there are two different user
 - 11 names on this document; right?
 - A. That's possible.
 - 13 Q. Okay. Let's turn to the document--we don't need
 - 14 to go to it, but let's turn to the document called
 - 15 Providencias. It was found on Mr. Zambrano's computers and
 - 16 that you and Mr. Lynch both analyzed. Do you know which
 - 17 document I'm talking about?
 - 18 A. There are iterations, so which one are you
 - 19 speaking of?
 - 20 Q. Well, these questions will apply to each of the
 - 21 iterations, I think.
 - 22 You found versions of a document that were all the
 - 23 titled Providencias; right?
 - 24 A. There were some documents entitled Providencias.
 - 25 Some had temporary file information. Some were carved out

05:21 1 A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. And you also note that the Last Saved By
- 3 name on that document, December 21st Providencias, is also
- 4 CPJS; right?
 - A. Yes.
- 6 O. You can't infer from those two facts that the
- 7 content of that document was generated on Mr. Zambrano's
- 8 computer, can you?
 - A. Can you repeat the question, please?
 - Q. Yeah. It wouldn't be a fair inference to draw,
- 11 just if you do, as Mr. Ewing asked Mr. Lynch to do, to take
- 12 those two pieces of metadata--the Author name being CPJS,
- 13 the Last Modified By name being CPJS, and conclude that
- 14 Mr. Zambrano or somebody using his computer was responsible
- 15 for the content of that document?
- 16 A. Simply with those two metadata fields?
 - O. Right.
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. All right. I want to talk about what's been
- 20 described as the "Guerra media." These are the media from
- 21 Mr. Guerra that are the subject of your First Report and
- 22 Mr. Lynch's First Report.
- 23 You know what I'm talking about?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, when you did your December 2013

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- I think I know what you mean and if you give me
 the dates I can probably do that more easily.
- 4 Q. That's fine. Let's take the December 21st, 2010 5 Providencias.
- 6 A. Okay.
- 7 Q. You know what I'm talking about?
- 8 A. Yes.

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- Q. Thank you.
- 10 You talked about the file Providencias being
- 11 Authored on Mr. Zambrano's Computer; do you remember that?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. That's because the Author's name that appears in
- 14 connection with the Create name on that document was CJPS;
- 15 right? Sorry CPJS.
 - A. Scared me for a second there. Yes.
- 17 Q. Sorry, let me make sure the Transcript is clear on
- 18 this.
- 19 When you refer to the Author of that document, or
- 20 the document being Authored on Mr. Zambrano's Computer,
- 21 what you're saying is that the December 21st Providencias
- 22 has the Author name CPJS; right?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's the Author name on Mr. Zambrano's Old
- 25 Computer?

- 05:22 1 Report, you were responding to Mr. Lynch's First Report in 2 the arbitration; right?
 - 3 A. Yes.
 - Q. And when you performed your analysis of these
 - 5 Guerra media, you were looking at the same images that
 - 6 Mr. Lynch reviewed; is that right?
 - A. I believe so.
 - 8 Q. And those images came from the hard drive, the
 - 9 images of Mr. Guerra's laptop came from the hard drive that 10 was--sorry.
 - 11 The image of the desktop computer, the Maxtor hard 12 drive?
 - 13 A. That's my understanding, yes.
 - Q. Those images came from a hard drive that was
 - 15 imaged by Audio Forensics on July 15, 2012; correct?
 - That's my understanding.
 - 17 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Lynch has said that that is--or
 - 18 has offered opinions on the basis of the belief that that
 - 19 is Mr. Guerra's hard drive. You've called that into
 - 20 question. Do you recall that?
 - 21 A. I don't believe I called that into question.
 - Q. Well, let me just make sure I've clearly
 - 23 understood you. You're not offering an expert opinion that 24 those media were never in Mr. Guerra's possession? Is that
 - 25 right?

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05:23 1 A. No.

Q. Okay. So, you agree that those are the media that were given to Chevron and then to Audio Forensics by

4 Mr. Guerra; is that right?

 ${\tt 5} \qquad {\tt A.} \quad {\tt What \ I} \ {\tt understand} \ {\tt is} \ {\tt that \ those \ were \ the--the}$

6 computer and the thumb drives were in possession of

- 7 Mr. Guerra and that they were taken out of possession of
- 8 Mr. Guerra on July 13th, I believe it was, 2012. There was
- 9 a two-day gap in between there. And then Audio Forensics,
- 10 I believe, then made images of that data. I didn't call
- 11 into question the source of that information, but rather $\,$
- 12 the fact that Chain of Custody is important to be able to
- $\,$ 13 $\,$ ask questions, if necessary, as to what happens within gaps
- 14 of Chain of Custody.
- 15 And it wasn't to summarily discount. All it
- 16 really goes to is the fact that I was never provided with a
- 17 Chain of Custody at all of what went on during that
- 18 timeframe. If it exists, I would be happy to look at it,
- 19 but my understanding is it doesn't exist. Until Stroz got
- 20 access to it. And I presume that their Chain of Custody is
- 21 full and complete as of--to the time that they received the
- 22 data
- That's very helpful, Mr. Racich, because I wanted
- 24 to clarify whether you were questioning whether the
- 25 original source of these media were Mr. Guerra. So, let's

- 05:27 1 believe that Mr. Lynch references Mr. Rivero. I could be 2 incorrect on that.
 - Q. You've got Mr. Lynch's Reports there. Can you point to me where Mr. Lynch refers to that?
 - A. That's Tab 5 for the First Report?
 - Q. Yes, his First Report is behind Tab 5.
 - I think, if it helps, Mr. Lynch's description of
 - 8 the acquisition of those images starts on--in Paragraph 10 9 on Page 7. Mr. Lynch doesn't talk about the 13th. He just
 - 10 talks about the 15th.
 - 11 A. Okay. Then I don't recall from--I don't recall 12 off the top of my head where that came from.
 - 13 Q. Okay. This is important, Mr. Racich, because, in
 - 14 Paragraph 22 of your Report, you say that: "If one relies
 - 15 on the testimony of Andres Rivero, it appears the media
 - 16 were seized from former judge Guerra in the morning."
 - Do you recall saying that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. But you don't know where you get the idea that
 - 20 he--that these items were seized from Mr. Guerra in the
 - 21 morning?

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- 22 A. I can't recall.
- Q. Okay. Because I want to go to Exhibit 910. This
- 24 is the Transcript of Mr. Rivero's deposition in the RICO
- 25 case. And that's--yeah, behind tab--behind Tab 16 in our

- 05:25 1 turn to the issue you've just raised, which is the Chain of
 - 2 Custody between July 13 and July 15. That's the period
 - 3 you're concerned about?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. Okay. Now, I want to take you back to your
 - 6 December 16, 2013 Report, and that's behind Tab 1 of the
 - 7 binder I handed out. If we look at, starting on Page 3,
 - 8 with Paragraph 8, and then 8 has some subparts that go over
 - 9 to Page 4, you described the materials you've considered;
 - 10 is that correct?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. Was that all the materials that you reviewed?
 - 13 A. I believe at that time, yes.
 - 14 Q. Okay. The reason I ask is that if we go to--yeah,
 - 15 I'm sorry--yeah, if we go to Paragraph 11 of your Report,
 - 16 on Page 5--I'm sorry, it's Paragraph 22 of your Report on
 - 17 Page 8--you reference the testimony of Andres Rivero.
 - Do you recall that?
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 Q. Did you review a transcript of Mr. Rivero's
 - 21 testimony?
 - 22 A. No.
 - Q. Okay. So, you're relying on what somebody told
 - 24 you that Mr. Rivero said?
 - A. I believe--I would have to go back and look. I

- 05:29 1 binders. And I will ask if this can be brought up on the 2 screen. It's Page 149.
 - A. All right.
 - Q. I'm starting at Line 25. It's a simple point,
 - 5 really. It's just that Mr. Rivero testified that these
 - 6 materials were provided on the afternoon of the 13th, and
 - 7 doesn't say they were "seized." He says that they were
 - 8 "obtained."
 - 9 Do you see that?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. The reason I want to draw that to your attention
 - 12 is because you--I take it you were under the impression
 - 13 when you wrote your Report that the materials were taken
 - 14 away from Mr. Guerra in the morning, and then these
 - 15 accesses that you talk about happened sometime in the
 - 16 afternoon of the 13th.
 - 17 A. I believe they were around 5:00, 5:00 to 6:00.
 - 18 Q. Okay. So, you don't have any reason, sitting here
 - 19 today, to think that these materials were taken away from
 - 20 Mr. Guerra in the morning and then somebody else accessed
 - 21 them later that day; right?
 - 22 A. What I can say is they were accessed later that
 - 23 day, yes.
 - Q. Okay. And you're not suggesting they were
 - 25 accessed outside Mr. Guerra's presence?

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- 05:31 1 A. I don't know one way or the other.
 - Q. Okay. Now, you agree that the acquisition hash values on the Guerra hard drives images show that no
 - 4 changes have been made to those forensic images from the
 - 5 time that the images were made on July 15th; right?
 - 6 A. The hash values as they--the acquisition hash
 - 7 values match what the hash values were at the time when I
 - 8 received the images. So, as of July 15th, there was a
 - 9 certain very large number that is the electronic
 - 10 fingerprint of the image, and that, in fact, does match the
 - 11 image as it existed when I received it.
 - 12 O. Okay. And when you talked about a Chain of
 - 13 Custody form a few minutes ago, that's a form that somebody
 - 14 fills out to say where the computer was during a certain
 - 15 period of time; right?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And you have experienced imaging clients' laptops,
 - 18 hard drives, other media; right?
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 Q. And when they bring them to you and give them to
 - 21 you, they don't have a Chain of Custody form, usually, do
 - 22 they?
 - 23 A. It depends. I've had clients--when I get involved
 - 24 in cases, oftentimes, the first time I will do we'll send
 - 25 them a Chain of Custody so they can begin filling out as to

- 05:34 1 Q. And none of them had their Last Modified dates 2 updated; right?
 - 3 A. I can't say that none of them. I would be very
 - 4 surprised that none of them had--I would have to go back
 - 5 and look specifically, but I--unless the machine was
 - 6 accessed from taking the hard drive out and attaching it to
 - 7 a computer without a write block, the Last Written
 - 8 dates--if the machine was booted, something was going to be
 - 9 updated during that timeframe.
 - Q. You haven't noted any files or identified any
 - 11 files that had their Last Modified dates updated on
 - 12 the 13th through the 15th of July; right?
 - A. Not specifically, no.
 - Q. All right. Now, in Paragraph 11 of your First
 - 15 Report, the December 2013 Report, you say--and there's
 - 16 three sentences. This is the second sentence. You talk
 - 17 about the Last Access dates being updated and then you say
 - 18 "this indicates the files had been touched or manipulated
 - 19 in some way."

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- 20 Do you recall that?
- 21 A. Yes. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. And you say something a little bit
- 23 different in your most recent Report, which is behind
- 24 Tab 4. In the portion of that Report--I'm going to take
- 25 you there--it's Paragraph 5(e).

- 05:32 1 who possesses something at a particular point of time. And
 - 2 depending on the clients, some clients actually have enough
 - 3 experience with this type of litigation--well, with
 - $4\,\,$ litigation, so they actually have their own Chains of
 - 5 Custody.
 - But no matter what, when the media comes in possession of my firm, we will establish a Chain of Custody
 - 8 if it doesn't already exist.
 - 9 Q. All right. Just like Audio Forensics did on
 - 10 July 15th; right?
 - 11 A. I've never seen a Chain of Custody from Audio
 - 12 Forensics.
 - 13 Q. Okay. You're not taking issue with the fact that
 - 14 Mr. Guerra didn't have a Chain of Custody form on July 12th
 - 15 or July 11th or July 10th; right? You wouldn't have
 - 16 expected to see that?
 - 17 A. Typically, no.
 - 18 Q. Okay. Focusing on the period between July 13th
 - 19 and the time that the image was taken on July 15th, the
 - 20 only activity that you've identified on Mr. Guerra's
 - 21 computer during that interval of time is that the files
 - 22 were--the last access dates were updated on some files on
 - 23 the afternoon of the 13th; right?
 - 24 A. 22,000 files had their last access dates updated
 - 25 during that timeframe.

- 05:35 1 A. All right.
 - Q. And this, if we look, starting on Page 1, which is
 - 3 where Paragraph 5 starts, this is a summary of your
 - 4 conclusions from your December 2013 Report; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. Okay. And in Paragraph 5(e) which is over on
 - 7 Page 2, you again identify the fact that the files were
 - 8 accessed on Mr. Guerra's computer, but you don't use the
 - 9 "touched or manipulated" language. You say there's no way
 - 10 to know what was done to those files or their metadata
 - 11 during this time period; right?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. Okay. You're not offering an opinion that there
 - 14 was any manipulation that happened on those computers
 - 15 during that two day time period, are you?
 - A. No, not specifically. No.
 - Q. Because you don't--you don't have any evidence indicating that there was manipulation; right?
 - A. No, not from that.
 - 20 What I was going for is the lack of Chain of
 - 21 Custody during that two-day period sort of gives us an
 - 22 inability to understand what was going on.
 - 23 And now, I will grant you, it takes some
 - 24 sophistication, but one can manipulate data in a way that
 - 25 doesn't leave the footprints that Mr. Lynch talked about

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05:37 1 with regards to the logging and the change of times. If

- 2 one attaches an external drive--a drive as an external
- 3 drive to a computer and changes your own computer's
- 4 clock--so if, say, I had this computer right here, I change
- 5 that to be November 2009, I could attach Mr. Guerra's hard
- 6 drive as it existed, mess around with particular data,
- 7 opened data, saved data, and it would all reflect the
- 8 November of 2009 date, not today's. And I'm not saying I
- 9 have specific evidence of that. I'm just saying that that
- 10 lack of Chain of Custody is something to be considered.
- 11 Q. So, you're just--you've got no evidence indicating 12 that anything like that might have happened. You're just
- 13 speculating that it could have happened.
- 14 A. Correct. It could have happened, yes.
- 15 Q. All right. I wanted to go on to--I wanted to go
- 16 on to the Guerra issue.
- 17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you're going to change the
- 18 subject, let's have a break now. Can we do that?
- 19 MR. WHITE: Perfect. Perfect.
- 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: So, a 15-minute break.
- 21 MR. WHITE: Yes.
- 22 (Brief recess.)
- 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 24 MR. WHITE: Thank you, Mr. President.
- 25 BY MR. WHITE:

05:50 1 from Mr. Guerra's hard drive; right?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So, let's go back to your Exhibit C.
- MR. WHITE: The Tribunal--you may want to keep
- 5 your thumb on that tab.
 - BY MR. WHITE:
- 7 Q. And we're going to go back to Exhibit C, and we
- 8 can pull that up on the screen.
- 9 This is your Exhibit C. If we go down to the
- 10 export tab, and if we search in here for the last four
- 11 digits of that document number, 0171, would you agree with
- 12 me that this is the document that's referenced in
- 13 Footnote 459 of Ecuador's Memorial?
- 14 A. I believe so.
 - Q. It's the same document number; right?
- 16 A. Yes.

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- 17 Q. It's got the same title; right?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And this is a document that Ecuador says
- 20 Mr. Guerra was prepared in late 2009/early 2010; right?
- 21 What is the user name on the computer that was
- 22 used to create that document?
- 23 A. "Usuario."
- Q. Now--no surprise. The reason I've taken you here
- 25 is this relates to Mr. Lynch's opinion concerning the nine,

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05:48 1 Q. Mr. Racich, I want to take you to the document

- 2 behind Tab 15 in the notebook that I provided, which is
- 3 Ecuador's Track 2 Rejoinder on the Merits from December 16,
- 4 2013. I want to take you to Page 125 and specifically to
- 5 Paragraph 263. I want to take you to the second sentence,
- 6 whenever you're ready.
- 7 A. I will grab my glasses.
- 8 All right. Second sentence?
 - Q. Yeah.

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- 10 And I want to show you an allegation that Ecuador
- 11 has made, a statement they made in one of their pleadings.
- 12 They say: "We know from the contents of Mr. Guerra's hard
- 13 drive that in late 2009 and early 2010 Mr. Guerra had
- 14 prepared at least one speech." You see that?
- 15 A. There is a little blurb in between there, but yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. Well, it's a speech--well, it's the date
- 17 2009 and 2010, and then it's that speech that I want to
- 18 focus on, and so let's if we can find that speech. If we
- 19 look at Footnote 459, speech is identified as Exhibit
- 20 R-997; it's a document name there; right? You see that?
- 21 "Discurso de"--I'm not going to try to say that in Spanish.
- 22 You see the document name?
- 23 A. I see Footnote 459, yes.
- Q. Okay. And then at the end, that's a document
- 25 number that shows up in your Exhibit C as being extracted

- 05:52 1 what he calls the nine draft Chevron Orders prepared by
 - 2 Mr. Guerra for Mr. Zambrano. Do you recall his testimony
 - 3 about that? 4 A. I do.
 - 5 Q. Okay. You disagreed with his testimony, and to
 - 6 see where you did that, I want to go back to your December
 - 7 2013 Report, which is Tab 1 of the binder, and we'll be
 - 8 leaving the Memorial now.
 - 9 And I want to take you to Paragraph 24 of your
 - 10 Report.

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- A. All right.
- 12 Q. This is where you pick up on Mr. Lynch's analysis
- 13 of the 11 documents he found on Mr. Guerra's computer that
- 14 he says became the nine Orders that Judge Zambrano issued;
- 15 right? That's what you're addressing here?
 - A. I believe so, yes.
- 17 Q. And you say that, "Based on the available forensic
- 18 evidence, Mr. Lynch's conclusion is unsupported." That was
- 19 your conclusion?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. Now, if we go to Paragraph 33, this is
- 22 where you give the reason why you think Mr. Lynch's
- 23 conclusion was unsupported; right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And the reason is--I'll give you a moment

05:53 1 to look at this, if you need to--the reason is the

- 2 documents were created and last saved on a computer with
- 3 Microsoft Office registered to the user Usuario.; right?
- A. That's part of it.
- Well, let's focus on this part of it now? 5 0.
- A. Sure.
- O. You go on to say that this indicates the 11
- 8 documents were created on a computer that neither you nor
- 9 Mr. Lynch had looked at; right?
- A. Yes.
- Q. All right. And then you say--the last 11
- 12 sentence--"there is no forensic evidence offered to show
- 13 that former Judge Guerra ever used the computer with the
- 14 Microsoft Office registered to the user Usuario to author
- 15 any documents, let alone" the Chevron orders; right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. Now, that's the statement I want to focus on
- 18 first.
- 19 Now, having just looked at your Exhibit C, and the 20 metadata from Mr. Guerra's computer and Ecuador's statement
- 21 that Mr. Guerra--showing an Author with the name of Usuario
- 22 for a speech that Ecuador says was prepared by Mr. Guerra
- 23 in late 2009, early 2010, wouldn't you agree with me that
- 24 there is forensic evidence indicating that Mr. Guerra used
- 25 a computer with the Microsoft user name registered to

05:57 1 I will do a little exercise with you. If we

- 2 remove the name Guerra from that sentence and we replace it
- 3 with the name Zambrano, that sentence would be correct;
- 4 right?

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- A. With regards to what?
- O. If this sentence was rewritten to say, "there is
- 7 no forensic evidence offered to show that former Judge
- 8 Zambrano ever used a computer with the Microsoft Office
- 9 registered to the user Usuario to author any documents, let
- 10 alone these 11," that statement would be correct; right?
 - A. From the analysis that I have, that's correct.
- 12 O. Now, we talked a little while ago about the
- 13 possibility of computer changing its user name; do you
- 14 recall that?
- A. Yes. 15
- Q. And you said that that might happen in connection
- 17 with a Windows reinstall; right?
- 18 A. That could happen, yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. Now, in the timeframe after Ecuador says
- that Mr. Guerra prepared the speech that had the user name
- 21 Usuario and the time that the computer was--Mr. Guerra's
- 22 computer was imaged by Audio Forensics, during that period
- 23 of time, Mr. Guerra's computer underwent a Windows
- 24 reinstall; correct?
- A. On July 23rd, I believe, 2010, yes.

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05:55 1 Usuario?

- A. I don't know whether or not Mr. Guerra had a
- 3 computer with the user name Usuario. This particular
- 4 computer didn't have a user name Usuario. It had the user
- 5 name Estación or dot, depending on what you're looking at.
 - What we do have is that these particular documents
- 7 didn't exist on the Guerra computer until July of 2010,
- 8 about eight to nine months after they were issued.
- 9 So, while they may have Usuario as a name and it
- 10 may be similar, a very generic name user for both the
- 11 document that you referenced in Exhibit 15, I believe, as
- 12 well as the document itself, there is no forensic evidence
- 13 that this came from Mr. Guerra's computer.
- 14 Q. Let me ask the question again because that's not a
- 15 answer to the question I asked. I'm asking you whether the
- 16 statement in the last sentence of your Paragraph 33, I
- 17 think if you--if that statement is incorrect, we do have
- 18 forensic evidence from your Exhibit C tying the user name
- 19 Usuario to a document that Mr. Guerra prepared, don't we?
- A. I don't know if Mr. Guerra prepared that document.
- Q. Do you have any reason to doubt what Ecuador said
- 22 about that?
 - A. I don't know one way or the other.
- Q. All right. Well, leaving that aside, then, the
- 25 last sentence in Paragraph 33.

- Q. So, after later 2009, early 2010 but before July
 - 2 15, 2012, there was Windows reinstall on Mr. Guerra's
 - 3 computer; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Isn't it possible that Mr. Guerra's computer prior
 - to the Windows reinstall had Microsoft Office registered to
 - 7 the user name Usuario, and that after the Windows reinstall
 - Microsoft Office was registered to the user name Estación?
 - 9 A. It's possible, but we don't have any evidence to
 - that one way or the other.
 - Q. It's possible?
 - 12 A. It's possible, but we don't have any evidence of
 - 13 it.

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- Q. Now, you didn't find any documents on Mr. Guerra's
- 15 computer that had the user name Usuario and a Last Saved
- Date after the Windows reinstall, did you?
- A. Could we put Exhibit C back up? I don't recall 17
- off the top of my head. 18
- 19 Q. Absolutely.
- A. This is going to be tough. 20
 - O. Well, let's make it easier. Sitting here today,
- 22 you're not aware of any document on Mr. Guerra's computer
- that had the user name Usuario and a Last Saved Date after
- 24 Windows reinstall; right?
- A. I don't know sitting here right now.

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06:00 1 Q. All right. And similarly, you don't know sitting
2 here right now whether there are any documents on Mr.--

2 here right now whether there are any documents on Mr.-3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's getting late in the day,

- 4 but let's slow down a little bit both of you. We have the
- 5 interpreters as well as the stenographers to cope with.
- 6 BY MR. WHITE:
- Q. And you can't point to any documents on
- 8 Mr. Guerra's computer that had the user name Estación and a
- 9 Create Date or Last Saved Date before the Windows
- 10 reinstall; right?
- 11 A. I don't know sitting here right now.
- 12 O. So, let's talk about the Windows reinstall.
- 13 You heard Mr. Lynch testify about that; right?
- 14 A. Yes
- 15 Q. And you would agree, would you not, that
- 16 reinstalling Windows is often a part of routine maintenance
- 17 on the computer?
- 18 A. It can be.
- 19 Q. And sometimes it's necessary to do that; right?
- 20 A. It can be.
- Q. And if a person was going to reinstall Windows on
- 22 a computer, it would be good practice to back up any files
- 23 you want to keep on to an external hard drive; right?
- 4 A. If you wanted to keep the files, yes.
- Q. Okay. And the reason that you would do that is so

- 06:02 1 Western Digital hard drive and from there to the Guerra 2 computer.
 - 3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Paragraph 31?
 - 4 MR. WHITE: Paragraph 31.
 - BY MR. WHITE:
 - Q. Why don't we take you to it and let you have a look at it. It's Paragraph 31 of your First Report. It's
 - 8 the last sentence there.
 - A. Yes.
 - 10 Q. And so you're suggesting there that it's possible
 - 11 that the Western Digital--that the documents were on a
 - 12 computer at the courthouse, they went from there to the
 - 13 Western Digital hard drive and from then to Mr. Guerra's
 - 14 computer?
 - 15 A. Without access to the hard drive, we can't say.
 - 16 All we can say is when they were created on the hard drive.
 - 17 We can't say what the pathing information was as they
 - 18 existed on the hard drive. Without that hard drive, we're
 - 19 just guessing.
 - 20 So, all we have is that the 11 documents were
 - 21 copied to Mr. Guerra's computer on July 23rd. Anything
 - 22 else is just speculation by either Mr. Lynch or myself.
 - O. That's all you had when you wrote your
 - 24 December 2013 Report; right? But after you wrote that
 - 25 Report, you got access to the Zambrano hard drives; right?

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- 06:01 1 that after you reinstall the operating system, you can plug
 - 2 in the external hard drive and use it to place those files
 - 3 back on the computer; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 O. And that would result in files that had been on
 - 6 your computer prior to the reinstall appearing now on the
 - 7 computer with a Create Date that is some time after the
 - 8 reinstall; right?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - 10 Q. Now, you testified that the 11 documents that
 - 11 Mr. Lynch says are nine resulted or were drafts of nine
 - 12 Chevron Orders, you testified that those were created or
 - 13 put on the Guerra hard drive on July 23rd, 2010; right?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 Q. They were put on there from a Western Digital hard 16 drive; right?
 - 17 A. It's indicative of that.
 - 18 Q. Okay. That's the same day that the operating
 - 19 system was installed; right?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - O. You say in your First Report, you said it's just
 - 22 as likely that the 11 Orders or 11 draft documents were
 - 23 copied--you don't use the term "draft documents," but the
 - 24 11 documents I'm talking about, were copied by former Judge
 - 25 Guerra from a computer at the Lago Agrio Court to the

- 06:04 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. And then you wrote a report in
 - 3 November 2014 that you said was to supplement your original
 - 4 report; right?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. When you analyzed the Zambrano hard drive, you
 - 7 didn't find any evidence that the Western Digital hard
 - 8 drive had been connected to either of the Zambrano
 - 9 Computers, did you?
 - A No

- 11 Q. And you didn't--when you wrote your Supplemental
- 12 Report in December 2014, you didn't mention that, did you?
- 13 A. No
- Q. Now, you're aware, are you not, that there were
- 15 other documents that were personal to Mr. Guerra that were
- 16 also downloaded from the Western Digital hard drive to his
- 17 computer on July 23rd, 2010?
- 8 A. I don't know if I--I don't know about personal. I
- 19 know there were other documents that were copied to the
- 20 Guerra hard drive on that date.
- Q. Okay. I just want to be clear about this. If we
- 22 go to Tab 9 of the binder I gave you and look at Claimants'
- 23 2020, this is one of the documents that was downloaded from
- 24 the Western Digital hard drive at essentially the same time
- 25 as the 11 documents that Mr. Lynch refers to as the draft

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- 06:05 1 Chevron Orders; right?
 - 2 A. I don't know. If you're saying it is, I don't 3 know.
 - 4 Q. Okay. Well, let's look at Tab 13. That is
 - 5 Claimants' C-2024. Are you aware that that's one of the
 - 6 documents that was downloaded at the same time as the
 - 7 11--one of the files that was downloaded at the same time,
 - 8 essentially the same time as the 11 draft documents that
 - 9 Mr. Lynch testified about?
 - A. I don't know one way or the other.
 - 11 Q. Well, assume with me for a moment that they were.
 - 12 You're not suggesting that Mr. Guerra's CV and these
 - 13 pictures--there are more of them--we won't go to them--that
 - 14 those pictures were taken from anywhere other than
 - 15 Mr. Guerra's computer prior to the Windows reinstall, are
 - 16 you?
 - 17 A. I know there were a number of documents with the
 - 18 name Curriculum Vitae or at least Vitae with respect to at
 - 19 least one temporary file that existed on Mr. Guerra's
 - 20 machine.
 - Q. Okay. Mr. Racich, did you review Mr. Lynch's RICO
 - 22 testimony?
 - 23 A. No.
 - Q. Were you aware that Mr. Lynch had testified at the
 - 25 RICO trial?

- 06:09 1 Q. And you looked at Mr. Lynch's comparison of the 2 text of the files on Mr. Guerra's computer and the text of 3 the final Orders. You saw that he talked about that?
 - A. Yes

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- Q. Okay. And you agreed that that comparison was accurate; right?
 - A. It appeared to be, yes.
 - Q. And Mr. Lynch said that the documents found on
- 9 Mr. Guerra's computer were drafts of the Orders; right?
 - A. That's how he referred to them, yes.
- 11 Q. And the reason--and the reason he said that is
- 12 because the text on the documents on the Guerra Computer
- 3 were different than the final issued Orders; right?
 - A. There were--there were some differences, yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. So, picking up on your suggestion that
- 16 perhaps Mr. Guerra obtained those documents from the
- 17 courthouse and somehow they got on to the Western Digital
- 18 hard drive, if that's what happened, Mr. Guerra or somebody
- 19 acting for him would have had to have gone to the
- 20 courthouse on eight separate occasions and retrieved the
- 21 file from some computer there, a file that had a document
- 22 whose text was different from the final Order; right?
- 23 A. I don't know. All I can say is that they existed
- 24 on Mr. Guerra's Computer as of July 23rd, 2010, while we
- 25 don't have direct evidence that they were on Mr. Zambrano's

- 06:07 1 A. Not until today, no.
 - Q. Were you aware that there was a RICO trial?
 - 3 A. Yes, that I know.
 - 4 Q. And you didn't ask if Mr. Lynch had testified
 - 5 there?
 - 6 A. No.
 - Q. Okay. I want to go now to Mr. Lynch's--I want to
 - 8 go now to Mr. Lynch's presentation of his direct testimony
 9 earlier today. I want to take you to Slide Number 6.
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 - 10 Do you have a copy of that slide deck?
 - 11 A. I do not.
 - 12 MR. EWING: He can look at mine.
 - 13 THE WITNESS: I was going to look at the screen.
 - 14 BY MR. WHITE:
 - 15 Q. Whatever you're more comfortable with, Mr. Racich.
 - 16 A. All right. I have it now.
 - 17 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Racich, you looked at the metadata
 - 18 associated with the files that are illustrated on this
 - 19 slide; correct?
 - 20 A. Assuming these are the 11 documents representing
 - 21 the nine Orders, yes.
 - Q. Okay. And you agree that the first eight of these
 - $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ documents had a Last Saved Date prior to the date that the
 - 24 final order was issued?
 - 25 A. I believe that's correct.

- 06:10 1 Old Computer. His operating system was installed,
 - 2 reinstalled, in July 2010 as well. And all of these
 - 3 documents pre-date that time frame.
 - Q. I'm talking about how those documents would have
 - 5 gotten on to the Western Digital hard drive. You said they
 - 6 could have come from a computer at the courthouse on to the
 - 7 Western Digital hard drive; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. And I'm suggesting to you that if that's what
 - 10 happened, Mr. Guerra or somebody acting on his behalf,
 - 11 would have had to have gone to the courthouse on eight
 - 12 separate--at least on the ninth one, but eight separate
 - 13 dates to get the first eight of these documents in a form
 - 14 as they existed before the final Order was issued; right?
 - 15 A. I don't know one way or the other. It's possible 16 that all of these existed with those changes in one--those
 - 10 that all of these existed with those changes in on
 - $17\,$ differences in one place prior to July of 2010 on
 - 18 Mr. Zambrano's Computers.
 - 19 I don't know as to how they existed then.
 - 20 Q. But you agree that the Last Modified Dates on each
 - 21 of these documents pre-dated the date when the Order was 22 issued by Mr. Zambrano; right?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. Let's turn to a different topic for a
 - 25 minute here.

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- 06:12 1 You've read Mr. Zambrano's RICO testimony; right?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - 3 O. And you're aware that he testified that the whole
 - 4 of the writing of the Judgment was done on his New
 - 5 Computer; right?
 - 6 A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. Now, Providencias--that's the document that you
 - 8 say later became the Judgment; right?
 - 9 A. And Mr. Lynch did, yes.
 - 10 Q. We'll come back to that. We'll come back to that,
 - 11 Mr. Racich, but the document--Providencias is the document
 - 12 that you say later became the Judgment. That document was
 - 13 not drafted exclusively on Mr. Zambrano's New Computer, was
 - 14 it?
 - 15 A. No.
 - 16 Q. Now, let's go to Mr. Lynch's--no, let's not do any
 - 17 of that.
 - 18 You suggested that--Mr. Ewing suggested during
 - 19 cross-examination that Mr. Zambrano might have relied on
 - 20 notes from a prior judge to draft parts of the Judgment;
 - 21 right?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you have any forensic evidence suggesting that
 - 24 that happened?
 - 25 A. No.

- 06:15 1 0. Now, turn to what has been referred to sometimes
 - 2 in this arbitration as the Plagiarized Documents. I think
 - 3 you referred to it as the "alleged Plaintiffs' unfiled work
 - 4 product"?
 5 A. Yes. My understand there's a contention as to
 - 6 whether or not the documents were filed or not.
 - Q. Yeah. And you don't have any opinion as to
 - 8 whether they were filed or not?
 - 9 A. No.
 - 10 Q. Okay. But you know which documents I'm talking
 - 11 about?

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- 12 A. Yes. In general I do, yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. And you agree that portions of the Judgment
- 14 contain text that is identical to those documents; right?
 - A. Can you refer me to specific examples?
- 16 Q. Well, I want to talk generally. Maybe it helps if
- 17 we go to your March 2015 Report.
- 18 A. Sure.
- 19 Q. Which you'll find behind Tab 4, and I want to take
- 20 you to Paragraph 30.
- 21 A. Got it. Paragraph--I'm sorry, which one?
 - Q. Paragraph 30.
- 23 A. 30. All right.
- Q. So, I want to be sure I understand. You agree
- 25 that portions of the Judgment appear to contain text

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- 06:13 1 Q. And these would be notes, if they're the prior 2 judge's notes, they wouldn't be filed in the public court
 - 3 record; right?
 - A. I don't know.
 - 5 Q. When you gave that opinion, did you take into
 - 6 account Mr. Zambrano's testimony that nobody else wrote any
 - 7 of the words?
 - 8 A. I'm not sure exactly what you mean by that.
 - 9 Q. Well, perhaps it would be helpful to show you the
 - 10 testimony. It's Exhibit C-1980.
 - 11 A. What's the tab on that? I apologize.
 - 12 Q. And that's Tab 8 in the binder.
 - 13 A. Okay. 1980, you said? 14 Q. Yeah.
 - So, let's go to Page 1604.
 - 16 A. Okay.
 - 17 Q. 1604, Lines 7 through 10.
 - 18 A. Okay.
 - 19 Q. Yeah. You read that testimony; right?
 - 20 A. Yes, I believe so.
 - 21 Q. And did you have that in mind when you suggested
 - 22 that Mr. Zambrano might have just relied on notes from
 - 23 another judge?
 - 24 A. I don't think I had that in mind when I wrote
 - 25 that.

- 06:16 1 identical to the documents we were just talking about?
 - A. In Mr. Lynch's analysis, using the Beyond Compare
 - 3 software, there was text that matched the--portions of the
 - 4 unfiled--the various unfiled documents.
 - 5 Q. Did you perform your own analysis?
 - 6 A. I looked at Mr. Lynch's analysis to see whether or
 - $7\,$ not what he had done was accurate, and it appeared to be
 - 8 accurate.
 - 9 Q. Okay. So, you agree that portions of the Judgment
 - 10 contained texts that are identical to documents, the
 - 11 documents we're talking about?
 - 12 A. Yes, portions do. Yes.
 - 13 Q. Okay. And you agree that the Author of the
 - 14 Judgment, therefore, had to have access to copies of those
 - 15 documents; right?

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- A. In some form, that's possible, yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. Sorry, I want to make sure that's clear.
 - My question was you agree that the Author of the
- 19 Judgment, therefore, had to have access to copies of those
- 0 documents; right?
- 21 A. Had to have copies? It seems likely that there
- 22 were copies of some sort. Whether or not they're paper or
- 23 electronic, I don't know.
- Q. Okay. Let's pick up on electronic documents
- 25 first.

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06:17 1 You didn't find electronic copies of any of those

- 2 documents on Mr. Zambrano's two computers, did you?
 - A. No
- Well, I believe there was one that had portions--I
- 5 don't recall. I'm trying to think of the one Excel
- 6 spreadsheet that had content, whether or not that was
- 7 considered under the unfiled documents.
- 8 Q. Okay. Setting aside that one Excel document that
- 9 you're talking about, you didn't find any of the
- 10 other--text from any of the other documents on
- 11 Mr. Zambrano's computers; right?
- A. I don't believe so, no.
- 13 O. Other than in Providencias?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Okay. So, let's go to Paragraph 31 of your
- 16 March 2015 Report. The last sentence is what I'm
- 17 interested in here. This is where you talk about paper
- 18 copies; right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. All right. You say: "I see no reason why
- 21 Mr. Zambrano could not have copied these portions of the
- 22 Judgment from filed paper copies of these documents."
- 23 Right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. All right. Now if I change that word "filed" to

- 06:20 1 in--on his computer; right?
 - A. I don't believe we have any evidence of that.
 - Q. I'm asking you a hypothetical. Is it possible
 - 4 that that happened?
 - 5 A. It may be possible, but we don't have any evidence 6 of it.
 - 7 Q. Okay. And you suggested it might have been a
 - 8 former judge who did the calculations, but it could just as
 - 9 easily have been Pablo Fajardo; right?
 - A. I don't know one way or the other.
 - 11 Q. And you don't know one way or the other whether
 - 12 there was a former judge involved.
 - A. No.

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- Q. So, it could have been anybody who had access to
- 15 an electronic copy of the Selva Viva Database; right?
 - A. Or the calculations.
- 17 Q. Okay. So, it could have been anybody who had
- 18 access to the Selva Viva Database or the calculations;
- 19 right?
- 20 A. That's possible. I don't know one way or the
- 21 other.

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- 22 Q. Okay. And you saw Mr. Lynch, who made this point
- 23 earlier today concerning the usage of Microsoft Excel on
- 24 the Zambrano Computers, and he testified that from October
- 25 through March, I think--sorry, through February--the

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06:19 1 "unfiled," that statement is still true; right?

- A. It's possible, yes.
- Q. So, you see no reason why Mr. Zambrano could not
- $4\,\,$ have copied portions of the Judgment from unfiled paper
- 5 copies of those documents?
 - A. Correct.
 - 0. Okay.

- 8 Now, regarding the Selva Viva Database, you
- 9 suggested that--and be careful, because it's late--I will
- 10 take you to the paragraph. In Paragraph 41 of your Report
- 11 on Page 10, this is where you talk about the Selva Viva
- 12 Database, and it's where you say that Mr. Zambrano might 13 have--we're in Paragraph 40 now--might have had access to a
- 14 former judge's notes; right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And in Paragraph 41--sorry, it's Paragraph 41
- 17 where you say that. And right after you say that, you say,
- 18 "there may still be other explanations"; right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Okay. Let's talk about what are--some of those
- 21 other explanations might be. It's possible that somebody
- 22 who had access to the Selva Viva Database in electronic
- 23 form ran those calculations, wrote the Judgment text
- 24 relating to those, put it on a thumb drive, and gave it to
- 25 Mr. Zambrano before the December 21st Providencias appeared

- 06:22 1 Microsoft Excel was open for a total of four minutes on
 - 2 those computers; do you recall that?
 - A. I believe it was five, but yes.
 - Q. I won't quibble over four or five minutes.
 - 5 And you agree with that; right?
 - A. According to the Microsoft Office logs, yes.
 - Q. Okay. And during the period between December 21st
 - 8 and December 28th, Microsoft Excel wasn't used--open at all
 - 9 on either of the Zambrano Computers; right?
 -) A. Yes
 - 11 Q. Okay. Did you try and use the Selva Viva Database
 - 12 to calculate the statistics that appear in the Judgment?
 - A. I'm not a statistician. I did not.
 - Q. Okay. So, you don't have any reason to disagree
 - 15 with Mr. Lynch's testimony about how long it takes to do
 - 16 those calculations.
 - 17 A. I don't know nor I don't know Mr. Lynch's skill at
 - 18 that either. I just don't know.
 - 19 MR. WHITE: Mr. President, this is the point where
 - 20 I was going to change to another topic that's a bit longer,
 - 21 and it's 6:25. If it's convenient, I would suggest we may
 - 22 break here.
 - 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's break here.
 - 24 MR. WHITE: Thank you.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: And we'll resume again at 9:30.

Sheet 73 1207 06:23 1 We ask you, as before, not to discuss your 2 testimony or this case until you come back before this THE WITNESS: All right. Thank you. (Whereupon, at 6:23 p.m., the Hearing was 6 adjourned until 9:30 a.m. the following day.) 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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Sheet 3 1214 1216 1 PROCEEDINGS APPEARANCES: (Continued) 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's start Day 6 of this On behalf of the Respondent: 3 Hearing. PROF. EDUARDO SILVA ROMERO Unless there are matters by way of housekeeping, 4 PROF. PIERRE MAYER MR. JOSÉ MANUEL GARCÍA REPRESA let's continue with the cross-examination of this Witness. 5 MS. AUDREY CAMINADES MS. GABRIELA GONZÁLEZ GIRÁLDEZ MR. WHITE: Thank you, Mr. Veeder. Dechert LLP J. CHRISTOPHER RACICH, RESPONDENT'S WITNESS, RESUMED 32 rue Monceau 75008 Paris 8 CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION France 9 BY MR. WHITE: MR. ÁLVARO GALINDO CARDONA 10 Q. I want to take you back to the 105 documents that MR. DAVID ATTANASIO Dechert LLP 11 Mr. Lynch testified about in relation to drafting 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 United States of America non-Chevron orders for Mr. Zambrano. Do you know what I'm talking about? 13 MR. BRIAN CUMMINS A. Yes. 14 LitOptix Now, and I think we--I want to just go over this 15 16 quickly because we talked about it a little bit yesterday. 17 Your opinion is that because the user name on those--the user name on the computer that was used to create those documents originally was dot, and Mr. Guerra's computer user name when it was imaged was Estación, that you say 21 those Orders weren't prepared on Mr. Guerra's computer; is 22 that right? A. I don't think I said they weren't prepared. I 24 said they weren't originally created. Q. Okay. And I think you said yesterday, but I want 1215 1217 09:30 1 to make sure I understood you correctly, that there may CONTENTS 2 have been a document that was created on the computer with PAGE 3 the user name dot that was used as a template for WITNESSES: 4 Orders--for those drafts, and those drafts could have been J. CHRISTOPHER RASICH 5 prepared on Mr. Guerra's computer from the original Cont. cross-examination by Mr. White template that came from dot; is that right? 1216 Redirect examination by Mr. Ewing 1270 A. That's possible. JOHN A. CONNOR Okay. And you would agree, right, that in your Direct examination by Ms. Renfroe experience historic files like these templates are often 1288 Cross-examination by Mr. Ewing 1328 used for future files, and the reason to do that is so that 11 formatting and templating will remain the same; is that 12 right? 13 A. That's possible. I've seen documents used as 14 templates before. Q. Well, let's go to your 2014 Report, November 2014 15 16 Report; if you still have the binder that I gave you yesterday, that's behind Tab 3. I do. I want to take you back to Paragraph 60, which is 18 19 on Page 15. 20 And in this paragraph, you're talking about a 21 document that found its way onto Mr. Zambrano's computer, and you're suggesting that that may have been a template document that Mr. Zambrano was using to create new documents; right? A. It's possible, yes.

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- 09:32 1 Q. And then I want to focus your attention on the 2 last sentence. You say: "In my experience, historic files
 - 3 like this are often used as templates for future files so
 - 4 that formatting boilerplate language remains the same."
 - That's your opinion; right?
 - A. Yes, that's possible, yes.
 - 7 Q. Okay. And you say "often." Right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Okay. And that may very well be what happened
 - 10 with Mr. Guerra getting the template that had dot and then
 - 11 using it to prepare Draft Orders.
 - 12 A. That's possible. I don't know one way or the
 - 13 other.
 - 14 Q. Now, let's look at if you still have Mr. Lynch's
 - 15 slides from yesterday or if you can follow on the screen.
 - 16 A. I'll follow on the screen.
 - 17 Q. Okay. I want to take you to Slide 3 from
 - 18 Mr. Lynch's presentation. Slide 3.
 - 19 Now, you were here when Mr. Lynch presented this
 - 20 slide; right?
 - 21 A. I was.
 - Q. And you've offered no analysis or opinion to
 - 23 contradict what Mr. Lynch has said concerning the dates
 - 24 these documents were last saved on Mr. Guerra's computer
 - 25 versus the dates on which the corresponding Orders were

- 09:34 1 A. Correct.
 - Q. Now, at the time you prepared your December 2013
 - 3 Report, you had not reviewed Mr. Zambrano's RICO testimony;
 - 4 right?
 - 5 A. That's correct.
 - Q. But you reviewed it now; right?
 - 7 A. Yes
 - 8 Q. And were you aware, when you prepared your First
 - 9 Report in December 2013, that Mr. Zambrano had testified in
 - 0 the RICO proceedings?
 - 11 A. I don't know. I don't think so, but I don't know.
 - 12 Q. In any event, you weren't aware when you wrote
 - 13 that report, but you are aware now that Mr. Zambrano
 - 14 acknowledged that Mr. Guerra drafted Orders for him and
 - 15 shipped them to him by TAME?
 - 16 A. I believe that's my understanding, yes.
 - 17 Q. And you're aware that Mr. Guerra testified
 - 18 basically to the same effect?
 - 19 A. For Orders outside the Ecuadorian Judgment, the
 - 20 Lago Agrio, I believe that's the case. I believe that was
 - 21 his testimony. I could be wrong.
 - Q. And you haven't seen any forensic evidence that
 - 23 would contradict that testimony by either Mr. Guerra or
 - 24 Mr. Zambrano?

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25 A. Which testimony in particular?

09:33 1 issued by Mr. Zambrano; right?

- 2 A. I don't believe there is any evidence that these 3 documents were last saved on Mr. Guerra's computer.
 - O. The user name--this is the 105--
- 5 A. Oh, the 105, I apologize. I apologize. I see,
- 7 Q. We have a smaller number of pictures on here?
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. But so those, you haven't offered any opinion or
- 10 analysis to contradict Mr. Lynch's testimony concerning the
- 11 Last Saved Dates on Mr. Guerra's computer of these
- 12 documents versus the dates when these corresponding Orders
- 13 were issued by Mr. Zambrano; right?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. And then if we go on to Slide 5 of Mr. Lynch's
- 16 presentation, this is where Mr. Lynch described files being
- 17 saved to thumb drives, Mr. Guerra's shipping documents by
- 18 TAME, and then the Orders or the documents being created on
- 19 Mr. Zambrano's computers--computer--and then the Orders
- 20 being issued.
- 21 You haven't offered any opinion or analysis to
- 22 contradict that testimony by Mr. Lynch; right?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. No, you haven't offered any opinion or analysis to
- 25 contradict Mr. Lynch?

- 09:36 1 Q. I'm talking about testimony from Mr. Guerra and
 - 2 Mr. Zambrano that, with respect to Orders outside the
 - 3 Chevron Case, Mr. Guerra prepared drafts, used TAME to ship

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- 4 them to Mr. Zambrano, and Mr. Zambrano issued the Orders.
- 5 A. Not from a forensic point of view, no.
 - Q. Thank you.
- 7 I want to turn to another topic now. One of the
- 8 things that you have done in your analysis in formulating
- 9 your opinion is to take different documents and to compare
- 10 their text; is that right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. So, for example, with the December 21
- 13 Providencias, you compared that with the December 28th
- 14 Providencias?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And then you compared both of those documents to
- 17 the Final Judgment?
 - A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And you drew conclusions from that comparison?
- 20 A. Yes

- Q. Okay. I want to look back to your December 2013
- 22 Report that's behind Tab 1. I want to take you to Page 9,
- 23 and it's Paragraph 27.
- 24 Do you recall what you said there?
- 25 A. Yes

09:37 1 O. I want to take you to the second sentence of that 2 paragraph. You were criticizing Mr. Lynch for comparing 3 documents, the text of documents, on the grounds that 4 that's not an application of forensic science. That was 5 your criticism of Mr. Lynch?

A. I'm not sure it was a criticism. It was just a 7 statement that the software and the process he used was 8 really just comparing words from a forensic point of view. 9 It wasn't a specialized--it wasn't a specialized science.

Q. Let's look at Paragraph 28, then. It said, "The 11 comparison done by Mr. Lynch is akin to simply reading two 12 documents, identifying similarities and differences between 13 the documents. Doesn't require any forensic ability."

That was what you said?

15 A. Yes.

Q. But that's exactly what you did with the 16 17 Providencias documents you found on Mr. Zambrano's

18 computer; right?

19 A. Yes.

20 Thank you.

I want to move on to talk about USB Devices now.

22 You said that there was no evidence that a document was

23 copied from a USB Device to either of the Zambrano

24 Computers; is that right?

A. Can you point me to where I said that?

09:40 1 Page 36, Table 6. And this is a table that lists the USB

2 Device that were used during the period October 2010 to

3 March 2011.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's just pause. Is the table reference right? 5

MR. WHITE: I'm sorry, Table 23 under heading

Number 6. My apologies.

BY MR. WHITE:

9 Q. Do you have that in front of you, sir?

I do.

This is a list of USB Devices used during the 11

period October 2010 through March 2011; is that right?

13 Α.

Okay. Now, you haven't received all of the 13 USB

Devices that were connect to the Zambrano Computers during

this period of time, have you?

A. No.

Q. There are USB Devices that neither you nor 18

19 Mr. Lynch had access to; right?

20 A. Yes.

Q. I want to look at the time period when these USB

22 Devices were being connected.

23 So, Providencias was created on October 11, 2010;

24 right?

A. Yes.

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Q. Yeah. Let's look at your November 2014 Report, 2 which is behind Tab 3. And it's Paragraph 7 that I have in

I'm sorry, I should identify the timeframe between 5 October 2010 and February 2011. You said there's no

6 evidence that any document was copied from a USB Device to

7 any of the Zambrano Computers. I'm sorry, and used to

create any part of the Lago Agrio Judgment.

9 A. Yes, and used to create the Lago Agrio Judgment, 10 yes.

11 Q. Okay. Sorry, that's a little more precise

12 formulation of what you said. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just before you go on, as

14 yesterday, it's important to speak a little bit more slowly

15 both of you, and to leave gaps for the interpreters to

16 interpret.

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MR. WHITE: Understood, thank you. 17

BY MR. WHITE:

19 Q. You would agree, Mr. Racich, that during the

20 period when you say the Judgment was being drafted, this

21 October 2010 to February 2011 period, 13 USB Devices were

22 attached to the Zambrano Computers; right? 23

A. I believe that's the case.

Q. Let's now go to Mr. Lynch's August 2014 Report,

25 and that's behind Tab 6 in your notebook. Let's go to

09:41 1 Q. And on October 12th, the next day, a USB Device 2 was connected; right?

A. Yes.

O. And then between that date, October 12th and

December 21st, how many USB Devices were connected to the

Zambrano Computers?

A. At least seven.

Q. In the period between December 21st and

December 28th, two more USB devices were connected; right?

A. Including the 28th, yes.

Q. And then prior to the January--you've identified 11

12 another document besides Providencias, Caso Texaco. Caso

13 Texaco--between the time you recovered Judgment text and

14 Caso Texaco from December 28th, 2010, there were a further

three USB Device connections shown here; right?

A. Could you give me those dates again?

Q. Yeah, I'm talking about the period after

18 December 28th when you recovered a period of Providencias,

and I think it's January 19th when you recovered a version

20 of Caso Texaco that had Judgment text. You've got the

21 timeline?

22 A. Yes.

There is a further three USBs connections recorded

24 here.

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A. Yes.

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- 09:10 1 Q. Now, when I asked you about the period between 2 October 12 and December 21st, you said at least seven 3 connections. That's because there could have been more; 4 right?
 - 5 A. It's possible. I would have to look at both the 6 first and the last to be sure of what evidence we have,
 - 7 but--so, with what the forensic evidence that we know we
 - 8 have the first and the last attachment, and that's what we
 9 can show and we can prove, and there may be certain other
 - 10 information with regards to, say, link files, local host
 - 11 information that we can look at as well. So I would have
 - $12\,$ to look at all of those factors to see what our window is.
 - 13 Q. Okay. So, looking at this table, you know that 14 these connections occurred and there may have been more?
 - 15 A. It's possible. I would have to look at all the 16 information, and I don't have that at the top of my head.
 - 17 Q. Okay. And if one of the USB Devices that you
 - 18 haven't seen that was connected had Judgment text on it,
 - 19 you wouldn't know that, would you?
 - 20 A. I don't have any way to know that at this point.
 - Q. Okay. Now, you did some analysis of what might
 - 22 have been on those USB Devices in your November 2014
 - 23 Report, so I would like to take you there. That again is
 - 24 behind Tab 3 in the notebook, and I would like to take you
 - 25 to Paragraph 60, again. I want to see if we can understand

09:46 1 USB Device, and you won't know the contents of the document
2 that was on the USB device from which the text was copied;
3 isn't that right?

- A. We would need access to the USB Device to be certain, but as you say, we don't have that, and have no evidence of that one way or the another.
- evidence of that one way or the another.

 Q. Okay. So, I just want to be clear, if somebody at
- 8 Mr. Zambrano's computer plugged in one of these USB
 9 Devices, opened one of the documents that's listed here,
- 10 copied text out of that document, pasted it into a document
- 11 that was already on the Zambrano Computer, closed the
- 12 document on the USB Device, unplugged the USB Device, we
- 13 wouldn't know what the text was in the document that was on 14 the USB Device; right?
- 15 A. We would need access to the USB Device itself in 16 order to definitively determine that.
- 17 Q. Okay. So, what we've got here and what you looked 18 at was the names of the files--right?--and I just want to
- 19 ask you if you agree with me that if we look down to the
- 20 file with the Create time of November 9th, 2010, at 20:20 21 hours, the document name there is Pinochol.doc; right?
- A. I apologize. I left my glasses in my bag.
- Z A. I apotogize. I felt my grasses in my
- Q. It's on the screen there.
 - A. That might be a little better.
- Yes, I can see that.

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09:45 1 at a high level what you're saying here.

You're saying that you can look at the names of the files on these USB Devices and draw some conclusions about what the contents are; right?

- A. As Mr. Lynch said in his testimony, we can make some inferences. We don't know for sure exactly what's in the data without the data itself, but we can infer.
- 8 Q. Okay. Let's go back to Mr. Lynch's August 2014 9 Report--sorry that we're jumping around a little bit, but 10 it's behind Tab 6--and take a look at the file names.
- 11 Let's go to Page 37. I'll get the table name right this 12 time. It's Table 24.

This is where we see file names from documents
that were connected to--sorry, from documents that came
from USB Devices that were connected to Mr. Zambrano's
computers; right?

- $\,$ 17 $\,$ A. Well, to be technically accurate, these are $\,$ 18 documents that were opened from--documents that existed on
- 19 USB Devices that were opened on Mr. Zambrano's computers 20 while the USB Device was attached.
- 21 O. Okay. And if you do that, what you just
- 22 described, it's possible you can open the USB Device, you
- 23 can copy text from a document that's on it, paste it into a
- 24 document, pre-existing document, on the computer, close the
- 25 document that you opened from the USB Device, removed the

- 09:48 1 Q. Would you like to take a break and get your 2 glasses, would that help?
 - 3 A. If it I could take a minute, I know exactly where 4 they are.

5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Take your time, of course.

THE WITNESS: I apologize.

7 MR. WHITE: I don't want you to be without your

8 glasses.

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9 (Pause.)

10 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much. Okay.

BY MR. WHITE:

- ${\tt Q.}$ I was drawing your attention to the document with
- 13 the name "Pinochol.doc." You can't draw any conclusions
- $14\,\,$ from the file name as to what was in the content of that
- 15 document, can you?
 - A. No.
- Q. Okay. And similarly, if we go down four lines, we see KKKK.docx. You can't draw any conclusions about what's
- 19 in that document, can you?
- 20 A. Not from the name. You can see the dates, the
- 21 Last Modified Dates of those, though. For the Pinochol I'm
- 22 looking, the Last Modified Date was September 11, 2010.
 - O. Okay. Got it.
- One thing you can tell from the name, though, is
- 25 one is a .doc file and one is a .docx file. Those are Word

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09:50 1 documents; right?

- 2 A. Yes.
- 0. Just like Providencias?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And just like Caso Texaco?
- 6 Just one other I wanted to look at, if we go down
- 7 two more from the KKKK document, we have Documento1; right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you can't tell anything from that file name
- 10 other than the fact that it's a Word document like
- 11 Providencias and Caso Texaco; right?
- 12 A. Well, in this case, it's a doc file and the
- 13 Providencias and Caso Texaco are docx files, so it's
- 14 slightly different but they are Word--Office documents.
- 15 Q. Let's turn from that now to the discussion of
- 16 internet history, and I would like to go to Slide 14, if
- 17 you have your slide deck from yesterday. I want to look at
- 18 Slide 14.
- 19 A. I actually don't have the slide, I apologize.
- 20 Q. This is Mr. Racich's, yes.
- 21 So, I want to look at Slide 14 about internet
- 22 history. Your first bullet point there is the recovered
- 23 internet history reveals legal research and translation Web
- 24 sites. Do you recall that?
- 25 A. Yes.

09:53 1 history that showed visits to legal research sites other

- 2 than fielweb during this period, October 2010, you say,
- 3 through March 2011; right?
- A. We didn't have any metadata fields available with
- dates and times that showed that, no.
- 0. You say in the third sentence, this is the first
- 7 cookie you found, and that's at January 11, 2012; right?
 - A. There is a cookie for the "lexisweb.com," if
- 9 that's what you're referring to.
- Q. And that's 11 months after--almost 11 months after
- 11 the Judgment was issued; right?
- 12 A. That's what the metadata of that particular cookie
- 13 file shows, yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. The next one you identify is on
- 15 May 31st, 2012, more than a year after the Judgment was
- 16 issued?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, let's talk about--let's talk about visits to
- 19 translation Web sites. You testify about this in
- 20 Paragraph 50; right?
- 21 A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. And you talk about--the first one,
- 23 "traducegratis.com." The only evidence you found of visits
- 24 to that site happened in 2009; right?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 19:51 1 Q. But to be clear, you didn't recover any evidence 2 of visits to legal research sites during the period from
 - 3 October 2010 to February 2011, other than one visit or some
 - 4 visits to fielweb; right?
 - 5 A. I believe those are the ones we could establish
 - 6 exact dates and times.
 - 7 Q. Okay. But you didn't have any evidence of visits
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ to other legal research sites during the time period
 - 9 October 2010 to February 2011; right?
 - 10 A. Not all the entries had date and time stamps. The
 - 11 ones that we did have, the fielweb was the only on with a
 - 12 particular date and time stamp.
 - 13 Q. Okay. And fielweb, you agree, can't be used to
 - 14 access the English language cases that were or to locate
 - 15 the English language cases that were found in the
 - 16 December 21st Providencias; right?
 - 17 A. I don't know. I didn't do any analysis as to what
 - 18 documents were available in there.
 - 19 Q. Okay. Now, let's go to your November 2014 Report.
 - 20 Again, that's behind Tab 3. And I would like to take you
 - 21 to Paragraph 49, and that's on Page 13.
 - 22 This is where you say it's normal that old
 - 23 internet history is deleted but cookies remain; right?
 - 24 A. They can remain, yes.
 - Q. You didn't find any cookies or any internet

- 09:55 1 Q. Okay. You identify later in that paragraph a 2 visit to a Web site "windowslivetranslator.com" on
 - 3 January 4th, 2011; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. But that is after the English language authorities
 - 6 appeared in the December 21st Providencias; right?
 - A. With regards to the one draft that we--the
 - 8 snapshots that we were able to recover, there were, my
 - 9 understanding is that there were--there was some case law
 - 10 in that draft.
 - 11 Q. Right. English language case law on
 - 12 December 21st, and that's before the January 4th visit that
 - 13 you found to windowslivetranslator?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 Q. I want to turn to a different topic now. This is
 - 16 the SATJE records. And if you go to Tab 7(a) of
 - 17 Mr. Lynch's--well, it's Tab 7(a), it's an exhibit to
 - 18 Mr. Lynch's Report from January of this year. Have you
 - 19 reviewed that exhibit?
 - 20 A. Tab 7(a)?
 - 1 0. Tab 7.
 - 22 A. It says Exhibit 1?
 - O. Yes.
 - 24 What's in here is first a translation of some
 - 25 documents followed by the original Spanish-language

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- 09:57 1 documents, so you will see the translation, then there's 2 the certification from Merrill Corporation, and then the
 - 3 next page is where I want to take you.
 - 4 So, if you go through the English-language
 - 5 translation, you will come at the end of that to a
 - 6 certification that says "Merrill Corporation" on it.
 - A. Okay. Got it.
 - 8 $\,$ Q. And did you review these documents before you
 - 9 prepared your March 2015 Report?
 - 10 A. I believe--these were attachments to Mr. Lynch's 11 Report?
 - 12 Q. They were.
 - 13 A. Yeah, then I read them.
 - 14 0. And you saw that these have official Government
 - 15 seals from a Government department in Ecuador; right?
 - 16 A. I don't know one way or the other. I presume that
 - 17 they are official seals.
 - 18 Q. Okay. What I would like to do now is look at your
 - 19 SATJE information. It's Exhibit Respondent 1348, and it's
 - 20 behind Tab 17 in this binder.
 - 21 A. I'm glad I have my glasses.
 - Q. I'm glad I have a screen.
 - So, this is behind Tab 17 in the binder, and it's
 - 24 Exhibit Respondent's 1348.
 - 25 This is what you exhibited to your Report in

- 10:00 1 A. Typically, yes.
 - Q. Yeah. So--and so you don't know whether somebody using Mr. Zambrano's computers was visiting file sharing sites like Dropbox?
 - A. There is no evidence of it.
 - 6 Q. Just like there is no evidence of legal research 7 sites during this period, but it's possible in your view?
 - 8 A. Correct. There is no evidence, but it is
 - possible.
 - 10 Q. All right. And you also don't know whether
 - 11 somebody on Mr. Zambrano's computer was visiting e-mail
 - 12 addresses like--e-mail sites like Hotmail, and downloading
 - 13 attachments or copying text out of attachments?
 - A. Can you rephrase that question?
 - O. Yeah.
 - 16 If the internet history is incomplete, as you
 - 17 suggest, it's possible that somebody on one of
 - 18 Mr. Zambrano's computers could have logged in to Hotmail
 - 19 and found a document or found text in an e-mail and cut and
 - 20 pasted it into Providencias and you wouldn't know that.
 - 21 A. Those are two different things. The internet
 - 22 history itself wouldn't necessarily remove the process of
 - 23 downloading a document, so if you downloaded a document,
 - 24 the document would, in fact, be created on the local
 - 25 machine. So, in order to get information out of a

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- 09:58 1 support of your conclusion that the Judgment was uploaded 2 from one of Mr. Zambrano's computers; right?
 - 3 A. Yes.

- 4 Q. Okay. This doesn't have any official Government
- 5 seals on it, does it?
- 6 A. This was an electronic copy, no.
- 7 Q. Okay. Where did you get this?
- 8 A. I was provided this by counsel.
- 9 Q. And what's your basis for thinking that these are
- 10 official records from the SATJE system?
- 11 A. I was told by counsel that these were the exports
- 12 of the logs of the SATJE system--exported logs of the SATJE
- 13 system.
- 14 Q. Okay. And you don't explain in your Report
- 15 anywhere how counsel, or whoever obtained these from the
- 16 SATJE system, how they went about obtaining them for you,
- 17 did you?
- 18 A. I did not.
- 19 Q. Okay. I want to go now to--I want to go now to
- 20 your most recent report from March of this year. I believe
- 21 it's behind Tab 4 in your binder. I want to go to
- 22 Paragraph 18 and pick back up on a point about the internet
- 23 history.
- 24 You say that the internet history is necessarily
- 25 incomplete; right?

- 10:02 1 document, it would be saved on the local computer, and 2 there would--or could--be evidence of that.
 - 3 As far as content of an e-mail, the internet
 - 4 history wouldn't tell us that one way or the other whether
 - 5 or not that occurred, but again, there is no evidence about
 - that
 - 7 Q. Right. So, okay, fair point about downloading a
 - 8 document. What if you just cut and pasted text? Then you
 - 9 wouldn't--the internet history wouldn't tell you that;
 - 10 right?
 - 11 A. No, the internet history would not tell us that.
 - 12 Q. Okay. Now, I wanted to look at some of the
 - 13 internet history that you did recover--oh, yeah, sorry, one 14 other question.
 - 15 Hotmail allows you to open a document without
 - 16 downloading it; right?
 17 A. You can preview certain types of documents. It's
 - 18 possible.
 19 Q. Yeah. And you could cut and paste text out of one
 - 20 of those preview documents?
 - 21 A. I don't think you can cut and paste document text 22 from that.
 - 23 Q. But you can copy and paste?
 - 24 A. I believe so.
 - 5 Q. All right. Well, looking at your Paragraph 18 on

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- 10:03 1 Page 5 of the most recent report, you've identified a Web
 - 2 site here where there were multiple visits--multiple hits,
 - 3 you call it--and that is Live.com; right? The log-in page
 - 4 on Live.com; right?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - Q. And this is an internet hit you got on
 - 7 Mr. Zambrano's computer?
 - 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. And that is the log-in page or can be used as the
 - 10 log-in page to access Hotmail; right?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 O. So, the user of Mr. Zambrano's computer was, we
 - 13 know from the internet history, going to the log-in page
 - 14 for Hotmail; right?
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - 16 Q. And if we go to the next page, top of Page 6, you
 - 17 show a hit count of 14 on January 7th, 2011; right?
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. And then you see a hit count of 29 on
 - 20 January 13th, 2011; right?
 - 21 A. Yes.
 - 22 Q. That means that, at a minimum, somebody using the
 - 23 Zambrano Computers had gone to the log-in page of Hotmail
 - 24 14 times at least by January 7th, 2011, and a further 15
 - 25 times by January 13th; right?

- 10:05 1 fragments like that on the Zambrano Computers.
 - Q. Did you do that kind of recovery exercise on
 - 3 Mr. Zambrano's computers?
 - 4 A. I believe we pulled--we did the same process for
 - all three computers, yes.
 - Q. And the fact that you didn't find fragments on
 - 7 Mr. Zambrano's computer, that doesn't mean that somebody
 - 3 wasn't opening e-mails on that computer; right?
 - 9 A. It doesn't, but again, it doesn't mean that
 - 10 definitively, but we have no evidence one way or the other.
 - 11 All we--we do have evidence of that on Mr. Guerra's machine
 - 12 but we don't have it on Mr. Zambrano's machine.
 - 13 As you said, there is a log-in, there is evidence
 - 14 that someone went to the log-in a number times, but there
 - 15 is no evidence of what e-mail was opened, if any at all,
 - 16 from what we have here.
 - 17 Q. Okay. So, all you're saying there is that you
 - 18 know that whoever logged into Hotmail on Mr. Guerra's
 - 19 computer was able to see some e-mails, but you don't--all
 - 20 you have on Mr. Zambrano's computer is that somebody went
 - 21 29 times to log in to Hotmail but you didn't recover any
 - 22 e-mail fragments?

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- 23 A. That's correct.
 - Q. Okay. So, as far as you can tell, if somebody
- 25 actually found any e-mails in the 29 times they logged into

- 10:04 1 A. Yes. The hit count indicates an incremental 2 hitting of that page.
 - Q. So, during this period in early January 2011, a month before the Judgment was issued, somebody on
 - 5 Mr. Zambrano's computer was logging in to Hotmail; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. All right. Now, did you recover the contents of
 - 8 any e-mails that were opened from Hotmail on Mr. Zambrano's
 - 9 computer during this time?
 - 10 A. No.
 - 11 Q. No. Now, one of the things that you've raised in
 - 12 this report concerning Mr. Guerra's internet history is
 - 13 that you found similar visits to Hotmail; right?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 Q. And you say that that's--the fact that that's
 - 16 there and you can't find the e-mails, that's evidence that
 - 17 somebody was deleting e-mails on Mr. Guerra's computer;
 - 18 that's what you said, right?
 - 19 A. It's a little different. What we were able to do
 - 20 is recover fragments of the Hotmail messages themselves
 - 21 that, the content, the body is no longer available on the
 - 22 computer. And, as Mr. Lynch said, these types of e-mails
 - 23 aren't really--they're not really designed to be stored
 - 24 permanently, but parts of them are downloaded into the
 - 25 internet history. We didn't find any--any examples of

- 10:06 1 Hotmail from Mr. Zambrano's computers, records of what
 - 2 those e-mails said are not there; right?
 - A. We don't have any evidence of that at all.
 - 4 Q. Okay. Now, turning to Mr. Guerra's e-mails, if
 - 5 whoever was visiting the Hotmail site on Mr. Guerra's
 - 6 computer simply visited Hotmail, opened their in-box,
 - 7 looked at e-mails, read e-mails, maybe even replied to
 - 8 e-mails, those e-mails wouldn't be stored locally on the
 - 9 computer in the ordinary course, would they?
 - 10 A. As discrete files, some of the data would be 11 available in the "pagefilesys." There likely could be
 - 12 information that would be stored there for at least a
 - 13 finite period of time. But as far as maintaining a
 - 14 database outside of logging in to some sort of client,
 - 15 there is no evidence that that occurred on Mr. Guerra's
 - 16 machine.
 - 17 Q. Let's simplify this. What you saw on Mr. Guerra's
 - 18 machine is fully consistent with somebody who just opened
 - 19 e-mails and closed them without ever taking active steps to
 - 20 delete them from the computer; right?
 - 21 A. As far as user? I don't think I ever said that
 - 22 the user actively deleted it. I said that they were
 - 23 deleted.
 - Q. You're saying that they were physically present on
 - 25 the computer and somebody went in and deleted them?

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- 10:08 1 A. No, I said that they--that there were fragments
 - 2 and information that were there, and then as we--when we
 - 3 received the Guerra image, those weren't there anymore as
 - 4 active data.
 - 5 Q. That doesn't mean that somebody went in and
 - 6 deliberately deleted e-mail content; right?
 - A. No, I didn't say--I don't believe I said that.
 - Q. Thank you. Now, you said that you found no
 - 9 evidence of e-mails between Guerra and the Lago Agrio
 - 10 Plaintiffs' lawyers; right?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 O. That doesn't mean that there weren't any e-mails
 - 13 between Guerra and the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' lawyers. It
 - 14 just means you didn't find any on this computer.
 - A. All I can go on is what the data has. I don't
 - $\,$ 16 $\,$ have any information to show that that information existed.
 - 17 Q. Yeah. But you don't--but you can't conclude to a
 - 18 reasonable degree of certainty that that never happened;
 - 19 right?
 - 20 A. No, but I can conclude to a reasonable degree of
 - 21 scientific certainty that it's not there.
 - Q. It's not there, but you don't know that it was
 - 23 never there?
 - 24 A. There is no evidence to it.
 - Q. Yeah. There is no evidence that it was there, but

- 10:11 1 A. I do.
 - Q. Okay. That's a Gmail e-mail address; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And that says "SDonziger@Gmail.com"; right?
 - 5 A. Yes
 - 6 Q. Okay. That's Mr. Donziger's e-mail address;
 - 7 right?
 - 8 A. I would have to go back and look, but I believe
 - 9 that's correct.
 - 10 Q. Well, when you searched to see if there were
 - 11 records of any e-mails to and from the Lago Agrio
 - 12 Plaintiffs' lawyers you had a list of e-mail addresses you
 - 13 were searching; right?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. And that's one of them; right?
 - 16 A. That's an e-mail address, yes.
 - 17 Q. Okay. And did you find this when you were doing
 - 18 your searches?
 - 19 A. I can't--I don't know. I don't--I honestly don't
 - 20 know.

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- Q. Okay. Well, we can close out this part of the
- 22 program, and I want to look at another file record. I want
- 23 to go to File Record 226. Okay. And this one--Jamie, if
- 24 you'll just Control-F and do a search for DONZ.
- Okay. We find in this file record another

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10:09 1 you can't exclude that it was there; right?

- 2 A. I just don't have any evidence one way or the 3 other. I have that it's not there.
- 4 Q. Okay. Let's look at Exhibit 2 to your March 2015
- 5 Report, and this is slip-sheeted in the binders because
- 6 it's a native document that we're going to have to go into
- 7 on the screen.
- A. Okay.
 O. Okay.
 - Q. Okay. And let's go to the Hotmail Web mail
- 10 fragments here. This is an exhibit you prepared; right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. Let's go to File Record 32.
- 13 Okay? Again, this is information that you
- 14 prepared and put in your exhibit?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, if we right click on this and go to
- 17 View Source, that's the Code behind the e-mails; right?
 - A. It's the HTML/XML information there, yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And down the right-hand side you--we see
- 20 Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4; right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. I want to go down to Line 1815. Okay. And ask
- $\ensuremath{\texttt{23}}$ $\ensuremath{\texttt{Jamie}}$ to highlight--yeah--the name that the cursor is on
- 24 right now.
- 25 Do you see that?

- 10:12 1 reference to the e-mail address, to an e-mail address
 - 2 SDonziger@Gmail.com; right? Mr. Donziger's e-mail address?
 - A. Yes
 - Q. Okay. And would it surprise you to know--I'm not
 - 5 going to go through the exercise, but if we do this
 - 6 multiple times, you'll find multiple references here?
 - A. That's possible.
 - 8 Q. Did you find these references when you were doing
 - 9 your searches?
 - 10 A. I can't recall sitting here. I can't imagine that
 - 11 the searching--we used NK Search Tool to do it. It would
 - 12 have pulled this up.
 - 13 MR. WHITE: Thank you, sir.
 - Mr. Veeder, if we took a five-minute break, we
 - 15 might be able to shorten this and wrap things up.
 - 16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Never fails. Five-minute
 - 17 break.

- MR. WHITE: Thank you.
- 19 (Brief recess.)
- 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 21 MR. WHITE: Thank you, sir.
- 22 BY MR. WHITE:
- Q. Mr. Racich, I want to take you to another one of
- 24 these very large documents that we need to put on the
- 25 screen, and that is Exhibit 21 from Mr. Lynch's August 2014

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10:20 1 Report.

- 2 You recognize this; this is the internet history
- 3 from Mr. Zambrano's Old Computer?
 4 A. That might help. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. What I want to take you to is Page 1104.
- 6 This is about halfway through the document, which is why we
- 7 don't have it all printed. Page 1104, I want to take you
- 8 to an entry on January 12th, 2010, which we'll highlight
- $\,{\rm 9}\,$ here. And you may be able to see it easier on the screen
- 10 that's in front of you rather than the big screen.
- 11 But that's an access to Hotmail; right?
- 12 A. Yes. Yes, it appears to be.
- 13 Q. Okay. And that's at 5:33 in the evening on
- 14 January 12, 2011; right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, I want to take you down two minutes
- 17 later to 5:35 that same day and highlight the entry we see
- 18 there.
- 19 Do you see that?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. That shows that somebody on Mr. Zambrano's Old
- 22 Computer opened the document Caso Texaco at 5:35 that day;
- 23 right?
- A. Yes, that's the Old Computer, and there are a
- 25 number of documents that were opened in quick succession

- 10:24 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. That was your opinion in November of 2014; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. In your March 2015 Report you relied on the
 - 5 OSessions logs; right?
 - A. To the fact that they're within the context that they're available, yes.
 - 8 Q. So, you think that they're sufficiently reliable 9 for purpose of the analysis you did in March of this year?
 - A. For the purposes that I relied on them, yes.
 - 11 Q. And that's actually the subject of Slide 10 of
 - 12 your presentation from yesterday; right?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - 14 Q. So, let's go to Slide 10.
 - And you're saying that there is
 - 16 consistent--consistent Microsoft Office--sorry--Microsoft
 - 17 Word use between October 2010 and February 2011. That's
 - 18 the point you're making; correct?
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 Q. And the reason that you do this is found in your
 - 21 March 2015 Report at Paragraph 23, so let's go behind
 - 22 Tab 4.

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- 23 Sorry. That's where you describe what's in your
- 24 slide. Where I want to take you now is to Paragraph 9 of
- 25 the March 2015 Report.

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10:21 1 after that.

- Q. Right. So, at 5:33 on January 12th, somebody on
- 3 Mr. Zambrano's Old Computer opens Hotmail, and two minutes
- 4 later they open Caso Texaco; right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Now, just so that we're oriented in time here,
- 7 that is--that's the 12th of January 2011. The 19th of
- 8 January 2011 is the date on which you recovered a version
- 9 of Caso Texaco that had Judgment text in it; right?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Thank you, Mr. Racich.
- I want to move from here to the discussion of
- 13 OSession logs. We can go to it if you need to, but I just
- 14 ask you if you recall that in your November 2014 Report you
- 15 criticize Mr. Lynch's reliance on OSession logs on the
- 16 grounds that those logs are unreliable.
- 17 A. No. It was more along the lines that Mr. Lynch 18 didn't provide any support for the fact that they said what
- 19 he said they said.
- Q. Well, let's look at your November 2014 Report,
- 21 then, and I want to take you to Paragraphs 72 and 73. This
- 22 is behind Tab 3 in the notebook. Page 18. And at the end
- 23 of Paragraph 73 it's where you say: "In my experience the
- 24 log entries have been inconsistent (if they were are
- 25 created at all) on various computers I've analyzed."

- 10:25 1 And this is where you're using the OSession logs.
 - 2 You're using it to draw this comparison between two
 - 3 scenarios. One is a scenario where Mr. Zambrano's
 - 4 assistant writes the Judgment. The other is that a third
 - 5 party writes the Judgment and gives it to Mr. Zambrano
 - 6 immediately before he issued it on February 14, 2011. Do
 - 7 you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. And that second scenario about a third party
 - 10 giving it to Mr. Zambrano right before it's issued, you say
 - 11 that didn't happen because of your analysis of the OSession
 - l2 logs; right?
 - 13 A. Well, with regard to the OSession, what I was
 - 14 talking about with the fact that they're not necessarily
 - 15 complete is they're not a--there are instances on different
 - 16 types of operating--well, not operating system, different
 - $\,$ 17 $\,$ versions of Microsoft Office that are installed where the
 - $\,$ 18 $\,$ OSessions are not available at all or the fact that there $\,$
 - 19 are instances where the OSessions aren't complete due to 20 the fact that they are not saved and recorded. As we
 - 21 described at least two instances where Microsoft Office was
 - 22 crashed or where Microsoft Office has issues which are not
 - 23 necessarily recorded in the OSessions.
 - Q. We've moved on from that point, Mr. Racich. Maybe
 - 25 it would be helpful if we go to Paragraph 23 of this

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10:26 1 Report. This is under the heading where you discuss 2 OSession logs.

You say that there would be unreasonably long periods of use in Microsoft Word during this period in early February 2011, if somebody had given a copy of the Judgment to Mr. Zambrano at that point in time. That's what you're using OSession logs for in your Report; right?

- A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And that's to refute the scenario you described in 10 Paragraph 9 that some third party gave Mr. Zambrano a copy 11 of the Judgment right before it was issued; right?
- 12 A. Again, it's what evidence we have. This is the 13 evidence that we do have.
- Q. Here's where I'm going with this, Mr. Racich.
 That's a straw man argument; right? Nobody from
 the Claimants--Mr. Lynch--nobody has ever suggested that
 somebody gave a pre-printed or pre-drafted copy of the
 Judgment to Mr. Zambrano right before it was issued and
- 19 then it was uploaded to SATJE; right?
 20 A. I don't know one way or the other.
- Q. Okay. Let's talk about--sorry, one more thing on
- 22 the OSession logs. Let's go to Mr. Lynch's January 2015
- 23 Report that's behind Tab 7. Let's go to Page 20.
- Now, you described in your Report that there was near constant use--this is on your Slide 10--consistent

10:30 1 Q. Now, if somebody was working in a Microsoft Office 2 document other than Providencias, that would be reflected 3 in the OSession logs; right?

4 A. Barring some sort of issue where it wasn't 5 recorded, yes.

Q. Okay. And the only time that Microsoft Word was active, that the OSession logs show that Microsoft Word was active on the Old Computer during Christmas week of 2010 is aside from the edit time of Providencias, the total amount of time is 52 minutes; right?

- 11 A. Can you repeat that? I apologize.
- 12 O. Yeah.

13 So, Microsoft Word--sorry, Providencias has an 14 edit time of 17.4 hours between December 21 and

15 December 28, 2010; right?

.6 A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. And that's the Christmas week; right?
- 18 A. Yes.

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- 19 Q. Okay. And the OSession logs show that Microsoft
- 20 Word was opened during that period for a total of 18.3
- 21 hours; right?
- 22 A. I'd have to go back to be sure, but that sounds
- 23 about right.
- Q. Okay. And what that tells us is that, if somebody
- 25 was working in another Word document during the Christmas

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- 10:28 1 Microsoft Word use between October 2010 and February 2011; 2 right?
 - A. Yes
 - 4 O. When we talk about the edit time for Providencias,
 - 5 I want to focus on the period between December 21 and
 - 6 December 28, 2010.
 - 7 A. Okay.
 - 8 Q. And you've suggested that the edit time in
 - 9 Providencias between December 21 and December 28, 2010, may
 - 10 not tell the full story of when Judgment text was being
 - 11 drafted because there could have been drafting going on in
 - 12 other documents; is that your testimony?
 - 13 A. That's possible, yes.
 - 14 Q. So, I want to focus in on that period and the
 - 15 issue of whether drafting was going on in other documents
 - 16 that's not reflected in the edit time of Providencias
 - 17 between December 21, 2010, and December 28, 2010.
 - Now, these two paragraphs are where Mr. Lynch describes--
 - 20 A. I'm sorry, which paragraphs?
 - 21 Q. The two paragraphs at the bottom of Page 20.
 - 22 A. Thank you.

- Q. Mr. Lynch sets out the edit time for Providencias
- 24 as 17.4 hours during the Christmas week of 2010; right?
- 25 A. I believe that's correct.

- 10:31 1 week of 2010 on Mr. Zambrano's Old Computer, for whatever
 - 2 purpose, and they were outside Providencias, they were only
 3 doing it for less than an hour; right?
 - A. That's the minimum amount of time based on the
 - 5 OSessions, so the OSessions could be incomplete, but with
 - 6 regards to--that's our minimum.
 - 7 Q. They're only incomplete if something unusual
 - happened; right?
 - 9 A. If something happened. I don't know if it's usual
 - 10 or not. Microsoft Word unfortunately crashes a lot for me,
 - 11 but if there is a crash on Microsoft Word, that would
 - 12 necessarily limit the OSessions.
 - 13 Q. And you have no evidence that there was a crash of
 - 14 Microsoft Word during the Christmas week of 2010 on
 - 15 Mr. Zambrano's computer, do you?
 - 16 A. Well, we know it happened twice or at least we
 - 17 suspect it happened twice based on the temporary files that
 - 18 were saved and not deleted but once on the 21st and once on 19 the 28th.
 - 20 Q. Okay. But between these dates, you don't have any 21 evidence that that happened?
 - 22 A. We don't have any other instance like that between
 - 23 those time frames.
 - Q. All right. I want to talk about the edit time in
 - 25 Providencias, Mr. Racich.

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- 10:33 1 Edit time is a type of metadata; right?
 - 2 A. Yes
 - 3 Q. It shows us the amount of time a document was open
 - 4 on a computer?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. And you saw Mr. Lynch's demonstration yesterday--
 - 7 A. I apologize. It shows the amount of time the
 - B document was open and then saved.
 - 9 Q. Okay.
 - 10 A. With a change.
 - 11 Q. Okay. But any changes that were made that weren't
 - 12 saved wouldn't be reflected in the document; right?
 - 13 A. Correct.
 - 14 Q. Okay. So, edit time is the maximum amount of time
 - 15 a person could spend actively working in the document and
 - 16 then saving it; right?
 - 17 A. In general. I can think of some exceptions to
 - 18 that, but in general, it's a fairly good indicator of that.
 - 19 Q. But it's not the minimum amount of time; right?
 - 20 You could have a document open in Microsoft Word and the
 - 21 edit time accrues while you have no activity going on in
 - 22 the document?
 - 23 A. It begins to toll when the document starts to be
 - 24 opened.
 - 25 Q. Yeah. In other words, you can have edit time

- 10:35 1 metadata from the recovered versions of Providencias;
 - 2 right?
 - A. Yes, that Mr. Lynch recovered, yes.
 - Q. Yeah. So, this is where we get from Document 11
 - 5 the file created on October 11, 2010; right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And then we can see the Author name CPJS, that's
 - 8 where we get that it's the Old Computer?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - Q. And then that document is Last Saved By CPJS;
 - 11 right?

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- 12 A. Yes
- 13 Q. And then the Last Saved Date is December 21st,
- 14 2010; right? So, that's the December 21st version of
- 15 Providencias.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, the total edit time we get here from the
- 18 creation of this document on Mr. Zambrano's computer until
- 19 December 21st is 2,107 minutes; right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. That's 35 hours? Approximately?
 - A. My math is awful, but yes, I believe that's
- 23 approximately correct.
 - Q. Okay. So, the most any of time anybody spent
- 25 typing any text or cutting and pasting any text into that

- 10:34 1 accruing in a document, getting higher in a document, while
 - 2 nobody is actually actively working in the document; right?
 - 3 A. That's possible.
 - 4 Q. Now, it happens a lot; right? I mean, people open
 - 5 a document, they type text into it or cut and paste text
 - 6 into it, or whatever they are doing, they get up and go do
 - $7\,\,$ something else, they come back and do some more work, and
 - 8 then they Save it, the time they spent doing something
 - 9 else, that's recorded as edit time; right?
 - 10 A. It continues to toll as time goes by.
 - 11 Q. Yes. So, the time spent doing something else in
 - 12 the hypothetical I just gave you, the edit time is
 - 13 accruing; right?
 - 14 A. In the hypothetical you gave, yes.
 - 15 Q. Okay. Now, Providencias was first opened on
 - 16 Mr. Zambrano's computer on--first created on Mr. Zambrano's
 - 17 computer on October 11, 2010; right?
 - 18 A. That's what the metadata indicates.
 - 19 Q. And that's the Old Computer; right?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - 21 O. Okay. Let's look at Mr. Lynch's August 2014
 - 22 Report, which you may still have open--I'm sorry, it is
 - 23 Tab 6.
 - Let's go to Page 28, and that's Table 8. Table 8
 - 25 I wanted to take you to. That's the metadata--and that is

- 10:36 1 document is around 35 hours; right?
 - A. On this particular document, yes.
 - Q. Yeah. Now, that document had 81 pages of text;
 - 4 right?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - Q. So, if Mr. Zambrano was dictating text to
 - 7 Ms. Calva for this period October--from the Create Date to
 - 8 the Last Saved Date, that's less time spent dictating than
 - 9 one 40-hour work week; right?
 - 10 A. As far as the timing goes, the 35 hours is less
 - 11 than one 40-hour work week.
 - 12 Q. Yeah. So, over the course of ten weeks
 - 13 approximately, you've got less than a 40-hour work week's
 - 14 worth of actual activity in this document?
 - 15 A. In this particular document.
 - 16 Q. Yeah. Now, in your November 2014 Report--we can
 - 17 go there if you need to--you say that text was created at a
 - 18 rate of one page per day if the work was evenly spaced;
 - 19 right?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. That works out to--if we make your assumption,
 - 22 that works out to less than 30 minutes a day of dictation;
 - 23 right?
 - 24 A. I'll take your word for that on that one.
 - Q. Okay. Now, you're aware that Mr. Zambrano and

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- 10:38 1 Ms. Calva, the assistant, both testified that they didn't 2 start working on the Judgment until
 - 3 mid-November 2011--sorry, 2010; right?
 - A. I don't recall off the top of my head. I would have to go back to the testimony.
 - Q. Okay. Well, assume with me for a minute that that's true. The period between October 11 and the mid-November start time of their work, any edit time that was accrued then, any Saves that accrued then, obviously
 - 11 A. I don't know. All I can say is that the document 12 was created on October 11th, and by December 21st, it had 13 the 42 percent of the Judgment in it.
 - .4 And I apologize.

10 wouldn't be Judgment text; right?

- 15 As to when it was put in there, I don't know 16 specifically.
- Q. You don't have any evidence that there was Judgment text in Providencias prior to mid-November 2010; 19 right?
- 20 A. I don't have any evidence one way or the other 21 when the data--when the text of the document, when it was
- 22 placed in. All I know is that, prior to the--it happened
- 23 before December 21st of 2010.
- Q. And so, you can't say it happened before
- 25 December 1st?

10:41 1 there was any Judgment text in Providencias as of

- 2 December 17th, 2010? Yes or no.
 - A. We don't know one way or the other.
- Q. So you have no evidence of Judgment text in Providencias as of December 17th?
- A. We only have the snapshots that we have as of December 21st and December 28th, and March 4th.
- 8 Q. Mr. Racich, that's not an answer to the question 9 I'm asking. The question I'm asking is, as of
- 10 December 17th, 2010, you've got no evidence that there was 11 any Judgment text in Providencias?
- 12 A. Again, what we have are our snapshots in time.
 13 Where we have evidence as to when the data was there are in
- 14 our snapshots.
- Q. That's what you do have. I'm asking you about what you don't have. What you don't have is evidence of Judgment text in Providencias as of December 17th--
- MR. EWING: Mr. President, I would object. This is asked and answered I think three, maybe four times.
- 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we're getting a 21 difficulty between the question and the answer, but my
- 22 colleague is going to clarify with a question from the
- 23 Tribunal's perspective.
- 24 ARBITRATOR LOWE: It's simply that I hear a clear
- 25 answer from the Witness, and I don't understand the

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10:39 1 A. No, or after. I can't say one way or the other.

- Q. Okay. And another date I want to give you is December 17th. You don't have any evidence that there is any Judgment text in Providencias as of December 17th; right?
- A. We don't have any evidence other than the snapshots that we have.
- 8 Q. Okay. And that's another way of saying there is 9 no evidence of any Judgment text in Providencias prior to 10 December 17th, 2010?
- 11 A. Can you repeat the question?
- 12 Q. Yeah.
- I want to be clear, I want to make sure the
- 14 Transcript is clear. Your testimony is that there is no
- 15 evidence that there was any Judgment text in Providencias
- 16 as of December 17th, 2010?
- 17 A. What I can say is that the document as of the 21st
- 18 had the data from the--had the Judgment--the amount of
- 19 Judgment text that was in it as of December 21st. I can't,
- 20 nor can anyone else I believe determine exactly when the
- 21 data was put in there. We don't have evidence of that one
- 22 way or the other. We do have evidence of when it existed
- 23 within the bounds of certain snapshots.
- Q. Mr. Racich, I'm going to ask you this again
- 25 because it's important. You don't have any evidence that

- 10:42 1 distinction that's leading you to ask the question again.
 - 2 I wonder if in case this distinction should become
 - 3 important later on, you can make it clearer.
 - 4 MR. WHITE: Yes, it's simply this. I'm asking the
 - 5 question to confirm that there is no Judgment text--that
 - 6 there is no evidence of Judgment text in Providencias on
 - 7 December 17th. What the Witness is not doing is not
 - 8 answering what wasn't there. He's saying what was there on
 - 9 December 21st. I don't think the Transcript is clear.
 - 10 ARBITRATOR LOWE: Well, isn't he saying that
 - 11 that's the only evidence that he has?
 - 12 MR. WHITE: If that's clear to the Tribunal, I can
 - 13 move on from this question.
 - 14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you've made your point,
 - 15 and we'll come back to what it is later.
 - MR. WHITE: Thank you, Mr. President.
 - BY MR. WHITE:
 - 18 Q. Now, given the testimony you've just given, it's
 - possible, consistent with the forensic evidence you've seen
 - 20 that all of the Judgment text that appears in Providencias
 - 21 on December 21st could have been cut and pasted into that
 - 22 document in the days immediately preceding December 21st,
 - 23 or, indeed, on December 21st; correct?
 - 24 A. It's possible, but there is no evidence of it.
 - Q. Okay. Now, hypothetically, if I wanted to--if I

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- 10:43 1 received a document with Judgment text, and I wanted--on
 - 2 December 21st or 20th or 19th--and I wanted to create the
 - 3 impression that that document may have been on the computer
 - 4 prior to those dates, and I wanted to have it in a document
 - 5 that had some edit time in it and multiple Saves, I could
 - 6 go back, look at an old file on my computer and simply cut
 - 7 and paste the text that I wanted in the document into that
 - 8 document, and you would see what you're seeing in the
 - 9 December 21st Providencias: A document that was created a
 - 10 few months before, multiple Saves, and a chunk of Judgment 11 text; right?
 - A. So, I just want to be clear with the hypothetical.
 - 13 You're talking about opening the document that existed
 - 14 previously, presumably this October 11th document.
 - Q. Yep. 15
 - Opening it and to give the impression that it had 16
 - 17 been worked on prior to copying and pasting--I don't think
 - 18 the evidence supports that in this case.
 - Q. Yeah. I'm not asking whether you have evidence
 - 20 that says that happened. I'm asking if it could have
 - 21 happened consistent with the evidence you see.
 - A. I don't--okay.
 - So--so, the scenario is: Somebody wants to create
 - 24 the impression that there has been work done, there has
 - 25 been Saves on a document, that they--the text of which they

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 - And the Spanish word for judgment is Sentencia? 2
 - Α.
 - 4 Okay. And that Providencias with an S is plural;
 - right? 5
 - Yes.
 - It means Orders?
 - Yes. Α.
 - 9 Okay. Now, you said earlier that you can look at
 - 10 the title that somebody gives a document and draw some
 - conclusions about what they put in the document; right?
 - A. It's possible. You can infer.
 - 13 Q. Yeah. And using that inference, wouldn't you
 - 14 infer that when somebody creates a document called
 - Providencias, they're intending to put Orders in it, but if
 - 16 they were going to put a judgment in it, they'd call it
 - 17 Sentencia?
 - A. I can't tell as far as specifically. I said you 18
 - 19 can infer, but what people have as a matter of habit, I
 - don't know.
 - Q. Yeah, but it would be a logical inference that 21
 - when you're looking at a document that says Providencias,
 - when you open it up, you're going to find Orders; right?
 - A. Again, it depends on who is writing the Order
 - 25 and/or Judgment.

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- 10:45 1 get in mid- to late-December 2010, they can just go back
 - 2 and find an old file on the computer, open it up, dump the
 - 3 Judgment text into it, and it will look like what you see
 - 4 here, a document that was opened a few months ago, multiple
 - 5 Saves, and some edit time; right?
 - A. I think there is another datapoint that's here
 - 7 that doesn't support that.
 - Q. I'm asking you to confine yourself to the
 - 9 hypothetical that I'm giving you.
 - A. And I appreciate that. I'm saying that you asked 11 if whether or not the evidence that we have here supports
 - 12 that theory, and I don't believe so.
 - There is evidence--and I know in my last Report,
 - 14 in Exhibit 3, I believe it was, it shows that the
 - 15 Providencias.doc was opened hundreds of times over the
 - 16 lifespan of the document between October 11th and
 - 17 that--what I'm choking on is that when that--when that
 - 18 entry, the internet history entry that shows that,
 - 19 indicates, that's not consistent with someone opening a
 - 20 document hundreds of times. That's not consistent with
 - 21 someone doing a--open up to sort of fake people out that
 - 22 they were working on the document.
 - Q. Let's go about this another way, Mr. Racich. 23
 - Are you aware that Providencia is the Spanish word
 - 25 for order?

- 10:47 1 And that's an inference you're not prepared to 0. 2 draw?
 - 3 A. No, not here.
 - Okay. And you're aware that October 11, the
 - 4 5 Create Date of Providencias, are you aware that that's the
 - date that Mr. Zambrano came back on to the case?
 - A. I may have--I may have known that.
 - 8 Q. Are you aware that he issued an Order that day?
 - Α. No, I was not.

- Okay. Well, with that in mind, coming back to my
- 11 hypothetical, if Mr. Zambrano wanted to create the
- 12 impression that he had been working on Judgment texts and
- 13 Providencias for a period of months, he could go back to a
- 14 document called "Providencias" -- not Sentencia -- in which he
- 15 had been working on Orders, which there are multiple Saves
- 16 and there's some edit time--and he could cut and paste
- 17 Judgment text into that document, and it would appear that
- 18 that document had had Judgment--may have had Judgment text
- 19 for a period of time and that it may have been edited and
- 20 Saved multiple times.
- 21 A. What we have here is--the only datapoints that we
- 22 have evidence of is that the Ecuadorian Judgment existed in
- 23 this Providencias, and it's a particular Providencias in a 24 particular folder structure.
 - And we have two instances, one where it's been

10:49 1 opened on the Old Computer, one where it's been opened on

- 2 the New Computer. On the Old Computer it's been opened in
- 3 excess of 400 times between the lifespan of the document,
- 4 October 11th, and--again, the latter date is where I'm
- 5 tripping. I can't remember what that latter date is--and
- 6 on the New Computer we have at least 39 or 40 times the
- 7 same document in that particular location being opened.
- And the only information we have at present is
- 9 that the Ecuadorian Judgment, or parts of it, existed in
- 10 that document as of December 21st, the 28th, presumably
- 11 February 1st as information got up to the SATJE Logs, and
- 12 then the March 4th date, and then some dates after that.
- So, with the datapoints that we have, we have a 13
- 14 document being opened hundreds of times between--on the
- 15 lifespan of the document in that particular location, and
- 16 the information that we have is the content is, in fact,
- 17 parts of the Ecuadorian Judgment. That's the only datasets
- 18 points that we have.
- 19 Q. And if Mr. Zambrano was opening Providencias and
- 20 doing whatever he was doing with Orders in that document in
- 21 October before he says he was working on the Judgment and
- 22 making Saves, you've got no way to know that that didn't
- 23 happen; right?
- A. I can only point to the datapoints that I do have. 24
- Q. Okay. All right. So, let's turn to--back to

- 10:51 1 time during that period was 17.43 hours?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And during that period of time, 38 additional
 - 4 pages of Judgment text were entered?
 - A. I believe that's correct.
 - Q. And did you validate that 96 percent of the text
 - 7 is unchanged in the Final Judgment?
 - A. I believe so.
 - 9 Q. And if we assume that every minute that
 - 10 Providencias was opened during that time period somebody
 - 11 was typing in it, the text was entered at a rate of less
 - than 30 minutes a page?
 - A. I believe so.
 - MR. WHITE: Could we just take a moment.
 - (Pause.)
 - 16 MR. WHITE: I have no further questions at this
 - 17 time.

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- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 18
- 19 It may be good to take our mid-morning break now
- but it depends on how long your re-examination might be.
- MR. EWING: I would appreciate taking a
- 22 mid-morning break.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Then it would be appreciated.
- 24 Let's take 15 minutes. We'll come back at 10 past 11:00.
- 25 Again, please don't discuss the case or your testimony.

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10:50 1 Mr. Lynch's slides from yesterday, and let's look at Slide 2 Number 18, if you would, Mr. Racich.

You agree that the edit time on the December 21st, 4 2010 Providencias was 35.12 hours; right?

- A. As of December 21st, yes.
- Q. Yeah. And that at that point there were 81 pages 7 of Judgment text; right?
- A. I believe that's correct.
- 9 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Lynch says 94 percent of this text
- 10 is unchanged in the Final Judgment. Did you do any
- 11 analysis to determine whether that was correct or not?
- 12 A. I think I validated it, and it seemed--appeared to
- 13 be correct.
- Q. So, you agree with the 94 percent of the text as
- 15 unchanged in the Final Judgment?
 - A. I believe so.
- Q. Okay. And you would agree that if we assume that
- 18 every minute that Providencias was opened was spent typing,
- 19 text was entered at this rate at approximately 26 minutes
- 20 per page?

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- A. Give or take, yeah, I believe that sounds correct.
- 22 Q. Let's go to the December 28th Providencias.
- 23 That's reflected on Slide 19.
- And you would agree that the additional text that
- 25 came in between December 21st and December 28th, the edit

- 10:52 1 THE WITNESS: Of course.
 - (Brief recess.) 2
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just before we start the
 - 4 redirect, Mr. White, we had a question for you. You told
 - 5 us that Ms. Calva had testified during the RICO proceeding
 - 6 in New York. We have a reference to the direct testimony
 - 7 C-2387 when she made a sworn declaration, and C-2458,
 - exhibited in these proceedings. But did she also subject
 - 9 herself to a deposition, and was she cross-examined?
 - 10 MR. WHITE: This is Ms. Calva?
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.
 - 12 MR. WHITE: It's my understanding she submitted a
 - 13 declaration but that she wasn't either deposed or
 - 14 cross-examined.

- MR. BISHOP: She did not show up at the RICO 15
- 16 Hearing, and so she was not cross-examined and she was not deposed. 17
- 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You need to explain that
- 19 because I'm looking at her direct testimony at C-2387.
- 20 That's simply a document put in without the witness
- 21 attending the trial?
- 22 MR. BISHOP: That's correct. She put in a
- 23 declaration, a RICO Declaration, but then she did not come
- 24 to the Hearing, and so she was not cross-examined and was
- 25 not deposed.

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11:13 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that because she couldn't

2 get a visa?

3 MR. BISHOP: I doubt it, but I don't know the 4 answer to that.

5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: There is some story in the 6 Transcript that we can see, but we haven't got to the

7 bottom of it.

8 We can come back to it later, but she didn't 9 actually testify in New York?

10 MR. BISHOP: That's correct.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

12 MR. PATE: There is a story in the Transcript as I

13 recall.

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: At some stage give us the

15 $\,$ reference, but I think there are quite a few stories in

16 this case.

Again, just for planning purposes--we're not tying

18 you down. Just give us some idea of how long you might be.

19 MR. EWING: I expect to be less than 15 minutes or

20 less. It should be short.

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You could be as long as you

22 like.

23 MR. EWING: I will try to give it 15 minutes or

24 less.

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REDIRECT EXAMINATION

11:15 1 were accessed, but we don't have a specific date as to when 2 it occurred.

3 Q. And in your Report from November 7, 2014, at

4 Paragraph 49, you listed a series of Web sites that were

5 visited that don't have dates, including LEXIS, and a few

6 others, Cervantesvirtual, Googlebooks and then an

7 Ecuadorian legal research Web site, but those don't have

8 dates.

9 What does that tell you about those particular

10 entries?

11 A. What we have is that they were visited at some

12 point, but we can't pinpoint the exact moment in time that

13 occurred.

Q. And do you know how often they were visited?

A. I'd have to look to see if there was a hit count

16 on those particular files, but I don't believe so from

l7 this.

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18 Q. And would the same be true of any other sites that

19 are listed around this section of your Report about undated

20 entries?

21 A. Yes

Q. Moving to a different subject, you did an analysis

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23 on Mr. Guerra's computer to extract all of the HTML

24 fragments of e-mail; correct?

25 A. Yes.

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11:14 1 BY MR. EWING:

Q. Mr. Racich, are you aware that Providencias--one of the meanings for Providencia is also Sentencia?

4 A. Even after six years of Spanish, I don't believe I

5 ever got into the legal parts of it, so I'm not sure.
6 Q. So, you don't know if it you typed Providencias

7 into Word Sentencia comes up as one of the meanings?

8 A. I don't know.

Q. Earlier, Mr. White asked you some questions about

10 cookies and internet history.

11 A. Yes.

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12 Q. And if you could turn to--sorry.

13 And you mentioned other evidence of visits in the

14 internet history that did not include dates.

15 A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember that?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What do you mean by the fact that those entries

19 did not include dates? What does that tell you?

20 A. There are certain types of internet history

21 redirects being one as well as other instances of items

 $22\,$ that are recorded in the internet history that don't have

23 the date field populated, so what we can say is that the

24 internet history itself shows that those particular sites

25 are where the objects are that are being accessed--they

529 14th Street S.E.

11:17 1 Q. And that was an exhibit in your Report that they

2 pulled up for you earlier; correct?

A. The March report, yes.

4 Q. And it was a long list of fragments that you

5 found?

A. Yes

7 Q. Do you remember approximately how many there were?

8 A. At least a hundred, if I recall.

9 Q. Now, I don't have that in front of me, so I can't

10 pull it up for you.

11 Did you do that same analysis on Mr. Zambrano's

12 computer?

13 A. I can't recall. I can't recall right now. I

14 don't know if we did that exact analysis.

15 Q. Did you look for HTML fragments like you found on

.6 Mr. Guerra's computer?

17 A. I believe we did.

Q. And did you find any on Mr. Zambrano's computer?

19 A. I don't believe we did. We used the same tool,

20 Internet Evidence Finder in this case. I don't believe we 21 did.

Q. Mr. White also took you to two entries in--from

23 Mr. Guerra's e-mails that included a Donziger e-mail

24 address. Do you remember that?

5 A. Yes.

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11:18 1 Q. The first one was Record 31. That was an e-mail 2 address from Mr. Donziger; right?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Was that an e-mail from Mr. Donziger?
- 5 A. Looking at the text that was surrounding it, it
- 6 was some part of code. There was no content that appeared

7 there. It was just an e-mail address itself.

8 Again, I only looked at it for the belief period 9 of time that it was on the screen, but there didn't appear 10 to be any content associated around that.

And just so we're clear, what the tool does is it attempts to find the beginning of where the fragments that

13 it can interpret are, and then attempts to find the end. 14 It's not always that great at finding the end result of

15 where the content stops, and so, subsequently, there's

16 sometimes a lot of garbage, a lot of extra stuff that's put

17 in, and it makes an attempt to interpret it, but the

18 HTML--the format of HTML is what it's really trying to

19 extract.

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20 MR. EWING: And would it assist the Tribunal to

21 have these exhibits up while we talk about them?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

23 MR. EWING: Would you kindly put those up? We

24 don't have those on our--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Maybe not now, but it might be

11:22 1 contacts that was extracted from the fragment.

Q. And if we look at that fragment itself, and Mr. Donziger's e-mail address is in there somewhere, what

4 is this? Would you agree with the software that this is a

5 list of contacts?

6 A. It appears to be. It looks like it has the names 7 and the e-mail addresses and certain other metadata

8 information about particular contacts. Presumably from a
9 Hotmail account here.

10 Q. But again, this is a contact list on Mr. Guerra's 11 computer; right?

A. That's my--yes.

Q. And neither of these documents is an e-mail?

A. No, not from what I'm seeing, no.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Excuse me, if you look to at the line above, there is the full name of Mr. Donziger.

17 Does that have any relevance in respect of what we are

18 addressing now?

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19 THE WITNESS: So, what it looks like--and I'd have 20 to do more analysis to see exactly how it's broken up, but

21 what it appears is that there are different fields, meaning

22 entries in the contact database, and you've got a name

23 field. It looks like possibly a unique ID field, and then

24 at least the e-mail address itself, and then it moves to

25 the next step. So, it looks like essentially a list of

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11:20 1 useful to have a screenshot of those page or pages.

MR. WHITE: Certainly.

BY MR. EWING:

Thirty-two.

Before you do that, looking at this page,

6 Mr. Racich, do you see Mr. Donziger's e-mail anywhere?

A. Not within the content here.

Q. And when you view the source of this e-mail, what

9 is that showing you?

10 A. It's showing me underlying HTML code plus whatever 11 the software Internet Evidence Finder extracted out in its

12 attempt to reconstruct these fragments of e-mail.

Q. So, now if we view the source behind this page, 14 you went down to Donziger, is there anything in here that

15 indicates to you that this is an actual e-mail?

16 A. No, it's just an e-mail address. And you can see 17 around it, you can see "eatyourshare.live.com." You can

18 see it says ${\tt RPL@hotmail.com},\ {\tt Facebook\ Mail.com}.$ These are

19 just addresses that exist in this chunk of text.

Q. And if we pull up record 226, please.

Could you go back to the index.

22 So, on the typed column for record 226, what is

23 that?

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A. The software interprets this as a contact list, so

25 when it attempted to reconstruct the page, this is the

11:24 1 both the name and the e-mail address for each of these

2 contacts.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's misspelled. Does that

4 mean anything?

5 THE WITNESS: It means that there is a bad

6 speller.

7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay.

8 ARBITRATOR LOWE: What did you search through the

9 materials which were sent to you for the name of

10 Mr. Donziger? Did you also search under the misspelling of

11 his name?

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12 THE WITNESS: I don't believe I did.

BY MR. EWING:

14 Q. Mr. Racich, when you receive an e-mail from

15 someone through a program like Hotmail, is that person's

16 address added to your--let me step back.

17 When you send an e-mail to someone like Steven

18 Dozinger (sic), is that person's e-mail added to your

19 contact list?

A. Typically it is.

Q. So, that would be automatically added?

22 A. Typically, it is.

Q. And if I receive an e-mail from someone, is that

24 e-mail added to my contact list?

A. Not by default, unless you do a reply.

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11:25 1 By default, it is, and otherwise you'd be adding 2 huge numbers of spam e-mails. The e-mail addresses would 3 be added to your contacts on a continuous basis.

- Q. So, if I e-mailed you for the first time and you had an e-mail from me, from Greg Ewing, and you replied to that, you would expect that my name and e-mail address would be in your contact list as I spelled them; correct?
- 8 A. Typically.
 9 Q. If in this case, would you expect--let me take a
 10 step back. In this case, Steven Dozinger (sic) is
 11 misspelled. Does that indicate to you anything about where
 12 this e-mail came from, whether it be from Mr. Guerra,

13 Mr. Donziger or someone else?

A. Well, if you've got the e-mail address which is
the "SDonziger@Gmail.com," and you have a misspelled name,
so that either means that that an e-mail came in that had
that as the contact name and was replied to with that
misspelling; or it indicates, which I think is more likely,

19 that someone typed in the e-mail address and as far as who 20 the person was, they misspelled the name. I would think

21 that's the likely explanation unless someone has a habit of 22 not having their name correctly on their e-mail, I think

23 that's the most likely explanation.

Q. So, the two choices are either Mr. Guerra 5 misspelled Mr. Donziger's name or Mr. Donziger misspelled 11:29 1 or temporary files of the Judgment in between

2 October 11th--between October 11th and March 4th; correct?

A. Yes

Q. Where did those temporary files come from?

A. They were tilde files. There was one card file

 $\ensuremath{\text{6}}$ meaning that the file was carved from unallocated space,

7 what Mr. Lynch did in type validated but actually used his 8 numbering system because it made more sense to look at what

9 he was doing. It looked for the header of the document

10 file.

11 And we talked about this with regards to the 12 books. We basically looked for the book without the index,

13 and were able to pull out the data of the book, and that's

14 the--that was one of the instances, and then we had $\ensuremath{\text{I}}$

15 believe it was two tilde files, so they're essentially

16 temporary files that when Microsoft Office opened the

17 document or PowerPoint or what have you in this case, a 18 document, what Microsoft Word does is it creates a

19 temporary file with content that it could save information

20 to, so if Microsoft Word crashes, which unfortunately

21 happens, it will allow you to recover certain information

22 about what you were working on. In this particular case,

23 those documents were maintained on the computer, and

24 subsequently we were able to recover data from them.

Q. So, the tilde files, who creates those?

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11:27 1 his own name?

2 A. Well, whoever sent the e-mail address, let's say, 3 but yes.

4 Q. Thank you for putting this up. I think we're done 5 with it for now.

Towards the end of your cross-examination by
Mr. White, he asked you a hypothetical; and in his
hypothetical, Mr. Zambrano created an order on October 11,
2010, when he took the bench; correct?

10 A. Yes.

Q. And then sometime around February 14, 2011, he used that same document to paste the Judgment text into it.

A. I don't think I have a hypothetical said that

14 date, but at some point I think it was the December 21st

15 date that there was text was being added to the document.

16 That was in the hypothetical.

17 Q. Okay. So, the hypothetical--I guess to make it a 18 little more generic, is the question of whether in a sense

19 Mr. Zambrano could spoof or fake the computer or you and

20 Mr. Lynch into thinking that this document started on his 21 computer on October 11, 2010, and finished on February 14

22 or March 4th as a complete document, that he could--that he

23 would use that to fake us all out.

24 A. I think that was the purpose of the hypothetical.

Q. We have heard Mr. Lynch recovered three snapshots

11:31 1 A. Microsoft Word does.

Q. And are they typically visible on a computer?

3 A. If you know where to look, you can find them, but 4 the user doesn't typically have the ability to see them.

5 O. So, these are not versions of the file that

6 Mr. Zambrano purposefully saved. They're just we happen to

7 have found them. Is that what you're trying to say?

A. Yes. I mean, in fact, we're very fortunate. This doesn't happen as often as I would like from as a forensic

10 examiner point of view; when you're analyzing documents, it

11 was very fortunate to find snapshots like this over the 12 course of time.

Q. And looking at Mr. Lynch's Table 23 of his--I'm sorry--of the metadata for the Providencias document--

A. Which report was this?

Q. This is his August 15, 2014 Report.

17 A. And you said Table 23?

Q. I have the wrong table number.

19 In his Tables 7 and 8 on Page 28 of Mr. Lynch's

20 August 15, 2014 Report.

21 A. Yes.

Q. And looking at the metadata for these files, is

3 there anything else here that indicates that this document

24 was opened--sorry, which contradict the hypothetical that

25 Mr. White had presented?

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- 11:33 1 A. Again, these, as we just discussed, are temporary 2 files that Microsoft Word creates during the process of 3 editing a document, so for someone to do this, they would 4 have to know that this temporary file was--as a 5 hypothetical, as someone trying to game the system, so to 6 speak, someone would have to know that these temporary 7 files were, in fact, being created, know that they were 8 going to be maintained and then know they were going to be 9 recoverable. To be frank, the easier thing to do is to not 10 have them there at all.
 - 11 Q. When you looked at--do you address this in your 12 Reports at all?
 - 13 A. In what way?

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- 14 Q. You didn't address this hypothetical; right?
 - A. Not my reports, no.
- 16 Q. Is there a reason why you didn't?
- 17 A. A combination of things. One, it doesn't seem
- 18 plausible from a realistic point of view, as well as the
- 19 fact that there's evidence that the document was--the
- 20 Providencias document living in this particular path is
- 21 opened hundreds of times over the lifespan of the document.
- 22 That's not consistent with someone opening up a document
- 23 and copying data in at the last minute.
- Q. And you mentioned that it's opened hundreds of
- 25 times. Are you just looking at Table 8, or is there

11:36 1 Q. But you--okay.

MR. EWING: No further questions.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We have no questions, and so

4 you may leave the table, but we need to discuss with 5 counsel where we go from now as regards the expert

6 testimony. So, please stay in the room, but you're no

7 longer a witness, and we thank you for coming to assist the

8 Tribunal.

9 THE WITNESS: I will do. Thank you.

(Witness steps down.)

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, we've come to the end of 12 the expert testimony on these particular issues. We've had

13 the Expert of the Tribunal listening and following

14 testimony as she has already been studying the written

15 materials, and the question is whether we make further use

16 of the Expert to the Tribunal by enlarging her existing

 $17\,\,$ Terms of Reference. Those Terms of Reference were limited

18 to taking part at this Hearing on an informed basis. What

19 we'd like to invite the Parties to do is to consider

20 whether we should do that, and if we should, what

21 additional Terms of Reference we would have to specify in

22 such terms of reference? We don't ask you to respond

23 straight away. She'll be here until 2:00 tomorrow, but we

24 would like to resolve this particular matter before 2:00.

25 Is that a possibility for the Claimants? We ask

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11:34 1 something else you're referring to?

2 A. I seem to recall an exhibit that my last report in

3 Exhibit 3 there's a list of internet history, and that

4 shows how often the Providencias, at least in specific

5 moments in time, had been opened on the Old Computer and

6 the New Computer.

- 7 Q. And you talked about that in your Report?
- 8 A. Yes
- 9 Q. And if you could turn to Paragraph 33 of your
- 10 November 7, 2014 Report.
- 11 A. Which paragraph? I apologize.
- 12 Q. Paragraph 33. Page 9 of your November report.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Is this what you're referring to?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And how does Paragraph 33 coincide with the
- 17 information you see in Table 8 of Mr. Lynch's Report?
- 18 A. What it tells us is all we have are the snapshots
- 19 in time. We have this December 21st snapshot in time,
- 20 the 28th snapshot in time. What we have is that we can't
- 21 tell exactly definitively whether or not the content of the
- 22 text was copied on to Mr. Zambrano's computer or any
- 23 other--we don't have any evidence to show that this came
- 24 from any other location. All we have is the data points
- 25 that we have.

11:38 1 the Claimants first.

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All we're asking at the moment is that you

3 consider it. You don't have to respond formally.

4 MR. BISHOP: Yes, we will consider it. We will

 ${\tt 5}\,{\tt \ }$ discuss it this evening and come back with our position

6 tomorrow, if that's all right.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

And the Respondent?

9 MR. EWING: Mr. President, not surprisingly, we

O think it's a great idea. We will also consider it and get

11 back to her tomorrow--get back to you tomorrow.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: What we'd like you to do is to

13 consider it obviously separately, but if you can consider

14 it together to see if you can agree or if you disagree, why

15 you disagree, and facilitate ourselves tomorrow morning,

16 but we'd like, as I said, to get an order settled if we do

17 make an order before 2:00 tomorrow.

MR. EWING: Of course.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. Well, we'll move on 20 to the next witness.

21 MR. WHITE: President Veeder, before we do that,

22 to tie up some loose ends on the Experts, one is that the

23 Tribunal asked for exhibit numbers to Mr. Lynch's--for the

24 other exhibit numbers for Mr. Lynch's RICO testimony.

25 They're Claimants' 2383--that's trial testimony--and

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11:39 1 2457--that's deposition transcript. So, 2383 and 2457 from

2 Claimants Exhibits for the Transcript.

The second item is that we had Mr. Lynch take
screenshots of materials that he used in his opening or his
direct presentation yesterday. We have those now and can
hand them up.

7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we've just been given 8 them. They've been marked C-2154, and it consists of three 9 pages.

10 MR. WHITE: That's correct. But there is also an 11 additional item there. It consists of two items.

12 And then the third item is there were some 13 materials that were used during Mr. Racich's

14 cross-examination that we should hand up. We don't have

15 those ready yet, but we will provide them separately.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I have just been given C-2516 and C-2515.

18 MR. WHITE: Yes, those are the items from

19 Mr. Lynch's presentation yesterday.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I see.

21 MR. WHITE: There were some items that were used

22 with Mr. Racich yesterday afternoon and this morning where 23 we were working with native files, and we'll provide

24 screenshots of those as soon as we can get those together.

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'll come back to those later

11:46 1 I solemnly declare upon my honor and conscience

2 that I speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but

3 the truth, and that my statement will be in accordance with 4 my sincere belief.

5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

There will first be questions from the Claimants.

7 MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of

8 the Tribunal.

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DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MS. RENFROE:

11 Q. Mr. Connor, we are now moving from the forensic

12 portion of this Track 2 Hearing to the environmental

13 discussion; and, with that transition, would you please

14 tell this Tribunal what your role was in the Lago Case and

15 the subject matter of your testimony today?

16 A. Yes, I was one of the Judicial Experts on behalf 17 of Chevron in the Lago Agrio Case, and I also wrote reports

18 in response to Mr. Cabrera's Reports.

19 Q. And what will be the subject matter of your

20 testimony today?

21 A. I'll be talking about the environmental

22 remediation work that was done by TexPet as well as the

23 current environmental conditions in the block and the

24 issues those posed with regard to human health.

Q. Have you prepared four reports for this

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11:42 1 when you print them out.

2 MR. WHITE: Yes.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: For the moment, can we ask the 4 Respondent. Do you have any objection to these exhibits 5 going in as C-2154, C-2515 and C-2516?

6 MR. EWING: We don't have any objections to them 7 as demonstratives from Mr. Lynch's presentation.

8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. We'll 9 admit them with these references, and we'll come back to 10 the other documents later.

11 MR. WHITE: Thank you.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Anything else before the next

13 witness?

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MR. WHITE: No, sir.

15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Anything else from the

16 Respondent? Nothing else?

17 MR. EWING: Not at this time.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's go to the next witness.

19 JOHN A. CONNOR, CLAIMANTS' WITNESS, CALLED

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Connor, you will find

21 somewhere on the table a form of words on a declaration.

22 And if you're willing to do so, we'd ask you to state your

23 full name and then to read the words of the Declaration.

24 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

John Anthony Connor.

11:47 1 arbitration case?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Specifically your Report of September 2010?

4 A. That's correct.

5 O. June 2013?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. May of 2014?

8 A. Yes.

Q. And January of 2015?

10 A. Yes.

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11 Q. And are those reports sitting--a copy of those

12 Reports sitting on the table there? Can you confirm those

13 are your Reports?

14 A. Yes, they are.

15 Q. Have you provided any corrections to those

16 Reports?

17 A. Yes, I have.

18 Q. And have you provided or prepared an errata sheet

19 documenting those corrections?

A. Yes, there are a number of minor corrections.

O. All right. Now, with those corrections, do these

22 Reports accurately and completely contain your testimony

23 and the opinions you have formed about your work in this

24 case?

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25 A. Yes, they do.

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11:49 1 Q. Have you prepared a presentation to help explain 2 your testimony to the Tribunal?

A. Yes.

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4 MS. RENFROE: With the permission of the Tribunal, 5 may Mr. Connor proceed with his presentation?

6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course.

BY MS. RENFROE:

Q. Thank you, Mr. Connor.

9 A. Hello. I'm John Connor. I think you know that by
10 now, and I'm very pleased to be here to talk to you about
11 the work that I've done over the past 12 years in the
12 former Petroecuador-Texaco Concession. As you know, I was
13 one of the JI Experts that worked on the Cabrera case and I

14 worked on this as well.

15 What I'm going to be talking about today is the 16 data. There have been thousands of environmental samples 17 collected and analyzed at facilities throughout the former 18 Concession area. What I'm going to talk about is what 19 those data tell us with regard to the TexPet Remediation 20 Project, the current environmental conditions, and health 21 risks posed, if any, to the good people that work and live

22 in this area.
23 At the same time, to the degree I can, I'm going
24 to try to help you understand why two groups of experts
25 have looked at the same data and come up with what seem to

11:51 1 Government organizations, and it involves developing
2 improved methods for investigation of sites, for assessment
3 of risks, and for remediation of those sites.

Today, I'm going to talk about five issues that have been documented in my Reports, and I'm going to go through these opinions now and remind you of what my findings have been.

8 First is the TexPet remedial action program of '95 9 to '98. The data show that that program was completed in 10 accordance with specifications spelled out in the Remedial 11 Action Plan, RAP, the RAP.

Second, the Judicial Inspections that were
conducted in 2003 to 2009. The results of those Judicial
Inspections showed that the RAP had been properly
implemented but there were limited non-RAP impacts that
remained to be addressed and by non-RAP impacts I mean
issues that weren't included in the RAP and had not yet
been addressed.

The Ecuador Experts, and by Ecuador Experts, I
mean the Parties that have been--working in this BIT
proceeding, have done additional work in 2013 to 2015, and
I will show you that the work that they have collected is
in good agreement with the prior work by the Chevron
Experts in the Judicial Inspection. Certain limited
impacts remain to be addressed under the current

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11:50 1 be completely opposite conclusions. At least I'll do my 2 best in that regard.

A bit about my background. I'm an environmental engineer with 35 years of experience in this field. I'm the President of a company called GSI Environmental. We're a company that works around the world doing the type of work that's exactly what we're going to be talking about today. That's environmental investigation, environmental risk assessment, and environmental remediation of pollution impacts. We've worked for a lot of industrial companies around the world, and we also worked for a lot of--oh, I'm sorry.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: My fault. I should have warned 14 you that every word is being written down in English, but 15 it's also being interpreted into Spanish and written.

16 THE WITNESS: I talked to you about that earlier. 17 I will slow down.

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You have to slow down a lot.

19 And again, we have to remind people not to overspeak

20 because they can't translate and transcribe simultaneous

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21 speech.

22 THE WITNESS: Okay. We have also worked for State 23 oil companies such as Petroamazonas or Petroecuador in

 $\ensuremath{\text{24}}$ various countries, and one of the things our company does a

25 lot of is research and development. It's mostly for

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Finally, health risk--next, I should say. The health risks, the data that we have show that, yes, there are impacts to be addressed but these impacts do not pose a risk to public health in this area.

And finally, the Judgment. The Judgment is not in agreement with the data that was collected at these sites.

And I will point that out as I go through my presentation.

9 Let's start with the TexPet remedial action 10 program.

11 The TexPet remedial action program begins in 1995 12 with a settlement agreement which is signed by the Parties 13 in May of that year. Under that Agreement, TexPet is 14 assigned work at 157 sites, one or more tasks at each site.

15 And those tasks included pit remediation at 108 of those

16 sites, cleanup of soils and spills at 27 sites, plugging 17 and abandonment of wells, repair tank dikes and

17 and abandonment of wells, repair tank dikes and 18 installation of produced water equipment at a number of

19 other sites. Based on that general Scope of Work, a

20 Remedial Action Plan is issued in September 1995. A 21 Remedial Action Plan, often called a RAP, RAP, is a

22 standard part of our field. What it does, it says what

23 you're going to do, how you are going to do it, and how do 24 you know it's done right.

It's very similar to a skilled contractor working

11:53 1 at your home who is going to fix this door and paint it 2 this color. Well, this particular Remedial Action Plan 3 tells TexPet that they're going to work at these sites and 4 remediate these pits. I believe that Ms. Renfroe showed 5 you a list, one of the tables from the Remedial Action Plan 6 which gives a very specific list of the pits that are to be 7 remediated and those lists were signed and initialed by all 8 the Parties.

There are also reasons why pits weren't included 10 in the RAP. Well, you could go to a site that was on the 11 list of the Settlement Agreement but it would remain in 12 place because it wasn't assigned to TexPet. Those reasons 13 are listed on this slide.

I will talk about the latter two reasons. Pits 15 constructed or closed after June 30, 1990, that would be 16 pits that were closed by Petroecuador after the operations 17 had transferred from TexPet to Petroecuador. If they had 18 been closed by Petroecuador, TexPet was not required to 19 re-enter and remediate those pits.

20 (Pause.)

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A. The HBT Agra audit of 1993 and the Fugro audit of 22 1992 tell us that there were a large quantity of pits that 23 were closed by Petroecuador between 1990 and 1992 by 24 covering them with earth. Those pits--and we will see some 25 of them today, were not assigned to TexPet.

11:56 1 work was Pit 3 and Pit 1A and nothing beyond that.

Well, the RAP didn't just tell TexPet what they 3 needed to clean up. They told TexPet how they needed to 4 clean up. And here in this diagram I show you an eight step process that was spelled out in the RAP document. I discussed this in my Reports and for the interest of time, 7 I won't repeat it here. I will just point to you one of 8 the eight steps. That's Step Number 6, and that slide we see representatives from Universidad Central of Quito who 10 were contracted to come to the site and before the pit was 11 remediated and closed, to test that remediated material, to see if it in the laboratory met the cleanup criteria upon which the Parties had agreed in the RAP.

Now, at this time in Ecuador, there were no 15 regulations in place that mandated specific cleanup 16 criteria. Those are concentration limits in the soil. 17 Consequently, the Parties, as many other Parties did at that time, agreed among themselves in a contract what those cleanup criteria would be.

The team from Universidad Central collected those 20 21 samples, they analyzed them in their laboratory. If they met those standards, the remediation was finished and the pit was backfilled. If they didn't, further work was 24 needed.

25 This process was carefully overseen by

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11:55 1 Pits that were closed before June 30, 1990, were 2 also addressed in the RAP. Those pits that had been 3 properly remediated and had no visible impacts at that time 4 were not assigned to TexPet. Some of them were, and during 5 the course of the RAP, more pits were assigned, a total of 6 25 pits were added to the RAP during the course of its

7 implementation. Let's look on the ground to see what the RAP 9 really means when you measure it against a site, so here we 10 see an aerial satellite image of the Shushufindi 45A well 11 site. In the center of the area I put a white dotted line 12 around the platform it's called. It's a large area of 13 pavement, of gravel, impacted gravel and rock, and there is 14 a symbol in there that indicates the well, the oil well 15 itself. At this site at the time of the RAP, there were 16 four pits present at the site. Two of these pits were 17 assigned to TexPet for remediation, Pits 3 and 1A, and they 18 were called RAP pits. And then two of the pits were not 19 assigned to TexPet. TexPet was not required to remediate 20 these pits. These were pits specifically called out as 21 non-RAP pits for some of the reasons you saw on the prior 22 slide.

And in addition, any other conditions that may

24 have existed at that time or in the future at this site

25 were not assigned to TexPet. TexPet's assignment for its

11:58 1 representatives of the Government of Ecuador. Inspectors 2 from the Ministry of Energy and Mines, Petroecuador and 3 Petroproducción visited these sites at critical junctures 4 and the course of their work, was documented in a series of Actas or Declarations that memorialized their findings. There is three types of Actas. First, RAT Actas. 7 These were the day to day observations of the inspectors,

if they noted deficiencies in the work or things that needed to be improved, they recorded those in those Actas. 10 As you review those Actas, you will recognize the vigorous 11 oversight and the attention paid to detail to see that this 12 work was done right. When it was done right, it was 13 memorialized in an approval Acta. These were issued piece 14 by piece for different sets of pits. Each one that came

15 out would say these sites are finished, this dozen pits are finished, until eventually all the work was finished, and

17 it was memorialized in a Final Acta issued in

September 1998 and signed by all the Parties saying the work had been done, it had been done satisfactorily, and

the project was finished. 20

21 We now jump to 2003 to 2009, when a process called Judicial Inspections is undertaken in the Lago Agrio Case. I was one of the Experts in that case. And as an expert,

we were asked to address three technical issues:

First, was the TexPet remediation program properly

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Secondly, what are the environmental conditions 2 3 today?

And, third, do those conditions pose a potential 5 risk to human health?

As part of our work, we received a set of 7 instructions from the Lago Court, and these instructions 8 were called the Court Terms of Reference, and I will tell 9 you some of the important things it told us about how to do

In addition, we were instructed by the Court to 17 follow the jointly developed sampling analysis plans. 18 These plans specified that we use certain standard 19 scientific Protocols to collect samples and analyze them in 20 the lab, specific methods that were to be used and the 21 Parties have agreed upon. The Chevron Experts and I, 22 myself, followed these.

24 Pre-Inspections, and let me explain some of that. 25 Pre-Inspections were done by both Parties. They were done

There has been a lot of talk about

First, we were instructed to respond to the 11 questions by each Party. Chevron's representatives would pose questions, the Plaintiffs' representatives would pose questions, and we were to faithfully make our effort to 15 respond to those. 16

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12:00 1 by Chevron and they were done by the Plaintiffs. And why 2 were they done? They were essential to doing the work of 3 the Judicial Inspection. These were complex sites. Texaco 4 hadn't been at these sites for over 20 years approximately, 5 and there was a lot of work that needed to be done in a 6 very short amount of time. In order for us to do Judicial 7 Inspections efforts to complete that work, both sides 8 needed to have background information, and that background 9 information was collected in a process called 10 Pre-Inspection.

The assignment of the Pre-Inspection team included general site layout, locating closed pits and open pits and 13 spills, locating drinking water resources so they could be 14 sampled and locating any surface water bodies near the 15 site.

16 At the top of this page, I show the Chevron PI 17 sampling team at Shushufindi 21 well site in January 2004, 18 and the bottom right-hand corner, there are some other 19 important photos. Those are photos taken at the 20 Shushufindi Norte production station during the time of 21 Judicial Inspection. I was the designated Expert on behalf 22 of Chevron at that location.

23 The designated Expert on behalf of the Plaintiffs 24 was Oscar Davila, and at the time of that inspection, Oscar 25 Davila and his team had conducted a very thorough

12:03 1 that suspected location and attempt to drill a boring into

12:02 1 reconnaissance of the site and they had identified areas of

2 interest, areas where there could be environmental impacts

Plaintiffs' Expert and José Robalino. And in each case,

very thorough reconnaissance. Their own Pre-Inspection

that I believe is important to understand because these

misunderstood. I'm going to talk about the concept of

17 Pre-Inspection team. Here is some information about the

they had only a crude sketch such as this to understand

21 where the former remediated pits were. These are pits that

23 they were very difficult to see or find. Consequently, the

24 process that would be followed would be, first, to estimate

25 where that pit might be on the ground, and then to go to

22 had been removed, cleaned, compacted and vegetated, and

perimeter sampling as it was done in the Pre-Inspection.

We call this step-out sampling or perimeter sampling, and

When the Pre-Inspection team came to the site,

because they needed that information just as we did.

terms have been used and I believe they have been

16 let's get an understanding of the task of the

Pre-Inspection at the Shushufindi 21 well site.

when I arrived at the site, those gentlemen had conducted

I also worked with Charles Calmbacher as a

Let me explain something about the Pre-Inspections

3 that they thought warranted investigation. They marked 4 these with the colored flags we see on this site.

2 that pit, that former pit and find it. You can find these materials by looking at the 4 soil that comes out of that boring. Remediated material is 5 a clay material with a dark stain and a petroleum odor, and 6 sometimes it has an oil sheen. If they saw that, they knew 7 that they were in the pit. Then they would do what's 8 called step-out borings, and here is an example. They step away and drill another hole, and they step away and drill another hole. I show those as two and three on this 11 diagram. If they get out of the material and they see 12 clean soil without the oil stain, they know they found the 13 edge of the pit, and here I've illustrated, they now have 14 confidence at least on one side of the pit.

This process is conducted in the other directions 15 16 until they believe that they have located and confirmed the 17 location of that remediated pit. That's the work that you see being done on the video that was shown during the Ecuador opening. That's what the gentlemen are conducting. 20 It can be a frustrating process because it can be difficult 21 to find the edge of those pits, but when they do find them, those green dots are reported to the Judicial Inspection 23 Expert so that that person also can efficiently find the 24 pit and sample that pit during the Judicial Inspection

12:05 1 There have been a number of suggestions that the 2 work done by the Chevron Judicial Inspection teams and the 3 Pre-Inspection teams was untoward, it was designed to hide 4 the pits, to find clean areas and avoid the contaminated 5 areas. I can tell you as a person that conducted this work 6 in conjunction with other environmental professionals, that 7 is absolutely, absolutely not true.

In my 2013 Report, I provided you with this table, 9 and I have a copy of it here with me. It's several pages 10 long, and what I have done is lined up the features of the 11 Pre-Inspections with the features of the Judicial 12 Inspections to show you that when there was a problem found 13 in the Pre-Inspection, it was investigated in the Judicial 14 Inspection, and it was reported in that report, either 15 Judicial Inspection Report or the Rebuttal Report. Those 16 data were presented. And that's very important. It's very 17 important because the data show--regardless of what has 18 been said that, in fact, the work was done properly and 19 faithfully.

20 I hope that sets this aside, but if there are 21 questions from the representatives of Ecuador, I'm happy to discuss that, certainly.

Now we're at the Judicial Inspection itself. I'm 24 there with my sampling team, the Plaintiffs' Expert is 25 there with their sampling team, the Judge is there with the 12:07 1 understand the full scope of the work.

Well, what do we find? First, was the TexPet RAP 3 satisfactorily completed? The Chevron JI Experts drilled, 4 sampled, and tested 59 RAP pits at 56 JI sites; and, in 5 those cases, they found that a pit that had looked like the image on the left-hand side of the screen in 1995 today at 7 the time of the JI looked like the image on the right-hand 8 side of the screen.

9 The material, the pit had been treated and 10 solidified and capped and revegetated according to the 11 eight step process. And samples removed from inside that 12 pit of the remediated material met the RAP criteria based on laboratory tests.

What do these pits look like underground? Under 15 ground, these pits are filled with soil, with compacted soil, very much like the soil that surrounds them. At the 17 base of that former pit, you will find what we call remediated material. These were the oily sediments in the pit that have been mixed with soil and cementing agent to form a solid mass, a solid firm mass that has a petroleum 21 stain and odor and perhaps a sheen but will not release its petroleum to the environment.

Atop this remedial material was placed a clay soil 24 cover of between half a meter to 1.5 meters thick, and on 25 top of that, top soil to support vegetation.

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12:06 1 representatives of both Chevron and the Plaintiffs, and 2 questions are posed. Again those questions: Was the 3 remediation proper, what are the current conditions, are 4 there human health risks? And to answer those questions on 5 a site-specific basis, it's required of both Parties to 6 collect samples. We worked together, we worked openly, we 7 see each other working, we sign our sampling reports.

What work did we do? The Chevron sampling team 9 commonly conducted this type of sampling.

10 First, RAP pits, if they were present, were 11 sampled to determine if they met the standards. Perimeter 12 soil samples were collected to determine if the impacts 13 that were on the site extended beyond it. These perimeter 14 samples weren't always perfect. Different experts did 15 different degrees, but in whole they were sufficient to 16 tell us that the impacts we found on the property did not

17 extend beyond that area. 18 Drinking water sample--drinking water wells that 19 were in the area were sampled. Surface water was sampled 20 that was nearby. And if requested by the Court, the 21 non-RAP pits were also sampled and tested. The documents 22 regarding and memorializing this includes the JI Acta 23 itself, the JI Report put out by the Expert, and in some 24 cases a companion Rebuttal Report, such that the JI Report 25 and Rebuttal Report need to be observed in concert to

12:09 1 So, when you see these sites, that's what's under 2 ground. It is a former pit that's filled with compacted 3 solidified material.

When we went to these sites, we found that the remediated pits that were listed in the RAP had been faithfully remediated. But we also saw at that time many 7 non-RAP pits that still had not been addressed by 8 Petroecuador. Now, since that time, many of those have 9 been addressed. Petroecuador initiated a remediation 10 program in 2007, and they have remediated hundreds of pits 11 in this area. This is one of the issues that I pointed out 12 that are in conflict with the Judgment. Regardless of how 13 you estimate the number of pits, you need to recognize that 14 that number is diminishing on a daily basis. TexPet remediated many of those pits, and Petroecuador has remediated many pits, but the Judgment does not consider 17 the fact that many of these pits have been treated and are not present, and do not require further remediation.

Let's move on.

19 20 In the Judicial Inspection, we were also asked to 21 sample the environment and determine what those 22 environmental conditions were at that time. I'm going to 23 talk about several environmental media such as soil. This 24 plot shows the results of 1,007 soil samples that were 25 collected during the Judicial Inspection process and

12:10 1 analyzed by TexPet by the methods in the sampling analysis 2 plan. These results show that 93 percent of those samples 3 met the international criteria in effect at the time.

And if we take that same data and we compare it to 5 current Ecuadorian criteria for soil cleanup, criteria that 6 were issued in 2001, 87 percent meet those criteria.

What does this tell us? It tells us, as I've said 8 in my Reports, that there are limited areas that require 9 attention today. They're not RAP areas. They were areas 10 that were excluded from the RAP, but there are limited 11 areas, as we've said throughout our Reports that do require 12 attention to meet current standards.

Drinking water, another medium. Drinking water 13 14 was perhaps the most important medium that we sampled and 15 tested with regard to human health. Why? Because people 16 drink this water. And if there is contamination in that 17 water, it is a direct issue for human health. I'm showing 18 you in this image a typical hand-dug water well that was 19 found in rural areas at houses. The image on the 20 right-hand side is a 1 meter diameter hole that's hand dug 21 to a depth of approximately six to 8 meters below ground. 22 It stays open on its own because it's dug into clay soils. On the left-hand side, we see a typical structure 24 and a bucket that's lowered into the well to extract the 25 water.

12:13 1 many people, in the city such as Sacha and Shushufindi and 2 others. 100 percent of those public water supply systems 3 met drinking water criteria for petroleum compounds, 4 100 percent. They were not impacted by TexPet, they are 5 not impacted by Petroecuador. But the Judgment has stated 6 that TexPet is to pay \$150 million to replace all of these systems. These systems do not need to be replaced.

Surface water was another medium that we sampled at the sites during the Judicial Inspection. At the top 10 right-hand side, I show you a typical stream that you may 11 see when you visit these sites. They are near many of the 12 well sites. It's a shallow stream, perhaps one to 13 two meters wide, usually 30 centimeters deep. When these 14 were present, they were sampled. Again, the results under 15 WHO and U.S. EPA, 99 percent of those streams met those 16 criteria--of those samples, I should say. And similarly 17 they meet the criteria of today that published in Ecuador after 2003.

19 There is a small number of surface water samples that don't, and each of those was associated with an active 21 wastewater discharge by Petroecuador that occurred at three or four sites.

Let's move on to today. 2013 to 2014--'15, excuse 23 24 me. Ecuador Experts have returned to these--some of these 25 same sites to validate or check the work that was done by

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There is one other important thing to note about 12:12 1 2 this well. That is lacks a sanitary seal. There is no 3 seal to prevent surface water and rain water from entering 4 this well and carrying with it vegetative debris and animal 5 waste. And that presents a serious problem with regard to 6 bacterial contamination.

520 samples were collected of drinking water from 8 throughout the Concession Area during the Judicial 9 Inspection. And what did we find in those data? 10 99 percent of those samples that were collected at every 11 site met World Health Organization and U.S. EPA drinking 12 water criteria. In preparing that same data, the current 13 Ecuadorian drinking water criteria, 98 percent met. There 14 are not impacts, widespread impacts, from oilfield 15 operations on drinking water in this area, not by TexPet, 16 not by Petroecuador.

But as we see on the far right-hand side, there 17 18 are impacts from fecal coliform that are associated with 19 animal waste contamination of those wells. This is a 20 serious health problem.

There is one other very important thing with 22 regard to the Judgment. During the Judicial Inspection process, Chevron sampled 31 public water supply systems 24 throughout the Concession Area. These are deeper wells 25 that pump water and distribute it to local communities, 12:15 1 Chevron during the Judicial Inspections. There has been a 2 very active exchange, a very complex exchange of 3 information between the two groups of experts. And as I 4 mentioned before, I suspect the Tribunal is faced with the 5 quandary of determining why two groups of experts are looking at the same data and saying very different things. In my most recent reports, I made an effort to simplify this discussion by putting these discussions into two categories. One, the things that we agree upon and, two, the things that we don't agree upon. 11

What do we agree about? We agree that there are unaddressed non-RAP pits and spills that still require 13 remediation today to meet the current Ecuadorian standards. 14 There is no disagreement among the Parties. Those areas, whether they're spills or pits or contaminated sediments, need to be addressed to meet those standards. But we disagree on everything outside those areas.

18 And to help you understand the basis for that disagreement, I'm going to talk about three different concepts, three different factors, that may help clarify 21 that disagreement. I'm going to talk about TexPet-only sites, I'm going to talk about the applicable criteria used

by the Parties, and I'm going to talk about the extent of impacts and migration.

Let's start with TexPet-only sites.

This is a chart from my Report of 2015. It's 12:16 1 2 Exhibit A, and there are a great many of documents that are 3 provided in Appendix C to support this. This is directed 4 towards the issue of TexPet-only sites.

Okay. And so is this slide. On this diagram, I 6 have summarized the information as little dots. On the 7 left-hand column, I've listed all the sites that were 8 investigated by the Ecuador Experts. And incidentally, the 9 sites that I've highlighted in yellow are the only sites 10 that were in the Judicial Inspection and that could have 11 been considered by the Lago Court.

Then, across the top, I have listed different 13 activities that could change the environmental conditions 14 at a site. Oil spills that have occurred. Pit closure 15 remediation by Petroecuador changes the pit count. 16 Workovers. Workovers are the repair of a well in which the 17 equipment from the well is removed and it can generate oily 18 waste materials. If it's properly handled, it has no 19 Environmental Impact. But if it's not, it can have an 20 Environmental Impact. And flares.

Let's look at some examples of this. And why do 22 we care? Why do we care that this may have happened? 23 Because, under the Judgment, it is assumed that any 24 conditions that are observed today are the responsibility 25 of TexPet. And many of those conditions that exist today 12:19 1 ground.

I observed this same condition at most of the 18 2 3 production stations that I visited at that time.

Oops--ah, there it is. Sorry. Another important 5 factor is the expansion of the field. This is an active productive oilfield, and it has changed dramatically since 7 1990. This is not the same oilfield that TexPet left. For 8 an example of that, I'm showing you the Shushufindi 13 well site as it looked in 1990, and that's how it looked when I 10 visited that well site in 2004 as well. But now in 2013, 11 we can see that that well platform has been dramatically expanded. There are new oil wells, there is new equipment, it is not the same oilfield as it was long ago. And there 14 I've superimposed the old well platform, so you can see the 15 difference.

16 Another big, important factor with regard to 17 understanding the provenance of current Environmental Impacts is the issue of pits closed by Petroecuador after June 1990. I'm showing you an aerial image of the Lago Agrio 2 well site, Pit Number 3. The Ecuador Experts 21 understood that this pit was associated with activities by 22 TexPet, that it had been closed by TexPet before June 1990. But the actual data, the photographic evidence, show us that's not correct. 25

Here is an aerial image from September 1985, and

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12:17 1 are not--they're not associated with TexPet operations, but 2 they're associated with operations that have happened over 3 the past 25 years.

Here is three examples. This is a pipeline spill 5 that was observed in March 2006 at the time of the Judicial 6 Inspection at the Guanta 6 well site. That is a flow line 7 that carries the oil and water from the well to the central 8 station. It ruptured and resulted in a large oil stain on 9 the ground in the surrounding area. Just below that, on 10 the left-hand side is what I observed at the Lago Agrio 1 11 well site in January of 2004. There had been a workover of 12 this well immediately before my arrival. The equipment had 13 been removed from the well, and a lot of oily waste was 14 generated. It wasn't properly contained. Rather, it was 15 placed in an open excavation and covered with dirt. This 16 is not a proper environmental management or workover, and 17 it does result in Environmental Impact.

The right-hand side, it illustrates a flare upset 19 that occurred due to an operator error at the Aquarico 20 production station by a Petroecuador employee on 21 November 2005 during the Judicial Inspection. In this 22 image we see crude oil emanating under great pressure from 23 the gas flare. This is a very unusual and a very dangerous 24 condition, and it also creates some Environmental Impact, 25 clearly, as this oil spreads across a large area on the

12:20 1 we can see Pit 3 as a large black area with the yellow dots 2 around it to the north of the platform. There's that same 3 pit still there in July 1990, and note that this is the 4 month immediately after the transfer of operations from 5 TexPet to Petroecuador.

Now another image, here in October 1991, the same 7 area. What do we see? The area has been scarified of 8 vegetation and overlain with soil. This is comparable to 9 the report from HBT Agra and Fugro in their audits that 10 noted that this had occurred at many sites, and it had also 11 occurred at this site. So, when we look at this data at 12 this site, when you visit this site in the coming month, 13 you should understand that, in fact, that pit was not 14 closed by TexPet. It was closed by Petroecuador.

15 Another factor that helps explain the difference 16 between the two Parties' conclusions is applicable 17 criteria. Applicable criteria are numerical concentration 18 limits in a soil. A chemical concentration below that 19 limit is not contaminated. A chemical concentration above 20 that limit is and needs to be remediated. They're much 21 akin to speed limits. If I'm driving under the speed 22 limit, I'm fine. If I'm driving over the speed limit, something has to change.

Well, criteria of this nature were issued for soil 25 remediation at oilfield sites by the Government of Ecuador

12:22 1 in 2001. It was called Decree 1215 or the RAOH Rule, and 2 it was specific to the hydrocarbon industry. And that 3 regulation set forth remediation standards for three 4 categories of lands use. Why three categories of land use? 5 Well, again, it's similar to a speed limit. We have 6 different speed limits for residential streets than we have 7 for commercial streets or major highways. In the same way, 8 it's understood under this regulation, and similar 9 regulations around the world, that different levels of 10 petroleum in the ground are tolerable for different uses. 11 For an industrial use in Ecuador, TPH, or Total Petroleum 12 Hydrocarbon in soil, cannot exceed 4,000. If it does, it 13 needs to be remediated. For agricultural use, the limit is 14 2,500. And for sensitive ecosystems, the limit is 1,000. A sensitive ecosystem under the regulation is a

16 designated wildlife preserve or park, and it's designated 17 under a complex--under a very set process by the Ministry 18 of the Environment. There are no sensitive ecosystems at 19 any of the sites that you'll be considering in this BIT process, at none of the JI sites and at none of the sites 21 sampled by the Ecuador Experts.

So, those are the limits that are being used by 23 every oil company in Ecuador today. They're the limits 24 that are approved by the Government of Ecuador on every 25 remediation site. But they are not the limits that were 12:25 1 the Government of Ecuador at all other locations, including 2 these? We find that only one of those locations actually 3 exceeds a true TPH limit for agricultural soils. Only one 4 of those areas requires action. It's a very limited problem, not a widespread problem.

So, if we all apply the same criteria as all other 7 Operators, we don't have a disagreement in this group. We don't have a disagreement between the two groups of 9 experts.

My final category to help explain the 10 11 disagreements, the extent of impacts and whether or not they are migrating and getting worse over time. Let's look 13 at that.

14 What I found by looking carefully and comparing 15 the information between Chevron's JI Experts and the Ecuador Experts at the sites where both of those Parties 17 conducted sampling is that the data agree. The data are in pretty good agreement.

19 And why is this important? In the reports, the Ecuador Experts have expressed concerns about the 21 reliability of the Chevron data, that the laboratory 22 methods were not reliable, that the sampling methods were 23 not reliable. But then the test comes down, if Parties go 24 out to the sites and find similar results, then those 25 results are reliable. Let's look at that.

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12:23 1 used by the Ecuador Experts in their evaluation of 2 Environmental Impacts at these sites.

Rather, the Ecuador Experts have indicated that a 4 site is impacted if there is detectable oil in the soil. 5 This is akin to say that any car that is moving is 6 speeding. There is no tolerance for car movement. There 7 is no tolerance for oil in the soil. And this is very 8 different from what's being used by all other oil 9 companies, including Petroecuador and Petroamazonas today, 10 and approved by the Government. It's 100 to 400 times 11 lower. This is not reasonable.

And the Judgment makes the same mistake. The 13 Judgment imposes a limit of 100. And that's not the limit 14 that's being used by the other Parties in Ecuador and

15 results in unnecessary remediation.

Unnecessary remediation. Let's look at what 16 17 happens when we apply the correct criteria. This is an 18 example of a figure from the June 2014 Report by the 19 Ecuador Experts. And it plots chemical concentrations on 20 this map. You can see those points, and I'm going to 21 circle them here in yellow. If they are detected, 22 remember, they're considered contaminated, they're 23 considered a problem.

But what if we apply the actual remediation 25 criteria that is used by Petroecuador, Petroamazonas, and 12:26 1 What I'm showing you here is a set of six pie 2 charts, and they're in three columns: Soils on the 3 left-hand side, outside of pits; groundwater sampling 4 locations outside of pits; and drinking water. Both 5 Parties went to these same sites and conducted sampling. 6 Both Chevron and the Ecuador Experts find the same 7 frequency of soil problems, 87 to 88 percent. Are there 8 some areas that need to be addressed? Yes. There are some 9 localized spills and other issues that require attention.

10 Are there groundwater issues that need to be 11 addressed? There are some limited areas that do, but the 12 vast majority do not.

13 And drinking water. All of the drinking water samples collected by both Parties met drinking water 15 criteria in Ecuador today. The few locations where we do 16 find soil impacts are in close proximity to the pits. So the data tell us--both Parties' data tell us--that we do not have widespread pervasive impacts in this area.

19 Let's look at this from another perspective. 20 Delineation. Lots of talk about delineation and the 21 reliability of Chevron's delineation. What I found by comparing the data at the six sites where both Parties did analyses is that data lines up very well.

24 Here is an example. On the left-hand side I have 25 the Chevron sampling results for the Shushufindi 25 well

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12:27 1 site for soils and sediments. On the right-hand side I
2 have the more recent data collected by the Ecuador Experts.
3 And if we put these together, we can see that the red
4 points, points that exceed the current regulatory criteria
5 of Ecuador, and the green points, the points that don't,
6 align very well. Both Parties found that there are
7 sediments in that stream near this site that require
8 attention under the current Ecuador regulations. But
9 outside of that, the soils are clean.
10 So, both Parties have gone to these sites, and we

So, both Parties have gone to these sites, and we can show, going site by site, that there is generally very close agreement between the places where we found problems and the places that we didn't. There are some exceptions, there are places where there are differences, but in general they are in good agreement.

Now, the question of migration. Is this problem getting worse over time, or is it not? The Parties don't seem to agree about that.

Now, if there is a problem of migration, the most likely place for that to happen would be an open unremediated pit. This is one example here. And let's look inside--where, if we had x-ray vision, what would we see in this pit? Well, you may have the chance to see some pits like this when you go there, and this is what you can expect to see. On the surface of the pit is a semi-solid 12:30 1 on the order of half a meter. Very limited penetration.
2 And they would remove that when they remediated it.

Also, both Parties, Chevron and the Ecuador
Experts, have completed soil borings in close proximity to
those pits, and those soil borings have shown that the
concentrated oily material that's in these pits has not
moved from those pits. That's very important.

8 I'm going to address now two calculations that are 9 presented by the Ecuador Experts and that you saw in the 10 opening of this session last week. They're calculations 11 that suggest to the Ecuador Experts that there are widespread impacts, that there is a lot of oil outside the pits throughout the Concession Area. This is the first of 14 those calculations. This is a diagram that shows what they 15 understood to happen when TexPet was in operation and it 16 processed the produced water from the oil wells. In this 17 diagram we see oily water coming out of a separator vessel 18 going into a pit, and then pouring out on to a stream and causing a large oil slick. There is oil coming out and causing an oil slick. And the estimate is that there are 1.2 million kilograms of oil in the stream.

21 1.2 million kilograms of oil in the stream.
22 Well, again, I think the important thing here is
23 for us to look at the data. What do the data really tell
24 us about this operation?

Now, the Ecuador Experts relied on three reports

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12:29 1 tarry material. It's weathered oil that's floating on that
2 surface. At the edge of the pit it may have dried to form
3 an asphaltic solid, but in the center of the pit, it will
4 be an oily rubbery material. If you put a stick into this,
5 it will come out coated with oily goo.

Now, underneath that is rainwater. This oil is
floating atop rainwater, and that rainwater is held within
that pond. Why? Because the soils in this area are
predominantly clay, and they will hold water. If this was
sand, the water would drain out, but it doesn't drain out
because it's predominantly clay. At the bottom of that pit
you'll find oily sediments. If you stir those with a
stick, oil droplets will rise to the surface. That's
what's in those pits.

Now, does that material migrate in the
environment? There are many scientific reasons why we will
say no, but for me the acid test is, did we observe it?

Can we find it outside those pits? I will talk about two
lines of evidence that are very important in that regard.

The first that I put on here, you will see the white dotted line around the pit. That is from the

22 Woodward-Clyde Remediation Report of 2000 where they note

that when they remediated these pits, when they dig into them and they empty them out, they would find some

25 penetration of the oil into the adjacent soils, typically

12:32 1 where different parties went to the different production
2 stations and measured that water as it came out of that
3 facility into the stream. That was a common practice at
4 that time. The actual management of that produced
5 water--that's water that comes out with the oil and needs
6 to be separated from the oil--the actual management of that
7 produced water is depicted in this diagram. It goes
8 through a series of treatment cells to try to remove as

much oil as possible before it is discharged to a stream.

The three sampling episodes that were conducted
showed the following: That there was no free oil that was
exiting from those ponds, and that 90 percent of those
samples met current Ecuador criteria for discharge to a
stream, 20 milligrams per liter. Why is 20 milligrams per
liter acceptable? It's acceptable because we know that
discharging water of that nature will not impact the water
quality of a stream. And we also know that because in each
of those three studies, additional samples were taken
downstream 500 meters to determine if there were impacts.
No impacts were detected.

21 Consequently, there is not an impact from that 22 produced water generation, and we confirmed that during 23 Judicial Inspection. There is no oil slick that was 24 released.

You also saw this image in the opening by Ecuador.

12:33 1 And the--based on a rather complex statistical calculation
2 by the Ecuador Experts, they have concluded that there is
3 an enormous amount of oil outside of the oil pits in the
4 Concession Area. An enormous amount equivalent to six of
5 the Exxon Valdez. Six. Well, this is rather astounding,
6 and I'm going to go through this calculation and determine
7 and show you that it's not correct.

8 And I don't mean to be disrespectful in any 9 manner, and if I have that tone, I apologize in advance, 10 but I feel that it is important for us to understand the 11 veracity of these calculations.

 $\,$ So, let's first put this in perspective, and then $\,$ I will go through the data.

If under this understanding there are--98 percent
of the oil is outside the pits. So, that means that, on
average, when I go to a site and I see an oil pit, there
will be 50 oil pits of oil spread around the site. I
inspected all these sites. The Ecuador--the Plaintiffs'
Experts inspected all these sites. The local residents
inspected all these sites. We didn't see anything of that
nature. What we found were very limited impacts. So, how
did we get from a very limited impact to an enormous amount
of oil? I will try to explain that.

And maybe you will hear from the gentlemen from Ecuador's side more about this this week.

12:36 1 and photographed and measured two oil spills. They're oil 2 spills that had just occurred. One was on a platform--I've 3 labeled that as Petroecuador oil spill A--and one was off 4 the platform in an area where a pipeline had been 5 vandalized and oil had run down to an adjacent stream--I've 6 called that oil spill B. It had just happened under 7 Petroecuador's watch by vandals--not their fault--shortly 8 before the Judicial Inspection.

9 Now, these are photographed in the Judicial 10 Inspection Report, they are mapped in the Judicial 11 Inspection Report, and they were sampled by both Parties' 12 experts.

Now, this data tells us very accurately how much oil is in that soil, and it's very limited. However, in the calculation by the Ecuador Experts, they understand that that oil, they assume that that oil, came from the pits. But we know it didn't come from the pits. It did not emanate from the pits. They were isolated limited problems. But in that calculation, the average concentrations that were observed at that location are applied to the entire ring. So, this assumes that those two oil spills were replicated throughout that entire ring, and we know they were not.

When this is rolled up across 322 sites, we arrive at the astounding figure, based on two small oil spills

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12:34 1 Okay. The methodology that was employed was to 2 sort all the data from all the sites into three buckets: A 3 bucket where all the data that were sampled, soil data from 4 zero to 50 meters around the site, 50 to 100 meters around 5 the site, and 100 to 200 meters around the site. There 6 were 37 well sites. They had that data. For each of those 7 rings, the data were averaged and they were considered to 8 be representative of all 322 sites. And then those 9 averages were multiplied by the 322 sites and added up to 10 six Exxon Valdezes.

11 I'm going to go through just one of the rings.
12 I'm going to go through the bucket of data from 100 to
13 200 meters to help you understand what's wrong with this
14 calculation.

Okay. For the 100 to 200-meter radius, there are only seven well sites in the database that have data in the 100 to 200-meter ring. Of those seven sites, only one site has any samples that exceed the current Ecuador criteria. One site. And that site is Sacha 13. So, how did we get from one site with perhaps five barrels of oil spilled on the ground, to 240,000 barrels throughout the Concession Area? Let's try to figure that out.

Now, the Sacha 13 site is a site about which we know a lot. There was a Judicial Inspection conducted here in 2004, and in that Judicial Inspection, there were mapped

12:37 1 under Petroecuador's watch, of 220,000 barrels of oil. An
2 Exxon Valdez. That site was one Exxon Valdez. There are a
3 lot of mathematical reasons that I could go through with
4 you. I'm happy to answer questions from you or the Ecuador
5 Parties about that. But I will just say that that oil
6 exists only in that calculation.

Human health risk. Are there risk posed to human health? Now, I've told you that there are conditions that require response today. And in my 2010 Report, I take all the data--the Chevron data, the Plaintiffs' data,

Mr. Cabrera's data--and I have analyzed that to determine if it poses a human health risk. My finding was that if you apply the approved methods and factors that are approved by regulatory agencies and health institutions around the world, the answer is no. Yes, there are some problems. They do not pose a health risk. In the interest of time, I'm not going to explain this, but I'm happy to talk about it further, if you have questions.

Finally, the Lago Agrio Judgment. In the course

of my presentation today, I have tried to identify
conflicts between the Judgment and the actual conditions at
this site, and I just want to address one final factor.
That is, the statement in the Ecuador Experts' Report that
the Judgment was reasonable. Now, I find that they do not

25 have the technical basis in their reports to make that

Sheet 31 1326 1328 12:39 1 statement. And why do I say that? AFTERNOON SESSION Well, here is a chart where I've listed each of 2 (Discussion off the record.) 3 the very specific categories of damages and the very PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 4 specific costs that are presented in the Judgment. There will now be questions from the Respondent. Let's look at one--two important aspects of that. 5 CROSS-EXAMINATION 6 For four of those categories, there is no technical support 6 BY MR. EWING: 7 provided. There is no reason for those costs. So, it's Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Connor. As you know, since we 8 not possible to find something reasonable when there is no 8 met before, my name is Greg Ewing, and I will be conducting 9 reason to assess. There is no technical basis to be able the cross-examination today. Welcome to D.C. 10 to say that's reasonable. For three of the categories, A. Thank you. 10 11 there are reasons presented, but there is no analysis in Q. You will probably notice that I will try and pause 11 12 these reports that showed that those reasons are after you give an answer, trying to listen to the Spanish 13 reasonable. In fact, those values aren't discussed at all. interpreters just to explain my awkward staring at you So, my conclusion is not only that the while I wait for them. 15 Ecuador--the Lago Agrio Judgment does not comport with the So, we'll try and keep things slow for that 15 16 facts, there is also no basis provided to call it 16 purpose. 17 reasonable. 17 A. Yeah, and I'm going to try to repair my That summarizes my presentation. I've talked relationship with the Court Reporters and the translators 18 19 about each of these issues. I won't repeat them for you. 19 as well. 20 In the interest of time, I thank you for the opportunity. 20 Q. They're both very gracious, so I think we'll be 21 I will answer your questions, and I welcome questions from 21 okay. 22 the representatives of Ecuador. 22 Mr. Connor, you have a Master's of science in 23 Thank you. 23 civil engineering; correct? PRESIDENT VEEDER: Do the Claimants have any 24 24 Α. Yes. 25 further direct examination? Q. And you graduated in 1979? 1327 1329 12:40 1 MS. RENFROE: We do not, Mr. President. 01:46 1 A. From graduate school, yes. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before we turn to the And then you began working in 1980? 2

3 cross-examination, it might be useful to have a lunch 4 break, or do you dispute that? MR. EWING: I do not dispute that. 5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I didn't think you would. 7 Let's come back at 20 to 2:00. We ask you not to discuss the case or your 9 testimony until you come back before the Tribunal. 10 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. Thank you. 11 (Whereupon, at 12:40 p.m., the Hearing was adjourned until 1:40 p.m., the same day.) 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

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3 Α. 4 And then you started GSI in 1986; is that correct? 5 Correct. And were you the President of GSI as of 1986? Α. And GSI has been working on oil field remediation 8 9 for approximately 29 years; is that right? A. Working on oil field projects and many other types 11 of projects during that period of time, yes. 12 Q. When did you personally begin to work for Texaco? A. Well, as a consultant on their projects, I believe 13 14 the--let me think. I think, if I remember correctly, I 15 think some of the first projects were remediation projects 16 for Texaco in New Jersey, and it would have been in the 17 1990s.

Q. Is that when GSI started working for Texaco as

Q. And when did you personally begin consulting for

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19 consultants?

A. Yes.

- 01:48 1 the business relationship is, but I was working on a
 - 2 project with Texaco, and the two entities created--then it
 - 3 became Chevron. I'm not sure what the legal aspects of
 - 4 that are, but that would have been the first project with
 - 5 Chevron directly that I recall.
 - ${\tt Q.}~{\tt So,\ you've\ been\ working\ with\ them\ since--with}$
 - 7 Chevron since 19--since 2000, approximately?
 - 8 A. Well, on and off, with different people within
 - 9 that corporation, I have done projects on and off during
 - 10 that period of time, yes.
 - 11 Q. And you told us this morning that you're an expert
 - 12 in the Lago Agrio Litigation for the Judicial Inspections;
 - 13 correct?

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- 14 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And you were appointed by Chevron in those--
- 16 A. I think that may be the right terminology. I was
- 17 nominated by Chevron for that position. I was the Expert
- 18 on behalf of Chevron in that process for five of the
- 19 Judicial Inspections.
- 20 Q. And Chevron paid all of your expenses during that
- 21 time?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 You know, we charged for our services and the
- 24 expenses, and just as we charge anyone else, yes, they did
- 25 pay us.

01:51 1 spelled L-A-N-D-A-Z-U-R-I.

There may have been other people at certain times, but those were the names that I recall at this time.

- Q. You said a moment ago that the scheduling of the
- 5 Pre-Inspections did not come out of your organization.
- 6 Does that mean that it came from Chevron?
- 7 A. You know, I don't know exactly how those were 8 organized. It wasn't organized by our office.
- 9 Q. Was there anyone else who may have organized it, 10 other than Chevron?
- 11 A. There were a number of other companies and
- 12 consultants that were part of that effort. I don't know
- B how exactly those were organized or scheduled.
- Q. What other companies were involved in the effort to do Pre-Inspections?
- 16 A. There was ENTRIX Consultants, who has an office in 17 Quito, and they provided much of the manpower for the
- 18 fieldwork in that effort.
- 19 There were other companies that collected the
- 20 aerial imagery and satellite imagery to help the team
- 21 locate the historical features of the site.
- 22 There was another company called URS that was
- 23 related to Woodward-Clyde, the original remediation
- 24 contractor, that had the responsibility to organize all the
- 25 historical information with regard to the remediation

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- 01:49 1 Q. And Chevron paid for you to inspect the sites in 2 the Pre-Inspections?
 - 3 A. Yes, all the work that we performed on that 4 project was paid by the client.
 - 5 Q. And Chevron paid you to write the playbooks that 6 you put together before the Judicial Inspections; is that
 - 7 right?
 8 A. Our staff compiled those playbooks, and so the
 9 work that we contributed to those Pre-Inspection reports,
 - 10 we were compensated for that work.
 - 11 $\,$ Q. And you coordinated with Chevron about when the
 - 12 Pre-Inspections would take place and who would go; correct?
 - 13 A. No, that's not correct.
 - 14 Q. Do you know who made those decisions?
 - 15 A. No, I wasn't involved in the management of that
 - 16 Pre-Inspection process. There were certain members of our
 - 17 staff who were involved, but in terms of the scheduling and
 - 18 management of that work, I wasn't involved in that. And I
 - 19 don't think that direction came out of our organization.
 - 20 O. Who was involved in that?
 - 21 A. From our organization?
 - 22 O. From GSI.
 - 23 A. See, there were three individuals, if I recall
 - 24 correctly. There was Dr. David Adamson, there was Mr. Jim
 - 25 McDade, and there was Roberto Landazuri, and that would be

- 01:52 1 project, that they would go through those files and provide 2 that.
 - 3 There was a contractor to ENTRIX out of Quito who 4 conducted the interviews of the local residents.
 - Those are the ones I can recall offhand.
 - 0. Okay.

- A. And there was a laboratory; STL Laboratory was
- 8 involved, and they had a facility, a temporary facility
- 9 they built in Lago Agrio to accommodate the collection of
- 10 samples and transport to their offices in the U.S.
- 1 Q. You mentioned earlier that you would say the
- 12 correct term is that you were nominated by Chevron. Does
- 13 that mean that you would consider yourself to have been
- 14 working for the Judge in the Lago Agrio Case?
- A. I guess the way I would answer that, Mr. Ewing, is
- 16 that in all cases as an expert, you are to conduct your
- 17 work as an independent technical entity, that you are to
- 18 evaluate the data for what the data say, regardless of who 19 is paying your bill.
- 20 And I think it's a difficult task, but it's a very
- 21 important task. It's a task on which I made a lot of
- 22 effort in my career. I think it's a challenge, but you
- 23 have to--that has to be a real focus.
- No, the Judge--the Judge was--when I say
- 25 "nominated," that was the technical terminology used there.

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- 01:54 1 The Parties would both put forward the nomination, and the 2 Judge would swear you in to abide by the strictures of the 3 Court and to do your best to be objective in your analysis.
 - Q. Would you say that you have been successful in being independent, despite Chevron having paid all of your
 - 6 expenses and bills for all of this work?
 - A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. Did you view your role as an assistant to the 9 Judge, then?
 - 10 A. No, we were not--we were not assistants to the 11 Judge. We were independent of the Judge. We received the
 - 12 Judge's instructions, but we were not accessories to the
 - 13 Court by any means. We were separate entities. We were
 - $14\$ independently asked to prepare our Reports, and both
 - 15 Parties, both the Plaintiffs' experts and the Chevron
 - $16\,\,$ experts, would submit their Reports to the Court to be
 - 17 considered by the Court, and their settling Experts, as 18 they were called.
 - 10 they were carred.
 - 19 Q. And you wrote five Judicial Inspection Reports 20 during your time in the Lago Agrio Litigation; is that
 - 21 correct?
 - 22 A. That's correct.
 - Q. You wrote one at Sacha 6, Sacha 21, Shushufindi
 - 24 Sur, Shushufindi Norte, and Sacha Central Production
 - 25 Station?

01:57 1 organization called Geomatrix.

- Q. And Mr. Bianchi has since joined GSI?
- A. Yes, some years after that time.
- Q. Did GSI perform all of the support work for Chevron's appointed experts during the Lago Agrio trial?
- A. There was some portions of support work,
- 7 administrative work, that was provided by GSI to all the
- 8 experts, and they had to do with shipping of equipment,
- $\ensuremath{\text{9}}$ organization of the laboratory work and the attendant
- 10 appurtenances of that, development of an electronic $\,$
- 11 database and a geographical information system where the
- 12 information would be compiled and made available to those 13 experts as they saw fit to use.
- Q. And there were 56 Judicial Inspections conducted to during the Lago Agrio Litigation?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And 45 of those were conducted by party-appointed 18 or party-nominated experts; is that right?
- 19 A. Yes, originally it was scheduled for there to be
- 20 originally 122, but the courts terminated that process $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($
- 21 after 45. And after that point in time, the Chevron
- 22 experts were not allowed to participate, so that the
- 23 Judicial Inspections during which Chevron experts collected
- 24 data and wrote reports was limited to 45.
 - Q. Let's just make sure to clarify that. The first

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01:55 1 A. That's correct.

- Q. And you submitted a JI report for each of these five sites; correct?
 - A. That's right.
- 5 Q. And the Rebuttal Report?
- 6 A. No, I didn't write Rebuttal Reports, and I don't
- 7 believe the--no, I didn't write Rebuttal Reports.
- Q. And Chevron appointed or nominated three experts in total from GSI to conduct Judicial Inspections; right?
- 10 A. Just two.
- 11 Q. It was you, Mr. Bianchi?
- 12 A. Yes, Gino Bianchi--
- 13 (Overlapping speakers.)
- 14 THE WITNESS: Excuse me. You got that?
- 15 COURT REPORTER: No.
- 16 BY MR. EWING:
- 17 Q. Let me just rephrase. And this is not meant to be
- 18 a memory test, so I'll just make this more straightforward.
- 19 Chevron appointed you, Mr. Bianchi, and Mr. Baca
- 20 as Judicial Inspection experts from GSI; right?
- A. Well, this will maybe correct the facts on that.
- 22 Ernesto Baca and I both were appointed both as
- 23 experts on behalf of Chevron in that process. We were both
- 24 employees of GSI Environmental at the time. Mr. Bianchi
- 25 was not with GSI at that time. He was with a separate

- 01:58 1 45 Judicial Inspections were conducted by party-nominated
 - 2 experts, an expert from the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs and an
 - 3 expert from Chevron; correct?
 - A. That's right.
 - 5 Q. And then each side wrote a report, a Judicial
 - 6 Inspection Report; correct?
 - A. Yes.

- 8 Q. After those 45 were completed, there were 11
- 9 court-appointed Judicial Inspections; correct?
- 10 A. That's right.
- 11 Q. And you said that Chevron was not allowed to
- 12 participate in those?
- 13 A. Chevron was--after the original--the original
- 14 process was, as I understood it as one of the experts,
- 15 there was a list of 122 sites that were submitted to the
- 16 Court by the two Parties at which Judicial Inspections
- 17 would be conducted, and at which both sides would nominate
- 18 an Expert for participation as you described. Both experts
- 19 would write a report and submit it. And then there was a
- 20 group of other experts that were appointed by the Court
- 21 independent of the two Parties that were called "Settling
- 22 Experts." There were five persons in that role. They were
- 23 charged with responsibility of receiving both of those
- 24 Reports and evaluating them and making their technical
- 25 recommendation to the Court. That occurred only one time.

- 02:00 1 That was at the Sacha 53 well site. And after that time, 2 during which the settling exerts agreed with the findings 3 of Mr. Baca, that process was terminated, so there--
 - Q. If I can just stop you right there, Mr. Connor, we will be definitely talking about Sacha 53, and we will talk
 - 6 about the Settling Experts. I would like to talk to you
 - 7 about the 11 Judicial Inspections that occurred after the
 - 8 $\,$ 45 because that is what made the final 56, and this was not
 - 9 intended to be a contentious point.
 - 10 $\,$ A. Oh, I was just trying to clarify for you the 11 multiple roles of the different types of experts that were
 - 12 involved, but I'd certainly be happy to talk about the last 13 11.
 - Q. You'd agree with me, though, that there were 11 party-appointed--say it again.
 - You would agree with me, though, that there were 17 11 court-appointed Judicial Inspections that occurred after 18 the 45 party-appointed Judicial Inspections?
 - 19 A. Yeah, in your terminology, yes, that's correct.
 - 20 Q. What would you call those 11?
 - 21 A. Well, we call them the court experts, but I think
 - 22 you'd call the Court--all the experts technically speaking
 - 23 were court-appointed, but after those last 11, the two
 - 24 Parties did not have their nominated expert. It was just
 - 25 one expert selected by the Court, to my understanding.

- 02:03 1 my Reports, I discuss all that. It's a comprehensive 2 analysis. It's not a defense or a discussion of any single 3 JI Report.
 - Q. In 2007, when Chevron entered into settlement negotiations with the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs, you went to
 - 6 Boulder, Colorado, with Ms. McMillen for those
 - 7 negotiations; is that correct?
 - 8 A. I wasn't aware that they were settlement
 - 9 negotiations at that time. I was asked by Chevron to go 10 meet with Mr. Doug Beltman and Ms. Ann Maest at the office
 - 11 of Stratus in Boulder, Colorado, and I did that. And I
 - 12 provided them a summary of the information that we had
 - 13 compiled during the Judicial Inspections, and we talked
 - $14\,$ about that. But I wasn't knowledgeable as to what legal
 - 15 discussions were under way at that time.
 - 16 Q. Was there anyone else in the room when the four of 17 you met?
 - 18 A. No, I don't believe so. It was just the four 19 people.
 - Q. So, you don't remember a meeting that happened
 - 21 December 19th, 2007, where you attended with Ms. McMillen
 - 22 and the two representatives from Stratus as a part of
 - 23 settlement negotiations?

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- A. Well, maybe we're not understanding each other.
- 25 I did attend a meeting at the Stratus office in

- 02:01 1 Q. So, there were a total of 45 Judicial Inspection 2 reports that were submitted by Chevron-nominated experts?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 4 0. And Mr. Baca performed 12 of those?
 - 5 A. You know, I don't know how many Ernie did, but he 6 did a number of them, yes.
 - 7 Q. Mr. Baca did 12 of those. Do you have any reason 8 to disagree with me on that?
 - 9 A. No, I just don't know what his total number was.
 - 10 O. And Mr. Bianchi did 13?
 - 11 A. That may be correct as well.
 - 12 O. And he is now a Vice President of GSI. Your
 - 13 testimony is he was not at the time; is that correct?
 - 14 A. No. He joined GSI after Geomatrix was acquired by
 - 15 a different company some years later, and now he is a
 - 6 member of our organization, yes.
 - 17 Q. And you did five Judicial Inspection Reports?
 - 18 A. Correct.
 - 19 Q. So, you are here today partly to explain and
 - $20\,\,$ defend your Reports in this proceeding and to explain and
 - 21 defend your Reports in the Judicial Inspections?
 - 22 A. I wouldn't characterize it that way. In the BIT
 - 23 proceeding, I have looked at all the data collected by all
 - ${\tt 24}\ \ {\tt Parties}, \ {\tt both} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt nominated} \ {\tt Experts} \ {\tt from} \ {\tt Chevron} \ {\tt and} \ {\tt those}$
 - 25 from the Plaintiffs and those of Mr. Cabrera. And so, in

- 02:04 1 Boulder, Colorado, and that may have been the time, but I'm
 - 2 not aware that that was involved with settlement
 - 3 proceedings. I have no knowledge of that. I was asked to
 - 4 meet with those persons and discuss our technical findings
 - 5 and exchange information, and that's what we did.
 - Q. But it's your testimony today that there was no one else there?
 - 8 A. You know, Mr. Ewing, I don't recall that there was 9 anybody else in the room. I recall that it was the four of 10 us.
 - 11 Q. And if there had been an independent settlement 12 negotiator, you would probably recall that, wouldn't you?
 - A. There was no such person. I'm certain of that.
 - Q. So, you conducted your Pre-Inspection visits in
 - 15 December 2003; is that right?
 16 A. The first visits were in December 2003, and they
 - 17 were related to the Controller General's charge that the
 - 18 remediation program had never happened. I conducted
 - 19 additional site visits in 2004, but it wasn't until some
 - 20 time after the first quarter of 2004 that it was indicated
 - 21 that those visits would also relate to the Judicial
 - $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ Inspection process for the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' case.
 - Q. By December 2003, the Lago Agrio Litigation had been filed; correct?
 - A. That's my understanding, yes.

02:06 1 Q. What other dates did you conduct a Pre-Inspection 2 other than December 2003 and January 2004?

A. If you look in my 2010 Expert Report--and I have it here--there is a list of every Pre-Inspection that was done by any Party on behalf of Chevron of any sort. I will

6 give you the table number for reference.

7 It lists out who was involved in the 8 Pre-Inspection and when it was conducted.

Q. And this is in your 2010 Report?

A. Yes.

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11 I will find it. Here it is.

It is Table (2)(c) of my Report of

13 3rd September 2010; and, in this table, there is a three

14 page table, you will find every oilfield listed, every site

15 $\,$ at that oilfield, and it will list the dates on which

 $16\,$ different Parties visited the site and whether that

17 inspection was a PI--which it says Pre-Inspection--or

18 $\,$ JI--which it says Judicial Inspection--and all of those

19 dates are listed there. You can see when I visited the

20 $\,$ site and when other Parties visited the sites as it's

21 recorded here.

Q. And was this information disclosed to the Lago

23 Agrio Court?

A. This particular table, is that what you're

25 referring to?

02:10 1 attachments is a more complete text of those specific

2 Actas. So, these were documents prepared during the

3 Judicial Inspection that recorded all the statements by the

4 different Parties. And you will see in these examples how

5 the identification of different flagging and marking left

6 by the Plaintiffs' Experts were discussed and acknowledged

 $7\,$ and openly aware to all Parties, as was the fact that the

8 Chevron Experts' Parties had visited there, too.

9 Q. Did Chevron put flags on their sampling locations?

A. No, we didn't put flags on the sampling locations

11 because, after the first Judicial Inspection at Sacha 6

12 that I conducted, the Court had instructed the Parties not

13 to the disturb the sites, not to change the appearance of

14 the sites, not to cut the vegetation, not to leave

5 flaggings, not to leave markings, and we abided by that.

Q. So, as Ms. Renfroe asked you earlier, you submitted four Reports in this arbitration; is that right?

18 A. Yes.

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19 Q. Okay. And according to your August 2013 Report,

20 TexPet drilled 344 or operated 344 sites; is that right?

21 A. The records I have indicate that, as of June 1990,

22 there were 344 different types of oilfield facilities in

23 the Concession at that time.

Q. And at least 322 of those were wells; is that

25 correct?

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02:07 1 Q. This particular information.

A. The information that was given to the Lago Agrio

3 Court was confined to that that was collected during the

4 Judicial Inspections themselves. I don't believe there is

5 any mystery that the Parties were conducting

6 Pre-Inspections. That was acknowledged during the Judicial

7 Inspections themselves. It was acknowledged in

8 correspondence between the Court and Chevron.

9 I don't believe that this particular table was 10 submitted in that proceeding. It was submitted in this

11 proceeding.

12 Q. So, it's your testimony today that both Parties 13 conducted Pre-Inspections and the Court was well-aware of

14 those pre-inspections; is that right?

15 A. That was my understanding. I know that both

16 Parties--I know that both Parties conducted

17 Pre-Inspections, and it was--to answer that, I provided it

18 in my 2014 Report--let me pull that up--I can give you the

19 citations there--a list of the dialogue in the Actas where

20 the Pre-Inspections are discussed with the Judge, and, for

21 example, identifying the flagging, et cetera.

I can find that for you, just a minute. Here it

23 is. Yeah. You will find that--some of those excerpts that

24 I provided you in my May 7th, 2014 Report, Section 5.2

25 Pages 35 to 37, and then attached in one of those

02:11 1 A. That is my understanding, yes.

Q. Mr. Connor, would you turn to Tab 6 in the binder

3 that we have provided you, the large binder.

A. It is large.

5 0. Yes.

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6 A. Tab 6.

7 BY MR. EWING:

8 Q. Unfortunately, it's not the only one either. But,

9 for now, we will stick with that.

10 A. Okay. Is it large binder Number 1?

Q. Yes, large Number 1.

12 And this is RLA-308, and it's Ecuadorian law from

13 October 21st, 1921.

14 Were you aware of the Ecuadorian law in effect at

15 the time the TexPet Consortium Agreement was signed

16 provided that oil Operators had the "right of use for

17 purposes or commercial use and in the necessary quantity

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8 lands, waters without depriving them of their qualities of

19 potability and purity and without affecting fishing." Were

20 you aware of that?

21 MS. RENFROE: Pardon me, Mr. President, I'll level

22 an objection that this is a question of a legal nature.

23 The question seems to call for a legal conclusion of a

24 non-legal expert.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, the objection is correct,

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02:13 1 but I suspect you're asking simply if he knows its effect.

2 MR. EWING: That's correct.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Then please proceed, but it 4 certainly won't be understood as a legal conclusion or a 5 legal answer.

6 BY MR. EWING:

- 7 Q. And I don't ask you to make legal conclusions 8 today. Please.
- 9 A. Not making any legal conclusion, no, I'm not aware 10 of what the laws were that surrounded those activities at
- 11 that time. There is similar language in the Concession
- 12 Agreement between the Government and TexPet from what I've
- 13 seen. But my evaluation was really of the practices and
- 14 the regulations that apply. I haven't offered opinions on
- 15 the legal context of those activities.
- Q. You said that your evaluation was of the practices and the regulations that apply. What do you mean by "and the regulations that apply"?
- 19 A. I mean two different things.
- 20 In the analysis that I presented in my Reports,
- 21 starting with the 2010 Report and then explained further in
- 22 the other three Reports, I have evaluated the operations of
- 23 the TexPet organization in Ecuador with regard to the
- 24 prevailing standards of that time in other countries as
- 25 well as with Latin America, and I have also considered

02:16 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You mustn't talk. You will
2 find it goes on. I think you asked whether it would have

3 been more appropriate for you to compare TexPet's

4 operations with Ecuadorian law.

5 MR. EWING: He says "I have evaluated the 6 operations of the TexPet organization in Ecuador with 7 regard to the prevailing standards of that time in other

8 countries as well as with Latin America."

9 Mr. President, I will just move on and just 10 simplify this all.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You may move on. You made your

12 point.

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13 BY MR. EWING:

Q. Would you turn to Page 3 of your June 2013 Report, 15 please.

16 A. Is that in the binder there?

17 Q. It is in the binder, you can also find it in the 18 spiral-bound version that Claimants have provided to you.

19 A. 2013?

O. Correct. It is Tab 13 in our binder?

21 A. Okay. 2013. Page 3.

Yes, I'm there.

MS. RENFROE: Did you say Page 3?

MR. EWING: Correct. Page 3 of his 2013 Report.

25 It is Tab 13. Sorry, it's not actually in the

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02:14 1 their operations in the context of the prevailing

2 regulatory standards in that country and elsewhere to see
3 if they were consistent in that manner.

Q. Did you evaluate TexPet's practices as they related to the 1921 Hydrocarbons Law?

A. No, I did not. I evaluated them with regard to the prevailing standards for Environmental Protection as applied by industrial organizations throughout the world and in Ecuador at that time.

10 Q. But assuming with me for a moment the legal 11 conclusion that this was in effect--and I'm not asking you 12 to actually--we're not making a legal conclusion based on

that, but assuming it's in effect, wouldn't it have been most appropriate for you to compare TexPet's operations

15 with Ecuadorian law?

MS. RENFROE: I'll renew my objection. The question assumes a hypothetical, and it assumes a legal

18 interpretation of a law that this Witness has already 19 explained he did not consider and was not familiar with.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Where are you going with this?

21 You've taken it as far as you can.

22 MR. EWING: My understanding from what his answer

 $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ was, is that he just said he evaluated TexPet's practices

24 in accord with laws other than that in place in Ecuador,

25 and now the screen has gone off.

02:17 1 binder. If you would--

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's why we can't find

3 Tab 13.

4 MR. EWING: It's not quite large enough.

If you could look at the spiral-bound one, it's

6 the same. My apologies for that.

BY MR. EWING:

8 Q. Do you see where you say: "Visual inspections,

9 soil sampling, and laboratory analysis of oil composition,

10 residual saturation characteristics and leeching potential

11 of over 1400 soil samples show that the petroleum remaining

12 in soils and pits as of 2004 to 2009 was highly weathered

13 except in areas of recent spills or discharges by

14 Petroecuador"?

15 A. Yes.

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16 Q. And turning to Page 22 of the same Report, in the

17 middle of little Section VI.

A. Yes.

19 Q. Do you see where you state that "these data showed

20 the residual hydrocarbons to consist of insoluble resins

21 and asphaltenes that are immobile in the soil matrix. LBG

22 suggests that these petroleum residuals could migrate to

23 impact groundwater, surface water, or other land areas

24 beyond the well platform, which is physically impossible"?

25 Do you see that?

- 02:20 1 A. Yes.
 - 2 Q. Is that still your opinion today?
 - A. Yes, it is, and I can explain that if you wish.
 - Q. We will get to that.
 - 5 So, would it be fair to say that you are
 - 6 concluding in these two paragraphs and in your Reports that
 - 7 the hydrocarbons remaining from TexPet's operations are
 - 8 immobile because "only the heavier end portions persist."
 - A. No, not completely.
 - 10 Q. You said here that the data show--these data
 - 11 showed the residual hydrocarbons consist of insoluble
 - 12 resins and asphaltenes. What are resins?
 - 13 A. Resins are components of the crude oil spectrum
 - 14 that are in the heavier ranged carbon range above C-30, and
 - 15 the asphaltenes are particulates that exist as colloids
 - 16 within that mixture. These are characteristic of the--I
 - to within that mixture. These are characteristic of the
 - 17 should say this, there are four different fractions that
 - 18 were analyzed: The saturated, the aromatics, the resins
 - $19\,\,$ and the asphaltenes on all the oil samples that were
 - 20 collected, and the residuals that were found were
 - 21 principally in the resins and asphaltenes spectrum with
 - 22 aromatics and saturateds principally absent.
 - Q. So, would it then be fair to say that you conclude
 - 24 that the hydrocarbons remaining, the residual hydrocarbons,
 - 25 from TexPet's operations are immobile because only the

- 02:23 1 immobility.
 - Q. At the end of this Paragraph VI you rely on an article by O'Reilly and Thorsen that was published in 2010.
 - 4 That was titled "Impact of Crude Oil Weathering on the
 - 5 Calculated Effective Solubility of Aromatic Compounds:
 - 6 Evaluation of Soils from Ecuadorian Oilfields." Is that
 - 7 correct?
 - 8 A. Yes, that's one of the citations that I present 9 here, correct.
 - 10 Q. And that citation supports your conclusion that 11 the residual hydrocarbons, it is physically impossible for 12 them to be mobile in the soil matrix?
 - 13 A. It's particularly related to the leachate
 - 14 potential of those residual hydrocarbons. I don't rely on
 - 5 that document to characterize the degree of weathering. I
 - 16 only rely on it, along with the article by Dr. Newell, to
 - 17 evaluate the leaching effects of that material, how much
 - 18 can it leach. So, not only is it theoretically not
 - 19 reasonable for that material to leach into the soil, but
 - $20\,$ hundreds or thousands of leachate tests had supported that
 - 21 theoretical finding.
 - Q. And when you're referring to "leachate tests,"
 - 23 you're referring to the TCLP test?
 - A. That was the test that was conducted principally
 - 25 in this matter, and that's a test, for the benefit of the

- 02:22 1 heavier end portions persist along with the asphaltenes?
 - A. No, that would not be correct.
 - 3 Q. What other portions remain in addition to the 4 asphaltenes and resins?
 - 5 A. Well, the reason your Statement is not correct is 6 that the oil composition is only one factor in the mobility
 - 7 of those materials within the environment, and I list a
 - 8 number of other factors throughout this Report and into the
 - 9 citations that you present here that affect the ability of
 - 10 that material to move within the environment.
 - 1 Q. So, looking just at these data that you are
 - 12 referring to in VI, Section VI here, are there any other
 - 13 portions of the residual hydrocarbons that you are leaving
 - 14 out of your sentence?
 - 15 A. There are the--the ability of that material to
 - 16 move is characterized by the soil leachate tests and the
 - 17 residual saturation tests. As I state other where, these
 - 18 materials are found that principally consist of asphaltenes
 - 19 and resins as two of the characteristic components of the
 - 20 crude oil. As documented in the Reports, there are some
 - 21 diesel range organics that still remain in those materials,
 - 22 but they're not soluble as demonstrated by leaching tests.
 - 23 The primary composition is resins and asphaltenes, and the
 - 24 analysis of those remaining materials by means of leachate
 - 25 tests and residual saturation tests demonstrated their

- 02:25 1 panel, the leachate is much like the fluid that forms in
 - 2 your cup when you drip in a tea bag. So, if you have a
 - 3 soil and you put it in water, some of that material in the
 - 4 soil will dissolve into the water, and that's called
 - 5 leachate.
 - Sorry for the interruption, Mr. Ewing.
 - ' Q. We're okay so far.
 - 8 Did you know that Chevron funded that O'Reilly
 - 9 paper?
 - 10 A. The O'Reilly paper indicates that at the end of 11 the text.
 - 12 O. That Chevron funded it?
 - 13 A. That's what it says. I wasn't aware of what their
 - 14 arrangements were when they wrote the report, but the paper
 - 15 discloses that within the body of the text.
 - 16 Q. And the paper also discloses that Chevron provided 17 the data for the paper; correct?
 - 18 A. I don't recall if they say that, but that's my 19 understanding, yes.
 - 19 understanding, yes.
 20 Q. I apologize. We don't have a binder. We had some
 - 21 printing problems this morning, which is why we only have 22 two of our large--or one large binder. We'll put this on
 - 23 the screen for now.
 - 24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I just say that we are very
 - 25 grateful to both sides for this incredibly efficient

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02:26 1 bundling system. It's been very helpful to us. If it goes 2 wrong once, don't worry about it.

3 MR. EWING: Thank you. We are doing our best, as 4 I know Claimants are as well.

BY MR. EWING:

Q. My apologies, Mr. Connor. Here are the acknowledgments in that paper. So, they've--Chevron funded it and provided the raw data for it.

Did you know that Chevron also commented on it?

- 10 A. No, I wasn't party to the communication between 11 the authors and Chevron.
- 12 Q. And that Ms. McMillen actually provided comments 13 on it?
- 14 A. No, I wasn't party to that communication.
 - Q. And the Newell paper that you referred to from
- 16 2005, that's Charles Newell, Dr. Newell; right?
 - A. Correct.
- 18 O. And he is a Vice President at GSI?
- 19 A. Yes.

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- 20 O. And he was at the time?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. So, the only sources you have here are a paper by
- 23 GSI and a paper funded and edited by Chevron?
- A. No, that's not correct. If you read the paper by
- 25 Chuck Newell, you will see that he signs--he cites a number

02:30 1 retain an oil before that oil becomes mobile.

And I think yes, that's a completely appropriate
manner, that if you do scientific work, you certainly need
to consider the context and the research done by others in
order to arrive at an informed decision.

- Q. The point of this Section VI on Page 22 of your 2013 Report, though, is to say that the residual hydrocarbons are immobile and cannot migrate to the surrounding land and water resources.
- 10 A. The specific purpose of that paragraph is to
 11 respond to the prior report by the Ecuador Experts and to
 12 more specifically focus in on one technical element, a
 13 technical element that is discussed more broadly in my
 14 other reports. And in this particular paragraph, if you
 15 read this whole section, you will see that what I'm
 16 presenting is a response to the Ecuador Experts noting that
 17 they had failed to consider certain scientific principles.
 18 And the inability of that material to move is not

simply dependent on the scientific theories that are
presented by Dr. Newell and by Dr. O'Reilly. It's more
completely related to the additional information, that same

- 22 paragraph, of the hundreds if not thousands of analyses
- 23 conducted on every soil sample that contained hydrocarbons
- 24 collected during the Judicial Inspections to determine if
- 25 those hydrocarbons, whatever their composition, were mobile

- 02:29 1 of research papers that were conducted by various Parties 2 to support his analysis of residual saturation. His 3 analysis is more of a profile of what those other papers 4 say. And if we pull up that report, I can point those out 5 to you.
 - 6 Q. And we may get to the report--I don't know if
 7 we'll need to get into the details of it--but would you
 8 agree then that it's an acceptable practice to cite to and
 9 rely on reports that amalgamate and bring together a series
 10 of other reports?
 - 11 A. Or, in that you're referring to the report by 12 Dr. Newell?
 - Q. Is that a--generally, the idea that Dr. Newell has
 - 14 brought together research papers conducted by various
 15 Parties and presented them in his single paper--is that a
 - 16 normal and acceptable practice in your field?
 - 17 A. The work product by Dr. Newell in this case was a 18 report written for Chevron for this matter which addressed
 - 19 the residual saturation characteristic of the clayey soil $\,$
 - $20\,\,$ in that region based on samples that I collected and sent
 - 21 to the laboratory. Dr. Newell then cites to a number of
 - 22 different papers by different academic researchers to
 - 23 evaluate that data and arrive at a conservative estimate of
 - 24 the holding capacity of the soil which we call "residual
 - 25 saturation." That's the ability of the soil as a sponge to

- 02:32 1 within the environment. And the conclusion of those 2 thousands of analyses were they were not.
 - And my critique at this point in this document was that those data, which are very important, had not been duly considered in the conclusions drawn in the Ecuador Experts' Reports at that time.
 - Q. Mr. Connor, I will try to be very specific with my questions, if you could try and focus on those questions in your response. What you're saying in Section VI here is that LBG's conclusion that the TexPet residual hydrocarbons can migrate and pose a risk of impacts; you are saying that is wrong?
 - A. I'm saying that the tests that we had conducted indicated that the materials that remained within the closed pits and the other materials we tested within soils were not mobile within the environment given their composition. That's what we're saying, yes.
 - 18 Q. So, you disagree with LBG that TexPet residual 19 hydrocarbons can migrate and pose a risk of impact on the 20 surrounding land and water resources?
 - A. I guess the point of difference is whether or not they migrate, whether or not they spread. There are some material that remain from the TexPet era, pits that were
 - 24 not included in the RAP, and there are new problems that
 - 25 have occurred after that era. Our findings are that those

- 02:34 1 materials are not spreading. They're relatively static 2 within the environment. If there is a pit that has liquid 3 material in it, it hasn't exited that pit, nor is it likely 4 to do so. And that relates to a number of different
 - 5 factors that I point to here and encourage the Ecuador Experts to consider the body of that data.
 - Q. So, you disagree with LBG?
 - Α. Yes.

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9 ٥. Thank you.

10 Your basic premise, then, is that liquid crude 11 oil, which would be mobile crude oil, must be--must not be TexPet's residual hydrocarbons; correct?

- A. No, that's not my testimony. 13
- Q. So, if there is liquid crude oil, do you believe 15 that could be left from TexPet?
- A. I just to want clarify our terminology here. 16

I do think you can have liquid weathered crude oil 17 18 that, under certain circumstances, can remain within the

- 19 environment, and it could date from the era when TexPet was
- 20 the Operator for the Consortium. All the liquid crude oil 21 in this area is not of recent vintage or old vintage.
- The earlier statement that you pointed out in
- 23 which I stated that all of the oil was highly weathered
- 24 except those associated with very recent spills from
- 25 Petroecuador, by "very recent spills," I mean spills

02:37 1 this water can move through the plastic liner around it. And that's -- I think that's a relatively good 3 analogy that you've made.

- Q. If the pits are dug into sand, would that allow the liquid petroleum to migrate? 5
- A. It would have a different potential to migrate. 7 You--certain oils, depending on their viscosity, will move
- 8 more easily through larger-pored soil, so a sandier
- 9 gravelly soil, yes, it can move more freely through that.
- 10 A clayey soil, no. A silty sand or a clayey sand, no.
- Q. So, you specified, in the diagrams you showed us 11 earlier this morning, pits that are lined in clavey soil
- is, I think, the description on your slides. The fact that
- it's clayey is integral to your conclusion; correct?
- A. It's--I think the actual statement on the slide is 15 16 it's principally clayey soil, and by "clayey," I mean that
- 17 it has clay as a principal component. The geotechnical
- analyses of porous soils--by that I mean sand or
- gravel--have long since showed that if the clay fraction
- exceeds 10 percent, then the effective permeability of that
- 21 material is like a clay, because all the pores have been
- 22 blocked by the clay. So, a clayey soil will uniformly
- 23 exhibit a low permeability. By low permeability, it means
- 24 it's resistant to water movement and resistant to oil
- 25 movement. That's why I use the term "clayey." It

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- 02:36 1 perhaps within one month. Weathering occurs very rapidly 2 in that environment. And only in those few places where we 3 did encounter fresh crude oil spills, those were crude oil 4 spills associated with recent operations. Crude oil spills 5 that were older could not be time stamped because it's not 6 clear when they had happened.
 - But yes, you can have liquid crude oil, weathered 8 crude oil, that's not mobile within the environment, within 9 the environment in which it's located, regardless of its 10 age.
 - Are you saying that I could have liquid crude oil 12 and, therefore, it couldn't be mobile, similarly to I have 13 liquid water in my bottle but it's not currently mobile
 - 14 outside of this bottle; is that what you're trying to say? A. That may be an apt analogy. So, here we have 15 16 water in a bottle, and the water doesn't come out, and my
 - 17 hands are dry. This is very much akin to the pits that I 18 showed you, and you'll see them, too, Mr. Ewing, if you
 - 19 haven't had the opportunity to visit the Concession Area.
 - 20 There were pits excavated in clay that were not included in
 - 21 the RAP and still remain. As I described, there is gooey
 - 22 material on the surface and there's oil-laden sediments at
 - 23 the bottom. You can't extract liquid material from those.
 - 24 In all cases, it's quite weathered. It is not capable of
 - 25 moving through the pores in a clayey soil any more than

- 02:39 1 indicates a soil whose clayey content is greater than 2 10 percent by dry weight.
 - Q. So, your opinion--so, your opinion is that the 4 pits in Ecuador are equivalent to these water bottles that 5 we have in terms of their ability to contain the oil that's 6 put into them?
 - A. I would say that functionally, in terms of the work that we did, we did not find significant migration beyond the boundaries of those pits.

10 They're not exactly the same because as the--those 11 are made out of soil, and--which is different from plastic -- and as observed in the Woodward-Clyde report, I 13 showed you a diagram, there is some permeation of the oil a 14 short distance into those soils that was observed. But 15 there is no permeation or migration at any significant or

- measurable distance. Samples--core soils that were taken only a few meters away did not encounter that oil.
- Q. And if I took this bottle and I stuck a knife in 18 it and pulled it out, you would agree with me that the water would come out; right?
- A. Yes, it would come out. But that wouldn't happen 22 in clayey soil because clay is very plastic.
- 23 Q. So, if I took--
- A. By that I mean deformable. Do you understand that

25 difference? Yeah. It doesn't have--I quess the difference

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02:41 1 is what you call catastrophic failure. This is the reason 2 we don't use plastic tanks at refineries. Because when a 3 plastic vessel ruptures, it ruptures completely. Soil 4 vessels such as ponds have long been used because they have 5 the characteristic of resisting catastrophic failure. 6 They're very plastic and moldable, and that's one of the 7 advantages of earthen pits compared to plastic bottles.

- 8 Q. But you would agree with me, if there are roots 9 through the clayey soils, or cracks in the clayey soils, 10 that those would also be avenues for the water or oil to 11 get out just like a knife in the side of my bottle?
- 12 A. No, it won't be like a knife in the side of your 13 bottle because it doesn't cause a catastrophic failure, the 14 soil

But roots and small fractures do provide an avenue
for movement of the oil through the soil because they serve
to create a larger pore, and a larger pore space allows the
oil to enter. That was observed in the case by--in the
report that you see from Woodward-Clyde who did the
remediation, they did note that via tree roots and others,

- 21 you would see a short movement over a short distance, I
- 22 should say, of the oil into the surrounding soils.
- 23 However, they did not observe significant migration, and
- 24 neither did the data that's been collected today by any
- 25 Party.

02:44 1 experts that I have referred to as "Ecuador Experts." It

- 2 certainly includes Mr. Goldstein and Dr. Garvey associated
- 3 with LBG, as well as Dr. Strauss and, I believe, Dr. Short.
- 4 But my work is most responsive to Dr. Goldstein and
- 5 Dr. Garvey, if it is Dr. Garvey. If it's not, I apologize.
- 6 Q. You've given Mr. Goldstein a promotion and
- 7 Dr. Garvey a demotion, I think, but--
- A. Let's strike that.
- 9 Q. They have stayed in their seats, so I think we're 10 okay.
- 11 A. Yeah, I hope so.

MR. EWING: I'm about to move into, you know, a little bit further on this and it would be helpful to give out your binders. Could we take about 10 minutes' break?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We can take 15, if you need it.

MR. EWING: We will be able to hand them out quicker but if you'd like to take a break, a full 15, I'm happy, or--

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'll take a full 15, so we

20 will start again at 3:00.

21 MR. EWING: Thank you. 22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, please don't discuss the

23 case as before.

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(Brief recess.)

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

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02:42 1 Q. So, just to make sure I understand, and this is 2 clear, your opinion is that there may be liquid crude oil 3 from TexPet's operations, but that that crude oil is 4 contained within these pits?

A. To be more specific about that, it's not always contained within the pits, and we should refer to this as a hypothetical. I can't testify, Mr. Ewing, that the crude oils that we find either when it's sediments or unremediated pits, I can't testify that those are necessarily associated with TexPet's period of operation.

They may be. I don't know. But in the investigations that we have conducted, I don't recall observing that these

13 materials had migrated a significant distance outside these 14 pits.

There is one instance that I recall in seeing a sample outside a pit, and that's at the Lago 2 well site.

17 Some of the information that was collected by the Ecuador $\,$

18 Experts, there is one location outside a pit where

- 19 indicates that there has been a short distance migration.
- 20 But in general, no, we haven't seen significant migration
- 21 from these pits, and that's generally consistent with the
- 22 data compiled by all Parties.
- 23 Q. When you referred to Ecuador Experts, do you mean $24\ \text{LBG?}$
- 25 A. I believe in my Reports I identify a variety of

03:01 1 BY MR. EWING:

Q. Mr. Connor, we started this morning with your or this afternoon with your presentation in which you included two slides with pits lined by predominantly clayey soils and your conclusion that the oil contamination is not migrating. We've now established that root canals and cracks in that predominantly clayey soil could cause migration. Would you agree?

9 A. It's a question of scale. If you're talking about 10 movement within a half a meter, for example, yes, that's 11 been observed. There has been no migration on a larger 12 scale of meters on the cases that I have observed to date.

13 Q. So, you have seen no evidence that the TexPet--let 14 me start over.

15 You have seen no evidence that oil has migrated 16 more than half a meter?

17 A. When you say, "migrated," where and how? With 18 which? I'm not clear on specifically what you're asking.

19 Q. So, I'm looking at your Slide Number 37 from your 20 presentation this morning.

21 A. Yes.

Q. And in that slide it's titled, "Weathered Oil Not

23 Migrating."

24 Do you remember this slide?

5 A. Yes, I do.

03:03 1 O. And you have a picture, a diagram of a pit with 2 various materials in it, including oily sediment, 3 rainwater, and semi-solid tarry material, and from what you 4 said this morning, I think your conclusion was the evidence 5 shows that the contaminants in this pit have not migrated 6 beyond .5 meters and the white line that you have drawn 7 around that pit; is that correct?

A. I don't believe you have interpreted that exactly 9 correctly. As I said during the presentation of the 10 slide--and this is indicated on the documents referenced at 11 the base of the slide--that dotted white Line as based 12 represents the observation of the company that closed 13 hundreds of pits during the TexPet remediation project, and 14 their observation was that, yes, the soils bordering the pit did contain oil, and that commonly it would require 16 scraping the walls of the pit about half a meter away.

Then my own observations, and based on all the 17 18 data by all the Parties are that we have not observed oil 19 to have migrated in terms of meters away from these pits,

20 even the open unclosed pits as demonstrated by soil

borings, and that is generally the case.

Q. So, you have not observed oil that has migrated 23 more than one meter?

A. I can't say that, Mr. Ewing. I can say that the 25 borings that were located in proximity to these pits, that 03:07 1 stepped out from the center of the pit to find the edges of 2 the pit; is that right?

> A. Yes, there was a series of step-outs that were done in order to find the general location of that pit, in concert with historical aerial photographs and other evidence that might be available.

And then samples were taken beyond that footprint 8 to determine if there had been lateral migration. The 9 proximity of those borings to the edge of the pit were 10 quite variable, but the observations were consistent, that 11 we did not observe or I did not observe in that compilation 12 of data that there was migration laterally from the pits such as that it would affect off-site areas.

Q. And there was a Judicial Inspection at Lago Agrio 15 2; correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. So, Chevron would have delineated that pit; 18 correct?

19 A. Chevron in that case, the Chevron Expert was asked during the Judicial Inspection to do perimeter samples

21 around the site rather than the pits. That pit was

22 identified during the Judicial Inspection, and the data

23 from that are provided in the Judicial Inspection Rebuttal

24 Report rather than the Judicial Inspection Report itself.

25 So, that pit was identified but the specific boundaries of

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03:05 1 were within meters of those pits, we have not observed oily 2 impacts on those soils. Those borings are located 3 different distances at different sites, but in combination 4 with all those put together, we are not seeing lateral 5 migration of oil through these soil types.

Q. And in your Statement referring to soil borings, 7 are you including LBG's analysis in 2013 and 2014?

A. Yes, I am.

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And I did note that there was one boring put in by 10 LBG at the Lago 2 site that was a monitoring well that did 11 detect hydrocarbons that suggest they had moved from a 12 nearby pit called Pit 3A. It's not a great distance, but 13 the data do indicate there has been some motion.

14 O. How far had that contamination moved? Well, I can't say that it had moved, but it was 15 16 detected within some meters of the estimated boundaries of 17 Pit 3A. Either--the pit boundaries are not known. They 18 haven't been defined, but the boring did not appear to have 19 been drilled through contaminated soil; and, therefore, by 20 my estimation, would provide a more reliable estimate or 21 measurement of the water; and in that location there is 22 affected water by hydrocarbons. It appears it did not come

23 from above; it must have come from a lateral location.

Q. You said one of the purposes of the Judicial 25 Inspections was to delineate the pits; correct? And you 03:08 1 that pit were not the subject of the Judicial Inspection. 2 Rather, perimeter borings, as they're termed, were placed 3 to the north and south, east and west of the site per the 4 Judgment of the judicial inspection Expert and in 5 comply--as their Judgment as to how to meet the request of 6 the Court.

Q. I think, Mr. Connor, you're trying to anticipate where I'm going with these questions. We will talk about in detail about Lago Agrio 2, but not right now. The question was: Did Chevron delineate the pit at Lago Agrio 11 2? And I understand your answer is no, because you 12 understand that the Judge asked for site delineations, not 13 pit delineations; is that correct?

14 A. Yes, I read the Acta for that site, and the 15 specific request that was put forward by the representative 16 for Chevron was for a site delineation; and normally that was the case, that it was more to evaluate the general site characteristics rather than individual pits. In some cases, the experts did do individual pits. They did not in that specific case. 20

O. In addition to roots or fissures in clay being one way that contamination may migrate, depending on the distance, would you also agree that oil contamination can

migrate out of pits by overtopping those pits?

A. Yes.

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- 03:10 1 Q. Would you also agree that the oil contamination 2 can migrate if the pit walls fail?
 - 3 A. If the pit walls fail for an open unremediated pit 4 that contains liquid material.

5 Let me get my question a little more succinct. If 6 you're talking about a geotechnical failure of the dike 7 around the pit such that it ruptured and there was liquid 8 material in there, yes, it could exit that pit and flow 9 across the ground surface. Is that what you're asking?

Q. It is, but let me put that in lay terms.

11 If the walls of a pit break, the contents can come 12 out; right?

A. Just to be clear for the purpose of the Members of the Tribunal, the pit has a subsurface and above-surface portions. The above-surface portion is surrounded by a dike, much like the country of The Netherlands, which you may be familiar with. If that dike breaks above surface, if the water level is above the base of that dike, those fluids can exit, and if there are liquid oils in that, it would exit as well.

Q. And if a pit had oil in it, and it was simply covered with dirt and then the dike broke, that oil could come out as well?

A. If--I guess the exception to that case, Mr. Ewing, is that once the pit is covered with dirt, there is no

03:13 1 A. Yes.

Q. And are you aware of examples of where Sand fractures and fissures allowed oil contamination to migrate?

A. In the Oriente region of the Concession?

6 Q. In the Oriente Region.

7 A. I observed one location where that had occurred 8 that via Sand migration, and that was at the Shushufindi 9 Norte production station during the Judicial Inspection 10 that I described where I worked in concert with Mr. Davila. 11 There is one pit there that had been recently constructed 12 that contained fresh oil excavated into Sand in which there 13 was seepage of that fresh oil.

Q. Are you aware of any studies--

15 A. And that was in the year--I'm sorry, I should 16 specify. I believe it was in the Year 2004-2005. Sorry.

17 Q. Are you aware of any studies conducted by TexPet 18 or Texaco identifying the soil type before the pits were 19 dug?

A. No, I'm not aware of records of what investigations they did on the soils at the time, not that I had seen in this Concession Area.

Q. After TexPet or Texaco was leaving the Oriente, there were two audits conducted of TexPet's operations;

25 correct?

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03:11 1 longer any physical extension of the dike above ground 2 surface; it's been leveled. Therefore, there is no 3 propensity for there to be a rupture of that physical 4 feature above ground surface. Rather, that type of a 5 failure would require a rupture of the subsurface 6 surrounding clay material, which, from an engineering 7 perspective, is not likely to occur because of earth 8 pressure.

9 Therefore, I would not expect there to be that 10 type of release, unless that release would occur above the 11 ground surface, not below the ground surface.

Does that make sense?

Q. It makes sense, but it seems to be based on the assumption that pits are dug into a large flat level area. If a pit is dug into--next to the side of a hill, you no longer have--what did you call it? The ground tension or the ground strength to maintain it. You simply have a wall of your pit. Would you agree with me about that?

A. So, your hypothesis is that a pit is constructed at the edge of a steep incline, and if that incline were to fail, would the contents of the pit exit?

22 O. Correct.

23 A. Yes, I would agree with that.

Q. And you are aware of examples where pits

25 overtopped?

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3:15 1 A. There were two audits conducted of the Concession 2 operations because at that time TexPet had not been 3 operating for two years, but yes, there were two audits 4 conducted in the period of 1992 to 1993.

5 Q. So, when you clarify that TexPet had not been 6 operating for two years, TexPet was still part of the 7 Concession from 1990 to 1992; correct?

8 A. You know, I don't know what the legal arrangements
9 were. I believe that is my understanding, but they no
10 longer were operating. After June 30, 1990, all the
11 information I reviewed indicates that Petroecuador became
12 the sole operator of that facility, and TexPet was no

13 longer involved in the day-to-day operations.

Q. The two audits, one was conducted by HBT Agra and to one by Fugro-McClelland?

A. Yes.

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17 Q. And HBT Agra's audit was a joint audit between 18 TexPet and Petroecuador; correct?

19 A. That's my understanding, yes.

Q. And Fugro-McClelland was hired just by TexPet?

21 A. I believe that's correct.

22 Q. You described one of the purposes of the

23 environmental audits of the former Concession Area was to

24 characterize the current environmental conditions

25 immediately after TexPet left in 1992 to 1993?

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- 03:16 1 A. Are you looking at a particular document that we 2 could share?
 - 3 Q. Of course. I wasn't particularly, but we can look 4 at your 2010 Report, Paragraph 49.
 - A. Yes, I'm looking at that page now.
 - 6 Q. And in your opinion, these audits, "represent a 7 very thorough audit of oil field operations in the
 - 8 Concession." Correct?
 - A. Yes, and I explain in the paragraph what I mean by
 - 10 that. They inspected a very high percentage of the
 - 11 facilities in combination, 75 percent of the facilities,
 - 12 the audits that I have conducted of many other oil field
 - 13 facilities are commonly on the order of only 5 to
 - 14 10 percent of the facilities, so these audits were
 - 15 exceptional in that regard.
 - Q. First, you just said that you typically inspect 5
 - 17 to 10 percent of facilities. Is that what you just said?
 - 18 A. Yes, that's what I just said.
 - 19 Q. And based on that analysis of 5 to 10 percent of
 - 20 facilities, you were able to draw conclusions about the
 - 21 larger whole?
 - 22 A. Those particular audits are regulatory compliance
 - 23 audits, and they are specifically designed in accordance
 - 24 with the protocols that were first developed in the early
 - 25 Nineties to be of adequate design to characterize the

03:20 1 MR. EWING: Tab 17. 6-21. So it's Page 21 of 2 Section VI.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: The pagination is on the left-hand side.

5 Mr. Connor, have you got it?

6 THE WITNESS: Yes, I have it. Thank you.

BY MR. EWING:

- Q. They took 196 samples; is that correct?
- A. That's what the document says, yes.
 - Q. And that's just over one sample per site.
- 11 Let me save you the time. It's 1.2 samples per

12 site.

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- A. I think it's about 1.2 samples per site. It is whatever amount that they judged necessary to reach their conclusions. And it was satisfactory to their sponsors of
- 16 their work.
- Q. And you remember reading that HBT Agra found that 18 95 percent of the soil samples exceeded background levels
- 19 of oil contaminants?
- 20 A. I don't recall that specifically, but given that 21 they were specifically sampling the observed spills, that
- 22 would be consistent with their sampling practice.
- Q. And this is on Page 6-22. On that page it also
- 24 says that over half of the soil samples taken were above
- 25 the 5,000 micrograms per gram standard they were using?

03:18 1 environmental management system of the organization and its

- 2 ability to meet those regulations at the range of
- 3 facilities. That's different from estimating a volume of
- 4 impact. It's directed more towards--it's like an
- 5 accounting audit. But normally in those, it's a 5 to
- 6 10 percent survey. These were very different.
- 7 Q. And what HBT Agra did was inspect, physically
- 8 inspect, 50 percent of the well sites; is that right? And
- 9 I'm just looking at the middle of that paragraph.
- 10 A. Yes, that's the understanding I had from reviewing
- 11 their materials, correct.
- 12 Q. And that's 163 wells, according to your Report
- 13 here?
- 14 A. Yes, that was the information I obtained from the
- 15 report.
- 16 Q. Do you remember how many samples HBT Agra took to
- 17 evaluate the 163 sites that they visited?
- 18 A. No, I don't recall.
- 19 Q. If you could turn to Tab 17. This is Page 6-21 of
- 20 the HBT Agra report. It says here they took 196 samples.
- 21 A. What page, 621?
- 22 Q. 6-21.
- 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's not that easy.
- MR. EWING: Excuse me?
- 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Tab 17?

- 03:22 1 A. That's correct. That's what it says.
 - Q. And 5,000 micrograms per gram, is that the same as

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- 3 5,000-milligram per kilogram?
 - A. Yes.
- 5 Q. So, over half of the samples they took were above
- 6 the 5,000-milligram per kilogram standard?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And also on that page, they found that a wide
- 9 variety of sampled areas contained oil and grease levels
- 10 which exceed the criterion?
 - A. Correct.

- 12 Q. And that the "principal contaminant in analyzed
- 13 soils is oil"--this is on Page 6-23--"and that mobile and
- 14 toxic hydrocarbon compounds were also present"?
- 15 A. Where are you now on 6-23? Can you point me to 16 the paragraph?
- 17 Q. It's on the screen. It starts: "In summary, the 18 analytical data suggests or suggest."
- 19 A. Yes, that's correct. Their audit found that there 20 were materials to be addressed, and they described that in
- 21 their document.
- Q. And could you please now turn to Tab 11, that's
- 23 going to be in your first binder, just to keep you on your
- 24 toes. And towards the bottom right you will see page
- 25 numbers that start with CA-5, and we're most interested in

03:24 1 the 697, the last three numbers. This is Table 6-4. And you understand this is the scoring system that

3 HBT Agra used to rate the potential environmental impacts 4 that they found?

- A. That's what I understand it to be, yes.
- Q. And under "high," it lists "pit containing oil is 7 present. Contaminants appear to have migrated out of the 8 pit."
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. So, you would agree with me that where HBT Agra 11 12 assigns a "high" rating, the auditors saw pits with oil
- present that had migrated out of the pits?
- A. Yes, on the surface, if you read the report. They
- 15 weren't drilling borings to find that. They had been
- 16 overtopping those pits, and they were identified as things
- 17 that need to be remediated, and subsequently were
- 18 remediated as part of the Remedial Action Plan.
- 19 Q. Is it your testimony that all of the pits that HBT
- 20 Agra found as "high" were remediated as part of the RAP? A. No. The RAP was an agreement between the Parties,
- 22 it listed a specific list of pits at specific sites and
- 23 those were remediated in the RAP. Others that HBT Agra may
- 24 have observed, if not included in the RAP, could remain
- 25 after the RAP, some of them still do today.

- 03:28 1 of "high" and the comments of "pit seepage," this means it 2 was a pit containing oil seeping outside of the pit.
 - A. I think that would be consistent with their 4 classification system, yes.
 - Q. And if you turn one page earlier, to 699, if you look at Shushufindi A 30, this is also classified as
 - "high"; correct?
 - 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. And again this would mean that there are pits containing oil that has migrated out of the pit?
 - A. Correct, due to overtopping or other events like 11 that, but they weren't indicating a subsurface migration, they're not tagging these for remediation.
 - Q. To clarify, they're not indicating anything about how it's migrated; correct? 15
 - A. In that language they're not, but as you noted, 17 that there were not an extensive number of soil samples 18 taken, sufficient for their purposes and sufficient for
 - 19 their clients. However, they did not conduct borings
 - 20 around these pits, they made physical observations of the
 - 21 ground surface. So, accordingly, in the context of the
 - 22 Report, if you read it carefully, those observations
 - 23 indicate surface seepage which can occur and apparently did
 - 24 occur in these cases.
 - 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mind if I ask a question? The

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Q. So, when you said they were identified as things 2 that needed to be remediated and were subsequently

- 3 remediated as part of the Remediation Action Plan, you 4 meant that some of them were remediated by TexPet as a part 5 of the RAP?
 - A. Yes. Only TexPet did the remediation.
- 7 Petroecuador did not do their remediation until many years
- 8 later with the inception of the PEPDA program.
- 9 Petroecuador has undertaken an aggressive program to
- 10 remediate pits that had been left to life out over 20
- 11 years.
- Q. Again, I would ask you to try and constrain 12
- 13 yourself to the questions.
- 14 Could you turn to the page that ends in 700, so
- 15 it's CA-5 000700.
- A. Yes, I see that. 16
- Q. And at the bottom of the page, you can see there 17
- 18 is an entry for Auca 1. It's A-U and then a one.
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And it has a listing of "high"? 20
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- Q. And in the comments for this site it says: "Well
- pad spill. Pit seepage." 23
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And you would agree with me that given the rating

- 03:29 1 first was in reference to pit seepage, and the second 2 reference was to pit discharge. What's the difference, do 3 you think was intended by the different terms?
 - THE WITNESS: I can answer that. I should be 5 cautious. I will interpret it as I see it and not 6 necessarily how they use the words.
 - A pit seepage would suggest that fluids were
 - coming through the surrounding soil, they were seeping through it, much like cheese can sweat when you can see the
 - 10 fluid coming out of it. Whereas a discharge would be an
 - 11 overtopping, an actual fluid flow that would move over the
 - 12 top of the dike and flow as a liquid rather than seeping. 13 Does that make sense?
 - 14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You tell me.

 - THE WITNESS: I think it does. So, one is a slow 15 seepage through a soil face and the other is actually a 17 fluid flow over the dike.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 18
 - 19 BY MR. EWING:
 - Q. As President Veeder just pointed out, this says 20 21 pits discharged to the stream, so the stream seems to have
 - 22 received some of the pit's contents. Would you agree with
 - 23 me?
 - 24 A. Yes.
 - And do you know if that stream was remediated

- 03:31 1 during the RAP?

 - 3 the RAP records to see if that was addressed or not.
 - 4 There's a lot of sites in there. I can't recall offhand
 - 5 without checking. If it was assigned to TexPet, there were
 - 6 a number of remediations of that nature, but I don't recall
 - 7 if this specific site was on that list.
 - 8 Q. So, you are testifying now that the RAP included a 9 number of remediations of streams?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And you visited this site in December 2003;
 - 12 correct?
 - 13 A. Which site?
 - 14 O. Shushufindi 30.
 - 15 A. I would need to look at my list. I have it--would
 - 16 you mind if I looked in my Report on that chart? It says
 - 17 when I visited.
 - 18 Q. You may look at any of your Reports at any point.
 - 19 Please.
 - 20 A. Okay.
 - 21 Yes.
 - 22 As it says on Table 2(c) in my September 3rd, 2010
 - 23 Report, I conducted a Pre-Inspection of this site in 2003,
 - 24 and I believe that would it have been December 2003.
 - Q. And do you remember whether you investigated this

- 03:34 1 standard construction was that, as the backhoe excavates
 - 2 the pits, the soils that are moved are placed around the
 - 3 pit in a dike to provide extra fluid capacity, so some
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{4}}$ portion is below ground, some portion is above ground.
 - 5 Q. How thick are those walls of the dikes that they 6 put around the pits?
 - A. I don't know. They appear quite variable, and I
 - 8 can't recall all of them. Some dikes would be a meter
 - 9 thick or more, and there could be some--there were some
 - 10 that were less.
 - $\,$ One of the pits that I saw that remained open, the
 - 12 dikes were not always present in the non-RAP pits.
 - Q. So, at Shushufindi 55, your testimony is that the oil contamination has seeped through the dike walls based
 - 5 on what HBT Agra found?
 - A. I told you that that's my interpretation of their
 - 17 language, and it appears there is some release from that
 - 18 pit that they're recording.
 - 9 Q. And we will come back to Shushufindi 55. And as
 - 20 you know, and I think as the Tribunal knows, we will be
 - 21 going there on a site visit. But for now, could you turn
 - 22 to Page 960 in the same document, so it is Tab 11
 - 23 CA-5 000960.
 - 24 And just so the Transcript is clear for the
 - 25 future, when we all go back to read this, this is

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03:32 1 stream?

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- 2 A. No, I don't remember that.
- 3 Q. I am just asking your memory. We will come back 4 to it potentially later.
- 5 Turning back to the HBT Report, could you look 6 down a little bit further, the Shushufindi B55.
- 7 A. Is that on the same Page 699?
- 8 Q. Correct.
 - A. Yes, I see that.
- 10 Q. And again, it says the rating is "high;" correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And again it says "pit seepage."
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. So, your understanding of pit seepage is that is
- 15 oil contaminant that is coming out of the soil from that
- 16 pit?
- 17 A. My understanding is that would be fluid seeping
- 18 through the earthen dikes around the pit above surface such
- 19 that you could visibly observe that. I think that's how I
- 20 would interpret that. Although I'm not certain exactly
- 21 what they mean by that.
- Q. So, your understanding is that, let's say just for
- 23 example, half of a pit will be below ground level, and then
- 24 half of a pit will be dikes around the pit?
- 25 A. I don't know if it's half and half, but the

03:36 1 Claimants' Exhibit C-13.

- 2 So, this is still a part of the HBT Agra Report
- 3 from 1992 to 1993, and this table, F-5 is a description of
- 4 contamination associated with well site pits.
 - Do you see that table?
 - A. Yes.

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- 7 Q. And in the middle of the page, do you see their
- 8 assessment that there are a total of 126 "yes" pits?
- 9 A. I don't think I'm following that. Do you have
- .0 that highlighted on your screen?
 - O. Yes.
- 12 A. It's on the middle of the page, total yes, I
- 13 believe I do see that now.
- 14 Q. And their assessment, "there were 126 open or
- 15 closed pits with evidence of oil in the pit and/or evidence
- 16 of oil migrating beyond the confines of the pit."
- 17 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- 19 Q. And if you go down a few lines, do you see that
- 20 the total number of pits is 202?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. So, in HBT Agra's analysis, that was primarily
- 23 visual, they found 126 out of 202 pits had evidence of oil
- 24 in the pit and/or migrating beyond the confines of the pit;
- 25 would you agree?

03:38 1 A. Yes, I would agree with that, with the caveat that
2 given, as you pointed out, they were not drilling beneath
3 the ground but these were observations at the ground
4 surface. They saw that oil had overtopped or otherwise
5 left the confines of that pit.

They did do other subsurface investigations, and they concluded that there was not significant migration subsurface. So, comparing to my work, we would discuss those latter observations, the subsurface. But on the surface, yes, they found materials had gone beyond the confines of the pit, in a number of circumstances.

- 12 Q. So, as far as you know, HBT Agra never used the 13 backhoe to excavate or analyze any of these pits?
- $14\,$ $\,$ A. Yes, they did do backhoe tests, and they provided $15\,$ information for that.
- 16 Q. Wouldn't a backhoe test be subsurface analysis?
- 17 A. Yes, it is. And based on those backhoe tests they
- 18 conclude that that have not observed significant subsurface
- 19 migration or impacts on groundwater, and that's an
- 20 important observation in their report. They do see pits
- 21 that need attention. They do see materials on the surface
- 22 outside the confines of that pit. But in whole, the
- $23\,$ conclusions that they raise or they come to, and I have
- 24 explained those in my 2013 Report, are they do not have
- 25 significant subsurface problems with these pits.

03:42 1 what they're doing with these numbers, but, you know, the
2 numbers they present or what they say. So, I'm not quite
3 sure if the 43 is part of the 50. I haven't been able to
4 figure that out.

5 Q. So, they definitely, though, are saying that 50 6 have oil wastes confined in the pit, 43 have oil wastes in 7 open pits where that oil has migrated beyond the confines 8 of the pit, 33 have oil wastes in covered pits where the 9 oil waste is present beyond the confines of a pit. That's

10 what they're saying.
11 A. Oh, I see it. Yeah, yeah. The 33 and the 13 are

12 the sum of all of the covered pits that they have seen.

13 There is 46 of those. They talk about that early in the 14 Report and they indicate that the majority of those were

15 pits that were closed between '90 and '92, and that was

16 what I was speaking about earlier in $my\ presentation.$ So,

17 those are--so, those two should be added to get the total 18 number of covered pits.

19 Q. Right. And I wasn't asking about the total number 20 of covered pits. I'm just asking, they're finding 43 open 21 pits with oil migrating, 33 closed pits with oil migrating?

A. Correct.

Q. And this Report was submitted in 1994; right?

A. I believe the date is 1993. They submitted two

25 different reports, one that had a Corrective Action Plan in

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03:39 1 Q. You see below here also that they found 50 pits 2 with liquid oil confined to the pits; right?

3 A. Yes.

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Q. And 43 of those where that oil waste had migrated beyond those open pits.

A. Are those the same pits, do you think? I'm not sure I'm reading that correctly.

Q. My understanding is that there are 76 total pits where oil had migrated beyond the open or closed pit.

Is that how you would read that?

11 A. No, I haven't looked at this table carefully 12 enough to understand that.

13 Q. Take your time for a moment.

14 A. So, I--oh, you want me to look at it? Okay. 15 (Witness reviews document.)

16 A. Can I borrow a pen or a pencil? Or other 17 stenographic device?

18 Q. Of course.

19 A. Hey, thank you.

20 Thanks, Professor.

21 (Pause.)

22 Q. Mr. Connor, I think we can agree that HBT Agra

23 doesn't necessarily organize how we would have liked them 24 to organize.

25 A. I'm sorry, Mr. Ewing. I can't quite figure out

03:44 1 it, and one that did not, and it's--they're hard to keep 2 straight.

3 There is a final version that's submitted in 1997.

4 So, the publication dates can be a bit confusing.

Q. Let's skip the publication date. This analysis,

6 this review that they did was between 1992 and 1993;

7 correct?

8 A. I believe that most of the site investigation work 9 was in the Year 1992.

10 Q. And if you could turn back to page--it ends in 11 957. So, it's CA-5000957.

12 A. Yes.

Q. And do you see the entry here for Sacha 94?

14 A. Yes, I do.

15 Q. And there are two pits described in the table for 16 Sacha 94; right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And according to the key on this table, these pits

19 have oily waste present in them. Do you see that?

20 A. Just a moment.

21 (Pause.)

Yes, that's correct.

Q. And in the column that says "oil condition,

24 fluid/tar, " at Sacha 94 they found fluid oil in them;

25 right?

- 03:46 1 A. That's what it says, yes.
 - Q. And that's not the only well site for well pits 3 that we see on this table with fluid oil in them; correct?
 - A. Yes. They do contain fluid, as do the presently 5 open pits.
 - Q. And you visited this site at least three times as 7 a part of Chevron's Pre-Inspections. Do you remember that?
 - A. I did visit this site. I could refer to my Report 9 to tell you the dates and how many times, if you wish.
 - Q. My understanding is that you visited on
 - 11 January 15th, 2004, May 27th, 2004, and July 27th, 2004.
 - Do those sound approximately right?
 - A. I don't know when I visited the site.
 - Q. It was in 2004? You can look at your Report,
 - 15 Mr. Connor. Please.
 - A. Well, I'm just telling you, I mean, whenever I
 - 17 visited, I visited. I just don't remember the dates.
 - Q. Okay. And you were aware that TexPet shut in this 18 19 well in 1986?
 - A. Am I aware as we sit here today? I may have been
 - 21 aware of that one time. I don't remember the details of
 - 22 this particular well site.
 - O. And I put up here an excerpt from the clickable
 - 24 database that GSI prepared for Sacha 94, and this is an
 - 25 excerpt from the Fugro-McClelland report, Table 6.2, and

- 03:49 1 A. If the shut-in has been properly implemented, no, 2 you would not expect there to be continued production until 3 such time as an operator decided to do so.
 - Q. And we can assume that TexPet would have properly shut in its wells?
 - A. I saw no evidence that they had not done that, but 7 I did not assess that as part of my work.
 - Q. So, when HBT Agra auditors inspected Sacha 94 in 9 1992 and saw fluid oil, the well had stopped all oil 10 production for approximately six years; is that correct?
 - A. If these numbers are correct, that would be 11 correct. I can't speak to whether or not the information
 - in the database is complete. But if we accept those numbers, yes, that would be approximately six years.
 - Q. So, accepting that Fugro-McClelland has an 15 16 accurate date for when the well was shut in, and HBT Agra
 - 17 accurately recorded when they actually went there, that's a six-year period between the end of production and when the
 - site was investigated; right?
 - A. Correct.
 - 21 ARBITRATOR LOWE: Sorry, just a small point of
 - 22 clarification. The line above the line that you're
 - 23 referring to has two dashes in the box for the shut-in
 - 24 date. Could you just explain the significance of that? Is
 - 25 that a separate facility, or is it an aspect of the same

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- 03:48 1 this shows that this well was shut in on October 14th, 2 1986; right?
 - MS. RENFROE: Pardon me, Mr. Ewing, do you have a 4 tab number?
 - 5 MR. EWING: Tab 21.
 - MS. RENFROE: Thank you.
 - MR. EWING: You're welcome.
 - THE WITNESS: Sweet.
 - 9 BY MR. EWING:
 - O. Don't get too excited. It's not the whole 11 clickable database.
 - The tab number again? 12 A.
 - 13 0. 21.
 - And when a well is shut in, that means its 14
 - 15 production of oil stops; correct?
 - A. "Shut in" means that it's temporarily removed from 16
 - 17 service. It hasn't been plugged and abandoned, and it
 - 18 retains the capacity of being re-entered and used for a
 - 19 variety of different purposes. But it's shut-in at that

 - 20 time commonly would involve the placement of a plug to 21 isolate the surface from the production zone, a temporary
 - 22 plug that can be removed.
 - Q. So, when a well is shut in, you would not expect
 - 24 oil to continue coming out of it unless someone came back
 - 25 and removed the plug; correct?

03:51 1 well? 2

- MR. EWING: I would be happy to explain, but I 3 would also be happy to give it to Mr. Connor.
- THE WITNESS: I'm glad to make you happy.
- That refers to the same well, but it's two 5
- different actions taken at the same well. If you look at
- 7 the different lines in that row, starting at the far left,
- you will see they're identical. Well Number Sacha 94, spud
- date--that means the date that the drilling commenced or
- 10 the same date. Completion date is the same date. Last
- 11 workover date. Everything is the same until you get to the
- 12 date of the production method. At that well, the pump has
- 13 been--a submersible pump has been replaced with a hydraulic
- 14 pump in 1986. And shortly after that, the well is shut in.
- So, yes, they do refer to the same well. 15
- 16 Q. And Mr. Connor, in your 2010 Report to this
- 17 Tribunal, you listed the Judicial Inspection Reports as
- cited documents in your Report; is that correct?
- 19 A. I did cite a number of them, and I believe I put as many of them as I could in there. Yes, they were cited.
- Q. But not all of those were actually submitted with 22 your Report?
- 23 A. I don't know which of those were submitted with the Report.
 - Q. And did you rely on those reports in coming to

03:53 1 your conclusions in your 2010 Expert Report?

- A. I relied on the entirety of the data that was
- 3 compiled in those reports. I did review those reports for
- 4 their conclusions. My conclusions were not wholly
- 5 dependent on those reports. They were dependent on all of
- 6 the data that was collected by the different Parties,
- 7 including the Plaintiffs and Mr. Cabrera.
- Q. And in your list of cited documents, Shushufindi 4
- 9 is the sixth from the top. And, to make this clear, it's
- 10 Tab 5, and this is your 2010 Report at Page 81, and we have
- 11 it up on the screen, if you would like to--it's easier that
- way.

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- 13 A. Oh, this is the 2010 Report?
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 - A. Yeah, I'll just look at my own copy then.
- The page number again? Excuse me. 16
- 17 O. Eighty-one.
- A. Yes, I see that, and your--but I don't recall your 18
- 19 question, Mr. Ewing. Excuse me.
- 20 Q. Sorry?
- A. I didn't recall your question. 21
- 22 Q. Shushufindi 4 is listed at the top of this page;
- 23 correct? Sixth from the top?
- A. Page 81? 24
- O. Correct.

- 03:57 1 Judicial Inspection Report for Shushufindi 4 at Tab 23. I
 - 2 provided to you excerpts because, as I think you know,
 - 3 Mr. Connor, these Judicial Inspection Reports can be
 - 4 thousands of pages, and we already felt guilty enough about
 - the number of pages that we have printed.
 - A. Okay.

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- Mr. Baca finds--
- 8 MR. EWING: Actually, Mr. President, when--I don't
- 9 remember when we started--when are we timed for a break?
- 10 Do we want to go longer? Or should we stop for a break
- 11 now?
- 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I was looking over to see who
- decides these things. I think you should have a break now.
- We'll take a break, but can we just say we are going to
- finish by 5:30 today?
- MR. EWING: Yes, we can definitely finish by 5:30. 16
- 17 I will probably have more questions than 5:30.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Then we will continue tomorrow. 18
- I just didn't want a repetition of yesterday.
 - MR. EWING: 5:30 is perfect for us.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: We think 5:30 would be the
- 22 latest.

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- 23 MR. EWING: 5:30 is great.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: You will have more questions
- 25 going over into tomorrow. Are you up to speed or behind or

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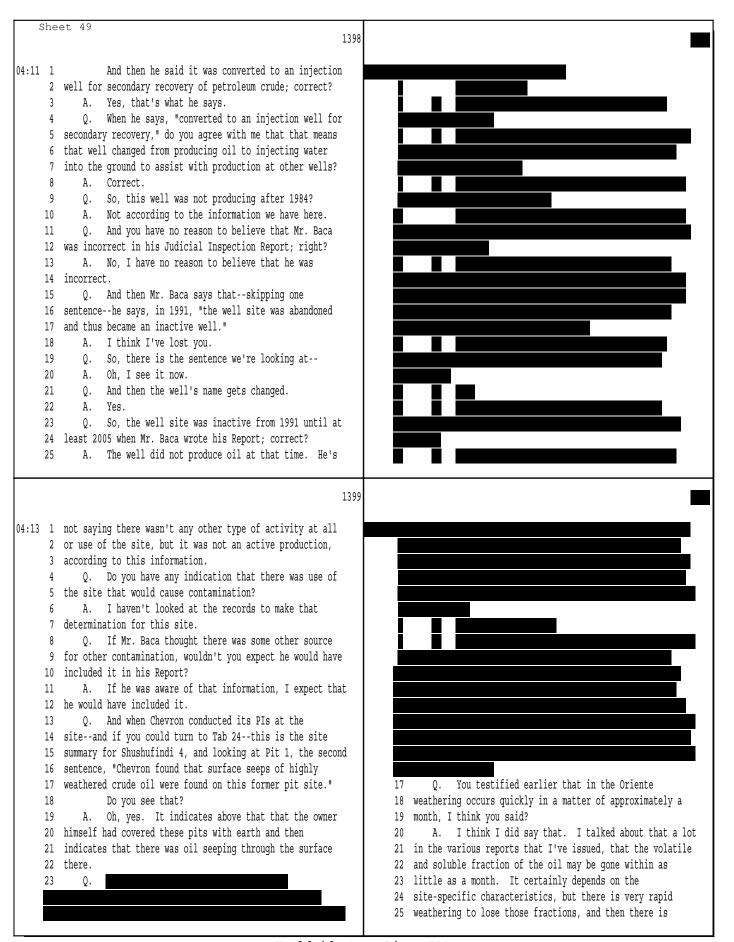
- A. Oh, under the list of--it's not from the top of
 - 2 the page but under the reports by experts nominated on 3 behalf of Chevron.
 - Yes, it's the sixth line under that heading.
 - O. And this was not a RAP site?
 - A. I don't recall without looking at the list if it
 - 7 was or not.
 - Q. If you want to look at the list, or look at the 9 site summary for this Shushufindi 4, it is Tab 20. And we
 - 10 put the excerpt on the screen.
 - And the Judicial Inspection Report submitted for
 - 12 this site was by Ernesto Baca. Do you remember that?
 - A. That's indicated in the index here, yes.
 - Q. And Mr. Baca worked for GSI at the time you wrote 14
 - 15 this Report?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - MS. RENFROE: Tab 20 pertains to a different site. 17
 - THE WITNESS: Yeah, I'm not finding it.
 - 19 MR. EWING: It should say Shushufindi 4, unless
 - 20 our--

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- 21 MS. RENFROE: Tab 20 says Sacha 94.
- 22 MR. EWING: Sorry, it is Tab 22.
- 23 Thank you, Tracie.
- 24 BY MR. EWING:
- Q. Could we turn then to--we have excerpts of the

03:59 1 ahead?

- MR. EWING: I think we are up to speed, would be 2
- 3 my expectation.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take ten minutes. And we 5
- will come back at ten minutes past 4:00.
- (Brief recess.)
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
 - BY MR. EWING:
- 9 Q. Mr. Connor, would you turn to Tab 23, please. And
- this is the excerpts from Mr. Baca's Judicial Inspection
- 11 Report of Shushufindi 4.
 - A. Yes, I'm there.
- 13 Q. And for our record, it is Exhibit R-954.
- And do you see where he says in the description of
- 15 the well site that the well produced until 1984. That
- means that it produced oil; is that correct?
- A. Which page are you on, Mr. Ewing? I'm sorry if I 17
- wasn't paying adequate attention.
- Q. I'm sure it was my fault for missing the page.
- 20 Page Number 2. Page numbers are important.
- He says the well produced until 1984. Do you see
- 22 that?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And when he says the well produced, he means the
- 25 well produced oil until 1984; right?



- 04:20 1 slower weathering to convert to a principally resident 2 asphaltene fraction. But those very light ends are lost 3 rather quickly.
 - Q. So just to make sure this is clear, petroleum or 5 crude oil is made up of varying length chains of
 - 6 hydrocarbons, C4, C6, C8, C10, C12, C14 and on up. And
 - 7 that's the number of carbons in these chains of carbon; 8 correct?
 - A. Yes, except there is alkanes and aliphatics, some 10 in a ring shape and some are in a straight line, but there 11 are of different dimensions, yes.
 - O. So, when oil is described, you're talking about 13 fractions, or you're talking about the light ranges or the
 - 14 heavy ranges. When you referred to the light ranges, you
 - 15 tend to mean the ones that are C4, 6, 8 and 10; is that 16 correct?
 - A. Yes, I think that's correct. Fractions of carbon, 17 18 molecules that have less than 10 carbons would generally
 - 19 fall within the gasoline range organics, and that's a light
 - end. Considered light, yes.
 - Q. And your testimony is the gasoline range or these
 - 22 light end carbons would disappear within one month within
 - 23 the Oriente?
 - A. They would disappear relatively quickly. I
 - 25 can't--my testimony is not that that will happen all the

04:23 1 gasoline range organics typically will weather or disappear 2 in a month, in or around a month?

> A. Again, I wouldn't testify to it in a month. I'm 4 saying that it happens relatively quickly if the material is exposed to the environment, particularly to the air. It will use its volatile fraction.

There were many samples that were taken in the 8 pits, and there were trace level benzene measurements that were found in some of the open pits, but the composition of 10 that oil was still consistent with the weathered oil. High 11 concentrations of that material are indicative of

12 relatively fresh oil, and those were seen at times as well.

- Q. So just again clarify the technical terms, you 13 said trace levels of benzene. Benzene is one of the
- components of the gasoline range of petroleum hydrocarbons; 16 correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. So, when we look at Mr. Slocum's report from
- 19 Shushufindi 4,

and then when he did his analysis about two-thirds

- 21 of the way through Pit one, it said one sample within the 22 pit demonstrated TPH DRO of 5,200 milligrams per kilograms
- and TPH GRO of 24 milligrams per kilogram; right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. So, this is a smaller amount of GRO, of the

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- 04:22 1 time within a month, but that the rates of volatilization 2 and loss of that light fraction is so high as to make it 3 difficult to date a sample within a month's time.
 - 0. So, just--
 - A. Pretty much like if you were pumping gas at the 6 service station, that liquid that you spill on the ground, 7 that's light end hydrocarbon. And the short amount of time 8 after you spill it, it's gone. It's the same process that
 - 9 occurs when crude oil is in the environment and loses its
 - 10 light end--a little bit slower than that because it has to 11 get out of the oil, but it loses that relatively quickly.
 - Q. And that's though when you're at the gas station, 13 if you do spill or if someone else has spilled, that's the
 - 14 smell you can smell typically. Is that the volatile
 - 15 component of the gasoline; correct?
 - A. Yes, in that case, the smell would be associated 16 17 with the volatiles. With the crude oil, the smell is more
 - 18 related to the thiol compounds which are a heavy sulphur

 - 19 compound, but with gasoline, yes, you're smelling the 20 volatile compounds.
 - Q. And when you say "volatile," part of the
 - 22 definition of "volatile" is it's those aspects that can be
 - 23 released into the air?
 - 24 A. In general, yes.
 - Q. Okay. So, you're saying that the volatile, the

04:25 1 volatiles; correct?

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- A. Yes. The fresh crude oil, if I remember the 3 numbers correctly in that field, contains on the Order of
- 4 20,000 parts per million of the light ends, the GROs.
- 5 That's determined by a topping test where that will be
- 6 removed. If I remember correctly, it's approximately
- 7 20 percent, so that 20,000 number in this case is
- diminished down to 24, so it's clearly a very significant
- loss of the light ends, although not a complete loss, most likely due to the water cap that was on that pit.
- Q. And again, this is 20 years after this pit was shut in and no longer producing?
- A. After the well was shut in. 13
 - 0. Correct. After the well was shut in?
 - Correct, that's right.
- In reality, this oil was probably put into this 16 17 pit well before that, before the well was shut in; correct?
 - A. We don't know that for sure, but if it were from
- that well, it would have been before that time, yes.
- Q. And you mentioned two things I'd like to come back
- 21 to. One is that the pit that was covered and, therefore, 22 you expected some of the GRO, the volatiles to still
- 23 remain, and you mentioned that it would be covered by soil
- 24 or by water. By covering a pit like this with soil or
- 25 water, that removes the oxygen; correct?

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04:26 1 A. The pit that has a soil or water cap on it, and a 2 hydrocarbons source in it will see its oxygen consumed 3 relatively quickly by aerobic bacteria, and after that time 4 the anaerobic bacteria will dominate the digestion process 5 for biodegrading the oil, so you would expect the oxygen to 6 drop, Mr. Ewing, in a short amount of time.

7 Q. And I think you're anticipating my questions about 8 bacteria again.

9 The question is, and I think you would agree with 10 me, the oxygen would definitely drop when the pit is 11 covered with soil or with water?

A. Well, just to be clear, if you have an open pit
with oil in it, it's particularly in oily sediments, then
you will have consumption of the oxygen relatively quickly,
whether there is earth on top of it or not because the
oxygen will only be replenished by diffusion. That's a
very slow process, or by fresh rainwater falling in. But
it would not be enough to sustain the aerobic bacterial

it would not be enough to sustain the aerobic bacterial process.

Q. And as a result of the fact that these pits are

21 capped with water or soil, that's why you then are not 22 surprised to see DRO of 5,000 or amounts of GRO in this

23 pit?

24 A. Well, the GRO that's in the pit is decreased by a 25 factor of 1,000-fold, but there certainly can be some

04:30 1 than if you're in an open pit.

Q. Mr. Connor, you reviewed all of the sites that LBG sampled during 2013 and 2014; right?

A. Yes.

Q. And you have reviewed all of the data specifically

 $\ensuremath{\mathrm{6}}$ for the four sites that the Republic nominated for the

7 upcoming site visits; correct?

8 A. Those are included among those 13 if I recall 9 correctly, yes.

Q. Correct. The four are a subset of the 13?

11 A. Yes

12 Q. So, your first answer, I guess, answers my second 13 question as well. You're right.

14 A. I hope so.

15 Q. And you have included your conclusions on those 16 sites in your Reports submitted after LBG's sampling was 17 completed; correct?

18 A. Yes, the sampling by the Ecuador experts was in a 19 number of phases, but I did submit reports after those

20 phases of work.

21 Q. So, if we look at Page 35 of your 2015 Report, and 22 you discuss Shushufindi 34, and you said, "it's an open

23 non-RAP pit located northwest of the platform and has yet

24 to be addressed by Petroecuador."

Do you see that?

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04:28 1 remnants of that light end hydrocarbons held up within
2 those said sediments and oils in that pit, yes, but it's
3 1/1000th of what it was originally when placed in the pit,
4 if I remember my numbers correctly.

Well, excuse me. No, it's more. The 20 percent is 220,000; 20,000 is only 2 percent, so that the original fraction of GRO in that material should have been on the Order of 200,000, and now it's 24, so that's 10,000 times

9 smaller, and that's consistent with what we have observed

10 when oil is placed in the open environment, so it's 11 1/10,000ths of its original light end composition, if I

12 remember my numbers correctly.

13 Q. So, to come back to my question, if you have a pit 14 that is covered with oil--rephrase that.

15 If you have a pit that is covered with soil, you 16 agree with me that the oxygen will be quickly removed from 17 that pit?

18 A. Yes, I believe the oxygen would be quickly 19 removed, whether or not the pit was covered with soil.

20 Q. So, open or closed, oxygen will be removed from 21 the pit?

22 A. It would be faster in this environment if it's 23 covered because rainwater in this area brings in three

24 meters a year, and rainwater is oxygen saturated. So, you

25 would have faster depletion of the oxygen if you're covered

04:32 1 A. Yes.

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Q. And then looking at Appendix B--this is Tab 29 of your Report--sorry. This is Tab 29 of our binder or

4 Appendix B of your Report?

A. Tab 29?

Q. It's Tab 29 in our binder.

A. Okay.

8 Q. If you would turn to Page 16.

A. Of Appendix B?

10 Q. Of Appendix B or Tab 29. They are the same.

11 And at the bottom of that page you see--you again 12 describe the open non-RAP pit, "The undocumented pit can be

13 clearly seen as early as 1975."

14 A. Yes, that was an aerial photograph that was

15 located by Mr. Cabrera and included in his document, and

16 then posted on the Petroecuador Web site, at which time 17 that pit was first identified.

8 Q. The pit at Shushufindi 34, you're saying, was

19 first identified in a Cabrera Report that was posted on the 20 Petroecuador Web site?

21 A. Yes, Mr. Cabrera compiled--he did an aerial

22 photography survey, and he compiled his list of identified

23 pits. This particular pit was on that list. And then that 24 list was used by Petroecuador. Sometime after that list

25 was issued or actually in the same year, two pits were

- 04:35 1 closed at this site by Petroecuador, but that pit was not 2 closed.
 - 3 Q. Okay. So, if you could look at the images I have 4 on the screen, these are from your Appendix C, the 1976
 - 5 image is on the left, and the 1985 image is on the right.
 - 6 And in these images, we can see that the images--that the 7 pit is clearly there in 1976; right?
 - 8 A. Yes, you can see that.
 - Q. And in 1985 you can no longer see it; right?
 - 10 A. It may be due to vegetation overgrowing, but you 11 don't see it there at that time.
 - 12 O. So, in 1985, if I tried to walk to that pit,
 - 13 you're saying that it looks to be overgrown by the jungle?
 - A. I believe if you went to that pit today, you would
 - 15 see that it's surrounded by tall trees, unless they've been
 - 16 cleared by the landowner, but in this case I can't say for
 - 17 sure, Mr. Ewing, but you can see there's a lot of trees
 - 18 that have grown into a formerly cleared area. You can't
 - 19 say definitively whether the pit is still there or if it's
 - 20 just obscured by the canopy.
 - Q. I can tell you this is not how it looks today, but
 - 22 we will go to that when we take the Tribunal down there,
 - 23 and we will discuss the site more. But for now you would
 - 24 agree with me, though, that this pit is not evident in the
 - 25 aerial photography as of 1985?

- 04:38 1 have been remediated as demonstrated by the other
 - 2 facilities that we visited.
 - Q. And you've seen the photos that LBG has taken at 4 Shushufindi 34; correct?
 - A. I've seen some of them, yes.
 - 6 Q. And just to refresh your memory, these should be
 - 7 coming up on the screen now. This is the open pit at
 - 8 Shushufindi 34 we will be visiting, and you can see there 9 it is no longer covered by tall trees.
 - 10 A. That's right. I believe it looks like the natural 11 vegetation has been cleared and they planted papaya trees.
 - 12 That's what it looks like today. So the open non-RAP pit
 - 13 remains in place as they do at many sites.
 - 14 Q. And do you dispute that these photos show liquid 15 oil?
 - 16 A. It's difficult to say from this photo, certainly
 - 17 you have groundwater in there and it looks very oily,
 - 18 whether or not that's oil or the droplets have coalesced, I
 - 19 can't say clearly without seeing it directly, but there is
 - 20 clear evidence that there is oily material in that
 - 21 location, yes.
 - Q. We will have a chance to see it in about a month's
 - 23 time, so we will come back to these when we're standing
 - 24 here, okay?
 - 25 A. Okay.

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- 04:36 1 A. In the 1985 photo, the pit is not discernible.
 - Q. And I don't think you mentioned it in your Report, but this well was shut in by TexPet in 1983 as well;
 - 4 correct?
 - 5 A. I don't recall. I'd have to look at the records.
 - Q. Okay. And when LBG visited this site, they found
 - 7 the liquid crude and, in fact, you note on page 16 of your
 - 8 appendix that, "Ecuador experts claimed to have found free
 - 9 flowing, liquid oil just below the surface within the pit
 - 10 boundary."
 - 11 A. I lost track of you there, Mr. Ewing. I
 - 12 apologize.
 - 13 Q. On Page 16 you just repeat what Ecuador's experts
 - 14 had found, claimed to have found.
 - 15 A. Yeah, I characterized--I actually quote a
 - 16 statement from their Report.
 - 17 Q. And you say, "claimed to have found." Do you have
 - 18 any reason to believe that they didn't find it?
 - 19 A. That word is just to characterize that this was
 - 20 their statement. They stated that. I don't have any
 - 21 reason to believe that that was not correct.
 - 22 Q. And one of your explanations for why liquid crude
 - 23 is still found in this pit from 1976 is if this pit was not
 - 24 included in the TexPet RAP; is that correct?
 - 25 A. Yes. If it had been in the TexPet RAP, it would

- 04:39 1 Q. Let's move on from Shushufindi 34 and talk about 2 Shushufindi 55, another site that we will be visiting and 3 that LBG investigated.
 - In your 2015 Report, at Page 37, which should be
 - 5 the next page from where we just were, you were stating--6 MS. RENFROE: Pardon me, we were just, and perhaps
 - 7 $\,$ I'm lost, but we were just in B-16 in the Appendix B of the
 - 8 Report. Are you taking us to a different place in his
 - 9 Report?

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- 10 MR. EWING: Yes, I am. Let me correct my relative 11 references and make them absolute.
 - BY MR. EWING:
- 13 Q. If you could look into your January 2015
- 14 Report--this is Tab 19 of our binder, and we're looking at
- 15 Page 37.
 - A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And this is your one-paragraph description of
- 18 Shushufindi 55. Did you find that?
 - A. Yes, I have.
- 20 Q. And this is the same Shushufindi 55 where HBT Agra
- 21 found that the pit was seeping oil, that we were discussing
- 22 earlier. Do you remember that from about an hour ago?
- 23 A. No, I don't recall that, but that may be the same
- 24 well. This is a non-RAP pit, it may be the same one that
- 25 HBT Agra visited.

- 04:41 1 O. Would you like to go back to it, or would you like 2 to take my word for it? We're still talking about 3 Shushufindi 55?

 - A. I don't think we need to go back to it, Mr. Ewing, 5 unless you prefer that I do that.
 - Q. No, I think that I'm right.
 - And you looked at Chevron's data and LBG's data 8 for this site; correct?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - Q. And you concluded that, and I quote your third 10
 - 11 sentence, "sampling and testing at the Shushufindi 55 well
 - 12 site show a limited extent of impacts to wetland sediments
 - 13 beyond the foot print of the facility."
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes. 15
 - Q. And Mr. Cabrera also went to this site and sampled 16
 - 17 at this site; correct?
 - 18 A. Correct.
 - Q. And did you include his results in forming your 19
 - 20 conclusion?
 - A. His results are not plotted on this map. The
 - 22 Chevron results that were collected at that time are
 - 23 plotted on this map.
 - Q. To be clear, we're not relying on those either at
 - 25 this point. We're just talking about Chevron and LBG

- 04:45 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And with this page's reference, we know that
 - 3 Shushufindi 55 was drilled in 1975; correct? It's in the 4 second paragraph?
 - A. Yes, I see that.
 - Q. And that it was shut in on 1 January 1983;
 - 7 correct?

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- A. Yes, that's what it says.
- 9 Q. So, after 1983, again assuming TexPet actually 10 shut it in when it says it shut it in--Shushufindi 55 did
- 11 not produce any oil; right?
- 12 A. There is an oil spill that occurred after 13 June 1990 at this site that's reported in my Report in the
- 14 exhibit I just recently cited to you. And I would have to
- 15 go into my records of Appendix C of my 2015 Report to get
- 16 you the exact date that that occurred.
 - So, my understanding--hang on a second.
- Q. And Mr. Connor, just to save you the trouble, I 18
- 19 promise we will get to your Appendix C on Shushufindi 55
- probably within the next 15 minutes, so if you could just 21 focus on the questions.
- A. Okay, Mr. Ewing. I apologize if that's
- 23 frustrating you, but in answering your guestion, when you
- 24 say there were no oilfield--there was no oil production
- 25 and, therefore, inference that there would be no propensity

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04:43 1 results.

- A. That's right. 2
- And to be clear, in my risk assessment work
- 4 presented in the 2010 Report, I did consider all of
- 5 Mr. Cabrera's data and all of the Lago Plaintiffs' data but 6 in the delineation of the sites, I have not included those
- 7 data because they were not reliable for that purpose.
- Q. Understood. You're anticipating a question I
- 9 haven't asked yet, and I don't think I will ask.
- 10 So, did you include--sorry.
- 11 Could you turn now to Tab 25. And this is the URS
- 12 Summary Report that was prepared for Chevron, and I think
- 13 you said earlier that URS was tasked with collecting the
- 14 historical documents about these various sites?
- A. Specifically yes, specifically historical 15
- 16 documents related to the remediation program, the TexPet
- 17 remediation program, 1995 to 1998, but not the historical
- 18 records on spills, et cetera. Those are presented on
- 19 Exhibit A of my 2015 Report, Page 8.
- Q. And we will get to your Report to deal with the
- 21 spills in a moment. If we could just focus on the URS
- 22 document first.
- 23 And looking at the third page, it has at the
- 24 bottom "GSI 0398701."
- Do you see that?

- 04:46 1 for a spill to occur, that's actually not correct in this
 - 2 case, given that there were spills after that time, but I
 - 3 don't believe there was production based on this
 - 4 information, but there were other activities that
 - 5 contributed to oil spills. If I had to be more specific
 - 6 about that, I would have to look it up.
 - Q. Shushufindi 55 was not producing oil after 1983,
 - according to this URS Summary, a Chevron-created document?
 - 9 A. The document that URS put together indicates
 - that's correct, yes.
 - Q. But it's your testimony that there is some future 12 spill after 1990 at this site that may have contaminated
 - 13 the site?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - O. Okay. It was abandoned in 1983 but it was not 15
 - plugged and abandoned until 1996; correct?
 - A. Well, the proper term would be shut in and then 17
 - plugged and abandoned. Sometimes I'm not sure of the
 - language being used there, but in 1996, this well under the
 - 20 TexPet remediation program was formally plugged and
 - 21 abandoned, which would destroy the well and install
 - 22 permanent seals.
 - 23 Q. So, after 1996, basically the top 100 feet of the
 - 24 well is filled with concrete; is that your understanding
 - 25 when it's plugged and abandoned?

- 04:48 1 A. No, that's not correct.
 - Q. What is your understanding of what a plugged and 3 abandoned well looks like?
 - A. The plug-and-abandonment design varies according 5 to the producing formation. Concrete plugs are placed at 6 various steps within the well to isolate the production
 - 7 zones from the surface and from other subsurface zones.
 - 8 The casing will be perforated and destroyed, and the cement 9 will be squeezed out of that through the casing into the
 - 10 surrounding areas to completely seal the well. Those plugs 11 would be placed at a variety of different depths according
 - 12 to the petroleum engineers' design.
 - But then at the surface, the casing is excavated 13 14 and cut off to a depth that's below what's called plow
 - 15 depth such that anyone using the property or doing

 - 16 agriculture will not bump into that casing. There is a
 - 17 cement plug that's also placed at the surface there,
 - 18 although the depth of that plug would be variable based on
 - 19 the design. However, these wells are not plugged and
 - 20 abandoned simply by placing a concrete plug at the surface.
 - 21 It's a much more involved operation as I have described.
 - Q. And no one realized that this pit or this well had
 - 23 only been shut in in 1983 until the documents were reviewed
 - 24 in 1986, and it was actually finally plugged and abandoned;
 - 25 is that right?

04:51 1 O. And this information is coming from the remedial

- 2 investigation that was conducted as part of the RAP; is
- 3 that correct?

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- A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And they noted that spotty contamination was observed along the walls of that hole.
 - Do you see that?
 - Yes, that's right.
- 9 Q. And water was observed seeping from the sides with some oil floating on the water.
- A. Yes, that's on the surface of the pad, and that's 11 why this site was included in the RAP for remediation of
- that soil. The well was plugged and abandoned, and this
- soil was remediated as part of the RAP.
- Q. So, it's your testimony that this soil that you're 16 describing was remediated?
- 17 A. Yes. If you look in the records you will see that those two holes are drilled into the effective material on
- the pad, and then there is a hand sketch--it might be
- actually in this package. There is a hand sketch that will
- 21 indicate the approximate area to be remediated, and the
- 22 Parties would then come and do a soil stabilization.
- Here it is. It is on Page 708. Yeah, this is a
- 24 comment--it's easier to read on Page 707. It's pretty hard
- 25 to read on either page.

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- A. I quess I don't understand your question, 04:49 1
 - 2 Mr. Ewing.
 - Q. So, this well was not plugged and abandoned for 13 4 years after it was shut in; is that correct?
 - A. Oh, according to that data, yeah, that's
 - 6 very--that's not an uncommon phenomenon. That a well is an
 - 7 expensive piece of equipment and it may have other uses.
 - 8 It could be reactivated for oil, it could be used for
 - 9 Geophysical Surveys, it could be used for injection. Once
 - 10 a party determines that it doesn't have those uses, then it
 - 11 may be plugged and abandoned and permanently destroyed.
 - Q. If you turn to Page 4 of your Summary, and the 12
 - 13 pages are closest to the three rings, do you see the second 14 paragraph where it says "surface soils were noted to be
 - 15 contaminated with degraded oil?"
 - 16 A. Yes, I do see that.
 - Q. And at the end of the third paragraph, it says--or 17
 - 18 the middle of the third paragraph, "Hole Number 1," a hole
 - that they dug during their investigation?
 - A. Oh, yeah. 20
 - 21 O. Do you see that?
 - A. Yes. I do. 22
 - Was in an area of visible contamination and was
 - 24 14 inches deep.

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A. Yes, I see that.

- 04:53 1 Q. It is difficult to read the maps.
 - A. But nevertheless, this is how they record it.
 - 3 They would drill these holes on the pad, identify the areas
 - 4 to be cleaned, and then include those in the RAP, and
 - that's what was done here.
 - Q. So, when they're describing that Hole 2 also had
 - contamination with seeping oil, your testimony is that that
 - was remediated?
 - 9 A. Yes, you could read the Remediation Report and see
 - that's the case.
 - Q. Okay. If we turn to Page 9, which is that RI
 - 12 field sketch that you were referring to--actually, I jumped
 - ahead too quickly.
 - 14 Could we stay on Page 4 which is still the
 - 15 description.
 - A. Okay.
 - Q. And the last two lines here on Page 4 says: "The 17
 - nearby stream was noted to have oil stains in several
 - places and a sheen of oil. Fish were observed in the
 - water." 20

- 21 Do you see that?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Is it your testimony that nearby stream was also
- 24 remediated?
- A. No, that is not my testimony. I believe that the

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- 04:54 1 Shushufindi 55 site was specifically tasked to TexPet for
 - 2 remediation of oil contaminated soils on the pad and
 - 3 plugging and abandonment of the well. And those were the
 - 4 tasks that they completed at this site. They did not
 - 5 address other aspects of this site.
 - ${\tt Q.}~{\tt So,\ looking}$ at this sketch that should be coming
 - 7 up on the screen, and hopefully it's a little easier to 8 read there?
 - 9 A. A little easier.
 - 10 O. A little easier.
 - 11 At the bottom, just to orient ourselves, coming
 - 12 across the top left, do you see where it says "road"?
 - 13 A. Can you point a cursor at it? Do you have the
 - 14 ability to do that?
 - 15 Q. I'm glad you asked that.
 - 16 A. Yes, I see that.
 - Oh, high-tech.
 - 18 Q. So, the road comes across the top of this site;
 - 19 correct?

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- 20 A. In this diagram, yes.
- 21 Q. In this diagram. And I understand that there is
- 22 concern about the orientation of what's north and south.
- 23 So, let's just call it top and bottom. I recognize that
- 24 that might not be the north?
- 25 A. Yes, it's not the north.

- 04:57 1 Q. And do we need to--Fugro-McClelland found
 - $\ensuremath{\text{2}}$ similar-had similar findings about this site, but for now
 - 3 in the interest of time I will move past Fugro-McClelland,
 - 4 since they basically duplicate HBT Agra, but you don't have
 - 5 to agree or disagree to that. I'm just going to skip ahead 6 to save us some time.
 - A. I guess, just to be clear for the record, I think
 - 8 you said that they duplicate HBT Agra, right here we're
 - 9 looking at Woodward-Clyde's records; right? The document
 - 10 we're looking at I believe is by Woodward-Clyde.
 - 11 Q. That's correct. We looked at the HBT Agra Report 12 earlier.
 - 13 A. Okay.
 - Q. Too much commentary for me just to say--I'm just 5 going to skip a few questions.
 - 16 If we turn to your Report, your 2015 Report, at
 - 17 Page 37, I think this is what you have wanted to talk
 - 18 about. On Page 37, you say, operating records show that
 - 19 Petroecuador has experienced at least one spill and closed
 - 20 one pit at this site since taking over operation of the
 - 21 site in June 1990.
 - Do you see that?
 - 23 A. Yes
 - Q. And this statement follows your conclusion that
 - 25 LBG has "not conducted sufficient sampling to determine the

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- 04:55 1 Q. So, the road is across the top of the diagram, and 2 then the well is right about in the middle.
 - 3 A. No, I can't read that very carefully, but let's go 4 ahead and proceed on that assumption.
 - Q. The well is right there. I was just there a
 - 6 year-and-a-half ago. And then there is a large hill that
 - 7 has been placed here, and then over here in the remedial
 - 8 investigation, they have identified what looks to be a pit
 - drawn on there, or a former pit.
 - 10 A. Where is it you're looking?
 - 11 Q. On the top right corner of the drawing.
 - 12 A. The rectangle there?
 - 13 Q. Yes, the rectangle?
 - 14 A. Yes, that was a non-RAP pit that is located to the
 - 15 east of the platform.
 - 16 Q. And then at the bottom right-hand corner of this
 - 17 drawing, can you read where it says "oil sheen on water"?
 - 18 A. Yes, I can see that.
 - 19 Q. Now you can see it even easier.
 - 20 A. That's better, yes.
 - 21 O. And this is where during the remedial
 - 22 investigation they found that the oil contamination had
 - 23 impacted this stream.
 - 24 A. They certainly found oil impacts in this stream,
 - 25 yes.

- 04:59 1 source of the limited sediment impacts or to assert that
 - 2 these limited impacts are the result of contaminant
 - 3 migration from the nearby closed pit."
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes, I see that.
 - Q. So, what you're saying here, if I understand this
 - 7 correctly, is that LBG has identified limited impacts, but
 - 8 you believe operating records show that those may be due to
 - 9 Petroecuador?

- 10 A. To be clear, I'm indicating there had been
- 11 activities and known spills to have occurred at this site.
- 12 Whether or not this particular incident is associated with
- 13 that, I'm not stating that. What I am stating is that the
- 14 conceptual model presented by the Ecuador Experts is not
- 15 sustained in this case. That model or concept is that
- 16 contaminants move from pits outward through the soil to
- $17\,$ contaminate the surrounding area. Yes, we have some
- 18 impacts to a stream, but that does not--has not been
- 19 demonstrated to be associated with that pit. Normally 20 impacts to a stream are associated with flow line breaks or
- 21 other overtopping events, not due to subsurface transport
- 21 Other Overcopping events, not due to subsurface transport
- 22 of oil from a pit as it was posited by the Ecuador Experts 23 in what they call their conceptual site cross-section.
- Q. And the fact that you are pointing to say that
- 25 LBG's conceptual site model has not been proven is in these

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05:01 1 operating records?

- A. No.
- 3 Q. Where is the fact that you know that something has 4 occurred at this site since 1990?
- A. Well, okay, I guess those are two different questions. Your first question was, did I know that their conceptual site model was wrong because of the operating
- 8 records? No, that's not why I know it's wrong.
- 9 The conceptual site model is a theoretical 10 depiction of how chemicals move through earth. That's a
- 11 different issue as to where those chemicals originated.
- 12 Your second question, I believe, is how do I know there was
- 13 a spill that occurred at this site? I know that because we
- 14 reviewed hundreds of documents, and the specific document
- 15 upon which that opinion depends is provided in Appendix $\ensuremath{\mathtt{C}}$
- 16 of my 2015 Report.
- 17 Q. Okay. So, the conceptual site model, let's put
- 18 that aside because I was not intending to ask you about
- 19 conceptual site models. We will come back to those as
- 20 well. We have got a lot to cover.
- 21 The question I have is just about the operating
- 22 records that you refer to. The purpose of offering that
- 23 statement on Page 37 is to say the contamination is there,
- 24 but it may not be TexPet's, it may be because of
- 25 Petroecuador's activities; is that right?

05:04 1 MS. RENFROE: How many are there?

- MR. EWING: I said there may or may not be four.
- 3 There are currently four.
 - MS. RENFROE: Currently?
- 5 MR. EWING: I have four.
- 6 BY MR. EWING:
- Q. Mr. Connor, I'm trying to give you all of the
- 8 documentation. We had trouble at the deposition not having
- 9 everything ready, so I went beyond to make sure we would
- 10 have everything. So, I apologize for the number of
- 11 binders.

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- But if you look at Appendix C.1, which is Tab
- 13 Number 30, and we look down to Shushufindi--
- A. Thanks, man. It's a gift.
 - Q. --55, which is on the second page.
- 16 A. C.1? Yes, it's on the first page of the table.
- 17 Is that what you mean?
- 18 Q. Oh, sorry, yes. On the first page of the table.
- 19 And you list one spill, one pit closure or other
- 20 remediation.
- 21 Do you see that?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And then there is a footnote that says "pit
- 24 closure and other remediation includes pits, soils, and
- 25 other site features for which analysis of aerial imagery

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05:02 1 A. No. In this case, I'm not saying that the oil

- 2 found in that stream is associated with activities after
- 3 1990. I'm just making the point that the assumption that
- 4 these sites are TexPet-only is once again not correct in
- 5 this case, but that doesn't relate to the specific
- 6 provenance of that oil stain in the swamp to the south of
- 7 this facility.
- 8 Q. So, I don't see a reference to the operating
- 9 records. I would assume that they would have been in
- 10 Appendix B where you have a summary of the Shushufindi 55
- 11 well site environmental conditions, but I understand from
- 12 what you're saying now is that they are in Appendix C;
- 13 right?
- 14 A. That's correct, yeah.
- 15 Q. So, we will skip Appendix B and go right to
- 16 Appendix C, and there are actually two appendices labeled 17 C; correct?
- 18 A. I will have to look at the Report to answer that 19 question.
- Q. Here is an Appendix C.1 and Appendix C.2.
- 21 A. Then I would agree there are two appendices
- 22 labeled C.
- Q. And we have now moved on to Binder Number 3.
- 24 (Laughter.)
- Q. It's an exciting moment.

- 05:06 1 indicates that Petroecuador has remediated or otherwise 2 closed that feature."
 - - A. That's correct.
 - 5 O. So, this doesn't tell us the documents that we
 - 6 need to look at. It just tabulates the results of your
 - 7 research; right?
 - 8 A. You need to look at Appendix C.2 to see the list 9 of documents.
 - 10 Q. If you could turn to Tab 31, you will see Appendix 11 C.2.
 - 12 And before we get to Shushufindi 55, I just want
 - 13 to look at this first page for Aguarico 6--or, sorry,
 - 14 Aguarico 2--to understand what this collection of documents
 - 15 is.

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- I see quite a few documents here categorized by
- 17 aerial photos, information about workovers, and then
- 18 documents that were already submitted.
 - Do you see that?
- 20 A. Which page are you looking at? Are you looking at
- 21 the first page, or--
- 22 Q. The first page.
 - A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. And you include information about workovers like I
- 25 said, and reports about work that was done by PEPDA or by

- 05:07 1 Ecuador or by other agencies of Ecuador. Production data.
 - 2 It's--this is all the information you have about this site.
 - 3 A. It's all the information that got recorded on this
 - 4 table. There is a disk that's also attached with a large
 - 5 number of documents, but this was intended to be a
 - 6 inventory of those documents to facilitate searching of
 - 7 that disk. It may not be a complete inventory of the
 - 8 documents that were relied upon, but it was the best effort
 - 9 of the staff to make those accessible.
 - 10 Q. So, looking at these aerial photographs, we've got 11 approximately 12 from Aguarico 2, well status reports and
 - 12 tables, et cetera.
 - 13 A. Yes, there's quite a few documents on that site.
 - 14 Q. At the end it says a "video screenshot."
 - Do you see that?
 - 16 A. Yes, I do.
 - 17 Q. The bottom of this table, it says--the second row
 - 18 up it says "video screenshot."
 - 19 A. Correct.
 - Q. Do you know what video that was taken from?
 - 21 A. No, I don't. But you could find all those
 - 22 documents. They should be provided on the disk. It was
 - 23 provided with this.
 - Q. Okay. So, if we turn to Page 20 of 55, and if you
 - 25 look in the top left corner closest to the three rings?

- 05:11 1 operating records that show that Petroecuador has
 2 experienced at least one spill and conducted at least one
 3 pit closure since taking over operation of this site in
 4 1990. And my question to you is: I don't see those; am I
 5 missing them?
 - A. No, I believe these are the documents that were available, and I use "operating records," as I said, in a general sense. You may refer back to a footnote that you read earlier that said that remediation activities were sometimes in reports and sometimes determined from evaluation of aerial photos. Sometimes spills were characterized in that same way. I would have to go back

through these documents to clarify that for you.

- Q. So, your testimony is that the aerial photographs that you have included here would indicate where the spill--that there was a spill?
- A. The aerial photos certainly indicate that the non-RAP pit was closed by Petroecuador, and the importance to me on that is that the pit count is reduced. I don't recall the basis for which the staff determined that there had been a spill at this site. I would have to confer with them on that.
- Q. But sitting here today, you don't see any operating records that would indicate that there was one spill and one pit closure?

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- 05:09 1 A. You mean 20 of 35?
 - Q. Twenty of 35.
 - A. Okay.
 - 4 Q. In your Report, you said: "Operational records
 - 5 provided support for the conclusion that Petroecuador has
 - 6 experienced at least one spill and conducted at least one
 - 7 pit closure since taking over operation of this site in
 - 8 1990." Correct?

- A. Correct.
- 10 Q. I don't see any operational records listed.
- 11 A. By "operational records," I mean the documents
- 12 that are provided in Appendix C, and those include well
- 13 status reports and spill records when they are available.
- 14 But I used that term in a generic sense.
- 15 Q. So, when we looked at Aquarico 2 at the very
- 16 beginning, you listed the well status reports, the
- 17 pre-assessment findings, et cetera. But when I look at
- 18 Shushufindi 55, I don't see any of those documents that you
- 19 just referred to.
- 20 A. Yes, because those documents are associated with
- 21 Aquarico 2.
- 22 Q. My question must not be clear.
- 23 If you look at the index, "document inventory,"
- 24 for site Shushufindi 55, Page 20 of 35 of your Appendix
- 25 C.2, you told us in your 2015 Report that we would find

- 05:12 1 A. No. There--on that particular site, there 2 aren't--as you define operating records, no, there are not
 - 3 those. They are not listed on this table.
 - Q. And I'm trying to use the term as you defined it
 - 5 in your Report, not how I'm defining it. I don't see any 6 record here to support the conclusion that there was at
 - 7 least one spill and one closed pit post-1990.
 - 8 A. Yes. I think if I explained it before, in the
 - 9 text I'm using "operating records" to refer to the types of
 - 10 documents that are presented in Appendix 6--Appendix C--and
 - 11 those include a variety of documents. In this particular
 - 12 case, on that site, we do not have--according to the table,
 - 13 we don't have actual spill reports, et cetera, or pit
 - 14 closure reports. But the aerial photos were certainly
 - 15 sufficient to demonstrate the closure of the pit. I can't
 - 16 tell you offhand the basis for the spill report, the spill 17 indication, without reviewing those files.
 - 18 Q. So, in Appendix C.1, your footnote on pit closures 19 and other remediation should have been on spills as well?
 - 20 A. No, I think it's clear as to what it states, that
 - 21 the pit remediation was clearly based on the aerial photos
 - 22 and other documentation.
 - Q. So, Appendix C.1 says that there was one spill at Shushufindi 55. Is it your testimony that that evidence is
 - 25 in those aerial photographs?

site models.

11 the date at the top left.

Yes. Α.

Do you see that?

Do you see that?

A. Yes, that's correct.

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- 05:14 1 A. You know, as I said before, Mr. Ewing, I'm not 2 sure what the basis was for the staff concluding that 3 spill. I would to have to confer with them to understand 4 that completely.
 - Q. And is that information that you would be able to 6 obtain for us so that we could understand what your 7 conclusion is from your Report? And what the support is
 - 8 for your conclusion?
 - A. The information should be provided on the CD 10 that's with the file. If I was advised by counsel to do 11 more research on that and provide you that, I certainly 12 would do that.

13 But as we noted earlier it's not my opinion that 14 that spill is the source of the sediment impacts in the 15 swamp that we have been discussing. Only that these 16 activities have occurred such that the environmental 17 condition of the site is not what it was at the time of 18 TexPet operations.

- 19 Q. And is that true for all 13 of LBG's report of 20 sites? That you are not intending causation, you are just
- 21 mentioning the fact that other activities have happened?
- A. No, I can't say without reviewing it more 23 carefully, Mr. Ewing, that there is not causative
- 24 relationships. In some cases we know very clearly what the
- 25 cause was of the impacts we observed. In other cases we

22 about spills at this site. 23 A. In the records that we reviewed at that time, 24 which were the HBT Agra Report and the Petroecuador records

16 this is on the next page of the printed document. I

apologize. Right in the middle, the left column says "spills," the description says "no spills reported."

05:18 1 is not the mechanism whereby that stream was impacted, or

4 it's only to the mechanism of those conditions.

Let's move to another document.

is GSI's summary of site-specific information for 10 Shushufindi 55. And this was done in 2007, according to

2 is there data to support that. That's my statement. My

3 statement isn't to the source or timing of that effect,

Q. And I think you're again moving on to conceptual

Could you turn to Tab 32. And this is R-1237, and

And looking down the middle of the page, do you

Q. So, as of 2007, GSI had not found any information

see where it says that no spills had been reported? Sorry,

25 that were available cited there, there was not any

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05:16 1 don't. We could go through each case and I could tell you 2 what my findings were in that regard.

- Q. But at Shushufindi 55, you're not testifying to 4 what caused the contamination in the stream?
- A. That's correct. And that's exactly the point I'm 6 making in the text, that there is not information available 7 to support a conclusion or a hypothesis of oil migration 8 from a pit. And in fact, we don't know what the provenance 9 of the oil contamination is. We know that it's been there 10 for a while, but we don't know how it happened.
- Q. So, you're saying that, despite the fact that HBT 12 Agra in 1992 found that that stream was impacted and that 13 Woodward-Clyde found in 1996 that that stream was impacted, 14 we still can't say what else may have happened to impact 15 that stream?
- 16 A. I don't think I followed that guestion.
- Q. My understanding is that you--your conclusion is 17 18 that LBG's experts have not proven that the contamination
- 19 in the stream at Shushufindi 55 is the result of TexPet's
- 20 operations. Is that your statement? That they have not
- 21 made that conclusion?
- A. No, that's not my statement. The statement is
- 23 simply that the conceptual model of contaminant migration
- 24 that was put forth in the Ecuador Experts' Reports has not
- 25 been demonstrated at this site or at any other site. That

05:19 1 indication of a Spill Report. Correct.

- Q. And if you turn to Tab 33, this is a page from 3 Chevron's clickable database again, which is Exhibit R-938.
- 4 And this is, again, information that Chevron and GSI have 5 put together; is that right?
- A. The clickable database would have been compiled by 7 staff at GSI. I don't recall what involvement Chevron had in that. There were different parties that provided
- information that was compiled in that database by my staff.
- O. And do you see where it says "workover dates and 11 procedures, no workover data available"?
 - A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And do you see where it says "Spill Report, no 14 spill data available"?
- A. Correct. 15

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- Q. So, again, as of 2007, you had found no evidence 16 17 of workovers and no Spill Reports.
 - A. That's right.
- Q. Until 2015, when you say that there had been
- 20 spills and a pit remediation, and we just have the aerial
- 21 photographs to determine that?
- A. Mr. Ewing, the Petroecuador's pit Remediation
- 23 Program initiated in 2007, after the date of this summary,
- 24 and that pit has been remediated by Petroecuador. The
- 25 basis for the spill--as I've said before, I'd have to look

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05:22 1 at the records to see what that is based upon--is not the 2 spill that contributed to the oil in the swamp to the south 3 of the site.

Q. So, your testimony is that there must have been a 5 pit that Petroecuador remediated after 2007 but before 2015 6 that accounts for your information in Appendix C.1?

A. Yes. They remediated that non-RAP pit at this 8 site. You can see that on the aerial photographs.

We have incomplete documentation on the work that 10 Petroecuador has conducted, but they have certainly closed 11 many pits in the area, some of which are documented reports 12 and some of which are clearly evidenced on aerial 13 photographs.

There is a tool that I believe we provided you and 15 to the Members of the Tribunal called the Farallon tool, 16 and in that you will see a very useful collection of aerial 17 photographs. As you click through those, you will see pits 18 disappear as they're remediated by Petroecuador over time. 19 And I would be happy to demonstrate that tool to you, if 20 you're--if that's of interest to you, just to do that

Q. I'm sure that we will have an opportunity to look 23 at that tool some more. Let's--we will potentially come 24 back to these aerial photographs to see what they actually 25 include.

05:25 1 9:00 if you want to, but don't come after 9:30.

THE WITNESS: I think 9:30 sounds just perfect. 2

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. And again, please don't 4 talk about the case--

THE WITNESS: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Or your testimony to anyone

7 until you come back before the Tribunal.

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

SECRETARY DOE: Just before we do go, might I 10 11 invite the Claimant to make the corrections to the exhibit

12 numbers of the documents that were produced during

13 Mr. Lynch's examination, that were indicated to me just

14 before the break?

15 Do I understand correctly that it's C-2514,

16 C-2515, C-2516 as the numbers appear on the documents that

17 were handed out should, in fact, read C-2515, C-2516, and

18 C-2517 respectively?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please speak in the mike and go 19 20 on the record. What's happened is we cannot have duplicate 21 exhibit numbers and we've got to sort this out now before

22 it's too late.

MR. CALABRO: Yes. And that's the concern I'm

24 here to address.

We errantly put into the record a duplicate

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05:23 1 The next set of questions I have is going to take 2 us a little while, or hopefully not too long, but it's 3 probably longer than six minutes. Would you rather end a 4 little early or a little late, Mr. President?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, just tell us first how 6 things are going. Are you roughly where you want to be or

7 are you taking more slowly than you imagined?

MR. EWING: I think that the afternoon went a 9 little more slowly than I expected it to go. I will look 10 at my outline this evening and see what I can cut out of 11 it, but it did take longer to get where we needed to go.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we'd better stop here,

13 hadn't we? We will stop here and then we'll resume

14 tomorrow.

21 exercise.

What we would like to do is to start at 9:00 15 16 because we want to address the question of the Terms of

17 Reference for the Tribunal Experts. If we could start at

18 9:00, it shouldn't take us more than a half an hour or so.

19 So, if you could come back for 9:30, we'll resume our 20 cross-examination then.

THE WITNESS: Oh, I'm sorry. I should be here at

22 9:30 or 9:00?

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: 9:30.

24 THE WITNESS: 9:30.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Nothing's to stop you coming at

05:26 1 Number 2514. The two other exhibits that we put in earlier 2 today, 2515 and 2516, should remain with the numbers that

3 they were assigned. However, the document that we errantly

4 assigned 2514 should become 2517. And we've sent an e-mail 5 to that effect to both the Tribunal and the other Party.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: There is no objection, of

7 course, from the Respondent?

MR. EWING: Of course not. 8 9

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

10 Unless there is housekeeping we can attend to or 11 we need to attend to now, we will adjourn until 9:00

12 tomorrow.

13 Anything from the Claimants?

14 MS. RENFROE: Nothing further, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Respondent?

MR. EWING: Nothing. Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Until 9:00 tomorrow. Thank 17

18 you.

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19 MR. EWING: Have a good night.

20 (Whereupon, at 5:27 p.m., the Hearing was

21 adjourned until 9:00 a.m. the following day.)

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and

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> : PCA Case No. Claimants, :

2009-23

and

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Respondent.

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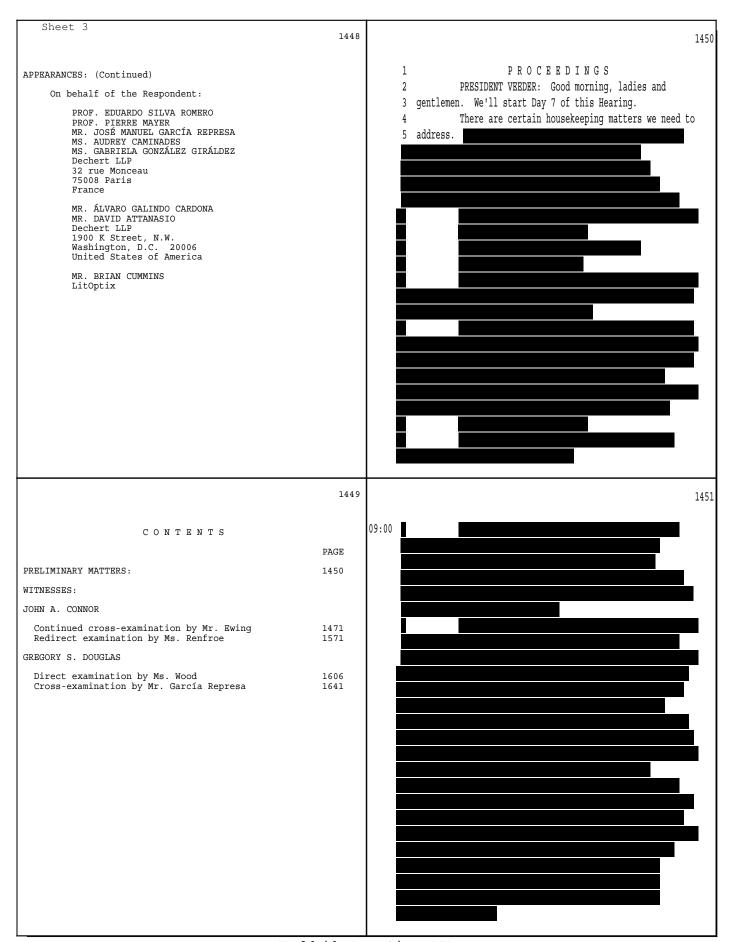
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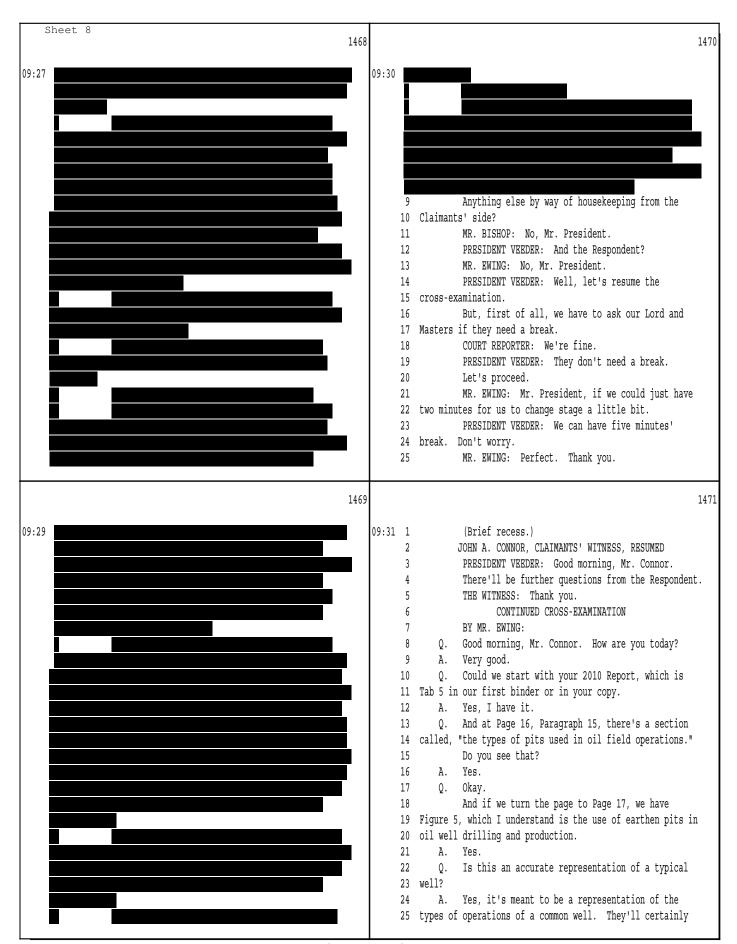












- 09:39 1 differ from one application to the next, but this is 2 not--this is common.
 - Q. So, if we could walk through the pits that you 4 have here, in this diagram at the top you have A, the
 - 5 drilling of the oil well, and I understand that the gray
 - 6 area underneath the oil rig is the platform; is that

 - A. Yes, on a land-based system, that would correspond 9 to what's called the platform in this case, which is a
 - 10 gravel pad.
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 - Q. And then to the upper left corner you have a water 12 pit?
 - 13 Α. Yes.
 - Q. And that is a water pit that is filled with water;
 - 15 is that correct?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - Q. And it's duq directly into the ground, so that's 17
 - 18 an earthen pit as well?
 - 19 A. In this example, yes.
 - Q. Okay. And this is typical, is a typical layout 20
 - 21 for Ecuadorian wells in the Oriente; is that correct?
 - A. I can't speak as to what technologies have been
 - 23 used today because Petroecuador has advanced its
 - 24 technologies quite a bit, but this would have been
 - 25 certainly the common technology used during the era of

- 09:42 1 A. In this example, it is. Just like the water pit, 2 the soils are able to retain those fluids, so if you could 3 dig a water pit into the clay and it holds water, it will 4 also hold the mud.
 - Q. I understand that your contention is that it is clay lined; is that correct?
 - A. It's based in natural soils clay. That's why the water pits in this area did not require synthetic liners.
 - Q. You told us yesterday that the water--that the 10 rain in the Oriente falls at three meters per year; is that 11 correct?
 - A. In this particular region, yes.
 - Do those water pits overflow on an almost constant 13
 - 14 basis?

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- A. I don't know. I suppose it depends on how 15 16 actively they're being used.
- Q. If I have an unused water pit and I'm adding three meters of water per year, wouldn't you expect that pit to
- overflow pretty frequently?
- 20 A. It would depend on the water balance into that
- 22 If you've been to the Oriente, you'll know that it
- 23 will rain very hard but then dry off very quickly. That's
- 24 why people don't use umbrellas in that area because after a
- 25 very hard rain, they will dry very quickly, and that's

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- 09:40 1 TexPet operations and still used in many places around the 2 world today.
 - Q. Okay. So, these diagrams that we're looking at 4 are your understanding of a typical TexPet operation in the
 - 5 Oriente between 1972 and 1992?
 - A. I believe it would correspond to that, yeah, for a 7 water-based mud application.
 - Q. And as far as you know, all of the wells were 9 water-based mud operations?
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 - Q. So, this is a typical diagram for TexPet's 11
 - 12 operations in the Oriente from 1972 to 1992; correct?
 - A. Yes, I think it would apply.
 - Q. So, we just talked about the water pit, which is a
 - 15 pit filled with water that is duq directly into the earth;
 - 16 is that correct?
 - 17 A. Yes.
 - Q. And then still in the first frame we have a 18
 - 19 reserve pit to the bottom left; correct?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. And that reserve pit is also dug into the dirt;
 - 22 correctly--correct?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. And it is unlined with any kind of manmade
 - 25 material; correct?

- 09:43 1 called a process of evapotranspiration. So the water
 - 2 falls, but the water also evaporates, so that the issue,
 - 3 then, Mr. Ewing, is the net water gain in that pit. If the
 - 4 net water gain was such that it could overtop the pit,
 - 5 depending on how that worked out, but it wouldn't be such
 - 6 that the pit had to retain 3 meters of water.
 - Q. And we saw the video of you at Aquarico 2 the
 - 8 other day where we recognize that these pits did overflow,
 - and that was not an uncommon event?
 - A. They do overflow. I don't know that it was
 - 11 uncommon. At that particular location it appears that that
 - 12 had happened. I didn't observe that at many locations, but 13 there, yes.
 - Q. Let's move back to the types of pits.
 - 15 So, we have a water pit, and then we have a
 - 16 reserve pit; and the reserve pit, according to your
 - 17 diagram, is filled with soil and rock cuttings and excess
 - 18 drilling mud. That's all the material that's coming in and
 - 19 out of the well as the bore drills down; is that correct?
 - A. Yes. 20

- O. And then moving to the second frame, B, the
- 22 operation of the well, there are some changes here that I
- 23 want to talk through. First, to start with what's the
- 24 same, the water pit is still there and is a water supply,
- 25 as you said, if needed; right?

- 09:44 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And then now, the reserve pit is listed as 3 remediated.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And that means that any contaminants in that
 - 6 reserve pit have been properly disposed of or treated, and
 - 7 then that pit has been covered; is that correct?
 - A. It means specifically that the pit has been closed
 - 9 in accordance with the standard procedures that are
 - 10 described in my Report, where I cite the specifications of
 - 11 the World Bank, the EMP forum, and many others, that
 - 12 describe a process whereby the materials are dried,
 - 13 solidified, compacted, and overlain. It's not considered
 - 14 that a mud pit would normally--or a reserve pit, excuse me,
 - 15 would normally contain any contaminants of environmental
 - 16 concern.
 - 17 Q. And in this picture, the wells currently in
 - 18 operation, the drilling rig has been removed; correct?
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 - 20 Q. And the reserve pit has been remediated?
 - A. It's been remediated and closed, yes, as I
 - 22 described.
 - Q. So, once a well is in operation, the reserve pit
 - 24 is not needed?
 - A. Yes, that's right. Unless the--and it wouldn't be

09:47 1 A. Yes.

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- Q. And this is also a pit that was also dug into the 3 soil; correct?
- A. Yes.
 - O. And it had no artificial liner?
- A. In the cases I observed, I don't believe so.
- O. And if we move to--
- Those guidelines changed later in Ecuador with 8
- 9 regard to liner specification, but in that era that we're discussing, no, to my knowledge.
- Q. And then moving to Frame C, we again see the water 11 pit, but now the water pit says, "may remain in use at
- discretion of property owner." Is that correct?
 - A. That's what it says, yes.
- Q. So, this water pit, in a typical well drilling 15 16 site, is on private land?
- 17 A. That will really depend on the lease, whether
- it's--for example, in the U.S. it could be on Federal land,
- it could be on private land, it could be on land that was
- purchased by the oil field owner or Operator, but in some
- 21 cases it can be on private land, and the operations will
- 22 entail in this country, in the U.S. at least, some
- 23 contractual relationship between the Parties.
 - Q. And, Mr. Connor, I have done my best to narrow
- 25 down my questions and to only bring a few examples today

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- 09:46 1 re-needed unless the--it wouldn't be needed again unless
 - 2 the well was extended in some manner to a different depth
 - 3 by drilling, whether some additional drilling operation in
 - 4 the future.
 - Q. But that would be more of an exceptional
 - 6 circumstance, not the norm?
 - A. It depends on the location, whether or not they
 - 8 will do an offset and do a horizontal well, so it really
 - 9 depends on the field and the decision of the Operator.
 - O. And if we could maintain the focus on TexPet's 11 operations in the Oriente from 1972 to 1992, are you aware
 - 12 of any circumstances where this happened, where they
 - 13 drilled a well later?
 - 14 A. You mean, extended the well?
 - O. Extended the well. 15
 - A. No, I'm not. I'd have to look back at the 16
 - 17 records. I don't recall that happening in particular.
 - Q. And then there's a third pit now listed in section
 - 19 or frame B, and this is called the workover pit or test
 - 20 pit.
 - 21 Do you see that?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - And your description says: "It is used to contain
 - 24 oily waste associated with well repair or testing." Is
 - 25 that correct?

- 09:48 1 for each point, but if you could stay focused with me on
 - 2 the areas that we're looking at, and in this we are looking 3 at a typical well in the Oriente from TexPet's operations
 - 4 from 1972 to 1992. Is it your understanding that the water
 - 5 pits were typically put into or dug into private land that
 - 6 is off the platform?
 - A. The water pits were off the platform. It's my
 - understanding that at times it was private land, but I
 - can't say what it was in all cases. I don't know.
 - O. And the same for the reserve pit. We still see 11 that it is remediated. It also appears to be on private
 - land, according to this diagram? A. Well, I don't think the diagram indicates, but it 13
 - 14 could be on private land as well. I don't know what the
 - 15 circumstances are at each of the well sites in the Oriente.
 - Q. And, finally, the workover pit or test pit now 16
 - appears to have the same cover on it that the remediated
 - reserve pit does, but it doesn't say that it's been
 - remediated; is that correct?
 - A. No, it doesn't say that on this diagram.
 - Q. And this pit also is, based on this diagram, off 22 the platform?
 - A. It's off the platform, correct.
 - Q. So, in a typical well in the Oriente from TexPet's
 - 25 operations from 1972 to 1992, you would agree with me that

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09:50 1 there are three pits typically?

- A. There are three types of pits as is shown on this 3 diagram, yes.
- Q. And each well would need each of these three types 5 of pits; correct?
- A. At some point in its operation, I believe so. 7 That's fair.
- O. And TexPet drilled at least 322 wells; is that 9 correct?
- A. I believe there were 322 wells identified in the 10 11 HBT Agra audit. I don't know who drilled them all, but it
- 12 could certainly be TexPet had drilled all of them. Q. Do you have any reason to dispute that TexPet
- 14 drilled all 322 that were identified in the HBT Agra audit?

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- Q. Now, Mr. Connor, could we move on now to discuss 16 17 the RAP.
- You've testified that the RAP program addressed 18
- 19 pit and soil remediation at 148 of the 344 well sites in
- 20 the Concession Area. And this I'm looking at Tab 19. This
- 21 is your 2015 Report at Page 9.
 - A. Yes, I see that.
- O. And you also included this in your slides in your
- 24 opening presentation--correct?--a discussion of what the
- 25 RAP did and did not address.

09:54 1 site, if I recall, because there were--hang on a second. I 2 could tell you exactly how many there were.

(Witness reviews document.)

- A. The total number of pits remediated was 162 at 88 sites, so it's approximately two pits per site were
- 6 included in the remediation program. Those were not all
- 7 the pits at those sites as we both know.
- Q. So, it's approximately--we'll go two pits per 9 site, approximately?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. You have mentioned the RAP as an agreement between 11 12 the Parties. Do you understand who the Parties were to the
- 13 RAP?
- A. Mr. Ewing, I just want to correct a statement I
- 15 made. I referred to Table I(b). I should have said Table
- 1(a) for the record. Sorry.
- The Parties to the RAP, as far as I understand,
- 18 Mr. Ewing, are those that had signed that document or were
- signatory to that document.
- 20 Q. And you understand that the Parties to that
- 21 document who signed that document were TexPet and the
- 22 Ministry of Energy and Mines?
- A. I'd have to look at the document. I have it here
- 24 with me. I can read those--or you can read them.
- Q. So, you don't remember who signed?

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- A. Yes, but the number on the slide will be slightly 2 different because this number would include the overlap of
 - 3 the two assignments, but at some wells they did both soil 4 remediation and pit remediation.

 - Q. And--thank you. I wasn't going to--I'm not 6 disputing you on the 344, but you know, Mr. Connor, that
 - 7 the RAP did not address all of the features at every site;
 - 8 correct?
 - 9 A. Correct.
 - Q. And, in fact, you have said that it addressed only
 - 11 some features at some of the sites?
 - A. It addressed the specific features that the
 - 13 Parties agreed on that were identified in the tables
 - 14 attached to the RAP, and those were specific features at
 - 15 specific sites.
 - 16 Q. So, for instance, at the 157 sites--and I put your
 - 17 slide from your opening up on the screen--at 157 sites,
 - 18 TexPet agreed to remediate 108 pits.
 - 19 A. Correct. They actually remediated more pits at
 - 20 more sites. And that's indicated on Table I(b) of my 2010
 - 21 Report, which summarizes the ultimate work that was
 - 22 completed during the implementation of the RAP. But yes,
 - 23 this was the Agreement, as you stated.
 - 24 Q. And that's less than one pit per site; correct?
 - A. Just a second. It averaged around two pits per

- 09:56 1 A. Well, it's in small print here. I could--no, I 2 don't remember without looking at that.
 - Q. Okay. Yesterday you used an analogy of a speed
 - 4 limit for regulations, and you said that environmental
 - 5 regulations are like the speed limit where the State may
 - 6 set 65 miles an hour on the beltway, or it may set 35 miles
 - an hour in my neighborhood as the speed limit; correct?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And it may set 15 miles an hour in front of a
- school; is that correct?
- A. Yes, that's right. 11
- Q. If I bought a large piece of land and put roads on
- 13 it, you would agree that I could set my own speed limit on
- 14 my property; correct?
- MS. RENFROE: Objection to the question. That's 15
- 16 calling for a legal conclusion.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: I wonder whether this is a 17
- 18 helpful analogy in the first place, so you might want to 19 move on.
- 20 MR. EWING: I will move on, then.
- 21 BY MR. EWING:
- 22 Q. During the RAP, there are many sites that
- 23 TexPet--many pits that TexPet had closed that were not
- addressed during the RAP; correct?
 - A. I quess I don't understand your question.

- 09:58 1 O. In your opening you referred to pits that were 2 closed before June 30th, 1990, that had no visible impacts 3 as sites that were not included in the RAP. Do you 4 remember that?
 - A. Yes. The Parties agreed on that provision that if 6 there were such pits that existed that had been closed 7 prior to that date, they were understood to exist, but only 8 those that were observed to have indicia of poor closure 9 during the implementation of the RAP would be incorporated 10 into the RAP as additional sites.
 - Q. And when you say sites that "had indicia of poor 11 12 closure, " you mean sites that had no visible soil impacts?
 - 13 A. No, but that's my interpretation of the language 14 "visible soil impacts."

For example, yesterday, we discussed the pits that 15 16 the property owner had closed himself by covering with 17 earth at the Shushufindi 4 well site, and you showed a 18 video of Mr. John Slocum standing atop that pit and noting 19 visible soil impacts. That was an example of a pit that

- 20 hadn't been properly closed and that the sign of that is
- 21 that oil in the pit squeezes out and comes to the surface. Q. So, that would be enough evidence to include a pit
- 23 in the RAP?
- A. The Parties agreed to that. That's what they had 25 agreed to say that would be the basis for including it in

- 10:01 1 A. There's a few negative switches in there. I might 2 not understand your question, but I know there's two pits 3 that did have visible--that were understood by the Parties 4 to have been closed before June 30, 1990, did have visible evidence of soil impacts on the ground surface and were 6 included in the RAP. To my knowledge, the RAP did not 7 include a list of the pits that did not have visible 8 impacts on the surface and had been closed prior to 9 June 30th, 1990.
 - Q. So, if we look at Tab 36--and this is the Chevron Playbook for Lago Agrio 6--and according to this document--
 - A. Can you indicate a page number?
 - Q. Sorry.

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- 14 At the bottom you will see GSI 0460859.
 - A. Thank you.

MR. EWING: And for the Tribunal's benefit, this 16 17 is an example of a Playbook that Chevron put together leading up to the Lago Agrio 6 Judicial Inspection.

MS. RENFROE: And for the benefit of the Tribunal, I respectfully disagree with your characterization, but

just for the record. MR. EWING: I meant that to be non-controversial,

so we can clarify that later.

BY MR. EWING:

Q. Do you see where it says here that Pit 1 is

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09:59 1 the RAP, if it did have such signs.

- Q. So, the pit that Mr. Slocum was standing on should 3 have been listed as a pit closed before June 30, 1990?
- A. No, it was closed by the owner a few years before 5 the time that Mr. Slocum was standing on it, and I don't 6 recall the specific time, but I believe it was around 2005, 7 and the owner had testified that he had closed it himself 8 only a short time before that. It was not a pit that at 9 the time of the RAP was--had been closed by TexPet, it was 10 not closed by TexPet. It certainly was not closed before
- 11 June 1990. O. So then it should have been listed in the RAP--is
- 13 that correct?--because it would have been then open before 14 2005 when the owner testifies he closed it.
- A. It would be listed--I would have to look at the 16 RAP to see if it's listed. It would only be listed in the
- 17 RAP if Shushufindi 4 were one of the 157 sites--excuse me,
- 18 one of the 108 sites for which pit remediation was
- 19 designated. And if that were the case, then it could be
- 20 listed, subject to the various caveats that are listed or
- 21 the four caveats I listed on that slide that you're now
- 22 discussing.
- Q. Do you know how many pits were closed before
- 24 June 30th, 1990, and included on the list of pits not to be
- 25 included in the RAP?

- 10:03 1 identified in the Remedial Investigation as located 2 northwest of the wellhead?
 - A. Yes, I see that. It prints--you have it on the 4 screen. That's really tiny, but I do see it.
 - 5 Q. My understanding from this is that the RAP only identified one pit.

MS. RENFROE: With respect, Mr. Ewing, if you're going to ask him questions about the RAP, might you give 9 him a copy of it?

10 MR. EWING: He does have a copy of it. I was 11 trying to short circuit this a little bit.

MS. RENFROE: It might be helpful if you could 13 refer him to where the RAP is in these binders. Thank you. 14 BY MR. EWING:

Q. Mr. Connor, let me come back to this example when 15 I know the tab number for the RAP.

You said in your opening presentation that the 17 scope of the RAP was governed by the Scope of Work that was agreed between the Parties; correct?

- A. The Scope of Work set out certain tasks, and the 21 RAP detailed those tasks, and the RAP set up certain
- 22 provisions that additional--that further defined those
- tasks and led to additional work during its implementation.
- Q. And in your opening slide, you identified five
- 25 things that these RAP completed, five tasks.

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- 10:05 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And if we could put that back up, you identified pit remediation, soils and spills--it's coming--P&A of wells, which I understand is plug and abandon wells?
 - A. Yes
 - Q. Tank dikes, and produced water equipment.
 - Is that your understanding of what the Statement
 - of Work required?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - 10 Q. The Statement of Work did not address remediation 11 of sediment; correct?
 - 12 A. The Statement of Work did not specifically use the 13 word "sediment." If you look in the RAP itself, you will
 - 14 see that the description of some of the sites indicates
 - 15 that the adjacent stream was affected, and that was
 - 16 included in the RAP. There were seven instances of that.
 - 17 Q. So, you're saying that the RAP included
 - 18 remediation of a total of seven streams in the Oriente?
 - 19 A. There were seven spills that were added to the RAP
 - 20 that were observed during the implementation. Those spills
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 - $22\,\,$ that were the case and that were a part of the scope, they
 - 23 were addressed. Shushufindi 13 is an example. I can't
 - 24 recall the other examples, but the scope of the Settlement
 - 25 Agreement and the scope of the RAP did not specify that

10:09 1 if they weren't assigned in the work program, then they 2 weren't included in the work program.

- Q. So, you would agree with me that there were spills present at the time that were not assigned to TexPet and that TexPet did not clean up?
- A. That's right. If the work was not assigned to TexPet, then, in completion of their obligations, they did not complete the work that was not in their obligation.
- 9 Q. So, if the Parties did not agree to a particular 0 cleanup, TexPet was not required to do it?
- A. That's generally true, with the caveat that during the implementation program, the Government Inspectors did identify additional tasks that were posed to the Parties to decide whether it would be added and a number of tasks were added, 25 additional pits and seven spill areas. This was not one of those spill areas that was added at the request of the Inspectors and a decision of the Parties.
- 18 Q. If you would turn to Page 35 of your 2010
- 19 Report--are you there?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. --in Paragraph 62 and 63, you discuss the soil
- 22 remediation criteria from the RAP. Am I correct that in
- 23 reading this that there were two standards applied,
- 24 depending on when a pit was closed, either there is the
- 25 soil leachate test or a 1,000-milligram per liter soil

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- - 3 unless it fell under the categories that I described.
 - 4 Q. So, what you're saying is that, of the 27 spills 5 listed here, seven of those affected a stream and,
 - 6 therefore, they were--that stream was also addressed; is
 - 7 that what I understand?
 8 A. No, not exactly. The soils and spills that are
 - 9 listed there as incorporated in the Scope of Work that's
 - 10 attached to the Settlement Agreement was directed towards
 - 11 oil staining on the surface of the pad or on--within the
 - 12 confines of the production station. There were oil spills 13 within the facility.
 - 14 There were seven additional spills that were added
 - 15 to the work program at the request of the Government
 - 16 Inspectors that were not confined to the area of the
 - 17 platform. Some of those extended into streams; and, if
 - 18 they did so, remediation of the area of the spill also
 - 19 incorporated the sediments that they had affected.
 - Q. And if we could pull up one more video, I have a 21 question for you on this. This is C-938.
 - 22 (Video played.)
 - 23 Q. So, you would agree with me, Mr. Connor, that not
 - 24 all of the spills were addressed during the RAP, either?
 - 25 A. That's correct. They weren't assigned to TexPet,

- 10:12 1 leachate test or a 5,000 milligram per kilogram TPH 2 composite test; is that correct?
 - A. Yes, there were two different criteria. The first was applied throughout the program. The second was an added additional criteria that was added to work done after
 - 6 March 20, 1997.
 - 7 Q. And yesterday you used the tea bag analogy to
 - explain the TCLP test and explain that the TCLP test is equivalent to measuring how much tea gets into the water
 - 10 outside of the tea bag; is that a proper recounting of your 11 analogy?
 - 12 A. Well, specifically, I used that analogy to define 13 what leachate is. Leachate is the soluble fraction of the
 - 14 soil or a chemical that will be released as water moves
 - 15 through that material, much as water moving through a tea
 - 16 bag. But the TCLP test is a specific laboratory Protocol 17 to derive--extract leachate from a solid substance.
 - But in general, the material that comes out is a leachate, much as what you would get out of a tea bag.
 - Q. So, when water passes through a tea bag, some of 21 the chemicals of the tea dissolve into the water, and that
 - 22 is what we then drink as tea; correct?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. So, it's the dissolved component of the tea that's
- 25 in the water?

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10:13 1 A. Yes.

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- Q. And then you remove the tea bag, and you can drink 3 your tea?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Do you know in the TCLP test how much oil can 6 dissolve in the water?
 - A. You mean any--of a crude oil?
 - Correct.
- 9 A. It depends on the crude oil itself. If the crude
- 10 oil has a significant light infraction as we discussed
- 11 yesterday, a gasoline fraction, those chemicals are
- 12 relatively soluble in water compared to the heavier
- 13 compounds, so the ability to dissolve in water depends on
- 14 what portion of the oil is related to those lighter soluble
- 15 compounds. If they're not present, then you will not have
- 16 significant dissolution. If they are present, you will get
- 17 more tea.
- 18 O. And if we look and think about an Ecuadorian
- 19 Crude, how much Ecuadorian Crude would dissolve into the
- 20 water?
- 21 A. If I recall correctly--I guess we talked about
- 22 this a bit yesterday, the soluble portion of the fresh
- 23 crude is on the order of 20 percent, if I remember that
- 24 right. It's called a topping test. It's the volatile
- 25 fraction. So, fresh crude you could have a more

- 10:16 1 example, assuming there is 24 milligrams per kilogram of 2 GRO in the sample, would you expect the TCLP milligrams per 3 liter to be on the order of ten, on the order of a hundred? 4 What would you roughly estimate?
 - A. I really couldn't estimate, Mr. Ewing. There is sort of a complex relationship that defines how much of that will come out to the water, and the best way to know
 - 8 is actually to run the test. If they ran the test, we can 9 certainly look at that and see what that result is.
 - 10 The reason we run tests is that we don't know the 11 answer.
 - 12 Q. Do you disagree with Dr. Short's conclusion that
 - 13 the TCLP test never would have been--never would have
 - 14 failed the 1,000 milligrams per liter because oil cannot
 - 15 dissolve in water to that extent?
 - 16 A. I would agree that these samples, as tested, both 17 during the RAP and during the Judicial Inspection, never
 - 18 did exceed that limit. In fact, nearly all the samples had
 - 10 non detectable leaghete concentrations and that supports
 - 19 non-detectable leachate concentrations, and that supports
 - 20 the finding of high weathering of that material. The tea
 - 21 bag is worn out. Whether that material ever would have 22 exceeded a value of 1,000 to me is somewhat immaterial
 - 23 because, regardless of what the criteria were, that
 - 24 material leached nothing, almost nothing, and it would have
 - 25 met any criterion that were in effect at that time.

- 10:15 1 significant amount dissolving into the water, and that
 - 2 there is some complex chemistry that controls that. But in
 - 3 the weathered crude, very little because that soluble
 - 4 portion is gone, just as if you had used the tea bag many,
 - 5 many times, and that final time you used the tea bag,
 - 6 you're not getting any tea. That's similar to what you
 - 7 would find with the weathered crude, where the tea is gone
 - 8 for various reasons but it no longer contains it. So when
 - 9 you do the leachate test on the weathered crude, you get
 - 10 almost nothing in that water.
 - 11 Q. Yesterday, we looked at a sample of liquid crude
 - 12 that had approximately 24 milligrams per kilograms of GRO.
 - 13 Is that the volatile range that you're now referring to?
 - 14 A. Yes.
 - 15 Q. So, if we had run the TCLP test on that liquid
 - 16 crude from that pit with 24 milligrams per kilogram of GRO,
 - 17 what would you expect the TCLP results to be?
 - 18 A. They may have run that test on that material. We
 - 19 can look in the Report to see if that had been done, but it
 - 20 could result in a measurable--it could result in a
 - 21 detectable fraction of soluble components in that leachate
 - 22 test, but I would have to look at the Reports and see if
 - 23 that were done or not.
 - Q. And still just staying in the theoretical, I'm not
 - 25 asking about the specific--we're just using that as an

- 10:18 1 But I don't know--I can't answer whether or not a 2 fresh oil of any composition would have specifically 3 exceeded that criterion because I haven't done that 4 analysis.
 - 5 Q. But you agree with me that the weathered crudes 6 that were analyzed during the RAP, none of them came even 7 close to violating the RAP 1,000-milligrams-per-liter 8 standard?
 - 9 A. That's right. All the samples that were tested 10 did not release leachate. None of them were capable of 11 contaminating the groundwater because they contained no 12 soluble fractions.
 - Q. So, if we could look at Tab 18--and this should be in the first binder--oh, sorry, it should be in the second
 - L5 binder. I'm just giving you an opportunity to lift both.
 - MR. EWING: And for the record, this is Exhibit
 - 17 C-43, it is the Woodward-Clyde Report. 18 THE WITNESS: Which tab did you say again?
 - 18 THE WITNESS: Which tab did you say again 19 BY MR. EWING:
 - 20 O. Eighteen.
 - 21 A. Yes, I'm there.
 - 22 And do you have a specific page number?
 - 23 Q. For some reason, Woodward-Clyde, along with some
 - 24 of our other historic Contractors didn't believe in page
 - 25 numbers. We are looking--it's Table 3-24, and it's just on

- 10:20 1 this side of the middle. You will see there is a large 2 collection of tables in the middle, and we're looking at 3 Table 3-24.
 - A. Yes, I see that. It's multiple pages, and they're 5 indicated sheet one of--X of six at the bottom. Perhaps 6 you know which page that is.
 - It's sheet four of six. I found it. If you find 8 Table 3-24, in the lower right-hand corner, there is a new 9 numbering.
 - Q. But if we could look at the results for Sacha 86, 10 11 which as you said is on sheet four of six, and the way this 12 table is set up, so that we're all on the same page, is pit
 - 13 number is listed on the left, and then we have
 - 14 pre-remediation results and then we have remediation
 - 15 verification results; correct?
 - A. Yes. 16
 - 17 O. And if we look down at Sacha 86, the
 - 18 pre-remediation TPH results, we see 17,000 milligrams per
 - 19 kilogram, 19,000 milligrams per kilogram, et cetera;
 - 20 correct?
 - A. Yes. Those are the two values for 86.1, which
 - 22 refers to Pit 1 at the Sacha 86 well site.
 - O. And at Pit 2 there were 9300; correct?
 - A. The pre-remediation concentration of Total
 - 25 Petroleum Hydrocarbon in that soil was that value, correct.

- 10:24 1 A. Yes. The evaluation criteria that was applied 2 during the Judicial Inspections by the Chevron Experts was 3 10,000 parts per million, consistent with those other 4 values that were prevailing at that time.
 - Q. Now, could we turn to the bottom of the next page, 6 where we have Sacha 91. So, now, this is sheet five of
 - 8 A. For clarity, Mr. Ewing, I should point out that 9 that criterion was applied outside of pits, not in 10 remediated pits, not in the RAP pits, because the RAP pits 11 had their agreed upon specified criteria. At locations 12 outside of pits, for which there--things that were not in 13 the RAP, then the criteria of 10,000 was used by the 14 Chevron experts to evaluate whether those were actionable
 - 15 conditions. So, I didn't mean to mislead you to indicate 16 that that 10,000 was applied inside a RAP pit. It was not.
 - 17 I'm sorry, I interrupted you on your second 18 guestion.
 - 19 Q. During the Judicial Inspections, then, you're testifying that, for RAP pits, Chevron asked the Court to 21 evaluate whether the RAP was effectively completed, whether
 - the criteria from the RAP were completed for RAP pits; is
 - 23 that your understanding?
 - A. No, it's actually the opposite. The Court asked 25 the experts to make that determination. The Court

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- Q. And then if we look to the far right, we see the 2 TPH by TCLP, which is the leachate test we were just
 - 3 discussing; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - O. And we see here that that came out as less than five, which is a non-detect; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. So, the leachate test found nothing?
 - A. The leachate test did not detect any hydrocarbon
 - 10 in the water because that hydrocarbon mass is non-soluble.
 - 11 Just as for an example, if you're familiar with asphalt
 - 12 pavement. Asphalt pavement is not soluble, but it's
 - 13 100 percent hydrocarbon. This was not asphalt, but it
 - 14 shared that characteristic of being non-soluble.
 - O. So, this is the site where Mr. Slocum was
 - 16 standing; right? It was Sacha 86 that he was standing at yesterday? 17
 - A. I thought that was Shushufindi 4. 18
 - 19 Okay. You're right. I have confused my videos.
 - If we go look at the TPH result, we see that
 - 21 post-remediation it is still 16,000; correct?
 - 22 A. Correct.
 - 23 During the Judicial Inspections, Chevron's Experts
 - 24 recommended what they called an international criteria of
 - 25 10,000 milligrams per kilogram; correct?--for TPH.

- 10:26 1 specifically, at the request of the Parties, posed the
 - 2 question: Were the RAP pits remediated in accordance with
 - 3 the specifications that were agreed upon by the Parties in
 - 4 the September 1995 RAP document? That was the guestion
 - 5 posed by the Court, not by Chevron.
 - Q. And then the portions outside of the pit, 10,000
 - 7 milligrams per kilogram, was applied; correct?
 - A. Yes. That was to answer the second two categories
 - of questions: What are the environmental conditions at the
 - site, and to help in the evaluation of do those conditions
 - 11 pose a human health risk. And that was one of the
 - 12 criterion that were applied for that, to answer those
 - questions--particularly the former, not the latter.
 - Q. And if we look at Sacha 91.2, which is the last
 - 15 line on this page, NS means "not sampled"?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And after remediation, this pit still had 11,000 17
- milligrams per kilogram of TPH? 18
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 O. But had a non-detect for TCLP?
 - A. Yes. The oil in that pit is non-soluble. It had
- 22 been cemented and sealed within the soil mass, but it's
- non-soluble and, therefore, it met the criteria of not
- posing a risk to the environment via leaching.
 - Q. When you say it's not soluble, you're not saying

10:28 1 it's not liquid?

A. Oh, no.

4 not observe liquid oil. It's not impossible that there 5 could be some droplets of liquid along those pits. But 6 weathered oil, when I've talked about weathered oil, 7 doesn't mean that it's solid. It can still be a liquid. 8 In this case, this I would expect would have been a 9 solidified solid mass that embodied 11,000 parts per 10 million of oil.

In this particular case, in the RAP pits, I did

- Q. And you're not saying, when you say it's not 11 12 soluble, you're not making a conclusion about its toxicity, 13 either, are you?
- A. No, that doesn't relate to its toxicity. It 15 relates to the exposure potential. So, regardless of what 16 the chemical is, if the chemical can't exit the solidified 17 mass, then it can't impact groundwater and it can't harm a 18 well. So, it's important in that aspect, but it is not, 19 per se, a measurement of toxicity. But it's an important consideration when you do the complete risk assessment.
- Q. Understood, and we're not talking about doing a 22 complete risk assessment. I'm just trying to understand 23 what the conditions were at the time. Could we move on to--actually, before I do, do you

25 know how many more sites there are like this, where

10:31 1 O. And when you say that the non-detects for TCLP is 2 consistent with the weathered state, you're assuming that 3 even fresh oil could violate the five milligrams per liter 4 detection limit; is that right?

A. I don't think that assumption--it's not dependent 6 on that assumption. We talked about that earlier, and I 7 would expect that fresh oil could exceed that limit, but my 8 conclusion is not dependent on the behavior of fresh oil.

9 It's dependent on the observed behavior of the weathered 10 oil, and that's complemented by oil-weathering

11 fingerprinting analyses that were done on every single soil sample collected during the Judicial Inspection by Chevron

to quantify the degree of weathering. That, in complement

14 with the leachate test, supports the finding that 15 the--well, it was weathered, and that it did not release 16 leachate to water.

17 Q. And again, when you used the term "weathered," you're not making a statement about its--necessarily about its toxicity?

20 A. The term "weathered" indicates a change in the 21 chemical composition; and throughout the Reports, I've 22 indicated that those two things are related. But the 23 change in the chemical composition did perforce reduce the

24 toxicity of that material because it entailed the removal

25 of the most toxic components, most of which occur in that

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10:29 1 pre-remediation and post-remediation TPH results are high 2 but TCLP was below the criteria?

MS. RENFROE: I will object to that question, 4 respectfully, Mr. Ewing. It's awfully vague and ambiguous, 5 the way you've framed it. Could you try and reframe it? 6 When you say high, we don't know what that means. It's a 7 very relative term.

(By Mr. Ewing) 9 BY MR. EWING:

Q. Do you understand my question? Or should I 10 11 rephrase?

A. You might want to clarify for the record what you 12 13 mean by high.

Q. Happy to. Do you know how many more sites there 15 are like this where pre-remediation and post-remediation 16 TPH results are above 10,000 milligrams per kilogram, but 17 TCLP was below or non-detect?

A. No, I haven't done that evaluation. I understand 19 that of all the TCLP tests that were done, I believe the

20 highest detection was marginally above five. I believe

21 there may have only been one such test, and that

22 was--that's consistent with the weathered state of that oil

23 that was embodied in those soils. But I haven't--I can't

24 recall the data to that degree to be able to answer your

25 question.

10:32 1 light-end range, and some of which occur in the middle 2 range, so that in all cases the weathering did have the 3 effect of reducing the toxicity.

Q. You would agree with me that PAHs are a toxic component of crude oil; correct? 5

A. PAHs are considered toxic chemicals. There is some debate over what their native concentration is in crude oil, but they were measured in the weathered crude 9 oil at this site, yes.

10 Q. And would you agree with me that, as PAHs are 11 weathered--let me rephrase.

Would you agree with me that, as crude oil is 12 13 weathered, PAH concentration increases?

A. No.

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O. Do PAHs weather at the same rate as the rest of 15 the crude oil?

A. That's a good question that I may not be able to 17 answer for you, Mr. Ewing. I can only answer to the extent that I observed in the data was that the degree of

weathering of the light ends and degree of weathering of 21 the PAHs was both observed to be significant, ranging from

22 60 to 80 percent loss of those chemical mass by virtue of

23 the various weathering processes.

There are certain ambient conditions that would 25 result in faster weathering of the light ends, and I think

- 10:34 1 that's common, but the end result that was observed in 2 these samples that were analyzed by Mr. Greq Douglas--or 3 Dr. Greg Douglas, I should say--indicated that both of 4 those chemicals had experienced significant reduction in
 - 6 Q. You are not a petroleum chemistry Expert; right?
 - A. No, I'm at--I understand petroleum chemistry to 8 the degree that it is applied within the environmental

realm, but apart from that, no.

- Q. So, if Mr. Douglas--or Dr. Douglas--agreed with me 11 that PAH concentration does increase on oil weathering, you 12 would agree with him?
- A. Well, I would consider Dr. Douglas' opinion, what 13 14 the basis was for that, and determine if I would agree with 15 him or not. There are certain compounds to which he may be 16 referring, but they are the biomarkers that you're 17 referring to that are used for calculation of a weathering 18 index or a weathering state. But the PAHs that I'm 19 discussing are the 16 compounds that comprise the USEPA
- 20 priority pollutant list. Those are the compounds that ${\tt I}$
- 21 considered in my evaluation, and I wouldn't expect those
- 22 concentrations to increase relative to the oil mass, given
- 23 that they also experienced significant reduction.
- Under your--what you're positing is that if the 25 light infraction of the oil disappears faster than middle

10:38 1 A. Yes.

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- Q. And am I correct that this is in response to the 3 fact that LBG found phenol in the surface water, and LBG 4 concluded that that was an indicator that the surface water has been contaminated by petroleum hydrocarbons? Is that correct?
 - A. Not exactly.
 - Q. What are you responding to in this sentence?
- A. I'm responding to two issues. In their First 10 Report, the Ecuador Experts had observed certain data that 11 had been collected in the course of their Remedial Action Program, and they had misunderstood that data to be extreme
- 13 data when actually it was water treatment data within the
- 14 pits. In the eight-step process for remediation, one of those processes is treatment of the pit water prior to
- 16 discharge. That pit water prior to discharge contained
- 17 phenol, but the measurements were not from the stream.
- I then went on to explain that, if they were 18 measurements from the stream, those are very common to find in this area. It's a chemical that degrades very rapidly
- 21 and would not be expected to be an indicator of oil
- 22 contamination.
- O. It would not be an indicator of oil contamination, 24 in your opinion, because it's naturally occurring; and, if
- 25 it is there, it would degrade rapidly?

- 10:36 1 infraction, then in the resultant mass those compounds 2 would be a relatively higher portion of the mass, and I 3 believe that would be true.
 - Q. So, I think that you have ultimately agreed with 5 my original question, but would you defer to Dr. Douglas on 6 this issue generally speaking as--since he is a Doctor in 7 petroleum chemistry?
 - A. I think Dr. Douglas certainly is more 9 knowledgeable of this area. But whether or not I agreed 10 with his findings would depend on the specific circumstance 11 of the case. But he has certainly considered those issues 12 to a greater degree than I have in this matter.
 - Q. Could we turn to Page 30 of your 2013 Report, 13 14 please.
 - MR. EWING: And for everyone's benefit, I have a 15 16 short line of questions here, and then maybe we can take a 17 break. Is that appropriate?
 - THE WITNESS: 2013? 18
 - 19 BY MR. EWING:
 - Q. Correct. 2013, Page 30. And it's your second 20 21 full paragraph, stating: "Furthermore, phenol is not
 - 22 uniquely related to petroleum operations but is a naturally
 - 23 occurring organic compound associated with decaying leaf
 - 24 litter."
 - Do you see that?

- A. Those are certainly relevant. Those are certainly 2 correct. But in order to be an indicator, it needs to have 3 some unique association to the source material or a unique 4 association in combination with other chemicals.
 - So, in this case, phenol is not a reliable 5 indicator because it is such a ubiquitous chemical.
 - Q. So, if we showed that phenol is not, in fact, naturally occurring but it was found in the water samples taken by LBG, you would agree with me, then, that it would 10 be an indicator of oil contamination?
 - 11 A. You've set up a hypothetical there that is 12 contrary to my experience. Phenol is sourced by many
 - 13 materials. Phenols is sourced by many materials and,
 - 14 therefore, it is not a reliable indicator of oil
 - 15 contamination. Oil does contain phenol, as do many others,
 - 16 but giving the very short life of phenol in the environment 17 and its relationship to other materials, it's not a
 - reliable indicator. You need an indicator that's unique
 - 19 and persistent to be reliable.
 - Q. So, your conclusion is that phenol will always be 20 21 detected in an environment like the Oriente, regardless of
 - 22 whether there is oil production activities?
 - 23 A. It can be. It depends. It won't always be 24 detected, but it can be.
 - O. And that's because of the leaf litter?

10:42 1 A. The streams in the Oriente are choked with 2 decaying vegetation. It's very common. Decaying 3 vegetation does generate phenol. Low levels of phenol in a 4 stream are not indicative of oil contamination.

Q. So, if you turn to Tab 57--this is the Peters and Crowell article that you mentioned. Peters and Crowell.
This is in the--actually in our fourth binder that we are going to hand you after the break, so, we will stop for there, so don't look for this for right now.

10 Let me quickly wrap up this line of questions and 11 we will come back to this.

In your 2015 Report, at Page 50, there is another chemical that LBG pointed to called naphthenic acids. And LBG concluded that the presence of naphthenic acids in the water again was an indicator that petroleum hydrocarbons had contaminated that water. Do you remember LBG's conclusion?

18 A. Yes, I think that's generally consistent with 19 their statement.

Q. And in response, you said, in your first full paragraph at Page 50, that the background level of naphthenic acids in surface water has been reported in a range of 0.16 to 1.01 milligrams per liter, and then you cite to RAMP 2013; correct?

A. Yes.

10:46 1 compounded by the fact that no background analyses were 2 conducted in this area.

Q. And we will be addressing the blank issues that you and Dr. Douglas have raised with Dr. Douglas, so let's put that aside.

My understanding of what you're saying here is that you are offering some potential ranges for what backgrounds of naphthenic acids could be.

9 MS. RENFROE: Well, pardon me, let me just respond 10 to your instruction to the Witness. If he needs to 11 consider the blank contamination issue in answering your 12 question about naphthenic acids, then he can do that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: He can do that, can't he?

MR. EWING: He can, of course, do that. I didn't

even think that needed to be said. I was just trying to

focus him on what is written here in this paragraph.

THE WITNESS: Well, to answer your question then,

I think it's, as I stated before, that the statements on

this page are in context of my complete discussion of the

laboratory results presented by AXYS Laboratories, and that

includes the blank problem, and it includes the issue of

failure to classify or characterize the background

cocurrence of naphthenic acids.

The background occurrence of naphthenic acids is not something that's well-understood in our business. I've

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10:44 1 Q. And then you say, "also, background levels in 2 groundwater have been measured in the range of four to 55 3 milligrams per liter," and you cite to an article by 4 Headley and McMartin from 2004.

A. Correct.

Q. And my understanding from what you have here is that you are telling us that naphthenic acids can have these concentrations naturally and, therefore, if LBG found results in these ranges, those could just be natural.

A. The purpose of this statement is to indicate that
naphthenic acids do have background concentrations. The
background concentrations at Oriente have not been measured
as part of LBG's investigation. And therefore, to draw a
conclusion as to the relationship of the naphthenic acids
to the oil impacts would require that type of background
analysis.

This is in concert with comments made earlier in this same report that the laboratory relied upon by the Ecuador Experts to conduct the naphthenic acid analyses found naphthenic acid in every single sample it analyzed, including all the laboratory blanks. Pure water was found to contain naphthenic acid.

Therefore, armed with that knowledge, one cannot then say that naphthenic acids were indicative of oil contamination in environmental samples. That would be 10:47 1 never seen it analyzed on any oilfield investigation in my 2 35 years.

4 values that are found in those studies are not necessarily
5 relevant to the Oriente. I suspect that they might not be.
6 However, what they point out is that in the oilfield
7 regions where these studies were conducted, they did
8 observe naphthenic acids in the absence of oil spills. So,
9 it's more related to the qualitative issue rather than the
10 quantitative issue that the fact that background analyses
11 are very important for--to establish a baseline rather than
12 the specific numerical values that were observed in those
13 other oilfields.

I found two studies that had done that. The

Q. So, you would agree with me that both the RAMP article that you cite to and the Headley article are dealing with naphthenic acids in the Alberta oil sands; is that right?

A. I would have to look specifically, but I believe that's correct. I don't know that all of the RAMP samples were, but in general, they were samples from natural streams in an oil production area, but they were streams

22 from areas where no oil production had yet occurred. But

23 they were in areas of oil production.

Q. But you understand that the Alberta oil sands are approximately twice the size of Ecuador and one meter thick

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10:49 1 of heavy hydrocarbons; correct?

- 2 A. I don't know how big the Alberta oil sands are.
- Q. Would you--do you believe that they are bigger or
- 4 smaller than Ecuador?
- A. I don't know.
- Q. You have no idea?
- 7 A. No, I actually don't.
- Q. Okay. Let's take a break there, if you don't
- 9 mind, and move on--I can move on to the next later.
- 10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do that. We'll come back 11 at ten past 11:00.
- And again, please don't discuss the case or your testimony away from the Tribunal.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
- 15 (Brief recess.)
- 16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 17 BY MR. EWING:
- 18 Q. Mr. Connor, I would like to turn to what hopefully
- 19 will be some interesting subjects to wrap this up and
- 20 hopefully get out of here and be done before lunch. If you
- 21 could please first turn to your 2013 Report at Page 15.
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you see where you say: "To provide an
- 24 accurate measure of the actual area of soil impacts, the
- 25 Chevron experts conducted delineation sampling to establish

- 11:13 1 list of all sites I visited and when. I could look at
 - 2 that, if you wish.
 - Q. That's all right.
 - Looking at this, this is the Site Sampling Summary
 - ${\tt 5}\ \ {\tt Form}\ {\tt or}\ {\tt Site}\ {\tt Summary}\ {\tt Report}\ {\tt Form},\ {\tt and}\ {\tt it}\ {\tt lists}\ {\tt that}\ {\tt you}$
 - 6 went there in December 2003.
 - Now, looking at the map--
 - A. Was that map in one of the binders?
 - 9 Q. This map we just have on the screen.
 - A. Okay.

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- 11 Q. You can look at, if you would like, Tab 36, which
- 12 is the Chevron Playbook for Lago Agrio 6, which has a
- 13 similar map. It did not reproduce as well on the screen.
- 14 This is Tab 36.
- 15 A. Do you know where exactly in this diagram this
- 16 Tab 36 I might find that?
- 17 Q. There is a similar picture at the bottom right
- 18 corner. You'll see the GSI Bates stamps, and it's
- 19 GSI 0460866.
- 20 A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. And Tab 36 that we're looking at is the Playbook
- 22 that was provided to the Judicial Inspection Experts who
- 23 did the Judicial Inspection at Lago Agrio 6; correct?
 - A. This is the--yes, I believe this is the
- 25 Pre-Inspection Report prepared for the Lago Agrio 6 well

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11:10 1 a clean perimeter around each pit or affected area"?

- A. Could you point me to the paragraph?
- Q. Yes. And I will just find it again.
 - Thank you. Paragraph 3?
- 5 A. Second full paragraph, perhaps?
- 6 O. Correct.

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- 7 A. Yes, I see that.
- 8 Q. And in your opening presentation, you showed us a
- 9 slide of Shushufindi 21 where you explained your step-out
- 10 and perimeter samples; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. So, I'd like now to put up now an image from the
- 13 clickable database, Lago Agrio 6.
- 14 Do you recognize this as the sketch-map that
- 15 Chevron had or that GSI had for Lago Agrio 6?
- 16 A. It looks similar to the maps. I'd have to look at
- 17 that particular map to see if that's the final version of
- 18 it that was in--is this from the JI Report, you're saying?
- 19 Q. This--I will attest to you this is copied directly
- 20 from the 2007 clickable database that was provided to the
- 21 Republic.
- 22 Do you remember visiting this site in
- 23 December 2003?
- 24 A. No, but I visited 86 sites.
- 25 I could look at my--in my 2010 Report I have a

11:15 1 site.

- 2 MR. EWING: And it's the page ending in 866.
- 3 BY MR. EWING:
- 4 Q. And you just said that this is the Judicial
- 5 Inspection Report prepared for the Lago Agrio 6 well site?
- A. If I said that, I misspoke. It's the
- 7 Pre-Inspection Report.
- Q. And at the cover of this, it says--actually it's
- called the Judicial Inspection Playbook; correct?
- 10 A. Yes, that's what it says.
- 11 Q. So, this is an example of what we have been
- 12 talking about as playbooks?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Now, looking at this site, we see that Chevron has
- 15 identified two pits; correct?
 - Yes, on this diagram.
- 17 Q. And now if we put up a map--and this is a zoomed
- 18 version. Now, putting up a map that we put together of all
- 19 of Chevron's samples, this will show you all of the PIs and
- 20 the JIs for this result--for this site--sorry, this is your
- 21 map. And this can be found in the Playbook if you skip
- 22 past the aerial photos, starting at page ending in 883.
- 23 And you'll see that 883 is the water results, and 884 is
- 24 your soil results.
 - Do you see that?

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11:19 1 A. Yes, I see that.

Q. And these maps include just the PI results, the Pre-Inspection results, because the Judicial Inspection had not yet happened?

A. Correct.

Q. So, what we have done is taken this map, these results, and put them on to an aerial image of this site and included the PI results and the JI results and the Rebuttal results.

10 MS. RENFROE: Pardon me, Mr. Ewing. I don't 11 believe this map is in the record. If it is, can you tell 12 us where we could find it?

13 MR. EWING: This map, like all of the other 14 demonstratives, this is displaying the data that's in the 15 record and the aerial images that are in the record. We've 16 just put them together.

MS. RENFROE: So, this is not in the record because this map is not included in any of your Expert

19 Reports or any of the Memorials that we have seen.

MR. EWING: We have included very similar maps.

This slide itself, just like all the other slides I think

22 everyone has presented in the last seven days, are not

23 exactly as they are in the record.

MS. RENFROE: I'm sorry, I don't accept that characterization, and I will object to any questions of

11:21 1 MR. EWING: That is R-968.

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Does it have a page reference, 3 paragraph number?

MR. EWING: It doesn't, because it is an Access

database. It is a table of all of Chevron's analytical

results, and it's thousands of Rows. And instead of

showing that in a table format, we put it onto a map so you

acan visually see where these samples were taken.

9 MS. RENFROE: Mr. President, if I might respond, 10 there have been numerous reports on behalf of--submitted by 11 experts on behalf of the Republic of Ecuador, including 12 many, many maps. It is not a simple matter of taking a map

13 like this and comparing the data. That cannot be done in a 14 matter of minutes. And in our experience, there have been

15 problems with data being mislocated on maps supplied by the

16 Republic's experts. So, that's why I'm troubled about
17 having our witness confronted with a map that he has never

18 seen before without an opportunity to review the data and

19 whether the data is properly plotted and completely

20 plotted.

MR. EWING: Mr. President, I think we can make this a little easier. I don't think that Mr. Connor or

23 Ms. Renfroe is suggesting that we are purposefully

24 inappropriately putting the data up or incorrectly, but

25 let's move aside from this map and let's go back to

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11:20 1 this Witness about this map which is not in the record.

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just slow down because I think 3 we need to know very clearly when something is a

 ${\tt 4}$ ${\tt demonstrative}$ and when it's already in the evidential file,

5 and I am speaking for myself, and I speak for my

6 colleagues. I misunderstood when you started with this

7 document, I thought it was in the evidential file. But as 8 I now understand it, it's a demonstrative, and you're

9 simply putting it forward pictorially, but it's not

10 evidence in itself.

MR. EWING: So, what I have done and what we have done on this demonstrative is we have taken the data from a

 $\ensuremath{\text{13}}$ table that was provided to us by Chevron and put those

14 locations on to a map, and we have submitted similar maps

15 with almost all of our Reports for various sites, but this

16 $\,$ as it looks exactly like this is not a particular file in

17 the record. It is bringing together data from the record.

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: What we would be anxious to do

19 $\,$ is not to catch people by surprise, but this Witness has to

20 be re-examined, and what does a re-examiner do with this 21 document? Can you tell where the information comes from in

22 the evidential file? Is it sourced?

23 MR. EWING: All of the data for this is from

24 Chevron's analytical database.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: What's the reference?

11:22 1 Chevron's own Judicial Inspection Playbook map, and I think 2 we can make the same points.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: This applies to both sides. We

4 do need to know--we do need to know very clearly when 5 something is simply demonstrative and when it's in the

6 evidential file, so we assume, unless we're told, in a

7 situation like this, that it's in file, and we need to be 8 told it was a demonstrative, but try and find another way

9 to make your point.

10 ARBITRATOR LOWE: Sorry, are you using this 11 graphic on the screen now or not?

MR. EWING: We will move on from this.

BY MR. EWING:

Q. So, if we could look at Page 884 of Chevron's Judicial Inspection Playbook for Lago Agrio 6.

16 And, Mr. Connor, these are the PI results for Lago

17 Agrio 6; correct?
18 A. You're looking at 884?

19 O. Correct.

20 A. Yes, they are.

21 O. And they are--

22 A. I'm assuming the display is the same map; correct?

O. Yes.

24 A. Okay.

Q. If we could just turn the display off for now.

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- 11:24 1 A. Well, this is Lago 2.
 - Q. And I'm asking to you look at Lago Agrio 6, which should be in front of you at Page 884.
 - 4 A. Okay. It's in the display was a different site; 5 right?
 - 6 Q. Do you understand now we are looking at Lago 7 Agrio 6?
 - A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Page 884?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And looking at these results, what information is 12 presented here?
 - 13 A. On Page 884, the title reads: "Recent sampling
 - 14 results 2003 to 2005 soil and sediment." Therefore, my
 - 15 understanding would be that the laboratory test results
 - 16 that were collected by those Parties at this site are
 - 17 recorded on this map.
 - 18 Q. The laboratory test results are only those of
 - 19 Chevron--correct?--on this map.
 - 20 A. I believe that's correct.
 - Q. And you testified during your opening that the
 - 22 Pre-Inspections were conducted so that Chevron's experts
 - 23 would understand where the pits were and where they
 - 24 stopped; correct?
 - A. Yes. If there is insufficient information of that

- 11:28 1 Q. And it's your testimony, then, that this PI
 2 information would have been given to Chevron's Judicial
 3 Inspection Expert so that that Expert could then sample
 4 that pit during the Judicial Inspection and then identify
 5 where that contamination stopped so that the Court could
 6 properly understand where pits were and where they were
 7 not?
 - A. I think my testimony would be that, subject to the specific requests at each site, the pits would be located and the delineation samples, if requested, would be either located around the site or around pits. And in some cases, if the pit was not a RAP pit, not a RAP-remediated pit, the pit was not sampled unless instructed because it was already known that it contained oil. It was already identified, and the sampling in that pit provided no additional information.
 - Q. So, you did not believe it was not necessary to delineate non-RAP pits during the Judicial Inspections?
 - 19 A. It wasn't my decision. The Court requested that 20 be done at certain times, and it was. The different
 - 21 Judicial Inspection Experts would make their decision as to
 - 22 how to implement that request, and they did that in
 - 23 different manners.
 - Q. So, it was your understanding as a Judicial Inspection Expert--let me start over.

- 11:26 1 sort for remediated pits, then one of the tasks of the 2 Pre-Inspection was to supplement that information using, 3 for example, the step-up boring procedure.
 - Q. So, for instance, looking at Pit Number 2, which is the right pit at the top corner of the platform, the Chevron Pre-Inspection results seemed to be on the edge of
 - 7 pit two, and they have identified, looking at the call-outs
 - 8 above, TPH DRO of 4500 milligrams per kilogram.
 - 9 Do you see that?
 - 10 A. Yes, I believe that's correct, a sample LA-06 PI 11 Sp5 one-meter has TPH as DRO as 4500.
 - 12 Q. So, that means that one meter down, Chevron found
 - 13 4500 milligrams per kilogram of DRO?
 - 14 A. Yes, in a pit that wasn't included in the RAP,
 - 15 that's correct.
 - Q. And the other sample, the duplicate, it's the next look down that ends in DUP. That means a duplicate of that
 - 8 same location?
 - 18 Same Tocalion:
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - Q. That has a TPH as DRO of 6900 milligrams per
 - 21 kilogram; correct?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. And there are no samples to the north of that pit;
 - 24 right?
 - 25 A. Not as indicated on this map, that's correct.

- 11:29 1 It was not your understanding as a Judicial
 2 Inspection Expert for Chevron as an assistant to the Court
 - 3 that you were supposed to delineate and identify all of the
 - 4 site features at each site so that the Court could properly 5 assess what risks were and were not present?
 - 6 A. We were asked to--the term "assistant to the
 - 7 Court" is a legal term I can't respond to, but we were
 - 8 asked to investigate the specific features and respond to
 - 9 the specific questions posed at each site. That was our
 - 10 instruction. And as I said in my testimony, those
 - 11 questions generally fell under the three categories ${\tt I}$
 - 12 described: The remediation, environmental conditions,
 - 13 risk. The particular features that were included in that
 - $14\,\,$ were different for every site as posed by the Parties.
 - 15 Whether or not those comprised all the features a site, I
 - 16 can't say. It would depend on the site.
 - 17 Q. So, it's your understanding that if, as a judicial 18 inspection Expert nominated by Chevron to the Court--and I
 - 19 thought I was using your language of, "assistant to the
 - 20 Court" yesterday--but in that role that you were filling,
 - 21 it was not your understanding that you needed to disclose
 - 22 to the Court all information about the environmental
 - 23 conditions of any particular site for which you were the
 - 23 Conditions of any partitudal site for which you were the
 - 24 Judicial Inspection Expert?
 - A. I'm not sure--I'm not quite sure the meaning of

11:31 1 your question, Mr. Ewing, but I would say that my
2 understanding was that we were asked to answer specific
3 questions about each site, and the information that we were
4 allowed to employ for that was restricted to the
5 information that was collected during the time period of
6 the Judicial Inspection itself in the presence and company
7 of the counterpart Expert on the other side. I was
8 specifically instructed, as were all the other experts,
9 that information collected prior to or after the period of
10 the Judicial Inspection was not admissible for
11 consideration by the Court; therefore, whatever features
12 were considered were those features that were specifically

requested by the Parties at that time.

Q. So, as an example, if Lago Agrio 6, Pit Number 2

was covered and not visible to the naked eye, yet you knew that it was there because you had taken Pre-Inspection sampling results, Pre-Inspection samples, and you had analyzed historical aerial imagery, you were under no obligation to report that information or to request that the Court take samples at that location so that it could understand what the environmental conditions were at that site?

A. Well, Mr. Ewing, I was not the Judicial Expert on this site, so I can't speak to the particulars of what was requested of the Plaintiffs' Expert or the Chevron Expert, 11:35 1 fulfilled your obligation to the Court to disclose to it 2 all information that was available to you at Sacha 6?

A. I responded to the Court's questions faithfully
and fully to the degree I could. I could not provide the
Court for its consideration all the Pre-Inspection data
because we were specifically instructed that that was not
admissible. Most of that work was repeated, as it was in
many cases, in response to the Court's request at the time
of the Judicial Inspection. I would have to review--if
your question is was every sample repeated or was all of
that information duplicated, I can't say without
specifically looking at those documents.

13 Q. So, thinking to Sacha 6, you fully disclosed to 14 the Court the location of all of the pits that you knew of 15 at the time of the Judicial Inspection Report; is that 16 correct?

A. In my Report--I'm going to say this with a
caution, that I have a limited recollection of what's in
that report, and I would need to review that in order to
answer your question specifically. All the RAP pits that
existed at that time are identified in that report--I do
recall that--but there were other pits that existed to the
north of the platform which were not completely understood
at that time, or there is an indication on the map that I
submitted that there were other pits in that area, but I

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11:33 1 and so I can't really answer your question in that regard.
2 I know that on my sites, the information that was available
3 to me was fully made available to the Court. It was also
4 shared with the Plaintiffs' experts in our daily
5 conversations and discussions and in implementing the site
6 investigations.

7 Q. So, if I understand what you said correctly, at 8 Sacha 6, which was one of your sites for which you were a 9 Judicial Inspection Expert, your testimony today is that 10 you shared all of the information that was available to you 11 with the Plaintiffs and the Court.

A. The information that was available to me was
presented in the Judicial Inspection Report, and I
didentified a number of historical features at that site. I
because it was not admissible, and neither did
Mr. Calmbacher present the Pre-Inspection data that he had
collected in a very extensive drilling and sampling

19 program.

20 Whether that comprises all of the information that
21 was presented that was compiled in the Pre-Inspection, I
22 can't say, but I know that the features of the site were
23 duly investigated and reported in response to the Court's
24 request.

Q. So, your testimony today is that you fully

11:36 1 didn't understand the full extent of those pits.

Q. Okay. And I have your Sacha 6 JI Report which, unfortunately for all of us, is huge, and we're going to 4 pass it out to you now. This is the fourth binder.

5 MS. RENFROE: Pardon me, Mr. Ewing, which tab are 6 we supposed to be looking at?

7 MR. EWING: You're supposed to be looking at 8 Tab 56, but that is not the JI Report, so we seem to have 9 had a production problem.

BY MR. EWING:

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Q. Mr. Connor, your understanding of your--what you accomplished and what you did at Sacha 6 is that you responded to the Court's questions about the existence of environmental--about the environmental conditions at Sacha 6 and the risks to human health at that location; is that correct?

A. The specific questions that were posed at Sacha 6
are enumerated in an attachment to the Sacha 6 report, and
each of those questions is listed in the Report and duly
answered, and an answer was provided to each of those
questions in that document.

Q. And I actually do have your Report from Sacha 6. It's Tab 39. I had the wrong number, and that's in Hinder 3.

5 A. Which binder again? I'm sorry.

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- 11:40 1 Q. This is Binder 3, Tab 39?
 - 2 A. Okay. Thank you.
 - Q. And if I understand what you're saying correctly,
 - 4 we are looking now at Page 24, which is the questions and 5 answers section.
 - A. Oh. This is the English version of the Report?
 - 0. That is correct.
 - 8 A. This is not the final and official version of the
 - 9 Report. The final and official version was in Spanish, but
 - 10 I made an effort at that time to create an English
 - 11 translation by myself, but I can't--I just want to clarify
 - 12 for your sake, Mr. Ewing, but this may not be precisely the
 - 13 same as the document that was submitted to the Court.
 - 14 There could be some differences.
 - 15 Q. So, just so we are all clear, this is Exhibit
 - 16 C-497, which is an exhibit that the Claimants have
 - 17 submitted and have represented to us is the Judicial
 - 18 Inspection Report at Sacha 6, in English. Are you saying
 - 19 that it's not that?
 - 20 A. I'm just saying that I wrote two versions on the
 - 21 first two Judicial Inspections, which was quite arduous;
 - 22 and, after that, I just wrote in Spanish. But in order
 - 23 to--I think it should be a faithful copy, but I know that I
 - 24 couldn't always go back and revise the English version to
 - 25 meet the Spanish version, so I can't say this is not the

- 11:43 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. Not by the Court?
 - A. No, you may misunderstand that. Both Parties
 - 4 would pose questions, and the Court would then turn to the
 - 5 Experts and say that you respond to that question. We were
 - ${\tt 6}$ $\,$ instructed to respond to both those questions, not only in
 - $7\,$ the terms of reference but during the process itself. But
 - 8 those were the questions that were presented to the Court
 - $\ensuremath{\text{9}}$ and then presented to us. The questions originated with
 - 10 Dr. Callejas.
 - 11 Q. And if we look briefly on Page 97, we see
 - 12 Section 4.2, and those are the technical requests posed by
 - 13 Dr. Alberto Wray for the Plaintiffs.
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes, I do.
 - 6 O. And this same format would have been followed at
 - 17 all the Judicial Inspections that you just outlined; is
 - 18 that correct?

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- 19 A. The same process was followed at all the Judicial
- 20 Inspections. The way the Reports were constructed were not
- 21 in the same manner. But this Report was quite long because
- 22 it answered every question individually, and the other
- 23 Reports, the Experts combined those questions in a more
- 24 efficient manner to deal with repetition. But as far as
- 25 the process, it was the same process, yes.

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- 11:42 1 official version provided to the Court. This wasn't
 - 2 provided to the Court, but it was my effort to create an
 - 3 English version of the entire document.
 - Q. If at any point in these questions today you
 - 5 believe that what Chevron has provided to us is not a
 - 6 faithful representation of what you provided to the Court,
 - 7 could you just please let me know?
 - 8 A. I don't know what they've provided you, Mr. Ewing.
 - 9 Q. What we're looking at.
 - 10 A. Well, the record also had two versions of the
 - 11 Report in it, so I can't say whether or not you have both
 - 12 versions.
 - 13 Q. Okay. Let's move forward with this Report. And
 - 14 $\,$ if there is some problem with the translation, I'm sure
 - 15 Claimants' counsel will let us know if we run into
 - 16 something, either now or in the future.
 - 17 If we could look at Page 24, is this the questions
 - 18 and answers section that you are referring to?
 - 19 A. Yes, that's correct.
 - 20 Q. And if I understand this correctly, Section 4.1
 - 21 are the technical requests posed by Dr. Adolpho Callejas
 - 22 for Chevron/Texaco; correct?
 - 23 A. Yes, he was the legal representative for
 - 24 Chevron/Texaco at this Judicial Inspection.
 - 5 Q. So, these are requests made by Dr. Callejas?

- 11:45 1 Q. So, the first question here, it says: "The
 - 2 Experts will please prepare a detailed description of Well
 - 3 Sacha 6 and its facilities which I had specified earlier as
 - 4 well as of the specific buildings in the immediate
 - 5 surrounding."
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.

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- 8 And you're speaking about Page 24 now?
 - Q. Correct.
- 10 So, is your understanding that you were asked to
- 11 give to the Court a detailed description of Well Sacha 6 12 and its facilities?
- 13 A. Within the context of what he said, that he had 14 listed earlier, yes.
 - Q. Could you please clarify that?
- 16 A. In the Acta, you'll find a long discourse by each
- 17 Party, each representative; and, in that discourse, they
- 18 will describe the areas around the site or the site so that
- 19 it provides a context when they say to the north or to the
- 20 south or over by that tree, they will describe that. So,
- 21 within the context of what he said, he's asking the Experts
- 22 to provide that description.
- Q. So, would that have been--would he have specified
- 24 which pits he wanted you to describe?
- 25 A. That I don't recall.

- O. If there was a pit there, and you knew about it, 2 did you feel the--were you obligated to tell him about it?
 - A. If he asked you about that information, you 4 provided that information.
 - Q. But you don't remember whether the Judge asked you 6 to tell him about all of the pits?
 - A. I would have to look at the Acta to see what the 8 specific questions were that were posed to the Experts.
 - Q. And looking at your Judicial--looking at your 10 Judicial Inspection Report, you can't answer that question?
 - A. If you provided me time to look at the Acta and 11 12 the Judicial Inspection Report, I would be happy to do so.
 - Q. And we talked about this at your deposition. Do 14 you remember that?
 - A. We did talk about the Sacha 6 well site. I don't 16 think we talked about this particular aspect of it.
 - Q. So, your testimony today is that you would need 18 even more than this information to be able to answer my
 - 19 question about what the Judge asked you to do than the
 - Judicial Inspection Report?
 - 21 A. What?
 - 22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think he's answered that
 - 23 question.
 - MR. EWING: Okay. 24
 - BY MR. EWING:

11:50 1 environmental perspective."

Is that still your understanding of what your role 3 was as a Judicial Inspection Expert?

- A. Yes, and I think I've provided more information about that in my presentation yesterday, that in responding
- 6 to the questions, there were several components of
- 7 information that would be collected on a site-specific
- 8 basis, and in my presentation I describe what those were.
- 9 Those would be tailored at each site to answer the 10 guestions at each site.
- Q. And then if you turn to Page 265 of that 11
- deposition, starting at Line 3, you said: "What I mean is
- that, the directives from the Judge involved investigating
- 14 all components of the site, which included whatever pits 15 might be there, whatever crude oil spills may have
- 16 occurred, evaluating the surrounding domestic water wells,
- 17 investigating the adjacent streams, and investigating the
- soils that were present around the locations of pits or
- spills to determine the extent of the petroleum by means of
- perimeter sampling."
- Is that still your understanding of what the 21
- 22 directives from the Judge were?
- A. Yes. The directives varied from site to site, but 23
- 24 in general, they fell within that scope.
- Q. So, at Sacha 6, your role as a Judicial Inspection

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- Q. If we look to Page 35, is this an accurate map of 11:48 1 2 the well site?
 - A. It was certainly considered an accurate map based 4 on the information available at the time.
 - (Sound interference.)
 - Was that just in my head? Or did everybody hear 7 that?
 - 8 Q. No, it's just you.
 - (Laughter.)

- Let me take a step back. If you could look at 11 Tab 40 in the same binder, this is from your deposition in
- 12 the Saldana versus Shell Oil Case, and if we could turn to
- 13 Page 264, you said--and this is at Line 20 to 24, in
- 14 response to a question asking, "Was it your objective as a
- 15 participant in the Judicial Inspection of any of the five 16 sites to take samples?"
- And your answer was: "As the--I was the Expert on 17
- 18 those five sites, and the objectives were to collect
- 19 samples to answer certain questions that had been put forth
- 20 by the Parties and then mandated by the Judge."
- Which seems to be consistent with what you're 22 saying today.
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. And then you go on to say: "And those questions
- 25 involved a complete characterization of the site from an

- 11:52 1 Expert, would have been to include whatever pits might be 2 there that you were aware of, whatever crude oil spills may
 - 3 have occurred that you were aware of; correct?
 - A. It would include investigating whatever
 - 5 issues--whatever--were related to that site that were 6 requested by the Judge. And in cases--in a number of
 - 7 cases, you will see that the adjacent streams were not part
 - 8 of the scope of the questions, and in those cases they
 - 9 weren't sampled or certain issues were not part of the
 - 10 request. The requests were tailored to the specific
 - 11 request of the Judge at each site, but in body, they fell
 - 12 within the scope of the list of things I presented here,
 - 13 but they weren't the same at every site. Not every

 - 14 component occurred at every site.
 - O. To focus in on what you have testified about 15
 - Sacha 6 and about the four other sites that you were an 17 Expert--at which you were an Expert, if you knew that a pit
 - 18 existed, and the Judge did not specifically ask you about

 - 19 that pit, were you obligated to inform the Judge that that 20 pit existed?
 - A. I think I've answered that question. If you were
 - 22 asked the question that related to that, you answered that 23 question. I think the example you show here on this
 - 24 Page 35 is a pit that was identified in my Judicial
 - 25 Inspection Report in response to the questions to the

11:54 1 Parties, but if you weren't asked to sample that pit, you 2 did not sample that pit.

- Q. I'm trying to understand exactly what your 4 obligations were as a Judicial Inspection Expert. If you 5 knew that a stream was contaminated based on your 6 Pre-Inspection analysis of that stream, and then you went 7 to a Judicial Inspection at one of your sites--let's say 8 Shushufindi 21--were you obligated to inform the Court that 9 that stream was contaminated, or that you believed it might
- 10 be? A. No, your obligations were to answer the specific 11 12 questions of either Party. If either Party was interested 13 in the quality of that stream, then that stream was to be 14 investigated duly during the period of that Judicial 15 Inspection. So, the scope of the Judicial Inspection 16 investigation was dependent not on the data collected prior 17 to it, but on the specific questions that were posed during
- 19 Q. So, for instance, at Lago Agrio 2, a site that we 20 will visit--
- 21 A. Oh, man.
- 22 Q. --Chevron's Pre-Inspections found that the stream
- 23 was contaminated.

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A. Do you want to look at that data? 24

18 that period, and only those questions.

Q. I want to talk just about--I'm not asking to look

A. Sacha 21 I was the Expert, not Shushufindi 21. 11:58 1

Q. I apologize. Sacha 21.

Was there a stream at Sacha 21?

A. There was a drainage--without looking back at the Report--I'm just going from recollection--and if you want a 5 more specific answer, we would need to do that. I believe 7 there was a water drainage that was to the west of the site 8 flowing in a southernly direction, and there was an impoundment and land clearing to the southwest where there was some type of new activity that was not related to historical operations but some other type of activity was underway in that direction.

- Q. Let me try and get somewhere a different way. You are a risk assessor; correct?
- Vec A.

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- Q. And, as a risk assessor, you have ethical 16 17 obligations that you uphold?
- A. I would say that as a professional in any field, 18 you have ethical obligations that you uphold, and that includes Professional Engineers, Professional Geoscientists like myself.
- 22 Q. But as a risk assessor, do you have an ethical
- obligation to inform of a risk of which you're aware? A. My understanding of that, as it's embodied in the

25 engineering code of the State of Texas is that registered

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11:56 1 at the values. I want to talk about the concepts here, 2 using that as an example.

> And if the Plaintiffs asked for inspection of the 4 stream at Lago Agrio 2 because they believed it was 5 contaminated, were you under an obligation to disclose to 6 the Court the extent to which you already knew it was 7 contaminated or only the amount of contamination that you found during the actual Judicial Inspections?

A. Well, let's me start by saying that I was not the 10 Judicial Inspection Expert for Lago 2, so I can't speak in 11 detail as to the obligations that either the Chevron Expert 12 or Plaintiffs' Expert felt they were subject to. But in 13 general, the response of the Chevron Expert was to address 14 the questions that were asked at that time.

And on the Lago Agrio 2 site, that involved a 15 16 two-part response. Some of those samples were collected by 17 what was called a Rebuttal team, and some were collected by 18 what was called a Judicial Inspection team, and those two 19 components were submitted to the Court. And my

20 recollection of looking at that is that in combination, 21 those samples responded to all the requests of the Court.

Q. So, let's talk about another conceptual example 23 for which you were the Judicial Inspection Report--or

24 Expert. Shushufindi 21 is another site where you were the

25 Judicial Inspection Expert; correct?

12:00 1 engineers such as myself have a duty to report imminent and 2 substantial endangerment to public health, such that if you 3 investigate a bridge and that bridge is in danger of 4 collapse, you have an obligation to report that. Or if 5 there is, in the case of environmental, if you find that an 6 actual drinking water supply is being consumed or to be 7 impacted creating a very real--not potential, but very 8 real--health threat, then that would also be incumbent upon you to make that information available to Parties that could respond to that critical risk. 11

Q. See, you've answered the question as a 12 Professional Engineer, which wasn't exactly what I asked 13 you.

14 As a risk assessor, do you have an ethical 15 professional obligation to report known risks?

A. Well, I would say that, in my capacity as a risk assessor, and as a Professional Engineer and Professional Geoscientist, if I encountered a risk that was a critical 19 human health risk--not a hypothetical risk, not a risk that 20 could occur with 30 years of exposure to the earth, but

21 rather a critical, acute risk to human health--I would find 22 it personally incumbent upon myself to take measures to

23 inform and respond to that condition, and that would be my personal ethical sense of that situation.

Q. And as an Expert nominated by a Party to a

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12:01 1 litigation like you were in the Lago Agrio Litigation by

- 2 Chevron, and thinking of yourself in that role, at the five
- 3 sites at which you were a Judicial Inspection Expert, did
- 4 you believe that you had an obligation to the Court to
- 5 inform it of environmental conditions of which it was not
- 6 already aware, or was your role simply to follow the
- 7 Court's instructions?
- 8 A. That's a different question. I just want to make
- 9 $\,$ sure we understand that the switch, as I understand it in
- 10 your question. You previously asked me if I would feel an $\,$
- 11 ethical obligation to report an acute critical health
- 12 situation. Yes, my answer is absolutely. You then asked
- 13 $\,$ me if working on the Judicial Inspection I would feel an
- 14 obligation to report all environmental conditions related
- 15 to a site. It's very different. If I had encountered an
- 16 acute critical health condition, regardless of the Court's 17 instructions, I would have felt that it was important to
- 18 report that, not within the confines of the legal
- 19 proceedings, but within my role as an individual.
- 20 But I didn't find any situations like that. At no
- 21 place throughout the Concession Area did I encounter any
- 22 situation that posed an acute critical risk to human
- 23 health. Never.
- 24 I did encounter situations that I've duly reported
- 25 to this arbitration panel and in my other reports that are

12:06 1 Q. And that included the use of composite soil 2 sampling, and the general delineation of the site by means 3 of perimeter soil samples; is that correct?

- A. Yes, that's what it says.
- 5 Q. Do you still believe that was what the Chevron 6 sampling program was intended to do?
 - A. As I said in my presentation, there was a general
- 8 construct that was employed by a number of the Chevron
- 9 experts--it varied from site to site--but it did entail, it
- $10\,$ did include these various components, subject to the
- 11 specific directives of the site and the judgment of the 12 individual expert.
- 13 Q. And your understanding is that the Court
- 14 authorized the Judicial Inspections themselves; correct?
- 15 When the Court was present, the Court had authorized those
- 16 Judicial Inspections?
- 17 A. I guess that's true. The Judicial Inspection
- 18 commenced at the Order of the Judge at the time that the
- 19 Parties had gathered at the site.
- 20 Q. And the first Judicial Inspection was the Judicial
- 21 Inspection that you conducted at Sacha 6, and that started
- 22 on August 18th, 2004.
- 23 A. Yes.

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- I don't know the specific date, but it was
- 25 August 2004, and that was the first JI, yes.

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- 12:03 1 situations that do require remediation response. The risk
 - 2 associated with those are what we call "chronic." The
 - 3 risk--they low-level risks that could occur due to daily
 - 4 direct exposure over many years' time. That's a very
 - 5 different situation. It's a hypothetical situation. It's
 - 6 not a real or a critical risk. And in that regard, no, I
 - 7 did not feel within a directive of the Court or ethically
 - 8 an obligation to report non-risk conditions of that nature. 9 Q. Okay, Mr. Connor. Could we move on--and let's try
 - 10 and wrap this up--your June 2013 Report at Page 12.
 - 11 Actually, let's skip to the chase and look at your
 - 12 May 2014 Report. So, it's in the same binder. In our
 - 13 binder it's--
 - 14 A. May 2014?
 - 15 Q. Yep. May 2014. At Page 34.
 - 16 A. May. May. Okay. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And this is in response to LBG's concerns
 - 18 regarding the reliability of Chevron data. You say, in
 - 19 Letter D, that the Chevron sampling program--and I think
 - 20 you're referring to the PIs and JIs and Rebuttals at this
 - 21 point--was conducted in the context of the JIs, which, as
 - 22 recorded in the JI Actas, entailed "specific directives to
 - 23 the experts."
 - 24 Do you see that?
 - 25 A. Yes.

- 12:08 1 Q. If you aren't sure about the date and you want to
 - 2 check, it is Tab 45. I'm not going to ask necessarily the 3 Tribunal to turn there. I will represent to you that I've
 - 4 got the date right.
 - 5 A. That's fine, yes.
 - 6 Q. And the Ecuadorian judge was at that Judicial
 - 7 Inspection; correct?
 - 8 A. Yes, Judge Novillo was the presiding--President of
 - 9 the Court at that time.
 - 10 Q. And the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs were there; correct?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 0. And--
 - A. Oh, excuse me, excuse me. No, the lawyers for the
 - 14 Plaintiffs were there. I never met a Lago Agrio Plaintiff,
 - 15 because they were listed, but the legal representatives of
 - 16 the Plaintiffs were there.
 - 17 Q. Just let me clarify that.
 - The legal representatives for the Lago Agrio
 - 19 Plaintiffs were at the Judicial Inspection; correct?
 - 20 A. Correct.
 - Q. And their experts were present; correct?
 - 22 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And Chevron's legal representatives were
 - 24 correct--or--
 - 25 A. They were correct, yes.

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- 12:09 1 (Laughter.)
 - 2 O. Strike that.
 - 3 Chevron's legal representatives were present;
 - 4 correct?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. Okay. Sorry, I just lost it.
 - 7 In your June 2013 Report, you say--and this is
 - 3 Tab 13 at Page 12.
 - 9 A. Excuse me--the--which report are we in?
 - 10 June 2013?
 - 11 Q. June 2013 at Page 12.
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - Q. And it says, as you can see on the screen, "The
 - 14 activities of experts appointed on behalf of the Plaintiffs
 - 15 and the Defendants were defined under the Terms of
 - 16 Reference." Correct?
 - A. Correct.
 - 18 Q. And those Terms of Reference were issued by the
 - 19 Court?

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- 20 A. That's correct.
- Q. And those are the same Terms of Reference that you
- 22 referred to in your opening slides?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And they instructed the experts to complete the
- 25 site investigations in accordance with the specific

- 12:12 1 for the Pre-Inspections. They only had Terms of Reference
 - 2 for the Judicial Inspection process itself which was the
 - 3 only process in which admissible data could be compiled.
 - ${\tt Q.}\quad {\tt And}\ {\tt I}\ {\tt understand}\ {\tt that}\ {\tt you}\ {\tt believed}\ {\tt that}\ {\tt the}\ {\tt Judge}$
 - 5 responded to that, and we will look at one of the Judges'
 - 6 responses in a moment. But was the Judge present at any of 7 the Pre-Inspections?
 - 8 A. Not to my knowledge.
 - 9 Q. Did the Judge from the Court provide direction for the Pre-Inspections?
 - 11 A. No, I don't believe so.
 - Q. Or oversight?

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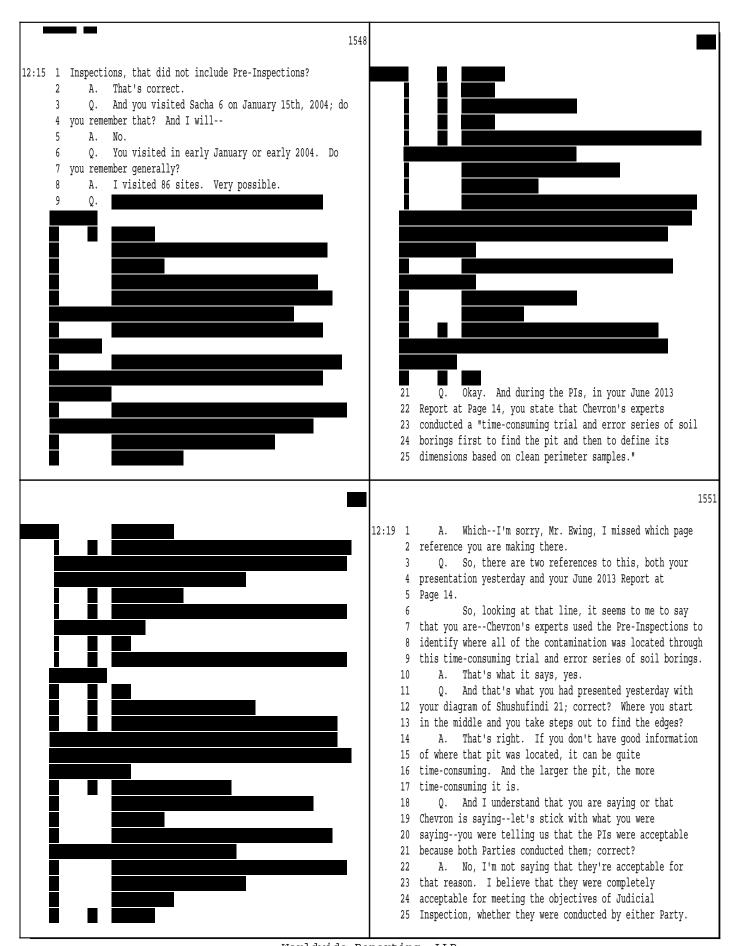
- $\,$ 13 $\,$ $\,$ A. No. He was focused on the legal process of the
- 14 Judicial Inspections, not the Pre-Inspections.
- ${\tt Q.}$ But as I understand, the Terms of Reference said
- 16 that the inspections are to be carried out under the
- 17 direction of the President of the Court. But you have just
- 18 stated that he did not provide any direction for the
- 19 Pre-Inspections.
- 20 MS. RENFROE: Objection. That mischaracterizes
- 21 his testimony. Maybe you could rephrase your question.
 - BY MR. EWING:
- Q. My earlier question was: Did the Judge from the
- 24 Court provide direction for the Pre-Inspections, and you
- 25 said "no, I don't believe so." And then I asked you: "The

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- $12:10 \ 1$ petitions of the Court and the representatives of the two
 - 2 Parties; correct?
 3 A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. And you attached that to your June 2013 Report at
 - 5 Attachment B-2; correct?
 - A. You mean the Terms of Reference document itself?
 - 7 Q. Correct.
 - 8 A. Let me check.
 - 9 Attachment B.
 - 10 Yes, that's correct.
 - 11 MR. EWING: And for the Tribunal's reference,
 - 12 these are also Tab 46, and it's Exhibit C-177.
 - 13 BY MR. EWING:
 - 0. And the Terms of Reference stated: "In accordance
 - 15 with the provisions of Articles 246 to 253 of the Civil
 - 16 Procedure Code, the inspections shall be carried out under
 - 17 the direction of the President of the Superior Court of
 - 18 Justice of Nueva Loja starting on the date and time fixed
 - 19 for each one."
 - 20 A. Correct. Yeah. I think that's a reasonable
 - 21 translation, yes.
 - 22 Q. Did the Judge from Nueva Loja provide a Term of
 - 23 Reference for any of the Pre-Inspections?
 - 24 A. No, the Judge responded to the Parties to permit
 - 25 the Pre-Inspections but they didn't have Terms of Reference

- 12:13 1 Terms of Reference state that the inspections are to be 2 carried out under the direction of the President of the
 - 3 Court"; is that correct?

- A. Yes, that's what it says.
- 5 And I think that perhaps for the benefit of
- 6 the--of yourself and the panel, you could look at the top,
- 7 the title of this document. I don't know what tab--are you
- 8 at the right tab? The title is "Terms of Reference for the
- 9 Experts Carrying Out Judicial Inspections." During the
- 10 Judicial Inspections. So, everything in here refers to the
- 11 Judicial Inspections.
- 12 Q. We looked at your Report earlier where you said
- 13 that the Pre-Inspections were a part of the Judicial
- 14 Inspections, though.
- 15 A. They're part of what I characterized as the
- 16 Judicial Inspection process as it was implemented by myself
- 17 and other experts. So, it included the preparation for
- 18 Judicial Inspection, the work on the Judicial Inspection
- 19 and/or the rebuttal phase, and the presentation of that
- 20 information. So, all that information, as I defined in my
- 21 Report, is what I termed to Judicial Inspection process.
- 22 So, it wasn't the definition of the Court's. The
- 23 Court--that's not the same as the Court's definition of the
- 24 Judicial Inspection.
 - Q. So, under the Court's definition of Judicial



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12:21 1 But the fact is they were conducted by both Parties.

- Q. And you were the Judicial Inspection Expert at
- 3 Sacha 6. We've already, I guess, discussed that at length.
- 4 Are you aware that Chevron tried to cancel the
- 5 Sacha 6 JI the day before it started?
 - A. No. I don't recall that.
- 7 Q. Did you know that Chevron tried to cancel the JI $\,$
- 8 because--
- 9 MR. EWING: And this is at Tab 50, if the Tribunal
- 10 would like to turn to it. And this is, in fact, in
- 11 Binder 4.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Is that the binder without--
- 13 BY MR. EWING:
- 0. It's the one that says Binder 4 at the bottom.
- 15 MR. EWING: Sorry for--I was just explaining to
- 16 Mr. Connor.
- 17 THE WITNESS: In which tab, Mr. Ewing?
- 18 BY MR. EWING:
- 19 Q. Fifty. Five-zero.
- 20 A. Okay.
- Q. And this filing by Mr. Callejas, who was the
- 22 attorney for ChevronTexaco, first recounts media reports
- 23 that the Plaintiffs are conducting a campaign through the

2 carefully. I don't know if I've ever read it, but do you

Q. No, I would like you to turn to Paragraph 6.

7 and circumstances' of the above-mentioned sites"--and they

8 reference the sites earlier--"have been unlawfully altered,

Q. And then looking at Paragraph 9, do you see it

9 which makes it impossible to comply with any procedural

Q. And in the second paragraph it says: "The 'status

24 media; correct?

3 want me to do so?

A. Yes.

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A. Yes, I see that.

10 steps therewith evidentiary force."

Do you see that?

25 A. I don't recall reading this before. I do now

- 12:25 1 A. Yes, I see that it says that.
 - Q. And in Paragraph 4, they're describing what was done and the Judicial--the Pre-Inspections that allegedly

4 the Plaintiffs had conducted.

5 Chevron's teams had already visited the site four 6 times and conducted sampling each time by the time the

7 Judicial Inspections started; correct?

8 A. I don't remember--oh, here you have it--how many

9 times that had been visited. They had visited it, and $\,$

10 Mr. Calmbacher's team had visited it, and the dispute at 11 the time wasn't the fact of the visit, it was the fact of

12 the extensive alteration of property. That's why I

13 mentioned in my presentation yesterday that we were

14 instructed not to alter the property, not to leave markings

15 and flagging. And that was, as I recall, the basis of the

16 dispute. The property had been cleared, signage was up,

17 drilling, labeling, press information. And I believe

18 that's what the--that was my understanding of what the

19 complaint was. And, therefore, going forward, it

20 was--there was not an instruction not to do a

21 Pre-Inspection, but that in doing those Pre-Inspections,

22 the property was not to be altered such that the Court

23 would not be afforded to the opportunity to see the

24 property in its native form, rather than to be altered by

25 the performance of the Pre-Inspection. And that is the

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12:23 1 recall the circumstances around this. I haven't read this 12:27 1 instruction that I followed

- 12:27 1 instruction that I followed.
 2 Q. So, looking at Paragraph 12, in 12.1, do you see
 - 3 here where the complaint, the first complaint, by
 - 4 Mr. Callejas is that allegedly the Plaintiffs were
 - 5 performing soil drilling using drills or other mechanical
 - 6 means?
 - 7 A. Yes, it says that.
 - 8 Q. And that's no different from using your hand
 - 9 auger, is it?

10 A. I think that the hand auger constitutes a similar ${\bf A}$

11 activity.

12 MR. EWING: Mr. President, I have probably about

13 five more questions, or five more minutes of questions--or,

14 actually, no, I have about 15 minutes more of questions.

5 Would you rather I finish those now, or would you rather we

6 take a break for lunch and go from--

17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm not sure I heard you. Was

18 it 50 minutes?

19 THE WITNESS: One five.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: One five.

21 (Tribunal conferring.)

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think it will be better if we

23 broke now and we'll come back at 1:30.

MR. EWING: I will endeavor to shorten them even

25 further.

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14 says: "According to Chevron, Plaintiffs' Pre-Inspections
15 were 'a violation of rights to legal security and the due
16 process of law provided for in Article 2326 and 27 of
17 Ecuador's Political Constitution.'"
18 Do you see that?
19 A. I see where it says that, yes.
20 Q. And looking at Paragraph 5, not only did Chevron
21 believe that these actions were a violation of their due
22 process, but Chevron also argued that the Plaintiffs'
23 "furtive actions by themselves constitute a severe

24 environment negative impact whose magnitude is unknown."

Do you see that?

Sheet 30 1556 1558 12:29 1 01:30 1 A. Mr. Ewing, I don't recall specifically those PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Thank you very much. 2 Again, please don't discuss the case away from the 2 numbers, but I do recall in general that somewhere on the

3 Tribunal, or your testimony. THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. Certainly. PRESIDENT VEEDER: And we will resume at 1:30. 5 (Whereupon, at 12:30 p.m., the Hearing was adjourned until 1:30 p.m., the same day.)

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3 Order of 95 percent of the impacts had happened prior to 4 the Year 2000, and that most of those were related to the management of drilling wastes that were generated at the time of drilling. But there were other issues that occurred as well that were part of that 90-plus percent number that weren't related to drilling.

But in general, in that case, most of the questions in issues in question were related to issues 11 associated with drilling wastes that happened during drilling.

13 Q. And in that case, Burlington, your client, did not 14 drill the wells?

A. For clarification, Burlington was a member of a 16 consortium for which the Operator was a different party. 17 That Consortium did drill some wells, a number of wells, 18 but some of the environmental costs were associated with

their drilling activities, but the bulk of them were not. 20

Q. But you would agree with me that Burlington did 21 not drill most of the wells?

A. Again, in that case, the Consortium drilled most 23 of the wells, if I recall it correctly, in Block 21, which 24 was a relatively new development, but they did not drill

25 most of the wells in the Block 7 or Coca-Payomino unified

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AFTERNOON SESSION PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION 4 BY MR. EWING:

Q. Mr. Connor, we're going to briefly discuss the 5 6 Sacha 53 well site and then hopefully be done for today. 7 Sacha 53 was a well drilled by TexPet; correct?

A. I believe so. I'd have to look at the information, but I believe it was one of the wells drilled

Q. Do you remember testifying in the Burlington 12 Hearing that 95 percent of contamination occurs when a well 13 is drilled?

14 A. In the Burlington Hearing, my testimony was 15 specific to the conditions in Block 7 and Block 21. It was 16 not generic to all applications. Only in that particular 17 circumstance the events that had contributed to the

18 problems were during the drilling of the well, because they 19 were well drilling wastes. That would not be the case in

20 the Chevron block--excuse me, the Petroecuador Texaco

21 block. It was a very specific statement for a very

22 specific set of circumstances.

Q. So, just to clarify, in Burlington, you did 24 testify that 95 percent of the drilling--95 percent of the

25 contamination occurred at drilling for those two blocks?

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Q. Mr. Connor, you would agree with me that when you 3 assessed risks, you look at both the current and the future 4 use of the land; correct?

A. Depends on which risk you're evaluating, but if 5 you're evaluating you rendering the current conditions, you 7 look at those conditions, say, as they exist now, but if you're anticipating future chronic risks under different 9 land use scenarios, you also consider those different land uses, yes.

11 Q. In this arbitration, when you have assessed risk, 12 you have looked at both the current and the future use of 13 the land; correct?

A. In this arbitration, all the calculations that I 15 presented which are documented in my 2010 Report are based on residential land use. Residential land use in most cases is neither the current or likely future use of that 18 land, but as a conservative measure, I assumed the most 19 stringent land use. So, regardless if the land were 20 agricultural or industrial, which comprises nearly the 21 entirety of the land use in this area, I assumed that the

22 places where impacts were found would be home sites.

23 Q. And as you said in Burlington, the children would 24 play in it, that it would be their front yard, that they 25 would come into intimate contact with that material every

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01:33 1 day for 30 years.

- A. The assumption in the default exposure scenarios
 that are applied to develop those screening limits assumed
 that children and adults will be exposed to that material
 on a daily basis for a prolonged time period and to only
 that material. So, if you have a small area of
 contaminated soil, for the purpose of screening, you ask
- 9 this every day for many years would this--to just this 10 soil, would it cause based on dose response analysis, could 11 this cause a low-risk of a health impact. That's the

8 the question, if someone, a child and adult were exposed to

12 question that's posed.

Q. In their opening, Mr. Connor, Claimants stated that, "the crowning blow to the Plaintiffs' effort to mount a legitimate case fell at Sacha 53 in early 2006, when the five independent Settling Experts found that there was no significant risk to human health or the environment."

Do you remember that from the opening?

- 19 A. I don't specifically remember that statement, but 20 it's in the Transcript. The person here responsible for 21 the Transcript is quite talented.
- 22 Q. I've heard the same.
- The Settling Experts were asked by the Court to
- 24 look at the Parties' JI sampling results; correct, at
- 25 Sacha 53?

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01:37 1 16,000 milligrams per kilogram; is that correct?

- A. Yes, that's what's indicated on this diagram.
- Q. And if you could look at Tab 59, which is the last tab, or look on the screen, these are the JI results from

5 Chevron's database.

6 And am I correct that the JI results for Pit 1 7 have non-detects for TPH: is that correct?

- A. Yes, that's what's reported.
- $9\,$ Q. And for Pit 2, the highest of the two values is 10 520?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. So, let's turn to the Settling Expert Report
- 13 quickly, and this is Tab 51, but we will put it up on the
- 14 screen. And we're going to turn to Page 69.
- And do you remember this Settling Expert Report is set up as Court question, Claimant Chevron's statement by
- 17 Mr. Baca, the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs statement by
- 18 Mr. Camino, and then the comments of the Settling Experts?
- 19 A. I'm sorry, Mr. Ewing, I didn't catch which tab it
- 20 was. I'm running a little bit behind you. I will catch up
- 21 quickly, if I can.
- 2 Q. Tab 51, please. And we're going to start at
- 23 Page 69, and so the Tribunal is familiar, if you look, for
- 24 instance, starting at Page 65, at the very bottom you see a
- 25 question from the Court, and then on Page 66 you see

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01:35 1 A. Correct

- Q. And then the Settling Experts were asked to answer a particular questions from the Court about the site;
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. Yes, I believe that's a fair characterization.
- ${\tt Q.}\quad {\tt Before} \ {\tt we} \ {\tt actually} \ {\tt pull} \ {\tt up} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt Report--and} \ {\tt we} \ {\tt will}$
- 7 do that--I want to go back to when you conducted 8 pre-investigations at Sacha 53. And if you want to look
- 9 at, while we're talking, at Tab 58, this is the Sacha 53
- 10 Playbook. It's in binder Number 4.
- 11 A. It's Sacha 53, but it's a different tab. I'm
- 12 sorry. I just got confused.
- 13 Q. Sorry. This is just the map. I have the map for
- 14 you. We're just going to be looking at the map?
- 15 A. Which tab is it?
- 16 Q. Fifty-eight.
- 17 A. Fifty-eight, for fifty-three.
- 18 Q. And, according to this map, Chevron's PI
- 19 results--and this is a map that Chevron or GSI created;
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. This image--Chevron did not create this map. This
- 22 map would have been created by the staff at GSI.
- Q. Okay. And according to the map that's at Tab 58,
- 24 the TPH results that Chevron received for Pit 1 and Pit 2
- 25 were, respectively, 17,900 milligrams per kilogram and

- 01:39 1 Mr. Baca's answer, who is Chevron's representative. His
 - 2 answer continues on 67, where you see his Judicial
 - 3 Inspection results that we were just looking at?
 - A. My copy seems to have the numbers in reverse; it
 - 5 starts, but I'll try to find--Page 66. Just a second.
 - Okay. I found it.
 - 7 Q. And so on Page 69 are the comments of the Settling
 - 8 Experts. They come after the Settling Experts have quoted
 - 9 the opinions of the Parties.
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And you see on Page 69 where it says, "Number 1,
 - 12 under two areas have been identified that can be
 - 13 potentially considered as sources of contamination, " and
 - 14 they have identified here an old spill located west of
 - 15 Pit 1.
 - 16 And it says: "From the analyses made by the
 - 17 Parties, it can be seen that lower levels of the soil
 - 18 contain concentrations that are higher than the allowable
 - 19 limits established for TPH, chrome VI, copper,
 - 20 benzo(a)pyrene in the environmental legislation for the
 - 21 citation."
 22 Do you see that?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. So, the Settling Experts are finding exceedances
 - 25 for TPH, chrome VI, and benzo (a) pyrene in this old spill;

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01:41 1 correct?

A. That's certainly their statement, but there is no benzo (a) pyrene criterion in Executive Decree 1215. They do make that statement, it seems not quite clear what their basis was for that statement, but yes, they do state that.

Q. Okay. And if we turn--

7 A. And also chrome VI, there is no criteria in 8 Executive 1215 for chrome VI or--I don't believe copper 9 either, but nevertheless, yes, they do make that statement.

10 Q. So, the Settling Experts--to be clear, the
11 Settling Experts here are saying that they have found, in
12 their expert opinions--the five of them--that there are
13 exceedances for TPH, chrome IV, copper and benzo (a)

14 pyrene?

15 A. Correct. That's what they say.

Q. And if we turn to Page 80, I want to skip right to the risk assessment: At the very top of this page you see the bullet that says, "sensitive receptors," and this is the end, if you want to check back on 79, of more comments of the Settling Experts.

And do you see here where it says: "There are no homes next to the pits. The two families residing in this area are located at a distance of over 250 meters from the wellhead. The presence of human beings is occasional, primarily when they're doing farm work."

01:45 1 area."

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And then it says, skipping one sentence:
"Following this period, we can state that there are still
recalcitrant crude fractions present in the area."

Do you see that?

A. Yes.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{7}}$ Q. And this Report was filed in--do you remember what $\ensuremath{\mathsf{8}}$ year?

9 A. No. It may say so on it.

Q. February 1st, 2006.

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And if we turn the page now to 96, looking at the 13 top in bold, the Court is asking the Parties and then the

14 comments of the Settling Experts. The Court is asked: "If

15 the experts believe that exposure to environmental impacts

16 currently existing at the Sacha 53 well can be attributed

17 solely and exclusively to the operations of the

18 Petroecuador Texaco Consortium, they shall evaluate the net

19 benefit that the persons possibly affected can gain from

20 carrying out any mitigation measures."

21 Right?

22 A. Yes, that's what it says.

Q. So, the Court is asking there for the personal

24 gains that these individuals will get from mitigation

25 measures?

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11:43 1 A. Yes, that's their determination that they have 2 presented based on their own investigation of the site.

Q. And if we look at Page 82, we will see a similar conclusion for the old spill area. There is a bullet for sensitive receptors.

Do you see that?

7 It says: "There are no homes next to the spill 8 area. The spill is located in a palm grove. The presence 9 of human beings is occasional, primarily when engaged in 10 farm work in the palm grove."

A. Yes, I do see that.

I haven't read this Report in a long time. I can't, without reviewing it carefully, I can't speak to what all the references are, but it certainly does say that in this text.

16 Q. Okay. And would you turn now to Page 95. And I'm 17 looking at the last paragraph that starts with, "Since

18 1972."

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Do you see that?

20 A. Yes.

Q. And this again is comments of the Settling

22 Experts, who are saying: "Since 1972, when Sacha 53 well

23 was drilled, there is evidence of the occurrence of a

24 series of events that have caused contamination by crude

25 and other elements in the area of the pits and surrounding

01:46 1 A. This is the English translation. To understand
2 exactly the language of how the Court poses this question
3 would be important as to the Spanish because it seems that
4 maybe your folks are going to turn a phrase that might have
5 some legal implications, and I really can't advise you in
6 that regard.

7 Q. And I am not asking you to advise me on the legal.
8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: But have you the Spanish?
9 MR. EWING: We do. This is the exhibit that was
10 submitted by Mr. Connor. It was Exhibit 48 to his Report.
11 I'm sure that we can find the Spanish. I just have

12 provided his exhibit.
13 BY MR. EWING:

Q. And then below the Court's question, Mr. Baca says: "The degradated petroleum nor the asphalt represents a threat to the livestock and plants, and no corrective actions are required."

Do you see that?

19 A. Yes, I see that.

Q. And then Mr. Camino, who is a Lago Plaintiffs
expert, carries on to estimate the size of the pits, the
cubic volume of soil that needs to be remediated, and then

22 Cubic volume of soft that heeds to be remediated, and the

23 provides a dollar cost per cubic meter to remediate that 24 soil.

25 Do you see that?

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01:48 1 A. Yes.

Q. And he's doing that in response to the Court's request for benefit to individuals for mitigation measures?

5 but clearly that's how the Settling Experts organize the 6 Report.

7 Q. And that's how Mr. Camino responded? Whether he 8 was right or not, that's how Mr. Camino responded to this 9 question?

A. Well, perhaps what we need to understand,

11 Mr. Ewing, is that question wasn't posed to Mr. Camino.

12 These are questions posed to the Settling Experts, and then

13 they went through the Reports of the Chevron Expert and the

14 Plaintiffs' Expert and cut and paste what they thought were

15 their most responsive. So, Mr. Camino was never asked that

16 question. This is just what the Settling Experts decided

question. This is just what the Settling Experts decid

 $17\,\,$ would be considered responsive to the best of their

18 efforts, per their Judgment.

19 Q. And then the last question about this document, at 20 the bottom of 96 and going on to 97, the comments of the

21 Settling Experts are: "According to the results of the

22 laboratory analyses, the 'area of the old spill' is the one

23 that has petroleum contamination (TPH concentrations in

24 excess of 5,000 milligrams per kilogram at depths ranging

25 from 0.8 to 6.8 meters."

01:51 1 spill area. It was a different location.

Q. And then the experts conclude: "This area must be remediated, even though the origin of the contamination is

 $4\,$ unknown (due to the lack of scientific evidence)."

Do you see that?

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7 Q. So, their final conclusion was that at least the 8 old spill area must be remediated?

9 A. That appears to be their conclusion, yes.

MR. EWING: I have no further questions.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

12 Are there questions from the Respondent by way

13 of--from the Claimants by way of re-examination?

MS. RENFROE: Yes, Mr. President.

15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Give us for planning purposes

16 how long you think that might take.

17 MS. RENFROE: My hope is to be finished within 30

18 minutes.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please proceed.

20 MS. RENFROE: Thank you.

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Unless you want to break.

MS. RENFROE: No, I don't need a break, unless

23 anyone else does.

Thank you very much.

25 May I ask my colleagues' technical adviser who

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01:49 1 So, they found oil contamination had spread 2 6 meters deep.

And goes on to say that the, "maximum TPH DRO value recorded between 0 meters and 0.8 meters is 1900 milligrams per kilogram, and heavy metals."

Correct?

A. Yes, that's what it says.

One clarification to your characterization is that

 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{9}}$ the Settling Experts are indicating the sample depth

10 according to the Plaintiffs' report, but the drilling

11 method employed by the Plaintiffs' Expert in this case had

the effect of dragging contaminants down to great depth, and that is explained in the Report of Mr. Baca. So that

14 the 6.8 meters is not a correct or realistic

15 characterization of the depth of that spill. But apart

16 from that, yes, that's what it states.

Q. And they state here that the maximum that they were informed of was 1900 milligrams per kilogram; right? TPH DRO.

20 A. For the old spill area, correct.

Q. Even though Chevron in its PIs had found a higher

22 milligrams per kilogram maximum?

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A. No, I don't believe that's correct.

24 They found--the data that we looked at earlier was

25 related to pits one and two. It wasn't related to the

01:52 1 just had the Sacha 53 Settling Expert document up, could he

2 take us back there, please, while we are there?
3 MR. EWING: Of course.

MS. RENFROE: And could you specifically go to

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4 MS. RENFROE: And 5 Page 82--actually Page 80.

THE WITNESS: This is Tab 51 again?

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MS. RENFROE:

O. Yes, sir, it's Tab 51. While we are on this

10 document, I thought we might just address one or two more 11 points, and then we can move on to something else.

12 A. That just closed it, so getting back there.

Yes, I'm there.

4 Q. I want to draw your attention and the Tribunal's

15 attention to the question in this joint Settling Expert

16 report for Sacha 53. The question is 4.6.2, and L.32 and 17 L.16.

18 Do you see that?

19 And specifically the first question says--and I'm

20 just setting this for context: "The experts shall inform

21 the Court whether the persons who have homes in the areas

22 surrounding the platform and the pits that were remediated

23 by TexPet in the Sacha 53 well could be exposed to

24 concentrations of crude oil at levels and with a frequency

25 that makes them hazardous to their health. The experts

01:53 1 shall give technical and scientific support for both their 2 opinion and the source of that crude oil."

Do you see that question, Mr. Connor?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Now, if you could, and if our technical adviser 6 could please turn us to Page 82, and let's find the 7 conclusion of the Sacha 53 Settling Experts. If you look 8 towards the bottom of the page, the paragraph starting, "In 9 view." And if we could ask the gentleman to highlight that 10 for us, thank you very much.

Can you read that to us, Mr. Connor, please. And 11 12 tell us what conclusion was reached by the Sacha 53 joint 13 Settling Experts in response to the question about 14 potential health risk.

A. It states that: "In view of the fact that the 16 concentration of hydrocarbons (TPH-DRO) and barium are 17 located at depths of over 0.4 meters, the risk to human 18 health is low, with a probability of impact equally low, 19 unless there are drastic changes in the site's current 20 conditions, which would increase the risk (removal of the 21 soil by mechanical operations, intense water erosion, 22 felling of the trees with consequent exposure of roots and 23 soil)."

24 The statement here is that they would not 25 anticipate current or future risks in the absence of 01:56 1 different if the material is on the surface than if it's in 2 the subsurface. Materials that are on the surface, it is 3 plausible that someone could come into contact with that 4 material much more so than something that is at subsurface. At each of the locations of a remediated pit, the Chevron Experts collected samples both at the surface and at the subsurface in order to answer those questions.

> Q. And so, as you read the conclusion of the Sacha 53 joint Settling Experts, they concluded that there was low-risk to human health, even though there were concentrations of TPH at depth?

A. Correct.

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Q. Now, when you did your risk assessment that is 13 included in your September 2010 Report in this arbitration case, which data did you consider?

A. I considered all of the data that had been 17 collected and submitted to the Court by all of the Parties, and that included the data compiled by the Chevron Experts within the JI/Rebuttal process, all of the data collected by the Plaintiffs' Experts in the JI process, and all of the data compiled by Mr. Cabrera in Phase II of the JIs.

- Q. Okay. And did that data include samples at the surface as well as samples at depth?
- A. Yes.
- 25 Okay. Now, earlier, Mr. Ewing asked you about

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01:55 1 extensive modification of the sites' physical 2 characteristics.

> Q. And so, let's help the Tribunal understand this 4 question of risk assessment and evaluating samples from the 5 surface and samples from depth.

And you commented a little bit earlier about 7 having done a risk assessment in your September 2010 Report.

So, while we are on this topic, could you explain 10 to the Tribunal how a risk assessment is done and the 11 significance of evaluating samples at the surface and 12 samples at depth.

A. Yes. As briefly as I can.

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The risk assessment entails a step-wise process by 15 means of which the Measured concentration of samples are 16 compared to concentrations that would be safe under any 17 anticipated situation where, as I described earlier, if 18 someone were to be in direct contact with these materials 19 every day for many years. In my analysis, all of the 20 samples, whether they're on the surface or subsurface were 21 compared to those concentrations to see if any exceeded. The second step is then to evaluate whether those 23 materials are in a location where exposure such as 24 anticipated in the calculation of every day for 30 years,

25 could actually occur. And the answer to that is very

01:58 1 assumptions about future land use, and I just want to make 2 sure that we're clear on what you meant when you were 3 explaining the assumptions that you used in performing your 4 risk assessment about future use of the land.

So, could you explain to the Tribunal, when doing a risk assessment, what assumptions you make for purposes of evaluating risk?

A. Yes. It's similar to the description I gave you during my presentation of there being different speed limits for different streets and different cleanup standards for different types of land use.

In my analysis, I assumed that all the land would 13 be converted to residential use, which is the use under 14 which persons have the greatest degree of contact with the 15 soil or water; therefore, regardless of the future use, I would have a conservative basis for developing protective 17 conditions. The land may well be agricultural in the future, it may well be industrial or commercial, but by assuming it would be residential, I then would have the 20 most conservative and protective criteria on which to 21 assess the risk, and that's what I did.

Q. Now I would like to switch topics and take us back 22 23 to address a few issues that were raised yesterday. I just want to make sure that the record is very clear.

So, let me ask you to get in front of you--and the

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01:59 1 Tribunal may wish to have in front of it--a copy of your 2 slides, and then as well, if you could also open, 3 Mr. Connor, your September 2010 Report and turn to Page 2,

4 please.

If you could look at the bottom paragraph on $\,$ Page 2 of your 2010 Report, can you tell us the dates that

7 the Consortium operated, the TexPet Consortium--the

8 TexPet-Petroecuador Consortium operated, as you've

9 memorialized it in your Report.

10 A. Yes. My understanding was that the TexPet serving 11 as the Operator for the Consortium comprised the years 1972 12 through June 30, 1990.

 $\rm 13~$ Q. And so, today, to the extent that Mr. Ewing was $\rm 14~$ asking questions about the operations--asking questions

15 about TexPet's operations through 1992, would that be

16 inconsistent with your understanding of the period of time 17 that TexPet acted as the Operator?

18 A. Yes, that would be inconsistent.

19 Q. And tell us again the last date that TexPet was 20 the Operator?

21 A. My understanding in all of the documentation I 22 reviewed was that the role of TexPet as the Consortium

23 Operator terminated on June 30, 1990, and, thereafter the

24 field was under the exclusive operation of Petroecuador.

Q. Okay. Now, let's turn to another topic that,

02:01 1 again, just to make sure we have a very clear record, and

2 that has to do with what you have meant or who you have

3 been referring to when you've spoken about the Parties.

4 And in this respect, I would ask you to turn, and I'd ask

5 our technical colleague to open up, Mr. Connor, your

6 Slide 5.

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Do you have that, sir?

A. Yes.

9 Q. And if we can--I mean, the question I want to put

10 to you--and I'm hoping you can answer it from this

11 slide--is to identify for us who the Parties are to the

12 Remedial Action Plan. And if we can enlarge--if we have

13 the ability to enlarge those signatures, perhaps,

14 Mr. Connor, you can tell us?

15 A. No, I have a copy of the plan that I can read.

16 Q. So, who are the Parties to the Remedial Action

17 Plan that you have been talking about for the last

18 day-and-a-half?

19 A. To the Remedial Action Plan, the Parties were the

20 Ministry of Energy and Mines; the Environmental Unit,

21 Environmental Protection Unit of Petroecuador; Texaco

22 Petroleum Company; and Woodward-Clyde, who was the

23 Contractor. But when I referred to "the Parties," I was

24 referring to the first of those three, not to the

25 Contractor.

02:03 1 There may be some confusion in the record because 2 there's a number of different issues here and a number of 3 different Parties. Any time I referred to the RAP, I was 4 referring to these entities.

Q. Okay. Now, let's go to the RAP. And I believe we have handed out, or we are about to hand out, a very, very small group of documents, and I want to make sure that you and the Tribunal have it handy, so let's see if we can get those circulated now.

10 And, Mr. Connor, I would ask you to turn to 11 Slide 8 of your slide presentation.

A. I don't have a copy of the slide presentation with me. Is it possible to get a copy? Is it here? Perhaps it

(Document handed to the Witness.)

A. Yes, I have it, thank you.

Q. Okay. So, I think just for this discussion on this next point, it would be helpful if we can open up the Remedial Action Plan, or the RAP. And if you can then also have Slide 8 in front of you.

21 And I would like to ask you to describe in a bit 22 more detail exactly the process that was included or 23 required in the RAP for remediating those pits that are

24 identified in the tables in the RAP.

25 A. Okay. The eight step process that I've depicted

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02:05 1 on this Slide 8 of my presentation is spelled out in more 2 detail on Pages 13 through--13 through--this goes on for 3 quite a while--just a second--at least through 17. Just a 4 moment. Well, and it also reappears on Page 21 for the 5 revegetation.

Nevertheless, in this document, this particular process is laid out for treatment of oil pits. And would you like for me to describe that, Ms. Renfroe?

Q. Please.

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And I would like you to help the Tribunal
understand how the process is laid out in this Remedial
Action Plan, so that if they want to understand in more
detail what was done and where it was to be done, they know
how to navigate the RAP, the Remedial Action Plan document.

A. Okay.

This diagram on Slide 8 corresponds to the procedures specified for closure of pits with oil. You will see that reference first appear on Page 13 of the RAP document, which I--the document I'm holding here is labeled Connor-7.

Q. And let's make sure that the Tribunal is with you.
Chay. Thank you. Go ahead.

23 A. Turning then to Page 14, you will see the two

24 headings, one called "site preparation" and one called

25 "removal and debris--of debris and crude oil," and those

02:07 1 correspond to Steps 1, 2 and 3 as indicated on Slide 8. 2 The process involved removing the vegetative cover from 3 around the pit, removing all the debris and vegetation, 4 logs or whatever other material might be inside the pit, 5 and then making an effort to recover for recycling any oil 6 that could be extracted from that pit. Those are the steps 7 that are described on Page 14 and depicted on Steps 1, 2, 3 8 of Slide 8 of my presentation.

That oil as you see on the top of Page 15 would be 10 transported to an oil recovering recycling facility that 11 was constructed for the purpose of this project on the 12 Sacha Central Production Station. That facility still 13 exists today. That oil would be transported there for 14 re-cover and replacement in the oil pipeline.

Then the water that remained in the pit now free 16 of oil would be processed as it's shown in Diagram Number 4 17 on Slide 8. It would be placed within a temporary holding 18 basin and processed with chemical additions as needed to 19 precipitate solids and meet the discharge criteria of 20 Acuerdo 621 issued in 1992 and incorporated into the RAP, 21 as it says here under the heading "discharge of water" on 22 Page 15.

The next step is called "treatment of bathtub ring 24 and other soil contamination, " and it is depicted as 25 Number 5 on Slide 8. This involved a variety of different

02:11 1 landowner and selection of appropriate species at the 2 requesting Grievant and landowner to determine what was the 3 best vegetative restoration method for that site, and those 4 were memorialized in certificates that were signed by the 5 landowner and by TexPet on every property. So, that then corresponds to Number 8 on Slide 8, Image Number 8, and the completed sites as they appear today are indicated in the 8 last photo on that slide.

> 9 Q. You mentioned yesterday that inspectors were involved in this process. Can you explain a bit more about who those inspectors were and who they were acting for?

A. There were several different persons that were tasked with that responsibility, and my recollection is 13 there were at least five of them, and they were from three different organizations. They were from the Ministry of Energy and Mines, they were from Petroecuador and 17 Petroproducción.

And their responsibility was to inspect the sites as the work was underway to confirm that the work was being conducted in compliance with the RAP specifications and to take actions if they felt that that was not the case.

Q. Now, did the specifications that the Parties--that 23 is, Ecuador and Petroecuador and TexPet--agreed to in the

24 RAP, did those specifications allow residual Total

25 Petroleum Hydrocarbons, or TPH, to remain in a remediated

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02:09 1 treatment methods that could be employed at the option of 2 the Contractor or TexPet. In some cases soil washing was 3 used to remove oil, in other cases cementing was used, in 4 some cases biotreatment was used, but whatever method was 5 used was applied to the materials on the walls and in the 6 interior of the pit in order to stabilize it, remove the 7 oil, and render it in a condition consistent with the safe 8 closure of that pit.

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21 of the pit.

Once that was completed, and the sludge in the pit 10 had also been treated as indicated on Page 16, the next 11 step as indicated on Diagram Number 6 or Image Number 6 on 12 Slide 8 was that the material in the base, that now the 13 treated material in the base of the pit would be sampled 14 and analyzed by a sampling team from Universidad Central in 15 Ouito. If that material met the cleanup criteria specified 16 in the RAP, the next step indicated on 17 and Photo 17 Number 7 on Slide 8 would then be implemented, and it gives 18 very specific instructions on Page 17 as to how that 19 backfill was to be placed. Backfill is the clean soil

Later in this document--assuming I can find the page--it specifies how the site is to be revegetated, and 24 you will see that, I believe, starting on Page 21. That

20 that's now placed atop the remediated material at the base

25 revegetation process involved communication with the

02:13 1 RAP pit?

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A. Yes. 2

And can you explain why that is.

There are at least two reasons: The remediated 5 material, if it's cemented, will retain its full mass of 6 hydrocarbon. But as we saw in the many leachate tests that 7 were conducted both during the RAP and thereafter, that that tea bag would not release any of its hydrocarbon to the environment. Therefore, the tea, the mass of tea that 10 remained in the bag is immaterial to the environmental 11 protection if it can't move out of the tea bag. And that was understood, I believe, by the Parties at the time they 13 developed these specifications. It's certainly understood 14 as a principle today in remediation of these pits.

O. So, it was--it was within the Parties' agreement 15 that certain amounts of or remnants of crude oil could remain within a pit remediated under the Remedial Action Plan? 18

19 Yes, certainly.

20 And that was approved by Ecuador and Petroecuador? 21 MR. EWING: Objection. Leading question. 22

MS. RENFROE: I will rephrase.

23 BY MS. RENFROE:

Q. If you turn to your next slide, Slide 9, where 25 you've identified the Actas, what is your understanding

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- 02:14 1 about the Final Acta and the Approval Actas with respect to 2 permitting remnants of crude oil to remain in remediated 3 pits?
 - A. The Approval Actas recognized the remnants of 5 crude oil in those pits. The inspectors were provided 6 those data, reviewed those data. And based on the Reports, 7 found that the pits which contained remnants of petroleum 8 met the requirements and, therefore, were approved for 9 closure. Those findings are documented in RAT Acta 10 Number 52, Approval Actas 1 through 19, and the Final Acta 11 of September 1998.
 - 12 O. Now I would like to move to a different topic, and 13 that has to do with the timing of the HBT Report in
 - 14 relation to the Remedial Action Plan. There was some
 - 15 discussion yesterday, and I want to make sure that the 16 record is clear on the sequence of events.

When was the HBT Report done in relation to or in 17 18 comparison to the Remedial Action Plan?

- 19 A. The HBT Report was issued at least two years prior 20 to the time that the Parties agreed on the Remedial Action 21 Plan, and that information informed the basis for that 22 plan.
- O. And so, vesterday, when you were shown a number of 24 documents by Mr. Ewing from the HBT Report that identified 25 various findings about pits and impacts to streams, were

- 02:18 1 A. Yes, they were aware of those conditions. That 2 was the purpose of the audit conducted by HBT Agra.
 - Ms. Renfroe, I would like to clarify for the 4 record that my use of the term "in the RAP" or "not in the 5 RAP" may be somewhat unclear. When I've said something is 6 in the RAP, it either means that it was a RAP site or it 7 was a pit that was designated for remediation. There are 8 also pits in the RAP that were not designated for 9 remediation. And I just want to be clear when I say it's a 10 RAP pit, it means that it was a pit assigned for 11 remediation.

12 Sorry for the interruption.

Q. No, I appreciate that.

So, then for example, when you were asked about 15 Shushufindi 4 and a particular condition or feature at that 16 site, do you know, sir, if that was a RAP feature or a 17 non-RAP feature? And if you don't know off the top of your head, can you tell us by looking in the Remedial Action Plan tables?

- 20 A. My recollection is that it was not required for remediation by TexPet, and I can revisit those tables, if you wish.
- O. And so, that would be a non-RAP feature? 23
 - A. Yes, by my nomenclature.
- Q. And the site that you were also asked about

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02:16 1 those things known to the Parties before the Remedial 2 Action Plan was agreed?

A. Yes. Both the Parties participated in audits such 4 as I have conducted on a number of these facilities, to 5 identify the environmental issues that remained after the 6 termination of the TexPet period of operations. Those 7 issues that were identified were then further addressed in 8 the scope of the Settlement Agreement and in the RAP, and 9 they were duly resolved in the portion of the work that was 10 assigned to TexPet and subsequently approved.

- Q. And, Mr. Connor, do you remember yesterday being 12 asked by Mr. Ewing about a number of areas, so, for 13 example, at Shushufindi 55 and at Shushufindi 34 and at 14 Sacha 94, he asked you about a number of sites and a number 15 of areas that you said were not included within the RAP.
- 16 Do you recall those questions over a number of hours?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Okay. So, can you explain, just to be clear--I 18
- 19 think this is clear to the Tribunal, but it's important 20 that we are clear and that you are clear--is it your
- 21 understanding based on the HBT Report that the Parties were
- 22 aware of conditions, such as impacts to streams, where they
- 23 were noted in the HBT Report and certain pits, that they
- 24 were aware of those conditions before deciding in the
- 25 Remedial Action Plan what would be assigned to TexPet?

- 02:19 1 yesterday, Auca 1, which was identified or shown to you by 2 Mr. Ewing, there was a condition identified in the HBT
 - 3 Report about Auca 1, was that a RAP feature, to your
 - 4 knowledge, or a non-RAP feature?
 - A. You know, I don't recall that particular episode, but I could look that up if you wish.
 - Q. And can you tell the Tribunal how you're going to go about doing that.

9 And really, the point of my question is: Could you help explain to the Tribunal, if we want to know if a 11 particular feature is a RAP feature, can you walk us through that process. Where do we go to find that out?

- A. The RAP features and non-features are specifically 13 14 identified in the exhibit that's called Connor-7, which you may still have at hand.
- O. And that's the Remedial Action Plan, or the RAP? 16
- A. And there are a number of tables that are attached 17

18 here, and the tables of particular relevance to pit

closures begin on what would be Page 17 of the document right after Page 16, it's Table 3.1.

The table is inserted between Pages 16 and 17.

- 22 Q. And--go ahead.
- A. What we see here on the screen is the first page
- 24 of that table. The table is divided into several
- 25 subsections. The first list is "Pits Closed-No Action."

02:21 1 Those are pits that were primarily closed after 2 June 30, 1990, and, therefore, required no action under the 3 RAP. You will see that designation on the far right-hand 4 corner of the remarks of the Remedial Action Plan. There 5 are other reasons why they are designated for "no action," 6 but those are the principle reasons in that case.

Two other pits that appear at the bottom of that 8 page correspond to the category of pits closed before 9 June 30, 1990, but with evidence of oil seepage at the 10 surface. You see those on the bottom of that page, 11 Sacha 51, Pit 4, and Sacha 65, Pit 1. Those are pits that 12 were understood to have been closed prior to June 30, 1990, 13 during the period of TexPet operations, and you see here it 14 says "Cleanup of Oil Seeps."

So, those were--the Parties were cognizant that 16 there were such pits and they incorporated them as 17 specified in the Scope of Work if those pits were

18 discovered during the course of the RAP implementation. 19 On the next page, if we turn the page, on

20 Table 3.1, you will see another list of pits called "Pits 21 With Oil-No Action". Again, there's a list of sites, a

22 list of pit numbers, and a number of comments or remarks

23 under Remedial Action Plan which explain the reason why

24 there's no action required at those pits.

Continuing to turn the pages, you will arrive at

02:25 1 for other reasons. So, the table serves as the roadmap to

2 what was and wasn't included and to some degree what you

3 will and will not find in the field today. Pits that were

4 not included sometimes still remain today, although

5 Petroecuador's undertaken a program to remediate these

6 remaining pits.

Q. Have you, or did you create a table that 8 summarizes these remedial action items in your

9 September 2010 Report?

A. Yes.

Q. And can you tell us where that table is and what 11

12 it does for us?

13 A. There are a number of tables that serve to 14 summarize the Remedial Action Plan. The most comprehensive

of those is provided as Attachment B of the--my 2010

Report, and there is an image of it here.

17 In this table, I have identified every site and every feature of that site as it was identified in the

various Anexos to the Settlement Agreement.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can you help us where we'd find

21 it in Attachment B? I thought we saw it before, but I

22 can't find it.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: It's at Table 2-B. 23

THE WITNESS: Attachment B is the at end of that 24

25 report.

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02:23 1 the largest section of the table, which is "Pits With 2 Oil-Closure." These are the pits that are specifically 3 assigned to TexPet to be remediated via the eight-step 4 process.

> 5 Have I gotten too far ahead of you? Okay. You'll see a long list there.

Going back to Ms. Renfroe's initial question, how

would you know if Auca 1--is that the correct--

9 Q. Yes. I asked you about Shushufindi 4 and Auca 1 10 as just two examples from yesterday's questions.

A. Okay. If you want to know if a specific pit at a 12 specific site was assigned to TexPet for remediation, you

13 would look at this particular section of the table.

14 Looking at the top row there, for example, we see that the

15 Aquarico 1 well site, Pit Number 1 is assigned for

16 remediation. Going down that same column on that same

17 page, you will see that the only sites in the Auca oilfield

18 that are assigned to TexPet are Auca 5, Auca 7, and

19 Auca 17, with specific pits at those locations. Auca 1 is

20 not on this list and, therefore, not included in their work

21 program. You will come to the same conclusion with regard

22 to Shushufindi 4 well site, which is also not on the list

23 of pits to be remediated.

There are other pages to this document, to this 25 table, that identify other pits that don't require closure 02:26 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Oh, at the end.

THE WITNESS: Excuse me if I misstated that.

MS. RENFROE: Attachment B to the 2010 Report. 3

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yeah.

5 MS. RENFROE: Are you not finding it?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: No. Come on. Find it.

(Laughter.)

(Comments off microphone.) 8

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Oh. Ah, you might have told us

9 that. Okay. Thank you very much. That's okay, don't

worry. We will find it. 11

12 MS. RENFROE: Apologies, Mr. President.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's okay.

14 MS. RENFROE: We will make sure you have it. It's

15 a very useful table.

BY MS. RENFROE:

Q. All right. I would like to move to a different 17

topic now that I think will be very quick and brief. And I would ask if our technical assistant can pull up C-1108 and

20 distribute copies.

21 Mr. Connor, you were asked a few questions a

22 little while ago about the Pre-Inspection process, and you

23 explained it. C-1108 is another pleading from the Lago

24 Case, and this one submitted by Mr. Adolfo Callejas, who

25 you had described earlier as counsel for Chevron in the

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02:28 1 Lago Case.

- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. All right. Now, if you look to the second page of
- 4 C-1108, we see the application that Mr. Callejas has made
- 5 to the Court regarding a Judicial Inspection for
- 6 Shushufindi refinery.
 - Do you see that, sir?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And do you also see that in the second paragraph
- 10 Mr. Callejas is asking the Court to communicate with
- 11 Petroindustrial to allow access to the refinery?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Do you see that, sir?
- 14 A. Yes
- 15 Q. Let's see if we can highlight that. Yes, that
- 16 paragraph, "in order that." Right. Let's highlight
- 17 that--that paragraph.
- 18 And then the next couple of paragraphs concerned
- 19 the appointments of a Judicial Expert and a setting of the
- 20 date for a Judicial Inspection.
- 21 And then, if we move on to the next paragraph that
- 22 starts "As requested", can you read that paragraph, please.
- 23 A. "As requested, I ask that Petroindustrial in the
- 24 person of its Vice President be served with an official
- 25 letter at his offices located at calle Alpallana and

- 02:31 1 Q. And so, this exhibit we're looking at right now,
 - 2 C-1108, is an example of a request to the Court for that
 - 3 permission to do a Pre-Inspection?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. All right. Now, I think I've got one last topic,
 - 6 and that is the issue of migration that was discussed--that
 - 7 you and Mr. Ewing covered yesterday in some detail. And I
 - 8 would like to ask our technical colleague if he can bring
 - 9 up Connor 2 and ask if you can turn to Tab 11 in the
 - 10 Respondent's binders--Tab 11, if you have that--which is 11 the HBT Report.
 - 12 And specifically, we want to go to Page 8-25.
 - 13 A. Just give me a minute. These are--I need to
 - 14 shuffle binders here.
 - Q. Of course.
 - And for the convenience of the Tribunal, and you,
 - 17 Mr. Connor, we will hand out an excerpt of the HBT Report.
 - 18 It may be more convenient. But for those of you looking
 - 19 for it in the binder, it's Respondent's Tab 11.
 - 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just for good order's sake,
 - 21 this is from the Defendant's Exhibit 310.
 - MS. RENFROE: This is actually Connor 2. Both the
 - 23 Claimants and Respondents have this document in the record.
 - 24 You already have it in Respondent's Tab 11, but it is also
 - 25 C-13.

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- 02:30 1 Avenida 6 de Diciembre in the City of Quito so that the
 - 2 necessary facilities might be provided, both to perform the
 - 3 judicial proceeding and so that the Parties may enter this
 - 4 petroleum facilities on days before the ones scheduled for
 - 5 the proceedings in order to do a Pre-Inspection, which is
 - 6 extremely important to our defense in this case."
 - 7 Q. So, this is an example of a--that you had
 - 8 mentioned earlier of requests to the Court for permission
 - 9 to do Pre-Inspections?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And, of course, these facilities were being
 - 12 operated and still are being operated by Petroecuador;
 - 13 correct?
 - 14 A. Correct. At that time they were being operated by
 - 15 Petroecuador.
 - 16 Q. And so, did you as a Judicial Inspection Expert,
 - 17 for example, did you have the right or the ability to
 - 18 access these facilities without approval and access being
 - 19 provided to you from representatives of Petroecuador?
 - 20 A. My understanding is that we needed permission to
 - 21 enter the properties. And when we arrived at a property,
 - 22 many of which are enclosed by fencing with a security
 - 23 representative, we would ask for permission. And there was
 - 24 usually a communication to either the Court or Petroecuador
 - 25 to allow us to enter the properties.

- 02:33 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: C-13?
 - MS. RENFROE: Yes, sir.
 - 3 BY MS. RENFROE:
 - 4 Q. And I'm directing you to Page 8-25.
 - 5 You recall--Mr. Connor, are you there?
 - 6 A. I am here.
 - 7 Q. Okay.
 - 8 (Laughter.)
 - 9 Q. You remember yesterday--
 - 10 A. Oh, you mean on the page? Oh. Sorry about that.
 - 11 Q. We're nearly done.
 - 12 You recall the discussion yesterday about the
 - 13 question of migration of material from pits?
 - 14 A. Yes
 - 15 Q. And you explained to us, you spoke to us about the
 - 16 role of clayey soils and how it bears on migration of
 - 17 material from pits; you recall that discussion?
 - A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. And you were asked to look at certain portions of
 - 20 the HBT Report, but I don't think you were asked to look at
 - 21 this provision, and so I would like to draw your attention
 - 22 now to--the language actually begins on Page 8-22, and it's
 - 23 Section 8.6, summary of impacts to the subsurface. And I
 - 24 think Mr. Ewing asked you about some of that, but now I
 - 25 want to take you to the provision he did not show you, and

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02:35 1 that's on Page 8-25, starting with the paragraph "based on 2 the results of our investigation."

Do you see that, sir?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Can you tell us, can you--without
- 6 necessarily reading every single sentence here, read the
- 7 salient portions about what HBT had concluded, based on its
- 8 investigation, its audit, of these facilities and based on
- 9 the data that it had collected. Can you tell us what
- 10 conclusion HBT drew about of migration of materials from
- 11 the pits?
- 12 A. Yes. And this was the text to which I referred in
- $\ensuremath{\text{13}}\xspace$ my discussion with Mr. Ewing yesterday, that the conclusion
- 14 drawn by HBT based on the entirety of their investigation
- 15 were that there was no significant evidence of subsurface
- 16 contamination, or spreading away from the pits. And I will
- 17 draw your attention to that first paragraph that says
- 18 "based on the results of our investigation, we have found
- 19 little evidence of significant subsurface contaminant
- 20 migration beyond the boundaries of the production stations
- 21 and well sites. At most sites, there was little evidence
- 22 of contamination migrating beyond the margins of the 'high
- 23 risk' features such as mud pits," and to go on to give more
- 24 specific examples. At the end of that paragraph, they
- 25 noted even at those cases where they had discovered oil on

02:38 1 they were unusual in my experience as well.

The sum finding by HBT, by Fugro-McClelland, by

3 all the work that was conducted in the JI and since is 4 that, in fact, there is no significant migration from these

5 pits, and the data are inconsistent in that regard.

Q. Now I want to draw your attention to one last

7 document, and--but to do that, let's return to your

8 September 2010 Report, and specifically let's go to the

9 section you wrote about the Fiscalía General's

10 investigation, and I believe that begins--or at least the

11 portion that I would like to take you to--is Page 76 of 12 your 2010 Report.

13 And I would also ask if we can distribute to the 14 Witness and to the Tribunal C-591.

And while that document is being handed out, can you explain to the Tribunal just very briefly the--you're

17 talking here in this section of your Report about your

18 evaluation of certain Environmental Experts' analyses of 19 the Remedial Action Plan and how it was performed.

A. That's correct.

1 Q. Right. And I want to draw your attention

22 specifically to the--to your comments and discussion about

23 the report of Señor Narváez and Señor García, which you

24 talk about at Page 76.

Do you see that?

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02:36 1 the surface of the water table, they found that that

2 contamination diminished within few tenths of meters.

This is an important observation, and that is
consistent with our own findings, and it also speaks to the

5 calculation of the Exxon Valdez impacts. I believe that

6 Ecuador Experts have expressed a concern that oil has

7 radiated out--is it's moved out radially from these pits.
8 The observations that are reported here and in all of the

9 reports and all the data collected since indicate that that

10 is either--that that does not occur.

11 There is also a statement in that second--in the 12 next paragraph that vertical and lateral migration of these

13 contaminants in the subsurface generally was found to be

14 limited by the low to moderate hydraulic conductivity in

15 the upper water table aquifers, the low permeability of the

16 clays commonly encountered throughout the study area, and

17 by the relatively low mobility of crude oil through the

18 area's subsurface. They do note that minor movement can

19 occur through fractures and root channels--we talked about

20 that yesterday--but that is not a significant migration

21 pathway on a larger scale.

22 And then they noticed that there were some sites

23 where there were permeable sand lenses present, and those

24 were the most significant. But as indicated by their

25 findings here, those are relatively unusual conditions and

02:40 1 A. Yes.

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Q. All right. And just to set the context for

3 this--and I hope by now everybody's got a copy of C-591.

Do you have it, sir? C-591?

A. Yes, I do. Oh, C-591. Yes.

Q. Right. All right. Let's make sure everybody's

7 with us.

8 So, very briefly, there was an investigation by

9 the Office of the Attorney General of Ecuador into the

10 performance of the Remedial Action Plan; is that correct?

A. Yes.

12 Q. And a number of different Environmental Experts

13 were engaged by the Attorney General's Office to evaluate

14 sites that had been remediated pursuant to the Remedial

15 Action Plan?

16 A. That's right. Several different persons over the 17 course of several years.

18 $\,$ Q. And you discussed those, their reports, in your

19 September 2010 Report.

A. Correct.

21 O. And now specifically, let's look at the findings

22 of one, actually two of those individual experts.

23 And so, just for the record, we have on the screen

24 C-591. And can you tell us what this is, please.

MR. EWING: And actually, real quick, do you have

02:41 1 the Spanish for this?

MS. RENFROE: I don't know. 2

MR. EWING: I think there may be a mistranslation 4 of the--which office of Ecuador is doing this, whether it's 5 the Attorney General or the Prosecutor General, which, as we know, is--they are different.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We had this before, but does it 8 matter for your question?

MS. RENFROE: It does not matter for my question.

MR. EWING: Thank you.

BY MS. RENFROE: 11

12 Q. So, my question to you, Mr. Connor: First, let's 13 see if we can identify who these individuals are who have prepared this Report, that is C-591.

A. Yes. This is an English translation of the report 15 16 that I reviewed by Señor Narváez and Señor García which was

17 issued in 2005, which documents their response to the 18 request for investigation by the Controller General's

19 office.

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A. Of Ecuador. 21

Okay. Now, you have reviewed their work and you

23 now have their conclusions and-their Report and their

24 conclusions in front of you.

Can you turn to Page 10, the conclusions section

02:44 1 So the pits that they found that weren't 2 remediated did correspond to the rationale for their 3 exclusion in the RAP document. And at those sites where 4 they observed hydrocarbons to be present, regardless of 5 whether that was a RAP or a non-RAP feature, they found 6 that the impermeability of the soil prevented any spreading 7 or environmental impact associated with that hydrocarbon 8 presence. Again, that's consistent with my own 9 observations and those of the other experts involved in 10 this case.

Q. And I should have drawn your attention to 11 12 Section 6.2 of their conclusions regarding the role of the 13 clay.

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It's an interesting statement. That the--I will 15 16 just read that -- "that the only environmental parameter capable of providing an historical view of what happened is the subsoil quality, which having been confined by the clayey soils, has remained practically unchanged at the

bottom of the former pits."

What they mean by that is that the soils are the 21

22 same as they always have been, and the material that's in the soil--in the pits--has not moved.

Q. And then finally, their conclusion, 6.7, my 25 question to you, sir, is: Is this consistent with your own

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02:42 1 of their Report.

A. Yes. 2

Q. And before we review these conclusions, can you 4 tell us briefly your understanding of what they did to 5 investigate the efficacy of the remedial action work done 6 by TexPet.

A. Mr. Narváez and Mr. García investigated 130 8 different well sites to compare their observations to the 9 specifications of the RAP to determine if the site 10 conditions were consistent with faithful completion of the 11 RAP, and their findings were that was the case. They also 12 took samples from those pits and found that they were 13 consistent with the criteria of the RAP. So, it was a very 14 thorough investigation that they conducted.

Q. So, on the question of clay and migration from the 16 pits and the efficacy of the remediation work done by 17 TexPet, can you look at conclusions 6.6 and 6.7 and tell us

18 what these two Environmental Experts concluded? 19 A. In 6.6, they found that 81 pits observed at the 20 site were--corresponded to those that were excluded from 21 remediation requirements in the TexPet RAP. Those pits 22 that were excluded were given designations of NFA, meaning 23 no further action, or COC, meaning change of condition. 24 The significance of those is explained in the RAP, but I 25 won't repeat that.

02:45 1 conclusions, and can you explain that?

A. Yes. I will read it for the benefit of the 3 record. It states: "At the sites where the presence of 4 hydrocarbons was detected, the impact to the subsoil is 5 localized, permanent and irreversible. However, due to the 6 impermeability of the clay, said impact is confined and 7 does not affect underground water quality or the wildlife 8 in the surrounding area." That again confirms the 9 appropriate remediation of the sites and--that were assigned to TexPet, and even for those sites that were not 11 assigned to TexPet, these gentlemen conclude, consistent with my own conclusion, that the remnants of the 13 hydrocarbon do not pose a threat to underground water or to 14 wildlife in that area.

Q. Now, is it your understanding that these findings were made by these Environmental Experts on behalf of the 17 Controller General's office of Ecuador before the Judgment was issued?

19 A. Yes. This Report, if I remember correctly, was 20 issued in 2005.

21 O. Right.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. Connor. I have no 22

23 further questions.

24 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much, 25

02:47 1 Mr. Connor. We have come to the end of your testimony. We 2 thank you for coming here to assist the Tribunal. You may 3 leave the table.

THE WITNESS: Thank you very much, and thank you 5 to the representatives of Ecuador as well.

(Witness steps down.)

MR. EWING: If we could have just a short break to 8 change seats.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just wait a second. We may 10 need a longer break, for reasons I'll explain.

MR. EWING: Okay. 11

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Five minutes? Ten minutes?

MR. EWING: Five or ten minutes? 13

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Five minutes. 14

MR. WHITE: Mr. Veeder, before we do that, there 15 16 is one issue, if I may, I would just like to raise on the 17 logistical front, and it has to do with the forensic 18 expert, Mr. Lynch.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

20 MR. WHITE: At the conclusion of his testimony, I

21 think he was given an indication that he might be needed

22 again, and I believe that Ms. Owen has left.

Mr. Lynch is happy to stay as long as he's needed 24 or to leave and be available to come back. It's just if he

25 leaves, he would need a little bit of notice to get back

03:07 1 truth, and that my statement will be in accordance with my 2 sincere belief.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

You've probably heard this before if you were sitting in the back of the room, but everything you say is

6 being transcribed, so it's important not to speak too

7 quickly, but even more so in this case because everything 8 is being translated into Spanish and then transcribed, so

we need to leave a gap between the question and the answer.

THE WITNESS: And the additional problem is I'm

11 from New England, we park our cars, so when I say pattern,

I'm probably saying patent for the translator. I say

pattern all the time instead of patent.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: On the other hands, New

15 Englanders are very taciturn.

16 MS. WOOD: Thank you very much, Mr. President, 17 Members of the Tribunal. I just have a few questions for

Dr. Douglas, and then he is going to present his direct

testimony in a presentation to the Tribunal.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MS. WOOD: 21

Q. Good afternoon, Dr. Douglas.

23 A. Good afternoon.

Q. How many reports have you authored for this BIT

25 proceeding?

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02:48 1 because he would have to travel.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Excuse me. I didn't mean that 3 he should stay, and I'm sorry if he stayed unnecessarily--

MR. WHITE: No, no, no. We asked him to stay as 5 long as Ms. Owen was here.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: No, he can leave. It's just 7 that we have a potential proposal to make, but we're far

8 from making it. Where in the future we may want to see him 9 again, but not for now.

10 MR. WHITE: Understood. Thank you.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you for raising it. Five 12 minutes.

13 (Brief recess.)

14 GREGORY S. DOUGLAS, CLAIMANTS' WITNESS, CALLED

MR. BISHOP: Mr. President, my partner, Carol Wood 15

16 in our Environmental Group is going to put on the next 17 witness.

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

19 We'll just have the Witness sworn.

Mr. Douglas, if you could state your full name and 20

21 if you're willing, read out the words of the Declaration on

22 the piece of paper which you're holding.

23 THE WITNESS: My name is Gregory Scott Douglas,

24 and I solemnly declare upon my honor and conscience that I

25 shall speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the

03:08 1 A. I've authored three reports.

Q. Okay. And the dates of those are September 3rd,

3 2010; June 1, 2013; and January 14, 2015; is that correct?

5 Q. And I believe you have those in front of you?

A. Yes, I do.

7 Q. Okay. Do you have any corrections to make to

8 those Reports?

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A. No, I do not.

Q. Just very briefly, if you would describe to the

11 Tribunal what the general subject matter is of your direct

testimony today?

A. Of course. Today I will be discussing petroleum 13 14 analytical issues as they relate to the collection,

interpretation, and analysis of environmental data in the

16 Oriente.

MS. WOOD: With your permission, Mr. President, 17

Dr. Douglas would proceed with his presentation. 18

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Certainly.

20 MS. WOOD: Thank you.

21 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

22 My name is, of course, Gregory Douglas, and I'm a

23 partner at New Fields Environmental Forensics Practice. I

24 have more than 30 years of experience in environmental

25 chemistry, and focusing on petroleum analytical chemistry

03:09 1 and petroleum biodegradation in the environment.

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I'm a hands-on person. I have hands-on experience 3 working in and managing petroleum analytical laboratories 4 over the past 30 years, so I'm very familiar with the analytical methods that I'll be talking to you about today.

I've worked on more than 20 oil spills worldwide 7 from the Exxon Valdez to the current Deepwater Horizon in 8 the Gulf of Mexico, where I'm a forensics expert for the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration.

I've testified at the United Nations regarding 10 11 petroleum chemistry for the largest oil spill in history. 12 I'm also working for the United States Environmental 13 Protection Agency on the Kalamazoo River oil spill in

15 I routinely publish my work, and I have over 40 peer-reviewed publications and book chapters on petroleum analytical chemistry.

And in addition, the work that I've done in the 18 19 Oriente with regards to biodegradation has also been published in the peer-reviewed literature as well, for your 21 review.

22 I'm not new to this project. I have been working 23 on this project since 2004, and during the course of that 24 period I have produced and generated a number of research 25 papers and technical papers, and these are just a few here, 03:12 1 biodegrade a lot and some will not, so the purpose of that 2 laboratory study was to determine the biodegradation 3 potential.

The second study was where we collected river 4 water from Ecuador and simply mixed it with produced water 5 under natural conditions and to see how the hydrocarbons 7 within the produced water would degrade, and they degraded 8 relatively rapidly, so that's another study that I 9 performed with produced water.

And finally, we performed more than 40 JI studies 10 11 where I examined field samples that were collected under ambient conditions and evaluated how degraded they were from the field, which is actually the best way to evaluate 14 how much biodegradation has occurred in the environment. 15 In addition to these biodegradation studies, I've examined 16 degraded crude oil and compared it to asphaltic materials, 17 which is the end product of the biodegradation process. I've also worked extensively on evaluating the impact of plant matter and its effect on the various analytical

methods that we're talking about today. The next slide is a summary of my key opinions, 22 many of which I will discuss today in the course of my 23 presentation. I'm not going to focus on these, so I can 24 spend most of my time on specific analytical key issues 25 relating to chemistry of Oriente crude oil. In order to do

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03:11 1 but some of the important ones include the measurement of 2 the chemical compounds that are present in Oriente crude 3 oil.

In addition, I have done a lot of work on 5 measuring biodegradation and oil-impacted soils and 6 sediments at over 40 JI sites and in produced water using 7 Ecuadorian conditions.

8 Just a minute if I could to talk to you about 9 biodegradation.

10 First of all, biodegradation doesn't occur 11 overnight. It takes time, it can take months and years in 12 order to occur, so I just want to make sure that we don't 13 think that biodegradation is such a rapid process. But it 14 does occur, and it occurs constantly.

I performed three types of biodegradation studies 15 16 for this program. The first biodegradation study was a 17 laboratory study, and what we did is we mixed crude oil, 18 Ecuadorian crude oil, with nutrients and bacteria that was 19 cultured from Ecuadorian soils, and then monitored this 20 biodegradation at 30 degrees centigrade.

21 And the purpose of this study, this laboratory 22 study, was simply to determine the biodegradation potential

23 of the oil. So, for example, what's the maximum 24 biodegradation I could get in this particular oil because

25 oils vary, depending on their composition. Some oils will

03:14 1 that, the first thing we need to understand is what is 2 crude oil? It sounds like a very simple question, but it's 3 more complex than you might think. In fact, we're still 4 studying crude oil today.

Now, crude oil is a complex mixture, okay? It's 5 derived from natural material from plants and animal 7 remains. Now, what happens is the crude oil is not just plant and animal material. What it is, is when these plants and animals die, they deposit into anoxic basins or 10 basins in the ocean, and then over time, temperature and 11 pressure, these plant materials change and are altered into what we call hydrocarbons, and those are molecules which 13 contain a carbon molecule and a hydrogen molecule, so 14 they're called hydrocarbons.

Now, it is a natural product and, therefore, as a 15 natural product, it will biodegrade in the environment or break down, which is a good thing with respect--as compared to synthetic chemicals that maybe never break down in the environment. So, crude oil is one of those products that can actually break down naturally within the environment. 20

When we talk about crude oil, we break it down 21 22 into four distinct chemical groups, and I'm going to discuss those here.

24 This is a barrel of crude oil Oriente. I measured 25 nine different production oils, and this represents an

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03:15 1 average value, and what I want to walk you through is the 2 composition of this.

What we have here is about 80 percent of a barrel 4 of crude oil. It's composed of saturate and aromatic 5 hydrocarbons, and within those saturate and aromatic 6 hydrocarbons called petroleum hydrocarbons, we measure 7 different ranges, and you've heard many of those ranges 8 discussed today. One of those ranges that you're familiar 9 with is probably the GRO range, and this represents those 10 light hydrocarbons that are present in the petroleum like 11 gasoline range organics. That's where you measure the BTEX 12 compounds, and the range is generally a carbon range from 13 C6 to C10.

Now, what does C6 to C10 really mean? That means 15 we've got six carbon molecules attached to each other 16 that's C6. And for C10 you might have ten carbon molecules 17 attached to each other. So, the ones with the six are 18 lighter and more volatile. The ones with the ten are 19 heavier and less volatile. And generally as you increase 20 the number of carbons, the degradation of those materials 21 becomes more difficult.

In addition to the GRO, analysis, we have a 23 DRO-range material from which you find Polycyclic Aromatic 24 Hydrocarbons, which are those toxic compounds that have 25 been identified by the United States Environmental

03:18 1 they're not total petroleum hydrocarbons. And, in fact, 2 these very heavy materials are what we use to make 3 highways, so they're fairly--they're not very mobile, 4 they're very viscous. In fact, asphaltenes are actually 5 solids, and they're not considered to be an important 6 environmental contaminant.

Now, what happens to oil? The next question is 8 what happens to the oil once it's released into the 9 environment? And that's an important issue here. With 10 regard to fresh crude oil, what I have in front of you is 11 what's called a GC/FID chromatogram. And what this chromatogram represents is a fingerprint of the hydrocarbons that are present in any particular sample. 14 Okay? So, on the left you see the yellow range. That's 15 represents what's called the GRO range. In the middle in 16 the green, it represents the DRO range, C10 to C28 in that 17 case, and then in the blue range, that represents the C28 18 plus range.

So, you can see basically, number one, what kind of material you have and how weathered or degraded it is. Now, below that, what you have is just an example 22 of biodegraded crude oil, and on the left again you can see the GRO range is very depleted, the DRO range is heavily 24 biodegraded, and what happens is that you see an 25 apparent--it's not an increase. What it is, what it

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03:17 1 Protection Agency as compounds of concern. We measure a 2 number of other petroleum compounds as well called alkanes 3 and biomarkers, which I'll talk to you about later, but 4 they are compounds useful for forensics analysis.

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Now, within the DRO, you've heard many different 6 ranges discussed, and I just want to walk you through 7 those. And whenever you talk about TPH and measurements or TPH measurements, you need to know what method we're 9 referring to, because the results that you get are highly method-dependent.

So, in this case for DRO, there is the C10 to C28 12 carbon range, and that's the carbon range that was 13 specified in the Lago Agrio Court audit and analytical 14 plan. There is C10 to C35 carbon range, which is something 15 like a method called Texas 1006 or EPH methodology, and 16 that is a method that was used on this program by Chevron 17 as well. And then there is the C10 to C44 carbon range, 18 which are a much broader range which I used in my 19 biodegradation studies.

So, that represents pretty much an overview of 21 what hydrocarbons are and the ranges that we're working 22 with.

23 In addition to the hydrocarbons in a barrel of 24 oil, you have a group of compounds called resins and 25 asphaltenes. Now, these are asphaltic materials, and

03:20 1 represents is what's left. It's not like you're increasing 2 the C28-plus components, but those are the components that 3 are most residual to degradation. So, they're what's left 4 after you degrade the GRO and the DRO range components.

5 Now, biodegradation is a very important part of oil spill remediation. And, in general, biodegradation decreases TPH concentrations, toxicity, and mobility, and 8 what you end up with a successful biodegradation program is 9 material the residual of which is viscous and immobile.

10 Next, I'll talk to you about what analytical 11 methods most accurately measure crude oil or TPH in the 12 environment. I want to point out that there's a big 13 difference between TPH and total oil. As I discussed back 14 here, total oil represents the complete barrel. It 15 includes the saturate and aromatic hydrocarbons as well as 16 the resins and asphaltenes. TPH includes only the Total 17 Petroleum Hydrocarbons. Now, several methods have been used with regards to the Oriente program, and I'm going to walk you through those methods and talk to you about some 20 of the applications and limitations of those methods in 21 terms of their reliability and usefulness to interpret

22 environmental data. We start with the bulk screening 23 methods, and these are called, like total extractible 24 material. Now, what is a TEM analysis? A TEM analysis is 25 an analysis where you take a fairly aggressive solvent,

03:22 1 like it's called methylene chloride. It's very commonly
2 used in this field, and you extract the soil or sediment,
3 and you pull all the carbon molecules that are in that
4 sample into your extract. You then evaporate that extract
5 to a very small volume and weigh that residue that you get
6 with a gravimetric method, and then you get a number.

But the problem is you can't confirm the contents.

You don't know what you have, especially in the Oriente
where those carbon molecules could include not only
petroleum, but lots of plant material, humic acids, fulvic
acids, sulfur compounds--I can go on--the list is endless,
so you need to be able to use a chemical method that you
can identify what's in that sample in order for it to be
accurate and reliable.

So the TEM method also extracts asphaltenes and resins, and it's prone to substantial interferences with naturally occurring plant matter, which is a big problem in the Oriente because we have lots of plant material here. So, basically, the reason I'm bringing this issue up is that Ecuador's experts say that the TEM measurement itself is the best method to provide results for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons, but, in fact, that method measures not only the petroleum hydrocarbons, but the resins, the asphaltenes, and as you will see later, more important, the

25 plant material that's present in many of these sediments

03:25 1 carbon ranges for which to measure for this program, in
2 this case the hydrocarbon range from six to 12 as the GRO
3 component and the hydrocarbons from C-12 to 28 as the DRO
4 component. And these are the methods that Chevron relied
5 on for doing their JI studies. And basically they're
6 illustrated here in the remaining pyramid. As we move down
7 the pyramid to EPA Method 8015, that method is used to
8 identify carbon ranges. That method provides us with a TPH
9 value and it represents the results of a GC/FID analysis
10 after an extraction. So you extract, again, using an
11 aggressive solvent and then analyze your sample on an
12 instrument that provides a fingerprint of your sample, like
13 the fingerprint I showed you earlier for those crude oils
14 and degraded oils.

Now, the real advantage of the GC/FID method,
which is basically the work horse of oilfield studies is
that you can actually confirm the contents of your sample,
so, that way if you have interferences, you have plant
material, you have petroleum, or you have weathered
petroleum, you can simply look at those fingerprints and
identify it, and incorporate that into the interpretation
of the data that you'll end up--because you're going to use
this information.

As we move further down to a more even refined methodology, we have what's called EPH methods and Texas

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03:23 1 and soil samples.

The next bulk-screening method I will talk to you about is EPA Method 418.1, and this is another method where you use a solvent to extract your material, hydrocarbons, plant material, whatever else is extractable by the solvent, and then concentrate it down and analyze it by infrared. Again, all you get is a value. It's a number. You don't know what it is. You can't confirm the contents. It extracts non-petroleum hydrocarbons and it's also subject to plant matter interferences. In fact, I published a paper on these problems and applications and limitations exactly what I'm saying today back in 1992, so we knew--this was a commonly observed problem with this particular method.

Now, what does the Lago Agrio Court ordered
analytical plan say about EPA Method 418.1? What the plan
says is that Method 418.1 is also likely to obtain false
positive detections for non-petroleum sources likely to be
present in the Oriente Region. And this is totally
consistent with the literature, and there are many, many
publications which document this problem and the problem of
false positives.

In contrast, Method 8015 has been shown to provide reliable and reproducible results. Now, not only does it recommend the 8015 method but it provides us with the

03:26 1 1006 methods. Now, what this method does is it takes the 2 results similar to 8015 and then fractionates the 3 hydrocarbons into two separate groups, those aromatic 4 fractions which are considered to be more toxic in the 5 environment and the aliphatic fractions which are also of 6 potential concern.

And then carbon ranges can be determined from each one of those fractions, and they're run by GC, so you actually get two fingerprints for your analysis which gives you even more information in terms of what's in your sample, therefore you can confirm the contents of the analysis that you performed.

And as I mentioned, you refine the carbon ranges
into saturate hydrocarbons and aromatic hydrocarbons, this
information can be used by regulators to calculate
risk-based screening levels at petroleum sites. And
because of the cleanup step, it captures the least amount
plant materials.

19 Finally, and, of course, this is my favorite
20 method, individual compound analysis. We've got EPA Method
21 8260 which is a GC/MS method, which is a superior detector
22 system in that not only can you quantify a specific
23 compound, but you can actually identify that compound as
24 well. 8260 is for volatile components such as

25 BTEX--benzene, toluene. These methods are very useful

03:28 1 especially when you're working in petroleum because 2 petroleum is a complex mixture and you need a very specific 3 detector in order to identify that peak without a problem.

We also have an 8270 method which is used as a 5 GC/MS method, and that's used for the identification of 6 Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons, such as the 16 priority 7 pollutant PAHs that have been identified as compounds of 8 concern.

Wow. Okay, so here we get into the interesting 10 stuff. Now that we understand the analytical methods. 11 Well, what do we do with these results? Do we just put 12 them in a report? At the back of an appendix? Do we use 13 them? What I do is interpret data, and that's pretty much 14 what I do full time.

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Now, when you look at this chromatogram, as you 16 know on the left, this is a GC chromatogram, and it 17 provides you with a fingerprint of the hydrocarbons that 18 are in your sample. So, the left one is a fingerprint of a 19 crude oil, and you can tell that by characteristic features 20 such as the hump that you see here--this is called the 21 unresolved complex mixture, and the envelope of normal 22 alkanes and isoalkanes that are present.

Now, what happens is when the oil degrades in the 24 environment, these compounds degrade first, so they will be 25 removed and all you will see is the hump.

03:31 1 extractable material--now, that's everything--is 2 23,000-milligrams per kilogram. TPH, for that analysis, 3 using the Ecuador's laboratories full range DRO analysis or 4 full range TPH analysis.

The TPH result is 9700-milligrams per kilogram. 6 It's about half of what you're seeing in the TEM, and 7 that's reasonable with regards to the way the GC/FID system 8 works, so it's from a chemical reasonableness perspective, it makes sense that you would have about half or so of the material detected by GC for crude oil.

Now, to confirm that that's a crude oil, we use a 11 group of compounds called biomarkers. Biomarkers are these compounds that are characteristic of the oil itself, so when the oil is in a--and they vary from oil to oil and where the oil is produced, but they're very useful for 16 biodegradation studies but also to identify that when you 17 find biomarkers you find oil, so a good way to identify the presence of oil is with the biomarkers. Now, they don't tell you how much oil is in that sample. They only tell you that oil is present. So it's quite possible to have 21 biomarkers with only 1 percent oil in a sample in a TEM result or even much more.

23 Now, with the plant material, we have 24 Shushufindi 13, SE-002, the TEM is equivalent to that of 25 that crude oil sample. Now, the TPH for that sample is

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03:29 1 Now, in addition, plant matter has a similar 2 fingerprint, not like crude oil, but it has its own 3 characteristic fingerprint. This is the typical 4 distribution of plant matter, and what it shows you is that 5 when you see this fingerprint, you should be able to tell 6 yourselves we've got plant matter in this sample.

Now, what you're seeing there, those peaks, 8 represent plant waxes such as--and plants tend to produce 9 not just the homologous group of waxes, like an envelope, 10 plants like to produce odd-chained alkanes as well, so they 11 like to produce C-27, 29, 31, 33. So that's how we 12 identify plant waxes from petroleum because there isn't 13 that kind of discrimination in petroleum.

Another point is that the GC/FID is not capable of 15 detecting all of the plant matter that's in a sample, and 16 I'm going to show you that later. It's been claimed that 17 all of the plant matter present in this sample is, in fact, 18 detected by a GC, but that's proven time and time again in 19 the literature as well as my own reports, where this only 20 reflects a small fraction of the plant matter that's 21 present in your sample.

22 So, what this does is it's an indicator of plant 23 matter.

24 How do we know that? Let's look at an example. 25

Shushufindi 55, SE-009, in that case, total

03:33 1 only 23-milligrams per kilogram, it's very low, and is not 2 a reasonable result for a TPH measurement. If that was 3 truly 26,000-milligrams per kilogram, you would expect much 4 greater values of TPH by GC/FID. So then what you do is 5 you can then compare the biomarkers in that sample, and as 6 you can see there are no biomarkers; therefore, there is no 7 oil. And the point being here is that all of this TEM is 8 in fact plant matter, and that the 23 only represents a 9 very small fraction, it's the small fraction of that plant 10 matter.

11 How do we know there was plant matter in these samples? Well, the laboratory prepares preparation 13 records, and in those records they include observations. 14 So, for example, in many of these sediment and soil samples, we see that comments like these samples had too many fine roots to remove or in the case of the sample I just showed you, Shushufindi 13, SE-002, this is defined as a liquidy brown solid with vegetation. So, we have confirmation there was vegetation in those samples, and we can identify it using the GC/FID approach. 20

21 Here are some examples of samples, so this isn't 22 just an isolated situation. These represent a variety of 23 samples, you can see a range of TEM results here and a 24 range of TPH concentrations as reported by the full TPH 25 range recorded by Chevron's laboratory. And you can see

03:34 1 the percent of TPHe to TEM. And what this indicates is 2 that this is not 100 percent crude oil, these samples. 3 There may be some in here, but it's certainly not 4 100 percent. And that's why it's important to look at 5 those biomarker compounds.

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Ecuador's Experts argue that if you find 7 biomarkers in your sample, then the TEM represents 8 100 percent TPH, and I can tell you quite honestly that is 9 just contrary to prior work that I have done and contrary 10 to the data that we see here.

Okay, so that's the problem with plant matter 12 because the methods they are using are impacted with plant 13 matter to a degree that require additional interpretation 14 whenever you try to use a TPH number, and it's particularly 15 a problem here in the Oriente just because of the biomass 16 that's present in these samples.

So the next issue is--are called blank samples, 17 18 and I'm going to talk to you about blank samples and why 19 blank samples are important when interpreting analytical 20 data.

First of all, how many people know what a blank 21 22 is? Blank samples are known clean samples, they are used 23 as quality control measures by laboratories. Okay? So, 24 for example there's two blank samples I will talk about 25 today, there's a blank called the field blank, and a field 03:37 1 generated with those analytical results.

The next question is, well, what do you do with 2 3 the blank? Well, we stick it in the back of the Report and 4 ignore it. No. What you do with the blank is you then 5 evaluate the blank relative to your field samples. Okay? 6 The idea is that you want to determine if the blank is a 7 major contributor of the contamination that you're finding 8 in the field samples.

How do we do that? We have standard methods for 10 doing this. It's called the 5X Rule, and it says that 11 sample results must be greater than five times, and in some instances ten times, the compound found in the blank for the sample to be reliable and reported as a positive 14 finding.

Now, is this some new technique or some new 15 16 approach? No, this is standard practice, been using it for 17 decades. It's defined in USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Organic Data Review. It's also identified within LBG's own validator report, and it's also identified in LBG's own laboratory's standard operating procedures. 21 So there's no question that using this approach is a

reasonable approach to compare blanks. 23 But as a chemist, I always start off with the raw 24 data, so the first thing I do is I take the results that

25 were interpreted--for example, this sample was identified

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03:36 1 blank means that you take your clean material -- could be 2 clean sand, it could be clean water like distilled water, 3 and you take it out into the field, and you handle it in 4 the same way you handle your analytical samples, your field 5 samples. So you have a blank, and you collect it, and you 6 would handle it, and you would bring it back to the lab, 7 and it reflects any contaminants that you may introduce as 8 a part of the collection process, and that's called a field 9 blank.

10 We also have laboratory blanks, and a laboratory 11 blank is when you have a clean sample--in this case 12 distilled water--and you process it with all the field 13 samples that you have collected, and it will pick up any 14 contaminants that are introduced by the laboratory. Now, 15 laboratories run many kinds of samples through all this 16 glassware and equipment and all sorts of things that they 17 have to do. I mean, it could be--the sample could be 18 touched 50 times when you process a sample.

19 So, there's many places in the solvents, syringes 20 and handling where you could introduce some low level 21 contamination.

So, what happens is the blank is passed through 23 the laboratory and analyzed for the targets of concern, in 24 this case I will be talking about the Polycyclic Aromatic 25 Hydrocarbons. And then it's analyzed, and a report is

03:39 1 as containing a low level petroleum contamination, and I 2 want to make that point perfectly clear. We're talking 3 about problems with low levels of petroleum contamination 4 here that have been interpreted to indicate that petroleum 5 is present when maybe it isn't. Maybe it is. But in this 6 case, what you can see is the concentration of those--I'm 7 sorry--the concentration of those contaminants within that 8 sample Shushufindi SW-008 versus PAH concentration at 9 nanograms per liter. Nanograms per liter is parts per 10 trillion. It's very small. And these bars represent the 11 relative concentrations of those target compounds, those 12 target PAHs.

13 So, the next step, once you have this result, you 14 compare it to your blank, and that's called your laboratory 15 blank. Now, the blue bars represent the laboratory blank, 16 and you can see in this case up here, the laboratory blank actually exceeds the concentration that's present in your sample. The only conclusion you can make is that certainly 19 there is a blank issue with regards to that target compound 20 because the laboratory blank is actually the same as your 21 field sample. In some cases they're almost identical. If 22 you look at the C4 phenanthrenes you will see they're 23 one-to-one.

Now what about laboratory blanks that are only a 25 fraction of your sample? Well, that's why we use the five 03:40 1 times rule, and let me show you how that works.

The five times rule means that the field sample 3 must be five times greater than the blank concentration in 4 order to be used or be deemed reliable. So, you wouldn't 5 want to interpret data that failed the five times rule 6 because it would be unreliable and untrustworthy. So, what 7 you happens is, you can see here, the 5X represents the 8 range for the five times rule for that particular blank, 9 and that sample would have to be reported at 14 nanograms 10 per liter in order to be considered even reliable for use 11 in any interpretive purposes.

12 Next, we look at the field blanks, and in this 13 case you can see, in some cases the--oops, I'm sorry--the 14 field blanks exceed the method--the laboratory blanks, but 15 generally the field blanks follow the laboratory blanks. 16 And that's because the biggest source of contamination in 17 these samples is the laboratory itself, so the laboratory 18 blanks are the primary blanks of concern here.

19 Now, with water samples, it's very simple to 20 compare the various samples with the laboratory blanks. 21 For example, waters are analyzed generally at one liter 22 volumes. So, in order to make a comparison between blanks 23 and samples, you have to have the same volumes for that 24 comparison. The same weights, too, but that's another 25 story. But here it's very simple to do. You can do it

03:43 1 a soil sample, LA-16 SL002, and this was interpreted by 2 Chevron's experts as indicating low levels of petroleum 3 contamination. When they did that, they didn't normalize 4 the blank for that purpose. And you've got on the left scale the PAH concentration and nanograms--micrograms per 6 kilogram, and then you've got the same list of PAHs on the bottom scale.

8 Now, I'm using PAHs because PAHs are probably the 9 primary tool that we use to identify petroleum at low concentrations because the methods are just so sensitive. 11 If done properly, you can actually use these to fingerprint your sample, and they're very reliable and it's pretty much a standard approach. And this is the approach that was used by Ecuador's Experts.

15 But what you can see, now that you understand the relationship between the red bar, which is the field sample, and the laboratory blank, that more than 90 percent of these compounds fail the five times rule.

19 Most laboratories would reject the sample if it, 20 in fact, only had a couple of compounds that failed the 21 criteria, two or three compounds. In this case, we've got 22 90 percent or more of the compounds failing the 5X rule. 23 Therefore, this soil sample is not a petroleum impacted 24 field sample when compared to the laboratory blank.

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25 Indeed, the TPH value is not detect. And then the next

03:42 1 graphically and you can do it through the data validation 2 process as well.

But you can see that this sample is totally 4 rejected as being a valid result, and is totally 5 untrustworthy for any kind of interpretive usage. And, in 6 fact, it should have been re-extracted and reanalyzed under 7 clean conditions.

Now, soils are a little different. In some cases, 9 soils are measured at different weights. So, we have a 10 sample that is a--one weight and different from the blank 11 weight, and under the national functional guidelines, 12 blanks may not involve the same weights, volumes, or 13 dilution factors, and this must be taken into consideration 14 when applying the 5% or 10% criteria.

15 So, they must be basically normalized. If you do 16 not normalize your blank, you basically would be diluting 17 your blank, and you would always pass the five times rule 18 because you'd be diluting the blank from the laboratory. 19 So, for example, the laboratory releases so much 20 contamination into both samples and in one sample you're 21 dividing by one gram and in another sample you divide it by 22 ten. So, you're basically diluting your blank for 23 comparison. So, they have to be normalized for direct

24 comparison.

Now, why is this important? Here is an example of

03:45 1 question is well, what is the TEM? I believe that's plant 2 matter.

This isn't a new problem. This problem was 4 identified by the laboratory that performed the work back in 2013. They recognized that they had a chronic petroleum 5 contamination issue that was moving through the whole 7 laboratory. And despite cleaning activities and following 8 standard operating procedures, the laboratory blanks remained elevated. So, they had a chronic petroleum contamination problem they needed to deal with. And we see 11 that in the blanks when we look at the data, 12 for--especially for surface water data--when we look at 13 that data we find those problems.

14 Now, why is--why are blanks important? Blanks are important because you need to consider those blanks before you interpret the data. Now, in addition to doing their own validation at the laboratory, Ecuador's Experts had a data validator review the laboratory data as well, and these are the results in blue--I'm sorry--of the results that you would get prior to validation.

21 Now, the red bar--the yellow bar, I'm sorry--for 22 those who are color blind, those are red--the red bars represent the PAH distribution that is, in fact, validated 24 and is a reliable value, okay? And what you see here is, 25 instead of petroleum, you see a combustion material, and

03:46 1 it's creosote-like material. It's not petroleum at all.
2 This is, from my experience, this is absolutely not
3 petroleum. These PAH distributions of naphthalene,
4 acenaphthalene, phenanthrene, as well as fluoranthene and
5 pyrene ratios indicate that this is a creosote-like
6 material that's present in this sample. But you couldn't
7 see it because the blank basically made it more difficult.
8 And until you removed the rejected blank compounds, you
9 could then identify it.

Now, for this sample, the Ecuador Expert uses this non-petroleum sample to calculate health risk.

Now, not only do you have to look at the
validator's results, but you also have to examine what the
validators are doing, okay? You have to review the
validator. So, the validator needs to be validated. Under
their--in their work plan or in their report, they claim
that they used the national functional guidelines 2008
criteria for reviewing the data. And that's an important
point, and I will make that in a minute.

This is a report from the Chevron's--not

21 Chevron--from the Ecuador's laboratory for a sample of 22 Shushufindi 43 groundwater 002, and I'm just going walk you 23 through what some of this information means. And this is 24 basically the compound you're look at, naphthalene. Over

25 here we have a concentration that was detected.

03:49 1 that were used for estimating carcinogenic risk were, in 2 fact, not detected. The Ecuador Expert used non-detect 3 data in their risk assessment.

And that's why blanks-this is why-the point I'm trying to make is blanks are very important. They need to be examined carefully and they need to be evaluated relative to your field sample before you perform any interpretive analysis.

9 Is this just a single issue? No. What I have
10 here are drinking water samples for these drinking waters
11 here, the number of compounds that Dr. Strauss used in
12 terms of her calculation of carcinogenic risk, the number
13 of PAH compounds that were actually flagged as a BJ and the
14 true detections of PAH compounds in these samples. Again,
15 calculation of carcinogenic risk based on not detects.

Again, is this problem with blanks just a single issue? What I have here is just an example of a number of samples that were used for interpretive purposes, and they were evaluated by the--Ecuador's validator, and this number here represents the number of target compounds that were rejected just by their own validator.

Now, again, it's standard laboratory practice, and it's written in many SOPs, including the SOP that's in the record from me, that if you have more than two compounds, three compounds, greater than three times your method

25 three compounds, greater than three times your method

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03:47 1 Now, the laboratory is kind enough, in the process 2 of doing their work, to flag the data so it tells the 3 person who is going to interpret the results that the data 4 is good, there might be problem, you want to look out for 5 it. In this case, a B stands for blank. That means that 6 there is a blank. Your blank has this compound present in 7 it. Whereas the J represents an estimated value. 8 Generally, it means that the concentration of that compound 9 is below what's called a quantitation limit, which is a 10 limit below the laboratory has defined as being an 11 estimated result. It's below its lowest calibration. 12 Now, the value of a U means that it's not

13 detected.

14 Now, carcinogenic risk was calculated by Ecuador's

15 Expert using a range of PAH compounds such as you see here.

16 These are the compounds that were used for the calculation.

17 And when you look at these, you will find that four of

18 those compounds are not detected, okay?

18 those compounds are not detected, okay?

19 Now, under the national functional guidelines,
20 it's a very strict rule that when you have a compound that
21 has a blank present in it, and it's below the quantitation
22 limit, you must report it as a not detect. And that was
23 not done by the data validators for some reason. And when
24 you look at the data and you correctly correct and follow
25 the quideline, what you find is that all of the analytes

03:51 1 detection limit or so, you've got to re-extract the sample
2 and reanalyze it or reject it. This has, in some cases,
3 anywhere from 80 percent to 50-something percent which
4 could translate into ten compounds or 20 compounds. This
5 indicates a substantial and chronic blank problem. This
6 has to be addressed when you're interpreting information.

Now, when you add the BJ problem where these values should have been reported as ND, you get as much as 100 percent of the target compounds rejected, using standard national functional guidelines, 2008 vintage.

So, it's a real issue. It just needs to be
examined very carefully whenever you interpret data,
particularly, again, in the low level range. This is where
the problem lies. And the problem's here because what's
happening is the laboratory is pushing the envelope of its
instrumentation. They're going below. They're going lower
in detection, down in the low part per trillion range,
which they can't do because their blank level is much
higher than that, and that's why you see this extraordinary
number of rejected values.

Finally, I'm going to talk to you about some wipe samples that were analyzed by Ecuador's Expert. Now, what's a wipe? You've got to think of a wipe like a handkerchief. A clean handkerchief. And it's very clean, okay? And then you have--what you do is you wipe a solid

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03:52 1 in a certain area, and you wipe the solid and you remove
2 any contaminants that are on that solid. You then take
3 that now-contaminated handkerchief and you send it to the
4 laboratory with the blank handkerchief. It's called a
5 field blank, okay? You send it to the laboratory, and then
6 they analyze the sample and they report the results. And
7 I'm going to show you those results.

8 Ecuador's Experts took three wipe samples from
9 Lago Agrio 2 residences which they represent as ongoing
10 contamination. Am I okay? None of these three wipe
11 samples match the fingerprint of Oriente crude oil, and
12 none of these three wipe samples match the fingerprint of
13 the soil or sediment samples collected at Lago Agrio 2.

And let me show you how I came to that conclusion.
These are results from Chevron's--from Ecuador's
laboratory, and these represent the biomarker profiles for

17 the various samples. This represents Lago Agrio crude oil,

18 and you can see the biomarker pattern, and these are very 19 resistant to weathering and they're useful for

20 fingerprinting samples. So, you don't have to worry as

21 much that they will be altered as the oil is altered in the

22 environment, okay? And they're relatively small in

23 concentration in the oil. We use them routinely for this

24 purpose.25 C

Comparison of the Lago Agrio oil to the wipe

03:55 1 the same laboratory, and we then plot the floor wipe
2 samples and the toy wipe samples. And the point here is
3 that we don't need sophisticated statistics to see that the
4 wipe samples are very different from those of the Lago
5 Agrio 2 oil-impacted soils and sediments and the Oriente
6 crude oil samples.

7 So, basically, what I want to--what I'm saying 8 here is that first, critical samples that were relied on by 9 Ecuador's Experts contained plant matter and laboratory 10 contamination rendering the analytical data unreliable. 11 And again, this mainly impacts surface water samples at low 12 concentrations. So, in fact, more than 50 percent of the 13 surface water samples have this problem.

Second, methods 8015 and EPH--not TEM--are the most reliable methods for measuring TPH in the Oriente.

And again, I want to remind everybody, when someone says TPH, the first thing you say is, what range? How did you do it? What methodology?

And, finally, biodegradation has and continues to occur in the Oriente, and the net product of biodegradation ver time is to reduce the TPH concentrations in the soils and the toxicity and mobility of the residual oil.

23 Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

25 Any more questions?

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03:54 1 sample, you can see particularly the proportion of these 2 compounds, T4 to T9, is very different than you can see in 3 the Lago Agrio oil, and same thing with the wipe sample 4 two

And what this indicates is that these samples are not related chemically. They're different. And when we look at the--excuse me, when we look at the--there was a third wipe sample which I think was taken from a toy wipe, a toy sample--and when you compare the third wipe sample for the biomarker pattern to its field blank you can see that the field blank is also contaminated with similar materials as well.

13 So, this wipe sample is heavily impacted by the 14 field blank itself.

Now, we also performed a second analysis to
confirm our first analysis to see if we--if it in fact made
sense. To do that, we performed what's called a
source-ratio analysis. And this is a standard methodology
within the forensics--petroleum forensics area. And what
we do is we perform--we generate a ratio of two classes of
PAHs, here on the "Y" axis and a ratio on the "X" axis,
which are characteristic of petroleum.

We then plot all of the information here, all of the Lago Agrio 2 oil impacted soils and sediments, we plotted the Oriente crude oils that were also analyzed by 03:56 1 MS. WOOD: Mr. President, I just have a couple of 2 clarification questions.

BY MS. WOOD:

Q. Dr. Douglas, would you go back to Slide 30.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Mr. President, I just want to put a marker on the record as to timing. I am--as you see, I did not interrupt the Witness. And I just want to put a marker. We went about 48 minutes-and-a-half. You set it for 45. I'll ask the same indulgence when Ecuador's Experts are presenting.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Very well.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: And I think that this time, 13 if the Witness is going to present on direct, should be 14 added to that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's see how long it is.

MS. WOOD: Mr. President, we just had a

17 clarification, and then there was another question that $\ensuremath{\text{I}}$

8 thought would be helpful for the Tribunal, tying back

19 questions that were asked of Mr. Connor about weathering

20 versus biodegradation. I thought that it would be helpful

21 for the Tribunal as well as opposing counsel when he goes 22 to cross-examine Dr. Douglas that it will be clear on the

23 record.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please go ahead, but realize that we may be adding the time to the Respondent's expert Sheet 51 1640 1642

03:58 1 re-examination.

2 MS. WOOD: Certainly. Certainly.

BY MS. WOOD:

- Q. Slide 30--just a clarification here,
- 5 Dr. Douglas--you said that Chevron's Experts relied on this
- 6 data, interpreted as low level contamination. Did you mean
- 7 Chevron?
- 8 A. No, I said that--I said--I meant Ecuador's
- 9 Experts. I'm sorry.
 - Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 11 Just very briefly, we did hear during Mr. Connor's
- 12 presentation the concept of weathering.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Can you just very briefly describe to the Tribunal
- 15 how weathering relates to biodegradation.
- 16 A. Sure.
- 17 There are three processes that are involved with
- 18 the loss of petroleum hydrocarbons when they are released
- 19 to the environment. Weathering represents the physical
- 20 processes of evaporation and solubilization.
- 21 Biodegradation is the next step after that. So, it's
- 22 basically the three processes.
- 23 O. Thank you, Dr. Douglas.
 - MS. WOOD: No further questions now,
- 25 Mr. President.

- 04:15 1 Now, I have prepared a bundle of documents that I
 - 2 will be distributing it, for now two volumes. I hope it
 - 3 stays two volumes, but we may have more, and it's being
 - ${\tt 4}\ \ {\tt handed}\ {\tt to}\ {\tt you}\ {\tt at}\ {\tt the}\ {\tt moment},\ {\tt and}\ {\tt I}\ {\tt will}\ {\tt be}\ {\tt calling}\ {\tt the}$
 - 5 documents in that bundle by a tab number.
 - 6 I will try to keep my questions as short and
 - 7 precise as possible, and I would appreciate if you could do
 - 8 the same with your answers.
 - 9 Now, if at any time you need clarification, by all
 - 10 means please ask for it. And as you would have seen, all
 - 11 of this is being recorded and transcribed, and therefore we
 - 12 will need to speak slowly and try not to talk over each
 - 13 other. So, please wait until I finish my question, and
 - 14 I'll try to do so also with your answers. Is that all
 - 15 okay?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. Now, first of all, you told us a moment ago that
 - 18 you're a partner at NewFields; is that correct?
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 Q. And I understand that you have an ownership
 - 21 interest in NewFields; correct?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, you have been retained by King & Spalding and
 - 24 Chevron in this arbitration; correct?
 - 25 A. Yes.

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- 03:59 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. Just one moment.
 - 2 Break. How long do you need?
 - 3 Let's take a 15-minute break. So, we will come
 - 4 back at quarter past 4:00.
 - 5 And again, we're not pressing you in any way, but
 - 6 just give us some idea of how long you might be in
 - 7 cross-examination?
 - 8 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I think I can safely say that
 - 9 we will not be done today.
 - 10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Fine. Okay. Fair enough.
 - 11 (Brief recess.)
 - 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
 - 13 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Thank you, Mr. President.
 - 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION
 - 15 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
 - 16 Q. Mr. Douglas, good afternoon.
 - 17 A. (Off microphone) It's Doctor.
 - 18 Q. That was going to be my next question, but then I
 - 19 think you've answered it already. How should I address
 - 20 you, and I understand it's as a Doctor?
 - 21 A. Okay, as a doctor.
 - Q. Now, my name is José Manuel García Represa, and I
 - 23 am, as you might have guessed, counsel for the Republic of
 - 24 Ecuador in these proceedings. I will be asking you some
 - 25 questions today and tomorrow, I believe.

- 04:16 1 Q. And you were first retained in relation with the 2 contamination in the Concession Area sometime in 2004, I
 - 3 believe you said in your direct; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. And 2004 was about the same time that you began
 - 6 working at NewFields; correct?
 - A. I think we started at NewFields in February 2004.
 - 8 Q. And were you retained--was NewFields retained
 - 9 before or after February 2004?
 - 10 A. I don't recall for sure. It was earlier in 2004,
 - 11 yes. I wasn't--I wasn't working on the project until,
 - 12 like, November or December.
 - Q. Okay. So, you have basically been involved with
 - 14 this dispute for a bit over ten years by now; correct?
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. Have you ever been to Lago Agrio, sir?
 - 17 A. No

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- Q. Have you ever been to Ecuador?
- 19 A. No
- Q. Okay. And I notice that in the First Expert
- 21 Report that you submitted in these proceedings you
- 22 indicated that your work for Chevron over the past five
- 23 years--and that was in the Year 2010 Report--represented 24 less than 5 percent of the gross income of NewFields, but
- 25 you did not make similar statements in your two following

04:18 1 reports of 2013 and 2015.

MS. WOOD: Objection, counsel. Would you mind referring him to a page in his First Report that you are talking about.

5 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: We could represent that it's 6 at Paragraph 5 of the First Report. We don't need to go 7 through that, because my question is about the Second and 8 Third Reports.

9 MS. WOOD: But if you're asking him to compare the 10 two, then would it be helpful for him--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Show him the first passage.

12 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

13 Q. You can go to your First report at Paragraph 5, 14 sir, and confirm that there you make a note that NewFields' 15 revenues derived from your work over the last five years

16 have been less than 5 percent of the gross income of

17 NewFields.

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18 Do you confirm that?

19 A. Oh, yes.

20 Q. Do you confirm that you do not make a similar

21 statement in your 2013 and 2015 Reports?

2 A. I don't know. I don't know if I made the

23 statement or not.

Q. Well, I will represent that to you, and if I'm

25 wrong, I'm sure my colleagues will point that out on

04:20 1 Q. Now, I understand that you are aware at least a

2 member of something called the Petroleum Environmental

3 Research Forum, or the PERF; correct?

A. Yes. Yes.

Q. And you actually mention in your Reports that

6 you're part or you were part of a working group within PERF

7 called the Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons Working Group;

8 correct?

9 A. I did participate in that, yes.

10 Q. Now, the PERF, as I understand, is a research and

11 development joint venture whose members are corporations

12 engaged in the petroleum industry; correct?

13 A. I didn't know--I don't recall if they were

14 corporations and Government agencies.

Q. Well, I just read what's on the Web, so we can all

16 confirm that.

17 Now, do you recall whether the following companies

18 are members of PERF:

19 British Petroleum?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Chevron?

A. Yes.

23 O. ConocoPhillips?

A. Yes.

25 O. ExxonMobil?

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Now, let me ask you the question. What percentage

3 of NewFields' gross revenues over the last five years is

4 associated with you or anyone else's work, anyone else's at

5 NewFields' work for Chevron both in this dispute and in

6 other disputes?

A. I'd be guessing at 5 percent.

8 Q. And do you have a dollar figure for that?

A. No.

10 Q. So, how do you--what's your guess based on?

A. Just on the amount of work that we do.

12 Q. Before 2004, had you done any work for Chevron?

A. I think--I think I had had years earlier. Yes.

14 Q. When, more or less? Do you know?

15 A. In the Nineties, I think I did some work for

16 Chevron.

17 Q. Was that as an employee of Chevron, as a

18 consultant of Chevron?

19 A. As a consultant.

Q. And who did you work with at Chevron before 2004?

21 A. I'm trying to remember his name. I'll have to

22 think about that. I'll get back to you. I forgot his

23 name. It's been so long.

Q. Okay. Was it anyone involved in this dispute?

A. No

04:22 1 A. Yes.

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Q. But you never mentioned in your Reports when you

3 referred to the PERF that this is an industry organization,

4 do you?

5 A. No.

6 Q. And actually the PERF was presided or chaired by a

7 Chevron employee by the name of Sara McMillen between 1997

8 and 2008; correct?

9 A. I don't know for sure on the dates, but that's--I

10 believe that's true.

11 Q. And can you tell us what Ms. McMillen's position

12 is at Chevron?

13 A. Senior Technical Adviser.

Q. And I understand that you know Ms. McMillen;

15 right?

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16 A. Yes.

17 Q. How long have you known her?

A. I would say since the Nineties.

19 Q. Early Nineties, late Nineties?

20 A. Early to mid-Nineties.

Q. And I understand that you worked professionally

22 with Ms. McMillen for over 20 years by now; correct?

A. On some projects, yes, as a consultant.

Q. But you also co-authored certain articles with

25 Ms. McMillen; correct?

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- 04:23 1 A. That is correct.
 - 2 Q. How many would you say?
 - A. A couple.
 - 4 Q. Well, I've counted three in your CV. Do you want
 - 5 to take my word for it or--
 - 6 A. I'll take your word for it. That sounds about 7 right.
 - 8 Q. Now, you also published two books with
 - 9 Ms. McMillen, either with her as editor or as co-author;
 - 10 correct?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. And those books were published in 1995 and in
 - 13 2001; right?
 - 14 A. I'll have to take your word for it. I don't
 - 15 remember the exact dates of those books.
 - 16 Q. Okay. Now, I understand that you also know
 - 17 Ms. Elizabeth Harvey; correct?
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. She's also a scientist at Chevron, isn't she?
 - 20 A. I don't think she is--I think she retired.
 - Q. She was a scientist at Chevron?
 - 22 A. I believe so, yes.
 - Q. Was she at Chevron when you worked with her?
 - 24 A. I believe so, yes.
 - 25 Q. How long have you known her?

- 04:26 1 0. And that was it?
 - 2 A. This project. There may be others. I don't 3 remember.
 - Q. Do you remember by any chance the arbitration between Burlington and Ecuador?
 - 6 A. I heard about it, but I think we may have done 7 some analysis for Mr. Connor.
 - 8 Q. Do you recall authoring a sheen sample evaluation 9 report for GSI in the context of the Burlington versus
 - 10 Ecuador arbitration?
 - 11 A. I wasn't sure about--when you say Burlington, I
 - 12 wasn't sure what you meant. I know that it was a report,
 - 3 and I believe we did do a sheen analysis, yes.
 - 14 Q. Now, Burlington is Burlington Resources--
 - A. Okay.

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- 16 Q. -- Inc., which is a subsidiary or an affiliate of
- 17 ConocoPhillips. Does that refresh your recollection?
- 18 A. No, no. It was just a sheen sample that came
- 19 through our lab--I mean, we had it analyzed, and then we
- 20 wrote a report about it. That's about the extent of it.
- Q. And you authored that report, did you not?
 - A. I believe so.
- 0. And you authored the same or a similar report
- 24 because in that respect the cases are similar in the case
- 25 by Perenco against Ecuador, did you not?

- 04:24 1 A. We worked on a paper that we presented at a
 - 2 meeting at one time, so whatever the date of that paper
 - 3 was, probably I'd have to say in the Nineties.
 - Q. Okay. And actually, if it may help, on the basis of your CV that's attached to your Report, we see that in
 - 6 2002 you published an article with Ms. Harvey and
 - 7 Ms. McMillen titled "Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons Detected
 - 8 in Naturally Occurring Materials."
 - 9 Is that the article you had in mind or was there 10 another one?
 - 11 A. No, that's the one I was thinking about.
 - 12 Q. Now, in addition to this dispute, do you have any
 - 13 other experience working in disputes for Chevron?
 - 14 A. I believe I have a--I'm working on a gas station
 - 15 site for Chevron.
 - 16 Q. At the moment?
 - 17 A. It's been delayed, but it's ongoing, yes.
 - 18 Q. But that's not mentioned in your January 2015
 - 19 Report, is it?
 - 20 A. I don't think so.
 - Q. Now, in addition to this dispute, do you have any
 - $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ other experience working with, for example, Dr. Connor of
 - 23 GSI?
 - 24 A. I worked with Dr. Connor once on a project in
 - 25 Yemen.

- 04:27 1 A. I'd have to see a copy of that. I don't recall 2 that.
 - Q. Okay. And in addition to this dispute, have you
 - 4 worked in any other--do you have any other experience with
 - 5 the law firm of King & Spalding?
 - A. No.
 - 7 Q. Are you aware of any other individuals within
 - 8 NewFields that would have worked in other disputes for
 - 9 Chevron, GSI, or King & Spalding?
 - 10 A. I believe one of our folks, Shahrokh Rouhani, had
 - 11 done some work for King & Spalding.
 - 2 Q. And that was in the Burlington v. Ecuador Case,
 - 13 was it not?
 - A. I didn't know exactly what case it was.
 - 15 Q. Now, before we move on to the more technical
 - 16 topics, I'd like to confirm a few things about your area of
 - 17 expertise, and I will try to move on quickly because you

 - 18 probably recall that you were deposed, and I think we can
 - 19 streamline the process if you can confirm for me a few 20 things.
 - 21 First of all, I understand that you do not
 - 22 consider yourself to be an expert in ecological or natural
 - 23 resource impacts from petroleum operations; correct?
 - 24 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And you're also not an expert on impacts from

04:29 1 petroleum operations on particular species; correct?

- A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. Nor on human or animal health impacts from
- 4 petroleum operations; correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. You're also not an expert on human or animal
- 7 toxicology, are you?
- A. No, that's correct.
- 9 Q. You're also not an expert in risk assessment, are
- 10 you?
- A. That's correct. 11
- And you're also not an expert in what we know as
- 13 the TCLP method of analysis, are you?
- Q. And to be clear, the TCLP is a method that's 15
- 16 designed to determine the mobility of organic and inorganic
- 17 analytes present, for example, in liquids and soil;
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. So, you're not purporting to be expressing any
- 21 opinion on the efficacy of the TCLP method as it relates to
- 22 this case, are you?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Are you an expert in physical chemistry?
- A. Only as it applies to my own work to some degree.

04:32 1 that, this is what I'm asking you to do, just raise a flag.

- A. Okay.
- Q. My question was, rather: Given your analysis of
- 4 fresh crude oils from the Oriente Region in Ecuador whether
- you know what is the maximum mass of crude oil that will
- 6 dissolve in a liter of water.
 - A. The Oriente Crude?
 - O. Yes.
- 9 A. I haven't done that study, so I don't know a
- 10 value.

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- Q. And you do not know what the range of values could 11
- 12 be, what would be the maximum, I guess the minimum will be
- zero, but the maximum?
- A. I couldn't tell you the maximum. It's in the
- 15 parts per million range. I mean, that's about what I can
- 16 tell you without doing the actual water solubility study to
- 17 measure it.
- Q. Okay. Now, in your last report--and again, you 18
- 19 are most welcome to look at your Reports if you want that
- 20 I'm talking about, the one from January 2015--you described
- 21 the scope of your work as being to evaluate the
- 22 environmental chemistry expert opinion by Dr. Jeffrey Short
- 23 in his November 7, 2014 Report, and to review the integrity
- 24 and validity of environmental data collected by Ecuador's
- 25 Environmental Experts of LBG during their 2013 and 2014

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Q. Okay. And part of your work in these proceedings

- 2 was to analyze, you said in your direct, various types of
- 3 Ecuadorian crude; right?
- A. That is correct, yes.
- Q. Now, would any of those Ecuadorian Oriente Crude
- 6 possibly lead to a dissolution of more than a thousand
- 7 milligrams per liter of crude oil in water?
- A. Under what conditions?
- 9 Q. Let's say under standard temperature and standard
- A. So, basically, you would float the Ecuadorian 11
- 12 crude on a liter of water, and you'd say--
- Q. What would be the maximum dissolution, the maximum
- 14 mass that would dissolve into one liter.
- A. Okay. I haven't done that analysis. Are you 15
- 16 asking me to guess?
- Q. I'm not asking you to guess. 17
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 If at any point you think that I'm asking you to
- 20 quess, just raise the flag because that's not what we are
- 21 here for. Okay. This is not a memory test.
- 22 A. Right.
- 23 (Pause.)
- Q. I was asking you or rather clarifying that I will
- 25 not be asking you to guess at any point, and if you think

- 04:33 1 field investigations.
 - 2 Do you see that?

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- 0. Is that an accurate statement?
- 5 Α.
- You represented in your Reports having performed
- 7 an independent third party peer review of Dr. Short's and
- LBG's reports; correct? 9
 - A. I'm sorry, where is that?
- 10 Q. Well, let me ask in the affirmative. Are you--
- 11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think if you're reading, for
- our sake, you've got to give the reference.
- MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Right. And I was not 13
- 14 reading. This is why I'm going to put it in the--
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: You were earlier and you didn't 15 give us the reference. 16
- MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Yes, and you're absolutely 17
- right, Mr. President. The reference was at Page 1.
- 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We found it, but for the
- 20 Transcript, we'd like you to say it.
- MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Yes, I will give you the
- 22 references as we go along.
 - BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
- Q. Are you sitting here today representing to this
- 25 Tribunal having performed an independent third-party peer

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04:34 1 review of Dr. Short's and LBG's reports, are you not?

- A. I have examined the data, yes.
- Q. That was not my question, but I will repeat it.

4 Are you representing to this Tribunal, having

 ${\tt 5}\,{\tt }$ performed an independent third-party peer review of

- 6 Dr. Short's and LBG's reports? Yes or no?
- 7 A. I'm not quite sure I understand the question. I
- 8 mean, I reviewed the data. And from that data, I derived 9 this Report.
- Q. Did you do an independent review of the data?
- 11 A. I'm kind of confused about your term
- 12 "independent."
- 13 Q. Well, as an expert, testifying Expert--
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. --I having read your Reports--
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. -- I would have assumed that you viewed your
- 18 Mission as that of an independent expert, but I may be
- 19 wrong, but this is what I'm trying to clarify.
- 20 Do you consider yourself an independent expert in
- 21 these proceedings? Yes or no.
 - A. Yes, of course.
- 23 Q. Now, if you could please take a look at Page 6 of
- 24 your 2013 report, so we are changing the Report now. We're
- 25 going to your Second Report.

04:37 1 A. It's certainly the most extensive that I've seen.

- 2 The number of sites that we performed biodegradation
- 3 studies on was extensive. The tools that were used were
- 4 cutting edge. I thought it was--yes, it was extensive.
- 5 Q. Okay. And you go on to say in the next paragraph
- 6 that, and I quote: "Chevron went to great lengths to
- 7 ensure the quality and transparency of all of the
- 8 laboratory analyses."
- 9 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.

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- 11 Q. Are you aware, sir, of the Pre-Inspections
- 12 performed by Chevron?
 - A. I wasn't aware of those, no.
- Q. So, when you made this statement, you were not
- 5 aware that there were Pre-Inspections, were you?
- 16 A. I became aware of the Pre-Inspections after my
- 17 deposition or before my deposition and reading LBG Reports.
 - Q. That was after this Report of June 2013?
- 19 A. I don't know the date.
- 20 Q. Your deposition was September 2013.
- 21 A. Okay. So, I learned about the PI--the
- 22 preliminary--
- 23 Q. Pre-Inspection.
 - A. --Pre-Inspections from the LBG Reports. I wasn't
- 25 aware of those.

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04:35 1 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: If it's convenient to the 2 Tribunal, you will find it at Tab 2 of the bundle.

- 3 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
- 4 Q. Are you with me, sir?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Oh, I have my Expert report here.
- Q. Thank you.
- 8 Now, you indicate at Page 6, and I'm looking here
- 9 at the very first paragraph below Title 3, second sentence.
- 10 It says: "Having worked at other oil field sites, I can
- 11 say without exception that the Chevron environmental data 12 program is the most detailed and extensive environmental
- 13 chemistry program performed to date both with regards to
- 14 the number of sites tested and the chemical analyses
- 17 the number of sites tested and the chemical analyses
- 15 performed."

- Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Should I understand that you are referring to the
- 19 Chevron program performed for the Lago Agrio Litigation?
- 20 Is that what you're saying?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. So, your Statement here is limited to that
- 23 litigation. You're not purporting to say, are you, that
- 24 what Chevron did is the most detailed and extensive program
- 25 that you have seen in your practice, is it?

- 04:13 1 Q. So, when you made this statement you were not 2 aware; correct?
 - 3 A. Yeah--well, let's look at the date.
 - 4 September 3rd, 2010, and my deposition was what date?
 - 5 Q. We will get to it. It's in your binder.
 - A. It was in preparation for Dr. Short's deposition
 - 7 that I found that information.
 - Q. Okay. Fair enough.
 - Now, the first reason that you gave in your 2013
 - 10 Report for the comments that we just read is, as we can see
 - 11 at Title 3.1, your Statement that Chevron performed the
 - 12 standard analytical methods that were defined in the
 - 13 jointly prepared and Court-ordered Analysis Plan.
 - Do you see that?
 - 15 A. Yes, I do.
 - 16 Q. And you go on to explain in the first paragraph
 - 17 below, that the analytical methods defined in the AP
 - 18 (Analysis Plan) are consistent with methods recommended by
 - 19 the American Petroleum Institute (API), and the TPH
 - 20 Criteria Working Group (TPHCWG) and others for petroleum
 - 21 impacted Exploration and Production E&P sites.
 - Do you see that?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, I would like to look now so that it's clear
 - 25 where we're going at each of the sources that you cite

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Now, the first one is the American Petroleum Institute, API, and we can see there is a footnote called Footnote 15 that takes us to a 2001 document, Exhibit 2 to

5 your Report.

Do you see that?

A. Yes.

O. And we will take a look at that document.

9 Before we do that, the API is a trade association

10 of the oil-and-gas industry in the U.S.; correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. And Chevron and Ms. McMillen, among others,

13 contributed to this source that you cite in here,

14 Footnote 15; correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Now, that is nowhere mentioned in your Reports, is

17 it, neither in this one nor in any other of your Reports

18 where you cite to the API; correct?

19 A. I don't believe so.

20 Q. You believe it is explained or you believe it is

21 not explained in your Report?

A. No, I mean it's not cited in my Reports.

Q. You do not think that would have been relevant to

24 this Tribunal to know that you're citing to a paper that

25 was actually prepared with the assistance of Chevron and

04:42 1 turn one, two, and three pages.

A. Yes.

Q. And you will see a page that says

4 "ACKNOWLEDGMENTS" at top; right?

5 A. Oh, yes.

Q. So, here we have the acknowledgments. I

7 understand this is who contributed to this document;

8 correct?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And if we look at it from the top down, the second

11 block it says: "The API Production Waste Issue Group is

12 acknowledged for providing funding for this manual."

13 Correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Now, that issue group was actually chaired by

16 someone at Chevron, wasn't it?

A. It says at the bottom, yes, Sara McMillen,

18 Chairperson and Evan Sedlock, Chairperson.

19 Q. Exactly. We'll look at the line at the very

20 bottom of this, we can see that Evan Sedlock, Chairperson

21 of PWIG, which is that Production Waste Issue Group,

22 actually Chair of that group, and with someone at Chevron.

23 Is this someone with whom you have worked in the past, sir?

A. No.

Q. Now, we go back now to the top part. We also see

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04:41 1 Ms. McMillen?

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A. I didn't see the relevance, no.

Q. Okay. And we can go to Tab Number 9 of Volume 1

4 where we can see that paper.

Now, if you can please count with me because the pages--or we can--actually the pages are numbered. We can

7 go to the Roman numeral five at very beginning, it begins

8 with "ACKNOWLEDGMENTS" at the top.

A. I don't have a Roman numeral five.

10 Q. Are you at Tab Number 9, sir?

11 A. Tab Number 9, yes.

12 Q. And within Tab Number 9, this is the article that

13 you cite at Footnote 15.

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Forgive me, there are two

15 fives, that's the problem.

16 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Roman numeral five. You have

17 two? It's true, you have two. It's the first--

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's go to the first--

19 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: It's the first Roman numeral

20 five, it gets complicated but you should have the word

21 "ACKNOWLEDGMENTS" in capital bold.

22 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

Q. Are you on that page, sir?

24 A. Which page?

Q. Count with me from the very beginning, you will

04:43 1 that the "API would like to thank the companies that

2 participated in the Petroleum Environmental Research Forum,

3 PERF Project 97-08 for their permission to publish this

4 manual."

5 Do you see that?

A. Yes.

Q. And that PERF was chaired by someone at Chevron;

8 correct?

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A. I know this document was chaired by--

10 Q. Well, if you go to the very bottom, right above

11 the name we were looking at, Evan Sedlock, you will find

12 the name of Ms. Sara McMillen, Chairperson PERF 97-08.

13 (Overlapping speakers.)

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's Rule Number 2. We can't

15 have people overtalking each other. Question, pause,

16 answer, pause.

17 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Apologies.

BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

19 Q. So, let's try to go a bit slower. The PERF was

20 chaired by Ms. McMillen who was affiliated with Chevron;

21 correct?

22 A. Yes.

Q. Now, you can look at the rest of the document, but

24 I put to you that, in addition to those two persons that we

25 just saw from Chevron, there were another two employees of

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- 04:45 1 Chevron who contributed to this manual. And we have their
 - 2 names further below, Renae Magaw, and someone by the
 - 3 name--rather someone from Texaco, Skip Dees.
 - Do you see those names?
 - A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. Now, this was, and we can go back to your Report
 - 7 where we were looking at, which was at Page 6 of your 2013
 - 8 Report. This is the first source that you cited for the
 - 9 proposition that the analytical methods defined in the
 - 10 Analysis Plan were consistent with recommended methods, so
 - 11 this is the first entity that recommended a method. And to
 - 12 confirm, this method here is being recommended in 2001, the
 - 13 paper that we're looking at, excuse me, was a 2001 paper;
 - 14 correct?
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - 16 Q. Now, the second source that you cite to in that
 - 17 paragraph at Page 6 of your 2013 Report is the TPH Criteria
 - 18 Working Group, TPHCWG.
 - 19 Do you see that?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - 21 Q. Now, that group, as we saw before, is part of the
 - 22 PERF; correct?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, if you look at the first footnote there,
 - 25 Footnote 16, you're referring to a 1993--excuse me, to the

- 04:48 1 Q. And if you turn the pages until you reach a page
 - 2 that's number--Roman numeral 11 at the bottom, you
 - 3 will--you should be finding acknowledgments on the very
 - 4 top.

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- Do you see that?
 - A. Acknowledgments, yes.
- Q. Okay. And we can see at the very top the
- 8 paragraph that begins "with a special thanks to BP Oil for
- 9 their strong support." Correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And we can see in the second paragraph that it
- 12 says "additionally, the following persons and organizations
- 13 contributed significantly"--excuse me--"significant amounts
- 14 of in-kind support towards the completion of this
- 15 document," and the third person that's mentioned is
- 16 Ms. Harvey of Chevron; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 18 Q. But you never specify in your Reports that you're
- 19 signing to documents where Chevron participated?
- 20 A. I really didn't see that it was necessary. I
- 21 provided the documents and the references and the
- 22 acknowledgments are in the documents.
- Q. Okay. And if we go back to your Report, 2013,
- 24 where we were--you know how the exercise is working, I
- 25 think the next one is going to be an easy one. Let's look

- 04:46 1 fact that the group was formed in 1993, and you are
 - 2 referring to Exhibit 5; correct?
 - 3 A. Exhibit 5, yes.
 - 4 Q. And you will find Exhibit 5 to your 2013 Report at
 - 5 Tab Number 10 of the bundle I just gave you, which should
 - 6 be the next tab.
 - 7 A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. The organization that published this paper was
 - 9 sponsored by Chevron; correct?
 - 10 A. Among others, yes.
 - 11 Q. And you will see that, if you turn the page once,
 - 12 we have the organization that sponsored or contributed to
 - 13 this document, the first of which is the API, American
 - 14 Petroleum Institute; correct?
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - 16 Q. You have two associations, and then you have
 - 17 British Petroleum, Chevron, Exxon, Retec, Shell, the U.S.
 - 18 Air Force and the University of Massachusetts; correct?
 - 19 A. That's correct.
 - Q. Now, you do not mention anywhere in your Reports
 - 21 that this source had a contribution by Chevron, do you?
 - 22 A. No, I referenced the document, and the document
 - 23 contains the information if it's so needed.
 - Q. This was a 1998 paper; correct?
 - 25 A. Yes.

- 04:50 1 at the second footnote that you have right after the words 2 "TPH Criteria Working Group."
 - A. I can't see that.
 - Q. You should have it on paper in any event.
 - 5 A. What tab is the Report, then? I will go to that.
 - 6 Q. Tab 2, but I think you have the--
 - 7 A. Now it's back, it's back.
 - 8 Q. As you wish.
 - So, in that Page 6 at the bottom, you see at
 - 10 Footnote 17, which is the third source that you've cited in
 - 11 that paragraph that we were reading from.
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. McMillen, that's an employee of Chevron; correct?
 - 14 A. Yes
 - 15 Q. S. Magaw, that's an employee of Chevron; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - 17 O. And someone else.
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. This is at Exhibit 6 of your Report. Again, you
 - 20 do not mention anywhere in your Reports, that the two
 - 21 persons we just saw, the first two persons we just saw were
 - 22 employees of Chevron, do you?
 - 23 A. No. These are the references that I relied on, so
 - 24 I just reported the references.
 - 5 Q. Okay. And we keep reading the paragraph at the

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04:51 1 bottom of Page 6 of your 2013 Report, after API and TPHCWG

- 2 you refer to others, and we have a footnote, Footnote 18,
- 3 that takes us to a document from the Canadian Council of
- 4 Ministers of 2008; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And the title is "Canada-Wide Standards for 7 Petroleum Hydrocarbons in soil."
- B Do you see that?
- 9 A. Yes, I do.
- 10 Q. Now, do you agree that these standards apply in
- 11 Canada?
- 12 A. No, they had to do with the analytical methods
- 13 that they were using and the GC/FID approach was defined in
- 14 there.
- 15 Q. So, these standards do not apply in Canada?
- 16 A. Oh, I believe so, yes.
- 17 Q. Because that was my question.
- 18 A. It says "Canada-Wide Methods for Petroleum
- 19 Hydrocarbons in soil."
- 20 Q. And do you agree that these standards only apply
- 21 to soil?
- 22 A. I'd have to review the paper, it's been many
- 23 years.
- Q. Fair enough. You will have it at Tab Number 13,
- 25 and you will see at the bottom right corner, you have the

04:54 1 agree? 2 A.

- A. I need to spend a minute looking at this.
- Q. You will find that at Page 3, it's the very next
- 4 page, top paragraph, "definitions," and you will see
- 5 fourth line down, I will read for the record: PHC
- 6 exclude--for purposes of this standard--known carcinogens
- 7 such as benzene, benzoapyrene, which are addressed as
- 8 target compounds. "Because of the relatively long history
- 9 of managing toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes (TEX)."
- 10 A. Yes, and this would be consistent with the methods 11 I was referencing.
- 12 O. Now, if you go back to--you should keep this open,
- 13 by the way, and take the spiral-bound volume you have in
- 14 front of you which has your three Reports.
 - A. This?

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- 16 Q. No, right. In front of that black binder, you
- 17 have another volume.
- 18 A. Oh, this one.
- 19 Q. Exactly, that has your Reports. You can go to
- 20 Page 6 of your 2013 Report, is what we were looking at, and
- 21 I was focusing on the very last paragraph where you are
- 22 justifying the analytical methods that were defined in the
- 23 Analysis Plan, and we looked at the sources that you signed
- 24 for your opinion, and now let's look at the method that was
- 25 referred to in the Analysis Plan.

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04:52 1 page numbering. If you go to Page Number 2 you will see in

- 2 the second paragraph that the PHC-CWS, and I represent, and
- 3 represent and it's defined right above that the PHC is
- 4 Petroleum Hydrocarbons, and CWS is Canadian-Wide Standards.
- 5 So the second paragraph says, the Petroleum Hydrocarbons
- 6 Canadian-Wide Standards is a remedial standard for
- 7 contaminated soil and subsoil occurring in four land-use
- 8 categories.

9 Does this refresh your recollection as to the

- 10 scope of these standards?
- 11 A. Well, it refreshes my recollection on why I
- 12 referenced it, and I referenced it because of the
- 13 methodologies that they were using as an example of
- 14 methodologies that were consistent with those used in the 15 Oriente.
- ${\tt Q.} \hspace{0.5cm} {\tt You} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt agree} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt that} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt these} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt standards} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt do} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt not} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt apply} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt to} \hspace{0.1cm}$
- 17 matrices other than soil and subsoil, do you not?
- 18 A. I'm not an expert in whether they're risk 19 assessment standards. I mainly focused on the
- 20 methodologies. That's pretty much what I looked at.
- 21 Q. Okay. And do you agree that the methodologies
- 22 that--before we go there--that these standards, what they
- 23 describe here expressly exclude from the scope of
- 24 application known carcinogens such as benzene, toluene,
- 25 ethylbenzene, and xylenes, otherwise known as BTEX? Do you

- 04:56 1 You said the Analysis Plan target compound list 2 focused on the USEPA SW846 Method 8270 priority pollutant
 - 3 Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon (PAH) compounds.
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.

15 anywhere Method 8270.

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- 6 Q. You cited, and we were looking at the Canada-Wide
- 7 Standards, you cited these standards for support for the
- 8 method we just read, USEPA SW846 Method 8270; correct?
 - A. No, mainly I cited them for the GC/FID
- 10 methodologies that are included in those methods, and I
- 11 believe some of them do have the 8270 present in them as 12 well.
- Q. Now, I put it to you--and I will be happy to be corrected--that the Canada-Wide Standards do not mention
- Let me complete that for the question.
- 17 Can you point me to anywhere in the Canada-Wide
- 18 Standards where I will find a reference to Method 8270?
- 19 A. No, I was referencing the Canada-Wide Standards
- 20 for the GC/FID analysis that they use.
- Q. And that GC/FID analysis, what you are telling us
- 22 in your 2013 Report, is that it focused on the priority
- 23 pollutant Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon compounds;
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. What page is that? Yes, that's right.

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- Q. Yes, that, to be clear, is 16 PAH compounds;
- 3 correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- 5 Q. And generally, PAHs, as I think you said on
- 6 direct, are the most persistently toxic class of
- 7 hydrocarbons in crude oil; correct?
- MS. WOOD: Objection. I believe you've
- 9 mischaracterized his testimony.
- 10 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Well I don't think so, but I
- 11 can ask the question directly. No problem.
- 12 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA
- 13 Q. Are PAHs the most persistently toxic class of
- 14 hydrocarbons in crude oil?
- 15 MS. WOOD: I will also just object because I
- 16 believe--I know toxicology, as you established earlier when
- 17 you were cross-examining him, Dr. Douglas is not an expert
- 18 in toxicology, so I believe that this is an inappropriate
- 19 question for this Witness. There is a toxicologist who
- 20 will be testifying after Dr. Douglas.
- 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: With this Witness, let's move
- 22 on.
- 23 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I will just point out for the
- 24 record that I heard this Expert speak about the toxic
- 25 nature of PAHs, and he does that in his direct and he does

- 05:01 1 Is this a document that relates to the Kalamazoo
 - 2 River oil spill you were referring to during your direct?
 - A. No.
 - Q. And excuse me, you're absolutely right. I should
 - ${\tt 5}\,{\tt have}$ said Delaware River, as it is said on the first page.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Go ahead.
 - BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
 - Q. Let's take a step back. You are one of the
 - 9 Authors of this document, are you not?
 - A. Yes, I am.
 - 11 Q. This is a 2005 paper evaluating the composition
 - 12 and potential environmental fate and toxicity of heavy
 - 13 Venezuelan crude oil released in the Delaware River;
 - 14 correct?

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- 15 A. This is a technical report prepared for industrial
- 16 economics, and there are three separate Authors with three
- 17 different areas of expertise.
- 18 O. Correct.
- 19 If you can please turn the page until you reach
- 20 Page 13, and you will see the numbers at the top right
- 21 corner. If you're on the same page, you should be seeing a
- 22 title 4.2.2, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons, otherwise
- 23 known as PAHs; correct?
 - A. Yes.

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25 Q. And if we read from the first paragraph, "overall,

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05.03 1 in our view " I understand this is a collective view it's

- 04:59 1 that in his Report. So, there is some limited and he can 2 always say that he doesn't know if that's his answer.
 - arways say that he doesn't know it that's his answer.

 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You disqualified him as a
 - 4 toxicology Expert. It's a little difficult now for you to
 - 5 cross-examine him.
 - BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
 - 7 Q. I would like you to go to Tab 19. You mentioned 8 in your direct--
 - 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop, stop, stop. We've got to 10 change bundles. What Tab is it?
 - 11 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: 19.
 - 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Tab 19 relates to the Delaware
 - 13 River M/T ATHOS I Oil Spill.
 - 14 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I know it as the Kalamazoo
 - 15 River spill. This is why I was a bit confused. And let me
 - 6 establish that my understanding is correct.
 - 17 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
 - 18 Q. Dr. Douglas, you mentioned in your direct that you
 - 19 were doing work in relation to the Kalamazoo River spill?
 - 20 A. That's correct.
 - 21 O. Is that correct?
 - 22 A. That's correct.
 - 23 Q. And my indication was just wait until I complete
 - 24 the question, give a two second pause, otherwise we will
 - 25 hear David.

- 05:03 1 in our view," I understand this is a collective view, it's
 2 the view of the Authors?
 - A. Yes, it is a collective--no, it's not a collective
 - 4 view. I was on a Commission to evaluate the chemistry of
 - 5 the oil, and I provided that data to the international--to
 - 6 the group.
 - Q. Okay. So what we see here is the view of all
 - 3 Authors but you; is that correct?
 - 9 A. My understanding was that each person contributed
 - O to this individually.
 - 11 Q. Okay. Fair enough.
 - 12 So, overall, in our view--this is what this
 - 13 Article says: "PAHs are of potential concern with respect
 - 14 to short-term water column impacts and short- and long-term
 - 15 effects on sediment dwelling biota."
 - 16 Do you see that?
 - 17 A. Yes.
 - 18 Q. If we can skip the next sentence, in the interest
 - 19 of time, the third sentence reads: "Further, PAHs can
 - 20 persist in the environment for months/years. While their
 - 21 bioavailability can vary, in our view there is still a
 - 22 toxicity risk associated with this class of compounds."
 - I understand that you're not an Expert, and I'm not asking for an Expert Opinion on it--do you generally
 - 25 agree with this statement?

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05:04 1 MS. WOOD: Objection, Your Honor. I

- 2 think--objection, Mr. President. I believe we've already
- 3 gone through this, and you've ruled he's not an Expert and
- 4 should not be giving a layperson's opinion on toxicology

5 either.

- 6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You got what you wanted some
- 7 time ago, he's not an Expert on toxicology, and what he
- 8 says about toxicology is not as an Expert. So, I'd move
- 9 on. We don't need to do this.
- 10 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Mr. President, I think there
- 11 $\,$ is a point where I'm getting to with this document which I
- 12 believe falls within this Witness' expertise.
- 13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Come to it quickly because this
- 14 is going to be objected to again and again.
- 15 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I know.
- 16 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
- 17 Q. Can you please turn to Page 15. If you look at
- 18 the top paragraph, beginning with the third line,
- 19 "methyl-substituted PAHs tend to be much more mutagenic
- 20 than the parent compound," and if you keep reading down, it
- 21 says--it refers to the effects.
- Now, I want to ask you about methyl-substituted
- 23 PAHs.
- Is it right to say that they are the same--they
- 25 can be referred to as also the alkyl PAHs--alkylated PAHs?

- 05:08 1 better pronunciation.
 - 2 A. Okay. Okay.
 - Q. It's my fault. I meant, they are called parent
 - 4 PAHs?
 - 5 A. They can be, yes.
 - Q. By contrast with alkylated PAHs, which are as I
 - 7 understand, and please correct me if I'm wrong, the parent
 - 8 PAH with an added carbon atom; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - 10 $\,$ Q. And alkylated PAHs are actually more abundant in
 - 11 crude oil than the parent PAHs; correct?
 - 12 A. Well, it's a relative term. There's a lot of--the
 - 13 answer is yes, basically, but the quantitation of those
 - 14 alkylated PAHs is questionable.
 - 15 Q. Right. And we may want--we may go to Tab 27, now
 - 16 that we're in this volume--this is an article that you
 - 17 authored; correct?
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. And it's actually Exhibit 11 to your June 2013
 - 20 Report.
 - 21 Can you please go to Page--and you will find the
 - 22 numbers at the bottom left--2337.
 - We have a series of graphs on the right column.
 - 24 And let me see if I understand how these charts work.
 - At the bottom left, we have a chart that refers to

- 05:06 1 A. Methyl-substituted PAHs? Yes.
 - Q. And actually the alkylation process is adding a
 - 3 carbon atom to a PAH; correct?
 - A. That is correct, yes.
 - 5 Q. And that is within your field of expertise, is it 6 not?
 - 7 A. From a chemistry perspective, yes.
 - 8 Q. Now, the method we were looking at that you cited
 - 9 in your Report, Method 8270, the one that was provided in
 - 10 the Analysis Plan, it does not test for
 - 11 methyl-substituted--also known as alkyl--PAHs; correct?
 - 12 A. No. It can.
 - 13 Q. It can, if it's modified to do so; correct?
 - 14 A. Depending on the concentration of the oil or, you
 - 15 know, yes, you could do it both ways, whether it be
 - 16 modified or not modified.
 - 17 Q. Now, the standard Method 8270 as provided in the
 - 18 Analysis Plan does not target alkyl- or methyl-substituted
 - 19 PAHs, does it?
 - 20 A. No, it does not.
 - 21 O. And to be clear about the concepts, the 16 PAHs
 - 22 that are targeted by that method are often referred to as
 - 23 the parent PAHs; correct?
 - 24 A. The priority pollutant PAHs.
 - 95 Q. And I will try to ask the question again with a

- 05:10 1 Exxon Valdez crude.
 - Do you see that?
 - 3 A. Yes
 - 4 O. And on the vertical axis we have the PAH
 - 5 concentration by milligrams per kilogram of oil weight;
 - 6 correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. And on the horizontal axis, we have the Polycyclic
 - Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs); correct?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And what we see, if you look at the letters, is
 - 12 that we have the parent compounds--for example, the one
 - 13 that begins with N on the very left--and the alkylated PAHs
 - 14 N1, N2, N3, N4.
 - 15 Do you see that?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And if you look at the relative concentrations in
 - 18 the Exxon Valdez Crude, you can see that the bar for N is
 - 19 lower than the concentrations of N1, N2, N3, and N4;
 - 20 correct?
 - 21 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And if you look at the F--I understand that's
 - 23 phenanthrene; correct?
 - 24 A. I'm sorry, which one?
 - Q. F--phenanthrene?

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05:11 1 A. Fluorine.

- Q. Fluorine. Excuse me. My bad. F-1, F-2, F-3, are also higher concentrations; correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And the same happens with the P and with the D and 6 with the C; correct?
- A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. So, do you agree--and this is, to be clear, Exxon
- 9 Valdez Crude, but you have analyzed the Ecuadorian
- 10 crude--do you agree that generally alkyl PAHs are more
- 11 abundant in crude oil, not their parents' PAHs?
- MS. WOOD: Objection. I just want to object to
- 13 the vaqueness of the general term.
- MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: You can strike generally.
- 15 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
- 16 Q. On the basis of your work here in the Exxon Valdez
- 17 and your work in--on the basis of the Oriente crude oils,
- 18 in those two cases were alkyl PAHs found in more
- 19 concentration, in higher concentrations, than their parent
- 20 compounds? Yes or no.
- A. Yes, in this document. The problem is that it's
- 22 the way you quantify the compounds, where the parents
- 23 actually have unique standards that are appropriate for the
- 24 parent compounds for quantification, where the alkylated
- 25 PAHs are quantified using the parent response factors.

05:15 1 of physical, chemical, and biological changes. Water

- 2 washing of the spilled product will fractionate the light
- 3 end soluble aromatics into the water. The solubility of
- ${\tt 4}\,$ alkylated PAH is inversely proportional to the number of
- 5 rings and extent of alkylation."
 - Do you see that?
- A. Yes.
- O. Which I understand to mean that that the
- 9 solubility will be lower with the higher alkylation;
- 10 correct?

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- A. That's--yes, that's generally true.
- Q. If you go now to the next paragraph,
- 13 "biodegradation rates of hydrocarbons are dependent on the
- 14 type of bacteria, presence of limiting nutrients,
- 15 temperature, and types of hydrocarbons.
 - You can skip the next sentence if you wish.
 - It goes on to say: "Within a PAH homologous
- 18 series, bacteria degradation rates generally are inversely
- 19 proportional to the degree of alkylation."
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. Yes.
 - Q. So, I understand that the parent PAH will be
- 23 degraded by bacteria quicker than the alkylated PAHs;
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. That's the generally accepted, yes, rule.

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05:13 1 So, these concentrations are semi-quantitative at

- 2 best, and they're used for forensics purposes for 3 fingerprinting.
- 4 Q. Correct. And we will get to that point. I
- 5 appreciate--I think it's an interesting point.
- Now, before we do that, I understand--and please let me know if that's not the case--that alkyl PAHs, they
- 8 generally weather in the environment at a slower rate than
- 9 the parent PAHs; correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And you actually wrote about that in an article
- 12 that we will find at Tab 17--and apologies we have to
- 13 switch binders--last tab.
- Now, I understand--and if you're--are you with me
- 15 yet? Tab 17?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. This is Exhibit 28 to your June 2013 Report, and I
- 18 believe that this is the 1992 article that you referred to
- 19 during your direct examination; is that the case?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 O. If you can please turn to Page 15--to the right on
- 22 Page 15, actually--we can see in the second full paragraph
- 23 below the graph that begins "petroleum distillate
- 24 products," it says, "petroleum distillate products released
- 25 into the environment are immediately subject to a variety

- 05:17 1 Q. Now, do you agree that EPA Method 8270, the one we 2 have been discussing thus far, often lacks the sensitivity
 - 3 and is deficient in petroleum analyte selectivity to
 - 4 determine the fate and transport of petroleum in
 - 5 environmental samples?
 - A. Can you repeat that question?
 - O. Sure.
 - 8 Do you agree that the method we were looking at,
 - 9 8270, often lacks sensitivity and is deficient in petroleum
 - 10 analyte selectivity to reliably determine the fate and
 - 11 transport of petroleum in environmental samples?
 - A. It depends how it's applied.
 - 13 Q. The standard Method 8270. Unless I specify, I'm
 - 14 referring to the standard Method 8270 applied here. If you
 - 15 want, I can repeat the question adding "standard." Would
 - 16 that be better?

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- 17 A. No, I understand.
- 18 Q. So, if we're talking about the standard method, do
- 19 you agree that it lacks sensitivity and is deficient in
- 20 analyte selectivity to reliably determine the fate and
- 21 transport of petroleum in the environment?
- 22 A. For forensics projects, yes.
 - Q. And this method--and again, the standard
- 24 method--does not measure the alkylated PAHs that we have
- 25 been discussing; correct?

05:19 1 A. Generally not, but it can.

- Q. Okay. Let's go to Tab 16, if you will. This is Exhibit 16 to your 2013 Report, and it's an article that
- 4 you wrote, I understand, in 1993; correct?
- A. Yes.
- 6 O. You will find the numbers at the bottom right-hand
- 7 corner, and I would like you to go to Page 50, five-zero.
- 8 Now, the discussion on Method 8270 begins at the
- 9 bottom left with a title that begins with Number 3: $\ensuremath{\mathtt{EPA}}$
- 10 GC/MS methods, 625 and 8270.
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 A. I'm sorry?
- 13 Q. To the very left--there are three columns on this
- 14 page. It's the left column at the very bottom.
- 15 A. Objective?
- Q. Right above that, we see that there is a Number 3.
 - A. Yes.

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- 18 O. And I understand that that Number 3 is a title
- 19 discussing what comes next in the article.
- Is that a fair representation?
- 21 A. I don't know if it's a typo. I would have to read
- 22 the discussion before that.
- 23 O. Well, if you go to the column to the very right,
- 24 you will see that about 15 lines from the bottom we have
- 25 another title, four: Gasoline range organics, GRO; diesel

- 05:21 1 sensitivity and always are deficient in petroleum analyte 2 selectivity to reliably determine the fate and transport of
 - 3 petroleum in environmental samples."
 - Is that your opinion?
 - A. As it regards to forensics studies, yes.
 - Q. And you go on to say: "The only petroleum-related
 - 7 compounds detected by these standard methods are 16
 - 8 priority pollutant PAHs."
 - Do you see that?
 - A. No, actually--I'm lost here.
 - 11 Q. It was--I just--I continued reading.
 - 12 A. Oh, 16--most of the 16--you said the first middle
 - 13 column?

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- 14 Q. Yes
 - A. Most of the 16 priority pollutant PAH target
- 16 compounds--
- 17 I'm sorry. It's just the quotations. Hold on. I
- 18 can find it.
- 19 Oh, it's higher. It's up at the top, then.
- 20 O. Yes.
- 21 A. Oh, I'm sorry. Okay. So, what is the question?
- 22 Q. You wrote: "The only petroleum-related compounds
- 23 detected by these standard methods are the 16 priority
- 24 pollutant PAHs."
- 25 That is still your opinion?

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05:20 1 range organics, DRO, and the discussion that follows 2 relates to GRO and DRO.

- Do you see that?
- 4 A. I'm looking for the four.
- I mean, when you say "typo four" do you mean it's a mistake?
- 7 Q. Title. Title.
- 8 A. Oh, I see.
- 9 (Laughter.)
- 10 Q. I knew we were going to get to that.
- 11 A. I thought you said typo, and I couldn't figure it
- 12 out. I'm sorry. It's all right. So, title. All right.
- 13 So, let's get back on track here.
- 14 GC/MS Method 625 and 8270. Okay. Three. And
- 15 then four, gasoline range organics, diesel range organics.
- 16 Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. What we have in between is a discussion of
- 18 Methods 625 and 8270; correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. And after the objective in the second column, we
- 21 find the limitations, a description of the limitations of
- 22 this method, and I will read it, and I would like you to
- 23 confirm whether that's your opinion or not. You say, "in
- 24 their standard form--" and this is why I was discussing
- 25 with you the standard method--"these methods often lack the

- 05:23 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And if we keep reading down, now we go past that
 - 3 citation. We see that you express the view that most
 - 4 importantly, that PAH in petroleum often is denominated by
 - 5 the C1 to C4 alkylated homologous of a parent PAH, none of
 - 6 which are measured by the standard technique.
 - Is that your opinion?
 - A. That's correct, with regard to forensics analysis,
 - 9 being able to identify a spilled oil in a complex
 - 10 environment.
 - 11 Q. And you go on to say in the next section--and I
 - 12 refer to the section because there is a subtitle
 - 13 modification that begins there--that says that "the
 - 14 standard full scan GC/MS EPA 8270 method can be modified to
 - 15 provide semi-quantitative data for the alkylated PAH
 - 16 compounds."

- 17 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And that is a modification that could be done to
- 20 the method in order to semi-quantitatively assess alkylated
- 21 PAHs; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And just to confirm with you that my understanding
- 24 is correct, if you go back a couple of pages in your
- 25 article, Table 1 is a list of PAHs, and the 16 that are

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05:24 1 covered by standard Method 8270 are the ones that have a 2 little A at the end of their name; correct?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And without modification to the method, do you 5 agree that it is not appropriate to determine the fate and 6 transport of petroleum in environmental samples?
 - A. I would say that the modified methods are better.
 - And my question was about the standard method.
- 9 The standard method is not appropriate, is it, to reliably
- 10 determine the fate and transport of petroleum in
- 11 environmental samples; correct?
- A. It depends on what you're looking for. If you're 13 looking for the 16 priority pollutant PAHs, it's an
- 14 appropriate method. If you're looking for forensic PAHs
- such as the alkylated PAHs, it wouldn't provide those.
- Okay. Can we now turn--qo back to your article at 16 17 Tab 17.
- And I'm mindful of the time, and we're almost done 18
- 19 with this line. If you can go to Page 2 in this article,
- 20 towards the bottom of the page you will see the last
- paragraph beginning with "other EPA methods are used."
 - A. Yes.

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- O. And if you count with me one, two, three, four,
- 24 five lines down in that paragraph, you see a sentence that
- 25 begins, "semi-volatile organic methods such as EPA GC/MS

05:28 1 MS. WOOD: Thank you.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: "--is greatly enhanced when

3 the petroleum-specific methods are used because of the 4 increased number of measured analytes and a reporting limit

three orders of magnitude lower."

THE WITNESS: Yes, and again, from the forensics 6 perspective, it's true, yes.

BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

- 9 Q. And if you can just turn now the page physically, and we go to Page Number 5, we have a graphic on the right,
- 11 Figures 1.3 and Figure 1.4, where we can see the
- 12 difference. And I put it to you that the top graph shows
- the results measured under EPA Method 8270 and the bottom
- one using GC/MS method; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And actually the explanation of Figure 1.3 says 16
- 17 that Method 8270 has "limited utility for oil spill
- assessment owing to the relatively high reporting limits
- and lack of petroleum-specific alkylated PAH homologues."
- 20 Correct?
- A. Again, with that sentence I'm referring to the 21
- forensics analyses that we do, yes.
- O. Okay. And that forensics analysis was done in
- 24 this case only for biodegradation studies, was it not?
- A. Yes, because we knew where the oil was coming from

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05:26 1 Method 8270 and 625 often are required at petroleum spill

2 sites, but they lack the sensitivity as well as the

3 petroleum analyte selectivity to reliably determine the

- 4 fate and transport of petroleum in environmental samples." Is that still your opinion?
- A. Yes. With regards to forensics analyses, yes.
- Q. And if you go on to the next page--excuse me, it's
- 8 the same page in paper, but it's Page Number 3 in the
- 9 layout that we have before us, and actually begins on the
- 10 prior, at the very bottom, prior page--it says, "the
- 11 ability to identify and track the transport and fate of
- 12 the"--WSF is the water-soluble fractions of PAHs--of PAHs
- 13 in the water-soluble fraction, rather--so, "the ability to
- 14 identify and track" those--the transport of those is
- 15 "greatly enhanced when the petroleum-specific methods are
- 16 used because of the increased number of measured analytes
- and a reporting limit three orders of magnitude lower."
 - Do you see that?
 - No.

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- MS. WOOD: I apologize, counsel. I'm not sure 20
- 21 what page you're on. If you wouldn't mind telling me that 22 again.
- 23 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Of course. It's Page Number
- 24 2, second line from the bottom, begins "the ability to
- 25 identify and track the transport and fate of the WSFs--"

- 05:29 1 in terms of we knew it was all Oriente crude oil, so we 2 didn't view this as a forensics study, more of a--as a 3 health risk study.
 - Q. And you confirm that for the health risk study 5 purposes you did not test for the alkylated PAH--excuse
 - 6 me--the Experts on behalf of Chevron doing the analysis did
 - 7 not test for alkylated PAHs, did they?
 - A. My understanding that it was the 16 priority pollutant PAHs that were identified by the U.S. EPA as
 - potential problems. That's the extent of my understanding. 11
 - So, I will put the question again.
 - Do you confirm that for the health risk study 13 purposes--for health risk study purposes--in this case,
 - 14 Chevron did not test for alkylated PAHs?
 - A. I believe they followed what was required in the 15 analytical plan and the Ecuadorian regulations.
 - Q. And did they test for alkylated PAHs? Yes or no?
 - No, not for that purpose. 18
 - And actually, only a subgroup of the samples that
 - were collected during the Judicial Inspections was subject
 - 21 to petroleum biodegradation analysis; correct?
 - A. Yes. My understanding that the high-level samples
 - 23 that had oil visibly present were analyzed for the
 - 24 additional analytes so that they could identify the
 - 25 relationship between the production oil and the field

05:31 1 samples.

- Q. The rest of the samples were not tested for 3 alkylated PAHs; correct?
 - A. I don't believe so, no.
- Q. Now, would you say that increasing the sensitivity
- 6 of an analysis to capture the alkylated PAHs allows for
- 7 petroleum to be detected and measured more accurately at a
- 8 distance from the source?
- A. I think that has to do with the regulations and 10 the requirements of the regulations, what the
- 11 concentrations are.
- Q. Okay. Now I'm asking for your opinion as an 13 expert.
- Do you agree that, by increasing the sensitivity 15 of an analysis so as to capture the alkylated PAHs that
- 16 allows for petroleum to be detected and measured more
- 17 accurately at a distance from the source?
- MS. WOOD: Objection. Mr. President, clearly
- 19 counsel is reading from a document, and I don't think it's
- 20 fair to read excerpts out of a document to this Witness
- 21 without referring him to the document that he is citing.
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Difficult also for the Tribunal
- 23 to follow. Are you reading from the document?
- MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I will-yes, I'm going to
- 25 that, and I was trying to cut it short, but I will go

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05:33 1 through the document.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's stop, because it's after 3 5:30. We wanted to stop at 5:30, but we gave you latitude 4 to come to the end of this topic.

Let's stop now, and I think you can reconsider 6 what you want to ask this Witness tomorrow.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Yes. I was wondering, I 8 think I had about five or ten minutes more, but tomorrow.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: No. No.

11 So, let's stop now tonight. We resume here at

12 11:15 tomorrow. And we ask you not to discuss your

13 testimony or this case with anyone until you come back

14 before the Tribunal.

THE WITNESS: Of course.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

17 (Whereupon, at 5:33 p.m., the Hearing was

18 adjourned until 11:15 a.m. the following day.)

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IN THE MATTER OF AN ARBITRATION BEFORE A TRIBUNAL CONSTITUTED

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11:18 1 If it's for regulatory purposes, as I mentioned, you really
2 wouldn't need that kind of sensitivity. However, for
3 biodegradation and for forensics work that I do, yes, I do
4 use that sensitivity.

Q. And would you also use that sensitivity, for example, for health-risk assessment?

7 MS. WOOD: Objection, Mr. President. I believe 8 we've already established that this Witness is not a 9 toxicologist, so his opinions on health-risk assessment

10 does not appear to be relevant to the Tribunal.

11 Dr. McHugh, who is a toxicologist will be the next witness.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: What's your answer to the

objection?

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: My answer to the objection is that I'm not asking for a toxicological assessment but rather what you use the samples for, and in his field of expertise having looked at the data and having opined on what the data should be looked at for what purpose, I think it's perfectly valid to ask him what samples are used for

20 what independently of what the assessment is of those

21 sample results afterwards.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, you're taking up a lot of time on material impressions that might be better asked to another witness.

25 But can you answer the question?

11:20 1 A. Yes.

Q. And it has three columns. I am looking at the right column towards the middle of the page.

And I just want to be clear--and to put the context for my question--I am reading towards the middle of the page on the right, a sentence that begins with, "The increased sensitivity allows for petroleum to be detected and measured more accurately at a distance from the source and replaces the traditional not-detected results with a useful data point--often crucial information if any toxicological numerical modeling is intended for the site assessment."

Do you see that, sir?

14 A. Yes.

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Q. Is that your opinion?

A. It is, yes. This basically suggests that the methodologies that we're providing in terms of the selected ion mode are more sensitive and could be more useful to people.

Q. And if we keep reading, you also say that the increased sensitivity relative to the standard method full scan techniques also enables these methods to measure the

23 water soluble fraction of petroleum in ground and surface

24 waters.

25 Do you see that?

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11:19 1 THE WITNESS: Well, with regards to the compounds
2 that you're referring to, my understanding is the that 16
3 priority pollutants are the compounds for health-risk
4 assessment.

Now, for the samples that we received, they were heavily oiled-oiled to some level to evaluate

7 biodegradation, and what happens is that that oil makes it 8 more difficult to measure those compounds.

9 And so, I believe that for oil samples, clearly 10 the methods are appropriate, yes. For the 16 priority 11 pollutants that you're referring to.

12 Q. No, I was referring to alkylated-PAHs, not to the 13 16 priority pollutants.

A. Well, I'm not--as you said, I don't know what the appropriateness is of alkylated-PAHs with regard to health risk.

17 Q. Fine

If we can go to Tab 16 in your bundle--it's the first volume--this is an article that you wrote and that you referred to as Exhibit 16 to your 2013 Expert Report.

A. Tab 16?

22 Q. Tab 16, 1-6.

23 A. Yes.

Q. And I'm looking at Page 50, bottom left-hand

25 corner. This is a document we already looked at yesterday.

11:22 1 A. They're very useful for that purpose, yes.

Q. Okay. Now, if we can please go to your 2013
Expert Report at Page 10--it's at Tab 2 of the first volume
for those using the black binders--and I'm looking at the
first paragraph right below the bullets, which begins, "As
a marine biologist."

Now, you commented here about Dr. Short's
evaluation of the toxicity of weathered oil, and you were
referring to his conclusion that alkylated-PAHs in
weathered oil are still toxic even many years after the
spill and at low parts per billion concentrations.

Is that a fair characterization of what you were

12 Is that a fair characterization of what you were 13 commenting on here?

14 A. Yes. He said that the toxicity of weathered crude 15 oil was significant at one part per billion concentration 16 level in seawater.

17 Q. Okay. And in the next paragraph you go on to say 18 that the findings by Dr. Short--and unfortunately he hasn't 19 been called--the findings by Dr. Short you say are

20 considered highly controversial by the scientific

21 community.

Do you see that?

23 A. Yes, and that is my understanding.

Q. And to be clear, this study by Dr. Short was in

25 connection with the Exxon Valdez spill; correct?

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- 11:24 1 Yes.
 - Q. And you had been retained by Exxon or its counsel
 - 3 in that very same case; correct?
 - A. I worked on the Exxon Valdez spill for Exxon, yes.
 - Q. Now, if you turn the page--so we are now at
 - 6 Page 11--the source that you cite here for the criticism to
 - 7 Dr. Short's conclusion is an article by Dr. Landrum, and we
 - 8 can see there's a quote and we can see the reference at the
 - 9 bottom of the page to Dr. Landrum's article which is at
 - 10 Exhibit 24. Do you see that, sir?
 - A. I'm sorry, which page are you on in my Report? 11
 - 12 Page 11 of your Report.
 - 13 Yes, I see that. Α.
 - You are quoting text of an article by Dr. Landrum;
 - 15 correct?

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- A. Is that the top or the bottom? 16
 - Q. I'm looking at the top of Page 11.
- Okay. 18 Α.
- 19 Q. You have two lines and then a block quote. I
- 20 understand that block quote to come from Dr. Landrum's
- article cited at Footnote 55; correct?
 - A. That's Page, et al., 55.
- O. Yeah, and Dr. Landrum is cited there as one of the
- 24 authors, isn't he?
- A. Yes, he is.

- 11:27 1 not necessarily represent those of ExxonMobil."
 - Q. Right.

And are you aware, in addition to this study that 4 you cite here, that there are other studies that you have not cited in your Report that corroborate Dr. Short's

- 6 conclusions?
- A. Well, the purpose of my comment in my paper was to simply state that this is a controversial issue, and it is a controversial issue. There are many papers on both sides
- 10 of the issue and publications, so the use of a
- 11 concentration of one part per billion as the toxic level
- 12 and that the alkylated PAHs are responsible for that
- 13 concentration of that toxicity of that effect is simply a
- 14 controversial issue. I'm not weighing in on it's right or
- wrong, other than saying you wouldn't just want to accept
- that number without looking at all of the information.
- 17 O. I would like now to turn your attention to Slide 12 of your direct presentation yesterday, and I will
- show it to you if you need it.
- 20 A. No, I have a copy.
- O. You have it? 21

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- A. I have a copy, if I can just find it. Yes.
- Now, this is the slide that I understand 23
- 24 summarizes the various methods, analytical methods, that
- 25 have been discussed here, and here you're answering the

- Q. And actually in the paragraph right below the
 - 2 quote, you state that Dr. Peter Landrum is one of the many
 - 3 internationally respected scientists who have refuted
 - 4 Dr. Short's claims.
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. Now, Dr. Landrum had also worked for Exxon, hadn't
 - 8 he?
 - 9 A. I don't know. I don't know.
 - Q. But the paper that you're citing to here, that
 - 11 paper was funded by Exxon, wasn't it?
 - A. I'd have to see the paper and look at the
 - 13 Acknowledgments in the back to see if it was.
 - 14 Q. You going to have to change volumes now.
 - 15 Volume 2, Tab 21, please. And you should find the
 - 16 Acknowledgments at Page 253?
 - A. I'm sorry, two-five--17
 - 18 Q. Three.
 - 19 Do you confirm, sir, that this article was funded
 - 20 by Exxon?
 - A. Yes, it says, "The authors thank Ms. Karen
 - 22 Humphrey of Aquatechnics, Inc. for her excellent critical
 - 23 review of the draft of this article. Funding for this work
 - 24 was provided by ExxonMobil Corporation, Houston, Texas.
 - 25 However, the conclusions are those of the Authors and do

- 11:28 1 question which one of these is appropriate. Is that a fair 2 understanding?

 - 4 Q. And I understand that which one is appropriate
 - depends on the intended use of the data. 5
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And to make sure I understood correctly, if we go
 - from the top to the bottom, we are narrowing down the
 - individual compounds that are being tested for; correct?
 - A. Yes. The top group has the most interferences, 11 and then we focus it down into individual compounds by
 - 12 GC/MS.
 - 13 Q. So, the top line--and I'm going to try to put this 14 in layman terms as we go through--the top line is the one
 - 15 that will cover--let's say all organic compounds, but will
 - 16 give us give us a higher risk of what is known as false
 - positives; is that correct?

 - A. Well, yes. The top line TEM, total extractable
 - 19 material, that's the bulk screening method, and that's the
 - 20 one that captures all the carbon molecules in a sediment or
 - 21 in a soil sample. And again, what you end up with when you 22 do that is simply a number that could be--could be all oil,
 - could be very little oil. You don't know.
 - Q. And there in terms of -- I want to understand how
 - 25 the risk of false positives and false negatives works in

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11:30 1 these methods because those concepts have been discussed in 2 your Reports and in Dr. Short's reports.

Now, to be clear, a false negative is a result that shows no contamination with petroleum hydrocarbons, but actually it is contaminated, so a false negative will be a sample that is contaminated that is discarded and, therefore, is not--is not detected or remediated; correct?

- A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And a false positive on the reverse side is a 10 result that will show contamination, but actually it is not 11 contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons; is that correct?
 - A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And I understand that in this graph the top method
 has the higher, if we just look at these methods here--the
 higher risk of false positives and the lowest risk of false
 negatives, and the bottom methods we are reversed: They
 have almost no risk of false positives and a higher risk of
 false negatives.
- 19 A. All right.
- 20 Q. Is that--I can break it down, if you want.
- 21 A. Break it down for TEM. Let's talk about TEM
- 22 first, and then we can go to the next one.
- Q. I'm just mindful of the time, but fair enough.
- 24 Otherwise, I can break it down into questions.
- 25 A. Well--

11:33 1 false negatives; correct?

- A. I mean, it's a more accurate method, if that's what you mean. It more accurately identifies and quantifies what's actually in there, so in terms of false positives and negatives, those are driven by the blanks associated with the analysis.
 - O. And we'll speak about blanks in a moment.
 - A. Um-hmm.

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- 9 Q. I just want to understand. The fact that you are
 10 narrowing down so much the process will help you reduce the
 11 risk of false positives because you will know what's in
- 12 there, but it will also increase the risk of false
- negatives because you may be leaving some compounds out of your analysis; isn't that right?
- 15 A. No, I think that these methods are very accurate 16 and precise. I think that the fact that you can actually 17 identify and see the presence of those compounds in your 18 sample means that you get the most accurate values.
- 19 So, for example, the 16 priority pollutant target 20 compounds, I think this would be the most accurate way to 21 measure those.
- 22 Q. Right. And that is if you are testing
- 23 specifically for those.
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. But?

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11:31 1 MS. WOOD: Objection, Mr. President. The Witness
2 is clearly asked that he didn't understand the question and
3 would break like to break it down, and that's why I

4 ask--thank you.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: If counsel was suggesting he would do that, so please do that, but also please don't overspeak.

THE WITNESS: Oh, I'm sorry.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Apologies, I did overspeak. BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

Q. Let's look now at the top line.

12 This is the method I understand that will give you 13 the less risk of false negatives; i.e., you're sure you 14 will cover everything in a way, and it will give you the

15 highest risk of false positives, the lowest risk of false

16 negatives; correct?

- 17 A. For semi-volatile organics, yes, I would agree 18 with that, very high risk of false positives.
- 19 Q. And very low risk of false negatives; correct?
- 20 A. Well, for the semi-volatile components.
- 21 O. And if we now look at the bottom, where you're
- 22 analyzing individual compounds -- and you actually list them
- 23 to the right of it, BTEX and the PAHs, the 16 priority
- 24 pollutants--there, you are lowering to a maximum the risk
- 25 of false positives, but you're also increasing the risk of

11:34 1 A. But--

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- Q. Let's not overspeak.
- A. Oh, I'm sorry, excuse me.
- Q. That is, if you're testing specifically for those,
- 5 and we agreed that that will not help you, for example,
- 6 identify the alkylated compounds; correct?
- 7 A. Yes, if you were just looking at the 16 priority
- pollutants, you wouldn't necessarily quantify the
- 9 alkylated-PAHs in the sample.
- 10 Q. And the choice of a method within this range will 11 depend on the intended use of the data?
- 12 A. The purpose, yes.
- 13 Q. Now, you mentioned a moment ago the issue of
- 14 blanks, and I'd like to discuss that with you for a few

15 minutes.

Now, in your direct presentation, you described two types of blanks: The field blanks and the laboratory

- 18 blanks, and you said that it was important to consider
- 19 them, and you indicated that to determine if a blank is
- 20 actually the cause of contamination that you find in indoor
- 21 samples, there's standard method called the 5% rule. Do
- 22 you recall that part of your presentation, sir?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And you describe the rule as being that sample
- 25 results must be five times greater than the compound that

- 11:35 1 you found in your blank for the field sample result to be 2 reliable and reported as a positive finding. Is that a 3 fair summary?
 - A. Yes, as defined on Page 23.
 - Q. And in your Report, in your work in this case, you 6 applied that rule, and I believe you said that that led you 7 to disregard as unreliable about 90 percent of the compound 8 results from LBG data; is that correct?
 - A. No, no, that's not correct.

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- Q. What percentage would it be?
- A. Most of the impacts by blanks were associated with 11 12 low level water samples. So, in fact, blanks would affect 13 about half of the surface-water samples and the
- 14 interpretation of those water samples.

Samples that LBG performed, for example, that were 15 16 above the blank level were not impacted by the blanks, so I 17 had no intentions of implying that 90 percent of the LBG 18 was unreliable. I was focused on the low level samples, 19 specifically a lot of water samples, for example, that were

- 20 being used for interpretive purposes where the blanks had a 21 significant impact on the interpretation.
- Q. And at Slide 30 I believe it is of your direct 23 presentation, you showed a diagram comparing the
- 24 concentrations in a soil sample. It's soil sample LA, for
- 25 Lago Agrio, 16, I understand that's for the site, and SL

11:39 1 investigate it further because you have a more serious 2 problem.

> And what we found was that, in cases where we had 4 over 50 percent of the compounds impacted by the blank and the support of the laboratory with regards to their 6 identification of a chronic problem within the laboratory operation, it certainly is very reasonable to reject that sample 100 percent. That's what I intended to present.

- Q. And when you referred to the blue columns being the normalized figures, that is because the numbers that you used for those blue columns, those are not found in the LBG analytical results, are they? Those numbers are a treatment of LBG's data that you did that you called "normalization." Correct?
- A. Well, what happened is, after we received the 15 16 validated results, the validation results from LBG--this 17 was after I provided my--I believe--well, I'm not sure of that--I'm not sure--but we noticed that the validator did not normalize the field results, the soil results, where there were different weights for the soil sample and the 21 blank sample.
- 22 So, I'm simply following National Functional 23 Guidelines with regards to the fact that blanks may not 24 involve the same sample weights, and they need to be 25 normalized for direct comparison.

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- 11:37 1 stands for soil 002. We have the result of that sample in 2 the red column, and you compare that to a laboratory blank 3 in the blue column; is that right?
 - A. Yes, I do. It's--the PAH concentration is 5 presented on the left in parts per billion. The PAHs are 6 listed on the bottom there that were reported by the 7 laboratory. The red bars represent the field results for
 - 8 the sample, and the blue bars represent the normalized
 - laboratory blank results.
 - 10 Q. Okay. And we'll get back to the concept of 11 normalized.

Now, to be clear, in this example that you put 13 here, because the red bars are lower than five times the 14 blue bars, this is why you consider the data to be

15 unreliable; is that correct?

A. Yes.

16 It is common practice that in the laboratory 17 18 environment for evaluating environmental samples, that if 19 you even have as many as two analytes within an analytical 20 run that exceed three times or five times what's called a 21 method detection limit--it's a very low concentration, but 22 if you find these blank compounds within your sample, you 23 may be required to reanalyze the entire batch of samples. 24 It's common practice.

And if you have more than that, then you have to

Q. And I could not help but notice that this graph

2 that you showed us yesterday is, in fact, an amended 3 version of a graph that you had in your latest report, and

4 you can take a look at Figure 1, Page 6, of your

5 January 2015 Report. I suggest we keep them both open, so 6 your Slide 30 in the graph at Figure 1, Page 6.

- A. Figure 1, Page 6. Yes. I have both figures in 8 front of me.
- 9 Q. Thank you.

10 And to be clear, we are seeing figures that relate 11 to the very same soil sample; correct?

- A. LA16-SL002 was one of the key samples relied on by 12 13 Dr. Short to identify the presence of low levels of 14 petroleum hydrocarbons in the environmental samples within his Report. Yes, this is the correct sample.
- Q. And the difference between the graph you showed us 16 yesterday and the graph you had in your Report is that in your Report, you showed the concentrations of a soil blank with the bar--with the black bars; correct? And we do not 20 see in the figure you showed us yesterday that soil blank 21 indicated.
- A. Right. 22

23 And just so the Tribunal understands what we're 24 talking about, we should refer to my presentation of

25 figure--okay, Figure 22 in my presentation. And in that

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- 11:42 1 figure I described in my presentation what a--when you say
 2 soil blank, I just want to make sure it's clear that the
 3 soil blank that you're referring to is actually called a
 4 field blank; right? Are we in agreement? I mean, is that
 5 what we're talking about, the field blank?
 - Q. I hesitate when a witness asks me a question, but you're very right. This is field blank.
 - A. Field blank.
 - Q. Let's not overlap.

10 Yes, we're talking about a field blank which you 11 described yesterday separate from a laboratory blank.

A Yes

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- 13 Q. And that you described I understand at Slide 22 of 14 your presentation.
- 15 A. That's correct.

And so, for the Tribunal, the field blank is a sample where you send out a clean material--it could be clean Sand or it could be clean water--and you take it out into the environment that you're collecting the samples, and then you handle it in the same way. You might put it in a bowl, stir it up, the same bowl that you would use to collect your field samples. And then what you would do is put the sample in a jar and send it back to the laboratory

 $24\,$ for analysis, and that sample would pick up any extraneous $25\,$ contamination that could have been introduced during the

11:45 1 at the blue and the black columns. So, I would have
2 expected that if we're talking about a problem with the lab
3 contamination, the field blank will also show levels of
4 contamination similar to the ones you find in the lab.
5 Would that not be a fair expectation?

A. No, it's not a one-to-one relationship. Blanks are very complicated in terms of how they're handled, and the field blank has both contamination from the field as well as contamination from the laboratory.

Now, the way I used this type of information is
that I would take the field blank and correct it in the
same way as I would the laboratory blank, and then I would
compare the two. And if the field blank was some amount
higher than the laboratory blank, then I would then
investigate that further in terms of a field blank problem.

But under this condition, I relied primarily
on--you can see that the 5% rule is violated simply by the
laboratory blank, which it is a property to correct for

19 that.
20 Q. Would it be fair to say that if there is
21 laboratory contamination and a problem with the field

 $\,$ 22 $\,$ blank, the results of the field blank should be higher than

23 the results of the laboratory blank?

A. In some cases, but it's not a one-to-one relationship. The field blank may have gotten a little

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11:43 1 collection process.

And that is compared to the laboratory blank,
which is also presented in my Report, and the laboratory
blank is a clean sample that's run by the laboratory, and
that collects all the contaminants that would be associated
with the laboratory operation, okay?

- 7 Q. And you would expect that if there is a chronic 8 problem with laboratory contamination, the field blank that 9 is tested by that same laboratory will also show levels of 10 contamination similar to the laboratory blank, would you 11 not?
- 12 A. Well, they won't be exactly the same. They
 13 weren't run necessarily at the same time under the same
 14 conditions. And blanks move up and down, depending on how
 15 the sample is handled by the individuals. So, there is
 16 some variability.

And because of the variability, that's why they
have the 5X rule, so I wouldn't expect them necessarily to
be the same. For example, if all the field blank was from
the--if all of the field blank was from the laboratory
blank, they would look pretty similar, within the 5X rule.

22 Q. And you see, that is where I have an issue with 23 the graph that you showed us yesterday because, in Figure 1 24 of your 2015 Report, we can see that the lab blank and the 25 field blank show very different patterns, and I'm looking 11:46 1 less from the laboratory, depending on how it was handled
2 or when it was extracted or analyzed and how it was
3 processed. So, it's not necessarily the case.

The primary blank that I rely on here is the method blank, the laboratory blank.

- Q. Right. When you say here, it's in your presentation, not in your Report; right?
- A. Well, it's presented here.
 - Q. Okay.

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10 A. If you take the field blank, I was criticized in 11 Dr. Short's Final Report that you're not supposed to 12 correct the field blank, so what I did is I just simply

13 said, okay, let's put the field blank aside, but in his

- 14 discussion, he only mentioned a criticism of the field
- 15 blank. He never discussed, for example, that the 16 laboratory blank was not supposed to be normalized
- 17 appropriately. He never mentioned that in his Report,
- 18 which, by his silence, meant that he agreed with me that
- 19 the method blank should certainly be normalized
- 20 appropriately under the National Functional Guidelines.
- 21 So, what I did for the purposes of my presentation 22 today, is because of time and energy that I had for it, I
- 23 simply removed the field blank just so I didn't have to
- 24 discuss that issue for the Tribunal, but the method blank
- 25 is really the key blank because the laboratory runs it

- 11:48 1 specifically with those batches of samples, and it's the
 - 2 blank that most closely connected to the problem of blank
 - 3 contamination, which has been identified by the laboratory
 - 4 itself. That's why I didn't discuss the field blank, I
 - 5 didn't want to get into the fact of--I mean, when I look at
 - 6 the blanks, I do correct the field blank, I routinely
 - 7 correct the field blank, and I compare that to my method
 - 8 blank, but it's not going to be a one-to-one relationship.
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 - 9 Blanks don't behave that way in the samples. Again, that's
 - 10 $\,$ why the EPA has decided that the 5% rule is appropriate to
 - 11 be sure that you're not having a blank contamination
 - 12 problem.
 - 13 Q. Do you recall what my question was?
 - 14 A. Well, with regards to the--your question was with
 - 15 regard to the field blank and why would the field blank be
 - 16 exactly the same as the method blank, and my answer is no,
 - 17 it wouldn't necessarily be the same.
 - 18 Q. That wasn't my question, but the record is clear,
 - 19 and I just want to request, if you can, to try to keep your
 - 20 answers a bit shorter.
 - 21 A. Sure.

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- Q. We will try to advance that way if we can.
- 23 A. Okay.
 - Q. Now, for the record--and it's now being shown on
- 25 the screen--the graph I understand that you were referring

- 11:50 1 The 2008 Guidelines were used by the LBG
 - 2 validator. And if I had applied those Guidelines, I would
 - 3 have even been more rigorous and had rejected more
 - 4 compounds using the 2008 Guidelines.
 - 5 Q. And there are also some 2011 Guidelines, are there 6 not?
 - 7 A. Not for semi-volatile organic compounds. My
 - 8 understanding is that the 2011 Guidelines were for the
 - 9 dioxin compounds.
 - 10 Q. Well, you have that discussion, have you not, in
 - 11 Dr. Short's latest Report, but I just want to be clear that
 - 12 you don't rely on the 2011 Guidelines, do you?
 - A. Oh, no.

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- Q. Okay. Now, let's look at the 1999 Guidelines, if
- 5 you will. It's at Tab 22.
- 16 Now, I would like you to look. It's a bit long,
- 17 but just to confirm on the basis of the first page, these
- 18 are the Guidelines we were looking at--you were referring
- 19 to, excuse me, from 1999; correct?
 - Yes, they are.
- Q. And these are the only ones mentioned in your
- 22 Reports; correct?
- 23 A. I believe so.
 - I did discuss 2008, I believe, in my Second
- 25 Report.

- 11:49 1 to from Dr. Short's latest Report is now being shown, it's 2 Figure 3 of Dr. Short's March 2015 Report, and we know that
 - 3 he hasn't been called to explain that.
 - 4 Now, you referred to a moment ago to the National
 - 5 Functional Guidelines. I understand that that is a 1999
 - 6 USEPA Guidance on which you rely for your 5% rule; correct?
 - 7 A. I have been using the 5X rule for many, many years
 - 8 in my work, so that's one version of the 5X rule.
 - 9 Now, in the LBG Auditor's Report, they also apply
 - 10 the 5% rule as well, so it's appropriate for both 1999 and 11 obviously, in 2008, given that LBG's laboratory applied it
 - 12 as well.
 - Q. You were anticipating my questions but I think that will facilitate the discussion.
 - To be clear, in your Reports, you only discuss the
 - 16 1999 USEPA Guidance; correct?
 - 17 A. Yes, those are the Guidelines that I rely on 18 primarily because it invokes the 5X rule which has been
 - 19 used in standard practice in most laboratories around the
 - 20 country.
 - Q. But you're aware--and this is why you mentioned it
 - 22 now and you mentioned it yesterday--you're aware, are not,
 - 23 that there are more recent EPA Guidance that apply to the
 - 24 issue of blank contamination; correct?
 - 25 A. Yes, I am.

- 11:52 1 Q. I'm sure my colleagues will be able to point that 2 out on redirect.
 - Now, I would like you to please take a look at
 - 4 Page 60, 6-zero. And you may begin actually at Page 58, so
 - 5 that we can see the titles, Page 58, begins with a section
 - 6 a blanks; correct?
 - A. Yes, that is correct.
 - 8 Q. And if you turn the page, we will see on Page 60
 - 9 the examples that are provided of how to apply these
 - 10 Guidelines; correct?
 - A. There are some examples, yes.
 - Q. And to understand this clearly, we're now looking
 - 13 at Example Number 1. It says, Example Number 1, the sample
 - 14 result is greater than the Contract-required quantitation
 - 15 limit, but it's less than five times or ten times multiple
 - l6 of the blank result.
 - 17 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. Now, a quantitation limit--I think you mentioned
 - 20 that term yesterday--is the lower threshold that's defined
 - 21 by the lab for considering that a result is precise or
 - 22 accurate; correct?
 - 23 A. My understanding is that it represents the lowest
 - 24 standard in their calibration in this particular situation.
 - Q. Did you calculate any quantitation limit when you

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- 11:53 1 did your data validation?
 - A. Yes, we did compare them to quantitation limits.
 - 3 I don't recall what they were. I know that they had on the
 - 4 order for waters, I think they concentrated to 100 micro
 - 5 liters, they had a 10-nanogram per liter standard that that
 - 6 would make it a 1 nanogram per liter detection mass wise,
 - 7 and then divided by the volume.
 - 8 $\,$ Q. Is it your testimony that, in your data-validation
 - 9 process, you looked before applying the 5% rule whether the
 - 10 blanks were below or above a quantitation limit? Yes or
 - 12 A. Well, I have to recall.
 - 13 I think that quite honestly, no. For the work
 - 14 that I did, I include anything above three times MDL or a
 - 15 little bit above the baseline, I include all of the data
 - 16 beyond the quantitation limit for a 5% rule.
 - 17 For example, if compound is present below a
 - 18 quantitation limit, then you would still apply the method
 - 19 blank associated with that in the 5X rule.
 - 20 Q. Let me now understand because you said you
 - 21 included all the data, and then you said "for the 5% rule,"
 - 22 so I want to understand what your testimony is.
 - When you applied the 5% rule, did you consider
 - 24 what impact a quantitation limit had on the treatment of
 - 25 your blanks, or did you simply look at the blank

- 11:57 1 A. Could we pull up the 2008 criteria?
 - Q. Of course. It's the very next tab.
 - A. Good
 - 4 Q. And you can go at Page 112. Yes, sir. And for
 - 5 the record, that's Exhibit C-2094. Page 112 you should 6 normally find a table.
 - 7 A. I'm sorry, I see Page 28--oh, I'm sorry, that's 8 for trace volatiles. Excuse me. Semi-volatiles.
 - 9 So, for semi-volatile organics, 112, yes, I have 10 that page.
 - 11 Q. Thank you. And so that the record is clear, at
 - 12 Page 109, the section on blanks for semi-volatile organics
 - 13 begins; correct?
 - A. That is correct.
 - 15 Q. And if you turn the pages up to Page 112, there we
 - 16 find Table 31 which tells us what the Guidance says,
 - 17 depending on the combination of the blank result and the
 - 18 sample result; correct?
 - 19 A. Yes. My understanding is that these are the
 - 20 Guidelines that were used by the validators for the LBG
 - 21 data.
 - Q. And this is the quideline that was in force when
 - 23 you submitted your Report, was it not?
 - A. Well, you have a selection of Guidelines that you
 - 25 can use when you're interpreting laboratory data. I mean,

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11:55 1 concentration and multiplied it by five?

- A. I looked at the blank concentration that was recorded by the laboratory and multiplied it by five and compared that to the sample, yes, and that is my standard practice.
 - Q. Okay. And if we look at the--go back to the
- 7 examples in 1999, all of these examples--one, two, and
- 8 three--show blank results above the quantitation limit;
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. In these examples, yes.
- 11 Q. And actually, there is no rule in these Guidelines
- 12 that tells you how to treat blanks when they are
- 13 below--excuse me--how to treat samples, field samples, when
- 14 the blanks are below the quantitation limit but the sample
- 15 result is above the quantitation limit; is that correct?
- 16 A. Well, not in these examples.
- 17 Q. And there is no rule outside of these examples in
- 18 these Guidelines that tells you what to do in that
- 19 situation, is there?
- 20 A. I can only tell you that it's standard practice in
- 21 the laboratory industry.
- Q. But you're aware, are you not, that the 2008 Rules
- 23 do have a specific provision for the situation where the
- 24 blank result is below the quantitation limit but the field
- 25 result is above? Are you not aware of that?

- 11:58 1 the Guidelines from 1999 don't mean they're invalid. All
 - 2 the data that was generated or produced prior to that all
 - 3 of a sudden doesn't just become unacceptable. I prefer to
 - 4 use the Guidelines because they're common sense.
 - 5 And, for example, with regards to your issue of
 - 6 how do you deal with blanks below the quantitation limit
 - 7 specifically, if you use data below your quantitation
 - 8 limit, you certainly can't ignore the blank, and that's my
 - 9 professional opinion.
 - 10 O. And to be clear, we confirmed yesterday that you
 - 11 began working on this matter in 2004. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. And in 2004, you went to the--excuse me. I will
 - 14 strike that--you issued some reports. In 2013, you
 - 15 commented on LBG's data; correct?
 - A. I believe so, yes.
 - 17 Q. By 2013, you were aware of the 2008 Guidelines;
 - 18 correct?

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- 19 A. Yes, I was.
- 20 Q. And LBG's data validation was not performed under
- 21 the 1999 Guidelines but was performed under more recent
- 22 Guidelines, was it not?
- 23 A. Yes, it was, under the validator's report, that is
- 24 the methodology that they relied on, yes.
 - Q. And you invalidate part of LBG's data applying the

12:00 1 1999 Guideline; correct?

10 within these Guidelines--

A. No, actually I invalidate the--because the 3 validators relied on the 2008 Guidelines, I then relied on 4 the 2008 Guidelines. These were the Guidelines that were 5 presented in their validation report. So, using these 6 results, many of the results were following these 7 Guidelines. So the rejections that they generated were 8 acceptable within these Guidelines, but there were a number 9 of rejections that they failed to identify that were not

I'm sorry, let me just repeat that. 11

12 They didn't reject certain compounds in their 13 samples that were within these Guidelines, and that was my 14 issue with that, so I adopted these because that's what the 15 validator was using, so I had to compare--it was unfair for 16 me to compare my Guidelines to Guidelines that they had 17 already documented and stated that they had relied on.

- Q. And that very explanation you just gave me is 18 19 nowhere in your Reports, is it?
- A. I'd need to look at my Report for that.
- MS. WOOD: Excuse me, counsel, I apologize for 22 interrupting you.
- Just to be clear on the record, we did not receive 24 Ecuador's third-party data validation for its 2014 data
- 25 until after Dr. Douglas's January 2015 Report. It was

12:03 1 2013 validated--their third-party data validator's report 2 for the 2013 data prior to his 2015 Report, but we did not 3 receive the 2014 validated--third-party validators' report 4 until after his 2015 Report went in, and I hope that is understandable to you.

> PRESIDENT VEEDER: You made it very clear. Thank 6 7 you.

8 MS. WOOD: Okay, thank you.

9 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Thank you.

BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

- Q. So, to be clear, in your 2013 Report, I believe we 11 went through yesterday, you were asked to comment on the chemistry opinions issued by LBG and Dr. Short; correct?
- On what page, sir?
- 15 I'm looking at the introduction of Page 4, for
- 16 example, on the bottom?
- 17 Page 4, 213? Α. 18 0. Right.
- 19 Α. Yes, I see Page 4. What section are you referring

20 to?

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- Q. LBG had--did two field trips in 2013--21
- 22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop a second. Just help me,
- 23 where are you reading from?
- MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Excuse me, at the bottom I'm
- 25 reading--excuse me, it's Paragraph 1, 2, 3, and 4 after the

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12:01 1 agreed by the Parties that the data would go in, and it is 2 25--I believe it's Record Number 2514 as to when that data 3 validator report was provided and then put into the 4 record--I believe it was March of this year, so he would 5 not have discussed LBG's third party data validator report

6 for the 2014 data in his 2015 Report. MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Right. And I'm just told 8 that he had that data for the 2013 Report. He had the LBG

9 data. And what I want to be clear about is when you, in 10 2013, tested the LBG data, you applied the 1999 Guideline; 11 correct?

MS. WOOD: Well, objection. Note lack of 12 13 foundation as to the 2013 data.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you're going to get into 15 this, take it a little bit more slowly.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Sure.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: He didn't have the Report which 17 18 came after his Report, but you say he got the data before, 19 ask him about when he got the data and then we will work

20 backwards.

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21 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

- 22 Q. Yes and we can maybe just take the 2013 Report, if 23 you wish, at Page 1.
- MS. WOOD: And Mr. President, I want to be clear

25 on the record, I am not disputing that we received their

12:05 1 introductory title: "Because of my many years of 2 experience, I will review the environmental chemistry 3 opinions of Mr. Goldstein and Dr. Short that relate to

4 analytical methods and the validity, reliability and

5 integrity of the Concession Area environmental data." MS. WOOD: Mr. García Represa, I apologize for

7 interrupting, but I just want to be clear for the Tribunal, 8 his June 2013 Report was written prior to our receiving any

of LBG's data, so he would not have been commenting on 10 LBG's data in his June 2013 Report.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I appreciate, dear colleague. 12 I will make it clear, if I'm just allowed to walk through 13 the documents with the Witness so that we are clear about 14 the scope of his work.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, you are making a point 15 about the timing, and are you moving away from that? 16

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: No, I'm going now to the 2015 17 18 Report.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Let's see where it goes. 20 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:

Q. So, in your 2015 Report, you defined at the very 22 beginning on Page 1, the Scope of Work and qualifications,

and there you say at the very top paragraph, you were asked

24 to evaluate the environmental chemistry expert opinion by

25 Dr. Short and to review the integrity and validity of

- 12:06 1 environmental data collected by Ecuador's environmental
 - 2 expert, LBG, during the 2013 and 2014 field investigations; 3 correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. So, when you did the data validation process for
 - 6 your latest report, you had the LBG field data collected in
 - 7 2013 and 2014; correct?
 - A. I believe so. I believe so, yes. It says 9 2013-2014.
 - 10 Q. Okay. That, I think, is clear.
 - Now, we can go back, if we can go back to where we 11 12 were, Tab 23, we were looking at the 2008 Guidance from the
 - USEPA, and I was at Page 112.
 - A. Yes. 14
 - Q. And we were looking at what happens with 15
 - 16 quantitation limits.
 - Now, I put it to you that what we see in Table 31 17
 - 18 is that where the blank result is below the quantitation
 - 19 limit--the CRQL--and the sample result is equal to or above
 - 20 the CRQL, what these Guidelines call is for professional
 - judgment; is that correct?
 - A. So if the--
 - I am looking at the--if you look at the blank
 - 24 result.

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A. Right. I see it.

12:09 1 at here because this table is very complicated.

- If your blank is greater than the CRQL--and we're
- 3 going to go within that box, we'll go to the last line
- 4 where it says "and your sample result is greater than the 5 CRQL and greater than the blank concentration, use
- professional judgment." And in this case, the professional
- judgment was the 5X rule that the validators used, the
- standard practice. 9 Q. And all of that depends on what quantitation limit
- you actually use; correct? A. That's right, as identified by a laboratory or as 11 a J value, which a J is generally indicative of a value
- below the quantitation limit.
- I should point out, too, sir, that if you look at
- the blank result for the value where your blank is less 15
- 16 than the CRQL, so the blank is below that CRQL, but your
- 17 sample is also less than your CRQL, there is a requirement
- here that is not professional judgment that says report the
- CRQL value with a U. Now, a U means not detected. Now, in
- the 1999 version, I would have used the 5% rule. So, in
- 21 some cases, I may not have rejected a value within that
- 22 criteria because the method blank--the sample may have been
- greater than the method blank even below the CROL.
- In this case, you have no choice. It says here
- 25 report the value of the CRQL value with a U. That is not

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12:08 1 Q. I apologize. Go ahead.

> I see it. Α.

You're saying here that if your blank is below the 4 CRQL and you have a sample greater than the CRQL, you would 5 use professional judgment, yes.

- Q. And that professional judgment will require you 7 looking at what the intended use of the data is?
- A. The professional judgment would require you to 9 deviate from standard practice, which in my opinion would
- 10 be the 5X rule. And if you use professional judgment, I
- 11 believe under ISO rules in terms of identification of the
- 12 definition of "professional judgment," you would need to
- 13 justify it in your Report. So, when the validators use
- 14 professional judgment, they need to tell you what they're
- 15 doing, why they're doing it, how they interpreted the data
- 16 and why they selected the methodology that they used
- 17 contrary to standard practice. I couldn't find that in
- 18 their Report, unfortunately.
- 19 What we can see also in here, if you now go to the 20 row immediately below is that where the blank results,
- 21 excuse me, is above the CROL, so even in that scenario, if
- 22 the sample result is equal to or greater than the
- 23 quantitation limit and the blank concentration, you can
- 24 still use professional judgment, can you not?
- A. Let's make sure we understand what we're looking

- 12:11 1 detect. And I think that is the most important change
 - 2 between the 1999 version and the 2008 version. They
 - 3 provide you with the option of using professional judgment
 - 4 for--in two situations which need to be documented, and
 - 5 they require you to reject the values where your blank is
 - 6 less than the CRQL and the sample is less than the CRQL,
 - 7 rather than ignore the blank and just report it--you would
 - report that sample as a J had you ignored the blank, a J
 - 9 being an estimated value.
 - 10 Q. I would like to speak now about natural organic 11 material.
 - 12 You said yesterday during your direct that LBG's
 - 13 data is biased high because it incorrectly identifies
 - natural organic material. And for everyone's interest, I
 - will just refer to that as NOM, N-O-M.
 - That's one term we use, NOM, or just plant matter.
 - Okay. It's easier, NOM, if you don't mind? 17
 - Okay. NOM works for me. Α.
 - 19 Okay. So, you said that LBG's data is biased high
 - because it includes NOM as petroleum hydrocarbons in its
 - 21 results.

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- 22 A. And again, most aggressively with the TEM
- 23 analysis.
- Q. Now, to set the premise, would you agree with me,
- 25 would you not, that in soils in the Oriente, NOM would

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12:13 1 typically represent a few hundreds parts per million?

- A. Absolutely not.
- Q. And would you say that it can get as much as to a thousand parts per million, that's a thousand milligrams per kilogram?
- A. NOM as measured by TEM can get as high as 26,000 milligrams per kilogram. NOM can get as high--can get into the thousands of milligrams per kilogram.
- 9 Q. And we will get to that figure of 26,000 because I 10 understand that it relates to a specific sample that has 11 been discussed in these proceedings; correct?
- A. Only one example. There is multiple examples.
- 13 Q. Now, if we can please go to Tab 25, the bundle we
- $14\,\,$ were using. Now, you should normally find there a Judicial
- 15 Inspection Report for Sacha 6. And you should have, so
- 16 that there is no issue, both the original in Spanish at the
- $17\,\,$ beginning and, separated by a blue-colored page, the
- 18 English translation.

19 And before we move on, do you recall having 20 authored an appendix to this JI Report?

- 21 A. I have to find the English version.
- Q. Well, if it may assist you, you will see in the
- 23 English there's Bates numbers at the bottom right. And if
- 24 you look at the Bates numbers, I'm interested in page--the
- 25 page that finishes with 912, bottom right corner.

12:16 1 actually have your bio and your signature on that,

- 2 Page 905; correct?
 - A. Yes, this is my Report.
- Q. Okay. So, if you now turn to Page 912 in the
- 5 English version, at the bottom we find your recommendation 6 in relation to Sacha 6. And you could you please read for
- 7 the record the paragraph right below the "recommendation."
- 8 A. Well, in terms of these soils--and I have to make
- 9 sure we understand that there is a huge difference between 10 soils and sediments in terms of the amount of organic
- 11 matter they may have present--but "in terms of these
- 12 specific soils that have not been impacted by petroleum are
- 13 clean may contain a few PPM to as much as a thousand PPM
- 14 TPH that is not related to or caused by petroleum. When
- 15 evaluating TPH, the following steps should be taken to
- 16 minimize false positives and an overestimation of
- 17 environmental risk at the site."
- 18 Q. Okay. Do you stand by that opinion, sir?
- 19 A. Well, for these samples, if there was an
- 20 indication that there was a--they had no indication of
- 21 petroleum and they had a 10,000 PPM TPH value, then I don't
- 22 remember or recall these samples specifically, but it's
- 23 possible in these samples that a thousand PPM would be very
- 24 reasonable for background contamination of--at this site.
- 5 Q. Okay. And during your direct presentation

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12:14 1 A. Unfortunately, I don't have Bates numbers.

- Q. It's after--it's towards the end of your document.
- 3 You should have the Spanish version followed by an English
- $4\,$ version at the end. And if not, we can have someone assist $5\,$ you.
- 6 We will have someone assist you.
- 7 A. No, I see--
- 8 O. You have it?
 - A. I see that.
- 10 Q. Okay.

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- 11 A. It's separated by a blue tab here.
- 12 Q. Correct.
- 13 A. Okay.
- 14 Q. And if you look at the bottom right corner at
- 15 Page 912, you should normally--we didn't print it all
- 16 because it's humongous. It's about a bit more than 6,000
- 17 pages, I'm told, in the PDF file. Now, beginning at
- 18 Page 903, we can see an Appendix G; correct?
- 19 A. Yes, 903, Appendix G.
- 20 O. Correct.
- 21 And you will it has two items there, G.1 and G.2,
- 22 and G.1 is your Report, Douglas G.S., 2004--that's a Report
- 23 you authored; correct?
- 24 A. Yes. Yes.
- 5 Q. And if you turn the page, you will see that we

- 12:17 1 yesterday, you said that that NOM can be identified by its 2 characteristic fingerprints; do you recall that?
 - A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. And you showed us Slide 17. You can take--you are most welcome to go to that Slide 17.
 - Now, in that slide, I understand that you were
 - 7 showing to us, and I will just use the acronym, the GC/FID 8 chromatogram; correct?
 - 9 A. And for crude oil and for plant matter, in sample 10 SSF13-SE002, yes.
 - 11 Q. And you said that the image on the right--and I'm
 - 12 asking you to confirm if there's anything that we didn't
 - 13 say, that's incorrect, we have the technical jargon--just,
 - 14 feel free to correct me.
 - I understand.
 - 16 Q. I understand you said the image to the right is a
 - 17 typical distribution of plant matter, and you referred to,
 - 18 and I will be reading what you said, that the peaks
 - 19 represent plant waxes and that they produce alkanes C27,
 - 20 29, 31, 33.

- 21 Do you recall that explanation you gave?
- 22 A. Well, yeah. I recall that. The purpose was to
- 23 show and to discuss the fact that plants produce
- 24 odd-chained waxes. So, I didn't mean that they only
- 25 produced those odd chains. They produce 21, 23, 25--they

12:19 1 produce a whole range of odd-chain plant waxes. They also 2 produced, at lower concentrations, some even-chain plant

- 3 waxes. And that's one piece of information you can use to
- 4 identify that you have plant matter present in your sample.
- 5 Q. And that is precisely what I wanted to understand
- 6 with you, that the--is it your testimony that we can
- 7 identify in a chromatogram whether we are dealing with only
- 8 plant matter when we see that the odd-numbered alkanes--21,
- 9 23, 25, et cetera--show higher concentrations,
- 10 significantly higher concentrations, than the even alkanes?
- 11 Is that a fair characterization?
- 12 A. So, what you're asking me is that, just based on
- 13 the fact that you have those odd-chained alkanes in your
- 14 sample, does that mean there is only plant matter in your
- 15 sample?
- 16 Q. Let me rephrase the question. And we may look, if
- 17 you wish, at the same document you were looking at,
- 18 now--Bates Number 920.
- 19 Are you with me, sir?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. So, at the very bottom of your Report here from
- 22 2004, we see a Figure 10, chromatogram of plant waxes in a
- 23 pre-industrial sediment sample, and we have a chromatogram
- 24 where we see peaks at 25, 27, 29, 31, and 33; correct?
- 25 A. That would suggest that plant material was present

- 12:22 1 extended diesel range; is that correct?
 - A. That's one definition, yes. C35, the C36 range.
 - Q. Okay. And that is relevant because of what we
 - 4 will be covering now. If we can go to your Slide 17 again,
 - 5 in the image we have plotted where the C28 to C36 range
 - 6 should go.
 - A. I'm sorry.
 - Q. Yes. You can look at your--your slide is maybe of
 - 9 better quality. We read on your slide, where you see the
 -) arrow that says C28, diesel range organics.
 - Do you see that?
 - 12 A. Yes.

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- 13 Q. And where we see the C36, we have extended diesel
- 14 range organics; correct?
- 15 A. I'm not so sure that that identification indicates
- 16 the range itself, but it might be a function of the gas
- 17 chromatogram that puts it somewhere in the middle.
- 18 Q. So, where would you--
- 19 A. I don't know--this is not my gas chromatogram--but
- 20 what I would be interested in looking at...
- 21 (Pause.)
- 22 A. I'd need to--I mean, if you have the alkane
- 23 standard for this, I can just compare--overlay the alkane
- 24 standard and tell you exactly what that range is in that
- 25 chromatogram.

- 12:21 1 in that sample.
 - Q. Okay. But when you say "suggest," you have no certainty. Is that what you want to express?
 - 4 A. No. When we see plant waxes such as these
 - 5 odd-chained plant waxes, they generally indicate the plant
 - 6 material is present. It doesn't mean that it's 100 percent
 - 7 plant material, but it is an indicator, among others that
 - 8 we use, others being the boiling range of the sample
 - 9 between C16 and C31, information such as that; the lack of 10 PAHs, for example.
 - So, you use multiple parameters when you're making that analysis.
 - Q. And I'm now showing on the screen that same
 - 14 Figure 10 we were looking at, and we superpose what's in
 - 15 red so it's clear.
 - 16 Is it normal or is it typical of plant matter to 17 have a bell-shaped form with the--in the alkanes between
 - 18 the 25 to the 33 range?
 - 19 A. It's depending on the plants. We have such a
 - 20 diversity of plants in the Oriente. I have seen many
 - 21 distributions of various odd-chained plant materials that
 - 22 don't necessarily have that bell-shaped pattern.
 - Q. Okay. And to be clear--and I would like you to
 - 24 confirm--C28 is the end of the DRO, otherwise, diesel range
 - 25 organics; correct?--and C36 is the end of what we call the

- 12:24 1 Q. Right. I'm sure we can have that conversation 2 afterwards. For now, I just have your slide. So, we will 3 have to work with that, if we can.
 - A. Um-hmm.
 - 5 O. If not, we will move on.
 - A. Okay.
 - 7 Q. Would it be fair to say that with plant matter,
 - 8 somewhere in between these two arrows, we should find peaks
 - 9 with the odd alkanes?
 - 10 A. I would say that generally you would see them 11 between C16 to C35.
 - 12 Q. And can you tell me what the peak is of right up
 - 13 to the C36. What are we seeing there?
 - A. Well, I can't, because it's a gas chromatograph.
 - 15 And in a gas chromatograph, you don't have--it's not like a
 - 6 GC/MS where you can actually identify those compounds.
 - 17 I'm sure that if you would have provided me with
 - 18 the bar chart for the GC/MS, I could identify them with 19 high accuracy.
 - high accuracy.
 Q. Okay. I would like to discuss now the last point
 - 21 for the day in this scenario--I hope we can have a
 - 22 conversation if you wish afterwards--which is the issue of
 - 23 weathering that you mentioned in your presentation also 24 yesterday.
 - 25 And in particular, I want to be looking at your

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12:26 1 2013 Report at Page 14. And I'm looking at the very top 2 paragraph which begins "in addition to."

And there you--

- A. I'm sorry, the top of Page 15 or 14?
- 5 Q. It should be 14.
- 6 A. Okay, thank you.
- 7 Q. There you said that, in addition to the simple
- 8 examination of the gas chromatograms--so, what we were
- 9 looking at a moment ago--you said that, "for the
- 10 identification of biodegradation, quantitative measurements
- 11 were made for each study to calculate the percent of each
- 12 compound class that was lost from the fresh oil using
- 13 modern generally accepted methods for detailed
- 14 characterization of crude oil contamination."
- 15 Do you see that?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. And the text between the inverted commas cites to
- 18 an article by yourself; correct?
- 19 A. Sixty.
- 20 Q. And it's in the prior page. I do not know why
- 21 that footnote--
- 22 A. Yes, it does.
- 23 O. And--

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- A. I'm sorry, 60. 60.
- 25 Oh, yes.

- 12:29 1 A. That's right. It says "this research was funded
 - 2 by Chevron Corporation. We are grateful to the reviewers
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{3}}$ of the manuscript for their contribution to the technical
 - 4 and editorial quality of this work."
 - ${\tt So}, {\tt Claimant} {\tt in} {\tt these} {\tt proceedings} {\tt funded} {\tt that}$
 - 6 article you're citing in 2012; correct?
 - 7 A. Yes, that is correct. They provided--it was the 8 data that was generated as part of the JI biodegradation
 - 9 program.

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- Q. And they funded the work.
- 11 A. They funded the work.
 - Q. They paid for that article, did they not?
- 13 A. Well, I don't know how much I paid for or how much
- 14 they paid for, to be honest with you. It took me a while
- 5 to write it and I did some of it on my own time.
- 16 Q. They paid something for that article?
 - A. I believe so, yes.
- 18 Q. Now, as to weathering, and you described it as
- 19 "the physical processes of evaporation and solubilization."
- 20 And also you described biodegradation as "the next step in
- 21 the weathering process."
- 22 Do you recall that?
- 23 A. Well, can you point me to where you are reading
- 24 it?
- 25 Q. I was just trying to connect the dots with your

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- 12:28 1 $\,$ Q. And that, to be clear, is the only source that we
 - 2 have for the "modern generally accepted methods" that you 3 refer to in this paragraph; correct?
 - A. That's the only one I referenced here.
 - 5 Q. Okay. And we can go to that, if you wish, at
 - 6 Tab 29.
 - 7 Now, we look at the top of this document, we see
 - 8 various authors mentioned. I understand all of them were,
 - 9 at the time of this article, employees of NewFields;
 - 10 correct?
 - 11 A. That is correct, yes.
 - 12 Q. And if we look at the abstract, what you are
 - 13 describing in this article is what you called "a new and
 - 14 rapid quantitative approach; " is that right?
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - 16 Q. Do you recall the date of this article?
 - 17 A. I would have to look at the bottom.
 - It was published in 2012.
 - 19 Q. That was about eight years after you had begun
 - 20 working in this matter; correct?
 - 21 A. Yes.
 - 22 Q. Do you recall who funded this article?
 - A. It says in the back that--the Acknowledgments--it
 - 24 says--

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25 Q. Page 8286?

- 12:30 1 direct presentation yesterday?
 - 2 A. Okay.
 - Q. Where--and for the Tribunal's convenience, it's at
 - 4 Page 1630, Lines 16 to 18 of the Transcript from
 - 5 yesterday's.

- But--
- 7 A. Okay.
- 8 Q. I was trying to just conceptually--I was trying to
- 9 conceptually make sure that we all are on the same page.
- 0 Would you say that weathering is the physical
- 11 processes that include evaporation, solubilization and
- 12 biodegradation?
- 13 A. Well, it's a generic term that's used in our
- 14 business. Sometimes it's used to explain physical
- 15 processes such as evaporation and biodegradation, and
- 16 sometimes you include biodegradation within the general
- 17 term. So, it's--it's the way it's used.
- 18 Q. Okay. Well, I'm going to be using biodegradation.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. It speaks more to me.
- 21 And would you say that biodegradation depends on
- 22 five principal factors, which are temperature, the presence
- 23 of bacteria, the presence of nutrients, the supply of
- 24 oxygen, and the surface area of the oil compared to the
- 25 volume of the oil; is that correct?

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- 12:32 1 A. I think those are some of the major factors.
 - Now, was the first one bacteria?
 - Q. Temperature.
 - 4 A. Oh, well, bacteria--you need bacteria, too, to do 5 this.
 - 6 Q. That was my second one.
 - 7 A. Oh, I'm sorry. Okay.
 - Q. Okay. And I would like to focus now on oxygen.
 - 9 A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. Now, would you agree that where oxygen is absent,
- 11 hydrocarbons will either not decompose or decompose slowly?
- 12 A. I would agree that in the absence of oxygen, that
- 13 hydrocarbons would decompose slowly.
- 14 Q. And would you also agree that the availability of
- 15 oxygen decreases in soils with the depth of the column;
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. I haven't personally measured it at the site, but
- 18 if you're talking about an impacted site where oxygen is
- 19 being consumed by the biodegradation process, then you
- 20 would expect the oxygen to become depleted.
- 21 Q. And let's now go to a real example.
- 22 In a pit in the Ecuadorian Oriente that has
- 23 hydrocarbons in it, would you agree that the availability
- 24 of oxygen is lower at the lower depth in that pit?
- 25 A. Is this a soil pit or a pit filled with oil and

- 12:35 1 correct?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, that weathering state, to be clear, is based
 - 4 on the scale developed by Kaplan and Galperin; correct?
 - A. Yes
 - 6 Q. And we see, as we go to the right, your
 - 7 calculations of the percent depletion depending on the
 - 8 carbon ranges that you're looking at; correct?
 - 9 A. That is correct, yes.
 - 10 Q. Now, I would like to look at the very bottom line,
 - 11 that--and I'll ask you to confirm--is my understanding is
 - 12 the deepest sample collected within the pit Number 2;
 - L3 correct?

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- 14 A. The bottom line for JI-SAC-PIT2?
 - O. Yes.
- 16 A. Okay. Yeah. According--well--
 - Q. Is 2.2M the depth?
- 18 A. Yes, but interesting enough, there is another
- 19 sample, JI-SAC-EST-SI-2.2 depth as well, so...
 - Q. EST means Estación, doesn't it?
- 21 A. I don't know what these mean, so--I don't--I just
- 22 report the data.
- 0. Would you agree with me that pit means pit?
 - A. Oh, yes. If that means pit, then, so, it says
- 25 pit--so, SAC-PIT--okay--1 is--okay, 1 is just the pit. It

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12:33 1 water or something?

- Q. Let's say that it's a pit that has crude in it that was covered by a clean layer of soil. Would the
- 4 availability of oxygen be lower with the depth at the
- 5 deepest end of that pit?
- 6 A. I would expect there to be less oxygen deeper in 7 that situation, yes.
- 8 Q. And therefore, it will also be normal for the 9 crude that is found at the deepest end of that pit to be
- 10 less weathered than the crude at the higher end of
- 11 the--closest to the surface end of that pit; correct?
- 12 MS. WOOD: Objection. Incomplete hypothetical.
- BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
- Q. Well, let's take a look at Tab 32, if you will.
- 15 This is a report that you authored in April 2005 in
- 16 relation to the Sacha Central Production Station.
- 17 Do you recall that? And this, just for the
- 18 record, is part of Attachment 2 to your 2013 Report.
- 19 A. Yes
- Q. Now, if you can please go to Page 9, we have a
- 21 table with the results of the testing; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 O. And we have on the left column the various
- 24 samples. We have in the second column the chromatographic
- 25 features. The third column is the weathering state;

- 12:37 1 doesn't seem to say--it seems like it's a different pit, is 2 what I'm saying. I don't think these seem to be the same 3 samples.
 - 4 Q. Right. There are some--the top one's taken at
 - 5 Estación, the three right below at Pit Number 1, and the
 - 6 bottom one at Pit Number 2; isn't that correct?
 - 7 A. When you say Estación, what do you mean?
 - 8 Q. Your Report is Sacha Central Production Station.
 - A. Okay.
 - 10 Q. Station in Spanish is Estación.
 - 11 A. Okay.

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- 12 Q. It simply means--I understand--
- 13 A. Thank you. I'm sorry.
- 14 Q. No problem. So, just to wrap up, if you go to the
- 15 very last page of these documents, we are now looking--and
- 16 excuse me, we will have to do that -- we are seeing two pits
- 17 being tested here, okay? Pit Number 1 and Pit Number 2.
 - ARBITRATOR LOWE: Page 13?
- 19 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
- 20 Q. At Page 13, which is the very last page, you have
- 21 a figure where you compare the percent DRO (diesel range
- 22 organics) and TPAH (Total Petroleum Aromatic Hydrocarbons)
- 23 depletion of Sacha Central crude oil in Pit Number 1;
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. Percent depletion versus soil depth, yes.

Sheet 17 1758 1756 12:40 1 come back at 20 to 2:00, or we could continue with the O. And the vertical axis is the percent of depletion 2 re-examination. But give us some estimate of how long you

3 might be.

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MS. WOOD: Thank you.

adjourned until 1:40 p.m., the same day.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

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- 2 and the horizontal axis is the soil depth; correct?

 - Q. And what we can see, especially in the blue line,
 - 5 is that as depth increases, depletion decreases; correct?
 - A. In these samples at this site, yes, that's 7 correct.
 - Q. Would you say that that's a general feature in 9 pits, that the deeper you go, the less depleted the crude
 - MS. WOOD: Objection. Incomplete hypothetical. 11
 - 12 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I would--
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's see if the Witness can 13
 - 14 answer. If the Witness can't, then the Witness can say so.
 - MS. WOOD: Certainly. 15
 - THE WITNESS: Well, conceptually, that may be the 16
 - 17 case, but you really do need to measure each pit and
 - 18 compare the results depending on the qualities and the
 - 19 characteristics of every pit.
 - 20 BY MR. GARCÍA REPRESA:
 - Q. Do you recall how many of these Reports you
 - 22 included in Attachment 2 to your June 2013 Expert Report?
 - A. I'm sorry?
 - Q. Yes. The Report I was showing you is just one--24
 - A. Right.

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MS. WOOD: I don't think I will be very long,

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, we could certainly do

MS. WOOD: Fifteen minutes. 15, 20 minutes. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Why don't we come back at 20 to

(Whereupon, at 12:40 p.m., the Hearing was

5 Mr. President, but it would be nice to have a lunch break

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- 12:39 1 Q. -- Report that you did in 2005.
 - A. Right. 2
 - Q. Do you recall how many more of these Reports you
 - enclosed with Attachment 2 to your June 2013 Report?
 - A. This was just an example of those. I didn't--5
 - O. Um-hmm.
 - For example, we didn't always have samples that
 - were related to each other where we had maybe a surface
 - sample or a depth sample. And if we had, we would be
 - looking at it to see how that changed with depth.
 - Q. So, we could expect to see graphs like this one in 11 12 the other Reports?
 - A. If we had--well, it was--this presentation was an
 - 14 evolving process. I think most of the Reports would
 - 15 include everything up to Page 12. And then when we started
 - 16 to look at it more deeply, we started to generate some
 - 17 figures that would provide the JI Expert additional
 - 18 information regarding, you know, if we had two samples that
 - 19 we knew were, in fact, from the same pit, the same
 - 20 location, then we would provide them with that information.
 - 21 0. Thank you, sir.
 - MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: And I have no further 22
 - 23 questions.
 - 24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.
 - It's 20 to 1:00. We could break for lunch and

- AFTERNOON SESSION 1
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- There will now be questions from the Claimants. 3
 - MS. WOOD: Thank you, Mr. President.
 - REDIRECT EXAMINATION
 - BY MS. WOOD:
- Q. Dr. Douglas, just a few questions for you.
- Could you turn in the binders that Mr. García
- 9 Represa handed out to Tab 23, the 2008 National Functional
- Guidelines at Page 112.
 - A. Yes, I have it.
- And you discussed with Mr. García Represa the
- 13 chart that is on Page 112?
 - A. That is correct.
- 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm sorry, just pause a second.
- 16 112?
- 17 MS. WOOD: It's Tab 23, Page 112, Mr. President.
 - BY MS. WOOD:
- 18 19 Q. And could you explain to us--I believe you called
- 20 it the BJ rule in your direct testimony, and looking at
- 21 this chart, can you explain the BJ rule to us?
- A. Sure. 22
- 23 Within the chart there are a number of actions for
- 24 samples. As you can see, some of them have different types
- 25 of reports, including no qualification, report CRL value

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With regards to the BJ rule that I was discussing
in my presentation, I was referring to the situation where,
if you look at the top of the table, where it says "less
than CRQL," and then you go over to your right just below
not detected, it says less than CRQL. What that means, if
the blank is less than the CRQL and the sample result is
less than the CRQL, then you report the CRQL value with the
U, and U means not detected.

- 10 Q. And, Dr. Douglas, if I might stop you there for a 11 minute, where it says, "actions for samples," the Report 12 CRQL value with a U, is that a professional judgment, or is
- 13 that a mandatory requirement?
- 14 A. That's a mandatory requirement.
- 15 Q. Okay. Let me turn you back to Slides 34 through 16 36 of your direct presentation.
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And I believe you used this as an example of the application of this mandatory requirement in the 2008
- 20 National Functional Guidelines.
- 21 And before I ask you to demonstrate how this Rule 22 applies, can I first ask you, did LBG's data validators for
- 23 its 2014 data, did they apply this mandatory rule when
- 24 validating LBG's data?
- 25 A. No, they did not.

01:45 1 A. Slide 36 basically shows you all of the analytes
2 that were not detected and shows that Ecuador's Expert used
3 non-detect data in their risk-assessment calculation.

Q. Thank you.

Moving to a different topic, if you could turn to Slide 17 of your direct presentation, you were asked a number of questions by Mr. García Represa about this slide, and you were requesting the alkane plots in order to interpret this chromatograph further. Do you recall that discussion?

- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 Q. Okay. First off, can you just explain the 13 methodology, the multistep methodology, you used in 14 determining whether a sample contains plant matter.
- 15 A. It's a four-step process. The first process would 16 be to look at the GC/FID chromatogram.
 - Q. Is this what we have in front of us?
 - A. Yes it is.

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19 And it provides a pattern that is not

20 petroleum-related, but indicates plant matter.

21 The next process would be to look at the GC/MS

22 data for the alkanes, and this is a highly precise and

23 highly quantitative analysis of the distribution of the

24 alkanes, those normal alkanes in the sample that I was

25 speaking about before, and what we would see in this

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01:43 1 Q. Okay. Can you just walk us through what you mean 2 by "application of the BJ rule"?

3 A. If I had a pointer, that would be helpful, but 4 that's okay.

What I mean is if you look at the yellow compounds represent the compounds that are used to calculate

7 carcinogenic PAHs, quantify carcinogenic PAHs in the 8 sample, and you can see that on Page 34, the U values stand

9 for "not detected," so those PAHs were not detected in the 10 sample. However, the lab flags for the other PAHs, like

11 the top one, benzo (a) anthracene, chrysene,

12 Indeno(1,2,3-cd) pyrene and 1-methylnaphthalene, those are

13 all associated with BJs, and what that indicates is that $\$

14 the sample had a blank problem, and it was present at less

15 than the quantitation limit, which would fall within the

16 2008 National Functional Guidelines as a U or not detected.

17 Q. And, Dr. Douglas, I believe we've gone to

18 Slide 35, which reflects the U, the non-detect in lieu of $\,$

19 the BJ that the LBG data validators had flagged the data 20 with.

21 A. That's correct.

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- Q. And what does that mean when you put the U?
 - A. That means that that analyte was not detected.
- Q. Okay. And then if you go to Slide 36, can you
- 25 just briefly describe Slide 36.

01:46 1 situation was there was a distribution that was dominated 2 by those odd alkanes characteristic of plant matter.

- 3 Q. Now, let me ask you--
 - A. I'm sorry.
 - O. Go ahead.

A. The third step would be to then look at the PAH

data and to evaluate the PAH data because we often use

8 Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon information to identify the

9 presence of oil in samples, so we looked at the PAH data to

10 determine if it was, in fact, a valid result, and we found

11 that all of the--I would say the vast majority of target 12 compounds were rejected because of blank problems. So,

13 there was no information with regards to the PAH data to

is there was no information with regards to the ran data

14 indicate that petroleum was present.

15 And then the final step would be to examine this 16 biomarker concentration, so distributions in the sample

 $17\,$ where we looked for those biomarker distributions and see

18 if they were present or not. Now, the presence in this

19 case for this sample, there were no biomarkers present in

20 this sample, so based on all of the evidence, the material 21 that was present in the sample is plant material.

22 And another point I want to make while I have an

23 opportunity, is that even though the GC/FID does report

24 some plant material, it clearly does not reflect the entire

25 amount of material that's present when you extract that

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01:48 1 sample and weigh it gravimetrically, you know. When you 2 measure that residue and just weigh it, it includes many 3 other larger compounds and polar compounds that are not 4 detectable by GC/FID, yet they are still plant material and 5 they end up in the TEM.

Q. And, Dr. Douglas, on Slide 17, the chromatograms that are depicted there, is that something you created, or does this come from the LBG data?

A. Oh, I'm sorry, this is from the LBG data report.

Q. Okay. If you could turn to Page 18 in your 2015
Report, and just very briefly, I would direct you to Figure
12 14 on Page 18.

13 A. Yes.

Q. Is this the alkane distribution plot that you were referring to as one step in your multistep process?

16 A. Yes, it is.

And you can see the alkane distribution from C17

18 to C36, indicating that those major components are, in

19 fact, odd alkanes. They're odd-chained molecules. That is

20 a clear indication of the presence of plant matter in your

21 sample.

Q. And then if you would turn to the prior page,

23 Page 17, in your 2015 Expert Report.

24 A. Yes.

Q. Is this the PAH distribution plot that you were

01:51 1 MS. WOOD: There was quite a lengthy discussion
2 with this Witness about alkylated-PAHs, whether to analyze
3 for alkylated-PAHs, did he--did the Analytical Plan require
4 analysis for alkylated-PAHs. I think it's important for
5 the Tribunal to see, as set forth in Dr. Douglas's 2013
6 Report, that the Republic of Ecuador does not require
7 analysis for alkylated-PAHs, so I think it's highly
8 relevant to the Tribunal, given the cross-examination, the
9 lengthy cross-examination, that Mr. García Represa made of
10 this Witness about alkylated-PAHs.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You may reply.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Thank you, Mr. President. I maintain the objection, and I will add that we

14 saw, when we were interrogating Dr. Connor, that any 15 questions relating to regulations were objected to on the 16 ground that it would lead to a legal conclusion, and that 17 was not put--that should not be put.

18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's not what I think is the 19 objection.

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Well, I understand there's been a presentation being made in the question with which

22 we disagree about Ecuadorian regulations. If the question

23 that's being put to this Expert is whether Ecuadorian

24 regulations require A or B, that calls for a legal

25 conclusion in our view, and we have that same objection

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01:50 1 referring to as one of the steps in your multistep process 2 of determining whether a sample contains plant matter?

A. Yes, it is.

And you can see from this distribution, that the
method blank in this sample is clearly similar to that of
the concentrations of PAHs as detected in this sample. And
therefore, if you apply the 5X rule to this, the vast
majority of target compounds would be rejected.

9 Q. Now, Dr. Douglas, I'd like to turn to a different topic very briefly, alkylated-PAHs.

Mr. García Represa asked you a number of questions about alkylated-PAHs, and may I get you to turn to Page 9 of your 2013 Report.

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And I would direct you to the bottom of Paragraph 16~B on that page.

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What is your understanding of whether Ecuador's
19 oilfield regulations require analysis for alkylated-PAHs?
20 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Objection. Beyond the scope.

21 We have not discussed at all--and I'll be happy

22 for you to point me to the record--Ecuadorian regulations

during the cross-examination of this Witness.

MS. WOOD: Mr. President, may I respond?

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course, yes.

01:52 1 levied against our questions to Dr. Connor.

2 So, I think the fairness will require that these 3 sort of legal questions not be put to an expert.

4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes, I don't think that's where 5 the questioner is going. If you want to add any other 6 objection?

MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: No, that's it, Mr. President.

(Tribunal conferring.)

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: The way you formulated the 10 question invited the response, and if it was a question 11 about what a regulation means or the effect of a legal 12 regulation, we would stop you. But from the way you 13 explained your question, I suggest you rephrase it, and 14 we're minded to allow it for the time being.

15 MS. WOOD: Thank you, Mr. President.

BY MS. WOOD:

Q. Dr. Douglas, in your experience as an analytical chemist and having reviewed regulations to know what is necessary to develop a Scope of Work, what is your

20 understanding of what the Ecuadorian--whether the

21 Ecuadorian 1215 requires, if you were putting together a 22 Scope of Work--

23 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I would object.

24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you're getting into the

25 same trouble again.

Sheet 20 1768 1770 01:57 1 44,000 milligrams per kilogram. 01:54 1 MS. WOOD: Okay. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just forget about regulations Q. Thank you. 2 3 and ask a more open question. Can you do that? 3 Just one more document. MS. WOOD: I could do that, yes, sir. We're going to pass out an exhibit to LBG's 2015 4 BY MS. WOOD: 5 Report. Q. Dr. Douglas, what is your understanding of whether 6 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Can you point me to which 7 alkylated-PAHs in general are required in doing any type of exhibit? 8 regulatory analysis? MS. WOOD: They're handing it out right now. 9 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I would--9 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: No, no, which exhibit in the 10 LBG 2015 Report. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Take out the word "regulatory." 10 MS. WOOD: It's 30, RE-30 LBG exhibit. 11 "Analysis." 11 12 MS. WOOD: Analysis. 12 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Thank you. THE WITNESS: Okay. My understanding is that the 13 BY MS. WOOD: 13 14 16 priority pollutants are the primary PAHs that are used 14 Q. And let me ask you, Dr. Douglas, what is--MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Excuse me. I understand 15 for those types of analysis, and those are what are 15 16 requested, generally not the alkylated ones. 16 RE-30 is a reference to the Report itself? What is this But in addition, my understanding is that, of the 17 17 reference to this particular document? 18 PAHs that are required within the Ecuador--by the Ecuador MS. WOOD: LBG does not provide exhibit numbers. 18 19 It was submitted to their Expert Report. This is the 19 Government is that they require only six of the 16 that we 20 actually measured. 20 Enbridge spill, the Kalamazoo study that was--BY MS. WOOD: MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: No, no, I know what it is. 21 22 Q. Thank you. 22 I'm just wondering whether it was actually attached to the 23 report or not. If you say that, it's fine. We can check If I could turn you to Tab 25 in the binder, 24 it, and we won't object. 24 Mr. García Represa's binder, and I would ask you to turn to 25 the section that Mr. García Represa discussed with you on MS. WOOD: Yes, it was. 1769 1771 01:56 1 Bates GSI 0640912. 01:59 1 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Thank you. MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: Excuse me. I'm sorry to BY MS. WOOD: 2 3 interrupt. I'm just lost, Tab 25? Okay. Got it. Q. Let me ask you, Dr. Douglas, what is this MS. WOOD: That's okay. I was lost the first time 4 document? A. This is a letter to Mr. Ralph Dollhopf, who is the 5 you raised it, too. 5

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, Tab 25, and the Bates

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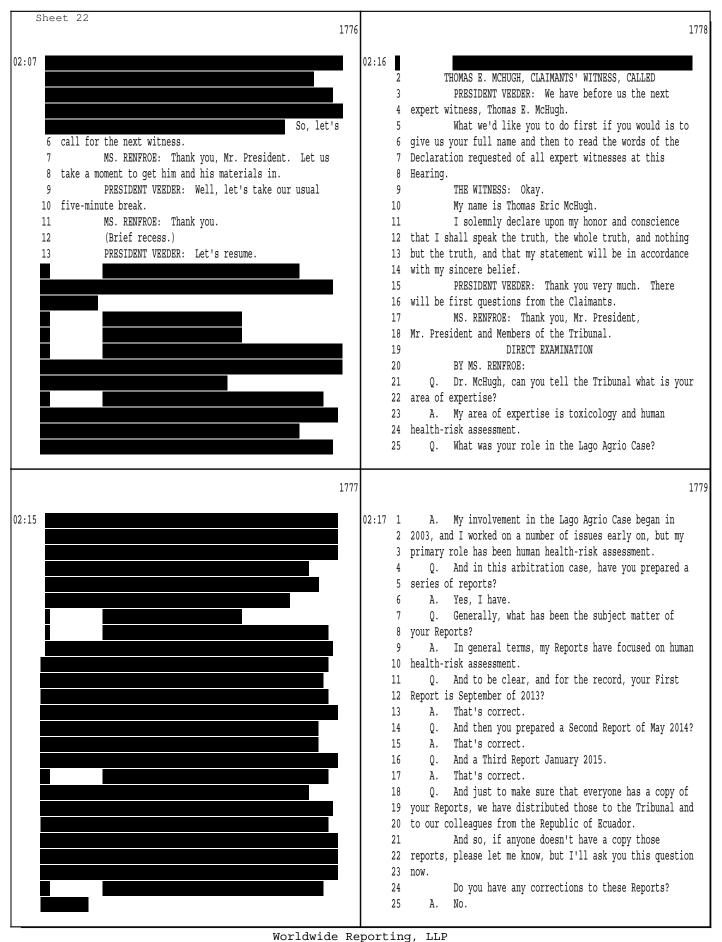
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BY MS. WOOD:

- O. It is GSI Bates 0640912.
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And this was a discussion that you had with
- 12 Mr. García Represa about whether background of TPH from
- 13 plant matter could be as high as 1,000 PPM. Do you recall
- 14 that discussion?
- A. Yes. 15
- 16 Q. Okay. Now I'd like to direct you to Slide 20 of
- 17 your direct presentation.
- A. Yes. 18
- 19 Q. Are these examples of where you have seen
- 20 background or basically natural material in TEM samples
- 21 much higher than 1,000 PPM TPH?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And what's the range that you have--you present
- 24 here?
- A. The range I presented here was from 1800 up to

- 6 Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Incident Commander for
- 7 U.S. EPA Region 5, Emergency Response Branch, in Traverse
- City, Michigan. He was in charge of the emergency response
- to the Kalamazoo River oil spill in Marshall, Michigan.
- Q. And what was your role in this project with EPA in 11 Kalamazoo River?
- A. I was the senior forensic scientist for the
- 13 Federal On-Site Coordinator and Incident Commander.
- Q. And the first document in this package I believe
- 15 is where EPA is writing you accepting all of your
- recommendations for an Analytical Plan.
- A. That is correct. 17
- 18 Q. Okay. And then what is attached to this document
- 19 is the recommendations that you had made to EPA in your
- 20 role as advisor to EPA as far as the Analytical Plan that
- 21 you were recommending?
- 22 A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. Now, would this document--first off, the document
- 24 is dated what?
 - A. 2/10--February 10, 2012.

Sheet 21 1772 1774 O. Okay. And would this document have included 02:04 1 you tried, yes. 02:00 1 2 quality control requirements that you were recommending to MS. WOOD: Okay. 2 3 EPA for the project? 3 BY MS. WOOD: A. Yes. Q. Dr. Douglas, how does your criteria for blank Q. Okay. Let me ask you to turn to, it's comparison to field samples, how does that compare with 6 Table 6.1(a), Page 21 in your recommendations? what you--the analysis that you applied to LBG's data? A. Yes, I have that page. A. It's the same. It basically involves that if an Q. And if you go down about ten rows, do you see the 8 analyte is detected in the associate samples--first of all, 9 reference to procedural blank? 9 it says that, "no more than two analytes can exceed five A. Yes, I do. 10 times the MDL," so that would raise a flag and create a 10 Q. Okay. And what is meant when you have a 11 quality control issue; and unless the analyte was not 11 12 procedural blank here? Can you tell us what is meant by 12 detected in the sample, so if you found it in the blank but procedural blank in comparison to the discussion that you 13 you didn't find it in the sample, no problem. 14 had in your direct testimony and with Mr. García Represa. The second part of this is all the concentration 15 of that material is greater than five times the blank A. Sure. 15 Procedural blank represents the laboratory blank 16 value, so it basically is a 5X rule application to the 16 17 that I presented in one of my figures. It's on Figure 22, 17 method blank. 18 and it represents the laboratory blank that would be run So, if the material that's in the sample is 18 19 with every analytical batch of samples. 19 greater than five times whatever is in the blank, then you 20 Q. And in this line, I'm assuming this is your would reject that sample, which is the same approach I used 21 recommendation to EPA as to how they should handle their in my analysis. 22 laboratory or procedural blanks? 22 Q. Thank you, Dr. Douglas. MS. WOOD: No further questions, Mr. President. A. That is correct. 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. We've Q. Okay. Can you compare the recommendation you made 24 25 to EPA for blank--25 come to the end of your testimony. We have no questions 1773 1775 02:02 1 (Fire alarm and off the record.) 02:05 1 for you. PRESIDENT VEEDER: I hope it's safe to continue. THE WITNESS: Thank you. Thank you very much. 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You may leave the table. (Laughter.) 3 MS. WOOD: Thank you. Let me re-ask my question. 4 (Witness steps down.) PRESIDENT VEEDER: Now, before we move on to the BY MS. WOOD: 5 Q. In your recommendations to EPA in the Kalamazoo next witness--7 River, I guess, three years ago, you made recommendations (Fire alarm.) 8 on how to--what is the criteria for analyzing blanks and 9 how that would impact samples that were being collected in 10 that project, and what I'd like you to do is to compare for 11 us the recommendation that you made to EPA as their 12 analytical chemist advisor, compare that with the criteria 13 that you applied in this case to the LBG data. 14 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: And I would just caution 15 against leading questions. MS. WOOD: Thank you. 16 MR. GARCÍA REPRESA: I am not objecting to this 17 18 one, but I want you to do this or that is not appropriate. 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think there has been a lot of 20 quilt from the beginning of this Hearing, but if you can 21 avoid it, it's obviously more credible if it's not too 22 leading. 23 MS. WOOD: Thank you. 24 Do you want me to re-ask the question? PRESIDENT VEEDER: It would probably be wiser if



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02:18 1 Q. And do these Reports reflect accurately and 2 completely the opinions you have formed and the testimony 3 that you have given in this arbitration case?

A. Yes.

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5 Q. Now, have you prepared a presentation to explain 6 your testimony?

A. Yes. I have.

8 Q. And with the permission of the Tribunal, I would 9 ask Dr. McHugh to make his presentation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please.

11 THE WITNESS: Thank you. I appreciate the 12 opportunity to appear here in front of the Tribunal this 13 afternoon.

My name is Thomas McHugh. I'm going to talk about my quantitative human health-risk assessment for the Petroecuador-Texaco Concession Area.

17 I'm just going to start with just a little bit 18 about my background, I'm a toxicologist, I have a Ph.D. in 19 toxicology from the University of Washington. I'm a 20 board-certified toxicologist with the American Board of

21 Toxicology.
22 I have been working in the environmental
23 consulting field for 20 years, working on a wide variety of

24 projects, including toxicology and human health-risk

25 assessment, but also including site investigation and site

02:20 1 I'm going to finish my presentation discussing my 2 concerns with Dr. Strauss's risk assessment, and my 3 concerns regarding her assessment have been documented in 4 my 2013, 2014, and 2015 Reports that have been submitted to 5 this Tribunal.

So, starting with an overview of the quantitative risk-assessment process, this process is defined in a wariety of regulatory guidance documents such as documents developed by the USEPA, and these documents establish a four-step process for evaluating risks at a contaminated site. That involves hazard characterization, toxicity assessment and exposure pathway analysis and risk characterization.

The hazard characterization is the site
investigation part of the process. That's going out to a
site, collecting samples and having those samples analyzed
by a laboratory in order to measure the concentrations of
chemicals at the site. The toxicity assessment involves
evaluating the toxicity of those chemicals that are found
at the site. And for the regulatory process, the toxicity
is intentionally overestimated in order to provide a very
high level of protection for people who are potentially
accessing the site.

The exposure pathway analysis involves evaluating how people might be exposed to chemicals present at the

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02:19 1 cleanup.

As I mentioned, I have been working on the Lago
Agrio Case since 2003, and in 2008 I prepared a
Quantitative Risk Assessment Report on the Concession Area
that was submitted to the Court in the Lago Case.

In addition to my consulting work, I have worked
on a variety of research projects and I've published
findings from those research projects in a number of
peer-reviewed scientific journals. My research projects
have included collaborations with university Professors,
with State environmental regulators and with USEPA
regulators.

So, my presentation today is going to start with an overview of human health-risk assessment as it's applied to contaminated sites.

Next I am going to talk about my quantitative risk assessment and explain how I reached my conclusion that residents in the Concession Area do not face a risk from the Concession Area conditions related to petroleum activities. And that evaluation, as I said, was originally presented in a 2008 Report that was submitted to the Lago Agrio Court. It was also addressed in Mr. Connor's 2010

23 Report and in my 2013 Report that was submitted to this 24 Tribunal, and the 2008 Report was an attachment to my 2013

25 Report.

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And then the risk characterization combines the results of the first three steps into an overall evaluation of whether or not site conditions present a risk to people by who could be at the site.

I'm going to talk a little bit more about the
toxicity evaluation because that's a critical part of the
risk-assessment process. It's a tenet of toxicology that
all things can be poisons. The short saying is: The dose
makes the poison. That is any chemical can be harmful if
you're exposed to the sufficient dose. So an example is
alcohol. If you consume 20 beers in one night, that will
have severe health effects, but if you consume 20 beers
over an extended period of time, one beer a night, that
will not have adverse health effects.

So, when we are evaluating a contaminated site, we need to understand the toxicity of the chemicals that are being evaluated. That toxicity is evaluated through laboratory animal testing. The laboratory animals such as rats or mice are exposed to different amounts of the chemical in order to evaluate the toxicity. We start with a very high amount of the chemical that will result in severe health effects, that's like the 20 beers that I mentioned or it's like a person jumping off of a 5-meter ledge. Either of those will result in severe effects. The

02:23 1 test animals are also exposed to lower concentrations of 2 the chemicals that have minor effects, would be analogous 3 to consuming two beers or jumping off of a 1-meter ledge. 4 A lot of people jumping off a 1-meter ledge will be just 5 fine. Some people may sustain minor injuries, such as 6 spraining an ankle.

Animals are also exposed to lower concentrations 8 of the chemicals that have no adverse effects. That would 9 be like consuming one-quarter cup of beer or stepping off 10 of a 10-meter step. Either of those is a safe activity.

So, by testing these different concentrations of 11 12 chemicals or different amounts of chemicals with the 13 laboratory animals, we find this level that has no adverse 14 effect on the animal. And then for the regulatory process 15 to assure a very high level of protection, we add 16 additional safety factors. Those safety factors could be 17 ten or up to 1,000.

And the effect of that is that we observe that the 18 19 10-centimeter step was safe, but we now set the safe level 20 as 1-centimeter or as low as .1-millimeter step or just one 21 drop of beer. Well, we say that's safe. And for the 22 risk-assessment purpose, we assume that anything above that 23 could be of a concern and would require additional

So, in applying the risk assessment to a

24 evaluation.

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02:26 1 on the investigations that were completed as part of the 2 Judicial Inspection process that you've already heard a lot 3 about. In my risk assessment, I utilized all of the data 4 that was collected as part of that Judicial Inspection process. That included the Chevron Pre-Inspection results. 6 It included the Chevron and the Plaintiff Judicial Inspection results that were collected under Court supervision, and it included the samples that were 9 collected directly by the Court Experts in the case.

This resulted in a dataset that included 10 11 approximately 2,400 soil samples or sediment samples or other solid samples that had been collected from the 13 Concession area. And it included approximately 1,200 14 surface water, groundwater or other drinking water samples. So, this dataset was collected from 56 different Judicial 16 Inspection sites that were included in this inspection 17 process.

The samples were analyzed by a variety of methods 18 19 and Dr. Douglas talked about some of those methods. For the risk-assessment purpose, the first two methods that Dr. Douglas discussed are simply, in my experience, never utilized for evaluating petroleum risks. And so those two are grayed out on this slide.

24 The remaining analytical methods can be used to 25 evaluate risk at petroleum sites, but the different methods

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02:25 1 contaminated site, we combined this toxicity evaluation 2 with the hazard characterization and the exposure analysis, 3 and combine those into a single value, often a hazard 4 index, and we use that as our decision threshold. If the 5 hazard index is below one or below this 1-centimeter step 6 that is very safe with this safety factor.

So, if we're below that hazard index of one, we 8 can conclude with a very high degree of confidence that 9 there is no health risk and, as a result, a cleanup is not 10 needed to protect health. If we're above this 1-centimeter 11 level, we cannot conclude that there is an actual health 12 impact or even a significant health risk. We can only 13 conclude that we're in this zone of uncertainty, we're 14 above the safety factors that have been established, and we 15 need some additional evaluation to better understand the 16 conditions.

That's an overview of the risk-assessment process. 17 18 I'm going to discuss my quantitative risk assessment for 19 the Concession Area and explain how I reached my 20 conclusions that the conditions are not a concern for local 21 residents, not a health risk. So, I applied this four-step process that I just 22

23 described, the first step of which is the hazard 24 characterization. I haven't been down to the Concession

25 Area myself, so for the hazard characterization, I relied

02:27 1 provide different amounts of information for evaluating 2 those risks. The methods that have been referred to as TPH 3 methods measure--give you a total petroleum number, and 4 they give you less information for evaluating risks. The 5 individual compound analysis methods tell you the precise 6 concentration of individual chemicals that are in the 7 petroleum mixture, and that's the most specific information for evaluating risk.

9 As I described my overall process, I'm going to try and illustrate it with specific examples so it's easier 11 to follow along in how the process was implemented. And so 12 this slide shows a photograph illustrating--showing the 13 collection of two samples that were included in my risk assessment. This is a photograph of the Guanta 6 site, and it shows a spring at this site that's used by the local residents for washing laundry.

The Chevron sampling team had a policy of testing 17 every water resource that was identified as being used by the local residents during the inspection process. So, during the Chevron Pre-Inspection, this Chevron technician sampled the surface water and the sediment from this spring. There was no evidence or complaints of petroleum contamination in the spring, but it was tested because it was being used by the local residents.

So, the next step in the process is the toxicity

02:29 1 assessment, and that's evaluating the toxicity of the 2 individual chemicals. And so, what are the individual 3 chemicals? For my risk assessment, I included chemicals 4 that are indicative of petroleum risk, so that included 5 BTEX, four volatile compounds, you've heard about the 6 gasoline portion of crude oil, and these are the four risk 7 chemicals associated with the gasoline portion of 8 petroleum, benzene, Ethyl benzene, toluene, xylenes. I also included PAHs which are the risk chemicals 10 for the less volatile portion of petroleum, and I used the

11 16 priority pollutant PAHs that have been identified by the 13 Now, metals are not strongly associated with crude

14 oil, but they can be associated with oil production 15 activities, and so I included ten metals for completeness. 16 So, in total, I evaluated 30 individual constituents to 17 evaluate risks associated with oilfield contamination.

For the toxicity assessment, I used screening 18 19 values developed by the World Health Organization and the 20 USEPA. In the reports that I have submitted to this 21 Tribunal I used screening values that were developed in the

22 timeframe of the TexPet cleanup program that you've heard a 23 lot about, and those screening values provide a consistent

24 framework for evaluating conditions associated with that

25 cleanup program. As part of my assessment, I've also

02:32 1 required additional evaluation.

So, for the additional evaluation, I move to the 3 exposure pathway analysis, and for those samples that had 4 constituent concentrations above the screening level, I 5 considered, at that sample location, a potential for contact with soil or sediment or ingestion or other uses of the surface water or well water.

And as I will explain, this exposure evaluation 9 indicated no locations with unacceptable risk.

So, how did I reach that determination? This 10 11 slide illustrates one of those evaluations that I did. This is a sample that was collected, again during the Chevron Pre-Inspection program, from the Shushufindi 14 Southwest Production Station, and the sample location is 15 shown by the yellow diamond that is on the aerial image 16 there. That yellow diamond is adjacent to a petroleum 17 pipeline. The pump symbol is the Shushufindi 71 well site, and the pipeline carries the petroleum over to the Shushufindi Southwest Production Station for processing at 20 that station.

21 During the Pre-Inspection, the Chevron sampling 22 team collected a sample from the location shown by the 23 yellow diamond, and that sample had benzo(a) pyrene at 24 3.4 milligrams per kilogram, which is a concentration above

25 this risk-based screening level.

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02:30 1 considered more recent screening values. Those values are 2 similar to the ones from the 1990s era, and consideration 3 of those values does not change my evaluation in any way.

These screening values assume a high level of 5 toxicity. They incorporate this overestimation of toxicity 6 that I've talked about, and they assumed that exposure will 7 occur to the sampled locations; and, as a result, these 8 screening values are appropriate for application of a wide 9 variety of contaminated sites.

10 And so the screening value in this case is this 11 decision criteria that I talked about, that the level 12 that's equivalent to the 1-centimeter step--it's a very 13 safe concentration. So, in looking at an individual 14 sample, if the constituent concentrations are below these 15 risk-based screening values, then with a very heightened 16 degree of confidence, we can conclude that it's not a risk. 17 If the concentration is above the screening level, then 18 that sample location requires additional evaluation to 19 understand potential risks.

So, for the 3,600 samples that were collected 21 during the Judicial Inspection process, 97 percent of those 22 samples had no--none of these 30 constituents with 23 concentrations above the risk-based screening levels.

24 Three percent of the samples had at least one constituent

25 that was above the risk-based screening value and that

02:34 1 COURT REPORTER: Repeat that number, please. THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. That sample had a 3 benzo(a)pyrene concentration of 3.4 milligrams per kilogram, which was above--yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You are beginning to speak 5 quite fast, if you could just keep in mind, try and speak a 7 little bit more slowly.

THE WITNESS: Yes, I will try to do that. Thank 8 9 you.

10 So, this sample had a benzo(a) pyrene concentration 11 above the screening level, and so I needed to evaluate the specific circumstances of that sample. As I said, I 13 haven't been down to the Concession Area, so I evaluated 14 the circumstances of this sample by reviewing the available reports such as the Pre-Inspection Reports, the Judicial Inspection Reports, and I also consulted the individuals who had been down to the Concession Area, such as the Court-appointed Experts, and the other members of the

19 sampling team who were down there. 20 And what I learned from this sample is that this 21 was an asphaltic material, it was associated with pipeline

22 spills that were reported in 1996 and 2000 during the period when Petroecuador's operating the Concession area, 24 but the material had weathered to this asphaltic state, so

25 it was a solid material. And when crude oil weathers to

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02:35 1 this solid state, the chemicals in the crude oil are bound 2 up in this solid matrix. And so, it's like an asphalt 3 road. An asphalt road can contain benzo(a)pyrene and other 4 PAHs, but you can be exposed to the asphalt road without 5 being exposed to those chemicals because the chemicals are 6 bound up in the solid matrix. And because of that, I 7 concluded this location was not a risk concern.

I performed a similar evaluation at other sample locations that had risk exceedances, and other reasons why those locations did not present a risk included samples that were collected from below ground where they had a clean soil cover above them that prevented exposure. Some samples were collected within the active Production Station, a location where the residents are not allowed access, so the residents could not be exposed to locations within the active Production Station.

Other samples were collected in remote locations, such as within a swamp, that could not be routinely accessed by the residents.

So, my overall risk characterization based on this
evaluation, I concluded that there is no evidence of risk
to residents living in the Concession Area, that's based on
this evaluation I discussed, that 97 percent of the samples
have no constituents above the screening levels. For the
remaining 3 percent of samples, the locations of those

02:38 1 that she evaluated in 2014, and at each site she evaluated
2 between one and four individual locations, and those
3 locations are described in the second two columns, but the
4 results of each evaluation are shown on each individual
5 row, so there are 16 rows of results corresponding to the
6 16 locations she evaluated.

She utilized this hazard index approach such that 8 the decision criteria is always tied to a value of one. 9 One corresponding to this 1-centimeter step that's very 10 safe. So, in her evaluations where her hazard index is 11 below one, below this 1 centimeter very safe level or this one drop of beer, very safe level, she indicates those with a white cell, so the white cells are her evaluations that these locations are very safe. If she determined a hazard 15 index above one, above this 1-centimeter step or one drop 16 of beer, indicating that some additional evaluation is 17 required, she colors those cells, and those are her locations that her evaluation indicates require additional evaluation. 19

20 So, you can see scanning across individual rows, 21 she reaches very different answers for the different 22 methods that she utilizes. 23 And what I would like to explain to the Tribunal

24 is that her Method Number 1 is the only method that was 25 conducted in a manner consistent with an established

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02:36 1 samples are such that there is not an exposure concern for 2 the residents.

3 So, I'm going to finish my presentation by 4 discussing my concerns with Dr. Strauss's risk assessment.

Dr. Strauss has submitted three Risk Assessment
Reports to the Tribunal. Well, I think four Risk
Assessment Reports to the Tribunal. In her first risk

8 assessment, she presented no quantitative evaluation of the 9 Concession conditions. In her Second Risk Assessment

10 Report, she presented the results of two different to evaluations such that she presented two different

12 conclusions for each location she evaluated. In her Third

13 Risk Assessment Report, she added an additional four

14 evaluation methods such that she presented six different

15 conclusions for each location that she evaluated. And

16 these different conclusions were based on different

 $17\,$ laboratory methods for measuring petroleum in a sample and

18 three different evaluations of how toxic the crude oil is.

19 And she matched up the different methods with different 20 toxicity evaluations to come up with six different answers.

21 And she presents these evaluations in a table on

 $22\,$ Page 20 of her 2014 Report, and that's shown here, and the $23\,$ table is fairly complicated, so I am going to try and walk

24 through it carefully.

The first column of her table lists the six sites

02:39 1 regulatory framework. It's the only evaluation method that 2 you can look to a written document and step through the

3 process that she used. Her methods three--her Methods

4 Number 2 through 6 all depart from established regulatory 5 frameworks in a way that increase her risk estimates.

And this use of six different methods is problematic because the answers that she gets using these

8 different methods vary quite dramatically. So on this 9 slide I'm showing one of her evaluation locations from the

10 Shushufindi 13 well site, and using her Method Number 1

11 that was conducted in accordance with an established

12 framework, she gets a very low risk value, 0.02, which is

13 well below this 1-centimeter step that's very safe. Using 14 her Method Number 6, she gets a value of 20 which is above

15 this level of one and indicates a need for further

16 evaluation.

Now, I'm going to discuss my concerns with her different evaluation Methods 2 through 6, starting with

19 Method Number 6 and working backwards because

20 Method Number 6 provides the greatest exaggeration of risk.

21 And Method Number 6 is based on this TEM, Total Extractible

22 Material, analytical method that you've already heard some

23 about, that Measures a wide variety of organic

24 constituents, and I'm going to illustrate the problems with

25 that analytical method through the sample that was

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02:41 1 collected at the Shushufindi well site SW004 and SE004. 2 that's a surface water sample and a sediment sample. And 3 this photograph from LBG shows the stream that was targeted 4 for that sampling, and LBG doesn't indicate the exact 5 location of the sample within this photograph, but you can 6 see the stream running through the middle of the 7 photograph. And based on the information provided, I think 8 the sample was collected somewhere in the middle of the photograph.

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So, the samples collected here were analyzed by 11 LBG or their laboratory using a variety of TPH methods, and 12 using this TEM method that measures a lot of materials 13 other than petroleum, the laboratory reported a fairly high 14 concentration: 39,000 milligrams per kilogram of total 15 material. And assuming that if that was all petroleum, 16 Dr. Strauss calculates a hazard index of 20 using her 17 Method Number 6.

Dr. Douglas explained that this analytical method 18 19 is particularly prone to measuring organic material that 20 has nothing to do with petroleum; and, for this particular 21 sample, the laboratory noted that this sample has a lot of 22 plant material in it, and commented that, this sample, 23 along with some others that they were looking at at the 24 same time, had too many fine roots to remove.

When this sample is analyzed by a more reliable

02:44 1 She developed the values specifically for this project. 2 That is a method that is not accepted by regulators. To my 3 knowledge, her toxicity assessment that she did in 2014 has 4 not been applied to other sites and has not been peer-reviewed.

> In doing this, she changed her position from 2013 6 7 when she only relied on toxicity values developed by regulatory authorities, which, as I said, is the standard 9 practice in our field.

And, in addition, Dr. Strauss did not consider a 11 2008 Guidelines document issued by the EPA that establishes toxicity factors for petroleum that are to be used if you are evaluating the risk of petroleum using a TPH method.

So, that brings us to Method Number 2. And for 15 Method Number 2, Dr. Strauss did use a regulatory guidance 16 document, but the regulatory guidance document, the 17 Louisiana document that she cites, establishes this method only for preliminary screening of a site. This evaluation

method uses the 8015 analytical method that gives us very limited information about the petroleum, but it's less

21 expensive than some of the methods that give us more

22 detailed information. And because it's less expensive, the

23 Louisiana quidance document supports its use for initial 24 screening. But the Louisiana guidance document that I show

25 on this next slide, it says if you have the more detailed

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02:42 1 method and a method more suitable for evaluating petroleum 2 risk, the laboratory reported a much lower concentration.

3 Using the VPH/EPH method, they reported a much lower

4 concentration of petroleum, 154 milligrams per kilogram. 5 And when Dr. Strauss evaluated this result using her

6 Method Number 1, the only method that's tied to a 7 regulatory Protocol, she gets a hazard index of 0.02.

And so the risk evaluations conducted by 9 Dr. Strauss using her Method Number 6 are unreliable in 10 part because they use the TEM method which provides 11 unreliable results regarding the amount of petroleum in a 12 sample.

For her Methods 3 through 6, Dr. Strauss used a 13 14 toxicity value that she developed on her own. When we 15 conduct risk assessments, we always rely on toxicity values 16 that are developed by regulatory authorities, and we do 17 that because it provides a consistent framework for 18 evaluating contaminated sites. And we do that because it 19 provides a consistent framework for evaluating contaminated 20 sites. It ensures a consistency from site to site. For 21 Methods 3 through 6, Dr. Strauss departed from that 22 practice and utilized a toxicity value that she developed

23 on her own.

And she developed this toxicity value only for her 25 Third Risk Assessment Report that she submitted in 2014.

02:46 1 TPH data and the more limited data, so the more detailed

2 data is what they call the TPH fractionation data, and the 3 more limited data that Dr. Strauss used for Method Number 2

4 is called the TPH mixture data, the Louisiana quidance

5 document that Dr. Strauss cites says explicitly "management

6 decisions shall be based on the fractionation data." And 7 the quidance document says that because the fractionation

methods more accurately characterize site conditions.

9 And in every case where Dr. Strauss utilized 10 Method Number 2, she also had this more detailed

11 information, the fractionation data that's specifically

12 referenced in the Louisiana Guide, and that is

13 Method Number 1. So, Method Number 1 is the only approach 14 Dr. Strauss used that is consistent with regulatory

15 framework, and it's the only method that should be

16 considered by this Tribunal. If the Tribunal evaluates

17 conditions in the Concession Area using Methods 2 through 6 presented by Dr. Strauss, the Tribunal will be creating a

new precedent because these methods are simply not used to

evaluate petroleum risk. 20

21 So, if you look at the results that Dr. Strauss

22 obtained using Method Number 1, she evaluated 16 locations. And as I explained at the beginning of my discussion of her

work, the white cells are the cells where she calculated a

25 hazard index below one. That's a risk that's below this

02:47 1 very safe level of a 1-centimeter step or one drop of beer. 2 And so at 13 of these 16 locations, Dr. Strauss found that 3 the conditions are very safe.

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At the remaining three locations--those are the 5 colored cells on the table--she indicates that some further 6 evaluation is merited. But when you look at each of these 7 three locations, you find that there is not a current 8 exposure at these locations that indicates an actual health 9 concern.

I'm going to illustrate that by looking at just 11 one of them. This is at the Aquarico 6 site. And so, here 12 I show another aerial image. The green point is the 13 wellhead itself, and the yellow diamond is the sample 14 location. So, this is a water sample that was collected by 15 LBG. It was collected from a monitoring well that they 16 installed as part of their investigation process. There 17 was no well at this location before LBG installed their 18 sampling well, and it's a location with no nearby 19 residences.

20 And so, I show a photograph that was provided by 21 LBG showing this monitoring well location. This monitoring 22 well was installed in a swampy area that has visible oil 23 contamination. And so, Dr. Strauss calculated her risk 24 value assuming that a resident would drink water from the 25 location of this monitoring well at some time in the

02:51 1 Strauss included in her cancer-risk assessment, the PAHs 2 were detected at these very low concentrations and also 3 detected in the blank samples of these very low 4 concentrations such that a proper data validation would have indicated that the concentrations in the samples from 6 the site should be considered non-detect, and that was not 7 properly accounted for in Dr. Strauss's cancer-risk 8 evaluation.

10 sources of PAHs. For the eight PAHs that Dr. Strauss 11 included in her cancer-risk assessment, there are many 12 other sources of these PAHs, including combustion sources--so, the PAHs can originate from cooking fires used 14 by the local residents or from agricultural fires used to 15 clear land. And Dr. Strauss did not consider these 16 potential sources, particularly in the samples where these 17 PAHs were detected at very low concentrations.

In addition, Dr. Strauss did not consider other

But regardless of these concerns, if you look at 18 the actual drinking water sources that Dr. Strauss evaluated, in every case, even accepting her data at face value, the hand-dug wells comply with the World Health Organization drinking water criteria. That's both for individual constituents and for the total cancer risk. So, Dr. Strauss's risk assessment, her overall 24

25 conclusion is that there's widespread petroleum

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02:49 1 future. And the fact is that nobody today is drinking 2 water from this oily swamp, and so this is not a health 3 risk today.

I think Dr. Strauss and I would both agree that 5 this oily swamp should be addressed in accordance with 6 Ecuadorian regulations that would require a cleanup of this

7 swamp, but this swamp does not present a health risk. I'm going to finish my discussion by briefly 9 discussing Dr. Strauss's cancer-risk evaluation. I have 10 many of the same concerns with her cancer-risk evaluation, 11 but specifically her cancer-risk evaluation evaluates 12 cancer risk based on eight individual PAH compounds that 13 were measured in the samples collected by LBG. And 14 Dr. Douglas explained some of the data quality problems 15 associated with that analysis, specifically the same PAH 16 compounds were detected in every laboratory blank sample 17 that was analyzed by this laboratory. So, when the 18 laboratory was sent--was provided with clean water, such as 19 in bottled water, they found the same constituents in the 20 blank samples.

21 And specifically for these PAHs, they were 22 detected in the blank samples and also in many of the site 23 samples at very low concentrations. There was a discussion 24 of quantitation limits that I'm sure was a little bit 25 difficult to follow, but for most of the samples that Dr.

02:52 1 contamination and widespread risk concerns. However, a 2 closer examination indicates that her evaluation relied on 3 flawed analytical methods that are not accepted for risk 4 assessment. She utilizes a toxicity value that she created 5 for this project, she assumed exposures that are not 6 actually occurring, and these issues result in risk values that are exaggerated by as much as a thousand times. In addition, I will point out that all of the

9 locations she evaluated are locations that were outside of the TexPet cleanup program that you've heard about.

So, looking at my risk assessment and also an appropriate evaluation of her risk assessment, they both 13 indicate no health-risk concern; and, as a result, the 14 evidence that's in the Lago record and that has been 15 presented to this Tribunal does not support the Judgment Award for a \$1.4 billion healthcare system, an \$800 million excess cancer Judgment, or a \$150 million potable water 17 system. 18

19 That's my presentation. I look forward to questions from the Tribunal and from the Ecuador 20 21 representatives.

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Are there any more questions 23 from the Claimants?

24 MS. RENFROE: No, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We may have questions later,

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02:54 1 but we will now have questions from the Respondent.

- 2 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 3 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. President.
- CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 5 BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:
- Q. Good afternoon, Dr. McHugh.
- A. Good afternoon.
- Q. My name is Eduardo Silva Romero. I am one of the
- 9 lawyers representing the Republic of Ecuador in this case,
- 10 and I'm here to ask you a few questions if you agree.
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 O. You will be given a Cross-Examination Bundle,
- 13 Dr. McHugh.
- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 Q. And we may refer to it from time to time to
- 16 discuss about some documents.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. I understand you know how these examinations
- 19 proceed.
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Dr. McHugh, first of all, I would like to discuss
- 22 about your experience generally, and perhaps the best way
- 23 to do it is to go to your CV, which is Appendix A to your
- 24 30th of May 2013 Report, I believe.
- 25 A. Yes.

02:56 1 relinguished my ownership share in GSI because I was

- 2 interested in reducing the amount of time that I invested
- 3 in the company. So, I still carry the honorary title of
- 4 Vice President, but I'm no longer an owner at GSI.
- 5 Q. So, if I understood your answer, you are still a
- 6 Vice President of GSI; correct?
- A. Yes
- Q. But you're no longer a Shareholder of the company;
- 9 correct?

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- A. That's correct.
- 11 O. And the President of GSI is, I understand,
- 12 Mr. Connor; correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And he's a Shareholder, is he?
 - A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Right.
 - If we go to Page 2 of the CV, Dr. McHugh, from
- 18 Page 2 onwards, you list what you call "representative
- 19 project experience; " you agree?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And if I got it right, you break down this
- 22 representative project experience into six different
- 23 categories. I see, first, vapor intrusion; then toxicology
- 24 and risk assessment; then--and I'm on Page 3 of the
- 25 CV--course development and training; then on Page 4,

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02:55 1 Q. I must say at the outset that I'm a bit confused

- 2 with the dates because there are three dates on your
- 3 Reports. On the first page you have 3rd of June as issued,
- 4 then revised the 4th of September, then on the next page
- 5 you have the date of the 30th of May 2013. I'm not making
- 6 any argument or point on that, but I just want to agree on
- 7 the terminology. We can refer to it, if you agree, to the
- 8 September 2013 Report; is that correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. All right.
- 11 MR. SILVA ROMERO: So, and for the Tribunal, you
- 12 can also find this Report at Tab 1 of the examination
- 13 bundle, if you prefer.
- 14 BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:
- 15 O. The first question--
 - MR. SILVA ROMERO: Tab 2 of the examination
- 17 bundle. Apologies.
 - BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:
- 19 Q. The first question I had regarding the CV,
- 20 Dr. McHugh, is whether you're still a Vice President of
- 21 GSI.

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- 22 A. Well, so, Vice President--when I was first
- 23 identified as Vice President with the company, it was
- 24 because I was a Shareholder and a part owner of the
- 25 company. And, at the end of 2012, I believe it was, I

- 02:58 1 education support; then on Page 5, environmental
 - 2 engineering; and the last category is on the next page,
 - 3 biochemistry and microbiology.
 - A. That's correct.
 - O. Right.

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- 6 Out of this representative project experience here
- 7 that you set out, how many of those projects involved site
- 8 investigations related to oil exploration and production
- 9 operations?
- 10 A. I don't know. I would have to go through and
- 11 count them individually. There's quite a number of
- 12 projects listed.
- 13 Q. If I say more or less ten, will you agree with
- 14 that?

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- 15 A. I wouldn't dispute it.
 - I would--to give you a precise number, I would
- 17 have to go through and look at each individual one.
 - Q. Right.
- 19 Well, the first category, as we mentioned a moment
- 20 ago, of these projects is vapor intrusion; correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And from your CV, I got to the conclusion that you
- 23 are an expert on vapor intrusion issues; would you agree
- 24 with me?
 - 5 A. Yes, I have done a lot of work on vapor intrusion,

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02:59 1 yes.

- Q. Could we say that this is your main specialty?
- A. I wouldn't characterize it as my main specialty.
- 4 I've worked on a number of vapor intrusion projects in
- 5 recent years, but I've also worked on quite a number of
- 6 other projects.
- 7 Q. If we come back to Page 1 of the CV, Dr. McHugh, 8 the first section is the biographical summary.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And towards the end you say the following: "He is
- 11 a principal investigator for two vapor intrusion research
- 12 projects funded by the Department of Defense through their
- 13 Environmental Security Technology and Certification Program
- 14 Research Program. In addition, Dr. McHugh is a PI for
- 15 another project, demonstrating technologies to reduce
- 16 viability in groundwater monitoring data. He's the lead
- 17 author on several peer-reviewed journal articles,
- 18 peer-reviewed conferences, proceedings, and technical
- 19 documents on vapor intrusion and other topics related to
- 20 environmental site investigation and remediation."
- 21 So, when I read this paragraph, Dr. McHugh, I
- 22 noticed that you underlined your experience on vapor
- 23 intrusion issues.
- 24 Would you agree with that?
- 25 A. Yes. That's been an issue of--that's had a lot of

- 03:03 1 Q. And you describe this course or this project in
 - 2 the following way: "Developed and taught two-day training
 - 3 course on risk-based corrective action, " and then you say,
 - 4 "key topics included overview of corrective action,
 - 5 environmental fate and transport, development of
 - 6 site-specific cleanup standards, remedy selection,
 - 7 monitored natural attenuation, and the use of RBCA
 - 8 software."

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- 9 Do you see that, sir?
 - A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And I understand this RBCA methodology is the one
- 12 you rely upon in your Reports; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And this course that you list here, was it aimed
- 15 at explaining the ASTM Standard Guide for RBCA applied at
- 16 petroleum release sites?
- 17 A. Yes, that was the original focus of the course.
- 18 This specific course was a course that was developed by
- 19 myself and some other individuals at GSI. It sort of--it
- 20 followed on and was similar to a course that was developed
- 21 ASTM that explained the process that they developed. GSI
- 22 developed a software tool called the "Rebecca toolkit" that
- 23 helped users implement that evaluation process. And
- 24 because we were offering the software product, there was
- 25 also interest in training provided by GSI that described

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- 03:01 1 interest in the United States over the last several years,
 - ${\tt 2}\ \ {\tt and}\ {\tt I}\ {\tt have}\ {\tt done}\ {\tt a}\ {\tt lot}\ {\tt of}\ {\tt work}\ {\tt in}\ {\tt that}\ {\tt area},\ {\tt so},\ {\tt that's}\ {\tt one}$
 - 3 of the areas that I've highlighted, yes.
 - 4 Q. And then if we go to page--I believe, 6 and Page 7
 - 5 of your CV, Dr. McHugh, my impression reading the different
 - 6 publications that you list is that most of those
 - 7 publications are on vapor intrusion issues.
 - 3 Would you agree with me, sir?
 - 9 A. Many of them are, many of them are not.
 - 10 O. Right. But you agree that the majority of
 - 11 publications are related to the issue of vapor intrusion,
 - 12 would you not?
 - 13 A. I couldn't tell you without going through and
 - 14 counting them.
 - 15 Q. Okay. If we come back to Page 4 of the CV, on the
 - 16 top of the page you list some course development and
 - 17 training projects; correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- 19 Q. And I believe it's the seventh project on this
- 20 page, it is a risk-based corrective action training.
- 21 Do you see that?
- 22 A. Yes
 - And risk-based corrective action is what is called
- 24 RBCA; correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 03:04 1 both the ASTM process and application of our software. And
 - 2 so we developed this course, and I taught this course quite 3 a number of times.
 - Q. And when you mention "Rebecca," this is RBCA;
 - 5 correct?

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- A. Correct.
- 7 Q. This is the way to mention in the business to
- B refer to the RBCA system?
- 9 A. Yes, thank you for that clarification. We call it
- 0 "Rebecca." "Rebecca" is sort of the pronunciation of RBCA.
- Q. Well, I think we can agree to call it "Rebecca"
- 12 because it's probably nicer; okay?
 - A. It's certainly easier, yes.
 - Q. All right. Let's call it "Rebecca" from now on.
- 15 On Page 1 of the September 2013 Report,
- 16 Dr. McHugh, which is on Tab 2 of the bundle, you see the
- 17 title on the top of the page is "a scope of engagement."
 - Do you see that, sir?
- 19 A. I'm not sure exactly where you're referring to.
- 20 Q. I'm sorry, Page 1. I'm sorry.
- 21 A. Yes
- 22 Q. You see the title, 1, "Introduction."
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Then 1.1, "Personal Qualifications and
- 25 Experience."

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03:06 1 A. Yes.

Q. In the second paragraph you say: "During my 3 20-plus years in the environmental industry, I have worked 4 on hundreds of environmental risk assessment, environmental 5 site investigation and remediation projects."

So, I take it from the CV that if you did ten-plus
assessments in relation to sites where exploration and
production of oil occurred, that's it, only ten?

9 A. No. My CV, as those headers you referred to 10 indicate, they list representative projects for each 11 category. So, the CV is not an exhaustive list of 12 projects.

Q. Right. You didn't find helpful for this Tribunal to have all the list of the different oil production and exploration projects you had?

16 A. I simply included the standard copy of my CV.

17 O. Right.

And I understand that all the projects concerning oil operations in which you worked-on which you worked

20 occurred in the U.S.; correct?

21 A. That may be the ones that I listed on my CV. I've 22 also assisted on some international projects.

Q. The ones I found in your CV happened in Texas and

24 in California.

25 A. Okay.

03:09 1 have presented in this case. And I understand, Dr. McHugh,

2 that you have presented five Reports which are in the

3 record of this arbitration; would you agree with me?

A. I guess if you include the Report that was authored by Mr. Connor that I--where I assisted on the

6 risk-assessment portion, then yes, five would be the

7 correct count--five would be the correct count if you 8 include the Report authored by Mr. Connor in 2010.

9 Q. Yes. So, Ms. Renfroe mentioned three Reports 10 submitted for this arbitration, and you annexed to your 11 First Report submitted in this arbitration the 2010 Report

12 that you prepared with Mr. Connor, and your 2008 Report;

13 correct?

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14 A. That's correct.

Q. And I understand that the 2008 Report was prepared

16 for the purposes of the Lago Agrio Litigation; correct?

A. That's correct.

18 Q. Do you recall how was the 2008 Report filed with

19 the Ecuadorian courts?

20 A. I'm not familiar with the details of exactly how

21 it was filed.

22 Q. Was it filed together with the Report of

23 Mr. Connor?

24 A. My recollection is that my evaluation was included

25 with--as a single report with a couple of additional

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03:08 1 Q. Okay

2 Leaving aside this Chevron versus Ecuador Case,

3 Dr. McHugh, have you undertaken any RBCA projects related 4 to oil operations in the Amazon?

5 A. No.

6 Q. Have you undertaken any RBCA projects in Ecuador?

A. No

8 Q. Have you undertaken any RBCA projects in South

9 America?

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10 A. Yes.

Q. Where was that?

12 A. In Mexico.

13 Q. Close to California and Texas, I find?

14 A. Yes. I quess--well, so, I quess Mexico is not

15 South America. Mexico is North America.

Q. In 1830, California--

17 (Laughter.)

18 Q. Well, please strike that.

19 COURT REPORTER: Too late.

20 BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:

Q. Have you ever been in the Amazon rainforest,

22 Dr. McHugh?

23 A. No, I have not.

24 Q. Very well.

Now I would like to turn to the Reports that you

03:11 1 experts. It was sort of a package of three Reports. But

2 to my knowledge, I mean, I don't know if it was

3 submitted--how it was submitted in relation to Mr. Connor's

4 Report. I just don't know.

 ${\tt Q.}$ ${\tt Okay.}$ But I understand that in 2008, you served

6 as an expert in the Lago Agrio Litigation before the

7 Ecuadorian courts; correct?

A. That's correct. That's my understanding.

9 Q. And my understanding is that Chevron hired you to 10 prepare and submit a report in 2008 for the consideration

11 of the Lago Agrio Court; correct?

A. That's correct.

13 $\,$ Q. And this 2008 Report provided a quantitative risk

14 assessment of potential human health risk within the former

15 Petroecuador-Texaco Concession Area; correct?

A. That's correct.

17 Q. And I understood that you say "potential" because,

18 as a risk assessor, as a health-risk assessor, you are

19 assessing risk in the future, and you are not actually

20 establishing actual harms in the present time; correct?

21 A. You're correct that I'm not evaluating actual

22 harm. I'm evaluating both current and potential future

23 risk.

Q. Right. Now, in order to prepare your 2008 Report,

25 you exclusively relied on Chevron's Judicial Inspection

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- 03:12 1 data; correct?
 - A. I quantitatively evaluated Chevron's Judicial
 - 3 Inspection data. I also considered the data collected by
 - 4 the Plaintiffs, but they had not provided to the Court or
 - 5 to Chevron representatives the data quality documentation
 - 6 needed to evaluate the quality of their data; and, as a

 - 7 result, I did not include their dataset in my quantitative
 - 8 evaluation in 2008.
 - Q. So, to be clear, you didn't include the
 - 10 Plaintiffs' Judicial Inspection data in your analysis of
 - 11 2008; correct?

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- A. I considered it and did not include it in my
- 13 quantitative evaluation.
- Q. So, you didn't include it; correct?
 - A. I'm sorry? You're saying I did?
- Q. You did not include the data taken by the 16
- 17 Plaintiffs in the Lago Agrio Litigation.
- A. I did not quantitatively evaluate it. 18
- 19 Q. Right. Now, in your 2008 Report, potential risks
- 20 to human health were evaluated based on the RBCA process
- published by ASTM; correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Will you please tell the Tribunal what ASTM stands
- 24 for, Dr. McHugh.
- A. ASTM stands for the American Society for Testing

- 03:15 1 Standard Guide for RBCA applied at petroleum release sites; 2 correct?
 - A. That was one of the documents I relied on, yes.
 - Q. And just to start looking at this document for
 - the--and to facilitate access to it for the Tribunal, this
 - quide is at Tab 9 of the bundle.
 - And is this the document we were discussing about,
 - 8 Dr. McHugh?
 - 9 A. Well, this is equivalent to the document that I
 - used in 2008, but you can see at the top here that this
 - document was re-approved in 2010. So, this standard was
 - originally developed in 1995, but the ASTM process requires
 - that these standards be reviewed roughly every five years,
 - and so they're reviewed by the same Committee that
 - 15 developed them originally to ensure that standards have not
 - 16 changed, to ensure that it's still a relevant and
 - 17 appropriate standard. And this standard has been
 - re-approved a couple of times, most recently in 2010, but
 - clearly that re-approval occurred after my Report.
 - 20 Q. Probably in 2008 you relied on the document
 - re-approved in 2002?
 - 22 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And there is no substantial difference between the
 - 24 document re-approved in 2002 and the document re-approved
 - 25 in 2010; correct?

- 03:14 1 and Materials. It's a non-profit organization that brings
 - 2 together experts to develop procedures for a wide variety
 - 3 of activities. The procedures might include things such as
 - 4 the strength and specification of hardware, such as screws,
 - 5 you know, how much force can a screw take. But
 - 6 specifically here they have a group that develops standards
 - 7 for addressing environmental issues, and I utilized the
 - 8 standard that they developed for evaluating petroleum
 - 9 sites.
 - 10 O. Do you know who drafted this ASTM Guide?
 - A. It was a group. I don't recall the specific 11
 - 12 individuals.
 - Q. Right. I understand that in the group of members 13
 - 14 of ASTM there are industry representatives; correct?
 - A. Yes, there are typically both industry and 15
 - government representatives. 16
 - Q. And obviously industry representatives include oil 17
 - 18 companies; correct?
 - 19 A. That's correct--for issues that are of interest to
 - 20 the oil companies, yes.
 - Right. 0.
 - 22 A. For issues related to the screws, probably not.
 - 23 0. Fair enough.
 - I understand, Dr. McHugh, that more specifically,
 - 25 for the purposes of the 2008 Report, you relied on the

- 03:17 1 A. That's correct.
 - Q. Now, maybe we can go to your 2008 Report, and more
 - 3 specifically to Page 49. And I understand that this
 - 4 document starts at Page 45 because there were other
 - 5 chapters in the original Report; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And on Page 49, the second paragraph says: "For
 - this Report, the results from each Judicial Inspection site
 - have been compiled and reviewed to evaluate the potential
 - 10 for exposure to petroleum-related contaminants. Potential
 - 11 risks to human health associated with such exposures have 12 been evaluated based on the risk-based corrective action
 - 13 RBCA process published by ASTM and endorsed by USEPA and
 - 14 many other regulatory agencies worldwide," and you give the
 - example of the Colombia Ministerio Ambiente; correct? 15
 - 16
 - A. Correct.
 - Q. And you said earlier that you relied on the ASTM 17
 - Standard Guide and other documents. I take it that the
 - other document is more specifically the guide by the USEPA;
 - 20 correct?
 - A. That is one of--well, the EPA has a lot of guides,
 - 22 so, I'm not sure what you're referring to.
 - Q. We will come to it later. But you relied on some 23
 - 24 USEPA guidelines?
 - A. Yes.

- 03:20 1 Q. I understand, Dr. McHugh, that you also relied
 - 2 upon the ASTM Standard Guide of 2000 for RBCA; correct?
 - A. I believe I mentioned that guidance document. I
 - 4 don't think it was a central part of my evaluation process.
 - 5 Q. Okay. And I understand that the difference
 - 6 between the 1995, as re-approved, Guide and the 2000 Guide
 - 7 is that the '95 Guide is specific to petroleum release and
 - 8 the 2000 is more general; correct?
 - 9 A. That's correct.
 - 10 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Looking at the President, I
 - 11 don't know, Mr. President, if you want to have a break.
 - 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's have a break whenever
 - 13 it's convenient for you.
 - 14 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I think it's now.
 - 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's break and then we will
 - 16 come back at 25 to 4:00. But just give us some idea--
 - 17 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Absolutely.
 - 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: How long you will be when you
 - 19 get back.
 - 20 You can do it--tell us later. Don't tell us now.
 - 21 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I believe probably half an
 - 22 hour, 45 minutes.
 - 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Thank you.
 - So, we will break 15 minutes.
 - Please don't talk about the case or testimony away

- 03:36 1 within those four categories.
 - Q. So, I understand that each of the four steps may
 - 3 have different stages; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And you represent the four main steps at Page, I
 - 6 believe, 55 of the Report, and this is the Figure 2-5.
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And here we see the four steps that you mentioned
 - 9 in your direct presentation; correct?
 - A. Correct.
 - 11 Q. Did you draw this table here?
 - 12 A. This was drawn by support staff under my
 - 13 direction.
 - 14 Q. Understood. You didn't take it from one of the
 - 15 guides we have been discussing about?
 - 6 A. No.
 - 17 Q. And, Dr. McHugh, you mentioned during your direct
 - 18 presentation that the first step is the source hazard
 - 19 characterization; correct?
 - 20 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And I understand that this first step could also
 - 22 be called site assessment; right?
 - 23 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And I also understand that the purpose of the site
 - 25 assessment is to identify contamination which could entail

- 03:21 1 from the Tribunal.
 - 2 (Brief recess.)
 - 3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
 - 4 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. President.
 - 5 BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:
 - 6 Q. Dr. McHugh, if we can go now to Page 49 of the
 - 7 September 2008 Report, please.
 - 8 A. Okay.
 - 9 Q. And towards the middle of the page, you see the
 - 10 title, "A Standardized Process to Evaluate Risk."
 - 11 Do you see that, sir?
 - 12 A. Above the header in the middle of the page or
 - 13 below?
 - 14 O. Well, it's a title--
 - 15 A. Oh, it's the title itself, yes.
 - 16 Q. Yes.
 - 17 And then the first paragraph under that title
 - 18 towards the middle, says following: "The process consists
 - 19 of four main steps."
 - 20 Do you see that, sir?
 - 21 A. Yes
 - 22 Q. And I take it that you say, "main," because there
 - 23 might be more steps in a RBCA; correct?
 - 24 A. There could be. I mean, these are the four broad
 - 25 categories, and there are certainly a lot of specific steps

- 03:38 1 risks to human health; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - O. And my understanding is that, to undertake the
 - 4 site assessment, you may rely on different sources of
 - 5 information. For instance, you can rely on the history of
 - 6 the site; correct?
 - A. Yeah.
 - 8 The source hazard characterization you should
 - 9 consider available information, yes.
 - 10 O. And some available information could be the
 - 11 history of the sites that you can find in some documents;
 - 12 correct?
 - 13 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And I understand that you can also rely on
 - 15 interviews of people who know the evolution of the site;
 - 16 correct?
 - 17 A. Correct.
 - 18 Q. And in that sense, testimony from people who know
 - 19 the evolution of the site may be relevant in a RBCA;
 - 20 correct?
 - 21 A. They may be relevant to provide a general
 - 22 understanding of the site.
 - 23 Q. And obviously, the first step, the site
 - 24 assessment, also encompasses a sampling program; correct?
 - A. Correct.

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- 03:39 1 Q. And during this first step of the RBCA, one, the 2 assessor should select the chemicals of concern at the 3 site; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. And the selection of chemicals of concern is based
 - 6 on the consideration of exposure routes, concentrations,
 - 7 mobilities, toxicological properties and esthetic
 - 8 characteristics such as taste, odor, and so forth;
 - 9 correct?"
 - 10 A. I would agree for the human health evaluation, the 11 esthetic characteristics is not necessarily relevant.
 - 12 O. Let's go to Tab 9 of the bundle, if you will,
 - 13 Dr. McHugh.
 - 14 A. Okay.
 - 15 Q. And this is a standard quide for RBCA re-approved
 - 16 in 2010, and if we can go to Page 14, one-four, of the
 - 17 document, towards the end of the page, you will find,
 - 18 Dr. McHugh, Article X1.4.1.
 - 19 Do you see that Article, sir?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. And towards the middle of this article, it is
 - 22 stated: "The selection of chemicals of concern is based on
 - 23 consideration of exposure routes, concentrations,
 - 24 mobilities, toxicological properties, and esthetic
 - 25 characteristics such as taste, odor and so forth."

- 03:43 1 A. It can be--it can be part of the quantitative 2 assessment, but it does not relate directly to whether or 3 not there is a human health risk.
 - Q. Esthetic can give indications as to whether there is need to obtain more information on a site; correct?
 - 6 A. That's not what this is referring to here. This 7 is referring to constituents that could affect the odor or
 - B other characteristics of the environmental media without
 - 9 posing a health risk. And so, as part of a comprehensive
 - O evaluation, it's pointing out that, in addition to
 - 11 evaluating health risk and in evaluating whether a cleanup
 - 12 is required, it's appropriate to include whether there are 13 esthetic impacts that are unrelated to risk.
 - 4 O. Esthetic may be used to determine whether there
 - 15 are hydrocarbons on a site; correct?
 16 A. Well, some hydrocarbons have odors.
 - A. Well, some hydrocarbons have odors.Q. And, therefore, esthetic may be used as a starting
 - 18 point for a RBCA process; correct?
 - 19 A. That's not what this is referring to. This is
 - 20 referring to conditions where there is a taste or odor
 - 21 impact that does not present health risk.
 - Q. Esthetic determinations, Dr. McHugh, can prompt
 - 23 the assessor to take more samples; correct?
 - A. It's not our standard practice in doing site
 - 25 investigations to rely on odor characteristics as a primary

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03:42 1 Do you see that?

- A. Yes, that's covering all of the constituents that
- 3 would be involved in a comprehensive evaluation, including
- ${\tt 4}$ ${\tt the}$ human health-risk assessment, but the esthetic
- 5 characteristics, taste, odor and so forth, do not directly
- 6 relate to the evaluation of human health impacts.
- Q. And you didn't take into account esthetic
- 8 characteristics in your analysis, did you, sir?
- 9 A. For my evaluation of potential human health 10 impacts, no.
- 11 Q. If we go now to Page 4 of the same document, which
- 12 is again the RBCA Bible, you will find Article 4.5 on the
- 13 left of the page. Do you see that, sir?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And it is stated here that, in order to properly
- 16 apply the RBCA process, the user should avoid the
- 17 following. And if you go to Article 4.5.10, it says,
- 18 "neglecting esthetic and other criteria when determining
- 19 RBSLs or SSTLs.
- 20 Do you see that, sir?
- 21 A. That's right, because the RBCA process includes
- 22 the human health-risk evaluation and consideration of other
- 23 criteria, these esthetic criteria.
- Q. So, esthetic may be part of a qualitative risk
- 25 assessment; correct?

- 03:45 1 method for identifying sample locations.
 - Q. If we go now to Article VI.1.2.9, which is on Page
 - 3 5 on the left--on the right of page, VI.2.1.9 is the first
 - 4 article. VI.2.1 says, on the left, "The site assessment
 - 5 information for Tier I evaluation may include the
 - 6 following," and then VI.2.1.9, "a qualitative evaluation of
 - 7 impacts to environmental receptors."
 - Do you see that, sir?
 - 9 A. That's correct. So, that's talking about the site
 - O assessment part of it, so that's the hazard
 - 11 characterization piece that we talked about, and a
 - 12 qualitative evaluation would be things like visual evidence
 - 13 of impacts, yes.
 - 14 Q. And a qualitative assessment may be the first step 15 of a site assessment; correct?
 - 16 A. Well, I would agree that qualitative information
 - 17 is incorporated into the site assessment and can guide the site investigator to appropriate sampling locations.
 - 19 Q. And then on the basis of these qualitative
 - 20 assessment, the investigator can then undertake a
 - 21 quantitative analysis; correct?
 - 22 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And do you agree with me, sir, or don't you, that
 - 24 a site visit could be a qualitative risk assessment?
 - A. I'm not following you.

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- 03:47 1 Q. This Tribunal--maybe you don't know that,
 - $\, 2 \,$ sir--this Tribunal will go to the Amazon to see four sites.
 - 3 You know that, sir?
 - A. Yes, that's my understanding.
 - 5 Q. And I understand that site visit could be
 - 6 characterized as a qualitative risk assessment, could it?
 - A. No

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- Q. They will look at some impacts in the environment.
- 9 A. Yes. I expect when the Tribunal goes to the
- 10 Concession Area that they will be looking at the
- 11 conditions.
- 12 O. The second step of the analysis, Dr. McHugh, is
- 13 what you call the toxicity assessment; correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. And as a layman, I understand this second step as
- 16 the application of some relevant standards to the
- 17 identified contamination to find out how toxic that
- 18 contamination can be. Do you agree with me?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- 20 O. And hence, the choice of the relevant criteria,
- 21 what you call the health-based screening criteria, is
- 22 essential. Do you agree with me?
- 23 A. It's important to select appropriate values, yes.
 - Q. And I understand that the main difference between
- 25 you and Dr. Strauss is precisely the choice of those

- 03:51 1 Q. Are you with me, Dr. McHugh?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. You say here, "For oil compounds for which the
 - 4 World Health Organization guidelines didn't provide numeric
 - 5 drinking water criteria, concentrations for the protection
 - 6 of human health were developed according to the procedures
 - 7 specified in the soil screening guidance issued by USEPA in 8 1996."
 - 9 Correct?
 - A. Correct.

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- 11 Q. And I understood from this sentence here that you
- 12 didn't rely for this Report on the supplemental guidance of
- 13 the USEPA of 2002.
- 15 Q. And if we can go, please, to Tab 14, which is the
- 16 last tab of the bundle. This is the supplemental quidance
- 17 for developing soil screening levels for Superfund sites?
- 18 A. Yes
- 19 Q. Are you with me, Dr. McHugh?

A. That's correct.

20 A. Yes.

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- Q. And if you go, please, to Page--
 - MR. SILVA ROMERO: And again, the pages here are
- 23 weird, Mr. President--
 - BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:
- Q. It's Page 3-1, so you need to finish with the

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03:49 1 criteria; correct?

- 2 A. No, there are many differences that we have.
- Q. And I understand that Dr. Strauss's criteria are more protective of human health than your criteria;
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. No. I would say both sets of criteria are 7 protective of health.
- 8 Q. If we go now to your First Report in the
- 9 arbitration, the September 2013 Report, and more
- 10 specifically to Appendix C--and let me see if I can find
- 11 the page.
- 12 A. I'm sorry, which report are you referring to now?
- 13 Q. The September 2013 Report.
- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Might you be looking for the
- 16 2013 report, Appendix C?
- 17 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Correct. And more specifically
- 18 C.1.2, but I don't see page numbers.
- 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's forbidden.
- Just give us the first line of the page.
- 21 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Yes. The first line of the
- 22 page is, "Obtained from the USEPA integrated risk
- 23 information system."
- 24 And towards the bottom of the page--
- 25 BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:

- 03:53 1 Pages 1, then the Pages 2, and then you have the Pages 3,
 - 2 and this is the first page of the three category, if I may
 - 3 say. 3-1. And the title on the top is, "Exposure
 - 4 pathways."

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- 5 I understand that this supplemental quidance,
- 6 Dr. McHugh, updated the 1996 quide you relied upon in 2013
- 7 in relation to specifically exposure pathways; correct?
- A. That's correct.
 - O. And towards the end of the one, two--third
- 10 paragraph you can read the following at the beginning of
- 11 the third paragraph: "This chapter updates the 1996 in
- 12 three ways." And I am interested in the second, which
- 13 says: "It presents equations for a combined soil ingestion
- 14 dermal absorption SSL that includes a new quantitative
- 15 approach for evaluating dermal absorption." Correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- 17 Q. And I understood from your responses that you
- 18 didn't take into account this update of 2002; correct?
- 19 A. That's right. The 1996 guidance document says
- 20 they did not include dermal absorption because at that time
- 21 they did not have a procedure for it. The skin is a
- 22 natural barrier to contaminants. The skin is designed to
- 23 protect us from the environment, and so it's not a
- 24 significant exposure pathway. In this 2002 guidance
- 25 document, the USEPA does present a quantitative method for

- 03:55 1 evaluating dermal exposure that intentionally overestimates
 - 2 the ability of skin to uptake contaminants, but even doing
 - 3 that, it has a very minor effect on the screening levels
 - 4 that they present, so that the change in screening levels
 - 5 from 1996 to 2002 is very small. And I've reviewed these
 - 6 2002 screening values, and they do not change my
 - 7 evaluation.
 - Q. So, you had available this supplemental guidance,
 - 9 and you didn't rely upon it?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. The third step of the analysis that you made, 11
 - 12 Dr. McHugh, is the evaluation of exposure pathways;
 - 13 correct?
 - Α. Yes.
 - Q. And I understand that the analysis at this stage 15
 - 16 is how and how often humans could be in contact with a
 - 17 contamination found to be toxic on-site; correct?
 - 18 A. That's correct.
 - Q. I understand that in your methodology, first one 19
 - 20 has to analyze toxicity and then exposure pathways;
 - 21 correct?
 - 22 A. That's correct.
 - O. But I understand that you can change the Order of
 - 24 these two steps. You can first evaluate exposure pathways
 - 25 and then evaluate toxicity; correct?

- 03:58 1 O. And the fourth and last risk-characterization step 2 is actually, I understand, a conclusion of the analysis of 3 the three first steps; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. Dr. McHugh, you don't refer in your description of
 - 6 the four steps of the ASTM RBCA methodology to any of the
 - 7 different articles in the Standard Guide that we were
 - 8 reviewing, do you? 9
 - A. I'm sorry, what do you mean by the articles?
 - Q. There is no reference in your Reports to a
 - 11 specific provision, articles, recommendations that one can
 - find in the guide of the ASTM that we were reviewing;
 - correct? You don't understand my question?
 - A. I'm sorry, I'm still not following.
 - Q. You referred to the ASTM Guide in a general way, 15
 - 16 but you are not citing specific provisions in the text of
 - 17 your Report saying, "I am doing this in accordance with
 - 18 Article VI.2 of the ASTM Guide, " for instance?
 - A. That's correct. That's correct.
 - 20 Right. And, therefore, I understand that the four
 - 21 steps that you put forward are actually your interpretation
 - 22 of the methodology that you find in the ASTM Guide;
 - 23 correct?

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- 24 A. Well, my Report refers to both the ASTM Guide and
- 25 other documents, and I believe that the four steps that I

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- A. In my experience, the standard sequence is the 03:57 1 2 toxicity evaluation followed by the exposure evaluation.
 - Q. So, you said, I believe, Dr. McHugh, that you
 - 4 didn't participate in the different inspections undertaken
 - 5 by Chevron in the Amazon; correct?
 - A. That's correct. I have not been to the Concession 7 Area.
 - So, you didn't visit the sites, obviously?
 - A. That's correct.
 - O. That means that you didn't check yourself the
 - 11 different exposure pathways in the sites; correct?
 - A. That's--for my exposure evaluation, I relied on 12
 - 13 the Report documents that were generated, and I discussed
 - 14 the conditions with the members of the inspection team.
 - Q. So, you relied on what Mr. Connor told you; 15
 - 16 correct?

- A. I've discussed the situations with Mr. Connor, 17
- 18 with Mr. Baca, and with other individuals who have been
- 19 down to the Concession Area and participated in those
- 20 inspections.
- O. So, you interviewed the members of your team to
- 22 know where to find exposure pathways in the different
- 23 sites; correct?
- A. That, combined with the documents that were
- 25 generated, yes.

- 04:00 1 lay out are the four steps that are identified in the USEPA 2 1989 document.
 - Q. So, you rely on the ASTM Guide, or you rely on the 4 USEPA Guide?
 - 5 A. As documented in the Report, I relied on the
 - combination of documents.
 - Q. Right. It's a combination of the guides, but you
 - don't make any reference to the different articles or
 - 9 provisions in those guides; correct?
 - A. That's correct. I tried to describe the
 - 11 step-by-step process that I followed in accordance with
 - these guides. 12
 - 13 Q. Correct. Let's try to see the USEPA Guide to try
 - 14 to understand this combination, and this is at Tab 11 of
 - the bundle. And if we go, for instance, to Page 1-7, you
 - will find here Exhibit 1-2 which seems to describe the four
 - steps that you mentioned in your Reports; correct? 17
 - A. Yes. 18
 - Q. And the difference is that the first step is
 - 20 called "Data Collection and Evaluation." Correct?
 - 21 Α.
 - 22 Q. And if we go to Page 1-4, there is a title called,
 - "Site Characterization." 23
 - 24 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.

- 04:02 1 Q. And I understand the site characterization is the 2 first step in the RBCA process; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And if you start reading there, it says: "During site characterization, the sampling and Analysis Plan developed during project scoping is implemented, and field data are collected and analyzed to determine the nature and extent of threats to human health and the environment posed

Do you see that?

11 A. Yes.

9 by a site."

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- 12 Q. And if you go to Page 1.6--before, if you go back 13 to Page 1.4, it says: "The major components of site 14 characterization are collection and analysis of field data
- 15 to characterize the site, development of a baseline risk
- 16 assessment for both potential human health effects and
- 17 potential environmental effects and treatability studies as
- 18 appropriate."

19 Do you see that?

- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And I understand that you relied on the data
- 22 collected by the team of GSI in the Amazon; correct?
- 23 A. I relied on the data collected by Parties working
- 24 on behalf of Chevron. I relied on data collected by the
- 25 Plaintiffs, and I relied on data collected by the Court

04:06 1 source samples and perimeter samples.

- Q. And I understand that for the purposes of the 2008 Report, no specific health-risk samples were taken;
- 4 correct?
 - A. No, I would not agree with that.
- Q. When you identified contamination in some sites, did Chevron take specific samples to confirm health risk?
- 8 A. Yes, I think every sample that was collected 9 during the Judicial Inspection process was collected and 10 analyzed in a way to allow the evaluation or the presence 11 or absence of a health risk.
- 12 Q. When samples indicated contamination, did Chevron 13 take additional samples to verify if there were threats to 14 health, to human health, in the sites? Yes or no.
- A. I'm not following your question. During the
 Judicial Inspection process, specific areas of concern were
 identified. Those included pit features and spill areas
 and other locations with evidence of contamination, and
 those were sampled as part of the Judicial Inspection
 process by Chevron, and the analytical results from those
- 21 samples provided the information needed to evaluate the 22 presence or absence of health risks.
- Q. What you're saying is that, on the basis of the samples taken by Chevron for delineation purposes, testing
- 25 for human health risk was undertaken; correct?

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04:04 1 experts.

- Q. In 2008, to prepare your First Report, you only relied, we established, on the data collected by Chevron; correct?
- A. In 2008, the Chevron data collected during the Judicial Inspection process is the only data I evaluated quantitatively. The Plaintiffs' and Court Expert data was evaluated in the 2010 Report, and the PI data was evaluated in the 2013 report.
- 10 Q. And it is my understanding that Chevron's experts'
 11 sampling program was aimed at finding clean samples;
 12 correct?
- 13 A. The samples that were collected by Chevron through 14 the Judicial Inspection process included all of the sample
- 15 locations that were nominated by the Plaintiffs and 16 instructed by the courts and the sample locations nominated
- 17 by Chevron and instructed by the courts, so the samples
- 18 collected by Chevron included samples within the source
- 19 material, such as a closed pit or sometimes an open pit,
- 20 and it also included samples that were located to try to
- 21 find the edges of those impacts.
- Q. And I understood from Mr. Connor's evidence that
- $\ensuremath{\texttt{23}}$ these samples where he called them perimeter samples,
- 24 perimeter samples or delineation samples; correct?
 - A. The samples collected by Chevron included both

- 04:08 1 A. I'm saying that all of the samples that were 2 collected by Chevron, that includes the source
 - 3 samples--that could be a pit or a spill--it included
 - 4 delineation samples, and it also included additional
 - 5 samples such as samples from hand-dug wells or from any
 - 6 water resource that was identified by the residents as
 - 7 being used as a water resource.
 - 8 So, all of those samples were analyzed for the 9 health constituents and included in the risk assessment.
 - 10 Q. Are you aware, are you not, sir, that the 11 methodology of RBCA in the ASTM 1995 Standard Guide 12 comprises a multi-tiered methodology?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And are you aware, are you not, sir, that this multitiered methodology for RBCA implies that from one tier
- 16 to another additional information should be obtained?
 17 A. As you move from one tier to another, it may be
- 18 required--it may be necessary to obtain additional 19 information.
- 20 Q. And you didn't follow, did you, sir, the
- 21 multi-tiered process provided for in the ASTM 1995 Standard
- 22 Guide?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Did you take samples from one tier to another
- 25 during your RBCA analysis?

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04:09 1 Yes, so, I evaluated every individual sample 2 comparing that against the health-based screening values 3 that we've discussed, and then the samples that had 4 constituents above a health based screening value, I 5 obtained additional information to evaluate the specific 6 exposure circumstances associated with those samples. So, 7 I obtained the additional information I needed to complete 8 that evaluation.

- Q. When you undertook the first step of your 10 analysis, you did it on the basis of the samples taken by Chevron; correct? In 2008.
 - A. Correct.

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- Q. And then when you came to the conclusion that 13 14 there was some toxicity in the samples and there were some potential exposure pathways, you didn't take additional 16 samples, did you?
- A. I think you're misunderstanding the process. The 17 18 process does not require additional site sampling after the 19 initial evaluation. In fact, it's most common to complete 20 the site investigation and to do the evaluation, the tiered 21 evaluation after the site investigation is completed.
- Q. If we come back to Tab 9, Dr. McHugh, and we go to 23 Page 4, towards the bottom of the page you find Article 5: 24 Tiered approach to Risk Based Corrective Action, RBCA, at 25 petroleum release sites.

04:13 1 incorporate more of the available information in order to 2 refine that analysis. The process by which you obtain that 3 information is not specified. There certainly could be 4 situations where a person returns to the site to collect more information, but that's certainly not a required element. And it's absolutely not necessary for many of the tiered evaluations.

Q. The last step of the analysis--

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Are you moving away from that paragraph? Are you moving away from that page, that 11 paragraph?

12 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I am.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could I just draw your attention to Paragraph 5.3, "Site Assessment," and it begins: "The user is required to identify the sources of 16 the chemicals of concern," et cetera. But could you look 17 at the last sentence in Paragraph 5.3: "The site assessment will also include information collected from the historical records and a visual inspection of the site." 20 THE WITNESS: Yes. PRESIDENT VEEDER: To what extent is that an

21 22 essential part of your work? 23

THE WITNESS: Well, historical records and visual 24 inspection is commonly used in the site assessment phase to

25 quide the locations where you collect individual samples

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04:11 1 Do you see that, sir?

> A. Yes.

4 of site assessment, remedial action selection, and 5 monitoring with USEPA recommended risk and exposure 6 assessment practices. This creates a process by which 7 corrective action decisions are made in a consistent manner that is protective of human health and the environment." And I am interested in Section or Article 5.2,

O. And Article 5(1) says: "RBCA is the integration

9 10 which says: "The RBCA process is implemented in a tiered 11 approach involving increasingly sophisticated levels of 12 data collection and analysis. The assumptions of earlier 13 tiers are replaced with site-specific data and information. 14 Upon evaluation of each tier, the user reviews the results 15 and recommendations and decides whether a more specific

16 analysis is warranted." So, I put to you, Dr. McHugh, that the RBCA 17 18 process in this guide requires sophisticated levels of data 19 collection in the different tiers of the process.

Do you agree?

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A. This doesn't say anything about additional data 22 collection from the site. It's simply explaining that the 23 Tier 1 evaluation can be completed considering less of the 24 available information because it's a simpler evaluation 25 process. As you move to the higher evaluations, you will

04:14 1 for analysis, so.

Again, I wasn't in the Concession Area for the 3 site investigation step, but from working closely with the 4 people who were, there was a lot of preparation for the 5 site investigation step, and that involved reviewing 6 historical records and aerial photographs to identify the 7 locations of the individual pits, which I think Mr. Connor explained, sometimes were difficult to observe visually in the field because of the changes in vegetation. So they incorporated the historical records as one method to 11 evaluate specific features to be sampled, and then they also utilized visual observations. If there was visual evidence of a spill or an impact, that was also typically included in the Judicial Inspection process for sampling. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 15 16

BY MR. SILVA ROMERO:

Q. The last step in your analysis, Dr. McHugh, is 17 what you call "risk characterization;" correct? 18

19 A. Yes.

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20 And in your 2008 Report, you concluded that 15 samples required risk characterization; correct?

Is there a page you're looking at for that?

Oh, yes, Page 76 of the 2008 Report.

And I understand that for risk characterization,

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- 04:16 1 A. Yes.
 - 2 Q. Two sediment samples; correct?
 - A. Yes
 - 4 Q. And eight surface water samples; correct?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. So, let's examine a couple of these examples to
 - 7 finish our conversation today, Dr. McHugh, if you will.
 - 8 First, I would like to discuss about, on Page 77, one of
 - 9 the soil samples, which is SSF38 well site.
 - 10 Do you see that?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. And you say here: "The soil sample exhibited
 - 13 benzo(a) pyrene at a concentration of 1.2 both the
 - 14 health-based screening criteria which is safe for daily
 - 15 direct contact in a residential setting. However, the
 - 16 sample was collected from the middle of a cornfield
 - 17 60 meters south of the SSF38 platform at a location not
 - 18 likely to be accessed by the residents on a daily basis."
 - 19 My first question, Dr. McHugh, is on what basis you came to
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 - 20 the conclusion that this location is not likely to be
 - 21 accessed by residents on a daily basis.
 - 22 A. That was based on reviewing the Judicial
 - 23 Inspection Report for the site, and the included sample
 - 24 location maps and other information documenting the
 - 25 location of the sample and the location of residences. And

04:19 1 sample SSF38, but this time I want to discuss about the 2 sediment sample, which is described on Page 78 of the 3 Report.

4 Are you with me, Dr. McHugh?

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- 6 Q. Here, you say the following: "Sediment sample 7 exhibited benzo(a)pyrene at a concentration of 1.3 above
- B the health-based screening criteria which is safe for daily
- 9 direct contact in a residential setting. However, the
- 10 sample was collected from an open pit at a non-RAP site 11 operated by Petroecuador."

12 Here, my first question is: Did you receive a 13 legal instruction not to consider open pits at a non-RAP

14 site, did you not, sir?

- A. No, I considered all samples at all sites.
- Q. Why do you refer here to a non-RAP site?
- 17 A. Well, this is my evaluation of the sample at this 18 non-RAP site.
- 19 Q. Is it relevant for a risk-characterization
- 20 analysis to include an observation as to the fact that the
- 21 open pit was not or was at a non-RAP site?
- A. The location of the sample being at a RAP site or
- 23 a non-RAP site, does not affect the risk evaluation, but it
- 24 does provide context for the location of the sample.
 - Q. The problem, Dr. McHugh, is that here you say

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- 04:18 1 as discussed here, the sample was from a cornfield, so it's
 - 2 property being used for agricultural purposes, and not in
 - 3 the immediate proximity of a residence, so that's the basis
 - 4 for my evaluation.
 - 5 Q. So, if I understood your response correctly, you
 - 6 based your analysis on current exposure; correct?
 - 7 A. This analysis was based on current, yeah, use,
 - 8 yes.

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- 9 Q. And you didn't analyze for this sample, future
- 10 exposure, did you?
- 11 A. This location would be safe for the current or
- 12 future agricultural use. As is documented, it's above the
- 13 screening value for a residential setting.
- 14 Q. But you didn't say here or you didn't include here
- 15 any analysis of future exposure; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 17 Well, the text says that it is above the screening
- 18 level for residential use, and so it is above a value for
- 19 future residential--
- 20 Q. But this is a land use. I'm asking you a question
- 21 about exposure, Dr. McHugh. You didn't analyze future
- 22 exposure here, did you?
- $\,$ 23 $\,$ $\,$ A. Well, I mean, the evaluation covers, yes, current
- 24 and future exposure.
- 25 Q. Then if we go to another example, which is also

- 04:21 1 "however." You are first of all describing a sample which
 - 2 may have some threats to human health, and then you say
 - 3 "however, this sample was collected from an open pit at a
 - 4 non-RAP site."
 - 5 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 7 The important information there is it's an open
 - B pit. An open pit is not an environment suitable for a
 - eresidential setting.
 - Q. And here you didn't analyze either future
 - 11 exposure, did you, sir?
 - 12 A. Well, in this case, being an open pit, it would
 - 13 not be suitable for residential use as long as it's open.
 - $\,$ 14 $\,$ And if it were properly closed, then that would change the
 - 15 conditions at that location.
 - 16 Q. So, you simply don't know what would happen in the
 - 17 future with that pit, do you?
 - A. I do not.
 - Q. Dr. McHugh, you showed during your direct
 - 20 presentation, a Slide 21, if we can come back for the last
 - 21 line of questions to Slide 21, and you showed a picture of
 - 22 a spring being tested at Guanta 6. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you know where that spring is located, sir?
 - A. Yes, I have a general understanding of where it's

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04:23 1 located.

- Q. Do you know how close this spring is to the well 3 Guanta 6?
- 4 A. I don't know the exact distance. I know that
- 5 there is a stream between the wellhead and the spring, so
- 6 this spring is located on the other side of the stream, and
- 7 it may be up a hillside a little ways.
- 8 Q. Did you evaluate any of the samples you analyzed
- 9 to determine whether--to determine where they were located
- 10 relative to a pit?
- 11 A. For this specific sample?
- 12 O. Yes.
- 13 A. I don't know the distance to the nearest pit.
- 14 Q. Did you evaluate any of the samples you analyzed
- 15 to determine where they were located relative to known
- 16 contamination?
- 17 A. I don't--no.
- 18 Q. Did you evaluate any of the samples you analyzed
- 19 to determine where they were located relative to expected
- 20 contamination?
- 21 A. No, I evaluated the analytical results for the
- 22 samples.
- 23 Q. You also showed a picture--and I believe it's
- 24 Slide 59, Dr. McHugh.
- 5 A. Yes.

- 04:26 1 screening values, I looked at the location of that sample 2 and evaluated the current use of those locations.
 - Q. Thank you, Dr. McHugh.

MR. SILVA ROMERO: I don't have any further

5 questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

7 Any re-direct from the Claimants?

MS. RENFROE: Briefly.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. President, and

11 Members of the Tribunal.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

13 BY MS. RENFROE:

14 Q. Dr. McHugh, I will try to do this quickly but I

15 think it's important to do it properly.

So, you have been asked by counsel about the four

17 components of the risk-assessment process that you

18 followed?

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19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. And you were also asked about differences between

21 your approach and the approach of the--the approach of

22 Dr. Strauss?

23 A. Yes.

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Q. So, I would like to return to some of those

25 points, and I would like to start with the ASTM Standard

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04:25 1 Q. And this is a picture of the monitoring well of 2 Aquarico 6; correct?

- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And you said that there was no well present there
- 5 before LBG installed their monitoring well; correct?
- A. That's correct.
- $\ensuremath{\text{7}}$ Q. So, you are evaluating that site based solidly on
- 8 current use of the site; correct?
- 9 A. Well, yes, I'm evaluating my exposure based on the
- 10 fact that there is not an actual well and nobody is
- 11 drinking that water.
- 12 Q. And generally, what year do you use, Dr. McHugh,
- 13 to identify current uses in the Concession Area?
- 14 A. I evaluated the available information, so for the
- 15 Judicial Inspection sites, it would have been the time of
- 16 the Judicial Inspection.
- 17 Q. So, it would be as of 2004?
- 18 A. The Judicial Inspection process, I believe, is
- 19 2004 through 2007.
- 20 Q. But will you agree with me and Mr. Connor that a
- 21 proper risk assessment, Dr. McHugh, evaluates current and
- 22 future use?
- 23 A. Yes, and I evaluated current and future use. So
- 24 the comparison against screening values was for any
- 25 residential use, and then for those samples that exceed

- 04:27 1 that counsel asked you about, and I believe it's Tab 9 in
 - 2 the binders, and I would ask my colleague behind me if he
 - 3 can open to McHugh 43, please, and I would direct--but,
 - 4 first, let's just be clear on what we're looking at.
 - 5 This is the ASTM Standard that you described that
 - 6 you relied upon.
 7 A. That's correct.
 - 8 Q. And upon which Mr. Silva Romero has put a number
 - 9 of questions to you?
 - 10 A Yes
 - 11 Q. And so, I would like to direct your attention to
 - 12 Page 8, Paragraph 6.4.3.
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. That paragraph is entitled "Use of Total Petroleum
- 15 Hydrocarbons measurements."
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, in terms of understanding one of the
- 19 differences between your approach to the human health-risk
- 20 assessment and the approach of Dr. Strauss, can you review
- 21 this paragraph and tell us or explain to us the difference
- 22 between your approach and her approach.
- 23 A. Yes. So, this paragraph says that: "Chemical
- 24 analysis methods, commonly referred to as Total Petroleum
- 25 Hydrocarbons (TPH), are often used in site assessments."

04:29 1 It explains that the methods usually determine the total 2 amount of hydrocarbons present in a single number and give 3 no information about the types of hydrocarbons present."

4 It says: "TPHs should not be used for risk assessment

5 because the general measure of TPH provides insufficient

6 information about the amounts of individual chemicals of concern present."

8 And my risk assessment focused on those individual 9 chemicals of concern.

- Q. And that was the 30 chemicals that you described 10 11 during your direct presentation?
 - A. That's correct.

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- 13 So, compare this approach to the approach used by 14 Dr. Strauss, please.
- A. Well, as I explained in my presentation, 15
- 16 Dr. Strauss used six different evaluation methods, and some
- 17 of those methods relied on TPH analytical methods that are
- 18 simply inappropriate for risk assessment, the methods that
- 19 present a single number.
- 20 She also used, as I tried to describe, a method
- 21 that provides some information regarding the composition of
- 22 the petroleum material, and there is a regulatory guidance
- 23 she relied on, her Method Number 1, that does establish an
- 24 evaluation process based on that information about the
- 25 composition of the petroleum, but it's a less precise

04:32 1 put any questions on this very issue, and I don't find 2 helpful for the Tribunal to hear again the same explanation 3 you already got at the beginning of Mr. McHugh's 4 examination.

(Tribunal conferring.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we need to hear your specific question because it's true that this particular Slide 20 was not something on which this Witness was

cross-examined, but let's just see where the question goes.

What is your question precisely?

MS. RENFROE: Right. So--and we don't have to use 11 the slide. It's simply for--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Don't use the slide, then.

MS. RENFROE: Fine. Fine.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Put it aside. Just give us the 15 16 question, but don't answer until we've ruled.

17 MS. RENFROE: So, in relation to the question I

had previously asked about whether the use of Total

Petroleum Hydrocarbons measurements is appropriate or not for quantitative risk assessment, I was asking Dr. McHugh

to compare his approach to the approach used by

22 Dr. Strauss.

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23 (Tribunal conferring.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You come in just under the

25 wire. You can put that question.

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04:31 1 method than the individual chemicals of concern approach.

Q. And if we could go to the slide in your 3 presentation that includes the pyramid--and I'm trying to 4 find it--I believe it's your Slide 20. If we could have 5 that put back up.

MR. SILVA ROMERO: Mr. President, I hate to 7 object, but I didn't put any questions to the Witness on 8 this very slide, and I didn't ask any questions on the 9 different methods that my friend Mr. García Represa 10 discussed with Mr. Douglas.

MS. RENFROE: Well, may I respond, Mr. President? PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course.

12 MS. RENFROE: You certainly did ask questions of 13 14 this Witness about differences in the approach to risk 15 assessment between Dr. McHugh and Dr. Strauss, and you did put questions to this Witness about the ASTM Standard, and 17 the paragraph that Dr. McHugh just explained is illustrated 18 by this slide. So, I think it would be helpful to the 19 Tribunal, and fair to the Witness, to give him an

20 opportunity to explain his answer, as it relates to the 21 ASTM Standard that he used.

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You can respond.

23 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Mr. President, but I believe 24 what is happening here is that you will hear again the

25 direct presentation by Dr. McHugh and, frankly, I didn't

04:34 1 MS. RENFROE: Thank you.

BY MS. RENFROE:

Q. So, Dr. McHugh, as it relates to the provision in 4 the ASTM Standard that you followed, Section 6.4.3, use of 5 Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon measurements, and the quidance 6 provided here, can you please compare your approach to that 7 approach used by Dr. Strauss?

A. If I recall correctly, Dr. Strauss used as many as four different TPH methods in her risk assessment, using these different analytical methods for the same individual 11 locations, and so those TPH methods ranged from methods 12 that are simply never used for petroleum risk assessment to 13 methods that provide some information concerning the

14 potential risks associated with petroleum but are less 15 precise than the individual chemical approach that I used

and is recommended in this ASTM Standard.

Q. Now, I would like to move to a different component 17 of your risk assessment that you were asked about by my colleague, and that is the toxicity value. I believe you were asked some questions about that. And so, can you--

21 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I'm sorry, I don't recall any 22 questions on toxicity value, I myself. I prefer to make

23 the comment now than later, when a slide and a question is 24 already put to the Witness.

MS. RENFROE: You asked him questions. In fact,

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04:36 1 you asked about one of the principal differences between
      2 his approach and Dr. Strauss's approach, and it had to do
      3 with the toxicity value. That's exactly what you were
      4 asking about. You may not have appreciated that, but
      5 that's how I heard it.
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So, with all due respect I would like to ask my Witness and for him to have an opportunity to respond.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please pose the question, and 9 don't answer until we've ruled.

What is the question?

BY MS. RENFROE: 11

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12 O. The guestion is: Comparing your approach to that 13 of Dr. Strauss, with respect to the toxicity value, can you 14 please compare your approach to that of hers.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop there. We will take it 15 16 one by one.

(Laughter.)

18 (Tribunal conferring.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think it would be helpful if 19 20 we could find in the cross-examination the passage where

21 you say this particular matter was raised, even if the

22 particular word wasn't used. Can you do a search on the

23 Transcript? Have you got it in mind?

MS. RENFROE: Yes, if you can give me just a

25 moment.

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13 14 04:41 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, Ms. Renfroe, again, in 2 regard to that passage you say you want to raise a question 3 based upon that passage. Does that change the question you 4 gave us earlier? Does it refine it? MS. RENFROE: Well, I--actually, to refine, I

found another question that is getting even more precisely to the point, and this question is at Page 131, beginning 8 at Line 25, and continues on to Page 132.

The question:

"And as a layman, I understand the second step as the application of some relevant standards to the identified contamination to find out how toxic that contamination can be. Do you agree

"ANSWER: That's correct," and then there is a word I can't read. And then,

"OUESTION: And hence, the choice of the relevant criteria, what you call the health-based screening criteria, is appropriate?

"ANSWER: It's important to select the appropriate values, yes.

> "QUESTION: And I understand the main difference between you and Dr. Strauss is precisely the choice of those criteria; correct?

> > "ANSWER: No, there are many differences that

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                  PRESIDENT VEEDER: We will give you all the
         moments you need.
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MS. RENFROE: Thank you.

(Pause.)

5 MS. RENFROE: Okay. I found it. Page 127, Line 18. And I'm sorry I'm not very facile with operating 7 this software. But the question was asked--although I can't put it in context because I can't read the question 9 above it--but the question was:

> "And the selection of chemicals of concern is based on the consideration of exposure routes, concentration, mobilities, toxicological properties, and characteristics such as taste, odor, and so forth; correct?"

So, that's the question I want to follow up on. 15

16 "Toxicological properties" goes right to toxicity value.

MR. SILVA ROMERO: If I recall well the 17 18 context--but apparently my friend Ms. Renfroe remembers my

questions better than I--I could--I put that question just 20 to test the esthetics that Dr. McHugh did not appreciate in

21 his analysis, as you may recall. And at the end of that

22 provision, there is a reference to the esthetics such as 23 taste, odor, and so forth, as we went through together, I

24 hope, during the examination.

So, I maintain the objection.

04:42 1 we have."

> And that's exactly the question I want to go to 3 now, is those choice of toxicity values.

(Tribunal conferring.)

5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please proceed.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you very much.

BY MS. RENFROE:

Q. So, now, Dr. McHugh, back to my question. Can you 9 please compare--explain to the Tribunal what you mean or 10 what the term "toxicity values" means within the context of 11 a human health-risk assessment such as you have performed, 12 and then please compare your approach to toxicity values

13 with the approach of Dr. Strauss. 14 A. Yes. In applying risk assessment to a 15 contaminated site, in our industry, we always rely on

toxicity values that are developed by regulatory

authorities. And using my risk-based screening values that were developed by the World Health Organization and the

19 USEPA, that's exactly what I did.

20 Dr. Strauss, for her evaluation method one, relied 21 on the toxicity values developed by the State of

22 Massachusetts for the procedure that they established. For

23 her evaluation methods three through six, she utilized a

24 toxicity value that she developed on her own, and that's

25 not how we evaluate risks at sites.

04:44 1 Q. And do taste and odor criteria have anything to do 2 with setting toxicity values for human health risk?

A. No, they do not.

Q. All right. My last question is this: Is it common in your field of risk assessment science to do quantitative risk assessments without actually personally doing a site visit?

MR. SILVA ROMERO: Objection. Leading.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you're being unkind.

10 It's a long day.

11 (Laughter.)

12 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I withdraw my objection out of 13 kindness, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You know very well that guestion could be rephrased.

MS. RENFROE: I'm happy to rephrase it.
PRESIDENT VEEDER: Slightly rephrase it.

18 BY MS. RENFROE:

19 Q. What is--can you comment on the requirement or the 20 necessity of personally doing a site visit in order to do a

21 quantitative human-health risk assessment?

22 A. Yeah. Risk assessment is one part of the site

23 evaluation process. And so, the evaluation process is 24 always implemented by a team of personnel, and it's very

25 common that the risk assessor does not personally visit the

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04:48 1 VPH/EPH method, although it's not shown on this table, but

3 detected in the surface-water sample by that method.

2 that's my recollection, is that there was no petroleum

 ${\tt 04:45-1}$ site, and in this case I did not visit the site. And it's

2 also illustrated by the evaluations completed by Dr.

 ${\tt 3}$ Strauss. Dr. Strauss submitted her first risk assessment

4 to the Tribunal without visiting the site.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you.

I have no further questions.

7 OUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL

8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, with some trepidation, I

9 have one question for you.

10 THE WITNESS: Okay.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It relates to the PowerPoint

12 Slide 40 that you showed us earlier today. And as you

13 recall, you described how this came from Dr. Strauss's

14 Report, I think her Second Expert Report, and you showed us

15 the Figure 20 in Column 6 against the fifth pit,

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17 Do you see that?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And if you read across, it

20 relates to "current exposure playing in the stream."

21 Do you see that?

22 THE WITNESS: Yes.

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Now, the Figure 20 on which you

24 made some comments has two asterisks. And if we look at

25 Dr. Strauss's Report, that indicates that she assessed the

4 THE WITNESS: No. Let me try to provide a little
5 context for the Tribunal.
6 So, the samples collected from this location,
7 there was a surface-water sample collected and a sediment
8 sample collected. And if I understand Dr. Strauss's Report
9 correctly, the surface sample was analyzed using three
10 different methods to measure petroleum in a sample, and
11 that's the VPH/EPH method, the 8015 method, and the Texas

04:46 1 risk from the sediment only, the water was not evaluated.

3 difference to your comment or not?

12 1005 method.

Now, I just wanted to ask you whether that made a

13 The sediment sample was analyzed using four 14 different methods: The VPH/EPH method, the 8015 method, 15 the Texas 1005 method, and then this TEM method that has 16 been the subject of some discussion.

So, I think Dr. Strauss is simply trying to
acknowledge that for her method number six, which utilizes
that TEM method, she could only conduct her risk assessment
based on the sediment result. But if you look right
adjacent to that, this Texas 1005 method, she has an ND,

22 which means not detected. In this case it means no

23 petroleum was detected in either the sediment sample or the 24 surface-water sample. And if I recall correctly, I believe

24 surrace-water sample. And if I recall correctly, I believe

25 also the surface-water sample was non-detect by this

And so, I think that, based on those analytical 5 results where petroleum was not detected in surface water by those other methods, the absence of a surface-water 7 sample analyzed by this fourth method probably does not affect the risk evaluation very much at that location. 8 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 10 As a matter of fairness, if the Respondent have 11 any questions arising from this Tribunal, they can pose 12 them. 13 MR. SILVA ROMERO: No, Mr. President. Thank you. 14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Claimants? MS. RENFROE: No further questions. Thank you. 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, thank you very much for 16 coming to assist the Tribunal. We have come to the end of 17 your testimony. 18 19 THE WITNESS: Thank you for your time. 20 (Witness steps down.)



04:56 1 will have to adjust sitting hours accordingly. But as we 2 understand it, you are both confident we will finish by 3 Tuesday evening?

MR. BISHOP: Yes.

MR. BLOOM: There is one issue that I don't think
the Parties are prepared to bring to the Tribunal's
attention just yet because I think it's very premature, and
the Parties are talking about some other issue, unrelated
to the issues that we're talking about right now.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, there is a certain amount 11 of housekeeping we've got to address, and we will fit that 12 in when we can and when we should.

But let's stop now, and we will start at 9:00 14 tomorrow. Thank you.

15 MR. BISHOP: I'm sorry, just one quick question 16 for the Tribunal, which is we had addressed the possibility 17 of the Tribunal giving us some guidance for closing 18 arguments, and we would very much solicit that guidance at 19 the earliest possible moment from the Tribunal.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yeah, no, we heard your
21 message. It's our intention to try and get you something
22 tomorrow night. Whether it's guidance, it's up to you, but

you will get something.MR. BISHOP: Thank you.

(Whereupon, at 4:57 p.m., the Hearing was

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IN THE MATTER OF AN ARBITRATION BEFORE A TRIBUNAL CONSTITUTED

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Sheet 3 1876 1878 1 PROCEEDINGS APPEARANCES: (Continued) 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good morning, ladies and On behalf of the Respondent: 3 gentlemen. We will start Day 9 of this Hearing. I PROF. EDUARDO SILVA ROMERO 4 understand there's no housekeeping matters to be raised by PROF. PIERRE MAYER MR. JOSÉ MANUEL GARCÍA REPRESA either side. We'll come to those later. MS. AUDREY CAMINADES MS. GABRIELA GONZÁLEZ GIRÁLDEZ 6 So, we welcome our next witness. If you could Dechert LLP 7 state your full name, and if you were willing to do so, 32 rue Monceau 75008 Paris please read the words on the Declaration before you. France 9 ROBERT E. HINCHEE, CLAIMANTS' WITNESS, CALLED MR. ÁLVARO GALINDO CARDONA 10 THE WITNESS: I'm Robert Eric Hinchee, and I MR. DAVID ATTANASIO Dechert LLP 11 solemnly declare upon my honor and conscience I shall speak 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 United States of America the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and that my statement will be in accordance with my sincere MR. BRIAN CUMMINS 14 belief. LitOptix 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. As you probably heard already, everything that 16 17 you're saying and what counsel is saying is being transcribed, so you need to speak slowly, and please don't overspeak counsel; they will not overspeak you. And secondly, all this is being translated into Spanish by an 21 interpreter and then being put into a Spanish-language 22 Transcript, and that needs time for which we need a break, 23 a pause between the beginning of each guestion and the 24 beginning of each answer. It's hard to remember, but try 25 and bear that in mind, and please don't speak too fast. 1877 1879 09:01 1 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. I'll do my best. CONTENTS PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'll start with questions from PAGE the Claimants. WITNESSES: MS. WOOD: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of ROBERT E. HINCHEE 5 the Tribunal. I just had a few preliminary questions for Dr. Hinchee, and then he's prepared to make a presentation. Direct examination by Ms. Wood 1879 Cross-examination by Mr. Bloom Redirect examination by Ms. Wood 1904 DIRECT EXAMINATION 2002 BY MS. WOOD: 8 HARLEE STRAUSS 9 Q. Good morning, Dr. Hinchee? Direct examination by Ms. Silver Cross-examination by Ms. Renfroe 2009 Good morning. 10 2035 Redirect examination by Ms. Silver 2107 11 Were you involved in the Lago Agrio Litigation? Ouestions from the Tribunal 2110 Yes, I began working on it in 2006. My 12 QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL TO THE PARTIES 2111 13 involvement included addressing issues such as Chevron's 14 Judicial Inspection, TexPet's RAP remediation, cost of 15 remediation in Ecuador and the Reports of Mr. Cabrera and the Plaintiffs. 16 17 Thank you. Now, you have authored three Expert Reports in 18 19 this BIT proceeding; correct? 20 Α. Yes. And just for the record, the dates of those are 22 May 31, 2013; May 9, 2014; January 11, 2015. And you have those Reports in front of you at the 23 table today? A. Yes, I do.

- 09:02 1 O. Dr. Hinchee, are these three Reports an accurate 2 and complete summary of your opinions in this arbitration?
 - A. Yes, they are.
 - Q. Do you have any corrections to make to your three 5 Expert Reports?
 - A. No, I don't.
 - Q. Okay. And just very briefly, what is the subject matter of your direct testimony today?
 - A. I'll be talking about remediation, remediation 10 costs in the former Concession Area, and particularly how it applies to the Judgment. 11
 - 12 0. Thank you.

13 With that, Mr. President, Dr. Hinchee is prepared 14 to make a presentation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue. 15

THE WITNESS: Thank you. 16

17 I'm Rob Hinchee. I hold a Ph.D. in civil and 18 environmental engineering. Since my first professional 19 work assignment 40 years ago, which was studying the 20 impacts of inshore--onshore impacts of outer continental 21 shelf oil development in Louisiana. I have been involved 22 working exclusively in the environmental field, primarily in the areas of petroleum hydrocarbons and the remediation 24 of petroleum hydrocarbons in soil and water.

In addition to having worked at thousands of sites

09:05 1 Additionally, I worked for Kuwait in the--worked 2 on the world's largest oil spill that resulted from the 3 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and provided support in 4 determining the cost and appropriateness of remedial 5 technologies. In doing that, I testified twice before the 6 United Nations Compensation Commission.

In addition to having worked for many oil 8 companies and government agencies, I've worked for a number 9 of national oil companies similar to Petroecuador. The 10 Trecate work was done for AGIP, the Italian national oil 11 company; there are some other examples on the slides.

12 This is a summary of my opinions in the case, and today I'm going to focus on the First Opinion. The 13 Judgment, 6 billion dollar soil and groundwater remediation Award simply is unreasonable and can't be supported either 16 by information in the Lago Agrio record or information 17 provided by Ecuador and its BIT experts.

To understand the situation in the former 18 Concession Area in the Oriente, you have to understand 19 what's happened since the time of TexPet's departure from 21 the Consortium operations in 1990. Petroecuador has 22 continued to operate and substantially expand the oil 23 field. This is a picture from your mapping tool, and what 24 you can see here at the bottom, Sacha 65, is the original 25 footprint of the TexPet era Concession's operations. One

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09:03 1 worldwide, actual remediation sites, I've worked in the 2 area of research. I've developed technologies that are now 3 being applied to hydrocarbon remediation. That research 4 work was funded by Government agencies, predominantly U.S. 5 agencies such as the EPA as well as by the Mexican 6 Petroleum Institute.

I've authored numerous peer-reviewed articles on 8 the subject. Additionally, I was the founding editor of 9 the Bioremediation Journal, a peer-reviewed journal which 10 publishes papers related to oil and hydrocarbon 11 remediation.

Additionally, I have co-authored or co-edited more 12 13 than 30 books related to hydrocarbon remediation, some of 14 which were peer-reviewed.

Two specific remediation experiences I want to 15 16 talk about, because they will be coming up later in my 17 presentation are first the Trecate blowout. This is the 18 largest terrestrial onshore oil spill in western European 19 history. Trecate is located just north of Milan, and an 20 oil well blew out there. You see a photograph of it here, 21 kind of a grainy black and white, shooting oil several 22 hundred meters into the air which then fell back to earth 23 over an area of about seven square kilometers in places up 24 to a meter deep. I was the Technical Director involved 25 from beginning to end on that project.

09:07 1 oil well in green, less than a hectare in size.

After the end of the Concession, Petroecuador, as 3 part of its continued operation of the oil field, has 4 substantially increased both the footprint of the operation 5 to well over three hectares and drilled ten new wells. In 6 your tool, you can flip back and forth and see other years 7 and see a lot of this activity going on.

The two yellow outlines that you see here 9 represent pits that were remediated by TexPet as part of the RAP. And you could see that Petroecuador actually has 11 built a platform over one of those pits.

Another thing that I'll be talking a lot more

13 about that you need to understand is that Petroecuador has 14 been, and is, remediating pits and spills in the former 15 Concession Area. This is an example from Shushufindi 38. I put this photograph in because this is one of the sites I 17 visited and witnessed the ongoing Petroecuador remediation of these pits, the platform itself is near the green icon. The pits are immediately south of that. These are two pits

20 that were remediated by Petroecuador in 2010 and 2011.

21 These were non-RAP pits that were remediated by

22 Petroecuador.

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23 Now I'm just going to focus on the Judgment, and I 24 want to point out that the Judgment's \$6 billion Award 25 ignores reality, and it ignores reality on many different

09:08 1 levels. Perhaps one of the most important is that it 2 ignores Petroecuador's ongoing remediation of the very pits 3 and spills upon which the Judgment makes its Award. 4 Petroecuador is not complete with the remediation of the 5 non-RAP pits and spills, but much work has been done. This 6 is confirming that Petroecuador is stepping up and taking 7 responsibility for the non-RAP features. It's reducing the 8 number of non-RAP pits and spills in need of remediation. 9 And most importantly, I'll be talking about in a minute, it 10 provides us with detailed information as to how these pits 11 are being remediated and what standards are being used, and 12 what it costs to remediate these pits. And all of this is simply ignored in the Judgment.

There are literally hundreds of documents 15 available that describe Petroecuador's remedial effort. 16 Many of these documents are and were in the Lago Agrio 17 record. I have a few examples here, and I want to point 18 first to the PEPDA 2007 Annual Report. If you choose one 19 document to read in the record concerning Petroecuador's 20 remediation, this should be the document.

The quote from the Report says. "Petroecuador 22 essentially is in charge of remediation and cleanup of 23 environmental liabilities in the Amazon district." Now, 24 you'll see the term, "environmental liabilities," used in 25 these documents. That's defined by the Government of

09:11 1 is a pre-remediation photograph. This is an oil pit. And 2 I heard in Ecuador's opening remarks that somehow I had 3 suggested there was no contamination in need of cleanup in 4 the former Concession Area. That's simply not true. I recognized in my Reports from the beginning in this case that there are non-RAP features that require remediation. 7 Sacha 14 is a good example. This in 2005 required 8 remediation. This pit was subsequently remediated by Petroecuador. Here's a slide--again, this is from the Petroecuador presentation that describes the pit after it was closed, and it's in Spanish, but what's important here, this pit was created in 1971. That was during the Concession operation period. This was a non-RAP pit that was subsequently remediated and closed by Petroecuador, just one example of it.

16 We've heard suggestion from the Government of 17 Ecuador that somehow these pit remediations are incomplete or interim or something of that kind, and that simply isn't true. All you need to do is look at these detailed reports that I described -- and there are 18 of them in the BIT 21 record. In the back of those is a certificate issued by

22 the Ecuadorian Ministry of the Environment, and they all 23 have similar wording and wording to this effect are in all 24 of them. Petroecuador performed the work of cleaning up

25 and eliminating the pit, and all Ecuadorian standards--and

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09:10 1 Ecuador's Ministry for the Environment, DINAPA, as being 2 contamination both historic, the non-RAP TexPet era 3 contamination, and current, the contamination created by 4 Petroecuador. Petroecuador is in charge of cleaning these 5 up.

This 2007 report also provides substantial 7 information as to pits that had been remediated as of that time, what it cost, what standards were being met. And importantly, it forecast the cost of remediation to

complete the necessary remediation of the Concession. 11 The other five reports are examples of detailed 12 reports issued by Petroecuador following its remediation of 13 individual pits. These are something like hundred-page 14 reports. They contain a great deal of information as to 15 how the pits were remediated, concentrations both before 16 and after remediation. There's a five-page appendix, 17 average of five-page appendix near the back of most of 18 these Reports that in detail describes the costs. All of 19 these, everything pictured in this slide as well as many 20 other reports were available to the Lago Agrio Court and in

21 the record, and were simply ignored. There are many other documents that describe what 23 Petroecuador was doing, and the example here, I've got a 24 couple of pictures from a slide show showing remediation 25 ongoing at Sacha 14. You can see in this photograph--this 09:13 1 they're referring to Decree 1215--were complied with. If a 2 pit is cleaned up to the point that it complies with all 3 standards, that's not an interim remediation. There is no 4 need to go back and re-remediate these pits.

5 It wasn't just Chevron and Chevron's experts telling the Lago Agrio Court this. Gerardo Barros was an independent expert appointed by the Court working for the Court, not for Chevron, not for the Plaintiffs, who issued a series of reports to the Court. And these are some words 10 from one of his Reports: "Unremediated pits and spills are 11 Petroecuador's responsibility given that TexPet completed the part of the remediation assigned to it under the RAP. 13 Petroecuador should remediate all the accumulated 14 environmental liabilities."

And "accumulated environmental liabilities," again 15 this refers to the environmental liabilities, and "accumulated," that's the word used in Ecuador to describe the historic, the non-RAP pits from the TexPet era.

19 Petroecuador has issued numerous estimates of the costs to remediate or complete the remediation in the 20 21 former Concession Area. The best detailed cost that was 22 available in the Lago Agrio Court was in this PEPDA 2007 annual report that I mentioned. And in that Report, they 24 estimated it would cost \$121 million to complete

25 remediation in the Amazon region. Now, the former

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09:15 1 Concession is only a part of the Amazon region. The part 2 of the Amazon region include the former Concession they 3 estimated would cost \$70 million to remediate.

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Petroecuador, as quoted here in 2011, has

continued to issue similar estimates and similar figures.

2011, Marco Calvopiña, the General Manager of Ecuador

(sic), made a statement that they planned to invest

\$70 million more or less to clean up the environmental

liabilities in the former Concession. Again, this applied

not just to the former Concession Area, but the entire

Amazon region applying both to Consortium and Petroecuador

era contamination. Rather than using or recognizing these

numbers which Petroecuador had provided and were in the

Lago record, the Court determined to make its own

calculation of remediation costs, and that calculation

ignores reality at every step. This is the formula that

was used: For soil remediation, a unit cost times the

volume, times the number of pits, 5.4 billion dollars. For

19 groundwater remediation, \$600 million. In total \$6 billion
20 was the Lago Court's Award for remediation.
21 I'll walk through these calculations, and I'll
22 explain this. These calculations are flawed at every step.
23 Beginning with the unit costs for remediation, the

24 Lago Court knew what it was costing Petroecuador to 25 remediate these same soils, and they knew what 09:18 1 told them how much soil per pit was being remediated. And
2 there are again a number of different sources from
3 Petroecuador, all of these substantially below the soil
4 volume determined by the Lago Agrio Court.

At this point, the Lago Agrio Court could have stepped back and done another reality check because again in the record there was substantial information as to what ticost to clean up the average pit in the former Concession Area. This is a summary of some of that

10 information. The first two costs you see here, those that 11 are over \$100,000, were from the earlier days of the

12 Petroecuador remediation. In the 2007 report, Petroecuador

13 explains that over time they had learned how to more

14 efficiently remediate pits and that, as of 2007, based on

15 having remediated over a hundred pits, knowing what these 16 pits looked like and what it cost to remediate them, the

17 reasonable cost to remediate a pit was \$85,000 per pit.

18 This information was all in the Lago record, and yet the $\,$

19 Judgment awards \$6.1 million per pit, two orders of

20 magnitude above the actual pit remediation cost in the 21 former Concession Area.

Now, we've heard from the Government of Ecuador that somehow these costs are not all inclusive, and I don't

24 think that's true. All you need to do is look at the

25 detailed cost information provided by Petroecuador that was

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09:17 1 Petroecuador's unit costs were. There are a number of 2 different datasets that could have been looked at by the 3 Lago Court. The highest average unit cost I could find in 4 those datasets was \$67 a cubic meter. Many of the costs 5 are less than that.

Now, if the Court had questioned Petroecuador's
costs for remediation, all they needed to do was look at
information in the record about what it costs to remediate
crude oil contaminated soil elsewhere in the world. And
these are just some examples from the Lago record, but it's
clear that Petroecuador's actual remediation cost is
consistent with what it costs to remediate crude
oil-contaminated soil elsewhere in the world.

Rather, essentially out of thin air--and my Report provides more details--the Lago Court chose a value more than ten times what it should have known Petroecuador is actually spending to remediate these soils.

17 actuarly spending to remediate these soils.
18 Likewise, the Lago Court substantially
19 overestimates the volume of soil requiring remediation.

20 Using two planning documents which describe no pit which 21 was ever actually constructed, the Lago Court determined

22 that an average of 8,400 cubic meters of soil per pit

23 required remediation. Again, in the record the Lago Court

24 had available to it considerable information from

25 Petroecuador from actual remediations, not estimates, which

09:20 1 in the Lago Agrio record to see what was included in these

2 costs. This is a summary from the Sacha 14, the same site 3 that I showed you photographs of earlier from the detailed

4 report. I've taken the five pages in the Appendix in the

5 back and condensed them to this table just to illustrate

6 these costs are all inclusive. They include labor,

7 professional labor, management. They include the 8 equipment, materials, and supplies, fuel used by the

9 equipment. Land farming is the process that Petroecuador

10 uses to treat the soil that it's unable to wash to 11 standards on-site. Laboratory costs, soil and water

12 testing before and after remediation is included,

13 documentation, reporting's included, even community

14 relations are included. The Lago Court had this

15 information. They knew that for this particular pit the 16 full cost of remediation was \$80,000, not \$6.1 million.

You'll hear a lot about the number of pits which were dug or created or constructed in the former Concession

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19 Area during TexPet's operation period. That's not really 20 the important number. The important number is the number.

21 of pits that require remediation. And again, Petroecuador

22 provides us and the Lago Court with the best count of the

23 number of pits requiring remediation.

In 2007, after having operated for 15 years on these sites, knowing these sites well, being out there

09:22 1 every day and having already remediated over a hundred 2 pits, Petroecuador determined that there were 370 pits in 3 need of remediation within the former Concession Area.

Now, we know that also includes pits that were 5 created by Petroecuador after TexPet's operation period, so 6 we know that the right number of pits, the number of 7 non-RAP pits that remained in the former Concession Area 8 was something less than that 370. To arrive at an 880 pit 9 count you have to count pits that don't need remediation, 10 water pits, storage--borrow pits, pits that aren't 11 contaminated, or you need to include pits that have already 12 been remediated. We know that TexPet remediated more than 13 150 pits. We know that Petroecuador had been remediating 14 pits. The 880 count simply is not supportable.

Additionally, the Government of Ecuador 16 has--despite the fact the Government of Ecuador has set 17 remediation standards under Decree 1215, their law which 18 was passed after the RAP had already taken place, setting 19 standards for soil cleanup in the former Concession Area. 20 You can see those numbers here. They vary according to 21 land use.

22 The most commonly applied standard in the former 23 Concession Area is the agricultural standard: 2500 24 milligrams per kilogram of TPH (Total Petroleum

25 Hydrocarbons). That's the standard that Petroecuador most

09:25 1 kilogram standard as reasonable. In doing so, they cite 2 standards from a number of States in the United States in 3 the range of 100 milligram per kilogram for TPH cleanup. 4 Those standards are not for crude oil-contaminated soil 5 cleanup. Those are for cleanup of refined product: 6 Gasoline, diesel, that kind of thing. Refined product is more problematic than crude oil, and typically does have a 8 lower Cleanup Standard. What they do not provide you is any standard which is being applied to crude oil-contaminated soil.

The only exception that I've been able to find in 11 12 all of the Government of Ecuador's discussions is Trecate, the site on which I worked, I was technical Director, the 14 Trecate blowout in Italy, I was there within a few days of 15 the blowout through completion. And although initially a 16 50 milligram per kilogram screening standard was set, it 17 was used primarily for delineation purposes, that was not the concentration to which the soil in Trecate was 19 remediated.

20 At the time that the Italian authorities accepted 21 the site as clean, certified the remediation complete, and 22 allowed return of unrestricted use of the land, there were 23 residual concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons, much of 24 the soil over a thousand parts per million, even over 5,000 25 parts per million in places, that's the concentration to

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09:23 1 commonly cleans up to. And yet the Judgment uses a 2 standard which it provides no real support for of 100 3 milligrams per kilogram, 25 times lower than the standard 4 to which these pits are actually being cleaned up.

And if the Lago Court had questioned whether the 6 2500 standard was appropriate, again, all they needed to do 7 was to look into the record, look at these Reports that 8 were issued by Petroecuador; and, in those, there is a one page in the back--I've already talked about it

10 once--certificate from the Ecuadorian Ministry of the

11 Environment declaring the pits clean, and this is some of 12 the wording, and you'll find wording similar to this in all

13 the certificates: "According to the lab results, permitted

14 limits for agricultural-use soils--that's the 2500

15 milligrams per kilogram--have been met; therefore, the pit

16 no longer contains harmful or contaminating materials." If

17 the pit no longer contains harmful or contaminating

18 material, there is no need for additional remediation, no 19 need to remediation to a lower standard.

In their early reports, Ecuador's experts appear 21 to agree that the 100 milligram per kilogram standard in

22 the Judgment wasn't reasonable--this is a quote from LBG's

23 First Report. I have seen, though, in their more recent 24 reports, particularly 2015, the Government of Ecuador's

25 experts are now trying to defend the 100 milligram per

09:27 1 which Trecate was actually cleaned up, not 50 micrograms or 2 milligrams per kilogram, not a hundred. Thousands.

As I've said, the Judgment's calculation of soil 4 remediation is simply flawed at every step. It ignores 5 reality. It makes no sense. The Judgment then awards 6 \$600 million for groundwater remediation without providing 7 any real basis, no explanation, no unit costs, nothing like 8 what's provided for soil remediation. When, in fact, the

evidence tells us that groundwater remediation is not needed in the former Concession Area. The groundwater data

11 confirms this, and this isn't a surprise. As I explain in

12 my report, groundwater remediation at oil field sites is 13 rare. Oil field sites, the primary concern is crude oil,

14 crude oil that's spilled on the surface of the ground.

It's more viscous than refined product, it doesn't spread as far, it creates fewer problems. As a result, we know in

the United States that less than 1 percent of our oil field

sites have contamination that requires remediation.

19 Ecuador is no exception.

We know that HBT Agra, the company that was hired 20 21 jointly by the Government of Ecuador and by TexPet, did an investigation before the RAP to determine that groundwater

remediation wasn't necessary. The court expert Gerardo

24 Barros that I spoke of earlier agreed.

Maybe more importantly, despite being assigned

09:29 1 responsibility for groundwater concerns, under Decree 1215, 2 the Ecuadorian law, Petroecuador, in the hundreds of 3 documents that I've reviewed, I see no evidence 4 Petroecuador is undertaking any groundwater remediation or plans any groundwater remediation. And appropriately so. 6 There simply is no need for groundwater remediation. You'll always hear considerable discussion--and

8 the Government of Ecuador's reports about contamination 9 migrating or spreading in groundwater. There simply is no 10 evidence that that's occurring. First of all, no completed 11 pathway--there are no completed pathways in groundwater 12 from the pits to the streams or drinking water. You will 13 see a cartoon conceptual model in some of the Government of 14 Ecuador's Expert Reports showing a pit showing a stream and 15 a connection. Simply isn't there.

Now, the Government of Ecuador's experts have 16 17 placed some monitoring wells between pits and stream and 18 claimed to have observed petroleum hydrocarbons in those 19 monitoring wells. For some of the reasons that Dr. Douglas 20 explained earlier, I think that it's questionable how real 21 those detections are, but even setting that aside, and 22 assuming they're real, those are single digit part per 23 million or lower concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons

In order to require remediation, sediment in the

2 drink, but that has nothing to do with oilfield operations. The Government of Ecuador claims that the 4 groundwater remediation Award is somehow supported by the need for sediment remediation. This makes no sense. First 6 of all, the Judgment provides no estimate of the extent or 7 volume of sediment remediation, no specific cost. Sediment 8 remediation has been understood and has been addressed for

09:32 1 bacteriological contamination. It's unhealthy water to

quite some time in the former Concession Area. TexPet 10 remediated sediments as part of the RAP. Petroecuador 11 continues to remediate sediments, and Petroecuador's cost

12 estimates in the 2007 Report I spoke of include the costs for sediment remediation. Sediment remediation--there is

14 need still for more sediment remediation, it's understood, and its cost has been estimated by Petroecuador.

16 And, finally, we hear a lot of discussion 17 concerning produced water discharges. It is true TexPet discharged produced water during its operations. Produced water is simply the water that comes up with the oil and is separated from the oil. Produced water is a very salty 21 brine water with trace levels of Petroleum Hydrocarbon in

22 it. When it's discharged to a stream, the brine, the salty 23 material, quickly dilutes and is washed downstream. Those

24 trace levels of oil rapidly biodegrade, and we know that

25 for a couple of reasons.

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09:30 1 stream has to have more than a thousand part per million in 2 petroleum hydrocarbons. You can't get from a part per 3 million in groundwater to a thousand parts per million in a 4 stream. It's physically impossible. You can't get there 5 from here. There is no connection.

24 they claim is in groundwater.

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You will also hear the Government of Ecuador talk 7 about mobility. The fact that there may be some residual 8 viscous oil on this site does not mean that it's mobile or 9 that it's migrating. There is no evidence of that 10 migration in the field data. There are, however, some well 11 developed tests that we used to assess whether or not oil, 12 free-phase oil, is migrating or mobile. LBG, the 13 Government of Ecuador's Experts, undertook none of those 14 tests. They simply declared the oil to be migrating and 15 mobile.

The most important reason for groundwater 17 remediation is protection of drinking water supplies. We 18 know from over 10 years from the Judicial Inspection 19 through the recent Government of Ecuador investigations 20 that the groundwater, drinking water supply wells on the 21 site are free of oilfield-related contamination that 22 requires remediation.

23 Now, that doesn't mean these wells are safe to 24 drink from--they're not. It's unfortunate that there are 25 people drinking from these hand dug wells. They have

09:34 1 First of all, that's simply the nature of oil 2 ideal conditions for biodegradation. But there are also 3 tests--and I cited them in my Report--conducted by 4 Greg Douglas where he evaluated the biodegradation of the 5 oil in that produced water and found that it biodegrades 6 with a half-life of days. There is nothing left from 7 TexPet's discharge water discharged 25 years ago in those sediments today that requires remediation, and there is nothing in the Reports produced by the Government of 10 Ecuador that provides any evidence that sediments are 11 contaminated as a result of produced water discharge. 12 Sediments are contaminated. They were contaminated by oil 13 spills, not produced water.

15 Judgment could have looked to see how that compared to what it actually cost to clean up or remediate an oilfield. 17 There are thousands of oilfields around the world, many of which have been remediated or are in remediation. It's not hard to compare those numbers to the real cost. Again, the 20 Petroecuador 2007 estimate was \$70 million to remediate

Once arriving at the \$6 billion figure, the

21 both the TexPet era non-RAP features and the more recent

22 Petroecuador pits and spills. The Lago Agrio Court had

23 available to it information from other oilfields, and I'll

24 talk about Schoonebeek. Schoonebeek was one of the largest 25 oilfields in Western Europe, in The Netherlands, operated

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09:35 1 from the early 1940s into the 1990s when it was closed. 2 When it was closed, it was remediated. This is a 599 well 3 oilfield, roughly the same size as the former Concession at 4 the time of the Petroecuador 2007 Report, larger than the 5 oilfield that had been operated by TexPet.

Remediation of Schoonebeek cost less than 7 \$100 million.

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Now, Schoonebeek was not only remediated, the 9 decision was made to return the land to its pre-industrial 10 condition to remove all evidence that oil operations had 11 ever been there. All equipment was removed, all wells were 12 plugged and abandoned, all tanks were removed, buildings 13 removed, pipelines--a thousand kilometers of pipeline were 14 removed. The total cost for that entire effort was 15 \$261 million. This isn't something that the Government of 16 Ecuador is likely to want to do in the former Concession 17 Area because it would mean cessation of their oil 18 production. None of these numbers are anything close to

19 the \$6 billion awarded by the Lago Agrio Court. 20 I'm going to talk to you about a case where there 21 was need for exceptional remediation cost. The only 22 terrestrial oil spill I'm aware of with a cost anywhere 23 close to the cost of the Judgment, and that was in Kuwait. 24 After the Iraqi Army was--invaded Kuwait, when they were 25 withdrawing, Saddam Hussein ordered the destruction of

09:39 1 perspective. This is a to-scale map, you can see 2 30 kilometers on the scale, about 80 kilometers right to 3 left. That purple square in the lower left-hand corner 4 represents 3.1 square kilometers, which the Judgment says needs to be remediated in the former Concession. It's not 6 hard to compare that purple square to the Burgan oilfield and see that it is far, far smaller.

I can tell you, I was there, I saw the Burgan oilfield, you could drive for kilometers and see nothing 10 from horizon to horizon but oil-covered land, not a bit of 11 clean soil, not a bit of unimpacted soil from horizon to horizon. You will see nothing like that in Ecuador.

In Kuwait, we know there were 385 square

14 kilometers of land covered with 100 percent oil. 15 Essentially, up to a million parts per million of oil. In 16 contrast, the Judgment's exaggerated volume or area of soil 17 requiring remediation in the former Concession Area was only 3.1 square kilometers, and that's to 100 parts per

million. Kuwait didn't map the contamination to 100 parts per million. There was really no reason to, but had they, 21 their number would have been far larger than 385 square

22 kilometers, and yet the Judgment awards more than twice the

23 cleanup cost in Ecuador for the former Concession than the

24 United Nations Compensation Commission determined were

25 necessary to clean up Kuwait.

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09:37 1 every oil well in Kuwait, the blowing up of every oil well, 2 every pipeline, every tank, opening of every valve, the 3 creation, the intentional creation, of the largest oil 4 spill and the largest oil-related disaster in history. The United Nations reviewed this case, claims were

6 made by Kuwait, and the United Nations determined that the 7 cost to clean up this, the world's largest terrestrial oil 8 spill--the world's largest oil spill--should be 9 \$2.5 billion.

Just for scale, this is a satellite photo of a 11 portion of Kuwait taken shortly after the Iraqi war. In 12 the upper right-hand corner, the dark area, is the Persian 13 Gulf. You can see three of Kuwait's oilfields, the Burgan 14 oilfield is the largest--Burgan oilfield is one of the 15 largest oilfields in the world. It alone produces more oil 16 than all of Ecuador.

You can also see parts of the Umm Gudair and the 17 18 Al Wahfra oilfield. There were many more oilfields in 19 Kuwait that are not in this photograph. This is only part 20 of the damage. You can see that blackened area in the 21 Burgan field. That's oil covered soil. The Judgment 22 determined that the area of contamination in the former 23 Concession that required remediation was 3.1 square 24 kilometers. Now, I disagree with that number, I think it's 25 greatly exaggerated, but put the Judgment's Award in

09:41 1 This is an appropriate comparison. Those are both 2 terrestrial oil cleanups. You've heard the Government of 3 Ecuador compare the Judgment to marine oil spills, 4 specifically in their opening to the Exxon Valdez and to 5 the BP spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Those are not 6 comparable numbers. Marine oil spills are a very different problem. A marine oil spill can very rapidly spread over very large areas, very difficult to contain and remediate, and as a result the costs are substantially higher for cleanup of marine oil spills.

What you haven't heard from the Government of Ecuador is a single comparison to what it cost to clean up 13 an oilfield or an oil spill on land, a terrestrial oil spill, an easier oil spill to clean up. That would be 15 comparable. This is comparable in terms of its costs, certainly not in terms of its size.

17 You heard in the opening remarks Ecuador's Experts have estimated that there are 3.4 million barrels of oil still in the soil in the former Concession Area. I disagree with those calculations. As explained in my 21 Report, I believe they are founded on bad statistics, and they use the TEM estimate of Petroleum Hydrocarbons which is an exaggeration. I think they're grossly exaggerated. Setting that aside, 3.4 million barrels, if it was

25 true, is still less than the 1 percent of the oil released

09:42 1 in Kuwait. The Judgment simply makes no sense, and is not 2 supported by Ecuador's Experts' Reports.

In summary, the Judgment ignores reality. The 4 Judgment ignores the actual cost per pit to remediate the 5 soil. They ignore the actual volume per pit. The Judgment

6 ignores the pit count, it uses an unrealistic remediation

7 standard, it awards remediation costs for groundwater when

8 none is required. The result is that the Lago Court awards 9 a number which is order of magnitude--orders of magnitude

10 higher than costs determined by Petroecuador, Ecuador's own

11 oil company.

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12 Thank you.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. Any

14 further questions from the Claimants?

MS. WOOD: No questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: There will now be questions 16

17 from the Respondent.

18 CROSS-EXAMINATION

19 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. Good morning, Dr. Hinchee. How are you? 20

A. Good morning, fine, thank you.

22 Q. I'm Eric Bloom, I will be asking you the questions

23 on behalf of the Respondent this morning. You testified

24 that you were at the site at ground zero within days after

25 the Trecate spill?

09:45 1 O. Now, sir, you testified or it's in your Report

2 that you worked for Integrated Science and Technology; is

3 that correct?

A. Yes.

O. If I could return for one moment in the Kuwait

6 example that you gave. It's true, is it not, that Kuwait

7 is currently asking for more money than the 2.5 billion;

8 isn't that right?

A. I'm sorry, I couldn't hear all of your question 9

over all the noise behind you.

Kuwait is currently asking for more than the

\$2.5 billion; isn't that correct?

Q. Certainly, I will repeat.

A. I don't know what Kuwait is currently asking for, 14

15 no.

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16 Q. Okay. Now, sir, you're a principal at Integrated

17 Science and Technology?

18 Α. Yes.

19 0. And your title is...

20 Principal Engineer.

And you have an ownership in that, do you not? 21

Yes, I do. Α.

23 And what is that ownership interest?

A. Approximately 11 percent.

Q. And to be clear, you're not an Expert in

09:46 1 toxicology; is that right?

A. I know something about toxicology as we apply it

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3 in remediation, but I'm certainly not a toxicologist.

Q. You're not representing yourself as an Expert in

5 toxicology; correct?

A. No, I'm not a toxicologist.

7 Q. Nor are you representing yourself as an Expert in

epidemiology; is that also right?

9 A. Yes, I'm not an epidemiologist, no.

10 Nor are you a medical professional?

11 No, I'm not a medical professional. Α.

And you have not been qualified by a court to act

13 as an Expert in the field of impacts of crude oil on human

14 health?

A. That is right, I have not. 15

And you have never been qualified by a court to 16

act as an Expert in the field of risk assessments; correct?

A. I've certainly testified to risk assessment. I

don't know that I have ever been specifically qualified by

20 a court to address risk assessment. Risk assessments often

21 are an integral part of remediation.

22 Q. Now, you've testified that you've had a

23 relationship with Chevron and, before that, with TexPet as 24 it relates to the Lago Agrio Litigation; isn't that right?

A. I've had a relationship with Chevron. I didn't

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09:44 1 A. Yes, that's true. Q. And the cleanup efforts and the investigation

3 began even before you got there?

A. Yes, began almost immediately.

O. And in Kuwait there were efforts almost

6 immediately to investigate the damage caused by the

7 destruction of the oil wells there?

A. There were efforts that began early on. It took 9 longer in Kuwait to begin what you think of as

10 characterization of the oil spills. There were more 11 immediate problems to deal with.

0. Given the war conditions? 12

13 A. Yes.

Q. Now, TexPet operated in Ecuador from the 1960s 14

15 through the early 1990s; is that correct?

16 A. I'm not sure when--I don't recall exactly the date 17 that the operations began. I understand it ended

18 June of 1990, yes.

Q. The operatorship ended in June of 1990 and they

20 left in 1992; do you understand that?

A. The operatorship ended in 1990. I think there was

22 still some ownership after that.

Q. And the issue right now is remediation, some 25

24 years after that operatorship ended; correct?

A. Yes.

- 09:48 1 have a relationship with TexPet.
 - Q. And you have also been offered as a witness in the
 - 3 New York RICO proceeding?
 - A. Yeah, that's possible. I don't know whether I was
 - 5 offered or not. I wrote a report.
 - Q. Okay. Now, your relationship with Chevron extends
 - 7 back to what date?
 - A. With Chevron anywhere?
 - 9 O. Yes.

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- A. Oh, sometime in the mid-Eighties.
- Q. So, it's about 30 years? 11
- 12 A. Approximately, yes.
- 13 Q. Now, to be clear, you never served as an Expert on
- 14 Chevron's behalf at a Judicial Inspection; correct?
- A. That's right, that's right. 15
- Q. But you are aware that in preparation for the 16
- 17 Judicial Inspections, Chevron had prepared two documents as
- 18 both a Sampling Plan and an Analysis Plan.
- 19 A. Yes, I have seen those.
- 20 Q. Now, you didn't draft either one; correct?
- A. No, and I want to be clear: It wasn't simply
- 22 Chevron that prepared those. Those were prepared jointly
- 23 with the Plaintiffs, but no, I was not involved in their
- 24 drafting.
- Q. But you reviewed them in connection with the 2006

- 09:51 1 O. Now, you've testified a number of times, both at
 - 2 trial and at deposition, have you not?
 - Yes, I have. A.
 - About 20 or 30 times you have been deposed? 4
 - 5 Approximately, yes.
 - And you've also testified at trial and in
 - arbitrations?
 - 8 A. Yes, I have.
 - 9 And you've testified on behalf of Exxon?

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- On behalf of Plantation Pipeline? 11 Q.
- 12 Α.
- 13 On behalf of Kinder Morgan?
- 14 A. Yes.
 - And Kinder Morgan is an oil-and-gas company?
- 16 Primarily a pipeline, an oil-and-gas transport
- 17 company.
- Q. Can you tell us how many times you've actually 18
- 19 testified against an oil company?
- 20 A. Against an oil company? I've testified adverse to
- 21 Chevron.
- 22 0. When was that?
- 23 Two years ago. Α.
 - And what case was that?
- A. It was a case before the California Public

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- 09:49 1 Report that was submitted to the Lago Agrio Court; is that 2 not right?
 - A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. And I will be referring to this Report. So, let's
 - 5 hand out some binders.
 - And if you want to at any time refer to that
 - 7 Report, it's at Tab 4. And you may want to confirm that
 - 8 Tab 4 is, in fact, your 2006 Report that was submitted in 9 Lago Agrio.
 - 10 A. Yes, I see this.
 - Q. And I will represent to you that at Page 16, you 11
 - 12 do represent that you relied on both the Analysis and
 - 13 Sampling Plans.
 - 14 A. Page 16?
 - O. Correct. 15
 - A. Yes, I see the reference. 16
 - Q. Now, this Report was entitled "Evaluation of
 - 18 Chevron's Sampling and Analysis Methods"; correct?
 - 19 A. Yes.

- Q. So, those two documents were, indeed, the 20
- 21 essential pieces of your review; no?
- 22 A. They were an essential part, yes.
 - Q. And you went on to write seven additional reports
- 24 in the Lago Agrio Litigation; isn't that also right?
- A. I believe the count--your count is right, yes.

- 09:52 1 Utilities Commission concerning rates, shipping rates.
 - Q. And the nature of your testimony in that 3 proceeding?
 - A. I was working for Kinder Morgan, the company
 - 5 who--the shipper, and Kinder Morgan had spills, done
 - 6 remediation work, and I was testifying as to the
 - 7 reasonableness of the remediation work being done by Kinder
 - Morgan.
 - 9 Q. Have you ever testified against an oil company
 - when it was not on behalf of another oil company?
 - A. Not that I recall.
 - Doctor, could I ask you to turn to Tab 3 of your 12
 - 13 binder.
 - A. I would like to point out that my testimony in
 - 15 Kuwait was against the country of Iraq, but the costs that
 - were being incurred, that were being paid to Kuwait, were
 - coming from the Iraqi oil company, so that could be
 - interpreted as adverse to the Iraqi oil company.
 - 19 Q. You're at Tab 3 now?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - Now, this is an e-mail from John Connor to
 - 22 Doug MacKay, Pedro Alvarez, and to yourself; correct?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. And can you, for the Tribunal's sake, can you
 - 25 identify who Doug MacKay and Pedro Alvarez are.

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- 09:54 1 A. Yes. Doug MacKay and Pedro Alvarez were also
 2 Experts who worked with me and co-authored several of my
 - 3 Expert Reports in the Lago matter.
 4 0. And this e-mail is from August 20
 - Q. And this e-mail is from August 2006, about three weeks before you submitted your First Report; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes
 - 8 Q. In the first line of this e-mail, Mr. Connor says 9 that he had reviewed the latest draft of your Report.
 - Do you see that?
 - 11 A. Yes.

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- 12 O. And, in fact, this e-mail is about Mr. Connor's
- 13 comments to your First Report; right?
- 14 A. Yes, it appears to be.
 - Q. And you were shown this document in your
- 16 deposition; do you recall that?
- 17 A. Yes, I do.
- 18 Q. And you read your deposition in preparation for
- 19 today's proceeding?
- 20 A. I did.
- Q. So, on this e-mail, Ernie Baca and Sara McMillen
- 22 are on the cc line. Could you identify who Ernie Baca and
- 23 Sara McMillen are?
- 24 A. Yes, Ernie Baca is an employee of GSI. He was one
- 25 of the Judicial Inspection Experts on a number of sites,

09:57 1 Q. So, did you accept his--strike that.

2 Did you ever interview people in connection with

3 this Report who were not affiliated with Chevron?

- A. If you include as affiliated with Chevron
- 5 consultants who were working for Chevron, I don't recall
- 6 interviewing anyone else.
- Over the course of my work in Lago, I have
- 8 interviewed other people, so I can't be certain that I
- 9 didn't interview someone not connected to Chevron for this
- 10 Report, but I don't recall any of those interviews, as I 11 sit here.
- 12 Q. I will refer you to your deposition testimony and
- 13 see if this refreshes your recollection. Your deposition
- 14 testimony is at Tab 2, and I would refer you to Page 152,
- 15 beginning at Line 7.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And there you say that you interviewed the
- 18 consultants who did the Judicial Inspections for Chevron
- 19 and other consultants working for Chevron, as well as Sara
- 20 McMillen, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.

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- Q. And you don't recall ever reaching out to anyone
- 23 who was not being paid by Chevron; is that also right?
 - A. Yes, that is what I said in my deposition. And,
- 25 as I said, I re-read this and giving it more thought, I'm

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09:55 1 and has been working on this case for some time.

- 2 Sara McMillen is an employee of Chevron, and she 3 also has been working on this case for some time.
- 4 Q. Now, about halfway down the page you will see a
- 5 Number 1, and it says "objectivity/independence."
- Do you see that?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, in the second paragraph under this heading,
- 9 Mr. Connor writes: "To the degree possible, I think you
- $10\,\,$ need to be more diligent about sources so that you sound
- 11 objective."
- 12 Do you see that?
- 13 A. Yes, I see that.
- 14 O. And then he references an attachment that
- 15 identifies the interviewees as 100 percent Chevron folks,
- .6 and he says "that begs the same question."
- 17 Do you see that also, sir?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Now, you would agree with me, sir, that there was
- 20 no--ultimately there was no attachment submitted with your
- 21 2006 Report; isn't that right? And feel free to take a
- 22 look, if you wish.
- 23 A. No, I have written a lot of reports. I have to
- 24 see what attachments were or weren't included.
- 25 The only attachment I see are key documents.

- 09:58 1 not 100 percent sure that I hadn't spoken to someone who
 - was not with Chevron at the time this Report was written, but I believe this is probably accurate. I probably
 - 4 didn't.
 - 5 Q. Thank you, sir.
 - Now, Dr. Hinchee, how many pits did TexPet
 - 7 remediate as part of the RAP?
 - 8 A. I don't recall the exact number. I would have to
 - go to Woodward-Clyde 2000. It was something more than 160.
 - 10 Q. And it's out of how many pits? How many pits did
 - 11 TexPet construct?
 - 12 A. I don't know. I haven't done that calculation.
 - 13 As I said, that's not really relevant. What's relevant is
 - 14 how many need remediating.
 - 15 Q. Did you ever know how many pits that TexPet
 - 16 constructed?
 - 17 A. No, I haven't tried to do that calculation, and I
 - 18 have not seen that number in any of the documents I
 - 19 reviewed.
 - 20 Q. Now, you understand that there were more than 300
 - 21 well sites, I believe approximately 322?
 - 22 A. Yes, that's right.
 - 23 O. And 22 Production Stations?
 - 24 A. Yes
 - 25 Q. And given your own knowledge of oil extraction

- 10:00 1 processes, do you have an educated opinion as to how many 2 pits TexPet reasonably should have constructed to support 3 an operation on this scale?
 - A. I haven't offered opinions concerning oilfield 5 operations. And, as I said, that's not an estimate or a 6 determination that I've made, and I haven't seen any 7 information concerning that in the documents I've reviewed.
 - Q. At any point, has Chevron provided you with 9 comprehensive historical records for the pits that TexPet
 - 10 constructed?
 - A. I have seen historical records concerning the pit 11 12 TexPet--the TexPet pits, yes.
 - 13 Q. Only insofar as those that were remediated or for 14 all of the pits?
 - A. I have seen information concerning pits that I 15 16 don't know whether or not were remediated.

I'm not sure what your question is.

- Q. Well, I quess you may have already answered it. 18
- 19 If you don't know the universe of pits, presumably you
- 20 would not have all of the historical information with
- 21 respect to the universe of pits.
- A. Right. I focused on the pits that need
- 23 remediating.

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- Q. And how can you determine which pits need
- 25 remediating if you don't know the universe of pits?

10:03 1 O. Now, other than aerial photos, Chevron did not 2 provide the Court with any historical documentation 3 regarding the size or location of the pits they 4 constructed; isn't that right?

> A. I don't know what documents were provided to the Court from Chevron. I know that the Court relied on for 7 its estimate of size, two documents which were generated by 8 TexPet. I don't know how they came into possession of 9 those documents.

10 Again, though, those didn't actually describe any 11 pit that was ever built.

12 O. Now, sir, you understand that because you referred in direct to the Judgment. In fact, you were quoting from 14 the Judgment. You understand that the Judgment said that 15 the Court could not apply current standards. It had to 16 apply the standards, the regulatory standards that existed 17 at the time; is that your understanding?

18 MS. WOOD: Objection. If Mr. Bloom is going to refer to the Judgment and ask him about specific statements in the Judgment, he should show him the Judgment and the 21 specific passage that he's talking about. I don't think 22 it's fair to the Witness otherwise.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, if the Witness can answer 24 without a reference, so be it, but it's helpful for the

25 Tribunal also, I think, to see the particular passage.

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- 2 look to the RAP at the time of the TexPet remediation. 3 There is information concerning pits that were contaminated 4 in the HBT Agra Report I referred to. And probably most 5 usefully is Petroecuador's own determination of the number 6 of pits that required remediating in 2007, so there is
 - 7 substantial information available as to the number of pits 8 which require remediation.

A. You look to Ecuadorian regulations today. You

- 9 Q. But I want to take you back to your work at the 10 Lago Agrio Case before the PEPDA project and go back to my 11 question: How do you know what pits need remediating if 12 you don't know what the universe of pits are?
- A. Well, you have information, again, from the HBT 14 Agra audit, also Fugro-McClelland, you know which pits were 15 identified in the RAP as needing remediation which were 16 assigned to TexPet for remediation, and you know from
- 17 Judicial Inspection information that is available, and by
- 18 comparing those to Petroecuador practice and to Ecuadorian
- 19 regulations that were applicable at the time, you can 20 determine which pits need remediation.
- O. So, you're not getting it from TexPet, you're 22 getting it from other sources to the extent they have the
- 23 information from what source? A. From having investigated the pits and the sites 25 where pits exist that need remediation.

10:04 1 MR. BLOOM: And I will return to that in a little 2 bit more detail in a few minutes, but if I can just--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just make it clear: If you 4 want to look at the Judgment, you can ask for it and you will be shown the relevant passage.

THE WITNESS: Well, in general, the standard that 7 the Judgment was based upon was a 100-milligram per kilogram TPH standard which to my knowledge has never existed in Ecuadorian regulations and has no basis at any 10 time in Ecuadorian regulations.

BY MR. BLOOM:

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- Q. And sir, are you a lawyer or are you an expert in 13 Ecuadorian environmental regulations?
- 14 A. I'm certainly not a lawyer, but I am an engineer 15 who's cleaned up and worked on remediation of
- 16 oil-contaminated soils in the United States and many other countries around the world. I understand how to read
- regulations and understand how they apply to remediation.
- 19 Q. Thank you, sir. We will be returning to the 20 subject, then.
- 21 Now, Doctor, would you agree with me that 22 generally at oil well sites, at least before remediation,
- it's possible that some contamination will exist under the ground surface?
- A. Yes, contamination can exist under the ground

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10:05 1 surface.

- Q. And, indeed, that's not really uncommon, is it?
- A. It's not uncommon to find contamination below the ground surface. It isn't all immediately on the ground surface.
- Q. And I think for the sake of the Tribunal, I want to turn to a slide used by Mr. Connor earlier this week. Reeping in mind the Republic does not agree with all of it, but for purposes here, once we get it on the screen, I want to ask you, Doctor, if you understand the depiction here.

11 And this is not the right slide.

12 There we go.

You can take a moment to look at this, and first let us know whether you understand it, and if you don't, we swill move on. If you do, I'm going to ask you to explain it.

17 A. Yes, I understand it.

18 MS. WOOD: Excuse me, Mr. Bloom. Excuse me.

19 Could you just tell me in the bundle where this is, so ${\tt I}$

20 could look at it closer, in your slides?

MR. BLOOM: I don't know if you have it in the

22 bundle. Yeah, this is from Mr. Connor's slides.

23 MS. WOOD: Oh, okay. I just didn't know if--

MR. BLOOM: This is Slide 14 from Mr. Connor.

25 MS. WOOD: Okay. Thank you.

10:08 1 Q. And would you also agree with me that before

2 remediation is conducted, there is oftentimes an

3 investigation of some kind to determine both whether and to

4 what extent contamination exists?

A. Yes, similar to the HBT Agra audit I discussed earlier, that's very common.

6 earlier, that's very common.
7 0. And are there instances where oil contamination

8 might be found in the subsurface, even where the 9 contamination might not be visually observable at the

11 A. Yes. It's not always visually observable at the

12 surface.

Q. And to perform a comprehensive remediation, one obviously needs to know where the contamination is, and that the boundaries are of that contamination; would you

16 agree with that?

17 A. You need at least some general idea, yes. When 18 you're remediating oil contamination such as this, oil's

19 visually apparent. So, as you do the remediation, as you

20 excavate, you can see where the oil is, and that's the way

21 $\,$ it's normally done. You follow the visually contaminated

22 material.

10 surface?

Q. And that would necessitate exploring the site,

24 doing some tests?

A. Not necessarily. It's done during the

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10:07 1 MR. BLOOM: Sure.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: The trouble is that it's Slide 13 in our bundle.

4 MS. WOOD: Yeah. That's what I was confused 5 about.

6 MR. BLOOM: So, it's 13 of our bundle, it's 14 of 7 Mr.--Dr. Connor, Mr. Connor's bundle.

MS. WOOD: Thank you.

9 BY MR. BLOOM:

10 Q. So, could you explain this for the Tribunal? And 11 I want to focus specifically on where the contamination 12 would have been prior to the remediation.

A. This is a generalized cross-section that

14 represents a generalized condition in the Oriente showing a

15 remediated pit, the cross-section. It shows the remediated

16 material, the bottom of the former pit and probably

17 over-excavated somewhat, so, it's probably larger than the

18 original pit, and overlain by clayey soil, clean soil, top

19 soil, and then vegetation. And then it shows the

20 predominantly clayey soils around the pit.

Q. And the only point here is the area that was

22 remediated presumably was once contaminated or else there 23 wouldn't have been remediation in the first place; would

24 you agree with that?

A. Right. You remediate contamination.

10:09 1 remediation. It's done observationally.

Q. But would you agree with me that there are times it is done before remediation?

4 A. Yes, similar to the work that was done by HBT Agra 5 and Fugro-McClelland.

6 Q. And the purpose of such an investigation would be 7 to determine both the nature and the extent of the

8 contamination?

9 A. Yes. You need to understand where the

10 contamination is that needs remediating and have some idea

11 as to how much will require remediating.

12 Q. And you would want to identify the sources of 13 contamination; right?

14 A. Well, that's part of understanding where the

15 contamination is, yes.

16 Q. And that would also mean creating a plan to sample 17 the site?

A. That sometimes happens, yes.

19 Q. And for oil well sites with multiple pits, that

20 sampling plan could also involve--in fact, probably would

21 generally involve--sampling more than just one set a site;

22 isn't that right?

23 A. Well, not necessarily. In fact, if you look at

24 how this remediation work was done under the RAP, there

25 were sites where the Government of Ecuador and TexPet

10:11 1 agreed to begin remediation simply on the visual

- 2 observation of oil. If you see oil contamination, you can
- 3 agree that it's likely above the 5,000-milligram per
- 4 kilogram standard that was set in the RAP for soil that
- 5 required remediation and simply begin remediating it based
- 6 on visual observation. That's not uncommon, and, in fact,
- 7 that was done here.
- Q. Nor is it uncommon of undertaking multiple test 9 samples at a given site to determine the extent of 10 contamination; would you not agree with that?
- A. The number of samples will vary depending on the 11 12 remediation program and the sites.
- Q. And if we don't know where all the pits are--well, 13
- 14 let me ask this question: Do you believe you have
- 15 sufficient information or ever had sufficient information
- 16 to know where all the pits are in the Concession Area?
- A. Again, as I said, the important question to me is 17 18 which pits need remediation. And certainly, as remediation
- 19 progresses, you find conditions may vary from what was
- 20 determined before remediation began, but we certainly have
- 21 a reasonable idea of how many pits need remediating and
- 22 where those pits are. They're near the oil well. They're
- 23 near the oil platform.
- Q. Well, some of the pits have been covered with high
- 25 growth vegetation; correct?

- 10:14 1 A. They did some investigations they called Remedial
 - 2 Investigations, yes. Q. And what is an R-I, a Remedial Investigation?
 - A. Remedial Investigation is a term we use to
 - describe investigation work that's done prior to the
 - initiation of remediation.
 - Q. And did Woodward-Clyde specifically investigate 8 where all the contamination had migrated to or otherwise
 - 9 determined it hadn't migrated at all?
 - A. Woodward-Clyde undertook a Remedial Investigation
 - 11 to determine where the features were and have some
 - understanding of those features before they began
 - remediation. 13
 - Q. Now, let me ask you to turn to Tab 6 of your
 - 15 binder, and I'm going to ask you to turn to Table 3-6. And
 - 16 for both the Witness and counsel and Members of the
 - 17 Tribunal, the pages at which tables are located are not
 - paginated; however, it is immediately preceding Page 3-16.
 - 19 MS. WOOD: You were prepared for our question.
 - Thank you, Mr. Bloom. 20
 - MR. BLOOM: I'm learning.
 - 22 THE WITNESS: Sorry, what was the table number
 - 23 again?

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- BY MR. BLOOM:
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- 10:12 1 A. Yes, there's places there's dense vegetation.
 - Q. And others with dirt; correct?
 - A. There are pits that were covered with soil, yes.
 - Q. And it's not always so easy to find the pits in
 - 5 the first place; correct?
 - Vegetation certainly makes it difficult to find
 - 7 the pits. Under the RAP, if there was not visual oil
 - identified in a pit that had been closed prior to 1990, it
 - 9 was determined that those pits didn't need remediation by
 - 10 TexPet.
 - 11 Q. Now, the Plaintiffs were not Parties to the RAP. 12 Did you understand that?
 - A. I don't know that the Plaintiffs were Parties to 13 14 the RAP, no.
 - Q. Okay. Now, you've referred, I believe, to 15
 - Woodward-Clyde. Could you explain who they are?
 - A. Woodward-Clyde was a company hired by TexPet to 17
 - 18 essentially conduct or oversee the remediation work that
 - 19 was done under the RAP.
 - O. So, they studied the Concession Area sites in the
 - 21 1990s; isn't that also right?
 - A. They studied--yes, they did some studies as well.
 - 23 That was part of the remedial effort.
 - Q. And they conducted specifically what's called a
 - 25 Remedial Investigation; isn't that right?

10:16 1 A. Yes.

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- Q. And so that the Transcript is clear, this is
- 3 Claimants' Exhibit Number 43.
 - And Doctor, you're at that table now?
- 5 A. Yes, I see the table.
 - And give you a moment to look at it.
- This is--is this--which Woodward-Clyde document
- does this come from? 8
 - Q. This is the 2000 Report.
- A. The Remedial Action Report? Unfortunately, it has
- 11 the same acronym as the Remedial Action Plan. Is that what
- you're talking about?
- Yeah, this is post-remediation. 13 Q.
- 14 Α. Yeah, okay. Yes.
- Now, for Aquarico 2, the investigation discovered 15
 - a soil sample of 9800 milligrams per kilogram in Pit 3.
- Do you see that at the third line of the table? 17
 - Yes, I see that.
- 19 And there were no samples taken for Pits 1 and 2.
- 20 Do you see that also in the footnote or the NS?
- A. Yes, I see--I think this illustrates exactly the
- point I was trying to make that if there was an agreement
- between TexPet and the Government of Ecuador that the pits
- 24 required remediation and the soil required remediation 25 based on visual evidence, they simply were remediated. No

10:17 1 need to collect samples before the remediation begins.

- Q. So, just to put a fine point to what you just said, Pits 2 and 3 were not sampled precisely because there was a determination based on what they saw that there was contamination that exceeded limits or otherwise required remediation?
- A. That's what this footnote says. I would have to look elsewhere. You would need to provide me a full copy of the Report to be certain that these pits actually were remediated. This may have changed in the course of the progression of the remediation, but certainly, reading the footnote on this table, that's what it suggests.

13 If you want me to tell you if that's what 14 happened, you will need to provide me with a full copy of 15 this Report.

- Q. Well, my points are going to be a little bit more limited than that. There were three pits that the Parties determined exceeded the RAP threshold. My question is, if you can confirm, there were no samples taken down-gradient from Pit 1; isn't that right?
- 21 A. It appears there were no samples collected from 22 Pit 1, based on this table.
- Q. And there were no samples taken down-gradient from 24 Pit 2 or from Pit 3?
- 25 A. This table tells me about samples taken from the

10:20 1 looking at what the soil--you can see the soil. You can

- 2 determine whether or not you have reached the end of the
- 3 contamination. It's very common in an excavation,
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{4}}$ particularly with crude oil because you can see the
- 5 contamination.
- Q. Doctor, can you tell the Tribunal what the acronym PEPDA, which we've been referring to, stands for?
- 8 A. It's a Spanish acronym. It's the--I don't recall
- 9 it. I would have to look it up. It has to do with
- O remediation of pits and spills in the Amazon region.
- 11 Q. Okay. I will give it a shot then for the purposes
- 12 of the Tribunal anyway. It's the project for the
- 13 elimination of contaminated pits in the Amazon district.
- 14 And that's at Tab 7. It's an exhibit to one of your 15 Reports.
- Now, PEPDA is a non-profit project; correct?
- 17 A. I don't know.
 - O. You don't know?
- 19 A. It's--I understand it's part of Petroecuador. And
- 20 I'm not certain that is what the acronym stands for. I've
- 21 seen other places where the D is defined as also standing
- 22 for "derrames," spills. But I'm not certain what the
- 23 acronym stands for. PEPDA is the arm of Petroecuador doing
- 24 remediation.

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25 Q. And we will not--

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10:19 1 pits, and there were no samples taken from the pits.

- Q. And the question is: How does one determine whether the contamination migrated?
- A. It's a very straightforward process when you're remediating the soil. Again, much of this is based on visual observation. You can see oil. It's black. You excavate until you can no longer see black oil, so you excavate the extent of contamination. That's discussed in this Woodward-Clyde Report. Again, if you give me a full
- 10 copy, I could point out where.
 11 When they observed contamination beyond the pits,
- 12 they excavated it. A specific example that's called out in 13 the Report is when oil migrated through tree root holes,
- 14 and they would excavate those tree roots until they reach
- and they would excavate those tree roots until they reach
- 15 the end of the contamination. That's the way it's normally 16 done. That's the way it was done in this case.
- 17 Q. Now, I understand if there is contamination that 18 is visual or that one can smell, one can deduce remediation
- 19 needs to be done.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 O. The part I'm having difficulty with is, how do I
- 22 determine whether the contamination is now subsurface a
- 23 couple of meters down?
- A. Because when you're doing the remediation, you're
- 25 excavating subsurface a couple of meters down, and you're

- 10:22 1 A. For a time. It's no longer. They haven't--they 2 have renamed and changed the organization several times 3 since.
 - Q. And we're not going to rely on my Spanish skills;
 we've already established that.
 - A. They're no worse than mine.
 - 7 Q. You would agree, sir, that the Reports describing
 - 8 PEPDA's activities note its ability to perform tasks more
 - 9 cheaply than other private contractor remediations; would 10 you not agree with that?
 - 11 A. That is--you could find statements to that effect 12 in the PEPDA 2007 Report, yes.
 - Q. Why don't we turn to that, and that's at Tab 7.
 - A. Yes

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- 15 Q. And I think we will spend probably a little time 16 on this document.
 - And if you turn with me to Page 27--
 - A. Is the full document here?
- 19 Q. It's in--if you want to see the entirety, it's
- 20 attached to your Report.
- 21 A. Do you have a copy, a full copy of this? If
- 22 you're going to be referring to different pieces and asking
- 23 me questions about what they say and what they mean, I may
- 24 want to look to other parts of the Report.
 - Q. So, what Tab 7 is, it's the full Report as you

10:23 1 provided it to us, as attached to your Report.

A. I don't believe so. It's much shorter than the 3 Report that was Exhibit 1.

The full Report was provided, including the 5 attachments to my Third Report.

- Q. We can check at break, and if you wind up having 7 trouble, we will take a break early.
 - A. Okay. All right.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: In the meantime, could the 10 Claimants help? Come back later, then we'll find out.

MS. WOOD: Yes, he did--there is one, as Dr. 11

12 Hinchee cited, that was an updated version with more of the 13 Report if not all of the Report translated attached to his

14 Third Expert Report.

And I would just object for the record, if--since 15 16 the Witness is asking for a full copy of the Report in 17 order to respond to Mr. Bloom's questions, I would ask 18 maybe we could get that on a break, and you could move on 19 to a different set of questions right now.

20 MR. BLOOM: Well, and just for the record, since 21 this is what he did provide to us, and that's been

22 reaffirmed to me in connection with this First Report, I'm

23 certainly entitled to ask the Witness about his Report as

24 he provided it to us.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue. In the

10:26 1 A. Tab 8. Okay. What page?

Q. Page 13.

A. Yes. Yes, I see this.

Q. All right. And you say that Petroecuador's 2007 5 PEPDA Annual Report makes clear that the \$70 million--makes

6 clear that the \$70 million Petroecuador estimate--includes

much more than pit remediation.

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. And that's towards the top of the page 10 under 3.4?

A. Yes. 11

12 O. And then you specifically have stated that the

13 \$70 million estimate actually includes sediments and

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Do you see that at the end of the first paragraph? 15

16 A. Yes.

Q. So, I would like to discuss spills with you.

And would you agree with me that a truly

19 comprehensive cleanup of spills is not very easy unless you

know where the spills occur?

A. You need to know where contamination is in order

22 to clean it up, yes.

O. And would you also agree with me that it's not

24 always clear where the spill has occurred, especially when

25 you're looking years after the event, after the spill

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10:25 1 meantime, could the consultants dig out what they think is 2 the fuller Report; and as soon as they have done that, 3 signal to us.

MS. WOOD: Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you have trouble answering 6 the question because you haven't got the full Report, do 7 tell us, but let's see how this goes.

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

9 BY MR. BLOOM:

Q. And the first question is not going to be 11 difficult. If you can just read for us what's highlighted 12 at Page 27, referring to the cost for PEPDA.

A. Yes: "The difference is basically due to the 14 social commitment that PEPDA maintains with the community

15 and also the fact that PEPDA is a non-profit project, 16 unlike other companies responsible for environmental

17 remediation."

Q. Now, you have stated in your 2015 Report--and if 19 you want to look at that, that's at Tab 18, and I'm

20 referring to Page 13--but you state: "Petroecuador's 2007

21 PEPDA Annual Report makes clear that the \$70 million

22 Petroecuador estimates"--I'm sorry--

A. I'm sorry, that's--yeah, at page--Tab 18 is not my 23

24 Report.

Q. Tab 8.

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A. As I said, particularly with spills where's it's 2 3 surficial contamination, you can typically see oil. Over 4 time you have vegetation that grows, you have to disturb

5 the vegetation to look for it, but it can be seen.

Q. In all instances can it be seen?

A. Well, there's--yes, most instances. There's

8 certainly some conditions under which it can't be seen.

9 And that's the reason, when you're doing remediation of a 10 pit or a spill, that you take confirmatory analysis to

11 verify that, in fact, you've excavated and that you've gone

12 far enough to completely clean up to the standards the

13 spill or the pit that you're remediating.

14 Q. So if, 30 years ago in 1985, in the Oriente,

15 TexPet spilled oil at a site, did not report it, did not

16 record it or preserve the record, and let's say that spill

17 occurred to the side of the platform and went into the

18 rainforest-covered stream, you wouldn't necessarily see any

19 remnants of that spill today, 30 years after the fact,

20 would you?

21 A. You might or you might not. It depends on the

22 nature of the spill and the area that it was spilled into.

Q. And you would presumably also agree that it's not 24 uncommon, especially on marshy surfaces, that with the

25 passage of time, contamination above ground will diminish

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- 10:29 1 or be obscured?
 - 2 A. It's possible that the oil will become less 3 visible over time, yes.
 - Q. And would you also agree with me that
 - 5 contamination can migrate beneath the surface?
 - 6 A. Yes, contamination migration beneath the surface 7 is possible.
 - 8 Q. And have you ever investigated how accurate 9 TexPet's records are with respect to spills?
 - A. I have not, no.
 - 11 Q. Please look at Tab 10, which for the record is
 - 12 Respondent's Exhibit 201.
 - 13 A. I have it.
 - ${\tt Q.}\quad \ \, {\tt And} \,\, {\tt hopefully} \,\, {\tt we} \,\, {\tt have} \,\, {\tt a} \,\, {\tt slide}, \,\, {\tt so} \,\, {\tt we} \,\, {\tt don't} \,\, {\tt have} \,\, {\tt to}$
 - 15 strain our eyes on this one.
 - 16 And it says--and this is an internal memo within
 - 17 TexPet, and it says, in part: "No reports are to be kept
 - 18 on a routine basis and all previous reports are to be
 - 19 removed from"--is that "field"?
 - 20 A. Where are you reading?
 - 21 Q. I'm sorry, (c). Yeah:
 - "From field and division offices and destroyed."
 - 23 A. I see that, yes.
 - Q. You see that?
 - 25 A. Yes.

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10:33 1 done has been independent of who was responsible for the

- 2 cleanup. For example, almost all of the costs that I
- 3 presented in my presentation this morning included costs
- 4 that were for pits and spills not assigned to TexPet under
- 5 the RAP. And, in fact, the \$70 million cost I talked about
- 6 includes pits and spills that occurred after TexPet
- 7 departed the country and were as a result of Petroecuador's
- 8 operations. So, no, that's not--wasn't the predicate of
- 9 most of the work that I have done.
 - Q. Okay. Thank you for that clarification.
- 11 Now, you've testified--and if you want to, you can
- 12 look at it or you can take my word--it comes from your
- 13 deposition, which is at Tab 2, Page 263--but I'm not sure
- 14 this is going to be controversial for you, but certainly
- 15 for counsel, Tribunal, Page 263, Line 15.
- 16 And sir, if you can just tell me when you're
- 17 there?

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- 18 A. I'm there.
- 19 Q. Okay. You say: "I don't see any need for
- 20 remediation beyond the pits and spills because there is no
- 21 evidence of the need for remediation of these other media."
 - Do you see that?
- 23 A. Yes, I see that.
 - Q. Okay. And that's still your position today?
- A. Yes. I think I explained in my presentation there

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- 10:31 1 Q. And the only point here is the records may not be 2 perfectly accurate, and this was back from 1972.
 - 3 A. Yes. Records, particularly from this era, were 4 typically not very accurate.
 - 5 Q. Now, to be clear, is it your understanding that 6 PEPDA is intended to clean up all soil and sediment damage
 - 7 by TexPet spills prior to 1990?
 - 8 A. No. TexPet was assigned a very specific
 - 9 responsibility or Scope of Work under the RAP which defined
 - 10 its share of the remediation to be cleaned up. That did
 - 11 not include all oil--all spills or all pits.
 - 12 Q. So, the premise--let me ask you that this way:
 - 13 Has the premise of all of your work for Chevron in
 - 14 connection with Lago Agrio and the arbitration been
 - 15 premised on the underlying assumption that Chevron had no
 - 16 obligations to the Plaintiffs beyond the RAP?
 - MS. WOOD: Well, I'm going to object to that. It as calls for a legal conclusion. Also, I don't believe that
 - 19 was a correct characterization of the RAP.
 - 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You can ask the question. If
 - 21 you can't answer the question, please say so.
 - 22 MR. BLOOM: Yeah. I'm essentially asking him for
 - 23 the scope of what he performed. I'm not asking him for a
 - 24 legal conclusion.
 - THE WITNESS: No. Most of the work that I have

- 10:35 1 was no need for groundwater remediation, for example.
 - Q. Now, I would like to turn to the second component
 - 3 which you say is included in the \$70 million PEPDA
 - 4 estimate, and that's sediments.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Can you please describe what sediments are.
 - A. The way the term "sediments" are being used in
 - 8 this case refers to essentially soil that's below surface
 - 9 water, underneath a stream or a wetland, a marsh, something
 - 10 like that. There is some confusion, however, over the term
 - 11 because, technically, we often use the term "sediment" to
 - 12 refer to soil samples collected from depth and terrestrial
 - 13 samples, and in Ecuador I have seen no evidence that the
 - 14 term "sediments" have been used either by TexPet or by
 - 15 Petroecuador. They simply call all of the remediation soil
 - 16 remediation.
 - 17 But as I have been using it, and I believe most
 - 18 people in this case have been using it, it refers to soil
 - 19 beneath water.
 - 20 O. And sediments can also mean the material that
 - 21 sometimes collects in the bottom of my red wine glass?
 - 22 A. Yes, I'd call that sediment.
 - O. Okay.

- 24 A. It probably doesn't need remediating.
- Q. I'll remediate that.

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- 10:36 1 Sir, you say that the estimate was for remediation
 - 2 of all contamination in the former Concession, including
 - 3 sediments and spills. Is that your position?
 - 4 A. Yes. Yes.
 - 5 Q. So, I would like you to look at the 2007 PEPDA
 - 6 Annual Report at Tab 7, and if you turn to Page 9.
 - A. Yes
 - 8 Q. You are there? And do you see the bold with the
 - 9 heading "Project Objectives"?
 - A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And there were four objectives listed there;
 - 12 right?

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- 13 A. Yes, yes.
- 14 Q. Could I have you read out loud the
- 15 fourth objective.
- 16 A. "To apply decontamination treatment to sediments
- 17 from tanks of production stations, of water reinjection and
- 18 treatment plants; and final containment of solid waste."
- 19 Q. So, the sediments in the tanks, were those
- 20 sediments similar to the sediments in the bottom of my wine
- 21 glass?
- 22 A. Hopefully not.
- 23 Q. I knew you were going to say that.
- 24 A. They are sediments--the material had settled to
- 25 the bottom of a tank somewhat the same way that your

- 10:39 1 A. No. PEPDA is part of Petroecuador. It's the 2 other way around.
 - But I talk about Petroecuador remediation because
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{4}}$ Petroecuador is the parent or the owner of all of these
 - 5 organizations, or--that do remediation. And we have a
 - 6 number of PEPDA Reports. Although PEPDA only survived for
 - 7 a few years before it was reorganized and a new name was 8 given to it, there are quite a few Reports with the PEPDA
 - 9 name on them. But they're Petroecuador.
 - Q. And ultimately here what we're talking about is 11 what are the components of the PEPDA estimate; correct?
 - 12 A. Yes. ves
 - $\ensuremath{\text{\footnote{13}}}$ Q. And we have what the four objectives are, do we
 - 14 not?

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- 15 A. Well, those are four objectives that are
- 16 identified on this page, yes.
- $\ensuremath{\text{Q}}.$ And the only reference in the objectives to
- 18 sediment is in the fourth point here, which refers to
- 19 sediments from tanks of Production Stations?
 - A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Correct?
- 22 A. Right. You have to look at the more detailed
- 23 costs deeper in the Report to see that they include
- 24 sediments.
- 25 Q. Now, is it your understanding that PEPDA is

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10:38 1 sediments in your wine glass settled out.

- Q. And more specifically, what you just read is not describing the cleanup of sediment down at the bottom of a lake or stream; isn't that right?
- A. No, that wasn't what I was referring to when I was talking about cleanup of sediments.
- Q. Okay. Here, at least, we're only talking about 8 sediments from tanks of Production Stations. And again--
 - A. This does refer to Production Stations, yes.
- 10 Q. Yeah. Now, if you're looking--if you can take a 11 moment to look at the other three project objectives, you
- 12 won't see or find the word "sediment" in any of these other
- 13 objectives, will you?
- 14 A. No, sir. As I said, the term "sediment" in
- 15 Ecuador, either by Petroecuador or TexPet, doesn't tend to
- 16 be used the same way that we use the word in this case.
- 17 Q. Well, in your Report, you don't cite to any source
- 18 other than the PEPDA Report in support of your proposition
- 19 that PEPDA was intended to cover the cleanup of sediments;
- 20 correct?

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- 21 A. I do cite to this Report. I also provide other
- 22 reports as attachments to my Expert Report that are
- 23 examples of sites where sediments were cleaned up by
- 24 Petroecuador.
- O. But that's not part of PEPDA, is it?

- 10:40 1 intended to clean up every stream--I think you already said
 - 2 no--that was impacted during TexPet's operations?
 - 3 A. Well, PEPDA, as I quoted in my presentation, and
 - 4 as I can find here if you give me a few minutes, is
 - 5 assigned responsibility for cleanup of all the
 - 6 environmental liabilities, which would include both
 - $\ensuremath{\mathsf{7}}$ TexPet-era non-RAP features as well as more current
 - 8 contamination, more current features.
 - 9 MR. BLOOM: Mr. President, would now be a good
 - 0 time for a break?

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- PRESIDENT VEEDER: It certainly would.
- 12 Let's take a 15-minute break, and we'll come back
- 13 at 11:00. Thank you.
- 14 (Brief recess.)
- 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
 - MS. WOOD: Thank you.
- Just to clear up that one issue about the full
- 18 PEPDA report that Dr. Hinchee was asking about, I conferred
- 19 with Mr. Bloom during the break. We both recognize that
- 20 there was an updated translation, but it is 234 pages.
- 21 We're printing a copy. I believe Mr. Bloom is printing a
- 22 copy. I don't know that we can very quickly print seven
- 23 copies, but we will both have one in the event it becomes
- 24 necessary.
- 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is it paginated?

- 10:59 1 MS. WOOD: I do not know. I assume so.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: If we need it, we'll get to 2
 - 3 that.
 - MR. BLOOM: It's probably one very long sentence 5 for 234 pages.
 - BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Turning to a new subject right now, Dr. Hinchee,
 - 8 as part of your review during the Lago Agrio Litigation or
 - 9 in this arbitration, have you ever had a chance to review
 - 10 the Lago Agrio Complaint filed by the Plaintiffs?
 - A. Yes, I have seen it. 11
 - 12 O. And you understand that the Plaintiffs were asking
 - 13 for, among other things, that the works be carried out to
 - 14 restore the natural characteristics and features of the
 - 15 land?
 - 16 A. I don't recall the exact wording, but that seems
 - 17 to be consistent with my recollection, yes.
 - Q. Now, in your Report, in your 2013 report, which we
 - 19 have at Tab 5, at Page 4--and maybe you can turn to that
 - now. And again, Tab 5, Page 4.
 - A. Yes.

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- In the middle paragraph, you say that the Judgment
- 23 bases the soil remediation Award on a 100 milligrams per
- 24 kilogram Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons standard, TPH
- 25 standard, without providing any scientific basis."

11:02 1 O. And we also have it up on a slide, if that's a 2 little bit easier for you.

> Now, the largest surface area is the area inside 4 the blue square or circle; correct?

- Q. And you can see in the chart below the map that the surface size for Zone 1 is 700 hectares: correct?
- - A. Yes, about seven square kilometers.
- O. And the area of the former Concession that
- 10 Claimants admit being occupied or used by TexPet operations
- 11 was a little over 4400 hectares; correct?
- A. I don't know what the size is. That's not what's
- relevant. What you need to look is the area contaminated,
- and certainly there is not that much area contaminated.
- Again, Trecate, if we had measured the entire oil
- 16 field and the inhabited area around it would have been far
- 17 larger than this.
- Q. Well, if you can bear with me just for one moment, 18
- and you could disagree as to the relevance, but would you
- agree with me that the Concession Area is approximately six
- 21 times larger than at least the affected parts of the
- 22 Trecate blowout area?
- A. The Concession Area is larger than the area
- 24 affected by the Trecate blowout; I believe that's true,
- 25 yes.

- 11:00 1 And then you go on and say: "In my experience, no 2 similar site anywhere has ever been cleaned up to 100
 - 3 milligrams per kilogram TPH standard." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you testified about that this morning, did you
 - 7 not?
 - A. Yes, this is my opinion.
 - Q. And then you also testified this morning about
 - 10 your involvement with the Trecate blowout?
 - A. Yes, I did. 11
 - And in your role there your job entailed
 - 13 overseeing the characterization and remediation of the
 - 14 blowout; correct?
 - A. Yes. 15
 - So, if you turn with me now to Tab 18--and I will 16
 - 17 represent that Tab 18 is an LBG exhibit to its
 - 18 December 2013 report, and it's an article on the Trecate 19 site.
 - You've previously read this article, did you not? 20
 - 21 Yes, I did.
 - Q. And if you turn with me to Page 5--and this is
 - 23 described as a map showing the area corresponding to the
 - 24 three remediation zones; correct?
 - A. Yes, it is.

- 11:03 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just pause one moment. We have 2 a technical problem.
 - ARBITRATOR LOWE: Simply that there's material
 - 4 coming up on the screen, which I think is not being read
 - 5 into the record, and I've now got an extract from
 - 6 Claimants' Memorial on the Merits, 23, and there's going to
 - 7 be no record of this in the Transcript unless somebody
 - mentions it.
 - 9 MR. BLOOM: I think your screen is different than my screen.
 - ARBITRATOR LOWE: It's now gone back to the map. 11
 - 12 MR. BLOOM: Thank you.
 - 13 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - 14 Q. And just to clean up the record, the area of the
 - former Concession that Claimants admit being occupied by
 - TexPet operations was in excess of 4400 hectares; do you
 - agree with that?
 - 18 A. I don't have that--I haven't seen that number, or at least it doesn't come to mind.
 - Q. Okay. We'll move on, then. 20
 - 21 Now, keeping with this map, you can see that the
 - 22 chart below--and again, that's also on the screen--lists
 - 23 the TPH concentration standards in this zone, meaning
 - 24 within the blue zone, at less than 50 parts per million;

- 11:05 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And just for clarity and for the Tribunal's
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{3}}$ information, parts per million is equivalent to milligrams
 - 4 per kilogram; right?
 - A. Yes, yes.
 - Q. So, that 50 parts per million is the same thing as
 - 7 50 milligrams per kilogram?
 - 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Now, the Republic has pointed this out before, and
 - 10 in response you stated that Trecate was not remediated to
 - 11 $\,$ 50 milligrams per kilogram, and I think you said that again
 - 12 today; right?
 - 13 A. Yes, that's true, the more contaminated soil,
 - 14 certainly.
 - 15 Q. You said for the final soil concentrations
 - 16 accepted by the Italian authorities varied up to and
 - 17 exceeded 5,000 milligrams per kilogram?
 - 18 A. Yes, that's true.
 - 19 Q. Now, turning back to the article, if you could
 - 20 turn to Page 9--
 - 21 A. Yes.
 - 22 Q. --at the bottom of the page, you can see it says
 - 23 "land forming reduced surface soil TPH concentrations from
 - 24 excess of 10,000 milligrams per kilogram to approximately
 - 25 50 milligrams per kilogram soil, the designated target

- 11:08 1 A. Are you reading from somewhere in this article?
 - Q. No, I'm just asking you.
 - A. Yes
 - 4 Q. The blowout occurred in February of 1994; correct?
 - 5 A. February, early March, something like that.
 - Q. And the point is the efforts to clean up began
 - 7 immediately; correct?
 - 8 A. Yes. And the institute you referred to is
 - 9 Battelle. That's who I worked for. And I was at the time
 - LO working with the European Group, and that's why I was on
 - 11 site so shortly after the blowout.
 - Q. Would you agree with me that a remedial process
 - 13 occurring one month after the contaminating event is far $\frac{1}{2}$
 - $14\,\,$ more preferable than a remedial process occurring many
 - 15 years later?
 - 16 A. I don't know about "preferable." In this case it
 - 17 was certainly necessary. Oil had been sprayed into the
 - 18 atmosphere, and had fallen on farmland. It was in March.
 - 19 They were about to begin their spring plowing and planting.
 - 20 It also fell onto communities and homes. That needed to be
 - 21 cleaned off, so it certainly made sense to act quickly.
 - Q. Now, you were also once deposed in relation to a
 - 23 hydrocarbon contamination case in the state of Mississippi?
 - A. Yes, that's true.
 - Q. And that was on behalf of an oil company; no?

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11:06 1 cleanup level."

- 2 Do you see that?
- A. I see that. You have to understand this was
- $4\,\,$ written by people who had no involvement in the
- 5 remediation. They cite nothing for this, and I can tell 6 you that statement is wrong.
- Q. And this Report also says that, by January 1998,
- 8 98 percent of the initially impacted surface returned to
- 9 agriculture for agricultural use; correct?
- 10 A. Yes, and I can't speak to the percentage.
- 11 But you have to understand that the seven square
- 12 kilometers, the area that we called, "initially impacted,"
- 13 was determined based on visual observation of oil droplets.
- $14\,\,$ It turned out that much of that area was at or below $50\,\,$
- 15 milligrams per kilogram without remediation, without the
- 16 need for remediation. So, simply stating that a large
- 17 percent of the land had been returned to agricultural use
- 18 doesn't suggest that it was actually remediated to those
- 19 concentrations. In places it was below those
- 20 concentrations to begin with.
- 0. In March of 1994--it was about a month after the
- 22 blowout--the oil company responsible for Trecate hired the
- 23 European section of the Battelle or Battelle-ee (phonetic)
- 24 Memorial Institute to work out an Environmental Monitoring
- 25 Plan in a remediation project; right?

- 11:09 1 A. Plantation Pipeline.
 - Q. And you offered an expert report in that case?
 - 3 A. Actually, I was involved in more than one case
 - 4 with Plantation Pipeline, so I'm not--you'll have to be 5 more specific.
 - Q. Well, then, do you recall opining on the adequacy
 - $7\,$ of remediation by Plantation Pipeline in Mississippi?
 - 8 A. Not specifically, but I may have. It's been a 9 number of years.
 - 10 Q. I'm going to ask you to turn to Tab 20 in your
 - 11 binder. It's an EPA document. This is also an exhibit to
 - 12 LBG's 2015 Report?
 - A. Yes.

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- 14 Q. And it contains a summary of cleanup standards for
- 15 various U.S. states for hydrocarbons from 1993--this is
- 16 alphabetized.
 - A. Yes
- 18 And you'll note on the very first page this was
- 19 developed for EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks.
- 20 They regulated--they regulate refined product
- 21 releases--gasolines, diesel, that kind of thing--not crude
- 22 oil, so these are not crude oil.23 Q. And we will get to that in a moment, actually.
- If I can have you turn, again it's alphabetized,
- 25 so if you can take a look at Mississippi, and again I

11:11 1 apologize for the lack of page numbers. And if you could 2 kindly tell me when you're there.

3 And you'll see two charts on this page that should 4 be to your left there.

- A. Okay. I see Mississippi now, yes.
- Q. And one of the charts is a summary of Mississippi cleanup standards for hydrocarbon-contaminated groundwater, and the other is for soil.
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And if you'd look at the chart of soil
- 12 contamination, you'll see in the left-most column it lists
- 13 the crude oil products, either gasolines, diesel or waste
- 14 oil; do you see that too?
- 15 A. Well, certainly gasoline and diesel are crude oil
- 16 products. So, waste oil, it doesn't always come from crude
- 17 oil.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. I don't know what the definition of waste oil is
- 20 here.
- Q. And then you also see the column for action level
- 22 for each of these product types?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Now, during the Lago Agrio Litigation, when
- 25 Chevron tested crude, they also tested for gasoline range

11:14 1 term "fraction" used in this context.

- A. I think Dr. Douglas explained what crude oil was a earlier. Crude oil is a mixture of hydrocarbons that vary
- 4 from very light hydrocarbons, really as light as methane,
- 5 and then the GRO range tends to be the lighter range, all
- 6 the way through heavier hydrocarbons and out to eventually
- 7 resins and asphaltics.
- 8 So, the whole range of crude oil is quite broad.
- 9 Within that crude oil, there are fractions that correspond
- 10 to the diesel range organics, fractions that correspond to
- 11 the gasoline range organics, and it's a part of what's
- 12 found in a total crude oil mixture.
- 13 Q. Now, during the Lago Agrio Litigation, when
- 14 Chevron tested for DRO or GRO, those are the same
- 15 constituents that make up gasoline and diesel; right?
- 16 A. Not exactly, but they're the same carbon range, $17 \ \text{yes}$.
- 18 Q. They're measuring the same class of compounds?
- 19 A. The same carbon range, yes.
- Q. So, this chart indicates that in the early 1990s,
- 21 the action level for these oil products was 100 milligrams
- 22 per kilogram for the state of Mississippi; am I right? Can
- 23 you confirm that for me?
- A. That is specifically for diesel, which is not the
- 25 same thing as the diesel range organic fraction for crude

- 11:12 1 organics also known as GROs; correct?
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. And Chevron also testified for DROs which is an
 - 4 acronym for diesel range organics; right?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. Now, DRO, for example, tests the hydrocarbon
 - 7 organics that are in diesel; right?
 - 8 A. Yes. They're the same range of hydrocarbons as
 - $\ensuremath{\mathsf{9}}$ are commonly found in diesels.
 - 10 Q. And diesel is also a component of crude; is that
 - 11 right?
 - 12 A. Well, diesel is distilled from crude.
 - 13 Q. Something to the order of 40 or 50 percent?
 - 14 A. It depends on the crude.
 - 15 Q. What's the ballpark, if you know?
 - 16 A. That would be a reasonable estimate for the
 - 17 Oriente Crude. I've seen crudes that vary considerably.
 - 18 Q. Okay. And so, when DRO results showed 200
 - 19 milligrams per kilogram, that shows that there is that much
 - 20 diesel fraction; right?
 - 21 A. If your result is 200 milligrams per kilogram DRO,
 - 22 then the fraction that corresponds to the fraction found in
 - 23 diesel is there at that concentration. It doesn't tell you
 - 24 that it's necessarily diesel.
 - Q. Can you, for the Tribunal's sake, also explain the

- 11:15 1 oil, but for diesel the refined product, which is much less
 - 2 viscous and more mobile in the environment and more
 - 3 problematic than most crude oils, a standard of 100
 - 4 milligrams per kilogram or parts per million was set as an
 - 5 action level, which isn't really thing as a cleanup
 - 6 standard.
 - 7 Q. But it's made up of the same hydrocarbons class,
 - 8 is it not?
 - 9 A. There are--yes, they're some of the same
 - 10 hydrocarbons present in diesel as you find in crude oil.
 - 11 Q. And they have the same toxic components, do they 12 not?
 - 13 A. The distilled material may have more of the
 - 14 polyaromatic hydrocarbons, particularly gasoline range
 - 15 organics. They have certainly more of the benzene than
 - 16 crude oil does. Concentrations are higher.
 - 17 Q. But not in all circumstances?
 - 18 A. No, that's a general rule, not in all
 - 19 circumstances.
 - 20 Q. Everything in the diesel comes from the crude oil,
 - 21 does it not?
 - 22 A. Not all diesels, there are bio diesels, but the
 - 23 majority of diesel products come from crude oil, yes.
 - Q. And under the action level for gasoline, this also
 - 25 notes that the standard is 100 parts per million; correct?

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- 11:17 1 A. The action level is 100 parts per million, yes.
 - 2 That's actually not the level to which, in my experience,
 - 3 most gasoline in Mississippi is actually cleaned up. What
 - 4 this simply tells you is you need to address the
 - 5 contamination if you find more than 100 parts per million,
 - 6 and then down the road, if remediation is pursued, you may
 - 7 set a standard.
 - 8 Q. Now, if we can go to that last column, the cleanup
 - 9 level. Do you see that?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And you see the two stars, and that takes you
 - 12 below the chart. What do the two stars mean?
 - 13 A. The reference is 100 PPM or less if no sensitive
 - 14 environmental receptors present.
 - Q. Okay, thank you.
 - 16 And, Dr. Hinchee, you've had remediation
 - 17 experience in climates found similar to that found in the
 - 18 Oriente?

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- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. You would agree with me that Louisiana's
- 21 environment is similar to the environment in the Oriente?
 - A. It has similarities, yes.
- Q. And that's what you've testified previously;
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 11:20 1 California method, site-specific less than 300 parts per 2 million.
 - O. And then for diesel?
 - A. For diesel, TPHd (diesel) California,
 - 5 site-specific less than 300 parts per million.
 - Again, these aren't what are applied in Louisiana
 - 7 to crude oil contaminated soils. These are for refined
 - 8 products.

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- 9 Q. And then if I can direct your attention to the 0 same chart, to the fifth column, the notification level.
 - A. Yes.
- 12 Q. There is a requirement for notification under what
- 13 circumstances for gasoline?
- 14 A. Any amount.
 - Q. And is that also true for diesel?
- 16 A. Yes
- 17 Q. And then if you look at the top chart dealing with
- 18 groundwater contamination, you'll confirm for me that the
- 19 notification level for these same products, gasoline and
- 20 diesel, is triggered at any amount as well; correct?
- 21 A. That's what the chart says.
 - There is a note here pointing out that Louisiana
- 23 is currently revising their cleanup levels to reflect
- 24 risk-based levels, so these were standards that were
- 25 applied at one time, but have been revised.

- 11:18 1 Q. So, I ask you now to turn back to the same
 - 2 document, the EPA document, summarizing the hydrocarbon
 - 3 contamination standards in U.S. states. At Tab 20, at
 - 4 Page 17.
 - 5 Okay, let's do this alphabetically. Let's look up
 - 6 Louisiana. And you can see these are the standards for
 - 7 groundwater and soil for Louisiana.
 - Do you see that?
 - 9 A. Yes, for petroleum products, not for crude oil.
 - 10 Q. And what is the standard?
 - 11 A. For what?
 - 12 Q. For the petroleum products that are listed here.
 - 13 A. There are a whole variety of them listed here.
 - 14 Q. If I can take you to the soil at the bottom chart.
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - 16 Q. Okay. And you see for gasoline, and what we can
 - 17 go down this item by item, but for gasoline, what does it
 - 18 say?
 - 19 A. Gasoline, BTEX that stands for benzene, toluene,
 - 20 ethylbenzene, xylene, and it provides an EPA method number,
 - 21 notification level any amount, cleanup site-specific less
 - 22 than 100 parts per million.
 - 23 Q. Okay. And then the next line?
 - 24 A. TPHq, that would be Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
 - 25 gasoline range organics, and it provides a reference to a

- 11:22 1 Again, all of these are for refined product, not 2 crude oil. Louisiana has separate regulations for crude 3 oil which don't appear to be in this document.
 - Q. Okay. Turning to a different subject, sir, you state that PEPDA's remediation standard is to clean up--I
 - 6 think you did this on direct--to 2500 milligrams per
 - 7 kilogram; is that correct?
 - A. That's the most commonly applied standard. It's
 - 9 not uniform. Sometimes you can find sites that they use
 - 10 the 4,000 for commercial, and sometimes a sensitive
 - 11 ecosystem standard of a thousand. They always follow the
 - 12 Decreto 1215 standards that are applied, most often 2500.
 - 13 Q. And this standard is in the Ecuadorian regulations
 - 14 that the RAOHE Standards for agricultural land? Do you 15 know that?
 - 16 A. Yes, that was issued in 2001, I believe, 2002,
 - 17 sometime after the RAP was complete.
 - 0. Now, you're aware that Dr.--I'm sorry, you're
 - 19 aware that Mr. Connor testified in a different arbitration 20 about the remediation costs of oil sites in the Oriente;
 - 21 correct?
 - 22 A. Are you referring to the Burlington Case? I don't
 - 23 know exactly where those sites are, but I know they are in
 - 24 the same general region, yes.
 - Q. And one of the subject matters you've addressed

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11:23 1 already in this arbitration is remediation costs?

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you've reviewed Ecuador's discussion of the
- 4 expected remediation costs associated with the TexPet
- 5 Concession Area; correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And you've had an opportunity now to review
- 8 Ecuador's discussion relating to the Burlington costs?
- 9 A. Yes, I've seen Ecuador's discussion of the
- 10 Burlington costs in this case.
- 11 Q. And, in fact, in your Report, you rejected any
- 12 application of the Burlington evidence because in your
- 13 opinion, it was better to rely on PEPDA's projected costs
- 14 for its project; correct?
- 15 A. That's one of the reasons I reject the Burlington
- 16 costs. There are a number of others.
- 17 Primarily, Burlington was not to remediate oil or
- 18 at least most of the remediation wasn't oil-contaminated
- 19 soil. Most of the remediation that that cost was based on
- 20 was to clean up barium, barite, which is not being cleaned
- 21 up by Petroecuador, there was no requirement that it be
- 22 cleaned up under the Decreto 1215 you mentioned, and so
- 23 there is no experience in Ecuador on which the Burlington
- 24 costs could have been developed. Those are simply
- 25 projected costs built up using as discussed in the material

- 11:26 1 A. I see Block 7, yes, to the west of the former
 - 2 Concession Area.
 - O. And Block 21 is to the west and the south;
 - 4 correct?

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- A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. And they're both actually adjacent to and border
- 7 the Concession Area?
 - A. I see those blocks do, yes.
- 9 Q. And in Burlington, Mr. Connor applied the
- 10 Ecuadorian RAOHE Standards; correct?
- 11 A. That was not the only standard he applied. I
- 12 don't know what his basis was for his barium standard.
- 3 That's certainly not a cleanup standard in Decreto 1215.
- 14 And I don't know for certain that these blocks are
- 15 the Burlington blocks.
- 16 Q. The RAOHE Standard is also the standard that PEPDA
- 17 applies; correct?
- 18 A. Yes, that's right, and that's why PEPDA doesn't
- 19 remediate barium barite.
- Q. Now, if you'd look at Tab 14, which, for the
- 21 record, is Respondent's Exhibit 1248, it is a spreadsheet
- 22 listing the cost estimates done by Mr. Connor in
- 23 Burlington.

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- Is there a way of making the slide larger?
- 25 At the bottom, it says, and we have it

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11:25 1 you provided, high end costs which, in Mr. Connor's report

- $\ensuremath{\text{2}}$ in Burlington he points out would actually be lower if it
- 3 were bid and done in Ecuador.
- 4 So, they're not comparable. They're for a
- 5 different kind of cleanup, and in a situation where there
- 6 is no prior experience in Ecuador on which to base an
- 7 estimate for cleanup.

- 8 Q. Now, barium is not a component in TPH, is it?
 - A. No, it is not.
- 10 O. And you understand that Mr. Connor, in connection
- 11 with the work done in Burlington, measured TPH?
- 12 A. Yes, he did.
- 13 Q. Okay. I want to walk you through a couple of
- 14 things, and if you could indulge me, and certainly feel
- 15 free to look at Tab 12, which is an excerpt from
- 16 Mr. Connor's 2010 Report. It's a map of the Burlington
- 17 blocks and the Concession Area. Here we go.
- 18 A. Which tab? I'm sorry.
- 19 Q. It's Tab 12, sir.
- 20 A. Tab 12. Yes, I see it.
- Q. Okay. So, this is a map both of the former
- 22 Concession Area and the oil blocks at issue in Burlington,
- 23 and you will see that Block 7 is to the west of the former
- 24 TexPet Concession.
- 25 Do you see that?

- 11:28 1 highlighted, "total estimated cost of Block 7 and 2 Block 21."
 - 3 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. And then right next to it, it gives an estimate of
 - 6 a little bit under \$10 million; would you agree?
 - A. As I recall, some of the information on this table
 - 8 was added by the Republic of Ecuador. The original table
 - 9 in John Connor's document did not include these last two
 - 10 columns with the numbers in red. If you could provide me a
 - 11 copy of John Connor's actual table, I might be able to more
 - 12 accurately answer your questions.
 - 13 Q. Well, I appreciate that, and I agree with you so
 - 14 that the record is clear, and I was actually going to
 - 15 represent that, and we will go to that, that we have added
 - 16 those last two columns, but I promise you I will get to
 - 17 that.
 - 18 In fact, you will see on the slide itself at the
 - 19 bottom in red, we say "all text in red not in original
 - 20 table but added by the Republic of Ecuador."
 - 21 Do you see that, sir?
 - 22 A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. So, that there's no misunderstanding, only the
 - 24 material in red is from the Ecuador. Everything else is
 - 25 from the original Connor. Do you understand?

- 11:29 1 A. I will accept your representation of that.
 - 2 Q. Thank you, sir.

And based on this spreadsheet, there were 21 sites that were included in Mr. Connor's estimate?

- A. Yes
- 6 Q. And TexPet drilled and operated at approximately
- 7 344 sites: correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. So, for these 21 Burlington sites, Mr. Connor
- 10 estimates remediation costs to be almost \$10 million, and
- 11 using just a little bit of rough math, it comes out
- 12 relatively on average about two sites per million dollars
- 13 or a little bit less than \$500,000 a site. Would you agree
- 14 with my rough math?
- 15 A. Yes. This average is about \$500,000 per site, but
- 16 if you look in the last column in black, you can see that
- 17 more than half of the cost is associated with just one
- 18 site, and many of the other sites are a lower cost.
- 19 Q. Now, the Republic, as we just talked about, added
- 20 some information to this spreadsheet--and again, that is in
- 21 red.

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- 22 A. Yes.
- 0. We added the impacted volume for each site.
- Do you see that?
- 25 A. Yes, I see that.

11:32 1 right?

- A. No. Much of the cost involved in this was aimed at achieving some cleanup standard for barium or barite
- 4 which is not included in Decreto 1215.
- There is--there is oil in some of these pits, and
- 6 those pits, I assume, were to be cleaned up to the Decreto
- 7 1215 Standard or some of these sites. These sites don't
- 8 all have pits, but the predominant cost here, the driver,
- 9 is the barium cleanup, which is not a cleanup being done by
- 10 Petroecuador, not cleanup required by Decreto 1215, so
- 11 these costs are not based on clean up to the Government of
- 12 Ecuador standards as I understand them.
- 13 Q. Barium is used for drilling, is it not?
 - A. Barium is an additive in drilling mud, yes. It
 - 5 helps increase the density of the drilling mud.
- 16 Q. And, in fact, TexPet used barium when it drilled
- 17 in the Concession Area; isn't that right?
- 18 A. Right, barium sulfite, barite, a naturally
- 19 occurring mineral, which I understand certainly is
- 20 regulated as non-toxic, so therefore, Ecuador doesn't have
- 21 a Cleanup Standard for it in Decreto 1215.
- Q. And in Burlington, the company did not drill most
- 23 of the sites there; isn't that also right?
 - A. I don't know that.
- Q. Okay. Now, of course, the Lago Agrio Judgment set

- 11:31 1 Q. And neither Claimants nor Mr. Connor to date has 2 disputed that we've accurately listed the volume for each
 - 3 site, and just for purposes of the questions, I'm going to
 - 4 ask you to assume that the volume is correct. So,
 - 5 according to our calculations, when we add up all the
 - 6 sites, we have total volume of 33,415 cubic meters.
 - Do you see that?
 - A. Yes, I see that.
 - 9 Q. And I will also represent for you that if we take
 - 10 the total cost here of about 9.8 or \$9.9 million, divide
 - 11 that by the total volume, we get \$295 per cubic meter.
 - 12 A. Yes, I see that.
 - 13 Q. Okay. And that will be for--I will withdraw that.
 - 14 To be clear now, Ecuador's position in Burlington
 - 15 is that Mr. Connor's estimate was much too low, and we
 - 16 don't have to get into that here, but you would agree with
 - 17 $\,$ me that his calculation here--and I understand that you
 - 18 want to make distinctions, but that his calculation here
 - 19 was \$295 per cubic meter, which is more than four times the
 - 20 \$70 per cubic meter that you cited to by PEPDA; correct?
 - 21 A. The \$295 figure, which is very much apples to
 - 22 oranges, is larger. It's still well below the \$730 figure
 - 23 assumed in the Judgment.
 - Q. And both of these Cleanup Standards or estimates
 - 25 were aimed at achieving RAOHE Cleanup Standards; isn't that

- 11:34 1 the cleanup level for soil at something more stringent,
 - 2 more protective, than the RAOHE Standards; correct?
 - 3 A. Yes.
 - Q. Because it set it at 100 milligrams per kilogram;
 - 5 right?
 - A. Yes
 - Q. And the Court's 100 milligrams per kilogram
 - 8 standard is about ten to 25 times lower than the standards
 - 9 used by the PEPDA cleanup; wouldn't you agree with that?
 - 10 A. Yes, as I said in my presentation, 25 times lower
 - 11 than the standard typically applied to Petroecuador, PEPDA
 - 12 and declared as free of harmful contamination by the 13 Government of Ecuador's Ministry for the Environment. It
 - 14 is much lower.
 - 15 Q. And also much more restrictive than Mr. Connor's
 - 16 Burlington estimates?
 - 17 A. I don't know for certain. I guess what
 - 18 Mr. Connor's estimate in Burlington was for Cleanup
 - 19 Standard.
 - 20 Q. But you would agree with me, sir, that the
 - 21 standard to which a party is required to remediate can
 - 22 impact the cost of remediation?
 - 23 A. Yes, it can impact the cost of remediation,
 - 24 certainly not to the extent of going from \$100 million to
 - 25 \$6 billion.

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- 11:35 1 Q. I want to flesh out your answer. You would agree 2 that if you remediate to a lower standard, sometimes that 3 means you've got to remediate a larger volume of soil?
 - 4 A. Yes, you often do.
 - 5 Q. Sorry, and that can drive up the price?
 - 6 A. Yes, that increased costs.
 - Q. And sometimes by trying to remediate to a lower standard will also require the use of a different
 - 9 technology?
 - 10 $\,$ A. Not necessarily. The way that Petroecuador does
 - 11 its remediation is it excavates to the Cleanup Standard.
 - 12 Its remediation is done off-site, and I don't know to what
 - 13 standard, but off-site remediation of that kind often is to
 - $\,$ 14 $\,$ a different standard than the standard applied to the site
 - 15 because it's in a different place.
 - 16 Q. My question was whether it may necessitate a 17 different technology, and you were asked this in deposition
 - 18 and I believe you then said yes?
 - 19 A. Yes, if your intention is to reduce the
 - 20 concentration in the excavated soil, certainly.
 - 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just to be clear, in his
 - 22 deposition, and it's in your Slide 53, I think he said
 - 23 sometimes using a different technology.
 - MR. BLOOM: Right. And that's why my question
 - 25 used the word "can," can require the use of different

11:39 1 page, third line, you say here: "This oil would have been 2 visible if it had been present during the TexPet 3 remediation and would have been cleaned up, as remediation 4 of visible surface contamination was a requirement of the 5 RAP.

Do you see that?

- A. I see those words.
- 8 Q. Do you want to take a moment to read that 9 paragraph?
- 10 A. Yes, this asphalt mat, had it been present and 11 visible at the time of the RAP would have been something
- 12 either that would have been required to be remediated or
- 13 the Government of Ecuador could have added it to the RAP
- 14 because they could see it, they were making those
- 15 decisions, they were adding things to the RAP as they were
- 16 cleaning up these sites. That wasn't--if it wasn't cleaned
- 17 up, that wasn't done.
- 18 Q. But you're essentially presuming that any visible
- 19 contamination here would have been cleaned up because
- 20 that's really what should have been done; correct?
- 21 A. No. What should have been done was what was 22 agreed to by TexPet and the Government of Ecuador, and that
- 23 included, as I said, pits closed prior to 1990 where
- 24 visible oil was present, and any other soil or pits that
- 25 were observed to be contaminated during the RAP process and

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11:37 1 technology.

BY MR. BLOOM:

- Q. Now, you conclude in your Report that any contamination that was visually observable at any of the sites for which TexPet was obligated to remediate under the RAP would have been remediated; right?
- 7 A. What are you referring to specifically?
- 8 Q. Let me just ask it this way: Do you believe that
- 9 any contamination that was visually observable at any of
- 10 the sites for which TexPet was obligated under the RAP to
- 11 remediate would have been remediated?
- 12 A. TexPet was obligated to remediate the
- 13 contamination that was assigned to it under the RAP,
- 14 specifically for the pits that were closed prior to 1990,
- 15 that included pits where there was visual evidence of oil
- 16 contamination. And during the remediation process, the
- 17 Government of Ecuador added additional pits and spills to
- 18 the remediation requirement as they were discovered, I
- 19 believe, based on visual evidence.
- 20 Q. And I think I may not be as precise as I would
- 21 like to be in my questions.
- 22 In your 2013 Report, which is at Tab 5, and I will
- 23 ask you to turn to Page 19.
- 24 A. Yes, I'm on Page 19.
 - Q. And if you would look at the second bullet on that

- 11:41 1 added by the Government of Ecuador.
 - Q. Right, but you're still, I think, saying the same thing, are you not? Because it should have been cleaned up, you assumed it was cleaned up.
 - 5 A. I'm not just assuming that. The Government of
 - 6 Ecuador issued Actas accepting these sites as cleaned up,
 - 7 accepting that TexPet had met their obligation site by
 - 8 site, and then in the end issued a final Acta stating that
 - 9 TexPet had met its obligation. The same Government of
 - 10 Ecuador who had inspectors on these sites, adding
 - 11 contamination as it was seen, and they believed that it 12 needed to be remediated.
 - Q. But even that is presuming that Ecuador got it right back between 1995 and 1998; is that not correct?
 - 15 A. Well, if you couldn't--if they couldn't see it and 16 didn't know it was there, it may not have been added.
 - Q. And, in fact, isn't it true that the remediations were essentially blessed and confirmed, if 15 days passed and there was simply no objection?
 - 20 A. I'm sorry, ask that question again.
 - 21 O. Certainly.
 - 22 You said that Ecuador, Petroecuador had the
 - 23 opportunity to review and bless and issue Actas for each of
 - 24 the remediations; correct?
 - 5 A. Yes.

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- 11:42 1 Q. And under the RAP, if they did not object within 2 15 days, that means that TexPet didn't have any further
 - 3 obligation at that specific site; isn't that correct?
 - A. I don't recall that detail. What I can tell you
 - 5 is that the Government of Ecuador issued Actas on every one 6 of these sites agreeing that TexPet had met its obligation.
 - 7 Q. And I guess my question is: What does that have
 - 8 to do with the Plaintiffs' lawsuit against Chevron?
 - 9 MS. WOOD: I would object to that.
 - 0 MR. BLOOM: I will withdraw that. I beat you to
 - 11 it. I objected to my own question.
 - 12 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - 13 Q. Sir, could you please turn to Tab 22, which is the
 - 14 Fugro-McClelland Report.
 - 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, you're familiar with this Report, are you
 - 17 not?
 - 18 A. Yes, I am.
 - 19 Q. The Report was issued in 1993?
 - 20 A. Well, the copy you have here is dated
 - 21 October 1992.
 - 22 Q. Fair enough.
 - 23 And Fugro-McClelland conducted its work giving
 - 24 rise to this Report, obviously, on or before that date;
 - 25 correct?

- 11:45 1 auditors "seeping oil?" They saw visual evidence of oil
 - 2 seeping from the pit; isn't that right?
 - A. That appears to be the case, yes.
 - Q. And these pits were declared NFA; correct?
 - A. You need to let me look into Woodward-Clyde to
 - 6 verify that, but this pit that was closed by Petroecuador
 - $7\,$ after TexPet's departure in June of 1990, the pits were to
 - 8 be declared NFA, so it certainly fits the description of
 - 9 what was agreed to between TexPet and the Government of
 - 10 Ecuador.
 - 11 Q. Well, if I can ask you to turn to the next tab,
 - 12 which is Respondent's Exhibit 610?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - 14 Q. And I'm going to ask you to turn to the page,
 - 15 again using the Bates stamp at the bottom of page, ending
 - 16 in 0894.
 - 17 A. Yes.
 - 18 Q. I don't know how well the copy came out, but the
 - 19 reason why these were designated no further action was
 - 20 because the RAP stated they were closed after 1990 by
 - 21 Petroecuador.
 - 22 A. I'm sorry, where are you reading?
 - Q. If you look in the last column, it says "closed
 - 24 post June 30, 1990."
 - 25 A. Yes, yes, you're right. That means it was closed

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11:44 1 A. Yes.

- Q. And Fugro was hired by TexPet to audit the joint auditor that TexPet and Petroecuador jointly hired?
- A. I don't know that that was the case. I know they were hired by TexPet.
- 6 Q. And if I could have you turn to Page 6-61, and
- 7 there is a Bates stamp in the lower-hand corner that is
- 8 CA111, ending in 4387.
- 9 MR. BLOOM: And for the record, this document is
- 10 Claimants' Exhibit 12.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 12 BY MR. BLOOM:
- 13 Q. Sir, I'm going to ask you to look at the table
- 14 where it says A.G. 06, Aquarico 6.
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. You see that line there?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And under the heading remarks for Aguarico 06, it
- 19 says: "pits recently closed. Seeping oil"; correct?
- 20 A. Yes, I see that.
- 0. Now, you've not only read this document, you've
- 22 relied on this document for some of your work; isn't that
- 23 right?
- 24 A. Yes, I've cited this document.
- Q. Now, how do you read this remark by the Fugro

- 11:47 1 by Petroecuador after TexPet's departure.
 - Q. And, therefore, no further action was required by TexPet under the RAP; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 5 Q. But please turn with me at Tab 24, which is an
 - 6 exhibit. It's an LBG exhibit, it's the GSI Aquarico 6 site
 - 7 summary.

- 8 MS. WOOD: Mr. Bloom, I'm sorry to interrupt, but
- 9 there is some question as to whether this is in the record.
- 10 MR. BLOOM: It had better be.
 - It's an exhibit to LBG's 2014 site investigation.
- 12 MS. WOOD: The reason why I'm hesitant, Mr. Bloom,
- 13 is when we had requested to put Respondent's 2013 data into
- 14 the record, this was one of the documents that was--that we
- 15 requested to agree to in exchange for putting your 2013
- 16 data in the record, so that's why--I don't mean to question
- 17 you, but I'm just hesitant because obviously, if it was in
- 18 the record already, I'm not sure why we would be requested
- 19 to grant permission.
- 20 MR. BLOOM: I have confirmed it is in.
- 21 Apparently, we were mistaken in the private colloguy
- 22 between you and counsel. It is part of the LBG Report.
- 23 MS. WOOD: Okay. I will accept your
- 24 representation.
- 25 MR. BLOOM: Thank you.

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- 11:49 1 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. So, Dr. Hinchee, have you now turned to Tab 24?
 - 3 A. Yes
 - 4 Q. And could you identify this document?
 - 5 A. The title of the page is "Summary of site-specific 6 information, Chevron Oriente Region, Ecuador."
 - Q. Do you know who prepared it?
 - 8 A. Well, it has a GSI job number on it. That's about
 - 9 all I know. Perhaps if you let me read through the
 - 10 document, somewhere else it's more specific.
 - 11 Q. And you understand that GSI is the company of
 - 12 which Mr. Connor is a principal?
 - 13 A. Yes, I do.
 - 14 Q. Let me ask you to turn to the second page here
 - 15 where you highlighted a portion at the bottom of the page?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And you can either read that if your eyesight is
 - 18 better than mine or you can look at the screen. It says,
 - 19 the pit appears to have been closed between 1986 and 1990.
 - 20 And then it goes on to say, the area, which was apparently
 - 21 marshy and encompassed at least 1500 square meters, became
 - 22 revegetated by 1986.
 - 23 A. Is it the second highlighting?
 - Q. The first and the second.
 - 25 A. The first talks about Pit 1--portions of the pit

- 11:52 1 Q. Okay. Let's go to a couple short subjects.
 - Dr. Hinchee, you have never asked another Expert to publish an article relating to the environmental issues
 - 4 in the Lago Agrio Litigation; isn't that correct?
 - A. You're asking if I have ever asked another Expert to do that?
 - Correct.

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- A. I don't recall ever having done that, no.
- 9 $\,$ Q. But you do know that Chevron has asked Experts to
- 10 publish academic articles relating to the environmental
- 11 issues in the Lago Agrio Litigation; isn't that right?
- A. I understand that Chevron asked Doug MacKay, who
- 13 co-authored several reports with me, to consider Authoring
- 14 a publication on metal contents of soils, but I do not
- 15 believe that article was ever written or published.
- 16 Q. Now, Dr. Hinchee, during the Judicial Inspection,
- 17 Chevron used a method of sampling called composite
- 18 sampling; right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And composite sampling is a sample made up of a
- 21 composite of several samples mixed together.
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 O. And there is both vertical compositing and
- 24 horizontal compositing; correct?
- 25 A. Yes. And it's not always several samples

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11:50 1 clearly visible--yes.

- 2 Yes, I see that.
- Q. So, these pits were, in fact, closed by TexPet in the the 1980s? Isn't that right? That's what GSI found?
- 5 A. No. Fugro determined that it had been--that it
- 6 had been closed by Petroecuador, the pit that it was
- 7 referring to. There are two pits referred to here. I'm
- 8 not quite sure how these correspond to the Fugro Report,
- 9 but one of these pits is described as having been closed
- 10 by--during the TexPet operation period, 1986 to 1990.
- 11 The second pit, it's not very specific. It seems 12 to refer back to just simply a previously closed pit, which
- 13 could well refer to the pit that was closed by
- 14 Petroecuador, but it's hard to tell, you would have to
- 15 speculate. I can't match these pits up one for one.
- Q. If the pit became revegetated by 1986, doesn't
- 17 that mean that the pit was already closed? Or should have
- 18 been closed?
- 19 A. Large area of cleared vegetation is visible to the
- 20 base of the Hill in 1976, although the pit is not--the area
- 21 was apparently marshy and encompassed 1500 square meters
- 22 and became revegetated. I'm not entirely sure if he's
- 23 talking about the pit or the area next to it or some
- 24 earlier disturbance in the area that later became a pit.
- 25 It's difficult to tell from this description.

- 11:54 1 combined. Sometimes you take the entire length of the
 - 2 sample and simply mix it. Sometimes you may skim the
 - 3 entire length of the sample and do it that way. There are
 - 4 numerous ways it can be done.
 - 5 Q. Now, I would like to, just for a minute, focus on
 - 6 vertical composite sampling.
 - A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. Could you describe how it's done for the Tribunal.
 - 9 A. Vertical composite sample is where a sample is
 - 10 collected over some length of soil--perhaps a meter,
 - 11 two meters, it could be much more--and somehow that sample
 - 12 is mixed and composited and a single sample is analyzed.
 - 13 Q. And how did Chevron take its vertical composite
 - 14 samples during the Lago Agrio Litigation, if you know?
 - 15 A. For the most part, they were taken and mixed in a
 - 16 bowl, and then the single sample is collected from the 17 mixed soil.
 - 1/ mixed soil.
 - 18 Q. So, if there are areas of contamination within the
 - 19 core--actually, let's back up. Could you explain what the
 - 20 core is?
 - 21 A. The core?
 - 22 O. The core.
 - A. Oh, I'm sorry. The soil core? It's the way you
 - 24 collect the sample is you drive, essentially, a hollow pipe
 - 25 into the ground, and then you open it up and you have a

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11:55 1 soil core inside of it.

- Q. And within that core, some parts of it might be contaminated; correct?
- A. It's certainly possible.
- 5 Q. And sometimes some might be clean?
- 6 A. It's certainly possible.
- Q. And by compositing the otherwise clean samples
- B would become less clean?
- 9 A. Yes. You get an average.
- 10 Q. And the dirty components will come out less dirty?
- 11 A. You get an average concentration.
- 12 O. And by compositing the level of contamination of
- 13 dirty samples could be lessened to a level that falls
- 14 within the acceptable standard, whatever that standard
- 15 might be?
- 16 A. Yes. In fact, the--but the standards as written
- 17 in Decreto 1215 for soils are to apply to composited
- 18 standards. So, that wouldn't be the case when you're
- 19 looking at the Decreto 1215, the Ecuadorian standards.
- 20 Q. I want to use a specific example, if I may. Let's
- 21 say the standard is 2500 milligrams per kilogram, which is
- 22 the RAOHE Standard--right?--that PEPDA is using.
- 23 A. Yes, that is the standard that PEPDA is using.
- I'm sorry, I don't usually use the term RAOHE.
- Q. And let's say that I took samples--let's say I

11:58 1 And then this would meet Ecuadorian standards for 2 remediation with agricultural soil, and this is exactly 3 what the standard is written and intended to do.

- $\tt Q.$ Dr. Hinchee, how many visits did you make to the $\tt 5$ Concession Area before submitting your 2006 Expert Report?
- $\,$ A. I didn't visit the Concession before submitting my $\,$ 7 2006 Report.
 - Q. How about before your July 2007 Report?
- 9 A. I didn't visit the Concession until September of 10 2010.
- 11 $\,$ Q. So, you had at least four Reports that you
- 12 submitted to the Lago Agrio Court prior to your visit to
- 13 the region; correct?
 - A. Yes, yes.
 Q. How many times have you been to Ecuador?
- 16 A. That was my only trip to Ecuador.
- 17 Q. In your view, is it appropriate or possible for an
- 18 expert to come to reliable conclusions of the kind that you
- 19 reached without going to the region?
- 20 A. Yes, certainly it is, particularly since I have
- 21 seen many other oilfields in many similar settings, and
- 22 I've evaluated many other datasets very similar to the
- 23 dataset that I evaluated here.
 - Q. And are you able to comfortably and reliably use
- 25 data collected by others, let's say, in this case, in the

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- 11:57 1 took one sample that shows an exceedance of 8,000 parts per 2 million. And we have that depicted here in red.
 - 3 Do you see that?
 - 4 A. Yes.
 - Q. And, of course, the 8,000 parts per million by
 - 6 itself would exceed the threshold?
 - 7 A. Yes.
 - ${\tt Q}.$ And then let's say there are three other samples
 - 9 within this core, each at ten parts per million; correct?
 - 10 A. Yes, yes.
 - 11 Q. And then if I average this, we're going to come
 - 12 out with a number that's under 2500; correct?
 - 13 A. Yes, I think you're right.
 - 14 Q. In fact, it's 2007.5, I'll represent. Below the
 - 15 standard. And by compositing in this way and adding,
 - $16\,\,$ sometimes, a single sample or two exceedances could be
 - 17 reduced to no exceedance at all?
 - 18 A. Right. And this is exactly the way that the
 - 19 Ecuadorian regulations are written for remediated pits.
 - You're required to do this compositing. The
 - 21 regulations in Ecuador are for average concentration, not
 - 22 for the highest concentration in some pocket.
 - Q. My colleague likes this animation.
 - 24 A. That's pretty good. That's fairly accurate, yes.
 - 25 Yes.

- 12:00 1 2004 to 2009 timeframe?
 - A. Yes, as long as that data is--you know, I have
 - 3 documentation as to how the data was collected and how the 4 samples were analyzed, that kind of thing, yes. I do that
 - 5 all the time.
 - Q. I'm going to ask you just to turn to Tab 31.
 - MR. BLOOM: And just for the record, this is an
 - 8 excerpt from Claimants' Annex A--Annex A to Claimants'
 - 9 Track 2 Reply.

- 10 And I'm just going to focus your attention at
- 11 Paragraph 4, where they state: "To portray a picture of
- 12 current widespread environmental problems caused by TexPet,
- 13 LBG provided not one new sample survey, test or measurement
- 14 nor even a new photograph to characterize current
- 15 Concession Area conditions. None of the LBG Experts
- 16 visited the Concession's operating sites, and three have
- 17 never traveled to Ecuador. Instead, LBG principally relied
- 18 upon data collected in 2004 to 2009--14 years or more after
- 19 TexPet's last operations in Ecuador, and after Petroecuador
- 20 had been operating the Concession Area throughout that
- 21 period."
- 22 A. Yes, I see that. That's what it says.
- 23 What is this document? I'm not sure I have ever
- 24 seen this.
 - Q. This was Annex A to Claimants' Reply that

12:02 1 Claimants submitted in this arbitration.

And, sir, I also have a clip, a little video clip,

3 I would like to show you. If we could do that now.

(Video played.)

MR. BLOOM: I'm sorry, I should preface this.

6 This is a deposition of one of the LBG Experts, Kenneth

7 Goldstein, being deposed by counsel for Chevron, just to

8 give it some context.

9 THE WITNESS: Yes, I was there. I saw this.

(Video played.)

BY MR. BLOOM: 11

12 Q. Now, I take it, Dr. Hinchee, given your prior

13 testimony, in your view an expert is not disqualified from

14 offering expert testimony merely because he's not present

15 at the time samples are taken?

A. That's right. The need to visit the site varies 16

17 depending on the individual expert's experience and also on

18 the kinds of opinions that they're issuing.

Q. Turning to a different subject now, in your most

20 recent Report, your 2015 Report, which is at Tab 8, at--and

21 I'm going to specifically refer you now to a table located

22 at Page 13, so, if you can just take a moment and find

23 that.

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24 A. What page number did you say?

0. Thirteen.

12:07 1 and we may have to toggle back and forth just a bit, so, if 2 you would be patient as we proceed.

Do you have your finger on both of those pages?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. Okay. Now, since you didn't identify the changes

6 you made for the Tribunal, I would like us to walk through

7 that together, if I may. And in this respect, I would ask

8 you first to look at the title of your chart. And what is

9 the title of your chart?

A. "Environmental Liabilities Requiring Remediation

11 by Petroecuador."

12 O. Okay. And the title that PEPDA used is

"Elimination of Environmental Liabilities"; correct?

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Q. Okay. And then, second, you changed the

16 right-hand columns; is that right?

A. The right-hand column.

Q. In the original it just listed the amount and the 18

19 costs. And then you added columns breaking down costs in

"all of Oriente" and "former Concession."

A. Yes.

Q. Now, looking at the categories of liabilities

23 listed, it looks like you changed some information here

24 too. The first category is the same in the original, if

25 you can confirm that for me. It's listed as "pits."

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12:06 1 A. Yes.

Q. You're there?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. Now, on this table, you say this shows that PEPDA

5 includes much more than pit remediation in its cost

estimate; correct?

A. Yes.

Q. And if you look at your table which we have on the

9 screen, you state that your table here, in fact, represents

actual cost data for Petroecuador's cost estimate.

A. These are Petroecuador's cost estimates, yes.

Q. And your footnote here says that this data is 12

13 coming from the PEPDA 2007 Annual Report; correct?

14 A. Yes, it is.

Q. But to be clear, this chart actually has been 15

16 modified from the chart that appears in the PEPDA 2007

17 Annual Report; right?

A. This is a condensation of a much longer chart. If

19 you give me the Report, I can explain to you how this was

20 derived. But all of this data comes from the PEPDA 2007

21 Report.

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Q. Well, we're going to do that analysis or that

23 comparison right now. So we're going to compare your table

24 here at Tab 8, Page 13, so, I would ask you to keep your

25 finger on this page, and ask you to turn to Tab 11, Page 3,

12:09 1 A. Yes, pits.

Q. And the second category you have here are "dry

3 pits"; correct?

A. Yes, it's what I call dry pits.

5 Q. Okay. So, the first two categories you listed,

they're both pits. Different categories, but they're both

7 pits. Next are what you state is "Emergencies--Cleanup of

Remediation of Spills."

9 Do you see that?

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11 Q. And presumably again we're talking about spills

12 actually known about since it would be very difficult to

13 remediate for spills we don't know about; would you agree

14 with me?

15 A. I don't know whether this was a forecast into the

16 future cost. Petroecuador had an ongoing history of

17 spills. I don't know whether this forecasts future spills

or simply applies to known spills. I don't know the

19 answer.

20 Q. Okay. Now, staying in that category, sir, you've

21 added a parentheses that says "includes sediment

22 remediation."

A. Yes.

Q. But to be clear, this was not in the original

25 chart; isn't that right?

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12:10 1 A. No. You have to go other places within the Report
2 to see that that's the case. I just simply wanted to make
3 it clear--and it's because spills--Ecuador is a very wet,
4 humid climate. There are many surface water features. Any
5 time you have a spill, you're going to be close to a
6 surface water. Spills often go across land and into
7 creeks, streams, wetlands, and so part of many of these
8 spill cleanups is--includes sediments. If you look
9 elsewhere in this document, you will see, in fact, that the
10 two spills they described being cleaned up are both in
11 rivers, clearly sediment cleanup--sediment contamination

I added the parentheses just to be clear, but this information all comes from the 2007 document.

- Q. We made a copy of the 234-page Report, which we're handing up.
- 17 A. Thank you.

12 cleanup.

- 18 MR. BLOOM: If I may ask Claimants' counsel
- 19 whether you got your copy back, too.
- 20 MS. WOOD: I do, thank you.
- 21 MR. BLOOM: Okay. And just for the record, we do
- 22 have copies coming for the Members of the Tribunal. We
- 23 don't want to leave you out or feel like we're leaving you
- 24 out.
- 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Not sure we'd mind, unless it's

12:13 1 sediments at other sites, yes.

2 Again, the only spills referred to in this Report 3 are sediment sites.

- Q. But is that part of the 2007 PEPDA estimate?
- A. Certainly. The estimate includes ongoing
- 6 remediation, and the Conde River is only 10 percent
- 7 complete. So, the balance of the 90 percent of the Conde
- 8 River is in that estimate as are any of the other spills
- 9 which include sediment remediation.
- 10 Q. The documents that you just referenced that you 11 could pull out, you said you could pull out specific 12 exhibits that discuss the PEPDA remediation.
- 13 A. Or Petroecuador. I don't recall whether it was
- 14 PEPDA doing it or some other arm of Petroecuador.
- Q. Right. So, I'm trying to confine the question and the scope of this Q&A to what was included in the PEPDA
- 17 remediation as governed by the 2007 Annual Report, which is
- 18 what provides the estimate.
 - A. Right. Yes.
- 20 Q. The estimate of the remediation cost.
- 21 A. And all of the spills discussed in this Report are
- 22 sediments.

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- Q. What is your evidence of that?
 - A. The one I just provided to you, Page 24, Chart
- 25 Number 2, two spills.

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- 12:12 1 particularly relevant, and it may not be.
 - 2 BY MR. BLOOM:
 - Q. Well, Dr. Hinchee, again we're relying on your
 - 4 Report. You don't cite to any particular page in the PEPDA
 - 5 Report from which you're getting this information. We have
 - 6 done a search. We have found nothing that suggests that
 - 7 sediment is included here.
 - A. Well, let me point you to where you can find that.
 - Q. That would be helpful.
 - 10 A. Look at Page 25 of the Report, Chart Number 2:
 - 11 This is a description of the ongoing or completed
 - 12 remediation work. You will see that there are two spills
 - 13 listed. Only two. Both of those are rivers. Rivers have
 - 14 sediment contamination. Those are sediments. In fact,
 - 15 they don't list anything but rivers in this particular
 - 16 list.

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- 17 And as I said, in the same document, Petroecuador
- 18 takes responsibility for remediation and environmental
- 19 liabilities, which under Decreto 1215 includes soils,
- 20 surface water and groundwater.
- Q. Are there any other rivers or streams for which
- 22 PEPDA has committed to remediate?
- 23 A. We have documentation, I have documentation in my
- 24 Report, and if you give me a minute, I can pull out the
- 25 specific exhibits that discuss PEPDA remediation of

- 12:15 1 Q. Those two. And that's your--the entirety of your 2 evidence that the PEPDA 2007 Report is intended to cover 3 all sediment?
 - 4 A. No. The entirety of my evidence includes PEPDA,
 - 5 Petroecuador agreeing that it's responsible for cleanup of
 - $\ensuremath{\text{6}}$ all environmental liabilities, and the fact that we know
 - 7 they cleaned up other spills as evidenced in other exhibits
 - 8 in my Report. This is where you could find evidence in
 - 9 this particular document. There are other places to go. $\,$
 - 10 Q. And looking at Page 24, where does it say that 11 it's cleaning up anything more than the water? That it's 12 actually extending to cleanup of sediment?
 - A. On Page 24. Approved cost estimates.
 What's your question?
 - Q. Where in that table does it say that PEPDA is going to clean up the sediment as opposed to the water?
 - 17 A. Well, all of the estimates on this table--and it's
 - 18 only a part of what PEPDA is doing--are for pits, not for
 - 19 spills. Except for the bottom one. It says: "For 60
 - 20 environmental liabilities, pits, spills, others in the
 - 21 Amazon district." As I said, spills contaminate both land
 - and sediments.
 Q. And we're not disagreeing that spills contaminate
 - 24 both land and sediments. My question is a little bit
 - 25 different. I'm looking at what you just referred me to,

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12:17 1 and it says, under spills, it identifies two rivers, it

- 2 identifies surface area worked on, and I don't see the word
- 3 "sediments" there at all. And I did see in your revision
- 4 of the PEPDA 2007 table that you threw in the words in the
- 5 parentheses something to the effect of "includes
- 6 sediments," and I just don't see that in what you're
- 7 referring to.
- 8 A. The way that you remediate a river is by cleaning
- 9 up the TPH contamination in the sediments. You won't find
- 10 the word "sediment" in this document or in any other PEPDA
- 11 document I know of referring to river bottoms. What you
- 12 will find is soil contamination from below the water
- 13 surface. In some documents you can take the GPS
- 14 coordinates, look at those GPS coordinates for a soil
- 15 sample and a water sample, they come from exactly the same
- 16 location. PEPDA refers to sediments in streams and
- 17 wetlands as soil.
- 18 Q. You would agree with me, sir, would you not that
- 19 sediments are measured in cubic meters?
- A. You could measure sediments in cubic meters, yes.
- Q. And water is measured how?
 - A. Water is measured in liters or gallons, cubic
- 23 meters.

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- Q. You have no idea what the volume of contaminated
- 25 sediments, do you?

- 12:20 1 have to read the entire report to understand what these
 - 2 categories are. These are abbreviations. Sediments are
 - 3 included in these categories. It's apparent when you read
 - 4 the full document and when you read Petroecuador's other
 - ${\tt 5}$ ${\tt remediation}$ documents that I have attached to my Report as
 - 6 exhibits.
 7 Q. Now, you've testified, sir, that you found no
 - 8 evidence that PEPDA is actually conducting surface water
 - 9 remediation; right?
 - 10 A. I have seen no indication of surface water 11 remediation, that's right.
 - 12 O. Nor do any of these categories at least explicitly
 - 3 cover stream remediation?
 - 14 A. Yes. The spills do. Sediment remediation in the 15 streams.
 - Q. That's--okay, we have been through that.
 - 17 How can you have stream remediation without
 - 18 surface water remediation?
 - 19 A. The contamination in the stream, particularly from
 - 20 old or historic spills, is in the sediment. The way you
 - 21 clean up the stream is by cleaning up that contamination in
 - 22 the sediment. Surface water flows through quite rapidly.
 - 23 There are times in which you may dam up that surface water,
 - 24 capture it. Perhaps if you mix sediments into that
 - 25 material, that may require treatment. But what you are

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- 12:18 1 A. Most Spill Reports that we get from Petroecuador
 - 2 talk about the surface area of the spill because that can
 - 3 be easily mapped. After the fact, sometimes they report
 - 4 how many cubic meters of remediation that turned into, and
 - 5 that's exactly what you see here, are the surface areas
 - 6 that were contaminated as a result of the spill in square
 - 7 meters.
 - 8 Q. Turning back, sir, to your table.
 - 9 A. Let's see, which tab? Oh, okay. I see it.
 - 10 Page 13 of my Report. Table 1, is that what you're
 - 11 referring to?
 - 12 O. Yes, sir.
 - 13 The last category there is biotechnological
 - 14 treatment, sewage, and residual water in camps.
 - Do you see that?
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. And if you--if I can ask you to take a look at the
 - 18 PEPDA table, I just want you to confirm for me that you
 - 19 will not see the word "sediments" in any of these Line
 - 20 Items, either for pits, trenches or tanks, contingency
 - 21 cleanup and remediation of spills, cleanup and remediation
 - 22 of solids from pits in API tanks, as well as that last
 - 23 category, biotechnological treatment. You don't see the
 - 24 word sediments there; correct?
 - A. No. You don't see the word soils, either. You

- 12:22 1 treating are the sediments. That's how you clean--that's 2 how you remediate surface water, as opposed to cleaning up
 - 3 the water itself.
 - Q. Now, sir, you've stated before that you don't need
 - 5 to actually sample at many of the oil sites in the Oriente
 - 6 to find contamination because you can see the
 - 7 contamination. It's visual.
 - 8 A. Particularly someone who has worked on a number of
 - 9 oilfields and is familiar with what oil contamination looks
 - 10 like, visual inspection is very often sufficient. Before
 - 11 you confirm it and begin remediation, you may want to
 - 12 analyze some of those samples to make sure you were right.
 - 13 Q. The more challenging task, in your view, is not
 - 14 finding the contaminated soil but rather determining where
 - 15 the contamination stops; isn't that right?
 - A. Yes, that can be more difficult.
 - 17 MR. BLOOM: With the Tribunal's indulgence, can I
 - 18 just have five minutes? Because I'm going to only have
 - 19 about five or ten minutes left. I want to consolidate.
 - 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Take all you need.
 - 21 MR. BLOOM: Five minutes is fine.
 - 22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Five minutes. Let's break for
 - 23 five minutes.

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- 24 MR. BLOOM: Thank you.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please don't discuss the case

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12:23 1 or your testimony away from the Tribunal.

2 THE WITNESS: Okay. Can I get up and go for five

3 minutes?

4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course.

5 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

6 (Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

 ${\tt MR.\ BLOOM:}\ {\tt That\ was\ a\ very\ productive\ five}$

9 minutes.

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10 We have no further questions.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

Are there any questions from Claimants?

13 MS. WOOD: Mr. President, I will have a limited

14 direct, but would it make sense if we took our lunch break

5 now and I could condense my questions?

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Actually, it wouldn't be

17 because for other reasons we need to have a later lunch

18 break, but we could have a break now if you need to.

19 MS. WOOD: If we could. There is a question that

20 I've posed--

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Don't worry, don't explain. Do

22 you need fifteen minutes?

23 MS. WOOD: Fifteen minutes is fine.

24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take 15 minutes and come

25 back at quarter to.

12:44 1 itself is not in the record. And I would object to this 2 document becoming part of the record as well as object to

3 any testimony, any question or testimony given with respect

 $\ensuremath{\mathtt{4}}$ to that document because the document is not in the record.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Bloom.

6 MR. BLOOM: Thank you, Mr. President.

And we have confirmed that that document was

8 inadvertently not provided, but I wanted to provide a

9 little bit of context.

Number one, it is a document that we specifically cited to as Footnote 11 to the 2014 LBG Report as part of

12 its Annex A.

Number two, there is--and the practice has been $\frac{1}{2}$

14 very different. When we're talking about either side 15 simply wanting to put new documents in the record for

simply wanting to put new documents in the record for

16 strategic advantages versus a ministerial error, and in 17 just the last two or three minutes we began pulling up

18 e-mails from both within the firm and with counsel or

18 e-mails from both within the firm and with counsel or

19 sometimes--it happened on the legal assistant level, where

 $20\,$ one side or the other has informally, and in every instance

21 either asked for or provided documents that were either

22 cited or miscited or mistranslations, so I have an e-mail

23 of February 4, 2015, internal, can you please ask Chevron's

24 legal assistant tomorrow for this document, and it came

25 from Claimants' Exhibit 2084. The document on the share

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12:29 1 (Brief recess.)

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

3 MS. WOOD: Thank you, Mr. President.

Before--I just have a couple of guestions for the

5 Witness, but I wanted to raise an issue that I have

6 discussed with counsel for Ecuador.

7 I had objected to the document at Tab 24.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Tab 24 of the bundle?

9 MS. WOOD: Tab 24 of Ecuador's Cross-Examination

10 Bundle.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: I remember, yes.

12 MS. WOOD: As well as it was cited at Page 58 of

13 their PowerPoint presentation.

14 And it was my understanding that the document was

15 not in the record because when we had asked to supplement 16 the record with LBG's 2013 data, this was one of the

17 documents that counsel for Ecuador said, well, if you let

18 this and other documents in, then we would agree to put our

19 own data in the record. We did not reach agreement on

20 that, and so that was my concern and why I raised it. The $\,$

21 representation was made that the document was in the

 $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ record. The Witness was cross-examined about the document.

23 We then checked and now confirmed with counsel from Ecuador

24 that the document is not in their record. It is referred

25 to in the footnote in their Expert Report, but the document

12:46 1 with that number is essentially the wrong document, so it

2 was done informally, if we can turn to another one.

Another one attached is the correct translation.

4 The previous one--the previous C-2084 submitted corresponds

5 to C-2007. The Legal Assistant for King & Spalding will

6 submit this document with upcoming translation.

7 So, we would certainly ask that we be allowed to

8 include it. They had certainly been on notice. It is

9 specifically referenced.

10 What's supposed to happen is when either side

11 submits a report, what we do routinely is we gather up all

12 the documents, and you have been burdened with more than

13 your fair share. Both sides have inadvertently left some

14 out. In this particular case, it's actually a Chevron

15 document, so they've had the document. So, we don't 16 believe that they're prejudiced. And again, this is a

17 matter of the practice that both Parties have engaged in

10 for any time and if there is any history this

18 for some time. And if there is any hiccup over this, ${\tt I}$

19 would like to be heard after we've had a chance and compile 20 all of the e-mails that have gone back and forth over the

21 last couple of years.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just to ensure we've understood you, this is an inadvertent mistake on your side, it's not

24 a mistake by the Claimants?

MR. BLOOM: That is correct. It should have been

12:47 1 submitted along with the LBG Report because the LBG Report 2 specifically cites to this.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: What date was that?

MR. BLOOM: It was the 2014 Report, in November.

MS. WOOD: Mr. President, we definitely have been 6 prejudiced by this document now coming forward and trying 7 to put it into the record. We had a specific discussion

8 with counsel for Ecuador asking if they would put their

9 2013 data into the record because we assumed it was in the 10 record; and, as we started examining the LBG documents, LBG

11 had not put its own data in the record.

So, we went to counsel for Ecuador and said, would 13 you please put in the 2013 data and your 2013 data 14 validation reports. The response we received was, we would 15 only do that if you agree to put these other documents into 16 the record. This is one of a handful of documents that 17 they wanted to put into the record.

We decided, and withdrew our request to put their 18 19 own data in the record and, therefore, we had no agreement 20 on this specific document or this other handful of

21 documents going into the record.

Because of that, our Experts did not put on in

23 their direct testimony evidence about the LBG 2013 data

24 because the 2013 data was not in the record. So, we

25 clearly have been prejudiced by this. Now they're coming

12:50 1 aside. How long would that take you to do?

MS. WOOD: I have two questions for this Witness. 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Could you proceed with

4 those two questions? And then we will adjourn and try and sort things out over lunch.

MS. WOOD: Certainly.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. I think if the Witness 8 is not catching a plane at lunchtime. Are you leaving?

9 THE WITNESS: No, I'm not leaving today.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. Then please go ahead 10 11 with your other questions.

12 MS. WOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. 13

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

14 BY MS. WOOD:

Q. Dr. Hinchee, does Decreto 1215 have separate 15 cleanup criteria for sediment versus soil? 16

17 A. No, the Cleanup Standards are for soil.

Petroecuador uses the soil Cleanup Standards whenever it

remediates sediments. There are no separate standards. 20

Q. Okay. And no separate discussion of sediment in 21 1215?

22 A. No, no, the soil standards in 1215 are routinely

applied to sediments.

Q. Could we pull up Slide 37 of your direct

25 presentation.

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12:49 1 back and saying one of the documents that they wanted to 2 trade with us to agree to put their own data in the record, 3 is now they're trying to get in another way, so we clearly 4 have been prejudiced.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: What would it take to correct 6 the prejudice?

7 MS. WOOD: We would have to re-do direct statements of all of our Experts.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And what is the scope of that exercise? Is it a large, middle or small one?

MS. WOOD: Well, with all due respect, 11

12 Mr. President, I feel like the horse is out of the barn.

13 They have made their presentations to this Tribunal, and I 14 know very specifically some of the Experts wanted to point

15 to problems in the LBG 2013 data. And because the data was

16 not in the record, we advised them you cannot do that

17 because we are not going to put anything and present

18 anything to the Tribunal that is not in the record. So,

19 therefore, they could not make that presentation. Coming 20 after the fact now and supplementing a direct presentation

21 slide does not at all have the effect of them being able to

22 discuss it with you as part of their direct testimony. 23

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We've got a logistical problem 24 at a moment. We have got to finish this Witness' redirect 25 on certain matters which could be done putting this dispute 12:52 1 Now, Mr. Bloom asked you a series of questions

2 about the Burlington matter, the Burlington arbitration, 3 and cost estimates in that arbitration. And I'm pointing

4 you to Slide 37 and would like to ask you this question:

5 Why do you believe that the Petroecuador costs and data 6 presented on your Slide 37 is the most relevant comparison

7 to the Lago Agrio Judgment?

A. Because Petroecuador is remediating the very pits and spills the Judgment is awarding costs to remediate.

10 These are the same environmental liabilities, the same pits

11 and spills as the Judgment uses to award damages. And in 12 the case of unit cost, the actual cost incurred by

13 Petroecuador for remediating those pits and spills is \$67 a

14 cubic meter, not what's in Burlington, not what's in the 15 Judgment. The Burlington is for a different kind of

16 remediation. I can provide more detail on that if

17 necessary. The reality here is how much volume of soil

actually requires remediation based on Petroecuador's

experience, how many pits require remediation based on 20 Petroecuador's knowledge, the fact that groundwater is not

21 undergoing remediation because Petroecuador is also not

doing groundwater remediation, despite being given that

responsibility because it's not necessary.

And, finally, the total cost Petroecuador provides

25 is less than 10 percent of the cost in the Judgment to

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12:53 1 remediate the TexPet portion of the former Concession. 2 Petroecuador is doing the remediation, we know what it 3 cost, they know what it cost, and the Lago Court knew what 4 it cost. Q. Thank you, Dr. Hinchee. No further questions. 6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, for the time being, no 8 further questions, but we may want to see you again, so 9 thank you very much for assisting the Tribunal, but you may 10 leave the table. THE WITNESS: Thank you. 11 12 (Witness steps down.) PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think he could be released as 13 14 a witness rather than being put in purdah as a contingency. 15 I think there is no objection from either side? 16 MR. BLOOM: No. 17 MS. WOOD: And with respect to when I was talking 18 about Experts who wanted to rely on the 2013 data, I'm not 19 talking about Dr. Hinchee. I was talking about witnesses 20 who have already appeared and who have been let go. MR. BLOOM: Can I just address that one point? 21

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. First, the Claimants. MS. WOOD: Mr. President, I just wanted to let you 5 know that the Claimants are withdrawing our objection to 6 the document that was used with Mr. Hinchee, the one behind 8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm glad you spoke first 9 because we were about to make our ruling, subject to 10 hearing Mr. Bloom once more. MS. WOOD: I defer to Mr. Bishop. 11 12 MR. BISHOP: Yes, we've had some discussions over 13 lunch between the Parties, and we've reached an 14 accommodation. We are withdrawing the objection as 15 Ms. Wood mentioned, and we're offering another document 16 that we've agreed between the Parties will go into the 17 record which will be Exhibit C-1545A--R-1545A, which will be a supplement to the record that was reviewed by Mr. Juola; and as I said, so the Parties have agreed to that, and so we've reached an accommodation, and I think 21 that we have resolved the issues the Tribunal would have 22 had to grapple with otherwise. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is the document relevant for 23 24 the next witness?

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MR. BISHOP: Not for the next witness.

12:55 1 could we have an extra 15 minutes for lunch? We could come 2 back at 2:15?
3 MS. WOOD: That's fine.
4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I take it we're on time? There

23 back to it. Just give us time to digest what we've heard

4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I take it we're on time? There 5 is no concern that--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You know, we would rather come

We're going to need a bit of time to do that, so

6 MR. BLOOM: I had hoped to finish this morning and 7 I think we're done.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: So, 2:15, thank you very much.

Whereupon, at 12:56 p.m., the Hearing was

10 adjourned until 2:15 p.m., the same day.)

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24 so far and we'll come back.

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16 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, give us a copy in due
2 course, as we'll insert it electronically and on paper, and
3 can I say we're very grateful for the way the Parties do
4 sort things out. We were going to make a ruling, I won't
5 tell you what it was, but can I say in a case like this,
6 inadvertent mistakes are bound to happen, and I think it's
7 a rather generous way to resolve it by consensus between
8 the Parties.

9 MR. BLOOM: And if I may, just to kind of round 10 out what the Parties had agreed to because just like we had 11 made a mistake, what had happened on their end was 12 Dr. Juola had reviewed, if you recall, the hard drive that

13 we had provided to you. He looked at 200 and some-odd 14 thousand pages. There was a second tranche to that that we 15 had not received until yesterday, so that's to make sure

the record's complete, we didn't object to them wanting to put that record in, and that is the document that is going

18 in as R-1545A, and we're asking to do it as A so that the 19 Tribunal will understand it's part of the same record that

20 he submitted, and it's my understanding that he reviewed 21 everything on both those documents, 1545, the hard drive we

22 submitted; and 1545A.

And then the other piece of it is that we will submit, without opposition, the six-page document that we had thought was in the record that was not in the record,

02:18 1 and we will submit that as R-1546. And if we can do that 2 hopefully by the end of today, we can submit it.

> PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just to make that clear, that's 4 Tab 24 of your bundle?

MR. BLOOM: That's right.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And we need to just adjust the 7 name then on Slide 58 of your cross-examination PowerPoint 8 to reflect that it's R-1546.

MR. BLOOM: Thank you. We will do that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We could do that in 10

11 handwriting.

12 MR. BLOOM: Very good.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good. Well, thank you very 13

14 much for that. You saved us a long ruling, but we'll move

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Any other housekeeping matters we need to raise? 16

17 No.

18 Well, we have--

19 HARLEE STRAUSS, RESPONDENT'S WITNESS, CALLED

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could state your full name.

21 And then, if you're willing to do so, read the words of the

22 Declaration.

THE WITNESS: Yes. My name is Harlee Sue Strauss. 23

24 And I solemnly declare upon my honor and

25 conscience that I shall speak the truth, whole truth, and

02:20 1 your non-cancer risk?

A. No. The calculation had no impact on my findings 3 about non-cancer health risk, nor does it have an impact on 4 my overall findings regarding further action to be taken at

5 that site.

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Q. And you said you had a Second Amendment?

A. Yes. I have a Second Amendment, and that has to 8 do--

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Pause one moment.

It may be helpful for you to go to the particular 10 11 page to make the correction. Could you just help us on the

12 first correction. Where do we find that?

13 MS. SILVER: The particular site was for a 14 particular groundwater sample at Shushufindi 43, and I'll

have to find you the page number in the Report.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And for the second as well we

17 need the page number. MS. SILVER: Well, I will let her tell you what it 18

19 is first, and then I will. If she doesn't tell you, I will

20 tell you.

THE WITNESS: It has to do with the wipe samples 21

22 that were taken in the house of the vicinity of Lago

23 Agrio 2, the well site. Three samples were taken inside

24 the house, and I had written, I think it's on Page 5 and 6

25 of my November 2014 Report, although I may have the numbers

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02:19 1 nothing but the truth, and that my statement will in

2 accordance with my sincere belief.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. There'll

4 first be guestions from the Respondent.

MS. SILVER: Good afternoon, Dr. Strauss. DIRECT EXAMINATION

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BY MS. SILVER:

Q. I've placed before you a binder with your four reports and several exhibits.

10 Do you see that?

A. Yes, I do.

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Q. And before we begin the direct and your 12

13 presentation, is there anything that you would like to

14 amend in any of your Reports?

A. Yes, I'd like to make two amendments to my 15

16 Reports. The First Amendment is in response to

17 Dr. Douglas's testimony yesterday. He pointed out what was

18 an error in one of my calculations at one--in the drinking

19 water sample at one site. I went back and looked at my

20 calculations, and he was correct. There was an error. He

21 was incorrect about the source of error, but that

22 calculation contained a spreadsheet error, and I no longer

23 consider that sample and that exposure pathway to have a

24 significant risk of cancer.

Q. And does it affect your findings with respect to

02:21 1 slightly wrong. I wrote on those pages of that Report that

2 those samples contained oil from the Oriente. I've now

3 come to understand that while those samples do have a

4 fingerprint of oil, it is not the fingerprint of Oriente

5 oil and, therefore, the contamination is not associated

6 with TexPet in any way in those oil samples.

I used those samples as an example of an exposure

pathway. They were not part of any quantitative assessment

in any way and do not at all have any impact on my

ultimate--on the opinions in my Report.

BY MS. SILVER:

Q. And what about your other samples? Have you 12

13 determined that the oil samples on which you relied also

14 contained Oriente Crude?

A. The other samples for which I conducted 15

quantitative assessment do contain Oriente Crude based on

the opinion of Dr. Jeffrey Short.

Q. Dr. Strauss, I'd like to ask you a few questions

19 before you begin your PowerPoint presentation. Is that

20 okay?

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21 A. Yes.

22 Q. You are a human health-risk assessor by

23 profession; is that correct?

24 A. That's correct.

Q. Can you briefly describe your professional

02:23 1 background.

- A. Yes, I've been conducting human health-risk 3 assessments since the mid-1980s, which is about the time 4 the methodology has been developed, and so I've watched it 5 evolve and in some small ways have contributed to that, so 6 I've been involved in the development of risk-assessment 7 methodology. I've conducted many site-specific risk 8 assessments mostly in the United States on contaminated
- I've been involved with PAHs since late 1980--late 10 11 1970s.
- 12 O. And are you considered an expert in human 13 health-risk assessment?

9 sites with a variety of media and pathways.

- A. Yes, I am.
 - Q. Are you an expert in any other field?
- A. I have expertise in general toxicology. 16
- Q. And what were you asked to do for the Republic of 17
- 18 Ecuador?

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- 19 A. I have been asked to evaluate the human health
- 20 risks in the Concession Area, and in so doing I've reviewed
- 21 a variety of reports, research articles, documents, site
- O. And can you please tell us what sites you
- 24 evaluated in the Concession Area.
- A. For a quantitative assessment, I've evaluated nine

- O. You filed four reports in this arbitration; is 2 that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. Can you please identify the opinions in each of your Reports that you would like this Tribunal to consider? 5
 - A. Yes. My First Report was a scoping report. It 7 was submitted in February 2013, and that Report basically
 - was a synthesis of my understanding of the site. It was
 - 9 before I visited the site. The final three reports
 - 10 contained quantitative information, and they were an
 - 11 evolution where that First Report was the starting point,
 - but they went--I had quantitative site information that I
 - 13 felt was reliable and could conduct a quantitative risk
 - 14 assessment using it. And as time went on, I also went on
 - 15 to develop more sophisticated evaluations for Total
 - 16 Petroleum Hydrocarbons in crude oil, and so those are the
 - 17 Reports that are most relevant, I think, to the Tribunal.
 - Q. Is your qualitative Report necessary for this 18
 - Tribunal to consider given your conclusions and findings
 - from your later-conducted quantitative HHRAs?
 - A. No, my opinions on the necessity for further site
 - investigation and cleanup are based on the quantitative
 - risk assessments in the final three reports.
 - Q. In your First Report, you reviewed several studies
 - 25 discussing the link between adverse health effects and

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02:24 1 sites. They're on the map that I guess is in front of you;

- 2 and as you can see, these sites are located widely
- 3 throughout the Concession Area.
- Q. And what conclusions have you drawn from the nine
- 5 human health-risk assessments you've conducted?
- A. Well, my overarching conclusion is that there are 7 sufficient health risks to warrant further action at all
- 8 the nine sites that I investigated via a quantitative human
- 9 health-risk assessment. To draw this overarching
- 10 conclusion, I found that oil was released from pits and
- 11 other sources and was located in places in the environment;
- 12 that is the soil, the sediment, the water, where people
- 13 could come into contact with it in sufficient quantities to
- 14 cause a health risk, and that these health risks are based
- 15 on both current and future exposures, and that they're in
- 16 both. In human health-risk assessment we only have two
- 17 buckets of health effects: Cancer and non-cancer. We
- 18 don't divide it any further, and I found that there are
- 19 both non-cancer and cancer health risks, although not
- 20 necessarily both at each site.
- Q. And do HHRAs prove actual particular harm to a
- 22 particular person?
- A. No, they do not. HHRAs are a regulatory tool to
- 24 make decisions, and they're meant to be protective of human
- 25 health, and they're meant to avoid actual harm.

- 02:27 1 exposure to oil. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And you stated that toxic contaminants released
- 4 into the environment by Texaco resulted in or caused
- immediate and delayed effects in children and adults living
- 6 in the Concession Area; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Does that mean that you found that specific
- persons have been harmed by TexPet's contamination?
- A. No, I did not mean to imply any specific person
- 11 was harmed. I looked at no specific person. And I believe
- that conclusion was inartfully worded, and perhaps should
- 13 have said risk of adverse effects rather than adverse
- 14 effect. I did not evaluate individual harms in the least.
- Q. Dr. Strauss, do you consider yourself an expert in 15 epidemiology? 16
- A. No, I'm not. 17
 - Q. And have you read the reports of the Republic's
- health experts, Drs. Grandjean and Laffon?
- A. Yes, I have. 20
- 21 O. Is it your understanding that, in those Reports
- they've cited to and have independently concluded that
- exposure to Oriente crude oil will result in risk of
- adverse health effects?
 - A. That's my understanding, yes.

- O. And given your understanding, what is your opinion 02:29 1 2 as to whether or not this Tribunal will need to consider 3 your review of epidemiology studies linking exposure to oil 4 and human health risks?
 - A. I believe the Tribunal can rely on the opinions of 6 Dr. Grandjean and Dr. Laffon.
 - Q. And I just have one last question for you. In 8 your First Report, you gave an overview of various types of 9 pathways that can exist at a given site; is that correct?
 - A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. Are you asking the Tribunal to consider or take 11 12 into account pathways you did not evaluate in your nine 13 later conducted HHRAs to determine whether cleanup is
 - A. I believe that the pathways that I evaluated are 15 16 sufficient to show a significant risk that requires further 17 investigation and cleanup.
 - The further additional pathways, if they were 18 19 quantified, I think might show further risk, but those are not necessary for me to reach my conclusion.
 - Q. Thank you, Dr. Strauss. You can begin your 22 presentation.
 - If it's helpful, I can direct you to where the 24 site for Shushufindi 43 is. I believe Dr. Strauss gave you 25 the cites for the wipe samples that she amended. It's her

02:32 1 report on Page 20, and there is a table that appears on 2 that page, and it is the last row, and it's for a 3 groundwater sample.

Oh, no, no. I'm sorry, that's incorrect, actually. Let me get back to you with the right page. 5 Sorry.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's okay. 8

Please start your presentation.

9 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

10 I want to talk to you about risk-assessing my 11 results, and also I'm going to, throughout the 12 presentation, I'm going to talk a little bit about why my results differ from Dr. McHugh's.

The bolded statement pretty much comes from the 15 EPA's Web site describing the purpose of USEPA human health 16 risk assessment, and it's to characterize the nature and magnitude of health risk to humans basically from chemicals 18 that may be present in the environment.

19 The origin of this methodology is to be able to 20 make decisions in the absence of complete information. In 21 the environmental arena, we never have complete

22 information. We never know exactly how much dirt people

23 eat. We never know exactly how many times they're going to 24 be one place or another. We never have exact toxicity

25 values, so the idea is to be able to make decisions of

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02:30 1 November 7, 2014--that's for the wipe samples.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Give us that.

MS. SILVER: The wipe samples are the 11/7/2014 4 Report at Footnote 45, which is on Page 24.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm way behind you. Which tab 6 is that in your bundle?

MS. SILVER: Tab 3.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I've got Tab 3. Go ahead.

9 MS. SILVER: It's Footnote 45, which is on

10 Page 24.

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And I do believe there may also be discussion of 11 12 them on Pages 5 and 6, as Dr. Strauss said.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm sorry, I'm being really 13 14 slow. I don't see a footnote.

I'm catching up. Okay. Footnote 45, what do I 15

16 change? MS. SILVER: Nothing. She was just pointing out 17

18 that--well, the main point is that the wipe sample did not 19 contain a signature of Oriente Crude, and I believe that it

20 stated that it did.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'll just note that. We don't 22 see that, but we'll note it.

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And the other correction?

MS. SILVER: And the other correction is with

25 respect to site Shushufindi 43, and that is in the same

02:34 1 whether site cleanup is necessary, and we use

2 risk-assessment policy to have a methodology to use

3 inference to bridge the gaps in the data that we have.

And ultimately, the purpose of the risk 5 assessments is to answer the question: "is remediation

6 necessary, " and if it is necessary, how clean is clean 7 enough?

I want to point out also that risk assessors, at 8 9 least in the EPA scheme of things, provide information to

10 those who make cleanup decisions, and thus, it's the 11 responsibility of risk assessors to provide some of the

12 uncertainties that are involved in the risk

13 characterizations and to be very transparent in those 14 uncertainties.

15 The methodology--this slide is quite similar to 16 the one that Dr. McHugh showed you yesterday for the

17 four-step process in an EPA-type risk assessment, and the 18 steps are the same. The middle steps actually can be done

19 in either order. They're really in parallel, the exposure

20 assessment and the dose response or toxicity assessment,

21 two names for the same thing. I'm going to talk about them

22 in the order of exposure assessment and then toxicity

23 assessment.

I want to start with the step one, which is the 25 hazard characterization step, and this is a really critical 02:35 1 step. This is where you scope the problem, understand it,
2 try and figure out what are the chemicals of concern, what
3 are the pathways of concern and also within the context of
4 the site you're looking at, so a site in California and a
5 site in the Concession Area, there are clear differences in
6 how people use that site, so all of that comes in the
7 hazard identification step.

And all of that information is pieced together in what's called a "conceptual site model." This is actually something that Dr. McHugh omitted from his Reports, and I think would have helped him organize—it helps me at least to organize my thinking. And that's what it's intended to do, it's part of risk-assessment methodology whether it's from ASTM or from EPA to organize your thoughts, and here is what it is.

You start with the source, and in our case it's in the Concession Area. What I evaluated was generally from an oil pit. The next step is to figure out where it goes to where people may come into contact with it, and that we called the primary exposure media. And if we just go

21 across the top line, that could be, for example, soil.
22 The next step is to identify the exposure route,
23 and that could be typically for soil it's ingestion or it's
24 dermal contact. It could be also inhalation. I didn't
25 evaluate inhalation in my quantitative assessments here.

02:39 1 I want to spend some time on this slide, which is 2 talking about--it's an example of exposure pathways that 3 one would find in the Concession Area, and this graphic is 4 meant to represent a composite of what we observed at the 5 various sites, so it's not particular to any particular 6 site. And what you can see in the center, that residence 7 there, is not atypical of the residences, and you may well 8 see them in your site visit when you go there.

9 On the left is what is intended to be surface
10 contamination. If it's from a pit, it would be much
11 larger. Those pits are large. In this slide it's much
12 smaller, and there's various sources of water supply here.
13 There is a dug well, and there is a stream or a river.
14 There is laundry. You always see laundry. There's some
15 chickens there and cattle. Cattle you see some places, not
16 others. Chickens are everywhere. So, you always see that
17 at these sites.

And to just talk a little more explicitly, with respect to soil exposure, people can be exposed to soil, say this is intended to be a farmer, and so during farming activities, and that would involve direct contact with the soil, and so dermal exposure and also ingestion exposure to that soil.

There can also be indirect pathways, which I did not quantify but could well be important input here. If

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02:37 1 The final step is to determine whether this
2 affected population, and if so, who. So, it could be
3 residents who are children, residents who are adults, it
4 could be farmers. And all together, if you can go from
5 source to exposure media to exposure route to an affected
6 population, that is called a complete exposure pathway.

Now, life isn't quite as simple as that linear
model, and I just put in one small complication here--there
can be many--and that's the secondary exposure. So,
instead of the primary point of contact being the soil, say
near the pit, it could be that soil, that contamination can
get into water or sediment. And, for example, in the
Concession Area, that could happen. It's a very rainy
area, so the pits can fill up and overflow. That would be

one example.

I'm going to move to Step 2 to exposure
assessment, and this is EPA's definition of exposure
assessment, and it's the determination or estimation, and
it can be qualitative or quantitative, and it's
quantitative in my final three assessments of the
magnitude, frequency, duration, and route of exposure.
Exposure assessments may consider past, present, or future
exposures. I should say that guidance now, at this point,
basically requires you to consider present and future

25 exposure. That's a standard quidance.

02:41 1 the chickens or the cattle come into contact with those 2 contaminated soils, the same would be true of the 3 sediments, and then their meat or other products such as 4 eggs could become contaminated. Again, I didn't quantify 5 that pathway. It's one of the uncertainties of my risk 6 assessment.

The other pathway you can see here is that

contaminated soil is located quite close to that house, and

so you could--children and adults living near that house

could come into contact with it. And we saw this. There

were two sites that I quantified: Shushufindi 13 and

Shushufindi 34 both had pits in places where people would

come into contact with it, either be it agriculture use, or

children living--certainly at Shushufindi 13 there was a

child living in that house.

Groundwater exposure occurs primarily through the
use of dug wells as a domestic water supply. It also could
be discharged and contacted if springs are used as a water
supply. We observed both during the site visits there.
Groundwater--dug wells are very, very common in the area,
including at Lago Agrio 16, Shushufindi 43, and Shushufindi
They're quite common. Shushufindi 25 there is also a
former drinking water use at a spring.

The way exposure takes place for water supply is all domestic uses of water, so it could be ingestion, it

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02:43 1 could be dermal while showering. Ingestion includes not 2 only just drinking your water, but also when it's used 3 during cooking. It also can be via laundry, so if you're 4 washing your laundry in contaminated water, the 5 contaminants gets transferred to the laundry, and then 6 you're wearing the contamination, where it's available for 7 dermal absorption. Again, that's not a pathway I 8 quantified. I don't know how much it would contribute, but 9 it's one of the unquantified pathways. 10

Another important pathway, sediment exposure. We 11 encountered contaminated sediment in several sites; Lago 12 Agrio 2 will be one that you will be seeing at your site 13 visit. And you can come into contaminated sediment just 14 via the sediment or common layoff, so both sediment and 15 surface water at the same time. Surface water is used for 16 bathing, for laundry. And as a domestic supply, surface 17 water can also be used as a water supply without--in places 18 where there is not laundry, you will be at, I think, 19 Shushufindi--no, Aquarico 6. Aquarico 6, the farmer drinks 20 the stream water while he's working in this field, at least 21 according to what he said--according to an interview I had 22 with him. He claimed that.

And so, these resources are widely used, and 24 you're exposed to it in many ways.

I'm going to move to what is the goal of an

02:46 1 applying it differently.

One big difference is the drinking water ingestion 2 3 rate. I have used adult ingestion rate of 7.5 liters per 4 day, which I view and with evidence that that would be a 5 high end but not unreasonable rate to use in the Concession 6 Area where it's hot and it's a subsistence agriculture population. Dr. McHugh used the then-EPA default of 2 liters per day. It's now 2.5 liters per day, but it was two when he did his calculations.

Another difference is I included dermal absorption 11 in my evaluations. In his first two, he didn't include any dermal absorption from either soil or water. And in his final two or his last risk assessment, he did include dermal contact with soil, but not from water.

15 I want to move to the toxicity assessment here. 16 This is actually Dr. McHugh's slide. And you may recall 17 that he talked to you about the effects of beer and the impact of dose, and that if you consume a lot of beer in one night, you could have severe effects, and if you don't--if you have that dose over the course of the month, you'll have fewer effects, if any.

The piece that Dr. McHugh didn't mention was that risk assessment is basically concerned with long-term 24 lifetime exposure. Risk assessment methodology was meant

25 to evaluate the impacts of long-term exposure and to

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02:44 1 exposure assessment, and now I'm sort of back to theory. 2 I'm taking you out of the Concession Area here.

The goal is to calculate the average daily dose to 4 which an RME is exposed to environmental concentrations, 5 soil, sediment, air. What's an RME? You might want to 6 know. RME is a reasonably maximally exposed receptor or 7 individual. It is the hypothetical individual to whom that 8 we calculate the exposure. And regulatory decisions are 9 made from exposure and risk to this hypothetical RME. The 10 intent is not to go over to worst, worst case, but to be a 11 reasonable maximal exposure because the intent is to 12 protect all populations.

The method of calculating an average daily dose is 14 to combine environmental concentrations in either 15 site-specific or default exposure factors. Exposure 16 factors can be things like soil and sediment ingestion 17 rate, drinking water ingestion rate, how long people live 18 at the site. I used a combination of default in one case, 19 a couple of cases some site-specific risk--site-specific 20 exposure factors.

What I've highlighted here is where Dr. McHugh and 22 I disagree. Largely, I think you can see this as a 23 comparison slide, and I think one message is we used 24 actually a lot of the same things, a lot the same exposure 25 factors. We are using the same methodology; we're just

02:48 1 protect against health-impacts of long-term exposure. And 2 you all know that there's different impacts. If you drink 3 beer over a lifetime, you are at risk of liver disease and 4 other diseases. Risk assessment is also intended to 5 protect susceptible populations, and so one beer to a 6 healthy adult is not the same as a dose to a pregnant 7 woman. We know that there's harmful effects of alcohol ingestion during pregnancy and it certainly is not going to be protective of a two-year old and a full bottle of beer, so we're intended to protect everybody.

To go further with the toxicity assessment, the point of the toxicity assessment and a quantitative risk 13 analysis is to identify data to quantify the relationship 14 between exposure and the adverse effect, and I mentioned 15 earlier in risk assessment we considered basically two buckets of adverse effects: Non-cancer and cancer. And on 17 the toxicity assessment we used things called toxicity 18 factors, what we referred to as toxicity factors to quantify this dose, and for non-cancer effects, we called 20 that a reference dose, and for cancer we called it a slope 21 factor. The difference is how we view what happened, the

22 response at low doses that I'm going--we can talk about that, if you want.

But I also want--we also--one of the big issues in 25 assessing risk in the Concession Area is how do you assess

02:50 1 risk of crude oil, a complex mixture that we're often
2 measuring as some measure of Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons,
3 and this is one of the big differences between Dr. McHugh's
4 and my risk assessment. He did not evaluate the Measures
5 of Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons, and I did. There's a
6 number of ways to do that, but one thing that you can't do
7 is ignore it. One of the things that Dr. McHugh said was
8 that the World Health Organization didn't have any
9 quantitative toxicity factor. They actually published
10 drinking water guidelines for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons,
11 and that allowed him to not quantify it.

But the problem is, if you read that document on how WHO quantifies Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons, what they say is, and this is a quote from that document, that you have to consider sensory assessment for taste and odor, and that they're going to be detectable at concentration below concern for health. And so, therefore, taste and odor are the canaries in the coal mine. So, to ignore the odor and taste is basically saying, well, we'll allow people to drink that water, and because there is no standard, there is no health risk. Well, that's not the case. They didn't develop a health risk because they thought they had a canary.

You have seen this slide--not this slide, but sort of the elements of the slide before. Crude oil is a

02:54 1 you have the entire forest, and the forest is a much more 2 complicated ecosystem. And if you're just looking at 3 individual trees, you're going to miss a lot of important 4 information. And that's really my view of why it's much 5 more important to consider whole mixtures and use a TEM 6 approach and a comparable approach to toxicity evaluation 7 than just relying on the, you know, tip of the filter and 8 the 20 chemicals of 8270 and 8260.

9 And so, I want to come to the benchmark, how I

10 evaluated the toxicity of crude oil in my more
11 sophisticated 2014 evaluation. And I calculated a
12 reference dose, the appropriate toxicity factor for
13 non-cancer evaluation, a reference dose using industry data
14 and standard EPA methodology. The industry data was a
15 90-day study in which crude oil--actually, several crude
16 oils were painted onto the backs of mice--sorry, rats, and
17 the outcome of that study--well, there are a number of
18 outcomes, these were the four that occurred at the lowest
19 dose of the applied crude oil. And you can see a number of
20 effects on the thymus, the bone marrow, and the liver.
21 One of the points I wanted to make is Dr. McHugh
22 said the skin is a barrier, and it keeps the chemicals out.
23 Well, that's not really true. I mean, it doesn't allow as

24 much absorption as ingestion exposure, but chemicals still

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25 get through.

02:52 1 complex mixture. It contains thousands of chemicals. It's 2 really hard to measure it.

This is another slide from Dr. McHugh's

presentation, but I've changed it a little bit because I

must be highlight where we differ, and this is really--we

interpret things differently here.

TEM, the total extractable materials, is the
Measure which measures the greatest majority of compounds
that are in crude oil. I'm not going to talk about 418.1,
but it's fairly similar in terms of what it covers. And
then there is the fraction methods, the 8015 method and the
and Massachusetts method and the Texas method that we
talked about that looks at fractions, and that covers a
little--that covers actually probably a third to a quarter
of what is in crude oil in terms of its components, and
then you're filtering down to what Dr. McHugh considered
the most precise measurements, which measures the volatile

18 organic compounds and some of the PAHs.

19 Well, what your--so, you do--it is true that you

20 have more exact measurements of maybe 20 or 30 of the

21 individual compounds, but you're losing all the information

22 about all the other stuff in the mixture which you're

23 basically assuming is non-toxic, because you don't have any

24 information about it, and so it's like down at the bottom

25 you have the tree or you have five trees, and at the top

02:56 1 Because remember, this study, the crude oil was
2 applied to the backs of the rats, and the effects that were
3 measured were the internal organs, clearly the components
4 of crude oil, the toxic components of crude oil, which are
5 the high end PAHs in this case, were internalized where
6 they caused damage.

Let me just go back and say one thing. In that industry study, or it was reported by American Petroleum Institute and industry trade group, there was a study conducted by industry, and it was reported by the trade group API to the USEPA, and this was the basis of my calculation. I called it a benchmark dose as do others of my reference dose calculation. And again I followed EPA methodology to calculate a reference dose, and that is--it's simply dividing the benchmark dose, which the American Petroleum Institute calculated for me by a composite uncertainty factor of 3,000.

And so, what is that? Well, remember, it's a rat study, so how does it have an impact on humans? That traditionally is a factor of ten, and I used a factor of ten for that. How different are humans from each other? Well, probably more different than a factor of ten, but that's the commonly applied uncertainty factor, so I applied that and so on.

So, I used again, following EPA methodology, to go

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02:57 1 from an observed effect in an animal to an effect that 2 should be a safe dose to which all humans can be exposed. Now, I talked to you now about the first three 4 steps. I'm moving on to the fourth step and how to 5 characterize the risk, and this is putting together the 6 toxicity information and the exposure information, and for 7 cancer it's simply a multiplication of the lifetime average 8 daily dose times the toxicity factor, and there is a 9 benchmark range that EPA and other organizations use of one 10 in 10,000, that's one in ten to the minus four; to one in a 11 million, that's ten to the minus six, by all chemicals, by 12 all pathways. That's where you make decisions, depending 13 on the particular thing you're evaluating. Above that 14 number, above one to the ten minus four risk, you almost 15 always take action, below one in a million you consider it 16 an insignificant risk.

In my nine evaluations or my evaluations at the
nine sites, I found that seven well sites had cancer risks
in that risk range where one often looks further, so
requiring more evaluation. And under current conditions,
two risks one in Aguarico 6 and at Lago Agrio 2, two sites
you're going to be going on the site visit as I understand
it, where it was above the EPA risk range.

Going to the hazard index, so the non-cancer effects, again the reference dose is intended to be a safe

03:01 1 crude oil. And to me this is the apples to apples
2 comparison because you're comparing all the toxicity of all
3 of the crude oil with the concentration of all of crude
4 oil, and that's why I used--that's why I think it's the
5 most important one.

I want to end with just a couple of comments,

other comments, on why Dr. McHugh and I had such different

conclusions regarding risk. This is--I've talked about

several of them.

10 On sample location, we used a very different
11 sample set. The guidance requires samples from source
12 areas. I believe Dr. McHugh used the delineation samples,
13 which were intended to be--to surround the source area but
14 not to test the source area. I used the LBG datasets,
15 which were--looked at the source areas.

16 And again, quantitative risk assessment requires 17 concentrations of contaminants in the source areas.

Again, I think another big difference in our analysis is the chemicals that we included in the analysis, actually our cancer risk assessments were virtually the same. We used the same PAHs. I did not apply a whole mixtures approach, so our results are fairly similar or would be if we used each other's dataset.

But for the TEM analysis, again, I included the entire range of components of crude oil. Dr. McHugh used

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03:00 1 dose, and so it's just a comparison of the average daily
2 dose to that safe reference dose. And it's considered that
3 when the dose is greater than the reference dose, further
4 action is required, further site investigation or cleanup.
5 This is a slide that Dr. McHugh showed. He showed
6 a slightly more complicated version of it. I took out some
7 of the middle columns, just to make it easier to
8 understand.

I do want to say that I put them all in there for the sake of transparency, not for the sake of confusion. I wanted to be--to show clearly the uncertainty and the differences that would appear by the different methods of calculation. So, what remains on this slide is the Massachusetts method, which Dr. McHugh acknowledges is used in regulatory decision-making, the 8015 calculations which Dr. McHugh suggests are only good for screening, which, by the way, he had access to and did not use, but he did acknowledge that you could do that.

acknowledge that you could do that.

And the final column on your right is my method
for combining the whole mixtures so the toxicity from the
whole product of crude oil, which I just explained to you
with TEM.

Now, I think this is the most reliable method. It does give the highest numbers, which in some ways you would expect because you're covering the entire range of the 03:03 1 just a few them, just to give an example of that, the whole
2 mixture versus the fractional approach, and Dr. McHugh
3 evaluated less than 1 percent of the chemicals in crude
4 oil.

And I hope that clarifies risk assessment and what
I did in my opinions, and that concludes my presentation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

8 Are there any more questions from the Respondent? 9 MS. SILVER: No. Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: There will now be questions 11 from the Claimant.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MS. RENFROE:

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Q. Good afternoon, Dr. Strauss.

Good afternoon.

Q. I appreciate the remarks that you made with your counsel at the beginning of your presentation about clarifying some of the points in your Reports--that may

19 save us a little bit of time--but I would like to start

20 with a point and make sure that the clarification you 21 offered is, indeed, clear to everybody.

21 offered is, indeed, clear to everybody.

And so, if I might begin with our Slide 1, and while I'm doing this, I will ask if we can have passed out to you the first binder of documents.

So, Mr. Johnson, may we have Slide 1, please.

03:05 1 What I have on the screen, Dr. Strauss, is a quote 2 from the Republic of Ecuador's counsel made during Opening 3 Statement, and please take a moment and get yourself 4 organized. I'm not trying to rush you through these 5 materials, but I don't know if you were here for the 6 Opening Statements, but this is a guote from, I believe, 7 Ms. Silver, who was presenting regarding health risks on

8 behalf of the Republic of Ecuador. So, take a moment, read 9 that, and then I have a few questions about it.

(Witness reviews document.)

11 A. Okay.

12 Okay. So, I think that your comments at the

13 beginning in response to Ms. Silver's questions helped

14 clarify, but I want to make sure for this record we are

15 very clear because your Reports have spoken about actual

16 health impacts in the past and in the present. And I heard

17 you say earlier at the beginning of your introduction, that

18 those were, perhaps, inartful words on your part, and that

19 you were not intending to render opinions about actual

human health effects or impacts.

Do I have that correct? 21

22 A. You have that correct.

Q. All right. And so, as is stated in this portion

24 of counsel's Opening Statement--and I want to know if you

25 agree with this--that your task has been to look forward

03:08 1 question of whether there may be in the future a potential

2 human health risk, and that's the scope of what you have

3 done here; is that correct?

A. Well, I would characterize it looking at current 5 and future exposure scenarios and evaluating health risks

6 based on those scenarios to see whether they cause a

7 significant risk of harm, and again within the regulatory

8 context of making the decision about whether cleanup or

9 further investigation is required.

Q. And that's right. That takes us to the next point

that I wanted to make, which is, the question you're trying

to answer is whether further evaluation of a given site is

needed; correct?

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And/or whether remediation is needed?

16 That's correct.

17 Q. Those are the two questions that your work has

undertaken to answer; correct?

A. Those are the--yes, that's what I would like to 19

put before the Tribunal--for the Tribunal to consider.

Q. And to the extent someone characterizes your

Reports in a different fashion, that would be

inappropriate?

A. That would certainly be--yes.

Q. Right. That's not what you intend. That's not

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03:06 1 and to evaluate the possibility that there may be a

2 theoretical human health risk from conditions in the

3 Concession Area.

A. Yes. The way I conducted my quantitative risk

5 assessments at the nine sites, I did not evaluate or

6 consider past exposures. They were present and future

7 exposure pathways with--consistent with the methodology of

8 EPA to determine whether cleanup is required or, at a

9 minimum, whether further investigation is required because

10 the dataset I had was not a complete dataset.

Q. And just to put a bow around this point, if you

12 will, to the extent that your Reports mention actual human

13 health effects, then we should--we should put those

14 comments aside. Those should not be--you're not intending

15 to convey that, and those should be dismissed?

A. That's correct. I would like the Tribunal to rely 16 17 on the quantitative risk assessments and the risk from now

going forward.

Q. Okay. So, that means that we should put aside

20 your very First Report, which was your qualitative risk

21 assessment; correct?

A. That is correct. 22

23 Q. All right. And then continuing to look at this

24 portion of the argument by counsel for the Republic, she

25 characterizes your work as determining or weighing on the

03:10 1 how you intend that they be used?

A. That's correct.

Q. Now, am I also correct that in undertaking your

4 analysis of conditions at the nine sites that you

5 evaluated, you did not take into account the Remedial

6 Action Plan between TexPet, the Republic of Ecuador and

7 Petroecuador?

A. I took no account of that. I accounted only for

the data as it sits now.

O. Right. And so, that means that you performed your

11 quantitative human health-risk assessments as if the

12 Remedial Action Plan and the Settlement Agreement between

13 TexPet, Petroecuador, and Ecuador had never occurred?

A. That's correct.

Q. And so, that means that you did not concern

16 yourself with whether a given sample was from an area that

was not assigned to TexPet for remediation?

A. I neither concerned myself or most of the time had

19 knowledge of that.

O. Right. You were oblivious to those facts--

With all due respect -- and I didn't mean any

22 disrespect, but in undertaking your work, you did not seek

to focus on a sample or evaluate areas that had been

assigned to TexPet or not?

A. That's correct.

03:11 1 O. Now, am I also correct that you acknowledge that 2 Petroecuador and/or affiliates of Petroecuador have 3 operated the former Concession Area continuously since June 4 of 1990?

- A. That's my understanding. I don't have direct knowledge of that.
- Q. Right. And are you aware that Petroecuador has 8 not only operated in the former Concession Areas but in many places it has actually expanded those operations?
 - A. I am generally aware of that.

Again, I'm not offering opinions on this area. 11

12 0. I understand.

13 But, to the extent that you are offering opinions 14 about whether any of these nine sites that you examined

15 might need further evaluation or might need remediation, am

16 I correct that you are offering no opinion about whose

17 actions might have caused those impacts?

A. I am not offering that opinion, no. Let me 18 19 qualify it to say that I relied on data from Berger, from

LBG who have looked at that, so I will defer that to them. Q. So, you're not providing any opinion to this

22 Tribunal about whose activities caused the impacts at a

given location at any of those nine sites?

A. No--that's correct.

0. Is that correct?

03:14 1 sites in 2013 and 2014, that, of course, that data was not

2 available to the Lago Agrio Court in the Lago Agrio

3 Litigation, was it?

A. Not exactly the LBG data, no.

Q. Right. Now, were you involved--were you

personally involved in the collecting of that data; that

is, the LBG data?

8 A. Somewhat.

9 Did you direct where the samples were to be taken 0. in any way?

Only a very limited number. 11 Α.

12 At which sites, please?

13 Α. Lago Agrio 2.

Any other site? 14

Well, I conferred with LBG on the Sampling Plan 15

16 throughout. I was a part of that team, and so there were

17 conversations. I was not in the field and said take a

site--take a sample here, take a sample there. That was not part of what I did, with the exception of Lago Agrio 2.

20 Q. And at Lago Agrio 2, were you involved in the

taking of those wipe samples?

22 A. Yes.

23 Any other samples?

> Α. The surface soil sample in front and back of the

25 house.

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03:13 1 A. That is correct.

Okay. All right.

Now, another point of clarification, is it true, 4 Dr. Strauss, that you were not an Expert, and had no

involvement in the Lago Agrio Case?

A. Could you--I want to answer this one properly, so could you please say it again.

Q. Let me see if I can give you a better question. 9

Did you serve as an Expert in the Lago Agrio Case?

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11 And the quantitative risk assessments that you

12 have provided to this Tribunal were not provided to the

13 Lago Agrio Court for the Lago Agrio Case, were they?

14 A. Certainly mine were not.

15 Right.

And, to your knowledge, the Plaintiffs in the Lago 16

17 Agrio Case did not provide any kind of quantitative human

health-risk assessment for that case, did they?

19 A. I don't know.

Q. None has been provided to you, has it? 20

21 A. No, I don't believe so.

22 O. Right.

23 So--and I think this would be clear and implicit

24 in the questions I just asked, but for the record, the

25 sampling data that LBG collected from former Concession

03:16 1 Q. Okay. And I think we will be getting to your

> 2 calculation tables shortly, so when we get there, perhaps 3 you could flag for me which samples you actually were

4 involved in taking, but you said they were surface soil

5 samples?

A. There were two samples of surface soil, one sample 7 of surface soil from the patio area of Lago Agrio 2, and

then there was a sample from the back of that house, which

was exposed asphaltic material, which was then evaluated.

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11 A. I think it has a soil label on it, but it is

not -- it wasn't like what you consider soil.

Q. Okay. We may get there this afternoon. 13

A. I hope we don't get there Monday.

15 (Laughter.)

16 Q. Okay. So, let me switch gears just a little bit.

Do you agree with the conclusion that we've read 17

in one of the reports of LBG, that looking at an

environmental sample, just that sample itself, that one

cannot determine the source of the material in that sample?

21 A. Why don't you try that again. I don't think I got

23 Q. I will be glad to.

So, in one of LBG's Reports--and I can find it if

25 we need it--but they acknowledged that if you're simply

22 it.

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03:17 1 looking at an environmental sample, the analytical result 2 of a soil sample, for example, that just looking at that in 3 and of itself, tells you nothing about whose action led to 4 that particular impact; do you agree with that? MS. SILVER: Excuse me, Ms. Renfroe, if you're 6 going to ask her a question about an LBG Report, do you 7 think you could give her a cite so that she could review

9 MS. RENFROE: I would be glad to do that, but 10 maybe we can put that aside.

BY MS. RENFROE:

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12 O. Just independent of LBG, do you agree with me 13 that, as it relates to your work at these nine sites?

A. I can only say that my practice is to evaluate the 15 chemicals in a sample in the context of where that sample 16 is taken, the depth of the sample, the location of the 17 sample, if it's petroleum, actually the smell of the 18 sample. If that's--or the staining, the logs, the field

19 notes in association with it.

20 So, I try not to, if I have other data available, 21 to try to look at things holistically.

Q. I understand, but that was really not my question.

23 Let me try it again.

If you are presented with an analytical result 25 from a laboratory for a soil sample, looking at that alone 03:20 1 think we've got it highlighted, and you see they've stated 2 there: "As to the former, it is generally impossible to

3 distinguish chemically between petroleum released by TexPet

4 versus Petroecuador in most of the situations at issue in the Concession Area."

Do you see that?

Yes, I do.

Okay. Do you agree with that?

9 I have no reason to disagree with it.

No reason to disagree with it?

Correct. 11 Α.

O. All right, thank you.

13 Now, let's move now to the topic of the

14 quantitative risk assessments that you have done. And to

be clear for this Tribunal, I'm going to focus on those

16 quantitative risk assessments, since we are putting the

17 qualitative risk assessment aside.

18 A. Okay.

19 Q. And if I'm counting correctly, I believe you've

provided three different quantitative risk assessments; is

21 that correct?

22 A. I don't know how you're counting. I provided

quantitative risk assessments at nine different sites in

three different reports.

Q. Okay. You've got your Reports there, and you've

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03:19 1 doesn't enable you to determine whose or which entity's 2 actions led to that particular impact; do you agree with 3 that?

> I think it just depends. If I don't know where 5 the soil sample comes from, I obviously don't know where it 6 is. If the soil is taken in the middle of my house that I 7 have been living in for 30 years, maybe it's mine. I just can't answer that question exactly, as you phrased it.

9 Q. And so, if one said it's almost impossible to 10 distinguish between Party A and Party B's actions in a 11 given environmental sample, you would disagree with that, 12 or you would agree with that?

A. I'm having trouble answering it because I've had a 14 long career now, and I have been involved in a lot of 15 forensics and looking at non--the weird chemicals that are 16 involved to distinguish between one and another, so in a 17 theoretical context, I think oftentimes you can find a

18 means of distinguishing. Q. Okay. Maybe we can pull up the LBG Report, the

20 March 2015 Report, Page 7. I don't think I have that in 21 your bundle, but let's see if Mr. Johnson can pull that up 22 for us quickly. We will give him a little challenge for

23 the afternoon.

24 A. I'm happy to share the burden.

Q. Now, I've got this quote from LBG's Report, and I

03:22 1 also got a bundle of documents in front of you. If you 2 could look at Volume 1, and let's make sure we've got the 3 right packet.

> MS. RENFROE: And I believe the Tribunal has 4 Volume 1 of our cross bundle.

BY MS. RENFROE:

Q. And in the inside pocket there are some charts

that we have taken and blown up from your Reports.

9 Would you confirm, Dr. Strauss, that these are the tables from your Reports that contain--well, the results of your calculations of your quantitative risk assessments

from your last three reports?

A. That is correct.

Q. And we are going to spend some time with these 14

this afternoon, but just to make sure that we, just for orientation, your Table 5.1 and 5.2, which is the first two

tables, actually first three tables, first three pages,

those are from your December 2013 Report; correct?

19 A. Yes.

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20 O. And these are a combination of both a cancer risk

21 assessment and non-cancer risk assessment; correct?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. And then, if we turn further into the packet and

24 we then come to your November 2014 Quantitative Risk

25 Assessment, that is the results of it?

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- 03:24 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And these results are for the non-cancer
 - 3 calculations; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 5 Q. And then finally, the last page is from your
 - 6 March 2015 Report showing your most recent cancer risk
 - 7 calculations; correct?
 - 8 A. That's correct. And this is the correction, the
 - 9 bottom line, on this one, Shushufindi 43, that should be, I
 - 10 think, four times ten to the minus seven, or something like
 - 11 that. That's the change.
 - 12 O. So, in the most right-hand column where it says
 - 13 cancer risk, instead of five times ten to the minus six,
 - 14 what should it say?
 - 15 A. I believe it should be--this is off the top of my
 - 16 head, but I believe it should say four times ten to the
 - 17 minus seven.
 - 18 O. And that would--
 - 19 A. For 4(e) minus 07.
 - Q. And in your opinion then, that means there is no
 - 21 risk--no future cancer risk at this location, based on this
 - 22 sample?
 - 23 A. Well, the terminology I would use is "significant
 - 24 risk," so, there is no significant risk, and that should
 - 25 lose its yellow color.

03:27 1 depend on that sample?

- A. That is correct.
- O. Right. Now, what I would like to do next,
- 4 again--I want to take a few steps before we dive into these
- 5 calculations--some of us might find them a bit daunting, so
- 6 I'm perhaps stalling a little bit, but I want to talk to
- 7 you just briefly about the methodology that you used to
- 8 develop the non-cancer calculations, and it may help just
- 9 to have in front of you and the Tribunal the middle set of
- 10 calculations where you have the six different methods, and
- 11 this would be the calculations from your November 2014
- 12 Report showing white, pink, and various shades of pink.
- 13 And we now have it on the screen.
 - A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Okay. So, you spoke a little bit earlier today,
- 16 and I believe you were here for the testimony of
- 17 Dr. McHugh, and what I want to talk about now is the
- 18 differences in the analytical methods that were used, some
- 19 of which you both used and some of which only you used.
- 20 Okay? That is the topic I want to go to now.
- 21 A. That's fine.
- Q. Okay. So, when we're talking about this, we're
- 23 talking about the decision to use a fractionation approach
- 24 to analyzing an environmental sample or the approach that
- 25 you talked about meaning the TEM approach. Do you have

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- 03:25 1 Q. So, it would go to white?
 - 2 A. Correct.
 - Q. Okay. Now, before we get into these calculations
 - 4 and your results in some detail, my question to you is:
 - 5 Did you do your own data quality evaluation of all of the
 - 6 analytical data that you relied upon for these
 - 7 calculations, or did you rely upon Dr. Short for that?
 - A. I actually relied on LBG for that.
 - 9 Q. Okay. And, likewise, in the development or the
 - 10 collecting of the samples and the compilation of the
 - 11 database, did you also rely upon LBG for that?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. And so, to the extent that LBG made an error in
 - 14 presenting the data or in their data quality evaluation,
 - 15 that would have an effect on your own calculations, would 16 it not?
 - 17 A. I used the data that they provided me.
 - 18 And, yes, it would, because if the data were
 - 19 different, then my results would be different.
 - 20 Q. Right, okay. And if it turns out that a sample
 - 21 reported by LBG had some sort of data-reliability problem
 - 22 with it, whether it was a blank, whether it had blank
 - 23 contamination or it had some other problem from the
 - 24 laboratory, to the extent that happened, then that would
 - 25 have an effect on the reliability of your calculations that

- 03:28 1 that dichotomy correct?
 - A. I believe I understand what you're talking about.
 - Q. And when you first did your quantitative risk
 - 4 assessment in 2013, the very first three tables, you used
 - 5 the fractionation approach which has also been described as
 - 6 the VPH-EPH Method; correct?
 - A. That is one of the methods I evaluated.
 - 8 Q. And the other method you used was the 8015 Method?
 - A. That's correct.
 - 10 O. And so, if we were to--if we wanted to understand
 - 11 your calculations of non-cancer health risk using just
 - 12 those two approaches, then we could go to your first three
 - 13 tables; correct?

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- 14 A. Well, you could go to Table 5-1 of both pages for
- 15 the first, what is it--from my First Report, from my
- 16 December 2013 Report, and then you could go to--I don't
- 17 think I numbered this table, but it's listed as Page 20,
- 18 the big colorful chart, complicated chart.
 - Q. Right.
- 20 A. For those that I evaluated in my November 2014
- 21 Report. I evaluated it--I evaluated Massachusetts EPH-VPH
- 22 and the Method 8015 in all of my quantitative assessments.
- Q. Right. And going back to your first Quantitative
- 24 Assessment Report that you did in 2013, which is in the
- 25 first, I think you said it was Table 5-1.

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- 03:30 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. Where there you used only the first two methods,
 - 3 the VPH-EPH Method; correct?
 - 4 A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. And if we look at the very first page of your
 - 6 tables--that is, Table 5-1, and if we look at the Lago
 - 7 Agrio 2 site, for example, and looking at the sample
 - 8 location T2A just as an example, we see that there are two
 - 9 columns underneath that: EPH and DRO; correct?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 0. And the EPH refers to the VPH-EPH Method that Dr.
 - 12 McHugh spoke of yesterday?
 - 13 A. That's correct.
 - 0. And the DRO column refers to the 8015 Method;
 - 15 correct?
 - 16 A. That's correct.
 - 17 Q. And those two methods were the only two methods
 - 18 that you used in 2013 in your risk assessment work for
 - 19 2013; correct?
 - 20 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And you presented those calculations to this
 - 22 Tribunal with the expectation that the Tribunal would rely
 - 23 upon your work?
 - 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. And in presenting these risk calculations in 2013,

- 03:33 1 Q. And this is the one that you used in 2013 and
 - 2 2014?

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- A. Yes.
- ${\tt Q.} \qquad {\tt Q.} \qquad {\tt And \ so, \ if \ we \ can \ turn \ to \ Page \ 1, \ the}$
- 5 Introduction. The first paragraph.
 - A. The Preface?
 - Q. In the Introduction, Page 1. It's actually--no,
- 8 it's beyond the Preface. It says 1.0, Introduction?
- 9 A. I'm with you.
 - Q. You're with me. And the first paragraph.
- 11 And it says there, and if we could just read this
- 12 together: "A key component of the evaluation of petroleum
- 13 contaminated waste sites is the assessment of potential
- 14 human health risks from exposures to Petroleum Hydrocarbon
- 15 compounds, usually present as mixtures. An improved method
- 16 for the evaluation of health hazards posed by oral
- 17 exposures to these complex mixtures was developed and
- 18 described by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental
- 19 Protection in 1994," and then it goes on to say, "and
- 20 integrated into the Massachusetts Department of
- 21 Environmental Protections Bureau of Waste Cleanup." The
- 22 next sentence is the one I want to focus on. Are you with
- 23 me?
- 24 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. "The method involves segregating the Petroleum

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03:32 1 is it fair to say that you thought that your methodology

- 2 using the VPH-EPH approach was accurate and protective?
- 3 A. No, I think it's compliant with regulatory
- 4 guidance. That's a step beyond my conclusion. The EPH and 5 DRO only constitutes a fraction of the material in the
- 6 crude oil, but it was what I had, and I did the evaluation
- 7 that way.
- These methods were developed for refined oil, for refined petroleum products, and they're very good for that.
- 10 They're not as good for Crude, but, as a risk assessor, you
- 11 deal with the data that you have and live with uncertainty
- 12 for the rest.
- 13 Q. So, maybe we can take a moment and look at the
- 14 Massachusetts Method that you actually relied upon in 2013
- 15 and 2014. I think the Tribunal had a chance to look at
- 16 this briefly yesterday. Let me see if we can get it pulled
- 17 up. And it should be in your bundle.
- 18 A. I'm not sure what you're referring to here.
- 19 Q. Okay. Let me help you.
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 Q. Right. And if you can look at Tab 10 in your
- 22 bundle there.
- 23 Is that the Massachusetts Method that I'm--for
- 24 shorthand purposes calling the VPH-EPH Methodology?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 03:35 1 Hydrocarbon compounds present in mixtures into broad
 - 2 chemical classes (alkane, cycloalkane, alkene and
 - 3 aromatics) and further into subgroups or fractions based
 - 4 upon their size defined by number of carbon atoms in the
 - 5 compounds."
 - Do I read that correctly?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And then the final sentence says: "These
 - designations were made upon consideration of the nature and
 - .0 degree of comparative toxicity of compounds and structure
 - 11 activity relationship considerations."
 - 12 Do you see that?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - Q. And so, this is saying to us that the
 - 15 fractionation method is the method to use for purposes of
 - 16 evaluating crude oil in environmental samples, and this is
 - 17 the method that you relied upon in your 2013 approach;
 - 18 correct?

- 19 A. Well, I think that was a compound question, and
- 20 I'm having a hard time answering it. Perhaps you can
- 21 simplify it. There are two parts.
- 22 Q. I'm happy to do that.
- 23 First part is this paragraph and this method is
- 24 describing the fractionation approach which is called the
- 25 VPH-EPH Method?

03:36 1 A. That's correct.

- Q. And, Number 2, this is the method that both you 3 and Dr. McHugh relied upon for your quantitative risk 4 assessments last year and this year?
 - A. That's also correct.
- Q. And Number 3, when you wrote your Report in 2013 7 relying upon this method, you did not tell this Tribunal 8 that this method was not protective of human health, did 9 you?
- A. No, I did not. 10
- Q. Right. Now, let's move to the second point, which 11
- 12 has to do with the calculation of a toxicity value. That
- 13 is a second aspect in which you and Dr. McHugh have some
- 14 disagreement in approach; fair?
- A. Fair. 15
- 16 All right. So, let's move to that point, if we
- 17 may.
- But actually before I move to that, I should cover 18
- 19 one more point. And that is the 8015 Method which you also 20 used.
- 21 So, now, to discuss that, let me take you to your
- 22 second set of tables, the one that is--that you did for
- 23 your 2014 Report which I have annotated, and this is the
- 24 set of tables that shows your six methods. The Tribunal
- 25 saw these yesterday during Dr. McHugh's presentation, and I

03:39 1 that discussion?

MS. SILVER: Ms. Renfroe, if you're going to 3 reference or quote what he says, do you think you could put 4 it in front of her, please?

MS. RENFROE: Sure, I'd be glad to. Let's put up McHugh's Slide 54 from Dr. McHugh's presentation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: At some stage, we're going to 8 need a mid-afternoon break, so whenever it's convenient, 9 you say.

MS. RENFROE: I could go all afternoon on this, so 10 11 you tell me when you would like to take a break and perhaps we should ask the witness.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm glad it's only the afternoon and not all night.

Well, we could do it now, if it's convenient. 15

16 MS. RENFROE: Now is perfectly convenient.

17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We'll take a 15-minute break, 18 please don't discuss the case or your testimony away from

the Tribunal.

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20 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

21 (Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

23 MS. RENFROE: Thank you very much.

Can you hear me?

25 THE WITNESS: Yes, I can.

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03:38 1 would like to focus on these for a moment.

As just to get us oriented if I could. As we look 3 at the screen and your table, we see that this is your 4 summary of non-cancer hazards sites investigated in 2014,

5 and when we look at the top row, we can see your first 6 column, which is actually your fourth column, but your

7 first column that has your calculation results, it says

VPH-EPH fraction; correct?

A. Yes, it does.

10 Q. And we just talked about that method; right?

A. Correct.

Now, moving one to the right is your 8015 Method; 12

13 correct?

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- 14 A. Oh, what you just put in green? Yes.
- Q. Yes, it's just been highlighted. 15

And the 8015 Method is also one that you used in

17 2013 as well as 2014?

A. Yes.

19 And that method is one that Dr. McHugh discussed

20 yesterday, and I believe you were here during his

21 presentation, and he discussed that there is a Louisiana

22 Department of Environmental Quality Guideline that says, as

23 between these two methods, VPH-EPH and 8015, if you have

24 the VPH-EPH data, the fractionated data, then that's what

25 you should use over and above the 8015 data. Do you recall

03:57 1 BY MS. RENFROE:

> Q. So, before the break, I wanted to address one more 3 point about the analytical method and to talk about the

4 8015 method that you and Dr. McHugh used. And I think it 5 would be helpful to have in front of you, if you could,

6 your table from the 2014 Report, which we were looking at, 7 and then bear that in mind as we look to this.

So, I had asked you a question about the testimony 9 of Dr. McHugh yesterday, which I believe you heard, about 10 the regulatory guidance from the State of Louisiana that

11 says: When you have fractionation data, such as what you

12 get with VPH and EPH, versus 8015, if you have the

13 fractionation data, that should be used for management

14 decisions at contaminated sites. And my question is--I 15 know you see the quidance here, and you heard the testimony

16 of Dr. McHugh yesterday on this point; correct?

A. Yes. 17

18 Q. And you would agree that the fractionation data

19 provides, as between 8015 and the VPH-EPH, it provides the 20 more precise information about the specific components in

21 crude oil that potentially present the most risk?

22 A. I don't agree with that.

Q. But you do see this quidance from the Louisiana

24 Department of Environmental Quality that says, as between

25 the two, when you have fractionation data, that's what you

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03:59 1 should use. Do you see that Dr. Strauss?

- A. Yes, I see if those are your two choices, that's 3 what you should use.
- Q. Right and--okay. So, that means that, as between
- 5 the calculations you provide in Column 1--actually, it's
- 6 your fourth column, but your Method Number 1, and your
- 7 fifth column, which is your Method Number 2, the Louisiana
- 8 Department of Environmental Quality is telling us that as
- 9 between those two, we should use the VPH-EPH, which would
- 10 be your method Number 1. That's at least what the
- 11 Louisiana quidance tells us, doesn't it?
 - A. That's what it would say, yes.
- Q. Now let's move to the issue of the toxicity value, 13
- 14 which is another issue in which you and Dr. McHugh have
- 15 some disagreement, okay?
- Now, on this point, I would like to direct your 16
- 17 attention--you have your Reports there, and I want to take
- 18 you to your Report of November 2014, specifically Page 37
- 19 and 38.
- 20 A. Am I looking at your bundle, or I have it in mine?
- Q. You can look at it in your bundle. I knew you
- 22 would have your Report, so I didn't duplicate them.
- A. That's fine. I just needed to know which pile to
- 24 look in.
- Q. Sure, sure. Right. I will try to guide you a

- 04:02 1 A. I'm not sure about creation, but it's my method 2 for developing it, yes.
 - Q. And it's true, isn't it, Dr. Strauss, that the 4 toxicity value that you developed for crude oil in this case, that you developed it for this case; correct?
 - A. I did develop it for this case. It can be used in other places.
 - Q. But we would not find--and if we turn specifically to Page 38--let's focus now very precisely on what your toxicity value is.
 - These two pages explain how you derived the 11 toxicity value; correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And then at the top of Page 38, we see the values
 - that you actually came up with, and I want to draw your
 - 16 attention specifically to the last paragraph and the last
 - 17 sentence, where you say: "Accounting for this reduction in
 - toxicity by the dermal route leads to an RfD (oral) of
 - .004 milligram per kilogram per day."
 - 20 Did I read that correctly?
 - 21 A. Yes, you did.
 - 22 Q. And this is your toxicity value that you derived
 - 23 for this case; correct?
 - A. Well, the 0.004 is the oral toxicity factor. I
 - 25 derived a dermal toxicity factor as well.

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04:00 1 little better next time.

- November 2014? And I'd like to take you to--
- MS. SILVER: Can you give me one second to catch 3

4 up?

- 5 MS. RENFROE: Certainly. Absolutely.
- (Pause.)
- BY MS. RENFROE:
- Q. Dr. Strauss, can you tell us which tab you're
- looking at in that bundle of your Reports?
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- 11 Tab 3 of your collection of reports. Thank you.
- MS. RENFROE: Counsel, let me know when you're 12
- 13 ready.
- 14 MS. SILVER: You said November; right?
- MS. RENFROE: Yes. 15
- 16 MS. SILVER: Okay. Give me one more second.
- 17 MS. RENFROE: Sure.
- 18 MS. SILVER: And what page was it?
- 19 MS. RENFROE: Sure. It's Page 37 and 38.
- 20 MS. SILVER: Thanks.
- 21 MS. RENFROE: Of course. Happy to accommodate.
- 22 BY MS. RENFROE:
- Just quickly, this portion of your Report lays out
- 24 your method for the creation of your toxicity value;
- 25 correct?

- 04:03 1 Q. Right. And I want to focus on the oral toxicity 2 factor for a moment.
 - If we could now look at McHugh--and this is not in
 - 4 your bundle, we're going to pull it up on the
 - 5 screen--McHugh Exhibit 61, and which for the record is the
 - 6 quidance from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental
 - 7 Protection, entitled, "Characterizing Risks Posed by
 - 8 Petroleum Contaminated Sites." And we see that this is the
 - implementation of the Massachusetts VPH-EPH approach.
 - 10 Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And if we turn to Page 3 of this guidance, you'll
 - 13 see a table there that shows the toxicological approach for
 - 14 non-cancer health effects, and we see there a group of
 - 15 toxicity values for various fractions of crude oil;
 - 16 correct?
 - A. Yes. 17
 - 18 Q. And so just to understand what you have done,
 - 19 instead of using these published reference doses or
 - 20 toxicity values for crude oil for your health risk
 - 21 calculations, instead of using these, instead you developed
 - 22 a single toxicity value of .004, and you applied that
 - 23 toxicity value to the entire crude oil in a given sample;
 - 24 correct?
 - A. Yes, I did.

- 04:05 1 O. And so what you're doing here is you're saying 2 you're going to treat all of the components of crude oil as 3 if all of them were equally toxic; correct? That is, 4 you're saying that you're going to apply one single 5 toxicity factor of .004 milligrams per kilogram per day to
 - 6 the entire amount of crude oil in a given sample?
 - A. That's exactly what I did.
 - Q. Right. But if we compare your number of .004 9 milligrams per kilogram per day to these published toxicity 10 values to the various fractions of crude oil, isn't it
 - 11 correct that your value, your toxicity value, is far
 - 12 more--is far lower than the published toxicity values;
 - 13 correct?
 - A. Yes, it is.
 - Q. And so, what's happening here is, by applying your 15
 - 16 toxicity value rather than the value published by the
 - 17 Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, you
 - 18 have--you're saying that the entire crude oil sample is far
 - 19 more toxic than any of these fractions that have been
 - 20 identified by this regulatory agency; correct?
 - A. That is what the data say.
 - 22 Q. And just to do a little bit of math here, if we
 - 23 take the aliphatic hydrocarbons, that group of fractions,
 - 24 and we compare your derived toxicity value to the published
 - 25 toxicity value, we can see that yours is ten times--there

04:08 1 has concluded and published?

- A. No. That's where I disagree with you.
- O. Let's move on to the next one, then: .004, your 4 .004 versus .03, seven and a half times difference, isn't
- A. Yes, and now we're approaching the toxic fraction 6 7 of that crude oil that that experiment that I based my 8 evaluation on measures. It is not based on these prior 9 examples.
- Q. Now, we cannot find in any published authority or 10 11 any published guidance a toxicity value for the entire 12 fraction of crude oil of .004. There is no such 13 publication, is there?
- MS. SILVER: Ms. Renfroe, if you're going to 15 continue--I'm sorry to interrupt you, but if you're going 16 to continue to question the Witness on this, do you think 17 you could get her the document that you're referring to rather than just having it on the slide?
- 19 MS. RENFROE: I'm referring to her Report,
- Page 38, which she has in front of her.
- MS. SILVER: But you're also referring to this
- 22 Massachusetts regulatory document.
- MS. RENFROE: Well, now I'm moving away from that.
- 24 I moving away from it. It's a different question. I'll be
- 25 glad to repeat it.

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04:07 1 is a ten times difference, isn't there?

- A. Yes, there is.
- Q. And if we made a similar comparison to the, let's
- 4 just take the aliphatic hydrocarbons, that C19 to C36
- 5 group, and if we compare the published toxicity factor to
- 6 the one that you've used, there is a 500 times difference,
- 7 isn't there?
- A. Yes, there is.
- Q. And what you're telling us with your toxicity
- 10 value is that, this group of hydrocarbons is 500 times more
- 11 toxic than what this public Health Authority in
- 12 Massachusetts has concluded and published; isn't that
- 13 correct, Dr. Strauss?
- 14 A. Why don't you ask me it again. I don't believe
- 15 that's correct, but let me hear the question again.
- Q. Well, certainly. It's just a matter of math. I'm
- 17 comparing the published toxicity value for aliphatic
- 18 hydrocarbons, C19 through C36, which is 2.0. That's the
- 19 toxicity value that's been published by this public health
- 20 organization, and I'm comparing it to yours, and yours of
- 21 .004, that difference is a 500 times difference, isn't it?
- 22 A. Yes, it is.
- 23 With the consequence that you are declaring that
- 24 this portion of crude oil is 500 times more toxic than what
- 25 the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

- 04:10 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: If I could just say to the 2 Witness, if ever you feel the need to call for a document, 3 please feel free to do so.
 - THE WITNESS: I've been around--I'm from 5 Massachusetts. I was at the meetings where these documents were developed.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: I recognized your accent.
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - 9 Q. And so, my question is: If we wanted to find a 10 publication or a quidance from a public health agency that
 - 11 publishes a toxicity value for crude oil, like we have just 12 looked at from the State of Massachusetts as an example,
 - 13 we're not going to find one that has a toxicity value as
 - 14 low as .004 milligrams per kilogram per day, will we?

- 16 Now, with that, let's turn to your--let's turn to 17 your calculations, your non-cancer risk calculations of November 2014, and let's see if we can get on the screen
- 19 that table. And let's now look at these in some detail.
 - I think this may be clear for the Tribunal, but
- 21 let's make sure it is clear since this is your--these are
- 22 your calculations, and just for convenience of the record,
- 23 convenience of all of us and clarity of the record, would 24 you mind if we put at the top of VPH-EPH Number 1, Method
- 25 Number 1, and then at the top of 8015 Method Number 2, and

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04:11 1 then if you need a pen, there is one right to your right,

- 2 if you would like to--you don't have to, but if you'd
- 3 like--your third one, your VPH-EPH whole mixture, I'm going
- 4 to call that Method Number 3. The next one, 8015 whole
- 5 mixture, I'll call that your Method Number 4. The next
- 6 one, Texas 1005 whole mixture, I'll call that your Method
- 7 Number 5, and then finally your TEM whole mixture
- 8 calculation, I'll call that your Method Number 6; okay?
- 9 A. That's fine.
 - Q. Is that okay?
- 11 Now, let's just take an example and compare these
- 12 results and see what they tell us.
- So, if we look at, for example, the site--the
- 14 first site, Aquarico 6 and the very first location,
- 15 Transect Number 5, which is the very top. And just to
- 16 again orient the Tribunal, what you have done with this
- 17 table, is with Aguarico 6, which is a well platform;
- 18 correct?

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- 19 A. Well, there is a well platform there. That's not
- 20 where this location was.
- Q. Right, I understand. But there are samples taken
- 22 from four locations that you've included in your
- 23 calculation.
- 24 A. That's correct.
- Q. And you've described these as your exposure--well,

- 04:14 1 Method Number 1 using the VPH-EPH Method it says, ND, which
 - 2 means non-detect.
 - A. That's correct.
 - 4 Q. And that means that, using that analytical method
 - 5 and applying your calculations using your methodology, you
 - 6 come up with no risk--and this is no human health
 - 7 risks--because there is no petroleum in that sample;
 - 8 correct?
 - 9 A. No.
 - 10 Q. Well, the non-detect, doesn't that mean
 - 11 non-detect, meaning there is not any detectable level of
 - 12 petroleum in that sample?
 - A. No.

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- Q. What does the ND stand for then, Dr. Strauss?
- A. There is not any detections using VPH-EPH. There
- 16 was a detection using TEM that was identified as petroleum
- 17 on the forensics.
- 18 Q. Right. And we'll come to that. That's your
- 19 Method Number 6.
- 20 A. But it's the same sample.
- 21 Q. I understand, but I'm just--
- 2 A. You just asked if there was petroleum in the
- 23 sample. There is petroleum in the sample. It was just not
- 24 picked up by EPH-VPH, which is a more limited method of
- 25 analyzing for petroleum than TEM.

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- 04:13 1 you've described the exposure pathway that you use.
 - 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. Which is an assumption on your part; correct?
 - 4 A. Yes, consistent with guidance.
 - 5 Q. And then the third column shows the sample
 - 6 designation which tells us where the sample was taken;
 - 7 right?
 - 8 A. That's correct.
 - 9 Q. And so, in the first case, we see that Transect 5
 - 10 is a sediment sample--there are two samples there; right?
 - 11 SE-05; right?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. And SW-05? Those are two sediment samples, aren't
 - 14 they?
 - 15 A. No
 - 16 Q. The first one is a sediment and the second one is
 - 17 what?

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- 18 A. Surface water.
- 19 Q. Surface water near a field. So, we've got two
- 20 samples from approximately the same location?
- 21 A. Yes
- 22 Q. And you're calling that Transect 5?
 - A. Yes, based on LBG's designations.
- 24 Q. Right, okay.
- 25 And then what you show us or in the first or the

04:15 1 Q. In your opinion?

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- In my opinion.
- Q. Right. So, but just to understand what you're
- 4 telling us with the ND, you have not calculated any health
- 5 risk using the VPH-EPH Method for this particular sample
- 6 location; correct?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. And to be clear, every one of the white cells,
- 9 white cells on this chart, where there is an ND, that means
- 10 that that method, VPH-EPH or any other method says there is
- 11 no petroleum in the sample; correct?
- 12 A. No, it says none was detectable by that method.
- 13 Q. Non-detectable by that method. Okay. I
- 14 appreciate that clarification.
- 15 And so if there was no petroleum detectable by
- 16 that method, you then did not calculate a potential human
- 17 health risk; correct?
 - A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And that's why the cell here is white?
- 20 A. That is correct. The cells are white, if the
- 21 hazard index is less than one whether or not it was a
- 22 non-detect.
- Q. Right. Okay. I appreciate you mentioning that.
- 24 So, the orientation of the colors in your chart is anything
- 25 that is in white means there is a hazard index of less than

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- 04:16 1 one, which means it's safe.
 - 2 A. Yes. One is the regulatory benchmark.
 - O. Right.
 - 4 A. This is a regulatory risk assessment.
 - 5 Q. Right.
 - 6 And then, if you have a calculated value over one,
 - $7\,\,$ you're not saying that there will be an actual adverse
 - 8 health effect, are you?
 - 9 A. No. This is a regulatory risk assessment. This
 - 10 is a trigger for action of further investigation or
 - 11 cleanup.
 - 12 Q. Right, okay. And would you also agree that if you
 - 13 have a hazard index of over one, that does not necessarily
 - 14 mean that there will be an increased risk; rather, it means
 - 15 that there might be an increased risk?
 - 16 A. Well, we usually use the term "hazard" with
 - 17 respect to non-cancer effects, but, yes. Again, it's part
 - 18 of going back to my initial presentation. This methodology
 - 19 was developed to make decisions in the midst of
 - 20 uncertainty.
 - 21 Q. Okay. All right. Let's take another example, if
 - 22 we could. Let's go down to Shushufindi 13. I believe you
 - 23 mentioned that site in your opening presentation. And if
 - 24 we look at the first sample location, that is SW4 and SE4.
 - 25 Are you with me?

- 04:19 1 Q. So, you're treating the entire forest as if they 2 were all equally toxic?
 - A. I'm treating the forest--I wouldn't characterize
 - 4 it that way. The toxicity factor is based on the forest,
 - 5 so I'm matching it to the forest.
 - 6 Q. And then your Number 5, there that analytical
 - method showed no detectable petroleum in the sample?
 - A. I'm sorry, I lost the question.
 - 9 Q. Sure, sure. It's Shushufindi 13, first sample
 - 10 location, Method Number 5. It says ND?
 - 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. I believe?
- A. Yes, it does.
- 14 Q. Right, okay. And then finally we look to your
- 15 Method Number 6, which here you're combining two
- 16 differences between you and Dr. McHugh. You're using the
- 17 TEM analytical method; right?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And then you're using that single toxicity value
- 20 rather than the specific published toxicity values;
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And when you combine those two approaches, you get
- 24 this hazard index of 20 with some asterisks next to it;
- 25 correct?

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- 04:18 1 A. I'm with you, yes.
 - Q. And there using your six different methods, you
 - 3 get--you calculate six different hazard indices; correct?
 - A. Well, five and one was--
 - 5 Q. Right. I should have said that differently.
 - You get six different outcomes?
 - 7 A. Each column is filled differently, yes.
 - 8 Q. Right. So, moving from left to right, using the
 - 9 VPH-EPH, your Method Number 1, you do calculate a number,
 - 10 but it's below one, and so that means there is no--there is
 - 11 a hazard index below one and no health risk?
 - 12 A. There is no trigger for further action, yes.
 - 13 Q. Same result with your second Method Number 2 and 14 Number 3.
 - 15 A. That's correct.
 - 16 Q. And then, though, when you use your whole mixture
 - 17 approach, what that means is you're applying that toxicity
 - 18 value that we looked at a few minutes ago, you're applying
 - 19 that value to the entire array of everything in the sample?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - 21 Q. Irrespective of the differentiation in toxicity
 - 22 between the fractions in crude oil?
 - A. The toxicity number is based on the toxicity
 - 24 evaluation of the entire mixture, so it's the forest, so,
 - 25 yes.

- 04:20 1 A. That's correct.
 - Q. And so, we see, if we compare your outcome using
 - 3 Method Number 1, to your outcome using Method Number 6, we
 - 4 have--we see a margin of difference of a thousand, don't
 - 5 we?
 - A. Yes, we do.
 - Q. And so--but you in your Report, in the narrative
 - 8 portion of your Report, you have declared this site, this
 - 9 location contaminated, haven't you?
 - 10 A. I would like for you to refer me to what you're
 - 11 talking about, please.
 - 12 Q. Sure. Let's look at your Report, November 2014,
 - 13 Page 7. I believe that's your Tab 3?
 - 14 A. Oh, yes.
 - 15 O. Pardon me?
 - A. I'm with you.
 - 17 Q. Yes.

- 18 MS. RENFROE: For the Tribunal, I believe it's
- 19 Tab 3 in your bundle of Expert Reports; is that correct,
- 20 Dr. Strauss?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Yes, this Report is in Tab 3.
- 22 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 23 And we're looking at Page 7, and if we see it
- 24 towards the top of Page 7, there is a bullet point that you
- 25 have written, and it says Shushufindi 13. It has the

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04:22 1 acronym of Shushufindi 13; correct?

- A. This site, yes, I refer to it as Shushufindi 13 or 3 SSF13.
- Q. Right. And you say there that the residents of 5 this farm obtained their drinking water from a stream 6 catchment area. A sample collected in the same stream 7 immediately downstream from the drinking water area 8 revealed petroleum contamination."

9 Then you go on to talk about how that is used. 10 And then you say: "The chickens and ducks are 11 caged to prevent them from coming into contact with 12 contaminated sediments and highly contaminated surface soil 13 in the former pit, " and you go on; correct?

- A. That's true, yes.
- 15 Q. So, am I correct that the location that we've just 16 been looking at, SW4 and SE4 in your table where it says 17 current exposure playing in stream, that corresponds to the 18 stream in the first couple of sentences of your Statement 19 there?
- 20 A. Yeah, it's the same stream. I'd have to consult a 21 map to see if that is adjacent to where that spring box is.
- Q. Right. So, what you're telling us, comparing your
- 23 different approaches, is that even though, for example,
- 24 under your approach Texas 1005, it shows non-detect, you're
- 25 declaring the stream contaminated?

04:25 1 I think the TEM whole mixture method which is 2 apples to apples, and if you want, the regulatory methods 3 are the ones to look at, and that's the range.

O. And if this Tribunal concludes that the VPH-EPH 5 Analytical Method is protective of human health, as you 6 told us it was a few minutes ago, then they can rely upon your conclusion in your Method Number 1, can't they? MS. SILVER: Objection. I think that misstates

9 her testimony.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's an open question. The 10 11 Witness can agree or disagree.

12 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat it again? 13 BY MS. RENFROE:

O. Sure, I would be glad to.

15 If this Tribunal concludes that the VPH-EPH 16 Method, which you used for your Method Number 1, if they 17 conclude that that method is protective of human health, then they can rely upon your calculations of risk in your

first column, your Method Number 1 column, can't they? 20 A. If they--if the Tribunal chooses to rely on the

21 EPH-VPH Method, unless I've miscalculated, and I really 22 hope I haven't, they can rely on those numbers. If I have

23 presented what I believe is the most apples-to-apples

24 approach, which is the TEM whole mixtures and I've provided

25 the classic or--not traditional--a current regulatory

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A. Yes, I am, because the petroleum--well, a couple 2 of things. One is if--in this text--can we go back to 3 here--back to my table.

- 0. Your table?
- A. Yeah, the table that you just took off.
- Q. Sure. Let's get it back up.
- A. I am--well, it is contaminated based on the TEM 8 measurement, and there is also--obviously, there is also 9 detections of EPH-VPH and 8015m, or else that would have 10 been a non-detect, and so there were petroleum contaminants 11 identified by three different methods and I can't
- 12 distinguish here between whether it was the sediment sample
- 13 or the surface water sample. It was most likely the 14 sediment sample, so yes.
- Q. But even though you declared it contaminated, your 16 calculations show that there is no hazard index above one 17 with the exception of your Method Number 4 and Method
- 18 Number 6?
- 19 A. Yes, and I clearly showed the range of
- 20 uncertainty, which is what a risk assessor does. In an 21 effort of transparency, there are different methods of
- 22 calculating the hazard index. I've used the standard ones,
- 23 and I've used the one that I believe is most appropriate.
- 24 I put in a couple of others just to see what they look
- 25 like. I actually don't think anybody should rely on those.

04:27 1 method, which they constantly evolved prior to the early 2 2000s, that was not a method--I mean, methods evolve. Risk 3 assessment is an evolving field.

I believe that looking at crude oil as a whole 5 mixture, which is completely consistent with quidance which 6 says look at the whole product, if you can do it. I 7 believe that this method is consistent with guidance. I 8 also, in my professional opinion, think that that's the

9 best apples-to-apples approach. 10 The Tribunal can choose. I've given them the 11 choice.

Q. And one of those choices being VPH-EPH you've 13 agreed with me is indeed protective of human health. You

14 have already told us that, haven't you? 15

A. Actually, I don't believe I said that.

Q. Okay. Well, we have the record. Let's move on to 16 17 another example, and that is why don't we go to Lago

18 Agrio 16, and let's look at--you've got two different

19 locations here, and one is a drinking water well called

20 ODW; right?

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. The second one is a new drinking water well, NDW;

23 right?

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Q. Let's focus on the first one. You show us here

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- 04:28 1 again six different calculations of potential health risk,
 - 2 and once again, if we look at the first method, VPH-EPH, we
 - 3 see that there is not only--you have calculated not only no
 - 4 hazard index, but according to your table, using this
 - 5 method, this sample is non-detect for petroleum, isn't it?
 - 6 A. Yes, that's correct, but I would like to go back.
 - 7 I actually only had five samples there. NT means not
 - tested for TEM, so that was--there were no data.
 - 9 Q. No data and, therefore, no calculation of any 10 risk, from this drinking water--
 - 11 A. Correct.
 - 12 O. From this drinking water well; right?
 - 13 A. There were no data. You can't calculate risk with
 - 14 no data.
 - 15 Q. So, then moving to the right, second method, you
 - 16 calculate a risk but it's below the hazard index of one, so
 - 17 no potential human health risk here using this method?
 - 18 A. Correct.
 - 19 Q. Third method, you show non-detect for petroleum
 - 20 and no human health risk there using that method?
 - 21 A. Yes
 - 22 The analytical chemistry methods on one and three
 - 23 and two and four are the same, the only difference is the
 - 24 toxicity factor that was applied.
 - 95 Q. Right. And then Method Number 4, you do show a

- 04:31 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And there you're talking about the new well. So, first you're talking about the old well, and then the last
 - 4 two sentences you're talking about the new well; correct?
 - A. Yes, yes.
 - Q. So, let's go back to your table and focus on the
 - $7\,$ old well, and so, in the old well, Lago 16, okay, and the
 - 8 ODW, standing for old drinking water well, I presume?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Right.
- 11 A. It's not the world's best terminology, but it's
- 12 what we used. It was there before the second site visit.
 - 3 0. Understood, understood. You inherited it?
- 14 A. Yes, I did.
- 15 Q. So in these six different methods, six different
- 16 outcomes that you've presented in your table, we see that,
- 17 in only two instances do you show even a detection of
- 18 petroleum, but the other four you don't report even a
- 19 detection. You either didn't detect petroleum or you
- 20 didn't test for it; correct?
- 21 A. That is true.
- Q. So, that's the result from four out of your six
- 23 methods, but yet, in the narrative portion of your Report,
- 24 you told this Tribunal that that well, that hand-dug well
- 25 was contaminated with petroleum, didn't you?

- 04:29 1 hazard index over one applying that whole mixture toxicity 2 value; right?
 - 3 A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. Then you go to your last two methods, and there
 - 5 you show either non-detect or not tested, no hazard index,
 - 6 no human health risk; correct?
 - 7 A. Well, I believe you can draw absolutely no
 - 8 conclusion from not tested.
 - 9 Q. Well, you have not presented or concluded that
 - 10 there is a health risk at this location using your Method
 - 11 Number 6?
 - 12 A. That's correct.
 - 13 Q. Now, if we go back to your Report, November 2014,
 - 14 we had that up a moment ago, Page 7--let's look and see
 - 15 what you told the Tribunal about Lago 16.
 - 16 Here, you told the Tribunal that "an extended
 - 17 family living in two houses uses petroleum-contaminated
 - 18 water from a shallow dug well for drinking, cooking,
 - 19 bathing and laundry."
 - 20 Did I read that correctly?
 - 21 A. Yes, you did.
 - Q. And then you talk about the family pouring water
 - 23 over their young children several times a day and more
 - 24 frequently when it is hot. And then you say this well is
 - 25 also contaminated with petroleum.

- 04:32 1 A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. And yet you've got six different outcomes that
 - 3 suggest, four of which suggest it's not contaminated?
 - A. But I have additional information.
 - 5 Q. But I'm looking at your calculations, what you
 - 6 have presented, and that's what I'm focused on right now,
 - 7 Dr. Strauss?
 - 8 A. But that wasn't the basis for the statement.
 - 9 Q. Okay. All right. Let's move on, then, to the
 - 10 next--
 - 11 MS. SILVER: Ms. Renfroe, can I just point--I
 - 12 don't believe the sections that you're directing her to
 - 13 are--I believe they're there--I'm just looking at her
 - 14 Report, and I believe they're there to show an exposure
 - 15 pathway.
 - MS. RENFROE: I think you might want to take that 17 up with her on your redirect.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let me stop you. We've got her
 - 19 answer to that effect, if you want to pick it up in more
 - 20 detail in redirect, you can do so. She said that wasn't
 - 21 the basis for the statement, so let's move on.
 - 22 BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. Now, I would like to take you now to one of the
 - 24 sites that you have focused on in here, and that's
 - 25 Shushufindi 13. So, let me ask now if another bundle of

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- 04:33 1 documents can be distributed, and you might--you're free to 2 keep those out, but I'm going to direct you to a different 3 group of documents.
 - A. That's fine.
 - 5 Q. Dr. Strauss, let me tell you what I have passed 6 out. And for the convenience of the Tribunal and counsel,
 - 7 I have collected together a series of documents about
 - 8 Shushufindi 13. I've simply picked this site as an
 - 9 example. I noticed that you mentioned it in your opening 10 presentation.
 - And so, what I would like to do now is walk
 through some of these documents, time permitting--I'm going
 - 13 to have to skip some, but I want to walk through these
 - 14 documents as we understand, to help give us more context
 - 15 and understand the conclusions that you have presented in
 - 16 your health-risk calculations, okay?
 - 17 So, in this packet, I have included an extra copy
 - 18 of your tables in Tab 1 and we can probably skip that,
 - 19 unless you prefer to use that copy, but it's the same
 - 20 table. All right?
 - 21 A. Okay.
 - Q. And then if we go to Tab 3, can you confirm that
 - 23 Tab 3 is a map from the LBG Report, it's Figure 3.6.1;
 - 24 correct?

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25 A. Well--

- 04:38 1 Can you direct us a little bit more, or can we get you a
 - 2 pointer. Would that help you?
 - A. It was enhanced right there.
 - Q. Okay. Can you take us there? Is it those two--
 - A. It's where it says SE004, transect four, right
 - 6 above--it's where that point--that blue triangle--
 - Q. Right, "slight petroleum odor."
 - A. Right.

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- 9 Q. Right. Okay. Good. Let's circle that.
 - Then can you show us the second location, SW1.
- 11 A. It's up in the top left--well, not top left, but
- 12 top central corner.
 - Q. Okay. Can we circle there as well?
- A. And that's Transect 1.
 - Q. Transect 1, right there. Okay.
- Now, let's look for your third location, which is
- 17 called SL11. Can you tell us where that is?
- 18 A. You know, I was just looking at that, where did it
- 19 go? It's in that green pit.
- Q. Okay. Inside--well, I will let you point it out.
- 21 A. Well, you circled it, so it's that central blue
 - 2 circle in the pit.
- Q. Right. Now, based on your answers earlier, I take
- 24 it that you are not familiar with which of the features on
- 25 this map are the RAP features that were assigned to TexPet

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04:36 1 Q. Or is this from your Report?

- A. I don't--I don't think it's from my Report. I'm willing to agree. I mean, it's LBG's Report.
 - Q. LBG's map, okay. All right.
- So, and my purpose in presenting it to you is to giust help us understand the location of these samples at
- 7 Shushufindi 13 that you have--that you've developed
- 8 calculations for. And again, I'm just using this site as
- 9 an exercise. There's a number of sites that we can use,
- 10 but what we see in your table is that there are, as I see
- 11 it, three different locations where samples have been taken
- 12 and you have developed calculations of potential risk?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 0. Is that right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. All right. And so, just bear with me as I walk us 17 through this.
- 18 So, can you relate for the Tribunal and tell us
- 19 where on this map, if we look at the first sampling
- 20 location in your Shushufindi 13 chart, and you see it's SW4
- 21 and SE4, can you show us where that sample point is?
- 22 A. It's where it says "slight petroleum odor" of the
- 23 stream coming off of Pit Number 3.
- Q. Okay. So, Pit Number 3, and if we look then to
- 25 the east of Pit Number 3, we will find your SW4 and SE4.

- 04:39 1 in the Remedial Action Plan?
 - I have no idea.
 - O. Right. And so, it would not surprise you, then,
 - 4 to know that the Pit 3, the green Pit 3, is not a RAP
 - 5 feature that was assigned to TexPet for remediation?
 - 6 A. I'm neither surprised nor unsurprised. I really 7 have no knowledge.
 - 8 Q. Okay. And if I told you that the RAP features
 - 9 that were assigned to TexPet for remediation were those two
 - 10 blue pits and the blue area on the stream at the upper
 - 11 portion of the map, you would have no reason to disagree
 - 12 with me, would you?
 - 13 A. No, I have no reason to disagree. I have no
 - 14 knowledge one way or the other.
 - Understood.

- $\,$ And based on that, can you confirm for us that, at
- 17 this site, there are no samples taken that you relied upon
- 8 for your risk calculations at any of the RAP features.
- A. You have the samples that I relied on, whether
- 20 they were RAP features or not are immaterial to my 21 analysis.
- 22 Q. Understood. But can we agree that you didn't take
- 23 any samples or rely upon any data from any of those blue 24 features?
- 25 A. That is correct.

- 04:41 1 O. Right. Now, did you investigate--in forming your 2 opinions or reaching your conclusions about potential human 3 health-risk at this site, did you investigate in any way 4 the operations of Petroecuador?
 - A. Only as a general matter, not to form an 6 understanding--not particularly Petroecuador, either, just 7 oil facilities, to understand generally a scope of what to 8 look for--a scope just to understand within the context of 9 a conceptual site model, what contaminants to look for and 10 where.
 - Q. If we could pull that map back up, please, 11 12 Mr. Johnson. Thank you.

So, if, for example, if the historical records and 13 14 recent records showed that Petroecuador has continued to 15 operate at this site and has had spills at this site, that 16 is not something that you considered in rendering your 17 conclusions about future health risks from TexPet's 18 operations?

- A. That's correct, I did not consider it. 19
- 20 Q. And so, just to cut through some of this, if the 21 documentation in this arbitration case shows a history of 22 spills by Petroecuador at this site, if it further shows
- 23 remediation of a pit by Petroecuador at this site, you have
- 24 not taken that into consideration in forming your
- 25 conclusions about potential human health-risk attributable

04:44 1 pit or remediated a pit or not, and the effects of that on 2 that particular environment at a particular site is not

3 something that you've considered in developing your

4 calculations?

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- A. Why don't you try that one again. I'm not sure how to answer it.
- Sure. I'm sure I can do better. Let me try. So, we know that Petroecuador has closed pits in some locations. Are you familiar with that?
 - A. That is my understanding.
- Q. And in other locations, they've remediated pits. 11
- Are you generally familiar with that point?
 - A. Generally familiar, but not in any particulars.
- O. And you have no specific information about the standards or the criteria that they have used to remediate those pits, do you?
- 17 A. I have not--I am not offering any opinions in that regard. 18
- 19 Q. Okay. And I think I understand what your testimony is, and I want to ask one or two more questions,
- and then we will move on to a different topic.
- 22 But to the extent that there may be a site among
- 23 the nine that you have evaluated, where Petroecuador has
- 24 either not closed a pit or has closed it to a standard or
- 25 criteria that is different than what the Republic of

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04:43 1 to--which you attribute to TexPet?

- A. I have not taken that information into account. I 3 have evaluated the site conditions based on my knowledge of 4 the site. I have been there and developed the exposure 5 pathways. I know what those locations look like, and 6 relying on the data that LBG provided.
- Q. If I asked you that same question about all of the 8 other eight sites upon which you have developed 9 calculations of potential human health-risk, would your
- 10 answer be the same?
 - A. Yes.

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- So, to conclude or to summarize this point, your 12 13 calculations of potential human health-risk in doing that
- 14 work, you have made no attempt to differentiate between
- 15 impacts caused by Petroecuador as opposed to historical
- 16 operations?
- A. I have used the data provided by LBG. It is my 17 18 understanding they looked at those questions, but you would 19 have to ask them. I have not.
- Q. All right. Do you have any familiarity with the 21 fact that Petroecuador has at some of these sites closed 22 pits?
- A. Just as a general nature. I'm not offering any 23 24 opinions, and I haven't reviewed that specifically.
 - Q. And likewise, the manner in which they've closed a

- 04:46 1 Ecuador now contends TexPet should have done, you have not 2 made any effort to differentiate those effects in your
 - 3 calculations, have you?
 - A. No, I'm not offering any opinion in that area 4 5 whatsoever.
 - Q. Right. Okay.
 - Now, sticking with this site, Shushufindi 13, and going now specifically to that sample S--let's see. I
 - believe you told us it was--let me find it. SE4. SE4,
 - 10 first one of your methods--first one of your sample
 - 11 locations, and you described this as "current exposure playing in a stream."
 - 13
 - Are you with me?
 - A. Yes.

- 15 Q. Okay. Did you make any effort in--before you developed these calculations, did you make any effort or attempt to evaluate whether that sample reflected plant
- matter as opposed to petroleum?
- 19 A. Did I personally? No. It's my understanding that others have looked at that question. 20
- O. And if a sample--for example, SE4--if that sample 22 contains plant matter in addition to petroleum, then your
- 23 risk calculation, for example, under Method Number 4 or
- 24 Method Number 6, if it turns out that that sample has plant
- 25 matter in it, then your hazard index calculation would be

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04:47 1 exaggerated, wouldn't it? It would exaggerate the health 2 risk from that particular location.

A. Well, I'm not sure about Method Number 4.

4 Yes, if you're giving me a hypothetical, yes, it 5 would reduce the total concentration that would be 6 attributable to oil.

- Q. And you're not suggesting to this Tribunal that there would be a health risk from plant matter, are you? That's not what you're trying to convey, is it?
 - A. It's not what I'm evaluating.
- 11 Q. Right. So, with respect to that sample or the 12 rest of the samples at this site, SW4, SW1, did you make
- 13 any effort to satisfy yourself that those samples did not
- 14 have blank contamination?
- 15 A. I relied on the validated results of LBG for any 16 issues related to data quality like that.
- Q. So, you did not independently satisfy yourself that the National Functional Guidelines were being met with respect to these samples?
- 20 A. I relied on LBG in that regard.
- Q. All right. So, if we can just take another look
- 22 at SW4, this is a surface-water sample. If it turns out
- 23 that that sample has no petroleum in it, then your
- 24 health-risk calculations across the row where you provide a
- 25 number, whether it's below one or above one, then those

04:51 1 Q. Right.

- A. The light green area.
- Q. The light green area, which is a pit, isn't it, of some sort? Or you may not know?
- A. I do know. I've been there.

Yes.

- 7 Q. Okay. Now, if you would go to Tab 22 in your 8 booklet there, please, let's see what Dr. Short says about 9 this sample SL11.
- 10 So, we have Tab 22, which is an excerpt of the 11 Report of Dr. Jeffrey Short. And if we look at Page 15, 12 Dr. Short is discussing Shushufindi 13, Sample SL11.

Do you see that, Dr. Strauss?

14 A. Yes

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15 Q. If then if we read to the bottom of the paragraph, 16 he concludes that the results--"these results strongly 17 suggest that petroleum was recently (less than a year)

18 discharged to the soil that was sampled."

19 Do you see that?

A. Yes, I do.

21 Q. And he's referring to SL11, which is the sample

22 that you've relied upon to calculate a hazard index under

23 all six of your methods.

Do you see that?

25 A. Yes.

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04:49 1 numbers would be unreliable?

- A. I'm not going to agree with that. This risk
 calculation was based on both sediment and water. I would
 have to look at the underlying portion of it, but I think
 it's more than likely that most of the risk was contributed
 by the sediment. But I would have to look to confirm that.
 - Q. And that's not something you have done yet?
- A. Well, it's in my spreadsheets, it's not on this piece of paper here.
- Q. Okay.
- 11 A. I could look in my spreadsheets, which are 12 provided in a report and find that out.
- Q. Okay. So, then let's move on to SE4, in that same
- 14 location. If Dr. Short, the Republic of Ecuador's Expert,
- 15 if he concluded that that sample at SE4 contained plant
- 16 matter, would you be in a position to disagree with that?
- 17 A. No, I would rely on Dr. Short for that evaluation.
- 18 Q. Okay. And then moving down to SL11 quickly, SL11,
- 19 your third location where you have calculated across the
- 20 board a hazard index using every one of your methods.
- 21 Do you see that?
- 22 A. Yes
- $\,$ Q. $\,$ And again one more time, can we look at the map
- 24 and let's orient ourselves where that sample is taken.
- 25 A. It's taken in the green area.

- 04:53 1 Q. And he's telling us that this sample is from 2 petroleum discharged less than a year before, isn't he?
 - A. Yes, he is.
 - 4 Q. And you would be in no position to disagree with
 - 5 his conclusion on that, would you?
 - A. No, I rely on Dr. Short for that sort of thing.
 - Q. And so, if he's right about that, then the hazard index that you have calculated under all six of your
 - 9 methods, that would be attributable to the activities of
 - 10 Petroecuador rather than TexPet, wouldn't it?
 - 11 A. I have no idea who it would be attributable to.
 - 12 Q. Okay.
 - MS. SILVER: Ms. Renfroe, I just noticed that this document said draft. I'm just wondering if it is a draft.
 - 15 I don't know, but--
 - MS. RENFROE: That's how it was sent to us.
 - 17 MS. SILVER: That's how it was sent to you? All
 - 18 right.

- MS. RENFROE: From your Expert from your office.
- 20 MS. SILVER: Okay. Just checking.
- 21 MS. RENFROE: So, if I might, Members of the
- 22 Tribunal, if I might take five minutes and evaluate where I
- 23 am and how much more I have.
- 24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a five-minute break.
- MS. RENFROE: Thank you.

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04:54 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, please don't discuss the

- 2 case or your testimony away from the Tribunal.
- THE WITNESS: I will be very careful.
- 4 (Brief recess.)
- 5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 6 BY MS. RENFROE:
- 7 Q. Dr. Strauss, I would move to a different topic 8 now. And I'd ask our colleague, Mr. Johnson, if he could 9 put what I'm going to call Slide 2 up on the screen.

10 Slide 2 is another quote from Opening Statement of 11 the Respondent, again describing the extent of your work 12 and then our arguing about the effect of it. So, could I

- 13 ask you to take a moment and read this, and then I'll have 14 a few guestions.
- 15 (Witness reviews document.)
- 16 Q. Are you ready?
 - A. Yes, I am.
- 18 O. Right.

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- 19 And so, the point that I want to explore is the
- 20 statement by counsel that there is no reason to believe
- 21 that what you, referring to you, Dr. Strauss, that what you
- 22 found at the nine sites that you examined, wouldn't be
- 23 replicated at most all of the other 344 TexPet sites. I'd
- 24 like to explore that for a moment.
- 25 A. Okay.

- 05:04 1 A. Well, I don't quite agree with that, either.
 - 2 Would you like me to elaborate?
 - Q. Well, let me see if I could understand the basis
 - 4 for that because you've told us that you've not sampled or
 - 5 you've not considered data from the Production
 - 6 Stations--that's one difference, one group of sites that's
 - 7 been separate from what you've done; right? We've
 - 8 established that.
 - 9 A. We have established that I have not evaluated 10 Production Stations, yes.
 - 11 Q. Right. And we've also established that you've not
 - 12 evaluated sites where there's been significant expansion
 - 13 activity by Petroecuador?
 - 14 A. That's correct.

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- 15 Q. Or at least not insofar as LBG has represented 16 that to you?
 - A. Well, I have seen each of the sites.
- 18 Q. All right. So--and then there may be other
- 19 changes or contamination events, for example, at some of
- 20 the other sites that you have not evaluated at the nine
- 21 sites that you did consider?
 - A. There I lost you. Ask me one more time.
- Q. Sure. So, for example, there was a major spill at
- 24 Sacha 77 by Petroecuador, several hundred thousand--excuse
- 25 me, several thousand barrels of crude oil, that the

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- 05:02 1 Q. All right. So, I understand that the data
 - 2 developed by LBG for the nine sites that you examined
 - 3 purposefully excluded sample sites from Production Stations
 - 4 within the former Concession Area; is that your
 - 5 understanding?
 - 6 A. It's certainly my understanding that they did not 7 include them.
 - 8 Q. Right.

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- 9 And so, you've not provided any health-risk 10 calculations with respect to Production Stations, have you?
 - A. No, I have not.
- 12 Q. And likewise, another category of sites that was
- 13 excluded for sampling by LBG were sites where LBG concluded
- 14 that there were significant or active Petroecuador
- 15 operations. Did you understand that?
- 16 A. I understood it generally. I really think you 17 should take up with LBG the sites that they selected.
- 18 Q. I understand, and I will be glad to do that, and I 19 appreciate that quidance from you.
- 20 But the point that I want to make is that, to the
- 21 extent that there are various differences in the conditions
- 22 and in the operating history and in present-day operations
- 23 at the other sites besides the nine that you went to, then
- 24 we would not be able to use or extrapolate from your
- 25 calculations to those other nine sites, would we?

- 05:05 1 information is in this record. So, you've not considered 2 an event like that and the effects of that with respect to 3 the nine sites that you did evaluate?
 - A. My understanding of the source of the nine sites that I evaluated was mostly pits and a spill, I think, at Yuca 2.
 - Q. Right. And so, to the extent that there have been pipeline leaks during Petroecuador's operations, those are
 - 9 very different factual circumstances than those that you
 - 10 considered at the nine sites you looked at?
 - 11 A. There are certainly some different facts; there
 - 12 may be some of the same facts. I'm having a hard time
 - 13 answering that question.
 - 14 Q. You haven't examined those other facts, have you?
 - A. I have not; correct.
 - 16 Q. Now, moving to, if I might move to your cancer
 - 17 risk calculations, and so that will take us to a different
 - 18 chart, if we can turn to your final chart, the March 2015 19 chart.
 - Now, I believe you told us in your opening or your
 - 21 direct presentation that the method that you used is the 22 same approach as the method that Dr. McHuqh used?
 - 23 A. In terms of how we evaluated the toxicity, we
 - 24 differed in our exposure factors.
 - Q. Right. So, here we don't have as many differences

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- 05:07 1 perhaps between you and Dr. McHugh. You pretty much used 2 the same approach?
 - A. I believe we did, yes.
 - Q. Right.

5 And then can you explain or confirm to the

- 6 Tribunal that, as we look at the calculations in the
- 7 right-hand column that you have provided, those values in
- 8 white represent areas that--for which there is no concern
- 9 and need no further evaluation?
- 10 A. Yes, based on those exposure pathways and the 11 currently available data, that is correct.
- 12 Q. The areas in yellow or those estimates in yellow,
- 13 those do not represent your conclusions that there will be
- 14 an elevated risk of cancer, but rather, as you state at the
- 15 bottom of your table, yellow is simply, "risk in the range
- 16 of concern," and that, "further evaluation is necessary."
 - A. Yes. That continues to be my opinion.
- 18 Q. Right. So, you're not in a position to declare to
- 19 this Tribunal that there will be an elevated risk of cancer
- 20 from these locations, but rather more evaluation is needed?
- A. Not exactly. What it says is that these are the
- $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ health risks that I calculate using my methodology and the
- 23 decision criteria; it's within the range of the decision
- 24 criteria.
 - Q. And as you say beneath, "risk in range of concern,

- 05:10 1 remediated, you don't address those issues, do you?
 - A. No, I do not.
 - Q. Right. Nor do you, for any of the other
 - 4 locations? That's just not something you're speaking to?
 - A. That is not something I tend to do, either.
 - Q. Right, okay.
 - 7 So, now if we might turn to Tab 22 in the first
 - 8 bundle that I gave you, the original one. And I'm not sure
 - 9 if you were here for the testimony of Dr. Greg Douglas, you
 - 10 may have heard it, but what I'm going to ask you about are
 - 11 some of the conclusions he has reached about the data that
 - 12 you relied upon for purposes of your cancer-risk
 - 13 calculations, and so I'm showing you some of the slides
 - 14 that he presented about problems with the reliability of
 - 15 that data, and so I'll direct you for a moment to his
 - 16 Slide 33 and ask you if you can confirm that the compounds
 - 17 that are highlighted in yellow there are the--
 - (Pause.)
 - 19 Q. Will you confirm, Dr. Strauss, that the compounds
 - 20 highlighted in yellow on Dr. Douglas's slides are some of
 - 21 the PAHs that you relied upon for your cancer risk
 - 22 calculations?
 - 23 A. This is the calculation that I said in the
 - 24 beginning I had made a spreadsheet error on, and so I have
 - 25 withdrawn my opinion that there's a cancer risk with this

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- 05:08 1 further evaluation is necessary."
 - 2 A. That's right. So, it doesn't mean there's no
 - 3 health risk. It means, as a regulatory matter, there is
 - 4 some reason for concern. It's not a condition that I would
 - 5 say would cause an immediate action.
 - Q. Right, okay.
 - 7 And then with respect to the two red conclusions,
 - 8 those two locations you are telling us that there is a
 - 9 significant risk of an elevated or an elevated cancer risk; 10 correct?
 - 11 A. Yes. That's above the range of which action is
 - 12 almost always taken under any regulatory--environmental
 - 13 regulatory regime.
 - 14 Q. And the action to be taken, in your view, is that
 - 15 some remediation may be needed at these two locations?
 - A. I'm not sure about the maybe, but yes.
 - 17 Q. Okay. You're saying some remediation is needed?
 - 18 A. Yes.

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- 19 Q. But you have formed no opinions about the extent
- 20 of remediation that may be needed?
- 21 A. No, I think that needs to be determined.
- Q. That's to be determined in another process?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Your Reports in no way tell us the extent of
- 25 remediation, the remediation standard, the area to be

- 05:12 1 location.
 - Q. At Shushufindi 43?
 - A. TW2, that's the one I was talking about.
 - Q. Okay, so we need to mark that out on your table.
 - 5 So, that's one less site for which you are saying there's a
 - 6 potential elevated risk of cancer?
 - A. Based on the data we have now, yes.
 - B Q. Okay. Now, would you also, if you would, look
 - 9 through the next couple of slides, and I quess all of these
 - 10 deal with Shushufindi 43, and so perhaps you've already
 - 11 conceded the point that I was going to make, and I
 - 12 appreciate your candor there, but have you taken the steps
 - 13 to evaluate whether the rest of the PAH data that you've
 - 14 relied upon does not suffer from any blank contamination
 - 15 problem?

- 16 A. Perhaps we're not understanding each other. The
- 17 mistake that I made was a spreadsheet error on my part.
 - Q. Oh
- 19 A. And it was not that I used a non-detect or
- 20 whatever. I didn't really quite get what Dr. Douglas
- 21 inferred. There was a spreadsheet error in that
- 22 calculation that I own up to.
- Q. I understand, and I appreciate your candor, so
- 24 we're talking about two different things, and thank you for
- 25 clarifying that.

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05:13 1 A. You're welcome.

Q. The problem that Dr. Douglas is presenting in these slides that are at Tab 22 is a problem of the fact

 $4\,\,$ that the data validator who evaluated the data that you

 ${\tt 5}$ $\,$ relied upon did not follow the National Functional

6 Guidelines and, therefore, did not report the data as

7 non-detect or undetect as they should have. Have you

8 concerned yourself at all with that issue?

9 A. I know it's been raised as an issue. I have not 10 dealt with it. I have relied on the data of LBG and its 11 data validators.

12 Q. And to the extent that the data developed by LBG 13 suffers from blank contamination and/or is otherwise not

14 reliable because it doesn't comply with the National

15 Functional Guidelines, then you would not feel comfortable

16 relying upon those samples in calculating a potential

17 cancer risk, would you?

18 A. I would certainly--if the data were revised, I 19 would certainly revise my cancer risk. It doesn't pertain

20 at all, as I understand it, to my hazard index and my

21 non-cancer risk. It's only an issue with the level

22 concentrations of PAHs, which coming to the cancer risk,

23 but really are subsumed under the Total Petroleum

24 Hydrocarbons rubric for the non-cancer hazard.

Q. Right, but let's not confuse things. I'm not

05:17 1 the Republic of Ecuador has not published or does not 2 publish any protocols or requirements for even performing

3 human health-risk assessments in petroleum oil fields?

A. Well, I believe they have some regulations related to petroleum, but I have not concerned--again, that's in

6 LBG's opinion and not in mine. I'm not aware of like a

7 human--I'm not aware of an equivalent to EPA risk

8 assessment quidance.

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9 Q. Okay. And as far as you know, Petroecuador does 10 not perform human health risk assessments for the sites 11 that it operates and impacts, does it?

I have no idea what they do.

13 Q. Okay. Thank you very much, Dr. Strauss. I 14 appreciate it.

15 MS. RENFROE: I have no further questions.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

17 Are there any questions from the Respondent?

18 \qquad MS. SILVER: I believe I may have a few questions,

19 but if I could take maybe a 10-minute break and get back to 20 you?

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a 10-minute break.

22 MS. SILVER: Thank you.

23 (Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

25 MS. SILVER: Thank you, Mr. President.

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05:15 1 talking about your non-cancer calculations right now. I'm

2 only talking about your cancer calculations which are on

3 the table, your March 2015 table. And my question is very

4 focused on the PAH data that you relied upon to develop

 ${\tt 5}$ these estimates or calculations of potential cancer risk.

If the data validator did not follow the National

 $7\,\,$ Functional Guidelines and reported PAH values that were

8 actually non-detect, would that concern you about

presenting these cancer calculations?

10 A. Again, I relied on LBG. If they find that they

11 were--the validation was incorrect and there were different 12 data, I would be--then that would change my calculations,

13 my cancer risk estimates, yes.

14 Q. And to be very clear, you have not undertaken any

15 independent analysis of the validity of the PAH data?

A. I have not, no.

17 Q. Now, completely apart from your risk

18 calculations--and I'm now going to ask you this question

19 that has to do with either cancer risk or non-cancer

20 risk--am I correct that the Republic of Ecuador did not

21 provide you with any quantitative risk assessment for any

22 of the sites that Petroecuador has impacted in the former

23 Concession Area?

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24 A. Did they provide that to me? No.

Q. Right. And, in fact, isn't it also correct that

05:27 1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MS. SILVER:

Q. Dr. Strauss, I'm sure you're going to be delighted to hear I don't have a ton of questions for you, but I would ask if you could please put up from Dr. Strauss's presentation Slide Number 31. Thank you.

7 Dr. Strauss, could you clarify whether the VPH-EPH 8 Method is protective of human health.

(No microphone.)

A. My bad.

11 EPH-VPH, and I would say also Method 8015 measure 12 fractions of--fractions of crude oil. They don't measure

13 all of crude oil. In particular, they don't measure the

14 higher end and other components of crude oil, so it's my

understanding that these approaches measure between one quarter and one third of the thousands of chemicals that

17 compose crude oil.

18 So, while it's considered a method that's

19 protective for refined fuels for which it's very good at 20 finding things, I think it's less applicable to crude oil

21 and may or may not be protective of crude oil. In my

22 opinion, it probably isn't, but you can see here the

23 difference in what the proportion of chemicals that are

24 evaluated and found and detected under those methodologies.

Q. Okay. Thank you.

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05:28 1 But in your Reports, you do use and rely on the 2 VPH-EPH Method; is that correct?

- A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Could you just maybe direct us to where in your Reports you do rely on it.
- A. Well, I think--well, I rely in the hazard around--in the non-cancer hazard evaluations at all nine sites, so in the tables that we've been discussing, I present those calculations.
- 10 $\,$ Q. And do you rely on it at all for your cancer 11 assessment?
- 12 A. No, the cancer assessment is based on PAHs and not 13 on VPH-EPH.
- Q. Okay. And can you just explain for us briefly why to you rely on the whole mixtures approach, why you believe that that is a better method.
- A. Well, I believe that's a better method because,
 well, the whole product approach, so the toxicity
 evaluation, that's in accordance with guidelines from EPA,
 from ASTM, and other organizations that really the best
 approach to a complex mixture is to evaluate the toxicity
 of the entire mixture.
- The problem is we often don't have the data to do that, and also once a mixture is in the environment and you're just sampling chemicals, you don't always know the

05:32 1 Q. Okay. Thank you, Dr. Strauss. I think that's all 2 I have. Thank you.

3 QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL

PRESIDENT VEEDER: There may be an objection to this question, so please don't answer until we see whether there is or not, but are you involved in any way with the proposed site visit by the Tribunal? Obviously not.

8 THE WITNESS: No, I don't know whether to answer 9 it or not.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, you mentioned sites, and
11 I think you suggested that some sites on your Slide 4 were
12 sites which would be visited by the Tribunal during its
13 site visit.

14 THE WITNESS: That's true.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You do know that?

16 THE WITNESS: I do know that. I will be there

17 with you.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's what I wanted to ask 19 without asking.

20 Could I ask you to look at Slide 4.

21 If there is an objection to this, please make it,

22 but I don't think there need be, but if there is, you ask

23 the witness not to answer.

Could you just confirm which are the sites which it is proposed the Tribunal will visit. I understand it's

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05:30 1 source. In this case, we know the source. I mean, the 2 locations were sampled in relation to a particular source,

3 and so we know it's crude oil. And so, in my opinion, the

4 whole--one can use a whole-mixtures approach for this site

5 and others that might be similar because we have the

6 toxicity measure of whole oil, and I believe that's the 7 best approach.

8 You can't always do it, and I didn't do it in my 9 Initial Reports because the TEM measurement only was first 10 used in 2014. It wasn't used in 2013.

And to fully utilize the data I began thinking about how to use a whole-mixtures approach, and the appropriate data were there from the industry documents.

14 Q. And are there other institutions or organizations

15 that endorse the whole-mixtures approach?

 $\,$ 16 $\,$ A. Well, USEPA does; in its initial mixtures document $\,$ 17 $\,$ in 1986, it reiterated its support of it in a document

18 about PAHs, and I think it was 2011. ASTM, the petroleum 19 quidance document that Dr. McHugh relied on, endorses they

20 call it a whole-products approach and not a whole-mixtures

23 you ought to measure the toxicity of the whole thing. The 24 problem is you don't often have the data here. We are

25 lucky enough to have the data.

05:33 1 Lago Agrio 16--I'm sorry, Lago Agrio 2.

2 THE WITNESS: Yes.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's here marked as Guanta 6,

4 but it has another name. And then also Shushufindi 34.
5 THE WITNESS: I don't think Guanta 6 is one of

6 them. I may not be the best person, but I believe it's

7 Aguarico 6, Lago 2, Shushufindi 34, and Shushufindi 55, 8 which is not on this list because I didn't conduct a

9 quantitative risk assessment of it, but LBG evaluated it.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's all I had to ask.

Thank you very much.

12 Are there any questions arising from the

13 Tribunal's questions?

14 We ask the Claimants first.

MS. RENFROE: No questions.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent?

17 MS. SILVER: No questions.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

19 We have come to the end of your testimony. Thank 20 you for coming to assist the Tribunal. You may leave the

21 table.

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22 THE WITNESS: Thank you. It's been my pleasure.

23 (Witness steps down.)

24 QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL TO THE PARTIES

PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's late in the day and late

05:34 1 in the week, but we did promise that we would give some 2 indication of the topics that we would wish the Parties to 3 address at some point subsequent to today.

Can I say, first of all, they're topics rather 5 than questions, and it would have been I think easier if we 6 had had time to put them in writing, but we don't, so 7 they're somewhat imprecise, but can I please ask you not to 8 read into the questions anything more than the question. 9 We have not started our deliberations. We have not formed 10 a view, and this is simply a Request for Information and 11 assistance. And you may think you already provided it, in 12 which case you need to draw attention to it, or, as we see, 13 you may have to clarify what you have given us already.

I shall be putting the topics, but, in fact, it's 15 the work of all three of us, and my colleagues will join in 16 if they think I have missed out anything or they wish to 17 add anything for themselves as we go through topic by

18 topic.

This will take about ten or 15 minutes.

19 20 The first thing relates to legal materials on 21 denial of justice under international law. As a matter of 22 general practice as arbitrators, the three of us don't like 23 referring or using legal materials that have not been cited 24 to us by the Parties. So, although we could have access to

25 these materials, we would rather raise it with the Parties;

05:38 1 look at the whole work.

I turn to the next topic, which is jurisdiction, 3 and this is primarily addressed to the Respondent, and the 4 question is a question this time: If TexPet had been sued as a named Defendant in the Lago Agrio Litigation and had 6 been held liable as was Chevron under the Lago Agrio 7 Judgment, does the Respondent dispute that TexPet could 8 bring, as a matter of jurisdiction, a claim for denial of 9 justice or breach of the effective-means obligation under 10 the BIT?

A related question is the effect of this 11 12 Tribunal's Third Interim Award on Jurisdiction. We heard submissions in opening on the status of Chevron as an 14 investor with or without a direct investment, but what is 15 the effect of our Jurisdiction Award on Chevron for its 16 status as an investor with an indirect investment--that is, 17 TexPet--under the BIT?

Another question more directed at the Claimants, 18 we know very well that the date of the Claimants' claims for denial of justice--and by that I include effective 21 means--was made after this arbitration had commenced in 22 respect to the Judgment and subsequent actions omissions 23 which also took place after this arbitration had commenced. 24 Does this timing have an effect on our jurisdiction or the 25 admissibility of those claims under public international

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05:36 1 and, if you think it appropriate, we will be asking you to 2 submit the materials to us.

The first set of materials relates to the Loewen 4 Case. We've heard a lot about the Loewen Case from the 5 Parties, and obviously we have the Decision or the Award 6 and its clarification. But we do know that there were some 7 interesting legal opinions submitted by the Parties in the 8 Loewen arbitration, in particular by, as he then was, 9 Mr. Christopher Greenwood, now Judge Greenwood, and as he 10 was already, Judge Jennings. There may well have been 11 other legal opinions on denial of justice and exhaustion of 12 local remedies, and if there were, we would like to see 13 them or at least get your permission for us to see them. 14 These are public documents.

As regards Judge Greenwood, the Respondents have put in part of his Article, State responsibility for the 17 decisions of national courts in RLA-305, but we would like 18 the whole Article.

19 Similarly, we have multiple extracts from 20 Professor Paulsson's book on denial of justice, but we 21 would like your consent for us to refer, if we need to, to 22 the whole book. That is principally in RLA-61, but it's in 23 other places, too.

24 The Freeman work is in RLA-310, but again, I think 25 we would like more pages. Could we have your consent to

05:40 1 law, the BIT, the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules or the lex 2 arbitri?

Another question addressed to both sides but more 4 perhaps to the Claimants: How does the Claimants' ripeness 5 theory, which was proposed by Professor Paulsson in the 6 Claimants' opening oral submissions at T-1, Page 143, he 7 called it a consummation; that is, the denial of justice as 8 a claim was consummated when the Lago Agrio Appellate Court affirmed and certified the underlying Lago Agrio Judgment 10 as enforceable in Ecuador and elsewhere? How does that 11 work consistent with the Loewen Award? As you will recall 12 there, the Judgment was enforceable and effectively 13 enforced. But when, if we apply the ripeness theory 14 proposed in this case, does that work with regard to 15 Claimants, both of them, claims in the Loewen arbitration? 16

Next topic, which is the scope of the Respondent's 17 obligations under the BIT, the first one is perhaps again more directed to the Claimants. In this particular case, do the BIT's other standard of protection--FET, FPS--bring any relevant additional protection to the Claimants' case 21 on denial of justice, or are we limited or concentrated on 22 denial of justice under public international law and the 23 provision on effective means?

Second question: Is the obligation under the BIT 25 regarding effective means a broader legal protection for an 05:43 1 investor than denial of justice or the same? If it's 2 different, how does that affect the Claimants' case as 3 regards not the Lago Agrio Court itself but rather the 4 Appellate Court and the Cassation Court? And if so, how? In that regard, the question address more to the 6 Respondent, as regards the claim for effective means under 7 the BIT, is it common ground between the Parties that the 8 requirement to exhaust local remedies is the same? We saw 9 the reference to the Commercial Cases Partial Award at 10 Paragraph 244.

I will now turn to the next topic, which relates 11 12 to the Lago Agrio Court and Judgment issues, and there were a variety of queries.

Is it in evidence why Texaco and TexPet were not 15 pursued by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs as Defendant Parties 16 as distinct from Chevron in the Lago Agrio Litigation? And 17 we say that in particular because we know that Texaco was 18 named as a Defendant, Texaco, Inc. in the Lago Agrio 19 Complaint. And it was suggested in opening by Mr. Bishop, 20 Day 1, Page 68, that the Lago Agrio Plaintiff's lawyers had 21 made a mistake, and this was either expressly or implicitly 22 acknowledged by Mr. Donziger. If that were so, could we 23 have the reference to that piece of evidence.

And whilst we're talking about Mr. Donziger, 25 again, I think it was Mr. Bishop, Day 1, Page 18, who 05:47 1 standard of proof--again, I'm using a common law 2 terminology--the "balance of probabilities," but there 3 should be perhaps a different term for public international 4 law, the UNCITRAL Rules, or lex arbitri, if it's a balance 5 of probabilities as regards an allegation which is not an allegation of criminal conduct, does that standard of proof change when the allegations are extremely serious allegations amounting to or equivalent to criminal conduct? 9 Again, a question about the burden of standard of proof. And all these questions are phrased under public 11 international law, the UNCITRAL Rules and the lex arbitri: Is there, and if so what is it, an inference from a Party's omission to produce relevant evidence either within its own 14 control or if not within its own control, with more availability than its opponent? And in this case, we're 16 clearly looking at names such as Mr. Zambrano, Ms. Calva, 17 Mr. Fajardo and possibly Mr. Donziger himself. We move to a different topic: Merger--that is the 18 19 merger between Texaco and Chevron. Now, the Lago Agrio Judgment addresses the merger at some length--this is 21 Exhibit C-931--and in that consideration, it refers several 22 times to the concept of fraud or abuse as grounds to pierce 23 the corporate veil. Do we find in the Lago Agrio Judgment 24 or indeed in any allegation made by the Parties before that 25 Court, a statement that Chevron was quilty of fraud or

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05:45 1 referred to Mr. Donziger's unforgettable words about going 2 over to the dark side. Again, if that's in evidence, could 3 we have the reference.

Next question: We would like it clarified as a 5 matter of Ecuadorian law and practice in evidence what is 6 the legal rule or rules that precluded Chevron or Texaco 7 from bringing a third-party claim in the Lago Agrio 8 Litigation against Petroecuador for consequential relief or 9 indemnity, that is in the same legal proceedings as those 10 that were brought by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs? And if not 11 a third-party claim, what rule precluded Chevron or Texaco 12 to bring Petroecuador in as an additional Defendant facing 13 the Claims by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs directly or

14 indirectly through Chevron? Now, when we look at the allegations of 15 16 ghostwriting against Judge Zambrano, which are very serious 17 allegations, we need some assistance, as a matter of public 18 international law, the UNCITRAL Rules and the lex arbitri 19 as to the burden and standard of proof. Now, in my legal 20 system and other common law systems, the legal burden never 21 shifts. It's on the person who makes the allegation, but 22 the evidential burden can shift backwards and forwards. 23 Now, is that the same position under public international 24 law?

And a related question, when we look at the

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05:49 1 abuse in merging with Texaco?

Same topic, different question. What if the 2 3 Fusión Memo was an accurate reflection of Ecuadorian law, 4 including its conflict of laws and laws of procedure? If 5 so, could that be a denial of justice by itself? Is it 6 arbitrariness for an Ecuadorian Court to take correct 7 account of an applicable foreign law, subject, of course, to respecting the Parties' procedural rights? Again, we're 9 talking about denial of justice and irrationality.

10 What is the position as a matter of public 11 international law as regards punitive or multiple damages amounting to a denial of justice per se? 12

13 We would like some factual explanation again from the evidence as to what happened in regard to prosecutions or professional disciplines for some of the individuals involved in the Lago Agrio Litigation? For example, was Mr. Cabrera, Judge Zambrano, or Mr. Fajardo, were any of them investigated or prosecuted or otherwise disciplined in relation for what did or did not take place in the Lago Agrio Litigation? There may be other names which the

21 Parties should consider.

22 Next topic, the appellate courts. As we 23 understand the Claimants' pleading, they are alleging 24 independent denials of justice against the Appellate Court 25 and the Cassation Court. But are we right in understanding 2 that these courts failed to do something, which it is said 3 they should have done because they could have done, or is 4 the position that they didn't have the power to do what 5 others might think they should have done? 6 And a related question, we understand there is an 7 outstanding appeal to the Constitutional Court. We would

05:52 1 that those allegations are allegations of omission only,

And a related question, we understand there is ar outstanding appeal to the Constitutional Court. We would like some information about the timing of those proceedings.

Now, a different topic relating to the relief
sought by both sides in these proceedings. In the
Claimants' Track 2 Reply Memorial, Page 232, Paragraph 435,
Subparagraph (a) (v), the Claimants seek a declaration of
nullity as a matter of international law regarding the Lago
Agrio Judgment. What is the precedent for an arbitration
tribunal making such a declaration of nullity as opposed to
a declaration that there has been a breach of international
law, leaving others to work out the consequences of such a
breach? And in particular, what legal materials would
suggest that this Tribunal is competent with jurisdiction
to make such a declaration of nullity?

Another question on the Claimants' relief, what if there were a partial denial of justice, for example, if it were irrational, grossly irrational, for the Lago Agrio Court to award non-compensatory damages to the extent that 05:56 1 law systems, Dr. Andrade, in his Third Expert Report,
2 replies to that, but we would like it clarified, not
3 necessarily before their evidence, obviously, but
4 afterwards, as to the relevance of such minimum
5 requirements to the Claimants' denial of justice claim to
6 the extent premised on the alleged failure by the Lago
7 Agrio Judgment properly to establish a factual or legal
8 causation link for the damages awarded to the Lago Agrio
9 Plaintiffs as alleged by the Claimants in these
10 proceedings?

11 Last topic are just factual matters. It would be 12 very helpful for us to have an updated and completed and, 13 dare I say it, agreed dramatis personae.

We would also request the names of the Lago Agrio
Plaintiff lawyers both in the United States and in Ecuador.
We would also request a list of all the Defendants

We would also request a list of all the Defendant in the RICO proceedings in New York, including those who settled with Chevron before the Judgment of Judge Kaplan.

19 We're interested in the evidence of Ms. Calva. 20 First, we would like to know a little bit more if it's in

21 the RICO Trial Transcript as to why when she was supposed 22 to be coming to give evidence orally she did not come, and

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{23}}$ we would also like some explanation for our purposes of the

24 status of the two statements that we have in evidence

25 before us. They're very similar. One seems to have been

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05:54 1 it did but that it would not have been irrational to have
2 awarded a lesser sum for compensatory damages, say, of
3 500 million or \$1 billion? As a matter of international
4 law, does this Tribunal face an all or nothing decision?
5 And if there is to be something less than all or nothing,
6 how could that properly be achieved if the Tribunal wished
7 to do that?

If we can come to the Respondent's claim for relief, and that is the status of the environmental claims.

As we understand the Respondent's Track 2 Supplemental Rejoinder--there is a reference in Footnote 953--the Respondents are raising these environmental claims only as an offset or a setoff against liabilities to the Claimants and not as an independent counterclaim. We understand this is an issue between the Parties, but we would like that clarified certainly as regards to the Respondent. And if we're talking about a setoff at the likely time of our award, what would the setoff be against?

Now, we're going to hear Expert evidence next
week, so we don't want to foresee too much what Mr. Andrade
will be telling us, but we have a debate in the Expert
Reports between him and Mr. Barros as regards causation as
it was addressed in the Lago Agrio Judgment, and Dr. Barros
makes a broader comment in his Fifth Expert Report about
the minimum requirements to establish causation in civil

05:58 1 sworn before a notary in Ecuador, and the other looks as 2 though it's been produced in some different manner. That's 3 Ms. Calva.

We understand that Mr. Fajardo did not give veidence in the RICO trial proceedings, but was he requested to do so? Was an adverse inference sought against the Defendants for Mr. Fajardo's omission to come and give evidence in New York?

9 We would like to understand a little bit more
10 about the RICO proceedings. I'm certainly not familiar
11 with that particular form of legal process, and these
12 certainly took an unusual form, but what happens now,
13 assuming the Second Circuit does overturn or doesn't
14 overturn their Judgment?

15 A related question is: We understand the
16 transcripts of the RICO proceedings are evidence in this
17 proceeding, but that would not apply to the RICO Judgment
18 nor, indeed, to the Decision of the Second Circuit, but we
19 would like that confirmed because, in some of your
20 submissions, you cited the RICO Judgment as if it were a
21 piece of evidence, but I assume--we assume--that that is
22 not the case.

23 We would like to be informed a little bit more 24 about the status of the reinforcement proceedings in the 25 three jurisdictions in which we know, including, if any, 06:00 1 have reached an ex aequo stage.

2 (Tribunal conferring.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I didn't quite exhaust the question with regards to the Respondent's case on the environmental claims. Apart from the issue of responding to the Claimants' claims for denial of justice and

to the Claimants' claims for denial of justice and right irrationality, and I touched on the issue of setoff, we

8 need a better understanding how these environmental claims
9 fit into the legal structure of the RIT but Professor

9 fit into the legal structure of the BIT, but Professor 10 Vaughan will now explain in more intelligent terms than I 11 can possibly muster at this late hour.

12 ARBITRATOR LOWE: In addition to what our 13 President said quite rightly, I think it would be helpful 14 if you could say a few sentences at the end of next week

15 about where the technical evidence that we've heard over 16 the last two weeks, and we will hear at the beginning of

17 next week, fit into the case, just while it's fresh in our 18 minds so that we can get some kind of clear perspective on

19 the relevance in the overall context of each side's case.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That exhausts the topics and 21 questions we had for you.

22 Can we say, again, please don't read too much into 23 it, even as to the questions we have not asked. Please

24 understand that these are on the table. Whether you want

25 to deal with them next week is up to you. It may require

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06:03 1 more time, in which case take more time.

And lastly, it certainly won't exhaust our ability
and our right to ask further questions of the Parties. So,
we will have, I think, many more, but in response to what
you requested for the purpose of next Thursday and Friday,
we thought it helpful just to go through what was currently
on our mind.

8 Unless there is any more housekeeping, we will 9 bring this long day to an end. We will ask Claimants 10 first.

MR. BISHOP: The Claimants have nothing further.
And we are very grateful to the Tribunal for giving us some quidance. Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondents?

MR. BLOOM: We have nothing further. And we do 16 appreciate the quidance as well. Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And again, I apologize for the incoherence, but I hope the shorthand writers can clean it

18 incoherence, but I hope the shorthand writers can clean it 19 $\,$ up.

Thank you very much. We will see you Monday
think we're on good time, so 9:30 Monday. Have
a qood weekend.

23 (Whereupon, at 6:04 p.m., the Hearing was 24 adjourned until 9:30 a.m., Monday, May 4, 2015 day.)

IN THE MATTER OF AN ARBITRATION BEFORE A TRIBUNAL CONSTITUTED

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, SIGNED AUGUST 27, 1993 (THE "TREATY")

and

THE UNCITRAL ARBITRATION RULES 1976

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TEXACO PETROLEUM COMPANY (U.S.A.), :

Claimants, : PCA Case No.

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and

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THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR,

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Respondent.

TRACK 2 HEARING

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Sheet 3 2132 2134 1 PROCEEDINGS APPEARANCES: (Continued) 2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, good morning, ladies and On behalf of the Respondent: gentlemen. We'll start day ten of this Hearing. PROF. EDUARDO SILVA ROMERO There are a couple of housekeeping matters we need PROF. PIERRE MAYER MR. JOSÉ MANUEL GARCÍA REPRESA to address but not explore now. MS. AUDREY CAMINADES MS. GABRIELA GONZÁLEZ GIRÁLDEZ Dechert LLP 32 rue Monceau 75008 Paris France MR. ÁLVARO GALINDO CARDONA MR. DAVID ATTANASIO Dechert LLP 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 United States of America MR. BRIAN CUMMINS LitOptix So, we now move on to our next expert Witnesses. 19 These are witnesses from the Respondent. We understand 20 this is Dr. Garvey and Mr. Goldstein. And what we'd like 21 you to do, if you will, is to read the words on the Declaration before you that we ask all expert witnesses to 23 24 Perhaps, Dr. Garvey, you could start. EDWARD A. GARVEY and KENNETH J. GOLDSTEIN, 2133 2135 09:35 1 RESPONDENT'S WITNESSES, CALLED CONTENTS THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) I solemnly declare upon PAGE 3 my honor and conscience that I shall speak the truth, the WITNESSES: 4 whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and that my EDWARD A. GARVEY and KENNETH J. GOLDSTEIN 5 statement will be in accordance with my sincere belief. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. Direct examination by Mr. Ewing 2135 Cross-examination by Ms. Renfroe Redirect examination by Mr. Ewing Questions from the Tribunal 2166 Mr. Goldstein. 2265 2272 THE WITNESS: (Mr. Goldstein) I solemnly declare 9 upon my honor and conscience that I shall speak the truth, FARTÁN ANDRADE NARVÁEZ the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and that my Direct examination by Mr. Leonard 2286 Cross-examination by Mr. Coriell 2312 11 statement will be in accordance with my sincere belief. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 12 13 So, first, there'll be questions from the 14 Respondent. DIRECT EXAMINATION 15 16 BY MR. EWING: 17 Q. Good morning, Dr. Garvey and Mr. Goldstein. My understanding is you submitted four reports in 18 19 this arbitration? 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct. Q. And that also includes two Site Investigation 22 Reports? A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct. 23 Q. And could you briefly explain what those Site 25 Investigation reports include.

(Dr. Garvey) They include information that we 09:36 1 2 gathered as a result of our two Site Investigations, one in 3 2013 and the other one in 2014. We summarized a series of 4 data samples that we collected and described our 5 interpretation.

Q. And for your reference, I'd like to give you a 7 copy of your Reports. They are coming now, and we have copies for Claimants as well.

Do you have any changes or updates to your Reports 10 that you wanted to bring to the Tribunal's attention?

- (Dr. Garvey) We have a short list of errata that 11 12 we submit I believe is included with this binder.
- Q. And you're both testifying today. Could you 13 14 briefly explain how you'll be handling the fact that you're 15 both at the table this morning.
- (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I'll be first line of 17 questioning or first line of answers to any questions that 18 are raised, and I'll direct to my colleague when 19 appropriate.
- Q. And I understand you also have a presentation that 20 21 you would like to give to the Tribunal as well?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, we've prepared one.
- MR. EWING: And with the Tribunal's indulgence, I 24 would like to have them do that, and we will pass out those
- 25 slides.

09:40 1 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Good morning, Members of the 2 Tribunal. I'm Ken Goldstein, I also have over 30 years of 3 experience in groundwater hydrology, contaminant hydrology 4 and contaminant hydrogeology, groundwater supply development and protection. I've conducted and oversaw 6 hundreds of Site Investigations similar to what we've conducted here over July 2013 and 2014, and Site 8 Investigations and site remediation.

9 I am a certified groundwater professional by the 10 National Groundwater Association of Scientists Engineers. 11 I'm also on several committees of the NGWA, and I have also 12 published and presented over 25 publications on groundwater contamination, site-investigation techniques, high-resolution sampling and Site Investigation, particularly on groundwater remediation.

A. (Dr. Garvey) So, to begin, then, I'd like to 17 review LBG's Scope of Work as assigned by counsel and the 18 Government of Ecuador.

19 Our scope included the following: Evaluate the environmental data and information that was presented in 21 the Lago Agrio Record and opine on the reasonableness on 22 the scientific basis of the Judgment, conduct investigation

23 of TexPet features at well sites in the Concession Area, 24 this was in part to respond to Claimants' criticisms that

25 we formed our opinions without inspecting the site, but

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> So, Dr. Garvey, if you'd just let us pass these 3 out, and then if you will proceed.

A. (Dr. Garvey) Thank you.

5 (Pause.)

(Dr. Garvey) All right, good morning.

This morning, we'd like to present to you, Members 8 of the Tribunal, our understanding, a brief explanation of 9 our understanding of the contamination that we've observed 10 in the Oriente, and I'd like to explain to you how we 11 understand that data and what conclusions it leads us to. But before I begin, let me talk a little bit about 12

13 myself. I'm a geochemist with more than 30 years of 14 experience in environmental work, environmental forensics 15 in particular. What I mean by environmental forensics is 16 basically the process of chasing down and understanding

17 contamination in the environment, studying its sources,

18 where it's going to, and how likely it is to stay there.

19 I have a bachelor of engineering as well as a 20 Ph.D. My Ph.D. is in geochemistry. I'm a licensed

21 professional geologist. I serve on the Environmental

22 Engineering Committee of the USEPA's Science Advisory

23 Board, and I've co-authored more than 75 presentations and

24 journal articles, and I'll let my colleague introduce

25 himself.

09:41 1 also to test the Claimants' hypothesis that they put forth

2 in their various documents regarding the Concession Area. And then finally, our scope did not include

4 apportionment of liability nor assessment of costs. Those are tasks that we were not given explicitly; and, as I 6 understand it, the portion of the liability and costs are

7 part of Track 3, but anyway we did not address that.

So, with that, then, to begin our presentation, we 9 noted in reviewing the documents that the Claimants effectively posed a number of hypotheses. These are both 11 in their earlier reports as well as in the Connor 2013, 12 which I'll cite here.

13 Basically, these--I'm going to test and I will 14 show you evidence to test these four hypotheses. 15 Essentially, Claimants assert contamination is limited; 16 that is, it's limited to the site, to the well sites 17 themselves and does not extend beyond the immediate

18 vicinity of the oil fields and the oil field facilities 19 specifically. That the contamination is bounded; that the

20 sufficient information actually bound the extent of

21 contamination at each well site. That contamination is 22 immobile, that the original crude that was spilled is

23 effectively solidified. That the crude that was spilled 24 during TexPet operations is now effectively asphalt-like.

And then finally, that clay soils present in the

09:43 1 Oriente prevent contaminant migration, so we're going to go 2 through each of these assertions and examine the evidence 3 that's available in the record as well as evidence that we 4 collected during our site inspections and see if we agree 5 with them.

6 So, before I begin, though, I'd like to present a 7 simple conceptual site model of how we think our 8 understanding of how the operation worked during TexPet's 9 time of control there, and then how conditions are now. 10 What I've shown before you here is a cartoon of conditions 11 in the Oriente during a well operation, a drilling 12 operation. What you see here on the right is a drill rig. 13 It's there. It's where the drilling is done, where the 14 waste is produced. The oil comes out from the drill rig, 15 waste and oil and drilling muds into various pits located 16 around the site. These are shallow earthen-lined pits that 17 were--basically we would assert that were available to 18 allow rainwater to collect in them as well as the waste 19 material and would potentially impact groundwater if they 20 were not impermeable.

In addition, this is oil--as a result of these 22 pits, because the ground underneath in many cases was 23 permeable, was allowed oil and water to pass into it, oil 24 entered the groundwater as a result of being displaced or 25 placed in the pits.

09:46 1 longer any operating drill rig here. We have on the left a 2 pit; oil is still viable in it. We have found liquid oil 3 in some pits, and we think that oil from that pit can still 4 impact groundwater, can still enter the aquifer system where it will contaminate groundwater. Contaminated groundwater can migrate to the local stream, thank you, and 7 then oil as well can impact the local stream as a result of 8 overland runoff. Okay. So, overland runoff and groundwater both continue to transport contamination away 10 from the pits and into the environment.

So, with those two conceptual site models, which 11 12 are based on our observations, we'd like to talk a little bit about the information that's available. This map 14 presents to you locations of the 344 well sites and production stations that are spread out across the Oriente. 16 There's a number of large well fields here, but I would 17 point out on this map that the symbol sizes are approximately a half a kilometer in diameter. They represent about 20 hectares. That is, in fact, our estimate of the locally impacted area around each well 21 site. As we'll show evidence that has been collected, the areas around these well sites are approximately half a

kilometer in diameter, so these dots actually represent the amount of area impacted potentially by each well site. 25

Now, this is the spread of information across the

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09:45 1 As a result of the filling of these pits, oil and 2 water would be able to leave the pits via siphons that were 3 installed, as well as overtopping the berm when the pits 4 were filled too much, or perhaps as a result of a rainfall 5 event where a significant amount of water would collect in 6 the pit and would displace the oil upward over the top of

7 the berm. And then, finally, as a result of this overtopping 9 of the pits or the siphons or the groundwater, oil and 10 contaminated water would enter the local streams. Now, 11 it's important to recognize here that because of the large 12 amount of water that's needed for an oil drilling 13 operation, that these drill rigs tended to be located near 14 streams because they needed a lot of water. That's 15 understandable. But as a result, their waste disposal 16 practices also had the potential to impact streams in the 17 vicinity. Because streams are moving bodies of water, when 18 the oil reaches these streams, they can be transported for 19 long distances downstream and impact a relatively broad 20 area of contamination. So, these arrows here on the 21 diagram here show you our take on how contaminant transport 22 might have occurred around the operations conducted by

24 This is a conceptual site model of things 25 currently in an area that's been abandoned. There's no

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TexPet.

09:48 1 Oriente. This now represents the JI inspection sites, and 2 what you can see here by these blue symbols is that the JI 3 inspection sites are spread out across the entire Oriente. 4 They extend from north to south, east to west basically as 5 far as the well fields do, so the JI inspection sites 6 really captured a broad cross-section of the types of well 7 sites that existed in the Oriente. Each area is well represented. And that's important because we use the data from these different well sites to help us understand the contamination in the Oriente and to extrapolate to the areas that we haven't studied. 11

These are the sites in white that Louis Berger 13 visited during our various site visits. It is close to--I 14 believe there are 60 visits that we visited. Some of them are JI sites, some of them are not. But again, in our inspections, we also inspected a broad spectrum of sites, and so we considered our inspections and our site visits to have captured a broad range of conditions that might be 19 expected in the Oriente.

20 And, finally, these symbols in green represent the 21 sites where we did our investigations. Again, we are capturing a broad area of coverage. It's not quite as extensive as the overall Oriente coverage of well fields, 24 but we've covered, I think, the four or five most important 25 well fields.

So, with that, then, we used that--using the 09:49 1 2 information and our conceptual site models, we're going to 3 begin to test these hypotheses, and we'll put forth to you 4 what we understand about the information that's available 5 in the context of these hypotheses.

So, claimants' hypotheses basically address these 7 four items. Again, contamination is limited, so we begin 8 with that one. And we note the following: Based on our 9 site inspections, we saw oil seeping into wetland, 10 sediments at Guanta 6, we see here. We found oil seeping 11 from wetlands and in stream sediments at Guanta 6, which is 12 downstream now of that wetland, and you can see in this 13 photograph when we zoom in, these droplets of oil; they're 14 very clearly evident emanating from this core. This is 15 droplets of oil trapped within the sediment; this is at

16 Guanta 6 in a stream downstream of the site itself. This is oil in sediment from a stream--I emphasize 17 18 stream again--at Shushufindi 55. Again, you can see 19 embedded in this sediment core; these black dots represent droplets of oil that are embedded in the sediment.

So, we're finding here that we see oil, liquid oil 22 in the sediments in the streams off-site from these well 23 sites. That means that the streams are carrying oil away 24 from the sites and to regions downstream.

In addition, we would note this slide. This is a

09:52 1 To begin with the second one, contamination is 2 bounded. This is Claimants'--sorry. The Claimants' 3 assertions that the sites are bound by rings of clean 4 sediment samples, soil samples. The Claimants have used 5 these kinds of cartoons to represent the areas, typical 6 area and how they bounded it with their samples. I have drawn in the upper left diagram there that red perimeter 8 around the pits, okay, where they assert here in that exhibit that the area of contamination is surrounded and 10 the right-hand diagram the Claimants assert that they stepped out the edges of pits in this fashion. We, in fact, cannot find any sites that look like this, but I'll show you some direct evidence for that.

This is a map of Lago Agrio 6. It has two pits in it. You can see by the key, one is a RAP pit and one is an 15 unremediated pit. The colors represent radial distances 17 from the pit, zero to 50 meter, 50 to 100 meters, 100 to 200 meters. We zoomed in here on this particular site just to show you the data. These dots now represent the available JI data, the data that was available to the 21 Court. We've color-coded the symbols based on the concentrations, and you can see that the colors range from 23 blue to deep red, meaning that concentrations range from

24 less than 100 milligrams per kilogram, or parts per million

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25 as I'll probably say on occasion, to as much as greater

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09:51 1 remediation that's going on at Sacha 86, but we note the 2 extensive area of oil contamination in the sediments as 3 well as oil contamination in the water.

What you see here in the foreground is a broad 5 area of oil-contaminated sediment as well as 6 oil-contaminated sediment downstream of it. You can see by 7 the scale of the backhoe on the upper left there, this is a 8 very large area of contaminated sediments. And again, this 9 represents an area of contaminated sediments that's being 10 remediated. There are certainly areas downstream of this 11 that would also need remediation. Okay? The extent of oil

12 contamination is fairly extensive. So, what does this mean? Well, if we think about 14 the number of well sites that we have here and the 15 frequency of oil contamination reaching the streams and the 16 fact that most well sites are located near streams, then 17 this is the potential area that could be impacted as a 18 result of oil transport away from the sites. This is 19 widespread. Very clearly, this is not a small area of 20 impact. This is a very large area of impact potentially. 21 We don't have the details as to where it might be impacted, 22 but we considered these areas are potentially important, 23 potentially subjected to contamination.

24 Okay. So, we reject the first hypothesis that 25 contamination is limited.

If we decide to connect these points to create a 2 3 perimeter, those are the points that bound the site. You 4 will notice that there is a number of points on the 5 perimeter that exceed 3,000 PPM, or 3,000 milligrams per 6 kilogram, and one that exceeds 10,000 milligrams per

09:54 1 than 10,000 parts per million or milligrams per kilogram.

7 kilogram. There are also some points around the pits 8 themselves. In the case of Pit 1, there are two samples

that might suggest they were starting to step out and trying to bound that particular pit, but it's only bounded

11 to the north, there are no samples that are bounded to the 12 east, west or south.

13 For Pit 2, there is one sample that's outside of 14 it, but it's only bounded, if you would, on the western 15 side, and it's clearly not a clean point.

Note as well that our perimeter does not include a 16 portion of Pit 1 because it's so far outside of the array of points, and I've highlighted it there in red. So we look at this display of data and we would say the pits and site are unbounded.

21 We note as well that for this particular site that 22 there are PI data. If you draw attention to this sample 23 over here on the western side, it represents a value 24 greater than 3,000 PPM. It's clearly unbounded as well, 25 and it represents a sample that Claimants knew about but

09:55 1 didn't do anything about it to try to bound it. They 2 didn't resample this, if you would, as part of the JI 3 investigation.

> So, we would note that these are all points of 5 concern with respect to bounding this particular site, saying that this is essentially unbounded with respect to 7 its contamination.

So, the PI data show contamination beyond the JI 9 perimeter. And this site remains unbounded by the 10 available data.

Do the same thing for this example, this is 11 12 Sacha 13, this is a little bit bigger scale, so you are 13 seeing much more of the blue area, out between 100 and 14 200 meters beyond the pit edge. And we can do the same 15 thing, place the concentration, the available JI data on 16 the site, color-coded by concentration. It's the same 17 scale. We can connect the dots and draw a perimeter around 18 it, and again, here I've circled the values that are above 19 1,000 on the western side and above 3,000 on the eastern 20 side here.

So, again, the pits and sites are unbounded 22 because we don't have clean points that bound this 23 site--the pits themselves.

In addition, I would point out the following, in 25 the stream adjacent to the site, we find sediments that are 09:58 1 compounds escaping that oil surface as detected by my meter 2 there.

In this particular core--this is a core from Lago 4 Agrio 2 in a pit that was collected there. Remember now that Claimants' assertion is that oil that's in the Oriente 6 will have been solidified, okay? This is, again, a pit 7 from Lago Agrio 2, and this is a core from that, and this 8 core clearly contains liquid oil. That's liquid flowing 9 out of the coring barrel and onto the table. Okay? So, again, inside this pit--this is an untreated pit. It 11 has--the material has not solidified and remains liquid and therefore available to interact with the environment, either by rainwater in filtration, perhaps migration of the oil itself, perhaps groundwater contact.

Finally, in terms of my line of evidence here, we 15 have oil droplets coming out from a siphon at Guanta 6. In the upper left-hand diagram you see a pipe that's coming out of the wall of the berm. Here. There is a berm behind the observer here, and this pipe is stuck into the berm. Well, the berm was designed to let water come out of 21 the--it was designed to allow water to leave the berm when water would fill up the pit, but now it's effectively a 23 conduit for oil to leave the pit. And we see in the lower

24 photograph, oil droplets on the surface of the water that's 25 collected below this siphon.

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09:56 1 over 3,000 parts per million. So, this is a direct 2 evidence for this specific site of the stream carrying 3 sediments and contaminated material away from the site to 4 regions downstream.

So, in fact, we were able to construct a truly 6 clean perimeter--that is, a perimeter with all values less 7 than 1,000--for only four of the 51 JI sites that had data, 8 and for those four sites, two of them had a stream crossing 9 their boundary, indicating that even for those, there is a 10 significant potential for downstream transport. So, on the 11 basis of this, we would reject the second hypothesis that 12 the sites are bounded.

Finally--well, not finally, with our third

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14 hypothesis, we looked at contamination is immobile. We observe from this that contamination exists in 15 16 multiple media, soils, surface water, sediment and groundwater. And in particular, we continue to find as 18 part of our site inspections the presence of liquid oil or 19 mobile material in terms of contaminated sediment in these 20 environments. This is an example of myself, that's 21 actually my hand in the photograph, making an air

22 measurement of volatile organic material or organic

23 compounds being emitted off of the surface of this oil

24 that's exposed at a pit at Shushufindi 34. We're measuring

25 here significant volatility, significant amount of volatile

09:59 1 With that, I will let my colleague continue the discussion.

MR. GOLDSTEIN: So, I will be addressing our observations concerning the occurrence of groundwater and groundwater contamination, and the Claimants' Experts assert that groundwater is not contaminated and can't be contaminated from the E&P operations in the Oriente. So we wanted to test that hypothesis, and we reviewed numerous documents and data in the Lago Agrio Record. And as we stated earlier, we conducted two Site Investigations, one 11 in 2013 and one in 2014. I participated in the 2013 Site Investigations. 12

13 So, we investigated nine sites as part of those two SIs--I call them, SIs, Site Investigation--and we installed 38 monitoring wells. Some of those were 16 temporary well points.

And we also sampled that were available to us at 17 the time, three hand-dug wells. Three resident wells close to the platform that were available to us. We took a total of 45 groundwater samples over the two rounds of sampling, 21 that included the three hand-dug wells. And what we

observed is very shallow groundwater occurring at the sites

that we visited, typically less than 1.6 meters below

24 grade, so there is groundwater occurring at these sites,

25 and it's fairly shallow at seven of the nine sites that we

10:01 1 visited.

I simply collected 45 groundwater samples. From 3 our analysis, we detected Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons at 4 or above the Ecuadorian standard at seven wells in 2013 and 5 then at 11 wells in 2014. And Dr. Short, Dr. Jeffrey 6 Short, submitted numerous opinions in this arbitration as 7 well. He did several analyses on the groundwater samples 8 and geochemistry by various methods, and I urge you to 9 again look at his Reports. And his analysis demonstrates 10 that, in fact, we do have oil in our groundwater samples, 11 oil droplets in our groundwater samples, and numerous other 12 compounds called alkylated-PAHs or Polycyclic Aromatic 13 Hydrocarbons. The likely transport mechanism for that, we 14 feel, is through more permeable Sand layers and silt 15 layers. And we also encountered fractured clay, that means 16 that there are macro pours or throats or cracks in the clay 17 that would allow water and fluids to migrate. 18

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19 Claimants assert that most recently that we should 20 have filtered all our groundwater samples, but I would like 21 to note, that if we filtered our groundwater samples, we 22 would have removed the evidence and would not have known 23 that we would have had these compounds and these oil 24 droplets in the water. They would have effectively been 25 removed by the filter. And what I would like to urge is

10:04 1 So, with that, we would also reject that 2 hypothesis that contamination was, therefore, immobile, and 3 that there could be no groundwater contamination and 4 groundwater does not occur in the Oriente.

Our next hypothesis to test, as the Claimants 6 assert, the clay soils throughout the Oriente would prevent migration, that we have clay, clayey soils, and that, in fact, prevents migration of any contaminant from the E&P

9 sites. 10 What we've done is we've tested that through what 11 we call hydraulic conductivity testing. I'm not going to bore you with that, but what it is is essentially a measure of how easily water and fluids would move through the 14 subsurface. The graph that I put up in front of you is a demonstration of the various layers of soil that you would 16 typical encounter in the Oriente at the well fields. And 17 the bar on the left demonstrates the degree of ease, for simplistic sake, of how water and fluids would move through these layers. The top being ten to the minus one means water can move pretty freely through these layers all the way down to ten to the minus ten, which is essentially a 22 clay, a firm clay, which would essential retard the movement. Water would not move very freely through that 24 strata. 25 So, from our tests, we found from these seven

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10:03 1 that the residents who are living close to the E&P 2 facilities, the former E&P facilities, are digging shallow 3 hand-dug wells. These wells don't have screens, they're 4 not screened wells like some of us would have for our own 5 domestic use. They're exposed to the whole water sample. 6 There are no filters. That's what they're exposed to. 7 That's what they're bathing in, that's what they're using

So, our conclusion is we have found groundwater 10 contamination, and it has been, I would say, contamination 11 to a limited extent around the oilfields that we have 12 investigated. The historical documents that we reviewed 13 would indicate that at the Production Stations, groundwater 14 may be of greater concern.

Given these observations, we see groundwater 15 16 migration, contaminated groundwater migrating tens of 17 meters from the pits and other structures facilities, and

18 this distance is sufficient for this groundwater to 19 discharge to the streams, as Dr. Garvey indicated, because

20 these streams are so proximate most of the time to where

21 the E&P operations were. Also within that limited

22 distance, we observed that the residents of the Oriente are

23 digging their wells within these areas, so they have the

24 potential to be exposed to this contaminated groundwater

25 within these limited areas.

8 for their water resource.

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10:06 1 sites that the results lie within this ten to the minus 2 one, ten to the minus four range, which is indicative of 3 Sand, a silty sand, which would allow water and fluids and 4 any contaminants associated with it to move through the 5 substrata.

Note, that at these seven sites, we did not find 7 the hydraulic properties of clay. That's not to say that at the other sites we didn't encounter clay. We did. And we didn't test those because they would have a low yield, 10 but like I said before, we also observed that they were 11 fractured.

So, with that, we would say that, no, not all pits 13 or spill areas in the Oriente are underlined by impermeable 14 clay.

15 One thing to realize is that if we had this impermeable clay everywhere in the Oriente, the Oriente would essentially be one big swampy area and marsh. So, there would be no way for the water to percolate and to drain, and therefore we would have no agricultural

20 practices, but we know that there are agricultural

21 practices, and it's not a swamp, so we know in areas there

22 is percolation and there is recharge of water to the

23 subsurface.

24 So, with that, we would dismiss the last one that 25 clays, clayey soils prevent contaminant migration.

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10:08 1 THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) So, again. So, having 2 gone through those hypotheses, we would now like to present 3 to you our interpretation of the information that's 4 available.

5 One of the things that we noted is that there is 6 quite a large number of samples, and there is a lot of 7 contamination documented by those samples. We used that 8 information to try to integrate and estimate the amount of 9 petroleum mass that is in the soils of the Oriente. How do 10 we do this?

It's akin to throwing darts at a dart board. I will give you my analogy here is I have a board here, whose distribution of red and black areas is unknown. I have a cover over it, I don't know where it might be black, I don't know where it might be red, but I have the opportunity to take some samples of it and figure out, at least where I take the samples, whether or not it's black or red. So, I'll throw a series of 20 darts like any good statistician or geochemist might do at the site, and figure out for those 20 sites which of them are red and which of them are black.

From my example here, I have thrown 20 darts, I've gotten 11 red ones, I've gotten nine black ones. So arguably based on my sample set at least, I have a pretty good estimate of what I might expect to find in terms of

10:10 1 draw the red/black divisions.

However, if I think about it again, but I put 20 darts near tells me something. It tells me I can expect, if I continue to sample, that about 45 percent of my darts will come back black, about 55 percent of my darts would come back red, and in fact, this the underlying pattern. It's a checkerboard. Look at how many darts I would have to throw at it to actually delineate each square. But we know from a checkerboard it's half black, it's half red, so by throwing a simple 20 darts at this board, I got a good estimate of the amount of black and red area, even though I couldn't tell exactly where it was.

In the same fashion, the data that we have
available in the Oriente represents the same kind of
puzzle. We have lots of measurements, we probably can't
use them to delineate, but there is more than enough
measurements for us to estimate, if you would, the
distribution of black and red, the distribution of
contamination, in the soils of the Oriente. So we applied
this principle to that.

This is a principle that actually comes out of microscopic work, using microscopes to do, for instance, a white blood cell test. When a doctor does a white blood cell test, or a pathologist does a white blood cell test, be puts a smear of blood on a slide and he counts the

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10:09 1 the overall area. I have thrown 20 darts, 11 of them came 2 back black--sorry, 11 came back red, nine black, that's 3 about 55 percent of the area or that 55 percent of the--of 4 my samples are red and 45 percent of my samples are black. 5 Okay, but now I'm subject to interpretation. Do I 6 have enough information in these darts to actually begin to 7 delineate contamination? We would assert no, and this is 8 why. I can optimize this distribution and say, okay, let

9 me optimize because I think the red areas are most 10 important, so I'm going to minimize the black areas and get 11 lots of red areas, and by connecting the dots from this

12 diagram, I can get about 90 percent of the area as red, 13 10 percent of the area as black. That might be one way to 14 interpret the information. Alternatively, I can say no, I

15 think black is most important, so I'm going to delineate to 16 optimize the black areas, so I get 10 percent red, about

17 90 percent black. Okay.

18 You can see that I haven't changed the darts that 19 I have on the board, but my interpretation of where it's 20 red and where it's black is really quite variable, pretty 21 uncertain.

Alternatively, I can say, no, let me make my
mapping match my percentages of my darts, I've got about
percent red, 45 percent black, but again, my boundaries
are not well-defined. Okay? I don't know exactly where to

10:11 1 number of white blood cells in a random distribution of 2 squares on his slide. This is effectively the same thing. 3 Okay.

So, in this way, we can use a limited number of samples and get a very good estimate of the overall integrated mass of contamination in the area.

So, doing that then, this is just an example of
how we might integrate a given site. This is again that
map with the pits at the center, the concentric rings of
zero to 50, 50 to 100 and 100 to 200, and the red points
show you how we would integrate the points based on which
area they belong to. So effectively, for each zone we
would use that available data for that zone across the 51
JI sites and come up with an average of what the
contamination is like in pits, for instance, or in the zero
to 50 meter zone for the 51 JI sites. So we use the
information from the 51 JI sites as an average basis to
estimate the inventory.

I would note again, just to bring it back to the first map that I showed you, that the feature here that I have drawn across 500 meters is half a kilometer. It's the same size as the dots that are on that first map of well sites in the Oriente.

So, if we do that for the 37 well sites, we get the following, we note that the pits are pretty small in Sheet 10 2160 2160

10:13 1 terms of area, which I'm showing you on the left, but if
2 you look at the mass that they contain based on the numbers
3 of points that we have in there, and I believe there is
4 about 50 or 60 points in the pits across the JI sites, the
5 inventory is much more substantial. They represent about
6 1 percent--they represent about 1 percent of the area, but
7 they represent almost 8 percent of the mass. If we now
8 integrate the next two zones, they represent about a third
9 of the total area, but they represent over 80 percent of
10 the mass in the Oriente, around the well sites.

11 Final if we go out between 100 to 200 meters

Final, if we go out between 100 to 200 meters,
that's about two-thirds of the area, but it represents less
than 10 percent of the total mass. From this distribution,
from this integration of points around the different well
sites around the different pits, we reached the conclusion
that the vast majority of TPH contamination, approximately
90 percent, lies outside the pits at the well sites. It's
not contained within the pits. The contamination lies
outside. This represents the escape of contamination from
the pits as well as just general operations, spilling and
general use of those areas for processing or collecting
oil. Okay.

We can do the same thing for the 14 Production Stations that were investigated as part of the JI. And again, you see on the left the distribution of areas and 10:16 1 the Oriente.

The point here is that the TexPet soil site
inventories are massive by any measure, whether we use the
method that Chevron used or if we scaled up to the methods
that we think better represent Total Petroleum
Hydrocarbons, the inventories are huge. They spread out
across the Oriente.

8 And the other point is that this represents the 9 inventory in the period based on the data from 2004 to 10 2009. This does not represent the mass of oil that was 11 actually spilled. This represents the mass of oil that was 12 retained by the soils, an even larger mass might have been 13 spilled in order to generate these soil inventories. Okay.

Now, before I conclude, there has been quite a bit of discussion on blank contamination in the past week or so, and I would like to put--to give you a sample analogy as to how we address, how we think about blank contamination.

19 Blank contamination is effectively akin to white 20 noise on a radio.

21 (Audio played.)

22 THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) It's a signal that's 23 there, is always there on the radio, if your radio is not

24 tuned to a channel.

25 (Audio played.)

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10:14 1 then you see on the right, the distribution of mass.
2 Again, the area less than 100 meters but outside of the
3 pits represent the majority of oil contamination, and, in
4 fact, overall the vast majority of contamination is outside
5 the pits.

If we now take the information from the 51 JI
sites which, as I've argued, are representative in general
of the Oriente and scale it up to the 344 sites, we get the
following, that approximately 90 million kilograms of oil,
or about 660,000 barrels as measured by method 8015 would
be present--are present in the soils of the Oriente. The
distribution is primarily associated with well sites. Why
is that? The Production Stations were more contaminated,
but the Production Stations represent a much smaller total
area, and so since the vast majority of sites are well
sites, they end up representing the vast majority of
inventory.

If we now scale this inventory by the different
metrics that we've used, and you've heard that from
Dr. Strauss on this as well as in some of our Reports, we
scale this to represent the 418 method as opposed to 8015
and we get the following, that the inventory is not 90
million kilograms but 220 million kilograms. And if we use
our TEM method we, in fact, get 460 million kilograms or
about 3.4 million barrels of oil contained in the soils of

10:17 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: For the people listening on
2 headphones, the interpreters and shorthand writers, you're
3 going to become very, very, very unpopular if you continue.
4 THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) I am finished with it.

5 I'm finished with my analogy.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: No more noises.

THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) No more noises. I

apologize, no more noises. Okay.

But you get my point that a radio has a lot of
white noise until you properly tune it into the channel and
you can hear the signal very well despite the fact that
there is white noise underlying that. Okay. In the same
way we do chemistry, we know that there's always blank

14 contamination, there is always a blank present. It's simply a question of whether or not your instruments are

16 sensitive enough to detect it. Okay. So, we detect, when

17 we do our chemical analysis, we recognize that we may have

18 blank contamination. We test for it, and we adjust our

19 signal, we adjust our data accordingly. Okay.

Louis Berger applied state of the art techniques to enable detection to contamination to levels 1,000 times lower than those achieved by Chevron. However, we adjusted

12 Tower chair chose achieved by chevron. However, we adjus

23 for blank concerns following the most stringent of EPA 24 protocols, okay. A Stage 4 data validation done by an

25 independent party. We didn't validate our own data. We

10:18 1 had it done independently. That's a level of validation 2 that's used for legal enforcement. Okay. We do it 3 routinely, because we routinely work for the EPA, we know 4 how to do it, we have been doing it for a better part of 30 5 years. So, that's what I will say about the blank 6 contamination, and I won't turn the radio back on. My apologies.

8 So, to summarize, then, our definition of 9 widespread, we find the contamination in the Oriente is 10 widespread. We find it around the pits, we find that the 11 pits are not bounded, and we find that there is significant 12 potential for streams to be impacted. In fact, we have 13 direct evidence, direct observations that show contaminated

14 sediments in the streams, therefore, representing migration 15 of contamination away from these sites to areas downstream. We find that the Judgment was reasonable. We 17 basically arrived at a similar set of conclusions for our 18 own path just basically reviewing the data, not relying on 19 any of the documents in terms of how they describe their 20 logic but rather we examined the data ourselves and came to 21 the same conclusion that the Oriente is extensively

22 contaminated, and, therefore, that the Judgment is based on 23 a sound scientific basis.

Our opinions are consistent with those of the 25 Judgment. The Judge found that contamination exists across 10:21 1 the Claimants.

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Do you need to have a short break to sort out the 2 3 bundles?

MS. RENFROE: That would be helpful, Mr. 4

President, just three or four minutes. 5

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take five minutes.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you.

8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We are going to ask you each 9 time we break not to discuss the case or your testimony away from the Tribunal, starting now.

(Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

13 There will now be questions from the Claimants.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. President. Good

morning, Members of the Tribunal. 15

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MS. RENFROE:

Good morning, Dr. Garvey and Mr. Goldstein. 18

19 (Dr. Garvey) Good morning.

20 My name is Tracie Renfroe, and I have a few

21 questions this morning.

I'd like to start with making sure I understand

23 the division of labor between the two of you for our

24 discussion this morning. As I think you understand, we'll

25 only need one answer from one of you. Is that acceptable?

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10:20 1 all environmental media. The data in the Lago Agrio Record 2 support this. Okay. Our interpretation of this data is 3 that there are massive amounts of contamination in the 4 soils and sediments of the Oriente.

The Judge awarded monetary relief to address these 6 damages. There is data available in the historical records 7 that demonstrate that TexPet oil operations resulted in 8 environmental damage, and I would point out as well that 9 our Site Investigations collected data that further support 10 the observations that were in the Lago Agrio Record.

Finally, the Judge establishes that soil 12 remediation--sorry, the cleanup level of 100 PPM is 13 required for his--the Judge required a 100 PPM cleanup 14 level. A criterion of 100 PPM is well above background 15 and, therefore, represents a reasonable basis to assess 16 background contamination and contamination that exceeds 17 background.

18 So, with that then, in closing we note that 19 widespread contamination persists to the present day. It 20 continues to impact people, domestic animals, and the 21 environment.

And that's the end of our presentation. 22

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Do you have any more questions?

24 MR. EWING: No further questions.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: There will be questions from

10:28 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct, yes.

> Q. And then in terms of the areas that you will be 3 covering or the division of labor, can one of you describe 4 for me what topics Mr. Goldstein will be handling and what

5 topics you will be handling, Dr. Garvey?

A. (Dr. Garvey) I think in general I will be handling the soils and surface water-related topics. Mr. Goldstein will probably handle groundwater in general.

9 Q. And the Site Investigation, would that be Dr. Garvey as well?

A. (Dr. Garvey) We both--I led the--well, I was

12 involved in the second one. Mr. Goldstein--Ken was

13 involved in the first one, so that was both depending on 14 the question.

Q. Okay. All right. I appreciate that 15 clarification, and--

A. (Dr. Garvey) Surface water I will handle as well. 17

Q. Okay. Now, you should each have in front of you a 18

copy of a binder that has some things that we're going to 20 cover this morning, and then you have also in front of you

21 placed by your counsel your Expert Reports, okay? So,

22 you're free to refer to those materials or anything else

that you may need as we go through this.

24 A. (Dr. Garvey) Okay.

Q. So, let me begin with just a few, I think,

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- 10:29 1 hopefully, matters that are not in dispute.
 - When Mr. Goldstein was deposed in this case and was asked the question of whether he was an expert in diffield operations, he told us that he was not. You
 - 5 recall that, Mr. Goldstein?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes, I do.
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 - 8 you do not consider yourself an expert in oil field
 9 operations?
 - 10 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct.
 - 11 O. Or in oil field contamination sites?
 - 12 A. (Mr. Goldstein) What you do mean by that?
 - 13 Q. Well, you were asked if you were an expert in oil
 - 14 field Exploration and Production, and you said no?
 - 15 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct.
 - 16 Q. And you were asked are you an expert in natural
 - 17 attenuation or bioremediation, and you said no?
 - 18 A. (Mr. Goldstein) I performed bioremediation and
 - 19 natural attenuation studies.
 - 20 Q. But you told us you didn't consider yourself an
 - 21 expert in those matters?
 - 22 A. (Mr. Goldstein) I wouldn't consider myself an
 - 23 expert in bioremediation.
 - Q. Right. And then when you were asked the question,
 - 25 "Is anyone on your team, any of the four people that you

- 10:32 1 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct.
 - Q. Which is exactly what was going on and what we're talking about with respect to the Concession Area?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct.
 - Q. Okay. Now, what I'd like to do is make sure that
 - 6 I understand clearly the scope of the opinions that you and
 - 7 Dr. Garvey have provided. And if I understand your Reports
 - 8 and what you've told us this morning, you are not providing
 - 9 any testimony about matters in the Judgment other than soil 0 and groundwater impacts and those Awards; is that correct?
 - 11 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. We were providing opinions on
 - 12 the technical basis for the Judgment.
 - Q. With respect to the soil remediation Award in the M Judgment?
 - 15 A. (Dr. Garvey) I'm sorry, I really don't understand
 - 16 your question. With respect to the presence of groundwater
 - 17 contamination, presence of soil contamination, and presence
 - 18 of surface water contamination.
 - 19 Q. Right. And is it fair, then, that all other
 - 20 topics for which the Judgment Awarded compensation, that
 - 21 all those other topics are outside the scope of what you've
 - 22 addressed?

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- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I believe so.
 - Q. And that would also include potable water as well,
- 25 wouldn't it?

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- 10:30 1 identified [Mr. McDonald, Mr. Fidler, Mr. Bilimona, and Dr.
 - 2 Garvey], " which I take it refers to Dr. Garvey sitting next
 - 3 to you, are any of them "experts in E and P operations,"
 - 4 meaning exploration and production operations, you said, "I
 - 5 would not characterize that."
 - Do you recall that, sir?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Repeat your question.
 - 8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do it differently.
 - 9 You've got a bundle in front of you. Please turn to Tab 1.
 - 10 BY MS. RENFROE:
 - 0. Tab 1.
 - 12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And you will find the text, and
 - 13 you could read it.
 - MS. RENFROE: Right. And we can put that up,
 - 15 Mr. Johnson.

- We need a quick technical moment. A quick moment
- 17 to make a technical revision.
- 18 Q. Here we are. Here is the excerpt of your
- 19 deposition where you were asked about members of your team
- 20 being experts in E&P, referring to exploration and
- 21 production operations. Do you see that?
- 22 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Oh, yes. Okay. In terms of E&P
- 23 operations, that's correct.
- Q. Right. And that's referring to oil-and-gas
- 25 operations, isn't it?

- 10:33 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Not to the extent that groundwater is 2 potable water or should have been potable water. No, we 3 have opinion on that.
 - Q. And if you have said in your Report that you've not addressed potable water, are you prepared to stand by
 - 6 what you said in your Reports?
 - $7\,$ $\,$ A. (Dr. Garvey) Certainly, we're prepared to stand by 8 our Reports.
 - Q. Okay. Now, I understand that you have not
 - 10 provided any endorsement or opinion about the monetary
 - 11 Awards in the Judgment; is that correct?
 - 12 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - 13 Q. And with respect to the--so, the amount of
 - 14 \$5.4 billion that was awarded in the Judgment for soil
 - 15 remediation, you've not addressed the adequacy of that
 - 16 amount, have you?
 - 17 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, we have not.
 - Q. And you've not addressed whether the
 - 19 extent--you've not addressed the extent of soil impacts
 - 20 throughout the Concession Area, have you?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) We certainly examined the extent of
 - 22 soil contamination throughout the Oriente based on the
 - 23 available data; as we presented, we don't have enough data 24 to delineate it.
 - Q. So, you can't tell us for any particular site the

- 10:34 1 actual extent of soil impacts at any given site, can you, 2 sir?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Not in a definitive sense, no.
 - Q. And the same would be true for the extent of any sediment impacts to any stream at any particular site?
 - A. Again, we integrated the information to examine to site as a whole; we can infer from the magnitude and the extent of the data what it might be like in an individual one, but for an individual one, we cannot draw the individual boundaries.
 - 11 Q. Meaning that for any particular site you cannot 12 tell us the extent of impacts to sediments, if there is a 13 stream there?
 - 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) Not directly, no.
 - Q. All right. And then with respect to impacts to groundwater, you also cannot tell us the extent to which groundwater has been impacted, if it has been impacted, at any particular site, can you?
 - 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, we cannot. That was not our 20 scope, and that was not what we needed to do.
 - Q. And likewise, to the extent that you think you may
 - $22\,\,$ have spoken to the issue of potable water or drinking
 - 23 water, once again, you're not able to tell us the extent of
 - 24 any impacts to drinking water at any particular site if
 - 25 drinking water has even been impacted?

- 10:37 1 chemically distinguish between Party A and Party B with
 2 respect to the source of an impact that may be measured in
 3 an environmental sample?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct. They're both producing the same oil.
 - Q. Right. And, likewise, if you were to look at a photograph of what appears to be soil impacted with oil, you cannot tell by looking at that photograph whose poperations led to that impact, can you?
 - 10 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, but why would we look at a 11 photograph out of context. We would want to know what site 12 it had come from. But by the photograph itself, no, we 13 wouldn't know that.
 - Q. And likewise, if you were in the field actually at a given site and you observe oil on the surface of the soil or on the ground, just by looking at that oil, you cannot necessarily tell whose actions caused it, can you?
 - 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, but in that case we would know 19 what field we were on or what feature we were examining.
 - 20 We would know who had created it; but in and of itself, we 21 wouldn't that, but we would know that in context because
 - 22 we'd know what site we were visiting, who had operated it,
 - 23 who is likely to be responsible. But the observation
 - 24 itself wouldn't tell you that. You'd have to know the
 - 25 history of the site.

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- 10:35 1 A. No, that's correct.
 - Q. Correct?
 - 3 A. Yes

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- 4 Q. All right. Now, would you also agree with me
- 5 that--well, I'm going back to something I read in one of 6 your Reports, which is that, when you look at an analytical
- 7 result for a given environmental sample, that you cannot
- 8 chemically distinguish between the source--between Party A $\,$
- 9 or Party B as to the source of that impact?
- 10 $\,$ MR. EWING: Counsel, I would just object. If 11 you're going to look at his Reports, could we give them a
- 12 citation to where you're asking about?
- MS. RENFROE: I may be able to do that, but let just--well, let's look at Tab 2--actually, it's not Tab 2,
- 15 sorry. It's not Tab 2.
- I can probably pull it up, but I wonder if we
- 17 can--
- 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Given the objection, why not
- 19 ask it without reference to the report as a general
- 20 question.
- 21 MS. RENFROE: Sure. Okay. Thank you for that
- 22 guidance.
- BY MS. RENFROE:
- Q. So, putting your Reports aside, would you agree that with respect to this case that you are not able to

- 10:38 1 Q. You'd have to know the history of the site,
 - 2 including both historical and current operations about the 3 site, wouldn't you?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's correct.
 - 5 Q. All right. So, speaking of the history of the 6 site, I'd like to sort of go back to some of the historical 7 context for these Concession sites, and again, let's see if 8 we have some points of common ground in our understanding
 - 9 about them.
 - So, you would agree with me that TexPet was the Operator for the former Concession Area until June 30 of 12 1990. Do we agree on that?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And the next month, July of 1990, Petroecuador
 - 15 took over as the operator of the Concession Area; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's our understanding.
 - 17 Q. And you also understand that Petroecuador has 18 operated the Concession Area continuously through the
 - 19 present?

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- 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 0. And, in fact, it's also your understanding, is it
- 22 not, that not only has Petroecuador or its affiliates
- 23 operated these sites, but in many places they've actually
- 24 expanded operations, haven't they?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's correct.

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- 10:39 1 O. While you were out there on your Site
 - 2 Investigations, you saw some of those expanded activities,

 - A. (Dr. Garvey) We didn't visit any of their sites,
 - 5 but we certainly saw the sites--passed by some of the sites 6 they had developed.
 - Q. Right. Now, back to the actual period of TexPet's
 - 8 operations, you're familiar with the fact that, after
 - 9 TexPet completed its period of operatorship and handed over
 - 10 operations to Petroecuador, that the Republic of Ecuador,
 - 11 Petroecuador, and TexPet jointly engaged HBT Agra to
 - 12 conduct an audit of the oil fields--pardon me, I apologize
 - 13 for stepping over your answer.
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, we were aware of that.
 - Q. In fact, you have reviewed and relied upon the HBT 15
 - 16 audit for your work in this case, haven't you?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - Q. And did you note in the HBT audit that there were 18
 - 19 numerous places where HBT recorded or documented operating
 - impacts at these sites by Petroecuador?
 - (Dr. Garvey) Ken, do you want to answer?
 - (Mr. Goldstein) Can you repeat the question again,
 - 23 please.

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- Q. Yes, sir. In your review of the HBT Agra Audit
- 25 Report, did you notice that HBT documented operating

- 10:42 1 O. And, in fact, if we--let me direct you to--let's
 - 2 see if I can find it--right. If we go to Tab 5, and pull
 - 3 up Slide 5, this is a slide that Mr. Connor presented in
 - 4 his direct testimony, which you may have seen, and I put it
 - here just to help you recall that there were 157 sites
 - where some feature was assigned to TexPet.
 - Do you see that, sir?
 - (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - O. And then 187 sites where there was no remediation
 - 10 feature assigned to TexPet.
 - Do you see that?
 - 12 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 13 And that's consistent with your understanding of
 - the Remedial Action Plan?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) In general, that simply the work was
 - split between the two entities, yes.
 - Q. Right. And Mr. Goldstein, were you able to find
 - the slide?
 - 19 A. (Mr. Goldstein) I have it.
 - 20 Okay. Very good. 0.
 - 21 (Mr. Goldstein) I'm keeping up.
 - Also it's on the screen, obviously, if I get ahead
 - 23 of you.

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- 24 So, then do you both understand that pursuant to
- 25 the Remedial Action Plan that the Parties agreed, that

- 10:41 1 impacts by Petroecuador at these sites in the Concession 2 Area.
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes, that's correct.
 - Q. All right. Now, again, just trying to travel
 - 5 through the chronology of what happened, after HBT
 - 6 conducted its audit, the Parties--that is, Petroecuador,
 - 7 the Republic of Ecuador through its Ministry of Energy and
 - 8 Mines, and TexPet--then agreed on the Settlement Agreement
 - 9 and the Remedial Action Plan; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's our understanding, but we
 - 11 don't have any opinion on that, yes.
 - Q. And that Settlement Agreement and Remedial Action
 - 13 Plan were agreed by the Parties in 1995. Is that generally
 - 14 your understanding?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) In general, yes. 15
 - Q. Right. Have you--do you also understand that the 16
 - 17 Remedial Action Plan in that document, the Parties
 - 18 allocated certain sites and certain features at certain
 - 19 sites to TexPet for remediation?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - O. Which meant that the balance of the features at a
 - 22 given site remained with Petroecuador for remediation, to
 - 23 the extent that remediation was needed; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That was our understanding--that is
 - 25 our understanding.

- 10:43 1 there was no single site that was assigned to TexPet in its 2 entirety for remediation?
 - MR. EWING: Counselor, are you asking for the 4 legal conclusions related to this or just their
 - 5 understanding?
 - MS. RENFROE: Just their understanding, based on the Remedial Action Plan.
 - THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) I don't know that we
 - 9 thought about it in that kind of context, to be honest. 10
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - 11 Well, if you--so, I take it, then, you have not
 - 12 actually studied the tables that are contained in the
 - 13 Remedial Action Plan to see which pits were assigned to
 - 14 TexPet and which were not?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) We used those tables to identify 15
 - 16 features that we would investigate, but we didn't a priori
 - 17 decide which sites--we didn't pick on the basis that this
 - 18 was exclusively a TexPet site that we knew--I mean, we
 - picked some sites that we knew were exclusively
 - 20 TexPet-operated but not TexPet-remediated.
 - O. So, it doesn't surprise you, then, to recognize
 - 22 that, at a given site within this population of 157 sites,
 - 23 there would be a mix of features assigned to TexPet in the
 - 24 Remedial Action Plan or what I might call RAP features,
 - 25 with non-RAP features at that site. Do you understand

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- (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. Right. And then, as I've also, I think, we've
- 4 established, but let's make sure for the record, you
- 5 recognize that the entire Concession Area was not assigned
- 6 to TexPet for remediation in the Remedial Action Plan;
- 7 correct?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And so, is it also your understanding that
- 10 Petroecuador was continuing to operate these sites in the
- 11 Concession Area even after TexPet had begun Remedial Action
- 12 at the items assigned to it?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) The ones that were still producing, 13
- 14 yes, some of the sites were closed, but the ones that were
- 15 still producing were transferred to Petroecuador and they
- 16 continued to operate.
- Q. Right. So, then, let's go to the next slide, 17
- 18 Slide 6 here, and I think just to have a visual
- 19 illustration of the point I was making, this is
- 20 Shushufindi 45A, another slide that Mr. Connor used in his
- 21 presentation. And we see the differentiation between the
- 22 two pits, the two RAP pits that were assigned to TexPet,
- 23 that's Pit 1A and Pit 3. Do you see that, sir?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And then Pits 1 and 2 were not assigned to TexPet

10:47 1 TexPet in remediating the RAP pits.

- Do you see this, sir?
- Q. And I'm speaking to both of you. I don't mean to be leaving anybody out of the discussion. 5
 - You have seen this image before, haven't you?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And it's your understanding that this was the
- 9 process that TexPet used pursuant to the agreement with
- 10 Ecuador and Petroecuador for remediating the RAP pits;
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. (Dr. Garvey) It's our understanding that this is
- what--you've presented this as part of Mr. Connor's Report.
- I have no reason to have any exception to it.
- Q. Okay. And it is -- would it also be your
- 16 understanding that the Remedial Action Plan was developed
- 17 at a time when the Republic of Ecuador had not yet
- published any quantitative remediation standards? If you
- have any understanding about that, one way or the other.
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) The question was--(Technical difficulties.)
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- 22 Q. Let me withdraw the question and ask one that I
- 23 think is a little bit more simpler, or more direct, more
- 24 direct, and that is the Parties in the Remedial Action--
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I interrupt? We're not

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10:46 1 and are therefore classified as non-RAP. Do you see that, 2 sir?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I see what's presented here, 3 4 yes.
- Q. Right. And all of the other features at this 6 location, whatever they might be, none of those other
- 7 features were assigned to TexPet in the Remedial Action
- Plan, and, therefore, would be non-RAP features; correct?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know. I mean, I don't know
- 10 what was assigned and what wasn't, but I can--I will accept 11 your word at this point.
- Q. Okay. And so, as you did your Site Investigation
- 13 work, I take it that you did not confirm that every sample 14 that you were taking was within a RAP feature assigned to
- 15 TexPet, did you?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) No, in fact, we purposely targeted 16
- 17 areas that were not RAP in some instances. Q. And, in fact, your data, the data that you
- 19 produced as a result of your Site Investigation, in fact,
- 20 measures the conditions at many non-RAP features in these
- 21 sites, doesn't it?
- 22 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. Now, if you turn to the next slide, that is
- 24 Slide 8 under Tab 5, you will see a picture or a slide that
- 25 depicts the eight step process used for remediation by

- 10:48 1 very happy about the single microphone. At the next break
 - 2 we are going to have a second microphone installed so we
 - 3 don't have anybody touching the microphone unnecessarily.
 - 4 It may be convenient to do that now, if you're having
 - 5 trouble.

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- MS. RENFROE: I'm happy to accommodate, whatever,
- 7 Mr. President, you would like to do.
- (Pause.)
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's continue.
- 10 MS. RENFROE: Thank you.
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
- Q. Mr. Goldstein, I was asking, do you 12
- 13 understand--and asking both of you, but do you understand
- 14 that in the Remedial Action Plan, the Parties established
- an agreed remediation criteria for treatment of
- contaminated soils and pits?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes.
- 18 Q. And that Agreement between the Republic of
- 19 Ecuador, Petroecuador, and TexPet with respect to pits
- 20 provided that the remediation standard would be 1,000 parts
- 21 per million TPH measured by the TCLP test; correct?
- MR. EWING: I would object. Are we asking again
- 23 legal conclusions here? We're getting into interpretation 24 of the RAP.
 - MS. RENFROE: Well, I'm happy to take him to the

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- 10:50 1 RAP, if that would be helpful.
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. Would you like to look at the RAP document? Would that be helpful?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) We could.
 - O. I think it is at Tab 9.
 - 7 And if you turn to Page 9 of Tab 9, you will find
 - 8 the Parties' agreed remediation criteria.
 - 9 Specifically, you might want to look at
 - 10 Section 2.4.4.
 - 11 Do you see that, sir?
 - 12 A. (Dr. Garvey) I'm not there yet.
 - 13 Q. Okay.
 - 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 15 Q. And in this section, the Parties have agreed that
 - 16 the soil will be tested--will be treated and stabilized and
 - 17 will be tested and treated until it has less than 1,000
 - 18 parts per million TPH as measured by a modified TCLP
 - 19 procedure.
 - 20 Do you see that, sir?
 - 21 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And it's your understanding that was the first of
 - 23 the criteria to be used for remediation of pits; correct?
 - 4 A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know that, but--
 - 25 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct. There was a

- 10:53 1 were permitted by the Parties to remain in the pits;
 - 2 correct?

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- A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes.
- Q. And prior to March of 1997, prior to when that
- 5 5,000 criteria was added, amounts of TPH greater than that
- 6 could remain in the pit or be left in the pit provided the
- 7 TCLP criteria was met; correct?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) There is the potential for that since it wasn't measured.
- Q. Right. So, then, is it also your understanding
- 11 that, as the remediation process unfolded, inspectors for
- 12 the Republic of Ecuador, through their Ministry of Energy
- 13 and Mines, and inspectors for Petroecuador monitored
- 14 TexPet's remediation of these pits?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 16 Q. And I take it you've seen documents prepared by
- 17 those monitors and as part of the oversight process for the
- 18 remediation work, haven't you?
- 19 MR. EWING: Counsel, again, if we're going to be
- 20 looking at documents, could we please--
- 21 MS. RENFROE: Certainly.
- 22 BY MS. RENFROE:
- 0. Let's go back to Tab 5, and if you look at
- 24 Slide 9. Do you have those, that slide in front of you?
- 25 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

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- 10:51 1 modification following that.
 - Q. There was a modification in March of 1997;
 - 3 correct?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Correct.
 - Q. And that modification added an additional criteria
 - 6 and said that the soils in the pits or the contents of the
 - 7 pits must have no more than 5,000 parts per million TPH;
 - 8 correct?
 - 9 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct.
 - 10 Q. And so, from March of 1997, there was that dual
 - 11 remediation criteria; right?
 - 12 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's correct.
 - 13 Q. But before March of 1997, there was only the
 - 14 single remediation criteria which was the TCLP test; right?
 - 15 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That's our understanding.
 - 16 Q. And under either one of those criteria, whether
 - 17 before March of 1997 or after March of 1997, you understand
 - 18 that it was the Parties' agreement that the method of
 - 19 remediation of pits would permit certain amounts of TPH to
 - 20 remain in the closed pit post remediation?
 - 21 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Well, I'm not going to make a
 - 22 legal determination of what that agreement enforcement was,
 - 23 but my understanding is the criteria for closure was 5,000
 - 24 parts per million after, I think, March of 1997.
 - Q. Which meant that amounts of TPH, 5,000 or below,

- .0:54 1 Q. And this slide, just quickly summarizes the
 - 2 various Actas that were issued as part of the remediation
 - 3 monitoring process. Do you understand that?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) I quess, they're written in Spanish,
 - 5 and I have to admit I don't speak any.
 - 6 Q. Have you, Dr. Garvey, you have not read any of the
 - 7 remediation Actas, even those that have been translated
 - 8 into English?
 - 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) I have read some. Mr. Goldstein has
 - 10 read more than I have.
 - 11 Q. Okay. So, fair to say you both understand that
 - 12 these Actas documented the monitoring and oversight of the
 - 13 remediation process by the Republic of Ecuador?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 15 O. Is that correct, sir?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's my understanding.
 - 17 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes.
 - Q. Okay. And then you see this group of 19 Approval
 - 19 Actas, that is--one of which is summarized in the middle of
 - 20 this slide?

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- 21 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 22 Q. You understand that these Approval Actas were the
- 23 instruments issued by the Republic of Ecuador confirming
- 24 that pits remediated by TexPet had been properly remediated
- 25 to their satisfaction?

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- 10:55 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) To the requirements laid out in the 2 RAP. Is that--
 - $\tt 3$ $\tt Q.$ Yes, sir, to the requirements laid out in the RAP $\tt 4$ and to the satisfaction of the Republic of Ecuador.
 - 5 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's--again, that's our 6 understanding, yes.
 - Q. Right. And then, finally if you move over to the right, you will see the Final Acta dated September of 1998, signed by various representatives from the Republic of Ecuador, and maybe we can blow this up on the right-hand
 - 11 side. Hopefully we could see that a little larger. Thank 12 you, Mr. Johnson.
 - And you see the various signatures from representatives of the Ministry of Energy and Mines at the top?
 - 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 17 Q. And on the left, the Petroecuador organization?
 - 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 19 Q. And representatives of TexPet having signed the,
 - 20 the two gentlemen on the left and right on the bottom;
 - 21 right?
 - 22 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 23 Q. And then just in the upper right, you see a
 - 24 representative of Petroproducción, who is one of the State
 - 25 oil companies that was involved in the oversight of the

10:58 1 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Thank you.

Q. Sure.

3 Even before TexPet completed its remediation work 4 at the features and at the sites that were assigned to it, 5 you recognized that Petroecuador was operating those sites 6 and, in fact, had experienced spills and releases of oil at 7 those sites?

- 8 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yeah, our review from the audit 9 indicated such.
- 10 Q. Right. Okay. And do you also recognize that 11 Petroecuador did not undertake its own remediation program 12 like TexPet's remediation program at that time?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know that we'd know that.
- 14 Q. You haven't seen any documentation to that effect, 15 have you?
- 16 A. (Mr. Goldstein) That Petroecuador enacted its own 17 remediation program?
- 18 Q. Let me withdraw the question and give you a better 19 one. I apologize. I think I can be more precise.
- The point I'm trying to explore with you is: Back in 1995 through 1998, when TexPet was undertaking and
- 22 implementing its remediation program, you have not seen any
- $23\,$ information to suggest that Petroecuador was doing the same

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- 24 thing at that time?
- 25 A. (Mr. Goldstein) We have no idea of that.

10:57 1 Remedial Action program; correct?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) I see that, yes.
- Q. And so, what we see in this Final Acta is the
- 4 final agreement in which these various entities with the 5 Republic of Ecuador and Petroecuador and Petroproducción
- 6 had concluded and were satisfied that TexPet had fully
- 7 performed its obligations under the Remedial Action Plan?
- 8 MR. EWING: Objection. It's calling for a legal 9 conclusion.
- 10 BY MS. RENFROE:
- 11 Q. Is that generally your understanding about what 12 this Final Acta accomplishes?
- 13 A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't--I mean, in some general 14 sense, I quess. I don't really have an opinion here.
- 15 Q. All right. Now, are you familiar with the fact
- 16 that even before TexPet began its remediation work that
- 17 Petroecuador was not only operating these sites but, in
- 10 fort hele and not only operating these steed such in
- 18 fact, had environmental impacts at these sites? You've
- 19 read that in the HBT Report, haven't you?
- 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) Ken?
- 21 A. (Mr. Goldstein) There has been documentation that
- 22 Petroecuador was--so, you're saying that
- 23 Petroecuador--before I guess, why don't you repeat your
- 24 question.
- 95 Q. Happy to do it.

- 11:00 1 Q. Right. So, then, would you recognize that if 2 Petroecuador was not remediating pits that were not
 - 3 assigned to TexPet but was continuing to operate at these
 - 4 sites, that it was causing impacts or it could be causing
 - 5 impacts at these sites; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that would be correct, yes.
 - Q. All right. Okay. Now, moving forward in time, and I want to ask just one more question, and we may be at
 - heta a good stopping point for a morning break.
 - 10 Moving forward in time after the 1998--after the 11 remediation was complete in 1998 and the Final Release was
 - 12 issued, moving forward in time to 2001, are you familiar
 - 13 with the fact that the Republic of Ecuador adopted a set of
 - 14 environmental regulations governing oilfield operations
 - 15 that is sometimes referred to as Decree 1215, or the RAOH 16 criteria?
 - 17 MR. EWING: Counsel, again, object to the legal 18 conclusion or aspect of this. This is outside the scope of 19 our Environmental Expert's expertise.
 - MS. RENFROE: Let me respond, if I might,
 - 21 Mr. President. I'm not asking for a legal interpretation,
 - 22 only whether they are familiar with the fact that the
 - 23 Republic of Ecuador adopted oilfield regulations governing 24 oilfield operations in 2001.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: We will allow the question.

- 11:01 1 MS. RENFROE: Pardon me?
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: We will allow the question.
 - MS. RENFROE: Thank you.
 - THE WITNESS: (Mr. Goldstein) Yes, it is our
 - 5 understanding that, in 2001, the Decree 1215 was enacted, I
 - 6 believe so.
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - 8 Is it also your understanding that that set of 9 regulations governed oilfield operations specifically?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) I don't recall if it's just
 - 11 specifically or just exclusive to oilfield operations.
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 - 13 MS. RENFROE: Mr. President, this may be a good
 - 14 time for a morning break.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a 15-minute break,
 - 16 and come back--we will come back in 15 minutes.
 - 17 (Brief recess.)
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 18
 - 19 MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. President.
 - 20 BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. Gentlemen, let's return to Tab 10 in your binder,
 - 22 which is Decree 1215 that we were speaking about just
 - 23 before the break.
 - And I had a chance to check your Report. And just
 - 25 to refresh your recollection--and you can certainly look at

- 11:23 1 there are variable levels that are permitted by the 2 Republic of Ecuador?
 - - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - MR. EWING: Counsel, are we asking again for the 5 legal conclusions here?
 - MS. RENFROE: No. I'm certainly aware that these
 - 7 gentlemen are not lawyers, and I'm not trying to bind
 - 8 anybody. I'm simply trying to ask their understanding of
 - 9 the regulatory criteria as they actually addressed them in
 - 10 their First Report Section 2.2.5.
 - MR. EWING: And, Mr. President, I just would 11
 - 12 raise--I asked similar questions of Mr. Connor regarding
 - regulations in Ecuador, and counsel objected, so if we
 - could just maintain parity in what we are addressing?
 - 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It is being maintained. We're
 - 16 not taking anything from the law from these people or, 17 indeed, from other factual or technical experts, but if
 - 18 they deal with it in their Report, they can be asked
 - 19 questions about it, but not for their legal conclusions, so
 - 20 I think that clears it up.
 - BY MS. RENFROE: 21
 - 22 Q. So, the only point that I want to make, and to do
 - 23 so it might be easier for you if we look at Table 6 of the
 - 24 RAOH criteria, and that's in your Tab 10, and I would
 - 25 direct you to Page 70 of your Tab 10. The small binder.

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- 11:21 1 your Report if you want to, but in your First Report dated
 - 2 February 2013 at Page 11, you have a section in your Report
 - 3 entitled, "Ecuadorian Regulations Currently In Effect."
 - 4 And you cite there the RAOH and TULAS numerical criteria.
 - Do you recall that, Mr. Goldstein? 5
 - (Mr. Goldstein) Let's just check.
 - Sure, go ahead. Page 11 of your First Report.
 - (Mr. Goldstein) I think we're going to run out of 9 room on this table.
 - I'm sympathetic. 10
 - (Mr. Goldstein) Page? 11
 - Right. Page 11. 12
 - And it's up on the screen as well. 13
 - 14 (Mr. Goldstein) Okay.
 - Q. I just wanted to establish for the benefit of the 15
 - 16 Tribunal that you in your First Report had addressed the
 - Ecuadorian numerical criteria for oil field operations?
 - (Mr. Goldstein) Correct. 18 Α.
 - 19 Right. Okay. So, now I'd like to just confirm
 - 20 what I think is not controversial, but I just want to make
 - 21 sure that you are aware that Ecuador has published in the
 - 22 RAOH Decree 1215 regulations permissible limits for oil
 - 23 field compounds that may be left in soils; correct?
 - 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's our understanding.
 - Q. Right. And depending on the use of the land,

- 11:24 1 A. Page 70.
 - Q. Page 70, and what I want to direct you to begins 3 on Page 70, but it trails over to Page 71.
 - You see Table 6 is cited there? And let me know 5 when you're ready. Ready?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes.
 - Q. Okay. So, if we look at Table 6, it says,
 - "permitted limits for the identification and remediation of
 - contaminated soils in all phases of the hydrocarbon
 - industry." Do you see that, sir?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And then just quickly, we see the three different
 - 13 types of land use, agricultural, industrial, and sensitive 14 ecosystems.
 - 15 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, we see that.
 - O. And then for each of these various chemical
 - 17 compounds that are used in petroleum operations, we see

 - there is a permissible limit established; right?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. So, for example, total hydrocarbons stated as TPH 20
 - 21 for agricultural land, the Government of Ecuador permits up
 - 22 to 2500 parts per million of TPH to remain in soils;
 - 23 correct?

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- 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that true.
- Q. And then likewise for industrial use land such as

11:26 1 Oil Platforms, the Republic of Ecuador says that 4,000 2 parts per million TPH may remain in soils; right?

parts per million of TPH can remain in soils.

- A. (Dr. Garvey) That's our understanding.
- Q. And then the third category of land use there is 5 sensitive ecosystems which you may know is a specially 6 earmarked category, and there the Republic says only 1,000

Do you see that?

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- (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I see the thousand there, yes. A.
- (Mr. Goldstein) Right. 10
- Now, it's your understanding, isn't it, that the 11
- 12 Republic of Ecuador's environmental regulations for oil
- 13 field operations are protective of the environment, aren't
- (Dr. Garvey) No, we're not really--we don't really 15 A. 16 opine on that.
- Q. You don't have an opinion on that? 17
- A. (Dr. Garvey) We haven't been asked to offer an 18
- 19 opinion on that.
- Q. But you're not here telling this Tribunal that 20
- 21 they're not protective of the environment, are you?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Dr. Strauss offered that opinion, and
- 23 I believe perhaps one of our earlier experts offered an
- 24 opinion on that. That's really not our--we're not really
- 25 planning to--we haven't planned to opine on that.

11:28 1 So, are you aware, sir, that the Judgment,

- 2 notwithstanding the fact that Ecuador has its own
- 3 environmental regulations for oil field operations, and
- 4 notwithstanding the fact that TexPet had an agreement in
- 5 the Remedial Action Plan for the permissible limits of TPH 6 that could be in soils after remediation, you're aware of
- 7 the fact that, notwithstanding those two things, the
- 8 Judgment adopts a remediation criteria of 100 parts per
- million TPH for soils?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. Now, are you also aware of the fact that when 11
- Petroecuador did begin to remediate pits at former
- Concession sites that were not assigned to TexPet, that it
- 14 follows this Decree 1215 or RAOH criteria? Have you seen
- 15 that in the documents you've reviewed?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) What program are you referring to?
- 17 Q. Sure. Let me see if I can take you to something
- that you told us about in your Report. Just bear with me
- while I find it.
- 20 Okay. Let's look at Tab 13, actually Tab 13,
- 21 Slide 2.

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- 22 So, what I have excerpted here is a portion of
- your December 2013 Report at Pages 59 and 60.
 - (Witnesses conferring.)
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Sorry, I'm just directing him.

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11:30 1 O. No problem.

In your Report you observe, "for soils at well

3 sites and Production Stations that are within the boundary 4 of E&P operations, the RAOH Table 6 permissible limit for

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5 Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons or (TPH) of 2,500 milligrams

6 per kilogram for agricultural land use is considered to be

applicable to determine whether remediation was successful.

This is the standard adopted by Petroamazonas under the 9 PEPDA program."

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I read that correctly?

- 11 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 12 Q. From your own Report?
- 13 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 14 And so you recognized that, at least under the
- 15 PEPDA program, Petroecuador has remediated sites in the
- Concession Area applying these RAOH or Decree 1215
- standards; correct?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) It's our understanding that they 18
- apply the RAOH Standards. It's not always 2,500 milligrams
- per kilogram, but, yes.
- 0. It would depend on the land, the particular site
- 22 and the use that that land is being put to, wouldn't it?
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. But where the land is considered agricultural,
- 25 then 2500 parts per million TPH is what they use?

- Q. And so, if someone characterized your Reports or
- 2 your testimony as suggesting that you were saying that 3 the--that Ecuador's environmental regulations for oil field
- 4 operations are not protective of the environment, that
- 5 would be an incorrect characterization of your testimony;
- 6 is that correct?

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- A. (Dr. Garvey) Can you restate that, please?
- 9 If someone were characterizing your testimony
- 10 either today or in your Reports as if saying that Ecuador's
- 11 environmental regulations in this Decree 1215 are not
- 12 protective of the environment, that would be a
- 13 misinterpretation or mischaracterization of your testimony, 14 wouldn't it?
- 15 (Witnesses conferring.)
- (Mr. Goldstein) We're not saying that the 16
- 17 regulations here are not--if that's your question--are we
- 18 saying that they're not protective?
- 19 Q. Yes, sir, that's the question.
- (Mr. Goldstein) We're not opining on if these are
- 21 protective or not, but we would say that--we don't think
- 22 that they would not be protective if they promulgated these
- 23 regulations.
- Q. Okay. And then--let's move on, then. You can
- 25 close that page. We're going to move on to something else.

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- 11:32 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's our understanding.
 - Q. Right. And so, that means that, in places where
 - 3 Petroecuador has remediated soils applying these same
 - 4 criteria, that means that they are permitted to leave up to
 - 5 2500 parts per million TPH in soils at those sites they've
 - 6 remediated; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That would be our understanding.
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Right.
 - 9 Q. Now, on this issue that you spoke about in your
 - 10 presentation about the use of 100 parts per million TPH as
 - 11 the remediation criteria in the Judgment, you're not saying
 - 12 that 100 parts per million TPH would be necessary to
 - 13 protect the environment, are you?
 - 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, we did not offer an opinion on
 - 15 that.

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- 16 Q. Right. In fact, I think you observed that in one
- 17 of your prior reports--and we could look at your own
- 18 language if you look at the slide before--that would be the
- 19 first slide of Tab 13--didn't you observe in one of your
- 20 prior reports that 1,000 parts per million TPH would be
- 21 sufficient to promote restoration of E&P facilities to
- 22 pre-oil production conditions?
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) I'd like to look at our Report.
 - Q. Certainly, sir. I think if you look at your
- 25 Second Report, December 2013, Page 60.

- 11:35 1 achieving this, they would--they would satisfy this. I
 - 2 don't think this is our opinion. This is our
 - 3 interpretation of their approach.
 - 4 Q. So, you're telling us, you're not advocating 1,000
 - 5 parts per million TPH as the remediation standard?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) We are not making any
 - 7 legal--that's a legal determination as to what regulations
 - 8 would apply.

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- Q. Right.
- 10 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Simply and as you read the other
- 11 reports and we refine our opinions, we take our data and we
- 12 compare it to all the criteria, that this was for putting
- 13 the data into context, but we are not--we are not offering
- 14 opinion as to which regulation, which permissible limit
- 15 would apply. That, I believe, is a legal determination.
- 16 Q. Understood. So, you're not advocating either the
- $17\,\,$ use of 100 parts per million that's used in the Judgment?
- 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, no.
- 19 O. Am I correct?
- 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, we're not advocating.
- Q. Nor are you advocating the use of a 1,000 parts
- 22 per million TPH criteria, either?
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, we're not.
 - Q. You're not advocating any particular criteria to
- 25 be used, are you?

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- 11:34 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Sorry, which tab?
 - Q. Well, that's your bundle, so I'd have to defer to
 - 3 your counsel, but it's your Second Report?
 - 4 A. (Dr. Garvey) Third tab. And what page did you
 - 5 say?
 - 6 Q. Yes, sir, it's Page 60, second paragraph, I
 - 7 believe?
 - 8 A. (Dr. Garvey) Sorry, I'm just trying to find it.
 - 9 Q. Oh, certainly. I think it's in the second
 - 10 paragraph.
 - 11 Actually, first full paragraph. It's the
 - 12 paragraph that says, "It should be noted."
 - 13 A. (Dr. Garvey) Right.
 - 14 Q. Right. So, what you're saying here--have you
 - 15 found the language?
 - 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 17 Q. Right. So, what you're seeing here and which I
 - 18 just quoted on the slide, is that in your view, the
 - 19 sensitive ecosystem limit of 1,000 parts per million would,
 - 20 to quote you, "effectively allow environmentally
 - 21 unconstrained land use in the restored area and promote
 - 22 restoration of the E&P sites to pre-crude oil production
 - 23 conditions."
 - 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) I think we're stating here that it
 - 25 was the Republic's intention to achieve that, and that by

- 11:37 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, because that's again a legal 2 decision.
 - 3 Q. Okay. Now, would you--I'm going to change topics
 - 4 just a little bit. I want to go back to now a point that
 - 5 I've observed in your Reports about your use of criteria in
 - 6 declaring certain samples to be contaminated. So, I'm
 - 7 switching gears just a little bit.
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Okay.
 - Q. But hopefully we've got some foundations
 - 10 established about what Ecuador's environmental regulations
 - 11 actually are.

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- 12 So, am I correct that, at times in your Reports,
- 13 you have concluded that certain samples are
- 14 contaminated--and I'm using that word in quotes now,
- 15 "contaminated"--even if they are below Ecuador's Decree
- 16 1215 criteria?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's correct.
- 18 Q. Okay. And to illustrate this, let's look at an
- 19 example, and so let's go back to Tab 5 of the small bundle
- 20 in front of you. And specifically, why don't we look at
- 21 Slides 31 and 32.
- 22 This is another slide from--sorry.
- 23 (Pause.)
- Q. You want to go to Slide 31. This is another slide
- 25 from Mr. Connor's presentation in which he was observing

11:39 1 that your approach--in your approach, you conclude samples 2 are contaminated, even if they are below Ecuador's Decree 3 1215 criteria, so that's what this slide is about. And you 4 just told me, I believe, that, in fact, you have concluded 5 certain samples are contaminated, to use that word, even if 6 they are below Ecuador's Decree 1215 criteria.

A. (Dr. Garvey) Right. I mean, the background level 8 of soils, the background level of Total Petroleum 9 Hydrocarbons in these soils is on the scale of 20 parts per 10 million. Essentially anything that analytically confirms 11 that the actual concentration is 50 to 100 parts per 12 million or higher is unequivocally contaminated. It is 13 simply whether or not it meets some legal threshold as to 14 what you need to do about it, but from the chemical 15 perspective, a sample of 100 million per million Total 16 Petroleum Hydrocarbons is unequivocally contaminated. It's 17 only a question of whether or not you could live with it at 18 that level.

19 Q. And you're not superseding or second-quessing the judgment of the Republic of Ecuador and its Ministries as 21 to what they have concluded is tolerable and permissible 22 for oil field operations, are you?

A. (Dr. Garvey) No.

Q. All right. And so, when we read your Reports,

25 it's important that we should recognize that when you use

11:42 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) No. No. I'd like to see our Report, 2 but I can state we would declare them contaminated if they 3 are above background, not if they are detected.

Q. Okay. And then would you recognize, though--and I think that perhaps we already have this established, but 6 let's just complete this thought--would you recognize that 7 on the right-hand side, if you applied Ecuador's Decree 8 1215, let's say the agricultural criteria, then those ten samples that you declared to be impacted or contaminated on

10 the left would be considered not contaminated on the right? A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't think we would agree with the 11

use of the word "contaminated." The samples on the right would show that only one of them exceeds a specific

14 standard. I don't know that that's the definition of "contaminated." I would agree it exceeds the standard, or

16 it would exceed the standard.

Q. Okay. I think we're on the same page. I believe we are. The fact is using a different set of criteria as you do, on the left you declare something impacted, and on the right, if you apply Ecuador's Decree 1215 criteria, 21 they do not exceed those criteria except the one red

22 sample?

23 (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.

24 Now, let's see if we can look at the effect of 25 this in another way, another illustration, so why don't go

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11:40 1 the word, "contaminated," you are using that in a different

2 fashion than the Republic of Ecuador pursuant to its 3 published Decree 1215 criteria; correct?

A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know the wording of the 5 Government of Ecuador's regulations, so I don't know if 6 they used the word contaminated, even, but we use 7 contaminated to mean it's not naturally occurring, so if that helps try to clarify. That's how we use the word.

9 Q. But that's completely independent of Ecuador's own 10 permissible standards for oil field operations, isn't it?

A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, yes. It's based on the data and 12 what we find to be background or not background

13 contamination.

14 Q. All right. Now, let's turn to the next slide, 32, 15 in Tab 5, and another slide from Mr. Connor's presentation 16 in which I simply want to discuss with you the effect of 17 your approach to how you declare a sample to be

18 contaminated as compared to whether it would be viewed as

19 contaminated under Ecuador's Decree 1215 regulations. So, 20 let's just review this for a moment. On the left is an

21 image from one of your Reports, a map, and you show there a

22 number of yellow, 10 of 12 samples that have detections of

23 TPH in soils, and you've declared them contaminated because

24 they are above the detection limit. That would be your

25 approach, wouldn't it?

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And what you have in front of you, gentlemen, is a 2 3 slide from the Republic of Ecuador's Opening Statement for 4 this Hearing. It's their Slide 43. And then the second 5 page behind the slide is a table from your--one of your 6 data tables that I've created an excerpt of it, and your 7 full data table is just behind that slide, just to orient you.

9 So, now let's go back to the paragraph, and on this slide where we see two photographs and the statement is: The Oriente population is at risk."

Do you see that?

(Dr. Garvey) Yes.

Q. And that's the statement--this slide was actually presented by the Republic's counsel in their opening. And on the slide it says: "At Lago 16, the residents use contaminated water when drinking, bathing, and washing their clothes." 18

Do you see that?

20 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

Q. And I suspect that your firm took these

22 photographs; would that be correct?

23 (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I was there when we actually saw these photographs.

Q. And these photographs were included in one of your

11:45 1 Reports, weren't they?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- O. And so here the Tribunal has been told that this
- 4 water where--and these are hand-dug wells, aren't they?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) This one is, yes.
- O. Right. And that this water from this hand-dug
- 7 well is contaminated. That's what the Tribunal was told in
- 8 Ecuador's opening; right?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And, in fact, I believe you said something to that
- 11 effect in your Report, didn't you?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Now, if you turn the slide, go to the next page, 13
- 14 and we're looking at excerpts of your data table, from your
- 15 Table 5.3-2, "Summary of Groundwater Results," and you see
- 16 at the top--just to orient us, you see the two groundwater
- 17 wells: LA16 NDW, and then to the right, LA16 ODW? You see
- 18 those?
- 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 20 Q. And those are the two hand-dug wells that can be
- 21 found at the Lago Agrio 16 well site; correct?
 - (Dr. Garvey) Do you remember the numbering scheme?
- 23 (Mr. Goldstein) Yes. Just give us a second.
- Q. Certainly. 24
- (Witnesses conferring.)

- 11:47 1 I'm having is I don't remember, and I don't have a key to
 - 2 link the sample ID that can describe it here with that
 - 3 location. This name here just links it to Lago Agrio 16,
 - 4 the GW-005 or the old GW we're look at in this bunch of
 - 5 reports. Somewhere in there there's a key that links one
 - 6 to the other. I don't have it memorized. That's the

 - Q. All right. Maybe we can shortcut through this.
 - 9 Let me ask this question.
 - As you look--and can we highlight the TPH criteria
 - 11 on the table, Mr. Johnson, please? Okay. We've circled in red what the Ecuador regulatory standards are for TPH for
 - groundwater.

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- Do you see that?
- (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 16 Q. And would you agree with me that Ecuador's
- 17 environmental regulations under the TULSMA, that those
- regulations provide that you can have up to .325 micrograms
- per liter of TPH in groundwater in Ecuador?
- (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's our understanding.
- And anything below that is permissible, isn't it?
 - Α. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- And so, would you look at the results for both of
- 24 these two hand-dug wells and confirm for me that both of
- 25 them are below that regulatory criteria?

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11:46 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Okay.

- So, let's go back now. Can you confirm for me
- 3 that the photograph represents Lago 16 NDW?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Can you confirm that?
- A. (Mr. Goldstein) I'm sorry, please repeat the 5 6 question.
- Q. Sure.

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- Let me tell you what I'm asking. 8
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Okay.
- O. And would you agree that the photograph represents
- 11 either NDW or ODW? It's one of those two hand-dug wells?
- (Dr. Garvey) Yeah, that's what we're not
- 13 remembering, the nomenclature that ties the individual well
- 14 samples to the individual well.
- O. Right. 15
- 16 Α. (Mr. Goldstein) Well, the well--permit me for a
- 17 second.
- (Witnesses conferring.) 18
- 19 (Mr. Goldstein) The question is whether that is
- 20 the old one or the new one that we're looking at.
- (Dr. Garvey) this is the old well.
- Q. Okay. So, then let's go back to your data table,
- 23 and that would mean that we should look at the column on
- 24 the far right; correct, that says Lago 16 ODW?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) That's--partially that's the problem

- A. (Dr. Garvey) Again, I currently certainly can 2 confirm that the numbers on this table are below that
 - 3 criteria. What I can't confirm is that these two samples
 - 4 were taken from the well in question. I don't have a key
 - 5 to do that.
 - Q. So, perhaps then you could go to your Tab 10 of
 - 7 your--okay. Go to Tab 10 of the small bundle.
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) I'm not trying to be difficult.
 - 9 There are hundreds and hundreds of samples, and I don't
 - 10 know the keys of all of them.
 - Q. Right. I understand, and you're not being
 - 12 difficult. I just want to have a clear record, and I want
 - 13 you to have what you need to be certain.
 - 14 I'm sorry, look in your large bundle that has your
 - own reports, and you might look at Tab 10? 15
 - MS. RENFROE: Why don't we stop and take a break. 16
 - Just one second. May we, Mr. President? 17
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course we may. I'm just
 - wondering whether bottles of water aren't a danger. Can we
 - 20 put them on the floor? We night need another table after
 - 21 the next break just to extend your room for maneuver.
 - (Pause.)
 - 23 BY MS. RENFROE:
 - 24 Q. Okay, let me know when you're ready.
 - May I proceed, Mr. President? Thank you.

- 11:52 1 BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. Perhaps you now have in front of you from your own
 - 3 Report Figure 5.3-2 from your June 2014 Report.
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Right.
 - Q. And this is a figure of the Lago Agrio 16 site 5
 - that you provided; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 8 Q. And I think this is what you wanted to consult to
 - 9 satisfy yourself that the photograph of the stream that we
 - 10 were just looking--or, excuse me, the hand-dug well that we
 - 11 were looking at correlates or corresponds to one of these
 - two analytical results in your table?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. 13
 - O. So, which one is it? Is it NDW or ODW? 14
 - 15 A. (Dr. Garvey) In terms of the sample that was in
 - 16 the pit that was hand-dug?
 - Q. Okay. Let's just clean this up. Let's step back 17
 - 18 to the photograph of the hand-dug well that you took and
 - that was shown to the Tribunal?
 - 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) Ouite.
 - Q. It's just the one slide before you. It's Tab 14. 21
 - 22 A. (Dr. Garvey) Correct, um-hmm.
 - 23 O. Okay. You have that?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. 24
 - Q. And that is a hand-dug well that you photographed?

- 11:55 1 O. And this is exactly one of those instances, 2 isn't it?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No, I wouldn't assert that.
 - 4 Certainly the samples that were collected on this
 - particular day did not exceed the TULSMA standard.
 - O. Pardon me. I want to make sure I heard you--
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) These two examples when they were collected on this day did not exceed the criteria for 8
 - 9 groundwater.
 - Q. And to be clear, then, this hand-dug well shown in 10 11 the picture and which is described--it's the page
 - 12 before--shown in the picture and described by Ecuador's

 - counsel as "contaminated" does not have an exceedance of
 - 14 Ecuador's environmental regulations, does it?
 - (Dr. Garvey) No, but--Ken, did you want to make a 15 16 point?
 - 17 Α. (Mr. Goldstein) Yes, it does not exceed the TPH,
 - but again, I urge you to take a look at Dr. Jeffrey Short's
 - Report because he did additional analyses on these wells
 - and he detected the presence of alkylated PAHs, other
 - 21 compounds and actually oil droplets in the well. I wasn't
 - 22 there, I'm not sure if oil droplets were observed or not on
 - 23 this particular one.
 - 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) Again, actually one of my colleagues
 - 25 did report it on this well. But in addition, while this

- 11:53 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Correct.
 - I didn't photograph. I was there when the 3 photograph was taken.
 - Q. Okay. It's being characterized as contaminated; 5 right?
 - Α. (Dr. Garvey) Right.
 - Q. And now I want to ask you, if you look at your
 - 8 data table for the results that's right behind the slide,
 - 9 for the results of the groundwater that was taken that was
 - 10 sampled by your team from this hand-dug well. Would you
 - 11 please confirm that the TPH results are within the TULAS
 - 12 regulatory criteria?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, they are. 13
 - Q. And so, under these regulations, then, this
 - 15 hand-dug well is not considered--it doesn't have an
 - 16 exceedance of Ecuador's regulations, does it?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Not for these criteria. There are 17
 - 18 also questions of taste and smell, and at times we could
 - 19 smell--I believe the field crew could smell oil or scent of
 - 20 that oil at this particular well. I have that anecdotally.
 - 21 Obviously and that's not quantitative.
 - Q. Right. And you would agree with me, Dr. Garvey,
 - 23 wouldn't you, that there's times when anecdotal information
 - 24 can be disproven by analytical results from the laboratory?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

- 11:56 1 well does not exceed Ecuadorian criteria, it is
 - 2 contaminated. 150.15 milligrams per liter of TPH in this
 - 3 well is contaminated. It's not there. It's not above the
 - 4 threshold, but it is certainly not natural.
 - Q. And this is, I think, perfectly illustrates the 5
 - 6 disagreement between you and LBG on the one hand and
 - 7 Mr. Connor and GSI on the other hand, when you apply
 - Ecuador's environmental regulations to environmental
 - samples like this groundwater sample. Mr. Connor concluded
 - 10 that it was not exceeding Ecuador's criteria, but on the
 - 11 other hand, you have concluded that it's "contaminated"; 12 correct?
 - 13 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, we don't need the quotations,
 - 14 but yes, I would definitely use the word "contaminated."
 - Q. Right. Even though, as we've seen in your own 15
 - data table, it does not exceed Ecuador's criteria?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct. Does not exceed the 17 criteria for TPH, yes. 18
 - 19 Q. And, in fact, if you look at the next page of your
 - 20 data table and check the Reported data for the Polycyclic
 - 21 Aromatic Hydrocarbons, those PAHs that you mentioned, would
 - 22 you also confirm that there are no exceedances of PAHs
 - 23 either?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) I'm having a hard time reading it,
 - 25 even with my reading glasses.

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- 11:58 1 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Can you see it?
 - 2 (Witnesses conferring.)
 - 3 Q. One thing that might help you, do you recall that
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{4}}$ your Reports would indicate with yellow highlighting where
 - 5 there was an exceedance?
 - 6 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 7 Q. That was your methodology; wasn't it?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 9 Q. And there's no yellow highlighting in this data
 - 10 table for any of the PAH compounds, is there?
 - 11 A. (Dr. Garvey) The answer is no.
 - 12 O. So, are you now satisfied that there is no PAHs--
 - 13 (Technical difficulties.)
 - 14 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Excuse me, would it be possible to
 - 15 take a two-minute bio break?
 - 16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course. Any time.
 - 17 (Witness Goldstein steps out of the room.)
 - 18 MS. RENFROE: I will be glad to repeat it.
 - 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Hang on, we're missing a
 - 20 witness.

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- 21 MS. RENFROE: Thank you. I appreciate that.
- 22 (Laughter.)
- 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- Q. Thank you very much.
- 25 BY MS. RENFROE:

- 12:04 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you need to rephrase
 - 2 the question. But don't take it--restate the question.
 - (Pause.)
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. One more time. I'm not asking you for any
 - 6 interpretation of legal regulations. I'm asking you to
 - 7 confirm your understanding that the Republic of Ecuador
 - 8 does not require measurement or monitoring of
 - 9 alkylated-PAHs?
 - 10 A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't--we don't know that it's
 - 11 spelled out that it does require that. We really don't
 - 12 know that much about the standard in and of itself as to
 - 13 how it regulates Total Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons. I
 - 14 believe the standard is simply for Total Polycyclic
 - 15 Aromatic Hydrocarbons without a specified method, but I'm
 - 16 not a lawyer, so I don't know that.
 - 17 Q. Right. And are you also familiar with the fact
 - 18 that Dr. Strauss did not provide any quantitative analysis
 - 19 of alkylated-PAHs in her risk assessments? Are you
 - 20 familiar with that one way or the other?
 - 21 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, I'm not. Ken?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) No, I'm not.
 - 0. All right. Let's then move on, if we can, to a
 - 24 different topic, and I would like to direct you to Tab 2 in
 - 25 the smaller binder.

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- 12:03 1 Q. Thank you very much. So, I think we lost the last
 - 2 question and answer, so I would like to repeat it, and we 3 were talking about the fact that in your data tables, your
 - 4 practice is to indicate an exceedance of the regulatory
 - 5 criteria with a yellow highlighting of the cell?
 - 6 A. (Mr. Goldstein) Correct.
 - 7 Q. And I'd asked you if you could confirm that for
 - 8 the PAH, the Reported PAH results from these two hand-dug
 - 9 wells, there are no exceedances of Ecuador's groundwater
 - 10 criteria.
 - 11 A. (Dr. Garvey) For the individual PAH compounds,
 - 12 that's correct.
 - Q. At this point, I'm asking you about these data
 - 14 tables?
 - 15 A. (Mr. Goldstein) The alkylated-PAHs.
 - 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) These data tables do not indicate any
 - 17 exceedances of the PAH standard.
 - 18 Q. Right. And while you've just mentioned
 - 19 alkylated-PAHs, Mr. Goldstein, would you confirm for us
 - 20 that the Republic of Ecuador and its Ministries do not
 - 21 require monitoring or measurement of alkylated-PAHs, do
 - 22 they?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) We don't know that.
 - 24 MR. EWING: Objection.
 - 25 MS. RENFROE: Asking for his understanding.

- 12:07 1 And the topic that I want to visit with you about
 - 2 now is a statement that we find in the Republic's
 - 3 Supplemental Rejoinder and which you also spoke to in your
 - 4 Reports and even to some extent this morning, and that is
 - 5 your--or the view that all of the sites in the Concession
 - your-or the view that arr or the sites in the concession
 - 6 Area are generally similar and that conditions that you
 - 7 found at the 13 sites that you investigated are 8 representative of conditions that would be found elsewhere
 - 9 in the Concession Area. That's what I would like to visit
 - 10 with you about now. And so, just to orient you, I have put
 - 11 on the slide an excerpt from Ecuador's Rejoinder, all
 - 12 right? So, are you with me on the topic that we are going
 - 13 to cover now?
 - 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 15 Q. So, I believe that I've seen in your Reports that
 - 16 there are some 344 sites that TexPet operated until 1990;
 - 17 correct?
 - 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) Right. We get that number from
 - 19 Mr. Connor's Report.
 - 20 Q. Okay. And thereafter, Petroecuador took over
 - 21 operations of those sites?
 - 22 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 23 Q. Now, and, in fact, you also understand that it has
 - 24 built or it's constructed additional oil wells within the
 - 25 Concession Area; correct?

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- 12:08 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And would it be consistent with your understanding that since taking over, Petroecuador has constructed over 4 740 new oil wells in the last several years?
 - 5 A. (Dr. Garvey) I'm not aware of the number. I know 6 they have constructed wells. I don't know the number.
 - 7 Q. And likewise, with the construction of new oil 8 wells, they have also constructed new pits, haven't they?
 - 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) I would assume so, but I don't know 10 that.
 - 11 Q. Right. And so, would you also recognize that, in 12 the process of operating these oilfields at these 344 plus
 - 13 sites, Petroecuador has had spills and leaks over the
 - 14 course of the last 25 years?
 - 15 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 16 $\,$ Q. All right. And in conducting your work and taking
 - 17 the samples and doing your Site Investigation, did you
 - 18 investigate the extent of Petroecuador's operations at each
 - 19 of the sites that you evaluated?
 - 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) We used the available data to
 - 21 investigate the sites--well, we looked at--to the extent
 - 22 that we could, we looked at TexPet-operated facilities or
 - 23 structures or TexPet-operated sites to the extent that it
 - 24 was only TexPet-operated, we examined--we looked at the
 - 25 data that was available for the various sites.

- 12:11 1 Q. The green icon represents the wellhead?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Okay.
 - Q. And you see that the site--excuse me, the pit, the open pit, is no longer there?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Right. It's no longer black.
 - 6 Q. Right. And is it fair to conclude from comparing
 - 7 these two photographs that some time between July 26 of
 - 8 1990 and 2014, which I will represent to you is the date of
 - 9 the photograph on the right, that sometime in that period,
 - 10 Petroecuador closed the pit that is shown in the aerial
 - 11 photograph on the left?
 - 12 A. (Dr. Garvey) I would certainly agree that between
 - 13 those two dates, somebody closed the pit in between.
 - 14 Certainly it could have been Petroecuador, but we don't
 - 15 know that.
 - 16 Q. But we do know TexPet was not operating at that 17 time?
 - 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct, but they did do RAP
 - 19 work--I don't know if they did RAP work at this site.
 - 20 Q. Right. And so, to the extent that someone
 - 21 characterizes this pit as having been closed by TexPet
 - 22 before June of 1990, we know from this aerial photograph on
 - 23 the left that that would not be correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know that you can tell the

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25 real status of that pit at the time of July 1990. It

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- - So, if we look at Slide 16 in the small
 - 4 bundle--sorry, Tab 16. Tab 16. I want to show you a
 - 5 couple of photographs, and this is of the Shushufindi 55
 - 6 well site. On the left is an aerial photograph, and if you
 - 7 look at it, you can see the date, and it says
 - 8 July 26, 1990.
 - 9 Do you see that, sir?
 - 10 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 11 Q. So, we can see in this aerial photograph that
 - 12 there was an open pit to the right of the road as of
 - 13 July 26, 1990, at Shushufindi 55.
 - 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) I see that.
 - 15 O. You see that?
 - 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yeah.
 - 17 Q. And, of course, that's a month after Petroecuador
 - 18 has taken over operations; correct?
 - 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - Q. And so--and then the photograph on the right is
 - 21 taken from Claimants' geo-spatial mapping tool, which is
 - 22 C-2444, and it's the same site, and you can see the little
 - 23 green icon with the well.
 - 24 Do you see that?
 - 25 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

- 12:12 1 certainly is a black--darkened area, but I'm not--I'm
 - 2 really not an expert in interpreting these aerial
 - 3 photographs, so I don't know the status of that pit at the
 - 4 time of this photograph.
 - ${\tt Q.}\quad {\tt But, if it turns out that this pit was closed by}$
 - 6 Petroecuador between July 1990 and sometime in 2014, would
 - 7 you have any information about the manner in which
 - 8 Petroecuador closed that pit?
 - 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) You're pre-supposing that it was
 - 10 Petroecuador that closed it. No, I personally don't have
 - 11 it. It might be available in Petroecuador's records, but I
 - 12 don't--I quess I don't understand the point of the
 - 13 question.

- 14 Q. Right. Well, you've told us that Shushufindi 55,
- 15 which is one of the 13 sites you've investigated; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 17 Q. And you've told us that it's one of those sites
- 8 that you characterize as a TexPet-only site; right?
- 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, in terms of the operation of the 20 well.
- 21 O. Right. But when we look at this photograph, we
- 22 can see that there is a pit that is open, that was open
- 23 during Petroecuador's period of operation.
- 24 Do you see that? We've already established that,
- 25 haven't we?

Sheet 26 2224 12:14 1 (Witnesses conferring.) (Mr. Goldstein) Just to clarify, there is no oil 3 production going on here. TexPet vacated this site, 4 stopped producing oil--I don't remember the date, I don't

5 recall, but I don't believe that Petroecuador is operating 6 at this site. You see a pit here at that time. Q. But you would accept that, even though there may 8 not have been actual oil production, that if Petroecuador 9 closed that pit sometime after July 1990, that it would be 10 Petroecuador who would be responsible for the effects of

11 the manner in which it closed the pit. That would not be 12 TexPet's responsibility, would it?

A. (Dr. Garvey) That's a matter of legal issue. It 13 14 was certainly TexPet created the pit and put the oil in it 15 that Petroecuador may or may not and it could have been the 16 local landowner as well, we have seen where local

17 landowners have modified the pits, that whoever it was that 18 modified it after the case certainly wasn't

19 TexPet--whatever this is, it changed between the two

20 photographs, so that's not TexPet's, unless it's a RAP 21 related operation--TexPet is not responsible for this

22 change, but that doesn't mean they're not responsible for

23 putting the oil in the pit in the first place.

Q. Fair enough, but to the extent that your criticism 25 is the manner in which the pit was closed or covered, we've

And you would acknowledge that Petroecuador has actually actively operated the Lago Agrio 2 well; correct?

(Dr. Garvey) Yes. 11

12 Including having impacts at that well site, haven't they?

A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know the history of their operation to know they had impacts but I know they operated 16

17 Q. So, you have not investigated the details of Petroecuador's impacts at the Lago 2 well platform; is that what you're telling us?

20 A. (Dr. Garvey) We have some indication of the 21 records, it's in our Reports, I don't know it off the top of my head.

O. Let's take a look, if we could, at some additional 24 information about Petroecuador impacts. If we could look 25 at Slide--excuse me, Tab 18 in your bundle.

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12:15 1 established that it was not done by TexPet before June pf 2 1990.

(Witness conferring.)

(Dr. Garvey) Ken, do we know about the RAP history for this site?

A. (Mr. Goldstein) Not off the top of my head.

A. (Dr. Garvey) so, I don't know what the RAP history is for this, so is it possible it was closed under the RAP, 9 I don't know.

MR. EWING: Counsel, if you're directing them to a 11 specific criticism, would you be able to point to the 12 Report where they made that criticism?

MS. RENFROE: I think it was made in the Hearing, 14 but we can move on. For the sake of time, I suggest we do 15 that.

BY MS. RENFROE: 16

Q. What I'd like to do now is explore with you some

18 later in time operations of Petroecuador,

12:18 1 Now, you told us a moment ago that you had 2 reviewed some information about Petroecuador impacts and I 3 wonder if you have examined what I'm going to call the 4 SIPAS database, which is one of several databases that 5 Petroecuador has used to document and publish spills during 6 its operation.

> A. (Dr. Garvey) I believe that our staff have reviewed this, but--

Q. And on this slide, I have an excerpt of the SIPAS 10 database, just one page of it, and I have guoted from the 11 Expert Report of Pedro Alvarez, who is an Expert on behalf 12 of Claimants in this case. I just want to tell you what 13 you're looking at.

A. (Dr. Garvey) All right.

Q. And he states in his Expert Report that from the 15 16 review of this one database, that over 125,000 barrels associated with Petroecuador well operations has been spilled inside the Concession Area between 1990 and 2009.

Do you see that, sir?

A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I see that.

Q. And so, have you examined these Reported spills in any detail before rendering your opinions in this case?

A. (Dr. Garvey) We have, because we've used some of 23 24 this information to help us select sites for investigation.

Q. Okay. Then let's take a look at the next slide,

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12:19 1 which is in the tab. Here is Guanta 7. Here is a 2 photograph of a crude oil spill at Guanta 7 that was

3 reported in 2003 or 2004.

Do you see that?

A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. 5

Q. And we can find this photograph in the clickable database which is in this record at R-938.

And you've looked at the clickable database, 9 haven't you?

A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

Q. And seen photographs like this one of significant 11 12 oil spills by Petroecuador?

A. (Dr. Garvey) I have certainly seen pictures of oil 13

14 spills. The word "significant" is--what you define by

15 that. I'm not sure what you define by that.

Q. Right. And you see here teams of workers are 17 vacuuming crude oil and water from the stream that's next

18 to the Guanta 7 well platform?

19 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

20 Q. Okay. Let's look at the next paragraph, next

21 example.

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This is an image also from the clickable database

23 of a flare pit at the Guanta Production Station taken in

25 Do you see that? 12:21 1 O. And here we have Petroecuador workers in this 2 spill area.

Do you see that, sir?

(Dr. Garvey) Yes, I see the workers there.

Q. And in forming your opinions and forming your

opinions in this case, have you taken into account impacts

7 like these by Petroecuador where significant oil spills

8 have occurred and pipeline breaches have occurred, leaving 9

TPH in the ground?

A. (Dr. Garvey) If you will remember, our analysis of

11 the inventory did not differentiate between the nature of

the sources, the responsible Party. We documented simply

that there was extensive contamination in the sites around 14 the Oriente.

Q. Okay. Let's look at the next slide. This is an 15 16 image of contamination and oil spill from a flowline at the

17 Sacha Norte 1 Production Station in 2005, and you can see

the oil has been sprayed all over a variety of equipment

and what looks to be like some sort of set of buildings.

Do you see that?

21 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

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22 Q. And are you familiar, sir, with the fact that this

23 particular spill was not reported by Petroecuador and not

24 documented in the SIPAS database?

A. (Dr. Garvey) No, I was not aware.

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12:20 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

> Q. And you can see the impacts on the ground from the 3 flare pit.

> > Do you see that, sir?

A. (Dr. Garvey) I see the impacts on the ground. I 6 don't know that it's the result of the operation of the 7 flare.

Q. If that's what was reported in the clickable 9 database, you wouldn't have any reason to disagree with 10 that, would you?

11 A. (Dr. Garvey) These pits, from my understanding

12 these pits have had multiple uses, so it would be unclear 13 to me that we could reliably say that these flares are

14 responsible for this damage.

Q. You don't have any information about that one way 15 16 or the other?

17 A. (Dr. Garvey) No.

Q. Let's look at the next image, a flowline spill at 18 19 the Sacha 14 well site in 2004.

Do you see that? 20

A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

Q. And again, from the clickable database, we know

23 that there was crude oil flowing through this flowline

24 which was then released when the flowline was breached?

A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

Q. Are you familiar with the fact that not all of the 2 spills and pipeline breaches that have been experienced by 3 Petroecuador have been reported?

A. (Dr. Garvey) It's my understanding that generally 5 speaking Petroecuador does report its spills, although I

6 note that there are no records of spills prior to the

7 takeover--prior to 1990, to a large degree, there was

8 little recording beforehand as to the thoroughness of

Petroecuador reporting spill post 1990, I do know that they do it. I don't know how exhaustive it is.

Q. Let's look at another example. The next slide--11

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could I just pause you. Did I 13 understand you to say that this was not in the clickable

14 database?

15 MS. RENFROE: No, Mr. President. It is in the 16 clickable database as is shown on the bottom of the slide,

17 but it is not found in the SIPAS spill summary.

BY MS. RENFROE:

Now, if we go to the next slide, we see an image of another flowline spill at Guanta 6 in 2006. 20

21 Do you see that?

22 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.

And again, this photograph comes from the

24 clickable database?

(Dr. Garvey) Okay.

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Sheet 28 2232 2234 12:24 1 O. And was available for you in your work in this 12:26 1 344 sites operated by Petroecuador. That's what's in here, 2 case; correct? 2 isn't it? A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. A. (Dr. Garvey) Again, I don't know that. I have not Q. And Guanta 6 is one of the sites that you've 4 looked at this information in this form before. 5 included in your group of 13 where you have done sampling; Q. Well, if you accept my representation that that's 6 right? what this Report is telling us, then we can see from this (Dr. Garvey) Yes. 7 Report and from the photographs that I have just shown you Q. And one of those sites that you've characterized 8 that there have been numerous oil spills and pipeline 9 as TexPet only, meaning TexPet was the only company that 9 breaches at various sites operated by Petroecuador since it 10 operated that site? 10 took over 25 years ago? A. (Dr. Garvey) I need to review the records to see 11 11 Α. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. 12 if Guanta 6 was one of those. I don't remember, no. 12 And you don't dispute that, do you? Q. So, you recognize, then, that Petroecuador has 13 Α. (Dr. Garvey) No. 14 operated this site and, as we can see from this paragraph, O. All right. Now--14 15 has had--has caused environmental contamination at this MS. RENFROE: Actually, Mr. President, I'm about 15 16 site, hasn't it? 16 to hit a new topic, so if we want to have a lunch break, A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes. Certainly this--certainly this 17 this would be a good time to do it. 17 18 pipe looks like it was spilled recently. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's do that. It's 12:30. 18 19 Let's come back at 1:30. We will break for lunch. Please 19 O. Pardon me? 20 (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I would agree. This pipe shows 20 don't discuss the case or your testimony away from the Α. 21 that it looks like there has been a recent spill at this 21 Tribunal. 22 location and then since it's 2006, it would have been 22 MR. EWING: Can I ask how much more? 23 Petroecuador. MS. RENFROE: I would hope to be finished in one Q. Right. And once again, if you check that SIPAS 24 more hour, but I don't want to be held to that. I'm doing 25 database of all the spills, I think you will find that 25 the best I can. 2233 2235 12:25 1 there is no report in that database of this spill at 12:28 1 MR. EWING: For planning purposes. 2 Guanta 6. MS. RENFROE: Sure. Okay. 2 A. (Dr. Garvey) If that's your assertion. 3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 1:30. Q. Well, I will direct you to Tab 19 now, where I've 4 (Whereupon, at 12:30 p.m., the Hearing was 5 included for you, a copy, a printout of the SIPAS database. 5 adjourned until 1:30 p.m., the same day.) 6 Some of it is in Spanish, and I have included behind some 7 of the English translations. Maybe the English is on top, 8 and the Spanish is in the back, but if you've looked at 9 these at this database, Dr. Garvey, you would agree with me 9 10 that this database shows hundreds of spills reported by 10 11 Petroecuador throughout the Concession Area during its 11

12 period of operation, wouldn't you? A. (Dr. Garvey) I don't know the authenticity of the 14 table, not that I have any reason to doubt you per se, but 15 I don't have access to the original database. Certainly

16 there are--I don't know how many pages represent the first 17 half of this, so to speak, the English half.

Q. Well, just to orient you a little bit, if we look 19 at the English--one of the English translation pages, the

20 very first page, we see in about the fourth column it says 21 "spill area" and "spill volume."

22 Do you see that?

23 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yeah.

Q. And so if you read throughout, you can find spills 25 that have been reported about the various sites among the

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1 AFTERNOON SESSION

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Apparently, we're being 3 restricted in our use of the red light, and the suggestion 4 is that if we can turn it off, we should, and that one of 5 the Witnesses should turn the microphone off, and yours 6 stays on. Yours will have to be clicked on and off. We'll 7 see if that works.

Let's resume.

MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of 10 the Tribunal.

CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION 11

12 BY MS. RENFROE:

- Q. Good afternoon, gentlemen. 13
- (Dr. Garvey) Good afternoon.
- Q. Let's return if we can briefly to one topic that 15
- 16 we were talking about just before the break, and if I could
- 17 direct you to your slide, in your slide packets, do you
- 18 have a copy of the slides that you presented?
- 19 A. (Mr. Goldstein) This morning, no.
- 20 Α. (Dr. Garvey) No.
- Q. Could we trouble your counsel to give you a copy,
- 22 and I'd ask you to look at your Slide 21.
- MS. RENFROE: Thank you, Mr. Ewing.
 - And at the same time, I'm going to ask my
- 25 colleagues to distribute some copies of excerpts from the

01:32 1 translation, I believe, in the bundle, but I think we can 2 do this quickly, and maybe we can pull this up on the

3 screen, Mr. Johnson, if that's possible, please. Right.

And what we want to do is highlight an entry in

5 the SIPAS database, and it's entry--you may need to turn to 6 the next page or maybe we're there. 251--251, there we

7 are--and I want to draw your attention, Dr. Garvey and

8 Mr. Goldstein, to this entry which shows for the well site,

9 well site Sacha 112.

Do you see that?

- (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- And if you look to the right, you can see where it 12
- 13 says Column E. Do you see that sir?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And it says volume, and it says derrame, which is 15
- 16 spill volume, and then you see below 800. Do you see that,
- 17 sir?

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- 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 19 Q. And from your review of these Reports, you know
- that that's reported in barrels; correct?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - So, this entry is telling us that 800 barrels of
- 23 oil were spilled at the Sacha 112 platform; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, that's correct.
- Q. And if you look at column D, it tells us the area

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- 01:30 1 SIPAS database which I've already given you in your bundle,
 - 2 but to save you the trouble of having you flip through a
 - 3 lengthy document, we're handing out just the excerpts that
 - 4 you would want to look at for my questions.

BY MS. RENFROE:

- Q. Do we have the photograph?
- 7 Okay, so let me proceed if everybody's ready. all
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- 9 So, just to be clear, the document I've just
- handed you is an excerpt of what was already in Tab 19?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Correct.
- All right. Now, let's walk through this together. 12
- So, we start off looking at your Slide 21 that you 13
- 14 presented this morning, and do you have it, sir?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, we do. 15
- And I don't have it electronically or I would put 16
- 17 it on the screen. But in this image, this is your
- 18 photograph where you describe stream contamination below
- 19 Sacha 86, and you show oil contaminated sediment, oil slick
- 20 on water and so on; correct?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- Q. Right. And then, if we look now into that excerpt
- 23 from the SIPAS database which I have given you, and if you
- 24 look to I believe it's the first page of what I've given
- 25 you, it is in Spanish, and you can find the English

- 01:33 1 that's been impacted, and it shows about 17,000 cubic
 - 2 meters--square meters, excuse me, 17,000 square meters.

Do you see that?

- (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I do.
- 4 Q. And then if you look all the way to the right,
- Column J, we see that that spill happened in 2005; right?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. Now, do you have or have you considered the
- 9 proximity between the Sacha 86 well site that you were
- 10 portraying in the photograph in your Slide 21 and this
- 11 Sacha 112 well platform where there was an 800-barrel
- 12 spill?
- 13 A. (Dr. Garvey) Not explicitly. That wasn't the
- 14 point of the slide, but go ahead.
- Q. Okay. So, now, if we have a copy of the 15
- 16 photograph, we're going to distribute a copy of a
- 17 photograph that is a screenshot taken from the mapping
- 18 tool, and I'd like to ask Mr. Johnson to put the mapping
- 19 tool--this photograph up on the screen, please.
- And what I'm showing you now, gentlemen, is a 20
- 21 screenshot from the geo-spatial mapping tool, and I'm
- 22 showing you an image from the August to September 2014
- 23 satellite image, and on the left you can see Sacha 112.
- 24 Do you see that well platform?
 - (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I do.

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D1:35 1 Q. And then on the right-hand side of the image, you
2 see Sacha 86?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And then if you look just above the white legend, you can see an area that looks like it's a wetland area that's been somewhat cleared.

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- Do you see that, sir?
- 8 A. (Dr. Garvey) Is that what you're indicating there 9 with the mouse?
 - Q. Yes, sir.

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- 11 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 12 Q. All right. And would it surprise you to know that
- 13 this area that you have presented in your photograph, your
- 14 Slide 21, of stream contamination below Sacha 86, this is
- 15 the area that was impacted by that 800-barrel spill at the
- 16 Sacha 112 well platform which is only about 300 meters 17 away?
- 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) I need to understand something about
- 19 the photograph and the hydrodynamics of the system. I
- 20 can't tell from this photograph which way the water flows.
- Q. But I guess my point is, when you presented your
- 22 photograph, your Slide 21--
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. --showing this stream contamination below
- 25 Sacha 86, you weren't suggesting that this was a

01:38 1 not representing that, are you?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) What I'm representing is that this contamination that's downstream of Sacha 86 is undoubtedly
- 4 a combination or the integration of impacts to the stream
- 5 that have been caused by sites that are upstream of it. It
- 6 could be Sacha 86, it could be Sacha 112, if it's on the
- 7 same stream. I can't tell that from here, given this
- 8 diagram. But in any case, the point is simply that
- 9 contamination that reaches the streams from the well sites
- 10 travels downstream and impacts the sediments. Whether
- 11 it's--which specific site it is, is not really particularly
- 12 relevant. It's examples of the kind of contamination we
 - would expect to find in the Oriente.
- Q. But what is relevant is the extent to which you to are trying to support or offer your support to the Judgment
- 16 which is supposed to be concerning or purportedly concerns
- which is supposed to be concerning of purportedly concerns
- 17 actions of TexPet. And what you're telling us is that you 18 don't have any ability to differentiate between actions of
- 19 Petroecuador or actions of TexPet; and in presenting this
- 20 picture to the Tribunal and suggesting that this is
- 21 contamination that justifies the Judgment, you're not
- 22 suggesting that, are you?
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) There are ways to tell which is
- 24 TexPet and which is Petroecuador based on the history of
- 25 the sites and their usage. As to who operated what site

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01:36 1 contamination event caused by TexPet, were you?

- 2 A. (Dr. Garvey) I was indicating that the streams
 - 3 downstream--the areas downstream of the well sites in 4 general are extensively contaminated, whether this is due
 - 5 to activity at 86 or due to Sacha 112 or most likely a
 - 6 combination of both, the point is that the streams are
 - 7 contaminated with oil. I don't know the history
 - 8 explicitly. Certainly the spill at Sacha 112 was of
 - 9 significant magnitude, but I don't know its spatial extent,
 - 10 how far down it went into the stream, et cetera, but that
 - 11 wasn't the point of the slide. The point of the slide was
 - 12 simply to say streams contained contamination, and the
 - 13 contamination that reaches them travels downstream. This
 - 14 is a case in point, assuming now that we have the 15 connection between Sacha 112 on the left and the wetland on
 - 16 the right. My point precisely, the contamination from that
 - 17 site is emanating downstream. Contamination from other
 - 18 spills that have historically reached their respective
 - 19 streams and traveled downstream as well, so this is just an
 - 20 example; not this was the site to clean up or an area that
 - 21 explicitly represented TexPet's specific operations.
 - 22 Q. So, just to be very, very clear, sir, you've just
 - 23 told us that you can't--you're not in any way representing
 - 24 that this Sacha 86 contamination that you've shown in your
 - 25 Slide 21, that it has anything to do with TexPet? You're

- 01:39 1 when. There are sites that are explicitly operated by
 - 2 TexPet as well as those that were operated by both.
 3 There's 25 or 30 years of legacy operations by TexPet in
 - 4 this system. I don't for a moment believe that there were
 - 5 no spills during that time, okay? But that said,
 - 6 Petroamazonas--Petroecuador also operated many of these
 - 7 sites afterwards, so they're both--there are
 - 8 responsibilities to be shared, although we're not involved
 - 9 in the allocation, but certainly both entities spilled oil,
 - 10 both entities have impacts. This is simply an example of \boldsymbol{a}
 - 11 stream that has been severely impacted.
 12 As to exactly which part of this is due to who,

AS to exactly which part of this is due to who,

- 13 I'm not making any differentiation here.
- 14 $\,$ Q. Okay. And we looked earlier today at the
- 15 Settlement Agreement and the Remedial Action Plan and the
 - Final Release between the Republic of Ecuador,
- 17 Petroecuador, and TexPet that resolved TexPet's share of
 - B these impacts. We saw that earlier, didn't we?
- 19 MR. EWING: Counsel, you're asking for a legal 20 conclusion again.
- 21 MS. RENFROE: No, I'm asking for a fact that we've
- 22 already discussed.
 23 THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) What we established was
 24 TexPet's responsibility for cleaning up the pits. That's
- 25 all, not any other responsibility. That was the Agreement

- 01:40 1 between Ecuador--the Government of Ecuador and TexPet
 - 2 regarding the pits. I don't have an opinion about streams
 - 3 and the rest. That's really not a part of our realm.
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. So, now, let's look at your Slide 32 in which, if you could turn to that, please.
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Sure.
 - Q. Slide 32 of your presentation this morning.
 - 9 Do you have that, gentlemen?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, we do. 10
 - Q. Now I believe your presentation to the Tribunal 11
 - 12 today was that this picture showed oil droplets on water
 - 13 below a siphon at Guanta 6?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - Q. And are you familiar with the fact that
 - 16 Petroecuador installed this flre and the siphon at Guanta 6
 - 17 and not TexPet?

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- A. (Dr. Garvey) I believe that the historical 18
- 19 evidence on that particular pit is unclear. We see
- 20 evidence in the aerial photographs that there was, in fact,
- 21 a disturbance there prior to Petroecuador taking over the
- 22 operations, so that it's not clear to me who is responsible
- 23 for the pit that's upstream of this particular siphon.
 - Q. Or the oil droplets in the photograph?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Right.

- 01:44 1 Look at the third page under the tab.
 - Do you have it? 2
 - (Dr. Garvey) 5.5-1?
 - Q. Yes, sir, 5.5-1. And would you confirm, please,
 - 5 that this is your figure from your Report for the
 - 6 Shushufindi 34 well platform, and this is your presentation
 - 7 of your soil sampling results using your total extractable
 - method, material method, TEM for short; is that correct?
 - 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) I believe so. This looks like the reproduction from my Report.
 - 0. Okay. You recognize it? 11
 - 12 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 13 Okay. And what I'd like to examine with you is, I
 - 14 want to test your theory a bit about--that the pits are
 - leaking and that material is migrating from them; all
 - 16 right, sir?

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- 17 A. (Dr. Garvey) Okay.
- O. Now, this is one of the sites that LBG 18
- 19 investigated in its 2013-2014 investigation; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- And you took samples at this site in 2014? 21
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- Q. And what we see on this map is a pit which is 23
- 24 indicated in the purple?
- (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.

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- Q. Now, let's move to a different topic, if I might,
- 2 and that is the Conceptual Site Model that you presented to
- 3 the extent that it's your theory or your concept that pits
- 4 are leaking, so that's where I want to go now, okay?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) That's fine.
- Q. Now, if I understand your presentation and your
- 7 prior reports, it's your theory that the pits are leaking
- 8 and that I believe you told us earlier today that
- 9 approximately 90 percent of their contents would be on the
- 10 outside of a pit as opposed to the inside of a pit.
- A. (Dr. Garvey) The current inventory of
- 12 contamination in the soils of the--around the well sites
- 13 exists outside of the pits.
- 14 Q. And that's based on a calculation that you have
- 15 made?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct. 16
- Q. So, let's take a look at one of the sites that 17
- 18 you've sampled and that you've presented among the 13, and
- I would direct you now to Tab 30 in the smaller bundle.
- MS. RENFROE: And for the record, this is a map
- 21 of--it's Figure 5.5-1 of Shushufindi 34.
- BY MS. RENFROE: 22
- 23 Q. Have you found that map?
- 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) Figure 3.7-1?
- Q. No, sir, it's Figure 5.5-1.

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- 01:45 1 Q. All right. And then in the squares, the little 2 orange squares, those indicate your TEM sample locations.
 - (Dr. Garvey) Yes. Α.
 - Q. Would you also confirm, Dr. Garvey, that this
 - 5 purple pit is a non-RAP pit under the Remedial Action Plan?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) That I can't confirm from this. I
- 7 would need to look at the Report. I don't remember.
- Q. Well, if you recall the way that you prepared your maps for other cases, you would indicate in blue if it was
- a RAP-remediated pit?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And this one see is in purple, and you described
- 13 it as undocumented?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Right.
- Q. So, let's now look at the sample results. And
- 16 again, what we're exploring here is the extent to which you
- 17 say that the pits are leaking and that 90 percent of their
- 18 contents would not only migrate outside of the pit, but I
- 19 think you told us earlier today you thought that they would
- 20 move radially outside of the pit to some 20 hectares, I
- 21 thought you said. Do I have that right?
- 22 A. (Dr. Garvey) What we said was not that the
- 23 contamination from the pit would necessarily emanate out
- 24 radially, but that the contamination in the soils 25 effectively radiates outward radially from the pits because

01:47 1 of the activities that would be associated with it. So,

- 2 it's not a requirement per se that the pit leak into the
- 3 environment surrounding it and that is the basis for all
- 4 the soil contamination outside of the pit. What it says,
- 5 what we're asserting is that, simply because the pits were
- 6 the center of this kind of disposal activity, that we would
- 7 expect either loss from the pit via various mechanisms or
- 8 by operations that would have occurred around the pits;
- 9 that the areas closest to the pits would be the most
- 10 contaminated, and that contamination would be less intense
- 11 as you moved away from the pit and away from this kind of 12 activity.

13 This is not a geochemical model that says the pit

- 14 starts the contamination, and it spills and disturbs in all
- 15 directions under simple geochemical processes. This is a
- 16 model that says the pits are where we tried--where they try
- 17 to get rid of the contamination or try to store the
- 18 contamination. Sometimes it got there, sometimes it
- 19 didn't. Sometimes there were other activities associated
- 20 with this pit that might have spilled material in the
- 21 vicinity. The hose didn't make it to the pit, the hose
- 22 fell out of the pit. Who knows. There's all kinds of
- 23 possible explanations. It does not require that the
- 24 contamination start in the pit and come out of the walls
- 25 and affect the areas around it.

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- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And if we look at the sample results that you've
- 4 put on your map, outside the pit, would you look at SL-002,
- which is in the northwest corner of the pit. Do you see
- 6 that, sir?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. That tells us that your TEM measurement is
- non-detect in the soil?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's right.
- Q. Looking then to the right at sample SL-006, do you 11
- 12 see that, sir?

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- A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- Q. And that's just on the edge of the pit, and it
- also is a non-detect under the TEM method?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - O. And then we look to the next sample, SL-001, and
- 18 it reports 640 parts per million TEM; right?
- 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's right.
- 20 Which is below even the sensitive ecosystem
- 21 standard of Decree 1215, isn't it?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, it's less than 1,000.
- 23 0. Less than 1,000.
 - So, then, continuing down south, you see the
- 25 SL-004 sample that you have taken there?

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Q. And the conceptual model that you've

- 2 described -- the conceptual model that you've described,
- 3 would you agree with me that as between data and a
- 4 conceptual model that you would--that we ought to rely upon
- 5 the actual measured data as opposed to a model prediction?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- Q. Because, after all, valid data really is the gold
- 8 standard, isn't it?
- 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) We've relied on the data in our
- 10 analysis, yes.
- Q. Right. And if there is a conflict between what
- 12 your model is telling us or what the data is telling us, we
- 13 should be quided by what the data is telling us; correct?
- 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) In general, that's the rule one
- 15 applies.
- Q. Right. So, then let's look at the data and see 16
- 17 what it is telling us here.
- If we look at the sample results on the outside of 19 the pit--oh, by the way, before I ask that question, let's
- 20 see if we can both agree that, as compared between your TEM
- 21 sampling results and the 8015 sampling results, you're
- 22 generally going to have higher concentrations measured by
- 23 your TEM method than the 8015 method, aren't you?
- 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- Q. Now, this map is presenting your TEM result,

- 01:50 1 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And that also confirms that it is a non-detect for
 - 3 TPH using your TEM method in soils; right?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - 5 Q. And then we continue around the pit going to
 - SL-012 on the edge of the pit about 7:00.
 - Do you see that, sir?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, I do.
 - And that's also a non-detect, isn't it?
 - 10 (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 11 Q. Continuing then clockwise around the pit, if you
 - 12 go out to SL-003, some distance from the pit, we see that's
 - 13 a non-detect also?
 - 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - Q. And then continuing, I think we have now gone all 15
 - 16 the way around the pit and we're looking at the samples
 - 17 that you and your team took, and we can see from your own
 - 18 data that the sample results are showing us largely
 - non-detections of TPH using the TEM method; correct?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) There are several non-detect samples 21 surrounding this site--in the vicinity of the site, I
 - 22 should say.
 - 23 Q. And so, what this data is telling us is that the
 - 24 contents of the pit have not gone--
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No.

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- 01:51 1 Q. --materially beyond the walls if you use your TEM 2 method?
 - 3 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, that's not correct. Each of 4 these points represents a sample that's approximately
 - 5 3-inches in diameter, okay? And you're spanning distances 6 of tens of meters.
 - 7 Q. And so, if you look at your scale, we see a scale 8 here of zero to 8 meters, don't we?
 - 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - 10 Q. And, so, if you look at your sample SL-003 on the
 - 11 southwest side, that's about the most remote sample you
 - 12 have isn't it?

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- 13 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- 14 Q. And under your scale, that looks to be about ten
- 15 to 15 meters; right?
- 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's right.
 - Q. And it's non-detect, isn't it?
- 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 19 Q. And then if you then go counter clockwise, SL-001,
- 20 right on the edge of the pit, right on the edge of the pit
- 21 it's non-detect?
- 22 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 23 Q. So, we can continue this exercise, but I think
- 24 it's apparent to everyone who looks at this that this pit
- 25 is not showing--or your own soil measurements are not

- 01:54 1 a simple trough. It may travel via groundwater. It's not
 - 2 clear at all that you can discern that from this pit. This
 - 3 is the problem with trying to delineate contamination with
 - 4 a limited number of samples. As extensively as we have
 - 5 studied this, there are still fine scale details that are
 - 6 not captured by these very small points. Again, it's
 - 7 3-inches in diameter--sorry, it's 9-centimeters in
 - 8 diameter, versus distances of many meters. This is not
 - 9 supported at all to debunk, if you would, our hypothesis
 - 10 here.
 - 11 Q. But if we apply Ecuador's own environmental
 - 12 regulations under Decree 1215 and applied the agricultural
 - 13 standard, we can see that there is not one data point, not
 - 14 one soil sample measurement outside of this pit that
 - 5 exceeds the agricultural standard of 2500?
 - 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - Q. Let's move now to your mass calculation.
 - 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) Sure.
 - 19 Q. And I would like to go to the slide you presented
 - 20 at Slide 50.

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- 21 A. (Dr. Garvey) Our Slide 50?
 - Q. Yes, sir, your Slide 50.
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) Okay.
- Q. And just to set the context, you told us this
- 25 morning that you had calculated this Petroleum Hydrocarbon

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- 01:52 1 suggesting that there is "widespread migration from this 2 pit?"
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No, I don't agree with you. I don't believe this data set is sufficient to assess that.
 - 5 Q. You can't say one way or the another from this 6 map, you can't say that there is widespread contamination
 - 7 from this pit, can you?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) It wouldn't make it a basis for that
 - 9 finding on the basis of a single pit. We base that finding
 - 10 of the basis of the integration of all of the available
 - 11 data, our data, the Plaintiffs' data, the Claimants' data,
 - 12 the various reports, and our site evaluations. We did not
 - 13 base it on a single series of samples around a pit.
 - Q. But if we go back to the point that we just
 - 15 established, that the data rules over a model, the data in
 - 16 this case for this pit at this site does not support your
 - 17 model, does it?
 - 18 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, that's not true. You don't have
 - 19 data to dispute or support the model in this particular
 - 20 case. You don't have sufficient information to discern
 - 21 whether or not contamination is migrating from this pit. I
 - 22 mean, you have a series of values, some are high, some are
 - 23 low, you have values outside the perimeter of the pit that
 - 24 are as high as 1700 parts per million on the SL-008. Once
 - 25 the material leaves the pit, it may follow a stream bed or

- 01:55 1 inventory and that it was your estimate under your 8015
 - 2 method on the bottom, that there were some 660,000 barrels
 - 3 of oil on the outside of the pits in the Concession Area.
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No, that's not correct.
 - 5 Q. Okay, please correct me then.
 - 6 A. (Dr. Garvey) The 660,000 barrels refers to the
 - 7 entire inventory--I apologize, I know I talk too
 - 8 fast--refers to the entire inventory of material. It
 - 9 includes the pits. These numbers are the integration of
 - 10 $\,$ the pit masses as well as the mass of contamination outside
 - 11 the pits.

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- 12 Q. And as you told us this morning, this is a
- 13 calculation that you've made; right?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- 15 Q. Based on the Judicial Inspection data from 2003
 - to--what was the ending year that you used?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) I believe it's 2009.
 - Q. Okay. Whatever the JI data said.
- 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- 20 Q. Whatever the dates of that are.
- So, you took that dataset and you simply
- 22 calculated to develop this estimate of 660,000 barrels.
- 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) We used the numbers and integrated
- 24 them. I wouldn't call it a simple calculation.
 - Q. Okay. But I do want to be very clear, when you

- 01:57 1 use the word "inventory," inventory is a calculation that 2 you have developed?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No. Inventory is a measure of the 4 amount of mass that's present in the environment. It's our estimate of the amount of mass that's present there.
 - O. And based on the Judicial Inspection samples?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) That's right.
 - Q. And you've used only the soil samples; correct?
 - (Dr. Garvey) We've used--actually to be specific,
 - 10 we've use soil and sediment samples as defined by the
 - 11 various investigators, but we've used exclusively the
 - 12 Chevron data for this purpose.
 - Q. Okay. If we can now, if I could ask you to turn 13
 - 14 to Tab 8 and to Slide 12 in Tab 8.
 - Now, this is -- are you there?
 - (Dr. Garvey) I think so. Slide 12, Tab 8. Yes. 16 Α.
 - O. Yes, sir. 17
 - And this is an image from Dr. Hinchee's 18
 - 19 presentation of a pit that has not been closed as of the
 - time of this photograph. It's at the Sacha 14 well site.
 - Do you see this?
 - 22 (Dr. Garvey) Yes. Α.
 - O. And, so, if I understand your mass calculation
 - 24 theory, it is that some 80 to 90 percent of the pits'
 - 25 contents are actually outside of the pit?

- 02:00 1 90 percent of the oil that is present in the Oriente as
 - 2 waste or spilled material lies outside the pits. It does
 - 3 not require that it originated in the pits. It could have
 - 4 been a hose break, a spill directly on to the ground. It
 - 5 doesn't require that it originated from the pit. That's
 - 6 the distinction I think I'm trying to make.
 - Q. Okay. I appreciate that. Now, if we can look at
 - 8 your large bundle, Tab 18. I want to go to a portion of
 - 9 your Report where you're providing some of the information
 - 10 that you used to develop the calculation.
 - Q. Yes, sir. It's Appendix A. And if you might,
 - turn to A-2, please.

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- Are you there? 14
 - (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- MS. RENFROE: Let's give the Tribunal an 16

A. (Dr. Garvey) This is Appendix A?

- 17 opportunity to catch up with us.
- 18 Okay, Mr. Johnson, can you bring that up on the
- 19 screen, please.
- 20 Thank you.
- 21 BY MS. RENFROE:
- 22 Q. So, gentlemen, I've placed or I've asked you to
- 23 look at Appendix A from your Report, your March 2015
- 24 Report, and we're looking at Table A-1. And what I wanted
- 25 to point out is that to develop your calculation of the

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- A. (Dr. Garvey) No, that's not correct. 01:58 1
 - Q. So, you didn't say that. You didn't tell us that 3 this morning?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No, you're not stating what I said
 - 5 correctly. What we said this morning is that if you
 - 6 integrate the mass across the Concession Area, that you
 - 7 will find that the majority of the Petroleum Hydrocarbon
 - 8 contamination lies outside of the pits. The pits, despite
 - 9 their high concentrations and obvious presence of oil, are
 - 10 sufficiently small in their footprint, that the areas 11 outside when you integrate them actually represent a

 - 12 greater mass. That is, most of the oil that has been
 - 13 spilled in the Oriente lies outside the pits. That's not
 - 14 the same as the pit's contents have been dumped outside per 15 se.
 - 16 Q. So, you're not saying that 80 percent--well, I
 - 17 thought you were saying that 80 to 90 percent of the oil is
 - 18 outside the pits?
 - 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) That is what I'm saying, but that's
 - 20 not how I understood your first question.
 - O. Okay. So, I'm sorry if I have misunderstood.
 - 22 So, let's see if we are in the same place.
 - 23 Your position is that 80 to 90 percent of the oil
 - 24 that originated from the pits is now outside of the pits?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) No, our position is that 80 to

- 02:02 1 660,000 barrels of oil that you hypothesis is in the
 - 2 Concession Area outside of the pits, if I can draw your
 - 3 attention to the mean column.
 - MS. RENFROE: And let's highlight that for the
 - 5 distance from pit perimeter. And I would like to highlight
 - 6 the 2300, the 1500 and the 360. And if we can also
 - 7 highlight the zero to 50 meters, 50 to 100 meters. Right.
 - Let's highlight that entire cell, please, Mr. Johnson.
 - BY MS. RENFROE:
 - Q. So, I believe this is your area, Dr. Garvey, if
 - 11 I'm correct?

- Α. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
- 13 Q. And so, what you're saying here is that the
- 14 working assumption that you've developed is that--between
- 15 zero to 50 meters from a pit, you have concluded that the
- mean concentration in soils is 2300 parts per million TPH?
- (Dr. Garvey) That's correct. 17
- Q. And then between 50 to 100-meters from a pit, you 18
- 19 are assuming that there is a mean concentration of 1500
- 20 parts per million TPH?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) No. Well, to be clear, the 1500 PPM
- 22 is the average of the data that was collected in that
- 23 interval. We are assuming that that value applies to that
- 24 interval, but it, in fact, is the average of the data for
- 25 that interval.

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- 02:03 1 Q. Right. And then the third interval that you've 2 used for your calculation is 100 meters to 200 meters from 3 the pit?
 - 4 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - 5 Q. Where, according to your approach, you conclude
 - ${\bf 6}$ ${\bf that}$ the mean concentration of TPH is 360 parts per
 - 7 million?
 - 8 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - 9 Q. Right. And so, just as a starting point, would
 - 10 you confirm that the 360--in fact, all three of these
 - 11 levels of TPH are all below the Decree 1215 standard for
 - 12 agricultural use of land?
 - 13 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, the average is below.
 - 14 Q. Right. So, even if hypothetically your
 - 15 calculation were correct--hypothetically--all of the
 - 16 concentrations that you would be presenting in your
 - 17 calculation would all be below the Decree 1215 standard for
 - 18 agricultural land use?
 - 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) Your question doesn't make sense to
 - 20 me. Can you rephrase it?
 - Q. Well, if--and I'm not--I haven't accepted your
 - 22 calculation.
 - 23 A. (Dr. Garvey) I appreciate that. That's fine.
 - Q. Right. But just hypothetically, even if we did,
 - 25 if we were looking at the zero to 50 meters and your

02:07 1 you using, 100 to 200?

- Q. Yes, sir. 100 to 200.
- A. (Dr. Garvey) The model says that, on average,
- $4\,\,$ around all of the pits in the JI sites, the average for
- 5 that interval is 360 parts per million.
- Q. Right. And in your case of Shushufindi 34, where you took soil samples anywhere you wanted to, you don't
- 8 have any data here that would confirm your model, do you?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) No.
- 10 Q. And then likewise, if we go to the 50 to 100-meter
- 11 ring and your assumption there that there would be 1500
- 12 parts per million TPH, you don't have any data at this
- 13 site, Shushufindi 34, to confirm that portion of your
- 14 model, do you?
- 15 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, our objective here was not to
- 16 confirm the Chevron database. It was to examine this
- 17 particular pit.
- 18 Q. Right. But I'm asking you about your model and
- 19 whether your own data can ground-truth it.
- 20 And so, then, if we look at the final ring of your
- 21 assumption, zero to 50 meters from this pit where you've
- 22 assumed the concentrations would be 2300 parts per million
- 23 on average, none of your datapoints meets that standards or
- 24 meets that assumption, do they?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) None of--the average of the values in

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- 02:04 1 calculation would tell us that soils in that ring would be 2 2300 parts per million TPH?
 - 3 A. (Dr. Garvey) On average.
 - 4 O. On average?
 - 5 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. And if that was the average and if you were
 - 7 correct, then that would be below the agricultural standard 8 of Decree 1215?
 - 9 A. (Dr. Garvey) Right, the average is below, yes.
 - .0 O. And the same would be true for the average
 - 11 concentrations in the next two rings?
 - 12 A. (Dr. Garvey) That's correct.
 - 13 Q. Okay. Now, if we go back to, if we can possibly
 - 14 pull up or ask you to look at the image that we were just
 - 15 looking at, your map, Shushufindi 34, Figure 5.5-1.
 - 16 And let me help you get there.
 - 17 That's Tab 30, and it is the third page of Tab 30.
 - 18 If we wanted to ground-truth your calculation using
 - 19 Shushufindi 34 as an example, we would see that, according
 - 20 to your estimates, you've predicted that there should be
 - 21 100 to 200 meters away from this pit, there should be TPH
 - 22 concentrations of 360 parts per million. That's what your
 - 23 model predicts?
 - 24 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, the model says that the average
 - 25 of all of the soils that falls between--what interval were

- 02:08 1 this diagram do not appear to exceed 2300 in the zero to 2 50-meter interval. But this is not a basis to ground-truth
 - 3 it, you would have to investigate a comparable number of 4 well sites and a comparable number of pits to ground-truth
 - 5 the study that we did. That's the basis part, we can't do
 - 6 it at this scale.
 - 7 Q. In fact, not a single measurement that you report 8 on this map comports with the model assumptions that you
 - 9 have made for any of these distances from your pit; isn't
 - 10 that correct?
 - 11 A. (Dr. Garvey) No. These are fine observations of 12 zero to 50-meter concentrations. We have plenty of
 - 13 non-detects in the zero to 50-meter interval at other well
 - 14 sites, so they make perfect sense. It's just that some of
 - 15 what we didn't find is any of the very, very high values.
 - 16 But you don't find very, very high values at all of the
 - 17 well sites, you find them at some, you don't find them at
 - 18 others, but you are throwing darts at a dart board.
 - 19 Sometimes you get a red one, sometimes you get a black one.
 - 20 We are doing the same thing here with concentrations and
 - 21 sometimes you get it, sometimes you don't. The point is
 - 22 that by throwing enough darts at enough well sites, you get
 - 23 the spectrum of contamination. To ground-truth what we had
 - 24 done, you would need to throw comparable numbers of darts

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02:09 1 are comparing apples to oranges.

- Q. Would you agree with me that for your dartboard analogy to work and for this calculation, this model that you've developed, that that presumes at a minimum that the data is the result of random sampling?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) That the data are representative of the area, which is not quite the same thing. You can also be--a gridded sample set would also work.
- 9 Q. Okay. All right. Just a few more questions about 10 this mass calculation of oil outside the pits. In
- 11 developing this calculation, did you make any deductions
- 12 for the oil that was spilled in these various sites by
- 13 Petroecuador?

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- 14 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, we did not.
 - Q. And you recognize that the JI data measured places
- 16 where oil had been spilled by Petroecuador?
- 17 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
- 18 O. All right.
- 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) At least potentially. I don't know
- 20 exactly where Petroecuador spilled their oil versus where
- 21 the points that Chevron and the Plaintiffs placed, so I
- 22 don't know that, but it's certainly a possibility.
- 23 Q. Thank you, Dr. Garvey. I have no further
- 24 questions.
- 25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Are there any questions from

02:21 1 samples taken that day?

- A. (Dr. Garvey) Well, as I recalled previous in the week, when some of our staff had visited the site, they smelled and saw oil on the surface of that well, that was my understanding; and so had that well been sampled on another day, it might have shown an impact that might have
- 7 exceeded the standard, certainly that the well was 8 contaminated.
- 9 In addition, there are other wells in the area
 10 that documented the presence of groundwater contamination.
 11 That red symbol there at MW-01, MW-01 shows groundwater in
 12 exceedance of the standard. So, we're only talking about a
 13 short distance from a well that's clearly impacted to the
- 13 short distance from a well that's clearly impacted to the 14 well that the local people were using.
- Q. And if I could step to another site that counsel asked you about, they showed you a picture of a pipeline
- 17 spill at Guanta 6. Do you know where that alleged or that 18 pipeline spill occurred in relation to the area that you
- 19 investigated?
- 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, I don't.
- Q. And if we could turn to Tab 5 of your
- 22 Report--sorry, Tab 5, and this is your 2013 Report, and if
- 23 you could look at Figure 5.2-1. 5.2-1. It's not on the
- 24 screen yet.

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25 A. (Dr. Garvey) Okay. We have it.

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02:10 1 the Respondent?

- 2 MR. EWING: I do have some questions, if I could 3 just have five minutes.
- 4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a five-minute break.
- 5 MR. EWING: Thank you.
- 6 (Brief recess.)
- 7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.
- 8 There will be questions from the Respondent.
- 9 MR. EWING: Thank you, Mr. President.
- 10 I think we will be brief today.
- 11 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 12 BY MR. EWING:
- 13 Q. If I could pull up on the screen--this is Tab 10;
- 14 this is your November 2014 SI Report, and it's Figure 3-2.
- 15 This is Tab 2. 5.3-2. This is Tab 10, and it is your
- 16 November 14 SI Report?
- 17 A. (Dr. Garvey) Right.
- 18 Q. And it is Figure 5.3-2.
- 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) It's the end of the volume.
- Q. And this is the same picture that counsel earlier
- 21 had presented to you with Lago Agrio 16. I'm just using it
- 22 straight from your Report.
- 23 You mentioned during counsel's questions about the
- 24 results of Lago Agrio 16's groundwater analysis that the
- 25 results from that day did not violate. Why did you mention

- 02:23 1 Q. Do you remember earlier counsel showed you a 2 picture at Lago Agrio 2 of an oil-water separator?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes.
 - Q. Where is that located on this map?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) It's shown on the eastern--sorry, the
 - 6 western side of the platform area about halfway down the 7 length of the platform. It's labeled on the map.
 - 8 Q. And did that oil-water separator in any way affect 9 your conclusion at Lago Agrio 2?
 - 10 A. (Dr. Garvey) No, no, because the majority of the
 - 11 contamination at Lago Agrio 2 is in the wetlands to the
 - 12 north of the area, and generally speaking, not downhill, so 13 to speak, from the oil-water separator. The contamination
 - 14 is around the other side of the hill so to speak from where
 - 15 the oil-water separator was. You can see that on the map.
 - 16 The oil-water separator is on the west. The bulk of the
 - 17 contamination is to the north associated with the pit
 - 18 that's found there.
 - 19 Q. And if I were to walk through the rest or the
 - 20 remainder of the slides and pictures of Petroecuador's, the 21 contamination that counsel claims that Petroecuador caused,
 - 22 would that alter your opinion?
 - A. No. I mean, to the extent that some of the areas way be outside of our ring of where ended, the inventoried
 - 25 area, that would be useful, but not in general because the

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- 02:24 1 activities that were occurring as part of Petroecuador's
 - 2 activities presumably with the same kinds of activities
 - 3 that occurred when TexPet was operating--spills,
 - 4 accidents--these things happen as a result of the
 - 5 operations. So, again, we expect that both operating
 - 6 Parties spilled oil and that the soils and samples that we
 - 7 saw in the area were generally characteristic of the kinds
 - 8 of contamination that exist in the Oriente, in the
 - 9 Concession Area.
 - 10 Q. Counsel also asked you a series of questions about 11 RAP versus non-RAP features and asked you to look at the
 - 12 RAP
 - 13 How, if at all, did the RAP affect your
 - 14 determination of groundwater impacts?
 - A. (Mr. Goldstein) Well, we saw impacts of
 - 16 groundwater at both RAP and non-RAP sites.
 - 17 O. How, if at all, did the RAP versus non-RAP
 - 18 distinction affect your determination of soil impacts in
 - 19 the Concession Area?
 - 20 A. (Dr. Garvey) It really doesn't factor into it per
 - 21 se in the sense that soil contamination is soil
 - 22 contamination. When we inventoried the soils, we treated
 - 23 the remediated pits as its own group, and we calculated
 - 24 mass for those separate from the mass that we calculated
 - 25 for non-remediated pits and for the soils.

- 02:28 1 that was available for these streams and said, the data 2 that's available for these streams shows impacts.
 - Q. And how, if at all, did the RAP versus non-RAP distinction affect your determination that the Judgment's
 - 5 finding of contamination was reasonable?
 - 6 A. (Dr. Garvey) Again, the Judge's determination was
 - 7 that 100 parts per million was an acceptable level for
 - 8 background. We, in fact, assigned background close to ten,
 - 9 so his threshold is already ten times greater than what we
 - 10 would consider to be pristine or undisturbed. The RAP
 - 11 versus non-RAP issue is really a question of who is
 - 12 responsible for what piece, to some degree, but the fact
 - 13 remains that the areas surrounding these pits remained
 - 14 contaminated, and so identifying the Judge's decisions that
 - 15 these areas needed to be cleaned up is really independent
 - 16 of whether or not some of the pits have been addressed.
 - 17 The vast majority of the area in this area, in this
 - 18 Concession, has not been addressed.
 - 19 Q. And, Dr. Garvey, we just finished up some
 - 20 questions about your overall estimate for the amount of oil
 - 21 that you estimate to be around the sites, the Concession
 - 22 Area sites. Do you remember those questions?
 - 23 A. Yes.

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- Q. Whose data did you use for those estimates?
- A. (Dr. Garvey) We exclusively use the Chevron data

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- 02:26 1 So, the presence or absence of a RAP-treated pit 2 really doesn't tell you anything about the surrounding area
 - 3 as to whether or not it's clean or not. In the RAP they
 - 4 remediated various pits, but the soils surrounding those
 - 5 pits remained unaddressed, as we understand it, and again,
 - 6 we effectively treated those areas around RAP pits or
 - 7 non-RAP pits in the same fashion, saying this is simply
 - 8 characteristic of soils in the vicinity of operational pits
 - 9 because there was no evidence to suggest that they were
 - 10 remediating beyond the pit perimeter.
 - Q. How, if at all, did the RAP versus non-RAP
 - 12 distinction affect your determination of sediment impacts?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) There again, pits in operations
 - 14 spills, the various processes that went on at these sites
 - 15 would cause contaminants to migrate to the surrounding
 - $16\,\,$ streams. To the extent that groundwater was carrying it or
 - 17 it was running as a result of surface runoff or as a result
 - 18 of direct spillage into the streams, the remediation of the
 - 19 RAP pits is just a small portion of the footprint of the
 - 20 impact of these sites. So, these streams would--we would
 - 21 expect these streams to show these kinds of impacts with or
 - 22 without knowing what the RAP pits were. We were just
 - 23 assessing to see what was found. We weren't basing our
 - 24 conclusions on what we found in the stream as to what not
 - 25 the local area was remediated or not. We looked at data

- 02:30 1 that was obtained, the PI and the JI data, the Rebuttal
 - 2 data, as well as what's sometimes called "shadow data,"
 - 3 basically all the information that we could glean from the
 - 4 Chevron databases we use for this purpose.
 - 5 Q. And do you believe that using Chevron's results
 - 6 would affect your analysis?
 - 7 A. (Dr. Garvey) No. We took the data to be valid
 - 8 measurements of 8015-related Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons,
 - 9 so we thought that the data was a good--internally
 - 10 consistent from an analytical perspective and from a
 - 11 collection perspective dataset that we could use to make
 - 12 this assessment.
 - 13 Q. And do you believe that Chevron's data is an
 - 14 accurate reflection of the current conditions in the
 - 15 Oriente?
 - 16 A. (Dr. Garvey) Yes, yeah.
 - 17 Q. Have you ever done this type of estimate of
 - B contamination or of spread of contaminants before?
 - 19 A. (Dr. Garvey) Oh, yes.
 - Q. Where have you done it?
 - A. (Dr. Garvey) On several major Superfund sites for
 - 22 the USEPA. We've inventoried PCB contamination in the
 - 23 Hudson River over a distance of 200 miles. Well, the
 - 24 inventory was for 40 miles. We traced contamination for
 - 25 200. We did it for the Passaic River in New Jersey. Our

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02:31 1 estimates have been pretty good. For the Hudson River we 2 estimated approximately 2.7 million cubic yards of 3 contaminated sediment. They just are about to finish the 4 remediation of the river this summer. The estimate that 5 they would come up is that they would remove 6 2.9 million cubic yards. We were off--with data that was 7 available close to 16 years ago, we were off by 10 percent. 8 So, we have done similar calculations for the Passaic River 9 for docks and related contamination and the volume of 10 contaminated sediments there. So, we've inventoried both 11 contamination and the volume of material that needed to be 12 remediated. Q. Thank you. I have no further questions. 13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 14 Any questions? 15

16 QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL
17 ARBITRATOR LOWE: Just one point of clarification
18 on the record, if you could help with it. On your
19 Slide 54, the bottom right-hand cell says a criterion of
20 100 milligrams per kilogram in soils is close to background

21 in the Concession Area.

22 When you were speaking about it, and it's at
23 Page 40, Line 1 of the Transcript, you said that the

24 criterion of 100 parts per million is well above

25 background. Could you just explain those two points,

02:34 1 THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) I apologize for the 2 lack of clarity here. It's close in the sense that it's 3 five times better, five times higher than background, but 4 certainly, I guess where we're coming at it is that you 5 would not want to clean up--if you were trying to clean up 6 the background, you run the problem saying I have a sample, 7 let's say, at 30 parts per million, 30 milligrams per 8 kilogram. Is that background or isn't it? Well, sometimes 9 it might be because the background has a variance, it's not 10 uniquely ten or uniquely 15. It ranges with an average of 11 ten or 15, so your problem is that a value of 30 is like, well, I'm not sure if I've got contamination or not. I'd 13 have to do further analysis and so on. By picking a value 14 of a hundred, you're close enough to background so say, 15 yeah, I'm getting pretty close, but I'm comfortable that 16 values above this are clearly impacted and clearly 17 contaminated, so that's the ambiguity. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Are there any questions arising 18 19 from the Tribunal's questions from counsel? 20 We ask the Claimants first. MS. RENFROE: Yes, Mr. President, if I might. 21 22 It's perhaps not so much of a question as an observation 23 that I'd like to share with the Tribunal in light of the

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24 question, and that is the Expert Report of Dr. Jeffrey

25 Short, one of the Respondent's Experts, his Report of

02:33 1 please.

2 THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) Sure. To be clear, we 3 find, and actually so do the Claimants find, that 4 background levels in the soils of the Oriente are about 5 under 20 parts per million, so the choice of--sorry--100 6 milligrams--sorry, I'll start again.

Both we and the Claimants find that concentrations of background levels of TPH in the soils are between ten and 15 milligrams per kilogram in the soils. So, this criterion here of a hundred means that it's relatively close to background, but readily distinguishes being different from background. You may have an occasional sample that might have ten or 20 or even 30 milligrams per liter--I'm sorry, milligrams per kilogram, but the average of background soils is around 10 to 15. Okay? By using a hundred here, you have a reasonable expectation that anything that you're finding at this level and higher is clearly due to Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as a result of the TexPet--as a result of oil operations in the Oriente.

the TexPet--as a result of oil operations in the Oriente.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: If I can follow that up, I

mean, the wording that we got in Slide 54 was close to

background. Is the terminology the same? Does it have the

same meaning whether it's close to or well above

background?

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2 MR. EWING: Counsel, is this appropriate for 3 question?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, it may be, because it's a Tribunal inquiry, so let's see where it goes. Please continue.

7 MS. RENFROE: Right. At page 4--

8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: You may need to dig it out--oh, 9 you've dug it out.

MS. RENFROE: At Page 4--I hope this is the same document. The copy I'm looking at does not have a draft, but in any event, we did get a draft of it from Dr. Short and then we got a document that didn't have a draft. But in any event, if you look at Section 3.2, the first bullet says: "The average natural background of organic material extractable," et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, "is about 160 milligrams per kilogram and is almost certainly less than 400 milligrams per kilogram." So, using the TEM

19 method, according to Dr. Short, the background is this 20 range, 160 to 400, but then two bullets later if you use

21 the 8015 method, he says the background is 50 to a hundred.

22 So, I just think that that's an appropriate piece 23 of information for the Tribunal as you have this--as you

24 ponder this question.

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think it's only fair if you

Sheet 39 2276 2278 02:40 1 chilling effect subject. I was unfortunately not here when 02:37 1 want to comment on this, you should be given a chance to do 2 so. If you wish to, please proceed. 2 that comment was first made. I was presenting during the THE WITNESS: (Dr. Garvey) Just briefly. Those 3 Burlington site visit myself at the 12 sites that were 4 are differences between the two methods, and we've talked 4 visited. 5 about here the value of 100 milligrams per kilogram was I was watching the video this week. I did not 6 based on the methods that were available to the Tribunal at feel any chilling effect, and I have to say that I have 7 the time, which was primarily Method 8015. The TEM method 7 less experience than Ms. Renfroe in hearings, but certainly 8 really has a lower background level so, it represents a 8 it's no different than a hearing in that respect, and I 9 different basis to establish background. The context here 9 actually found it extremely helpful to see that video 10 is to establish background essentially based on the 8015 10 afterwards. 11 method. We would point out that of the dataset that's I think it's a unique opportunity that we will 11 12 collected by Chevron, approximately 425 or so samples are have of recording what is happening. There may be multiple 13 non-detect but detection limits averaging between 10 and 20 uses for that information afterwards. If there is no video 14 milligrams per kilogram. So, clearly for 8015, now, there will never be a video. I think those are 15 100 milligrams per kilogram is far above what would be true important items. 16 background by Method 8015, so we would just offer that. 16 I did not understand and, I certainly didn't see PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 17 17 Ms. Renfroe in any way limited in her brilliant Do you have any other questions arising from the 18 presentations at that site visit. So, I'm just puzzled by 19 Tribunal's inquiry? that statement. 20 MS. RENFROE: No, Mr. President. 20 MS. RENFROE: Well, Mr. President--PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's just make sure there is 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent? 21 22 MR. EWING: No, Mr. President. 22 nothing else. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, thank you very much, 23 Nothing else from the Respondents on this matter? 24 we've come to the end of your testimony. We thank you for 24 MR. EWING: Yes, Mr. President, just to make sure 25 coming here to assist the Tribunal. You may leave the 25 our proposal is very clear, we would propose or ask that 2277 2279 02:38 1 table. 02:41 Thank you for listening. (Witnesses step down.)



Sheet 41 2284 2286 02:48 03:05 1 Spanish language. THE WITNESS: Good afternoon, everyone. I am Fabian Andrade Narvaez. I solemnly declare upon on my honor and conscience that I shall speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and that my statement shall be in accordance with my sincere belief. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 9 There will now be questions first from the Respondent. MR. LEONARD: Thank you, Mr. President. 11 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION 13 BY MR. LEONARD: 14 O. Good afternoon, Dr. Andrade. You're here today to be examined on the foreign 15 16 law declarations that you've offered in support of the Republic's Track 2 and Track 2 B submissions. Do you understand that? 19 A. I do understand that, yes. 20 O. You've offered three declarations; is that 21 correct? A. Yes, I have submitted three declarations. 22 Q. We've provided you with a booklet containing 24 documents we might refer to during your examination. You 25 will find at Tabs 1, 2, and 3 copies of three declarations 2285 2287 02:50 03:06 1 entered into the record of these proceedings as RE-9, 2 RE-20, and RE-27, respectively. Do you see them? 4 A. I do see them, yes. Q. Do you recognize them as the three declarations PRESIDENT VEEDER: Do we move on to the next that you have submitted in these proceedings? witness? We are actually gaining time. Is this A. These are my statements, yes. Q. Are there any corrections that you would like to appropriate. It's really your witness. Is he here? 9 MR. EWING: Yes, he is here. make to any of them at this time? 10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Would you like to start with A. None, thank you. Q. Briefly, could you tell us about your academic 11 him? 11 MR. EWING: I would not like too, but I'm sure 12 background. 12 13 someone would. A. I have a degree in juridical sciences. I am a 14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Shall we take 15-minute's break 14 lawyer. I have a doctorate in jurisprudence by the 15 and then we will start with him? 15 Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador. I have (Brief recess.) 16 conducted studies at the postgraduate level in the 16 FABIÁN ANDRADE NARVÁEZ, RESPONDENT'S WITNESS, CALLED 17 doctorate program in the Universidad Competencia of Madrid. 17 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good afternoon. I'm addressing I did a Master's degree in the Francisco de you in English. We must first check whether you can hear 19 Victoria University. I've also conducted master's degree 20 me in Spanish translation. 20 studies in the Andina Simon Bolivar University. I also 21 have a diploma from the University of Salamanca. 21 THE WITNESS: Yes, very well, thank you. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Now, you will see before you a I have conducted a research visit in the Antonio 22 23 sheet of paper with the words of the Declaration in 23 Chico Institute at the University of Bologna. I am 24 Spanish. And if you will, we'd ask you to state your full 24 currently a professor at the San Francisco de Quito 25 name and then read the words of the Declaration in the 25 University in issues that have to do with legal research--

03:08 1 O. If you don't mind, would you be so kind to repeat 2 your answer, please. We're not having an English 3 translation.

> PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I also suggest you speak slightly more slowly. Just remind yourself to slow down.

THE WITNESS: My pleasure.

Do I have to repeat everything?

BY MR. LEONARD:

O. Yes.

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10 A. Of course, no problem.

I have a degree in juridical sciences. I'm a 11

12 lawyer, I have a doctorate in jurisprudence by the

13 Pontificia Universidad Católica of Ecuador. I have also

14 pursued a doctorate from the Universidad Competencia of

15 Madrid, I have a Master's degree from the San Francisco de

16 Victoria University. I conducted studies at the Master's

17 level at the Universidad Andina Simón Bolivar. I also have

18 a diploma from the University of Salamanca. I conducted a

19 research visit during my doctorate program at the

20 University of Bologna at the Antonio Cicu Institute I was

21 telling you that I am a professor at the San Francisco de

22 Quito University. I teach a class in connection with legal

23 research methodology, reasoning, and I also participate in

24 the methodological director--direction that is conducted at

25 the university.

03:12 1 approximately.

And, currently, I practice my profession in the 2 3 private sphere, in the private sphere in issues that have 4 to do with these matters.

Q. Have you served as an expert for the Republic in any other matter besides this case?

A. Yes. In connection precisely with tort liability 8 for environmental damages, I have been an expert in the 9 Burlington v. Ecuador Case, Perenco v. Ecuador as well.

Q. Have you ever acted as counsel in litigation 11 adverse to the State or any State entity?

A. Yes.

13 In my professional practice, I have worked in a 14 number of cases against the State and its 15 instrumentalities. The Attorney General of the State has

16 also participated as the representative of the State of 17 Ecuador.

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Q. Are you currently acting as counsel in litigation 18 19 against the State represented by the Attorney General's 20 Office?

A. Yes. I have a number of cases that are still 21 pending as one of the litigant lawyers, and the Attorney

General of the State is also involved in those cases,

24 representing the country of Ecuador.

25 Q. Thank you.

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03:10 1 I was also Professor of the general theory of 2 legal proceedings at the Universidad Pontificia Católica of 3 Ecuador.

These are the main issues that have to do with my 5 educational background.

BY MR. LEONARD:

Q. Thank you.

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What can you tell us about your professional 8 9 experience?

A. Well, I have been practicing my profession for the 11 past 17 years. In my professional activities, I have 12 rendered services as an adviser to the National Congress at 13 the time precisely when the environmental management law 14 was being discussed. Later on, I served at the Supreme

15 Court of Justice as an adviser in the administrative

16 division presided over by Hernan Salgado Pesantez. He was

17 a professor, one of the Professors that was cited during 18 the Opening Statements in these proceedings.

19 In that context, I was involved in the preparation

20 of resolutions in about 800 cases that were adjudicated

21 before the Court during that period of time and at that

22 division, and then I rendered services for the municipality 23 of the City of Quito. I was the Attorney General for the

24 city; and, in that context, I adjudicated cases that had to

25 do with the city, and we're talking about 4,500 cases,

03:13 1 Dr. Andrade, I'm going to ask you to address the 2 Tribunal today on issues relating to general tort law in 3 Ecuador. The microphone is yours.

A. Thank you very much.

Indeed, I have been requested to make a short 5 presentation and to talk to you about the tort law system 7 under the legal structure of Ecuador. My presentation will be divided into two different sets of issues.

9 First, we're going to talk about the substantive 10 aspects of tort liability in Ecuador; and, in that regard, 11 we are going to talk about the general principles and how liability is generally attributed in the Civil Code.

13 I'm going to then talk about two types of specific 14 rules that entail specific matters related to activities that are inherently dangerous. 15

And also I'm going to talk about the tort 16 liability related to contingent harm. 17

Then I'm going to make reference to protected 18 19 legal interests under these sets of rules.

And, finally, I'm going to talk about the joint 20 21 and several liability system that is used in Ecuador.

Now, in connection with procedural aspects, I have 22

taken as a referent the Year 1999 when the Environmental

24 Management Law was passed and the procedural system was

25 structured, this in connection with Article 43.

03:16 1 I'm going to talk about the procedural situation 2 in Ecuador before Article 43 of the EMA was passed and 3 after the Environmental Management Law was adopted.

First, I'd like to say to you that the tort system provided for in the Civil Code dates back to 1861. In 1861 6 in Ecuador, the 1852 Constitution was current. The Civil 7 Code was published on 1st January 1861, and a few days 8 later--ten days later, in fact, García Romeno took over as 9 President. He created a Constituent Assembly, and passed 10 the Constitution of 1852, and then in the concept of these 11 two constitutions we were in presence of classical 12 constitutionalism in connection with individual rights, et 13 cetera.

Now, the Civil Code was born out of that process, 15 and there is a very well-known general principle reflected 16 in Article 2214 of the Civil Code that says that, 17 practically speaking, whoever commits an offense because of 18 its conduct that harms third-parties is obligated to repair 19 that harm. This is the general principle that is enshrined 20 in our regime.

Now, the system of allocation of liability that is 22 provided for in the Civil Code entails a number of elements 23 in connection with the allocation of harm. First, you need 24 a conduct.

You also need harm to exist. That harm needs to

03:19 1 objective elements; for example, the harm itself or the 2 conduct itself.

> Now, according to this system, we have a damage that is typical, normal, natural, in connection with certain activity.

Now, the individual performing that activity has 6 to be rendered liable when that activity creates a harm.

The origin of this form of establishing a 9 causation link between the harm and the activity, arises 10 precisely from the fact that the activity performed has 11 hazardous traits not commonly present in human activity. This is the way in which the Supreme Court of Justice has explained this concept as to how this system of the allocation of responsibility is created.

The conduct, the activity, and the harm, the 15 objective elements are underscored. It is a kind of strict 17 liability of sorts.

Clearly, the initial problem that has come about 18 19 in connection with this matter has to do with those elements of causation. What we're looking at here is the 21 fact that the system creates a way of linking the harm to 22 the conduct.

23 Now, we're not talking about common elements 24 because the activity that we're dealing with here is not a 25 common activity. When I allocate liability and attribute

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03:18 1 be connected or linked to that conduct. It has to be in 2 relationship of cause and effect. This is called 3 causation. And this characterizes the general regime as 4 well. Well, we're not talking about any conduct. We're 5 talking about a conduct that was created on the basis of 6 malice or in violation of the due diligence or negligence 7 as well.

This characteristic of our system has led to it 9 being named a subjective system of allocation of liability. 10 i.e., the element of intent present in that conduct is, in 11 practice, what characterizes our system for allocation of 12 liability.

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Now, out of this general system of allocation of 15 liability which is, like I said, a subjective system, if you will, there are specific provisions that modify this 17 regime according to the different circumstances.

I'm going to talk about the system of allocation 19 of liability in the case of inherently dangerous 20 activities. The Supreme Court of Justice in connection 21 with these inherently dangerous activities, has stated that 22 the system of allocation of liability is based on the

23 theory of the created risk.

Now, subjective elements are no longer important 25 in this case, and other elements become more relevant,

03:21 1 it to the conduct of the individual conducting the 2 inherently dangerous activity, what should happen for that 3 individual not to be determined as liable is that that 4 causation link has to be severed.

And how can he do it? Showing, alleging that the 5 6 detected and verified harm was not the product of the 7 inherently dangerous activity, but of any external element. These are the traditional statutory exemptions from liability: force majeure or unforeseeable circumstances, 10 the exclusive fault of the victim, or the exclusive act of 11 a third party.

12 This is the manner in which a party performing a 13 hazardous activity can be released from liability for those damages that are ordinarily produced by the type of activity performed. 15

Now, generally speaking, we have talked about the 16 criteria of allocation of liability and causation. Mr. Barros, in his Report of January 2015, says that the

criteria in order to determine this causation is based on 20 two different theories. One has to do with the necessary

21 cause, the sine gua non cause, or the equivalent causes,

22 and this is Paragraph 49 of his Report, and then together

with this theory, according to Mr. Barros, there is another 24 theory that should be applied to determine causation which

25 has to do with proximity, the proximate cause.

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03:23 1 These are two theories that we can discuss in 2 legal doctrine but the Ecuadorian system has discarded 3 these two theories explicitly. In the case of Delfina 4 Torres specifically at the Whereas Number 20, well, a 5 number of causation theories have been analyzed. The 6 Supreme Court of Justice has discarded each one of the 7 theories put forth by Mr. Barros, and here you can see the 8 reasons that were put forth by the Court. This comes from 9 the Delfina Torres case, and first the theory of necessary 10 cause or condicione sine qua non has been discarded because 11 it was considered that if we apply this theory, I could 12 find a cause of the cause ad infinitum. And the theory of 13 the proximate cause was discarded, as a general rule, 14 because then we would face the issue of determining what is 15 the adequate cause to create the harm. 16

Now, instead of these theories that have been put forward by Mr. Barros in connection with these matters, the Court has chosen the theory of the appropriate cause or adequate cause.

The adequate cause is a very simple proposition.

It mandates that it is the judge's duty, in the exercise of
his or her own discretionary powers, to determine in each
case how to determine, how to establish that causal nexus
between the harm and the alleged harmful activity. The
explanation by Dr. Barros is that one cannot leave it to

03:27 1 and invitation to use a number of theories that do not
2 exist in the legal system and that clearly are discussed in
3 the opinion of legal scholars but not applied in Ecuador.
4 So, he has talked about this in general. It has to do with
5 the whole system of tort liability.

If these theories are not applied in the system as
a whole, they're much less applied in the case of
inherently dangerous activities. Let me give you an
example which is very simple and that comes out of
Article 2229(2). The Supreme Court has structured the
whole system of inherently dangerous activities and the
liability thereof on the basis of this provision. I'm
going to take numeral 1 of Article 229. This list, the
Supreme Court tells us, is a list of activities that when
the Civil Code was created were determined as inherently
dangerous activities. We have many more today that we
could also consider, but let's just take an example just to
illustrate this concept.

Let us assume that right now I start handling
explosives right here in this room. A pause is made, a
coffee break as you will, and when you come back, you find
this room completely destroyed. Common sense and
experience would indicate that the reason why this room has
been destroyed is because Mr. Fabian Andrade was handling

25 explosives in this room. This indicates experience,

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03:25 1 the Judge's arbitrariness to determine causation. The
2 initial problem here is that the concept of discretionality
3 is confused with the concept of arbitrariness.
4 Arbitrariness in Spanish means a mere whim, something done
5 voluntary.

In Spanish, now, discretionality means something
completely different from that. It means that you're
acting prudently, you're acting reasonably. You are acting
according to the rules of logic, and you're providing due
justification. This is not something that I'm saying. The
Supreme Court of Justice in a number of decisions has
indicated over and over again the mechanism to be used in

13 order to determine causation.

14 In the case of Andrade Medina versus CONELEC has
15 has again explained that the judge is responsible for
16 determining in each specific case the causation
17 relationship that exists between the harmful event and
18 harm, and this has to be determined under the rules of
19 reasonableness. This is the explanation of what the
20 discretionary power means. Of course, all other theories
21 are just a set of guidelines for the Court and for the
22 Court to be able to make a decision in connection with the
23 existence of this element of causation for purposes of
24 determining the allocation of liability.
25 But of course. Look at Dr. Barros' observations

03:28 1 something that is reasonable.

And clearly, in order to release myself from
liability because of the damage done to this room because
of an inherently dangerous activity--that is to say, the
handling of these explosives--I'm going to have to provide
a justification in the sense that the damage was not born
of my conduct, but it was born of an external factor, for
example, a gas pipeline exploded. This is to be alleged
and justified as well.

10 As you can see in connection with inherently
11 dangerous activities, what happens is that the burden of
12 proof is reversed with the purpose of breaking the causal
13 link. A causal link that is established for the mere fact
14 that the harm is typical, it's natural of the abnormally
15 dangerous activity.

Now, let us use the same example, but in connection with activities that are relevant to us.

17 connection with activities that are relevant to us.

18 For example, let's suppose that there is a forest
19 that has no human activity whatsoever, it's pristine, and
20 in the forest you have rivers, you have wildlife. Well,
21 now, we place oil facilities in the forest, the activities
22 are conducted with no problem whatsoever, and then as time
23 goes by, I look at the conditions in the forest. In the
24 forest we find contaminants that are typical of oil
25 activities: Oil, for example, chemicals. What does

03:30 1 experience tell us and common sense, according to this
2 system as put forth by the Supreme Court of Justice? Well,
3 that those chemicals and the substances are the ordinary or
4 regular effect of hydrocarbon activities. I have not said
5 so far that hydrocarbon activities are inherently dangerous
6 activities.

7 The Supreme Court dealt with this issue when it 8 decided the Delfina Torres case. It reached the conclusion 9 that today one must say that hydrocarbon activities are 10 inherently dangerous activities.

Now, those who carried out hydrocarbon activities in that forest become responsible for the damage caused to that forest for the harm that is born of the regular activity that, as was said, was inherently dangerous.

The way through which the operator of the oilfield could release itself from liability is showing that the substances to be found in the forest and the natural environment do not have to do with its own activities, but they have to do with an external factor, and it has to argue and prove the different events that would release itself from liability.

22 Let us look at the other specific system that we 23 have.

Our tort liability system does not only deal with harm that has already been produced. It also establishes a 03:35 1 fall onto the street. There is a harm that I would like to 2 avoid, which is that the passerby that is walking down the 3 street receives this hit from the blunt plant object, and 4 his or her health may be impaired.

And then we have an indeterminate number of people, which is this group of passersby that cannot be dentified, and that walk down the street.

Now, let us think that that building has a rooftop but does not overlook the street, but it overlooks the interior of a building.

Now, we have the same number of elements: The
plant pot that can fall on to the interior of the building.
We have a damage that we would like to avoid--that is to
say damage to life or health--but in this case there is a
determinate number of individuals, which is the people who
live in the building. Under this scenario, the person who
can bring an action to remove the plant pot and avoid
damage to the passersby is no longer any individual;
rather, it has to exclusively be an individual who lives in
the building. These are the rules of Article 2236, and
these are the different events that can be assumed here,
the different assumptions.

23 As I told you, I was going to go back to explain 24 this concept of popular action, it's also called collective 25 action. That's what legal scholars call it as well. What

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03:32 1 regime to prevent contingent harm. We're trying to do away
2 with risk factors to avoid damage from existing. This is
3 what we call the regime of contingent harm liability. The
4 specific rule is contained in Article 2236. What this
5 provision does is to grant a popular action, and we're
6 going to talk about the popular-action article in the
7 context of the Civil Code, but the popular action is
8 granted, is granted in two events. When the threat of harm
9 is related to an undeterminate number of individuals that
10 cannot be determined at the time when the action is put
11 forth, because anyone can put forth an action to take away
12 the risk that can potentially damage this indeterminate
13 group of people. The other rule is that when the group of
14 potentially affected is determined, only a member of such
15 group or class must bring the action.

Let me give you an example which is used in law school classrooms and that may be useful to illustrate this idea. Let us imagine that we have a building, and the building has a terrace, a rooftop, and the rooftop is overlooking the street. Now, we have a large object there that has been placed there, a pot, a plant pot. And that plant pot, if it falls on the street, can hit a passerby on the head, can affect this person physically, and the person is going to be sent to the hospital. So, as you can see,

25 there is a risk factor which is this plant pot that can

03:36 1 does this mean in our system? In our system, it is a
2 representation granted by law and that has two
3 characteristics: first, it is a procedural representation,
4 purely procedural representation; that is to say, the law
5 has attributed to an individual in accordance with the two
6 rules that I have explained before under Article 2236,
7 where the law has allowed this individual to bring the case
8 to a court for the Court to hear the case and for the Court
9 to make a decision. These are procedural steps. This is
10 only done in order to bring the action.

The second feature here is that this is a limited right. It only has to do with procedural aspects. The law allows any person to represent other individuals in the case of an undetermined group of individuals, or to a certain person in the case of a determined group of individuals. Well, that does not mean that the person bringing the action can dispose of the substantive rights of that group of individuals. For example, it cannot make arrangements in connection with substantial rights, it cannot settle, it cannot bring the case to a panel of arbitrators. Why? Because, of all these purposes, our legislation, according to Article 44 of the Code of Civil

23 Procedure, indicates that there has to be a Power of 24 Attorney that is given voluntarily. A Power of Attorney 25 will specifically provide powers of representation to the

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Now, to end with this matter, I wanted to talk 2 3 about the evidence requirements related it Article 2236 in 4 connection with activities that may bring about a 5 contingent harm. This is easy when we're talking about 6 inherently dangerous activities. In that case I need to 7 determine evidence that there is an actual risk that a harm 8 may be caused to a group of individuals. For example, in 9 the case of the forest, I would have to show that, for 10 example, the presence of environmental pollution in the 11 forest may affect adversely the rights of the forest 12 dwellers. We're talking about, for example, 278 13 families -- this was the case of Delfina Torres, and 14 1,000-odd individuals in the case of Delfina Torres as 15 well.

I would have to show that the contamination of the 16 17 environment may impair the rights of those 1,057 18 individuals and bring this to justice.

19 The other matter I would like to discuss in 20 connection with the substantive aspects of this matter, I 21 wanted to also say that we need to talk about the legal 22 interest. I have been asked not to talk about specifically 23 the word "right" or legal right, which has a specific 24 meaning that is well understood in Spanish and that can be 25 translated to protected interest. To address this subject,

03:42 1 any impairment any adverse effect to a legally protected 2 interest must be compensated.

> Now, 2236, when it talks about contingent damage, draws no distinction also, and what is usually said here is that when the legislator does not draw any distinction, the individual applying the provision must not draw a distinction, either.

8 Now, 2229 and 2214, these two provisions were invoked in the Delfina Torres case. In that case, there were damages produced in connection with an event that had to do with environmental contamination, now an impairment. These two provisions were established.

13 Now, if a legal system does not distinguish between the kinds of damages and the legally protected interest, one must understand that this system applies to property impairments, for example, impairment of the right 17 to property, the right to realty, or the impairment of personal rights--credits, for example--and also impairments that don't have to do with property things, for example, life, health, physical integrity, honor. All of these are legally protected interests in our legal system.

22 If these legally protected interests are harmed, 23 then the legal regime provided for in the Civil Code is 24 also useful.

25 And I would like to end this part regarding the

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03:40 1 first, we have to understand what harm means from the 2 viewpoint of the tort system.

> Now, harm means that a legal protected interest is 4 impaired or it's affected adversely.

Now, from the report of Mr. Coronel that was 6 submitted on June 3 2013, at Paragraph 92, he proposes and 7 states that the legal regime I just commented on, Article 8 2214 which establishes the general rule, Article 2229, 9 which talks about abnormally dangerous activities I talked 10 to you about, and even Article 2236, which refers to 11 contingent harm, could not be applied--he states--to 12 collective harm or included within environmental harm. I 13 think it's the fourth line of this text here. Mr. Coronel 14 asserts this, but as you can see, this finds support in no

15 provision, no norm, nothing. This is just an opinion. Now, if one tries to justify this concept from a 17 positive viewpoint, the easiest thing is to go back to 18 2214, and to find that 2214, when it makes reference to the 19 harm that must be repaired and that must be caused by the 20 conduct of the individual does not make a difference among 21 the different categories of damage or protected legal 22 interest.

23 Now, Article 2229 establishes, in its first 24 paragraph, the general rule related to the element of 25 intention in the torts regime, says explicitly any harm, 03:45 1 legally protected interest, by telling you that also none 2 of the provisions therein established draws a distinction 3 in connection with the mechanism to provide a remedy.

4 Thus, the mechanism for compensation is not useful criteria 5 to indicate distinctions or modifications to the placing of 6 the legal interest that is being vindicated through this

7 regime. In the case of Delfina Torres, the Plaintiff 8 9 itself put forth a number of protective measures as a

mechanism to compensate for impaired rights. This 11 mechanism did not change the allegations related to the harm suffered and the liability of those who carried out

13 the activities that brought about the harm.

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14 15 Now, in connection with these substantive matters, I wanted to talk about how the joint and several liability regime works in Ecuador. So, I wanted to also talk about the concept that we're going talk about.

19 Now, let us imagine that there is a rock; right? A stone, and also that a number of individuals drop water 21 for a long time on that rock. Finally, that rock breaks. 22 The pertinent question there is which one of the drops 23 broke the rock? The first one or the last one or the

24 second one? The Ecuadorian legislators chose a solution

25 for events such as these. These are joint causes, if you

03:46 1 will, so we call them there, and that is what Article 2217 2 provides for. When a number of individuals contribute to a 3 certain harm, all of them are jointly and severally 4 responsible.

Now, the solution of the Ecuadorian legislator in 6 1861 seems unjust if we don't really understand the system 7 as a whole. The system states that, of course, the victim, 8 the sufferer of the harm, may choose amongst all the 9 individuals that contributed jointly and severally to bring 10 about the harm, and a claim may be brought against one of 11 these individuals, and the full payment of the obligation 12 may be asked of only one of them.

And to complete the system, the joint and several 13 14 debtor paying for the obligation has the right to obtain 15 from the joint and several co-debtor, the corresponding 16 amount, in the corresponding proceedings and with the 17 corresponding evidence, related to such amount that he is 18 entitled to. This regime is established, not because I say 19 so but because it is provided for in the Civil Code since 20 1861, in Article 1530, regarding the possibility or ability 21 that the victim has to sue all or any of the joint and 22 several debtors, and Article 1538, regarding the right that 23 the joint and several debtor who paid that obligation has 24 to come after the other debtors to pay the amount to which 25 they are obligated.

03:50 1 the Court could protect the individual's right.

In the case of my example, the forest, where these 3 272 families lived and the 1,057 individuals also lived, in 4 principle, each one of these individuals could have brought 5 a claim to the extent that the impairment of the 6 environment generated a harm for each one of them, a direct 7 harm to each one of them.

Now, in practice, what will we get? We would have 9 1,057 severed claims; right? Based on the same legal 10 system and in the cases of pollution, it will be based on 11 the same facts. This is what the legal regulations allowed 12 for.

13 Now, this was a mechanism that was going against 14 procedural economy, and it was very complicated from the viewpoint of legal certainty because each one of the courts 16 considering the different allegations, the strategies put 17 forth by the parties in each one of these cases, the evidence submitted by the Parties, well, different judges could have made different decisions. There could have been an inconsistency amongst all of these Court decisions. The 21 Ecuadorian procedural system allowed for a joinder of 22 cases, so all of these cases could have been joined that would otherwise have been proposed independently so that 24 the Judge who heard the first case could decide on all of 25 the cases. These are joinder of cases, and this joinder of

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03:48 1 And also, there is another Article that has to do 2 with the right that the payor of the obligation has in 3 order to go after his co-debtors and ask for the amount 4 that he paid.

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So far we have reviewed these substantive aspects 6 that have been emphasized with respect to torts under 7 Ecuadorian law. Now, let us talk about procedural aspects 8 right now.

Okay. First, what happened before the EMA in 10 connection with procedural regulations? Now, any 11 individual that sees his or her rights impaired in this 12 legally protected interest could put forth an action in 13 ordinary proceedings. This was the right kind of case to 14 bring. Why? Because the Civil Code of procedure, 15 according to a very old rule, established that in every 16 single case where a specific proceeding has not been 17 stated, all claims must be done through the ordinary 18 proceedings. This is Article 59 of the Code of Civil

Any individual that may have seen his or her 21 rights impaired could bring a claim under ordinary 22 proceedings for the Court, whether, according to the 23 general regime or because of an inherently dangerous

19 Proceeding. This is a very simple rule.

24 activity or in order to avoid contingent harm, well, via 25 the ordinary proceedings, that claim could be brought, and 03:52 1 cases is regulated under Articles 108 and 109 of the Code 2 of Civil Procedure.

Think of the Delfina Torres case. In the case of 4 Delfina Torres we had there 278 families, we had 1,057 5 individuals. Now, these 1,057 individuals--I don't think 6 it was all of them, but at any rate, let's just say that 7 the 1,057 individuals think of it as individuals bringing 8 different cases. So, instead of doing this, they decided to create an entity that is different from themselves, and 10 it's called the Delfina Torres Committee. So, the Delfina 11 Torres Committee acting by its legal representative is the one who brought the action based on his own rights and 13 based on rights of this entity, this legal person.

14 In the Delfina Torres case, as you know, in Whereas Number 5, the problem was dealt with in connection with the right to bring a claim procedurally, the ability to bring a claim, and it was said that the underlying legal relationship and the purpose of the litigation is completely different. So, this is what happened to the community that lived in the Delfina Torres case. 20

21 Now, the 1,057 individuals could have brought 22 their own individual actions, and we could have found a solution vis-à-vis this multiplicity of cases based on the same legal grounds.

Now, under Article 43 of the EMA, without

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03:53 1 modifying the substantive system, the same regime we have
2 had in the Civil Code dating back to 1861 and the same
3 system of tort liability, well, we would have a number of
4 civil actions. So, this is an article that's called,
5 "civil actions." Well, the civil actions are those actions
6 that are provided for in the legal system.

Now, Article 43 wanted to bring order to
procedural matters. One no longer needs a claim, an
individual claim, that each one of the impaired parties
would bring because of an event, an environmental event,
but what it can be done is that since all of them are
connected because of the common interest and impaired by
the same environmental event, well, all of them can bring a
claim. This is a procedural joinder of cases that is
legislatively ordered.

I don't need a judicial proceeding that heard the first case by motion of a party, brings together all the cases and makes a decision now, because of the legislative order under Article 43, that joinder of cases, procedurally speaking, has been provided for under Article 43(1).

Now, what else does Article 43 do? Well, this is no longer an ordinary proceeding, but we will be using a summary verbal proceeding. Article 59 that we talked about a moment ago, says that when the law does not establish a specific proceeding, then the ordinary proceeding will be 03:57 1 the first copy of the document is in English. There is a 2 pink divider, and then the second copy of the document is 3 in Spanish for you to look at.

And while we're doing that, you mentioned in your direct testimony earlier that it was in connection with precisely some of these issues of tort liability that you've discussed this afternoon that you also appeared as an expert for Ecuador in the Burlington case; is that correct?

A. Yes, that is correct.

And good afternoon, Mr. Coriell. A pleasure to see you again.

Q. Thank you.

And in the Burlington Case in which you appeared and discussed these issues of tort liability, you're aware that the State was bringing environmental counterclaims against Burlington for environmental impact or environmental harm in the blocks that it had operated in

19 Ecuador. Do you recall that?

20 A. Yes, I do remember that.

Q. And in the Perenco Case, which you also appeared in as an expert brought by the Republic of Ecuador, you did

23 so at a counterclaims Hearing where the State was bringing

24 claims for environmental harm against Perenco for its

25 operations in Ecuador; correct?

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03:55 1 applied. This is a verbal or an oral summary proceeding.

2 The regime established in Article 43 applies to
3 all damages arising from an impact to the natural
4 environment, whether the harm is actual or contingent.
5 Article 43 does not bring about any innovation in the
6 substantive law in connection with tort liability. What it
7 does is that it Orders the different proceedings, it puts
8 order into different proceedings when the harm is
9 originated by an event that affected adversely the
10 environment.
11 Sir, you have the floor.

12 Q. Thank you, Doctor. I believe that we have
13 exceeded the time we had for direct examination, so I will
14 tender the Witness now.

15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.
16 There will now be questions from the Claimants.
17 MR. CORIELL: Thank you, Mr. President.
18 CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. CORIELL:

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20 Q. Dr. Andrade, good afternoon. Good to see you 21 again. I'm Wade Coriell. We spoke, as you recall, law

22 June during the Burlington environmental counterclaims
23 Hearings which you referenced in your direct testimony. My

24 colleague is going to be handing out two binders to you.

25 The tabs in the binders are numbered, and behind each tab,

03:59 1 A. That is correct.

Q. Okay. I'd like to move first, if we could, to a discussion of the Collusion Prosecution Act, which you bring up in your Second Report, and you can find it at Tab 2 of your binder.

And I think this will be uncontroversial. I just want to get a sense of what precisely you are opining with respect to the Collusion Prosecution Act.

9 It's my understanding--and I'm reading from Page 4 0 in the English, but I think it's Page 5 in the Spanish...

A. I'm sorry, what tab? Two? Did you say two?

12 Q. Tab 2, yes, which is your Second Report dated

13 November 7th of 2014. Do you recall that?

A. Yes.

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Q. And so, on Page 5 of the Spanish, I think near the top, you say that, "Ecuadorian law provides for an action

17 under the Collusive Prosecution Act specifically designed

18 to address cases of judicial fraud such as the one Chevron

19 alleges here." That's your opinion; right?

A. That is correct.

Q. And then if we look at the bottom of Page 5 in the English--and I think it's on Page 6 in the Spanish, you

23 have a paragraph that begins, "In this case," and you say:

24 "The CPA provides the only proper remedy in Ecuador for

25 Chevron to air its allegations of fraud and to adduce

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04:01 1 evidence purportedly in support of those allegations."
2 Do you see that?

- A. Yes, I do see that.
- Q. And so I understand this right, what you're saying here is two things; right? The only-the CPA is the only proper remedy first for airing fraud allegations; correct?
 - A. No, it is not correct.
- 8 Q. There are, in fact, other proper remedies for 9 fraud allegations in the case of judicial fraud; right?
- 10 A. Yes, there are other mechanisms which are not 11 useful for the presentation of this extrinsic of evidence.
- 12 Q. I understand. What I'm trying to understand here 13 is that you say that the CPA is the only proper remedy for 14 Chevron to air its allegations of fraud and to adduce 15 evidence purportedly in support of those allegations. So, 16 let me ask you this way: Do you believe that the CPA is
- 17 the only proper remedy for Chevron to air its allegations
 18 of fraud in Ecuadorian courts?
- 19 A. Let me repeat it. It is the only mechanism where 20 Chevron could introduce new evidence to prove fraud.
- Q. So, you would agree with me that any fraud allegation that Chevron were to make that did not require new evidence could be heard by the ordinary courts, and there would be no need for a CPA action; is that correct?
 - A. I agree. Due process--is the concern of every

04:05 1 one is referring to the evidence, the rule is that evidence
2 that has been improperly presented is of no value to the
3 proceeding, so the Judge cannot assign any value to that
4 evidence when issuing a decision. But it is a different
5 thing to have a violation in the procedure that leads to a
6 nullity in that proceeding. Agree?

There is a humongous difference here. So the

Judge in this case has to separate this tainted evidence

and do not consider it for the decision-making process.

When there is a violation of the due process that leads to

nullity, the Judge should consider the record of the

proceeding, whatever was introduced correctly or properly.

For example, the proceeding could be declared null and void

and then returned to the point where the due process

violation occurred.

- Q. I appreciate your explanation, that wasn't my question. Let me see if I can get at it a different way.

 Bet's go back and talk about the Collusion Prosecution Act, which you say that in the case of the allegations of fraud that Chevron is making in this case, is the only proper remedy; correct?
- A. That is the only mechanism to introduce evidence, and clearly obtain what Chevron is expecting to receive in connection with the process.
 - Q. Now, you would agree with me that there is an

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04:03 1 judge in Ecuador.

- Q. So, the question isn't the type of allegation.
 The question is whether or not new evidence is required in order to prove the allegation; right?
- A. Yes, indeed, that is the problem because you cannot try to protect due process based on a violation of due process. This is like that.
- 8 Q. And to be clear, just so that the record is clear, 9 you said yes, indeed, that is the problem, you agree with 10 my proposition that the question is not whether the 11 allegation is fraud or not. The question is whether new
- 12 evidence outside the trial court record has to be adduced
- 13 in order to prove the allegation?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. So, in a hypothetical scenario--and I'm not
- 16 telling you that this is the scenario in fact, I'm just
- 17 asking you to assume these facts for purposes of the next
- 18 couple of questions--if there is proof within a trial court
- 19 record that a report of a court appointed global damages
- 20 Expert was ghostwritten as the result of fraudulent acts,
- 21 it would be appropriate for the courts, and it would be
- 22 required of the courts, to look into that fraud allegation
- 23 as long as that proof was on the trial court record; is
- 24 that a fair statement?
- 5 A. I think that these are two different things. When

- 04:06 1 ultima ratio requirement under Ecuadorian law; correct?
 2 The CPA is only an available remedy if there is no other
 3 available remedy under Ecuadorian Law?
 - A. Yes. The rule to apply is that the Collusion
 Prosecution Act shall be used whenever there is no other
 means to be used for the presentation of these allegations.
 - Q. And it should not be used when there is another means available for the presentation; correct?
 - 9 A. Whenever there are other mechanisms to be used in 0 response to the claim under this Collusion Prosecution Act, 1 yes, the collusion claim should be discarded.
 - Q. Right. And I'm referring to Paragraph 95 of your Second Report, you might not have to go there, but your view is that Chevron could have pursued a CPA action as of the time it became aware of the purported evidence of the fraud in this case; right? It's the second to last sentence of your Paragraph 95.
 - 18 A. Yes, I do see the text at Paragraph 95. 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop a second.

20 (Pause.)

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue.

22 BY MR. CORIELL:

Q. And your view is that Chevron could and should have pursued a CPA action at the time that it became aware of the purported evidence of fraud that's at issue in this 04:09 1 proceeding; right?

A. Yes, indeed, because, in this case, what it had 3 through the normal course was an appellate instance, in 4 which you could not produce evidence. It had a cassation 5 appeal which explicitly does not have an evidentiary phase 6 and you cannot produce evidence. And it has an 7 extraordinary action for protection in which you also 8 cannot produce evidence. So, if I discovered and I had the 9 right element to file an action because of fraud, because 10 of collusion, then the reasonable thing in a well-thought 11 strategy would have been to immediately file a collusion 12 action.

Q. And the Appellate Courts couldn't look at it 13 14 because the Judge can't look at evidence that's not in the 15 record. That's basically what it comes down to; right?

A. Yes, the issue is not that they could not 16 17 analyze--is that they could not take as valid evidence 18 external to the proceeding, that was not ordered and had 19 not been contradicted by the other party. In a nutshell, 20 due process rules.

Q. Because it's a requirement of due process that 22 evidence external to the proceeding has to be treated by 23 the Court as not existing for the purposes of that Court's 24 Judgment; right?

A. Yes, indeed. Evidence that is not properly

04:13 1 believe mid-November of 2013. Do you recall that?

- A. I remember that it was after the Report, yes.
- Q. So, I would like to look at Page 4 of your First 4 Report, and it's the first full paragraph in the English version, the paragraph that begins "however," if you're looking in the Spanish version.
 - A. What paragraph? Are you saying Number 4?

Q. I'm sorry, I misspoke. It's Page 4. It's Page 4 8 of both the English and Spanish versions, and it's the paragraph beginning "However, Ecuadorian law provides."

And you see that what you say to the Tribunal here 11 12 is that Ecuadorian law provides for at least two effective 13 remedies to address the alleged fraud or comparable 14 violations of due process and other constitutional rights, 15 and then you list those two remedies with a lower case (i) 16 and a lower case (ii) as the cassation appeal to the 17 National Court of Justice, and the extraordinary action for 18 protection before the Constitutional Court. You didn't mention the Collusion Prosecution Act as availability

20 remedy for, in your words, the alleged fraud or comparable 21 violations of due process, did you?

A. That is correct. And the reason is that at that 23 time we were discussing whether we could get to see 24 violations of due process. We never discussed whether I 25 wanted to introduce external evidence to that proceeding to

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04:11 1 produced should be treated as if it did not exist. It 2 could not be the grounds for a judgment. It's a very 3 simple rule.

Q. And you were here during Ecuador's opening 5 presentation two weeks ago; is that right?

A. I was here, yes, during the Opening Arguments of 7 Chevron and Ecuador.

Q. And you may recall during Ecuador's Opening 9 Arguments that it took the position that Chevron could have 10 pursued the CPA action that you and I have been talking 11 about as of February 14th of 2011, when the Lago Agrio 12 Judgment was issued; do you recall that?

A. To be honest, I do not remember.

13 Q. Okay. We have been talking about your Second 14 15 Report in which you discuss the Collusion Prosecution Act, 16 and I would like to turn to your First Report, which was 17 issued in February of 2013. Does that timing sound 18 correct? I think it was February 18th, and it's behind 19 Tab 1 of your binder.

Do you recall that report, and do you recall 21 issuing it in February of 2013?

22 A. Yes.

23 And you recall that the Cassation Decision in this 24 case, the Chevron-Aquinda Case, was issued by the National

25 Court of Justice some nine months later, which was I

04:15 1 get to a decision. In fact, if you look at this, 2 Mr. Coriell, you are going to see a full chapter on the 3 valuation of evidence, and you're also going to find the 4 previous paragraph, the one before where you read that it 5 said that that cannot be used.

> Q. I would like to look at the previous paragraph 7 because it will walk us through what allegations of fraud you were referring to when you talked about these two 9 effective remedies.

10 If you go back to Page 3 of the English version, 11 it's the paragraph before the one we've been looking at, 12 Dr. Andrade, it begins "Chevron." Do you see where I am, 13 "Chevron submitted." It's the paragraph right before the 14 one we just looked at. It says: "Chevron submitted 15 voluminous documentary evidence to the trial court in support of its allegations of ghostwriting of the Judgment by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs and fraud surrounding the Cabrera Report and the Calmbacher Report."

Do you see that?

A. Yes, I do see that.

Okay. So, that's Chevron's submissions.

And then you go on to say: "The submissions were 22 23 untimely and largely comprised of inadmissible evidence 24 under applicable rules of procedure. The appellate panel

25 was therefore barred from considering them."

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04:16 1 Do you see that?

- A. I see that, yes.
- Q. Okay. So, we have the submissions, we have the 4 inability of the Appellate Court to consider them, and then you say: "However"--and I'm using your words--"Ecuadorian 6 law provides for at least two effective remedies, " and you 7 say that's the Cassation Court and the Constitutional 8 Court. That word "however" seems important. You're saying 9 that the new evidence was inadmissible for the Appellate
- 11 Court are the two appropriate remedies; correct? A. Not exactly. As I said before, in connection with 13 that topic, we are discussing the value of evidence--you 14 can see this above. We are under the numeral dealing with 15 summary of the considerations in the Report, right? We

10 Court, however, the cassation appeal and the Constitutional

16 have to first look at where we are for the context. Second, we are summing up what the weighing of the 17

18 evidence means and the appellate standard of review, 19 correct? And we are saying, if you look at it starting

20 from Paragraph 63 of the same report, how the weighing of

21 the evidence works in the Ecuadorian system, and I am 22 telling you that that evidence could not be considered

23 valid under the standard. And, of course, fraud is not

24 only based on evidence, you will remember that there have

25 been allegations of violation of breach of due process in

04:20 1 effective remedies are--you say: "In fact, the National 2 Court can and presumably will review Chevron's allegations 3 of fraud."

Am I to understand that when you say "Chevron's 5 allegations of fraud, " you are not referring to the ghostwriting of the Judgment; you are not referring to the 7 Cabrera Report, you're referring to those due process 8 violations that you just gave to me in your last answer? 9 Is that your distinction?

A. Basically the concept of fraud as used in this 11 proceeding and also the one mentioned here is quite broad. No? Indeed, I was not referring to the allegations of

fraud that are based on external evidence.

O. Okay. So, you were referring to allegations of 15 fraud based on internal evidence, but you're not referring 16 to allegations of fraud based on external evidence; is that 17 correct?

A. That is correct.

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O. You didn't mention that distinction here or, in 19 fact, anywhere in your First Report, did you?

A. That is completely correct because I did not refer in detail to the facts, rather the applicable law.

O. Okay. You did not refer in detail to the facts 24 but rather to the applicable law.

Can we go--let's go to Paragraph 1 of this First

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04:18 1 connection with lack of jurisdiction, competence, breach of

2 procedure, and a series of elements. So, Chevron's

3 allegations in this area and those originating from the

4 proceeding could easily be analyzed by any judge in the

5 Republic, and also the various levels. But what cannot

6 happen is that improperly produced evidence be used as 7 grounds. And if I would like to use that evidence, what I

8 need to do is go through the convenient course, the right

9 course.

O. Dr. Andrade, if you could confine your answers now 11 to these two paragraphs, which as I understand it are 12 entitled Section E of your Report. "Assessment of evidence 13 and standard of review of the appellate level." Am I right 14 that this is a summary of your full conclusions in this 15 report in February of 2013 as to that issue?

A. Yes, Mr. Coriell, the only thing I hope is that my 16 17 answer is not taken out of context. It is convenient that, 18 for the understanding of both paragraphs, be so kind as to 19 refer back to the explanatory bases provided in the rest of 20 the Report. Yes

O. Well, let me ask you one more guestion about this 22 summary, and then I will move to the place where you 23 address these two effective remedies in detail. The very

24 middle sentence in that paragraph beginning "however," you

25 say; "in fact"--this is after you've told us what the two

04:21 1 Report, and that's where you discuss the scope of your

2 Declaration. And you say you have been asked by the

3 Republic's legal counsel to issue a legal opinion

4 addressing several of Claimants' allegations of judicial

5 error and due process violations in the Lago Agrio

6 Litigation; right?

A. Correct.

Q. Okay. And then if you go--let's go to the section of your Report where you then do that in detail. It's on 10 Page 25 of the English, beginning at Paragraph 78 in both 11 versions.

You see that?

13 And Paragraph 79 is just a repeat of the 14 conclusion that you made earlier on about the two effective 15 remedies being the cassation appeal and the extraordinary action before the Constitutional Court; right?

A. I'm sorry, in what part of 78?

18 Q. Paragraph 79. You repeat your conclusion that Ecuadorian law provides for at least two effective remedies

20 to address the alleged fraud and consequent violations of

21 due process, and then you say the Constitutional Court and 22 the National Court cassation appeal; right?

23 A. Yes, Paragraph 79 refers to the summary of this 24 Report. Yes.

Okay. And if you could turn now to Paragraph 81, Q.

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04:24 1 you have two sentences there. The first you say:
2 Claimants assert that the cassation appeal is not an
3 effective remedy because it is limited to legal issues and
4 cannot be bought on the basis of factual matters.

Do you see that?

- A. Did you say 81?
- 7 O. Yeah.

A. Yes

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- 11 Q. And then the next sentence you say: "the 12 violations which Chevron alleged in its cassation appeal
- 13 and also described in Claimants' memorials in the
- 14 arbitration proceedings, fall squarely within each of the
- 15 grounds established in Article 3 of the law on cassation."
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes, I see that, at Paragraph 80. In fact, I 18 mentioned each of the grounds invoked. Uh-huh.
- 19 Q. You actually mention them, I think, more
- 20 specifically, if you look over to Paragraph 83, you say:
- 21 "The main grounds asserted by Chevron to invalidate the
- 22 Lago Agrio proceeding can be summarized" and then you list
- 22 diago Agrio proceeding can be summarized and then you
- 23 Chevron's allegations.
- Do you see that list (a) through (f)?
- 25 A. Yes, I do see the list.

04:27 1 why: First, the list, (a) through (f), refers to a very

- 2 specific allegation. It states, the violation of the right
- 3 of defense. (I), is what Article 83 states, the main
- 4 grounds, it refers to the violation of procedural
- 5 requirements, due process. Number 2 refers to the right of
- 6 defense, and Chevron bases itself on those allegations.
- 7 And then at Paragraph 84, what I'm saying is that the Court
- 8 can review those allegations pursuant to its powers under
- $\, 9 \,$ Article 3. And Article 3 basically grants powers to review
- 10 the legality. This is the role of the cassation court.
- 11 That is say, to look at the legality of the decision rather $\,$
- 12 than the facts, the facts are already reflected in the
- 13 Judgment under review. And it is interesting to see your
- $14\,$ interpretation, but clearly, that is not the meaning.
- Q. Well, I didn't mean to make an interpretation.
- 16 The last sentence in Paragraph 83 says: "Chevron makes the
- 17 following allegations," and then it lists them, and the
- 18 only sentence in Paragraph 84 says: "The National Court
- 19 can review these allegations pursuant to its powers." I
- 20 understood that to mean that that list of allegations,
- 21 including ghostwriting, could be reviewed by the National
- 22 Court; correct?
- 23 A. I apologize if I didn't say it correctly or you
- 24 understood me wrong but the truth of the matter is that
- 25 article--Paragraph 84, what I am saying that all of these

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- 04:25 1 Q. And (d) is Chevron's allegation that the Judgment 2 was drafted by a third party; right?
 - A. Yes, this is the list. As you can see, it's
 - 4 basically a partial cite--well, let's say a paraphrasing of
 - 5 Chevron's allegations, yes.
 - Q. Okay. One of which is drafting of the Judgment by
 - $7\,$ a third party. Can we just agree to refer to that as
 - 8 qhostwriting as we continue this discussion?
 - A. In what sense?
 - 10 Q. I'm just asking if you and I can agree that
 - 11 drafting of the Judgment by a third party, I will now call
 - 12 ghostwriting so that I don't keep repeating the seven or
 - 13 eight words in this line.
 - 14 A. No problem.
 - 15 Q. You see in (e), another allegation that you looked
 - 16 at by Chevron was procedural fraud; right?
 - 17 A. Yes.

- 18 Q. And then right after this list in Paragraph 84,
- 19 you have a one-sentence paragraph that says: "The National
- 20 Court can review Chevron's allegations pursuant to its
- 21 powers under Article 3 of the Law of Cassation." So, you
- 22 were telling the Tribunal with this sentence that the
- 23 National Court could review Chevron's allegations of
- 24 ghostwriting and of procedural fraud; correct?
- A. No, no, that is not correct, and let me tell you

- 04:29 1 allegations may be considered within the framework of
 - 2 Article 3 of the Law of Cassation. And Article 3 of the 3 Law of Cassation clearly shows you the grounds. Chevron,
 - 4 the Appellant Party, clearly knows the grounds and that's
 - 5 the reason why they referred to it as lack of application,
 - 6 improper application or wrong application of a law. What
 - 7 I'm trying to say, that Article 3 of the Law of Cassation 8 grants specific power to the Cassation Court, and that is
 - 9 to review the legality of the decision based on the grounds
 - 9 to review the legality of the decision based on the grounds 10 under Article 3.
 - At Paragraph 80 you see the grounds invoked by the appelant party and all of them have to do with the lack of application or the lack of interpretation or the improper application of substantive rules, procedural rules, rules
 - 15 on the weighing of the evidence, coherence.
 - ${\tt Q.}\quad{\tt Can\ we\ go\ back,\ then,\ to\ that\ section\ of\ the}$
 - 17 Report? Let's look at Footnote 91 of the Report where you
 - 18 say: "The allegations brought by Chevron before the
 - 19 National Court comprise nearly all of the same issues that 20 are mentioned by Claimants in their Memorial on the Merits
 - 21 for this arbitration."
 - 22 Do you see that?
 - 23 A. Yes, yes, I do see it.
 - Q. Now, as we have established, you have filed this
 - 25 Report, you wrote those words in February of 2013. You

- 04:30 1 were responding to a March 2012 Memorial on the Merits that 2 Chevron had submitted in this arbitration proceeding;
 - 3 correct?
 - A. Yes, in connection with the issues that I was 5 consulted on. Yes? It was not that I was answering the 6 Memorial. I suppose that is the job of the representatives 7 of the Republic.
 - Q. I understand that, but your footnote that we just 9 looked at, Footnote 91, says that these allegations that 10 you listed and that you're purporting to describe the 11 proper remedy for in this Report are nearly all of the same 12 issues--your words--that are mentioned in this Memorial;
 - 13 right? So, presumably you looked at this Memorial to
 - 14 determine that the issues were nearly all the same; right? A. The allegations on the violation of due process 16 and the right to defense, yes. They're detailed starting 17 at Paragraph 80, yes.
 - O. So, let's look to the Memorial, which is behind 18 19 Tab 8 of your binder. It's only in English. It was only 20 submitted in English.
 - When you reviewed this Memorial, did you review it 22 in its English version, or did you have a translation?
 - A. The truth is I don't recall. I have seen a number
 - 24 of documents in English, and a number of documents in 25 Spanish.

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Q. Okay. So, I will just read to you the few points 2 that I want you to look at, and it can be interpreted into

3 Spanish, and I just want you to flip the page over to the 4 Table of Contents so that we can see the allegations in

5 this Memorial that you say were nearly the same as the

6 cassation appeal allegations.

You see the Table of Contents?

- A. I'm looking at the Table of Contents, yes.
- 9 Q. And you see how the first sentence in the Table of 10 Contents says: "The Lago Agrio Judgment is Fraudulent"?
- A. Yes. It's Page 3. 11
- Q. Right. And then the next sentence right under 12
- 13 that says: "The Plaintiffs colluded with the Court to
- 14 draft the Judgment." So, you see that? You looked at that 15 as well; right?

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- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And then let's turn to Page 4, the actual 17 18 text of the Memorial, which is the beginning of Chevron's
- 19 allegations of fraud in this document.
- And you see that section titled "1, The Plaintiffs
- 21 Colluded with the Court to Draft the Judgment," and you
- 22 know there are several paragraphs on that that I am not
- 23 going to read you through, but I'll point you, you see in
- 24 Footnote 15, at the end of it, you see how there's a
- 25 citation to the Declaration of Patrick Juola? It's at the

- 04:34 1 ends of Footnote 15?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And you see in Footnote 16, it's a footnote to
- 4 some text and it cites to the Expert Report of
- Robert A Leonard.
 - Do you see that?
- A. I do see that, yes.
- Q. And then we turn over to Page 6 of the same
- 9 document. It's in the same section on collusion, and you
- 10 see Paragraph 24 has a discussion--I'm sorry, you see that
- 11 Footnote 24 is a citation to the Expert Report of
- 12 Gerald R McMenamin.
 - You see that; right?
 - A. I'm looking at it, yes.
- Q. And you're aware that these are all Expert Reports
- 16 that have been relied on in Chevron's cassation appeal and
- 17 also in these arbitration proceedings, obviously as to the
- 18 latter; right?
 - A. No, I did not know that, no.
- 20 Q. You knew they were being relied on in these
- 21 arbitration proceedings at least because you read them in
- 22 the Memorial that you reviewed in these arbitration
- 23 proceedings?
- A. I'm sure I did not do the kind of reading that was
- 25 done by those who prepared the Memorial or those who have
- 04:35 1 to answer the Memorial. I was interested there in looking 2 at the fact that whether these allegations like fraud, et
 - 3 cetera, are included in the grounds related to the
 - 4 violation of the right to defense for purposes of a
 - 5 National Court to review a cassation appeal. I didn't
 - 6 really--I didn't look at each and every one--
 - Q. I understand that you didn't look at those
 - Reports, and that's not what I had asked.
 - 9 You did, however, I assumed you looked at the
 - 10 Table of Contents at least of this Memorial that you
 - 11 claimed was consistent with the grounds in Chevron's
 - 12 cassation appeal? You were aware of the allegations that
 - 13 were being made in this Memorial that you described as

 - 14 "nearly all of the same issues that are mentioned by
 - 15 Claimants in their cassation appeal"?
 - A. We looked at a pertinent paragraph where we 16
 - 17 described the allegations made by Chevron to bring the
 - 18 cassation appeal. When one looks at the cassation appeal
 - 19 and one finds allegations of fraud or whatever, and the
 - 20 contents of whatever it may be, and this has to do with the

 - 21 violation of a specific provision that has to do with the
 - 22 violation of due process, what I have done here is to
 - 23 compare the Memorial and the cassation appeal on the basis
 - 24 of the grounds invoked, and I conclude that there was an
 - 25 allegation of fraud that has been described in the Report,

04:37 1 and this is the grounds used by Chevron to consider that a 2 specific provision of due process has been violated, and 3 that is what has been submitted in the cassation appeal. I 4 think the reasoning is very simple. I have not looked at 5 the facts, and that is the thing.

Q. And I'm not asking you about these particular 7 facts. I'm asking you about the allegations that you 8 reviewed that you then testified to this Tribunal could be 9 remedied by the National Court of Justice on the cassation 10 appeal, so let's go back to Paragraph 83 of your First 11 Report, where you say in support of the general--of what 12 you called the main grounds of Chevron's cassation appeal, 13 at Paragraph 83 you said: "In support, Chevron makes the 14 following allegations, " then you listed six of them. The 15 fourth one, (d), is drafting of the Judgment by a third 16 party.

So, you understood when you wrote these words that 17 18 Chevron was making a ghostwriting allegation to the 19 National Court of Justice. Can we agree on that?

- A. Yes, we agree on that. It says here, the 20 21 violation to the right of defense based on--
- Q. I asked you what was a yes-or-no question. You 23 understand that Chevron was making an allegation that the
- 24 Judgment had been drafted by a third party. Yes or no?
- A. Yes, as a justification of the violation of the

04:40 1 the grounds to maintain that there has been a violation of 2 due process is the same. I didn't have to consider even 3 whether the grounds were correct or not. I had to consider 4 only whether the allegations made by Chevron are included or not within the regime of due process for a due process case to come under Point 2 of the cassation law.

O. Dr. Andrade, we may be having a translation issue, 8 but I think it would help if you could just answer my precise question. Let me represent to you, I am in none of 10 these questions am I suggesting that you did or were asked 11 to or should have reviewed the substance of the facts to

determine whether the allegations are true. So, at any point going forward where I'm referring to these

allegations and you are looking at them, I'm only referring to the question whether you realized that certain

allegations were being made, okay?

A. Okay, we agree.

O. We agree that you knew that Chevron had raised in 18 19 its cassation appeal an allegation that the Judgment was

drafted by a third party. Yes or no?

21 A. Yes.

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22 We agree that you knew--and we have seen it in

23 this Memorial on the Merits in this arbitration--that

24 Chevron had raised an allegation that the Judgment had been

25 drafted by a third party. Yes or no?

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04:39 1 right to defense. It's right there. You have to look at 2 83, that's it.

Q. I see that it's there. And if we look at 91, it 4 also says that the allegations brought by Chevron, 5 including the allegation of drafting of the Judgment by a

6 third party, as we have just agreed, comprise nearly all of

7 the same issues that are mentioned by Claimants in their 8 Memorial on the Merits for this arbitration. So, this

9 footnote would indicate that you understood that in its

10 Memorial on the Merits, that Chevron was making an

11 allegation that the Judgment was drafted by a third party; 12 correct?

A. Again, yes. Chevron submitted in its cassation 14 appeal as a grounds for the allegation of the violation of 15 the right to defense a provision, that may be reviewed by 16 the Cassation Court amongst other things fraud, and this is 17 what has been put forth in the Report, yes.

Q. Now, to have been able to say that Chevron alleged 19 qhostwriting of the Judgment, and also to be able to say 20 that that allegation was reflected in this Memorial that we 21 have been looking at, you must have looked at least at

22 Chevron's ghostwriting allegations in the Memorial;

23 correct?

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A. No. I only had to look at what the cassation 25 appeal said and what the Memorial said, and to find that 04:42 1 A. Yes.

> And we agree that Paragraph 84 of your First 3 Report says the National Court can review Chevron's 4 allegations. Yes or no?

5 Α. 84?

> 0. Yes.

A. Again, within the context of Article 3 of the cassation law, and the reading is very simple. The National Court may examine the allegations made by Chevron 10 on the basis of the powers granted to it by Article 3 of 11 the cassation law. What are these powers granted by

12 Article 3 of the cassation law? The review of the aspects 13 of legality in the Judgment, not others. It doesn't review 14 factual issues. This is a Cassation Court. It is not an

15 additional instance that can review factual issues, rather

it is on the ground that there is a violation of a legal rule that establishes the way evidence must be submitted.

Again, cassation is a review of the legality of 18 19 the Judgment. That is what Article 3 says.

Now, all of the allegations made by Chevron, all 20 21 of those had been submitted in the cassation appeal on the

basis of the invocation of one ground, and that ground is under Paragraph 80. That is what Chevron's cassation

appeal says. All of these are allegations--

Q. Do you believe that drafting of the Judgment by a

04:44 1 third party is what you refer to as a factual issue or what 2 you refer to as an issue of legality?

- A. The drafting for these purposes and any other
 element that is factual in nature is just the grounds to
 allege, as Chevron itself says, the violation of a
 provision that defines due process and to allege Ground
 Number 2 of Article 3 of the cassation law. That is what
 Chevron does in its appeal of cassation. We agree?
- 9 Q. It's not whether we agree. I don't think I
 10 understand your answer. You have made a distinction
 11 between factual arguments that a court cannot consider and
 12 legal arguments that a court can consider. You have listed
 13 six allegations that you said the National Court could, in
 14 your words, review. One of those allegations is drafting
 15 of the Judgment by a third party. Is drafting of the
 16 Judgment by a third party a factual issue that the Court
 17 cannot review, or does it raise a legal issue that the
 18 Court can or can in certain circumstances review?
- A. Let's see I repeat: The Court is going to review
 all Chevron's allegations within the context of its powers.
 The powers are put forth in Article 3 of the cassation law.
 I can allege whatever it is that I know, right? But the
 Court is not going to review any circumstance whatsoever
 that is factual in nature, right? What the Court is going
 to do is to review legality issues, so much so that

04:48 1 Are you saying when you listed these six
2 categories and when you said the National Court can review
3 these allegations, by "review," did you mean, well, they
4 have to consider anything that Chevron says, but, of
5 course, we don't know whether they are allowed to actually
6 rule on that basis, or did you mean these were legitimate
7 grounds that, if proved, could result in a successful
8 cassation appeal?

9 A. Let's see: None of the two. First, because these
10 allegations could not be proven at the cassation level.
11 No, I repeat: There is no evidentiary period at the
12 cassation period. That is not the concept. These

allegations that give grounds for Chevron's allegations in
 connection with its cassation appeal, are allegations
 regarding Procedural Rule violations. These were the ones

16 presented at the cassation level. Right?
17 Then, what are you saying? For example, what is
18 the cassation appeal saying? Lack of jurisdiction.

19 Violation of Article--I don't remember exactly but let's 20 say...

Q. Can we stay focused on the one ground that I have been asking you about, which is drafting of the Judgment by

23 a third party? I'm not asking you about lack of

24 jurisdiction. Can you confine your answer to the one

25 ground that I'm asking you about? Can someone successfully

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04:46 1 Chevron, for each one of its allegations, included in
2 Article 83, well, Chevron included all of these under the
3 umbrella of a legal allegation regarding the Judgment, and
4 used one by one, the five grounds of Article 3 of the
5 cassation law. This is what it did and what I'm trying to
6 explain to you in the report. Any other interpretation of
7 this matter, well, what you are saying to me is that at

8 Paragraph 84 I'm saying that all of those allegations must 9 be reviewed by the National Court. That is not what I'm

10 saying at 84. What I'm saying is that all those

11 allegations may be considered by the National Court within 12 the context of the powers that have been granted to it

13 under Article 3 of the cassation law.

Q. So, your view, what you understood your
one-sentence Paragraph 84 to mean was simply that anything
Chevron alleges the National Court has to consider, but you
were not expressing in one way or another whether these six
allegations that you listed were appropriate grounds for
potential overturning of the case on cassation?

20 A. No. The grounds--we will see again--of the 21 judgment; of the instance judge, must originate from some 22 illegality ground...

Q. I don't mind if you explain yourself, but can you at least begin with an answer to my question, and then if you need to explain, I am not going to interrupt you.

04:49 1 win a cassation appeal in Ecuador on the basis that the 2 original Judgment was drafted by a third party? Yes or no.

3 A. At the cassation level, what Judgment? Well, it 4 depends, you will see. Let me give you a context.

I'm going to assume that this fact took place at
the trial level. The appeal of the trial level has an
vevidentiary period. Okay? During the evidentiary period,
I could submit evidence. If the evidence was correctly
presented, then a judgment was going to be handed down, and
a decision was going to be made. The evidence was
correctly submitted. It was timely.

Can I win a cassation appeal with that argument under those circumstances? Possibly, yes. Everything is in order. Okay, do we agree?

Q. So, if I understand correctly your answer is,
Mumber 1, and I'm going to try to walk through these in
steps. Number 1, you would agree that drafting of--that
you can win a cassation appeal in Ecuador on the basis of
proving drafting of the Judgment by a third party in
certain circumstances; is that correct? And we'll get to
what those are?

22 A. That depends on the case, yes. That depends on 23 the case.

Q. And that circumstance would be when the drafting of Judgment by a third party can be proved by reference

04:51 1 only to documents legitimately admitted into the trial 2 court record?

- A. Let us say that in the proceeding and at the 4 relevant stages, evidently, yes.
- Q. Okay. So, the distinction that you're making is 6 Scenario 1 you can put--if you have documents that are duly 7 admitted to the trial court record, and on those bases you 8 can conclude that the Judgment was drafted by a third 9 party, in that scenario, you can win a cassation appeal in 10 Ecuador?
- A. Yes, hypothetically, according to your statement, 11 12 I would require that the appellate judgment, the second 13 instance had failed to estimate, for example, duly 14 submitted evidence, violating a rule and a rule in 15 connection with the drafting of the Judgment; correct? 16 That is to say, the evidence regarding the ghostwriting of
- 17 the Judgment was set aside without grounds for doing so, in 18 violation of evidentiary rules. For example I will present
- 19 a cassation appeal. Surely, I will allege Ground 3 of 20 Article 3 that has to do with violating rules regarding the
- 21 weighing of the evidence, and surely the court if it finds
- 22 that the allegation is well-founded in accordance with
- 23 everything in the proceedings, it will say whether the
- 24 violation of the evidentiary rule existed, in relation to
- 25 these documents which were improperly produced in the

04:55 1 Judgment, by a third party--let's say the Plaintiffs who 2 win the Judgment--do you believe that that violates a legal 3 rule under Ecuadorian law?

- A. Assuming the fact, yes, if there is a 5 violation--imagine, there is a due process violation, there 6 are criminal offenses committed, a number of legal provisions would be violated, of course.
- Q. Okay. So, let's take the due process one as the 9 basis in my hypothetical, and now we are before the 10 Cassation Court, okay? You agree with me that, in that 11 situation--and again, I'm not asking you obviously to talk about the facts being right or wrong--in that situation, it is appropriate for the Cassation Court to review the 14 guestion of whether the Judgment was drafted by a third 15 party, and potentially, depending on its analysis, overturn the Judgment on due process grounds?

A. Perfectly, yes.

17 18 You have put to me a violation of a legal 19 provision, and that is exactly what happens in Chevron's cassation appeal. That legal provision is reviewed on the 21 basis of the case file, and then the problem of the 22 external evidence arises. If I would like to ground the 23 violation of the due process, which is exactly what's 24 stated there--right?--with external pieces of evidence 25 then, surely the Cassation Court is going to say no, you

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04:52 1 proceeding, and then the trial court Judgment will be 2 quashed, and the court will issue another Judgment in its 3 place. That is how the system works.

Q. I appreciate the explanation again, but I want to 5 clear up the record just so that we're talking, and so if 6 you could try to give a shorter answer so that I make sure 7 we're on the same page.

Assume a first-instance Judgment that is appealed 9 to the Provincial Court, and one of the allegations made on 10 appeal to the Provincial Court is that the Judgment was 11 drafted by a third party. Okay?

A. Okay.

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Q. Assume that the Provincial Court denies the 13 14 appeal, and then there is a cassation appeal on the same 15 basis, obviously under a different law, Law 3 on Cassation, 16 but the same allegation is made: Ghostwriting of the 17 Judgment. Okay? Assume that.

A. Okay, I'm going to assume that. I would like to 19 assume that but you need to add what the legal rule 20 violated was, and then I'm going to be able to answer with 21 no problems in connection with what would happen at the 22 cassation level. Up to what you've said, everything is 23 clear. All these factual circumstances, you see?

Q. So, do you believe--let's explore that. Do you 25 believe that drafting of the Judgment, a first-instance

04:56 1 have to go to the right course, why? Because you're going 2 to have to show the fact. And what is the fact? The fact 3 is that someone else has drafted that ruling; correct?

Q. So, to be clear, in that scenario that I gave you, 5 we agree if that can be shown based on the existing record, 6 it can be overturned on cassation for that reason that we 7 were discussing; right? And the reason for that--the 8 reason for that distinction is because Ecuadorian courts can only rely on evidence that's duly admitted into the 10 record?

11 A. Exactly. That is the difference. It's not anything that is included in the case file. Rather, the 13 things that have been added to the case file in accordance 14 with procedural rules, okay?

MR. CORIELL: Mr. President, we have been going 15 16 for some time. I don't know if--I'm getting a head signal that this might be a good time for a break. 17

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We're going to break at 18 5:00 o'clock for 15 minutes but before we do, we're not pressing you in any way because we're ahead of schedule, 21 but can you give us some idea whether you will finish 22 tonight or will we go into tomorrow morning?

23 MR. CORIELL: Can I reflect on that and let you know after the break?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Absolutely.

04:58 1 Come back in 15 minutes. MR. CORIELL: Okay, thank you. PRESIDENT VEEDER: We say this to all witnesses, 4 we ask you not to discuss the case or your testimony whilst 5 you're away from the Tribunal. Do you understand? THE WITNESS: Yes, I will do that, Mr. President. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 8 (Brief recess.) 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 10 (Overlapping interpretation.) MR. CORIELL: I'm not going to be able to finish 11 12 tonight. I suspect I have 2, 2.5 hours left to go, and I

13 wonder if it might--rather than starting a new, topic it's 14 been fairly slow-going, so I'm a little reluctant to start

15 a new topic so late in the day, and I would be happy to 16 break now and resume in the morning, if that makes the most

17 sense, but I'm in your hands.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: The proposal is that we stop 19 now. It's been a long day for most of us, and we will

20 start again tomorrow at 9:30, but clearly we will finish

21 tomorrow without any doubt whatever.

MR. CORIELL: Absolutely.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that inconvenient or

24 agreeable to the Respondent?

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MR. LEONARD: It is agreeable to the Respondent.

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, David A. Kasdan, RDR-CRR, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings were stenographically recorded by me and thereafter reduced to typewritten form by computer-assisted transcription under my direction and supervision; and that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

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                  PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, it's agreeable to
      2 everybody, so we will stop today's Hearing, and we will
      3 come back tomorrow at 9:30 to hear more questions put to
      4 you. Again, we ask you not to discuss the case or your
      5 testimony over night away from the Tribunal, not until you
      6 come back at 9:30.
                  Do you understand that?
                  THE WITNESS: I will be isolated.
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                  PRESIDENT VEEDER: You don't have to be isolated.
     10 You can meet anybody you like, but just don't talk about
     11 the case. See you tomorrow at 9:30.
                  THE WITNESS: See you tomorrow then.
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                  PRESIDENT VEEDER: Then tomorrow we must come back
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     14 to the site visit Draft Order.
                  (Whereupon, at 5:11 p.m., the Hearing was
     16 adjourned until 9:30 p.m. the following day.)
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IN THE MATTER OF AN ARBITRATION BEFORE A TRIBUNAL CONSTITUTED

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, SIGNED AUGUST 27, 1993 (THE "TREATY")

and

THE UNCITRAL ARBITRATION RULES 1976

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> : PCA Case No. Claimants, :

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and

Respondent.

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Sheet 3 2356 2358 PROCEEDINGS APPEARANCES: (Continued) PRESIDENT VEEDER: Good morning, ladies and On behalf of the Respondent: gentlemen. We'll start Day 11 of this Hearing. PROF. EDUARDO SILVA ROMERO PROF. PIERRE MAYER MR. JOSÉ MANUEL GARCÍA REPRESA MS. AUDREY CAMINADES MS. GABRIELA GONZÁLEZ GIRÁLDEZ Dechert LLP 32 rue Monceau 75008 Paris France MR. ÁLVARO GALINDO CARDONA MR. DAVID ATTANASIO Dechert LLP 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 United States of America MR. BRIAN CUMMINS LitOptix Any other housekeeping matters? We ask the 15 16 Claimants first. 17 MR. CORIELL: Nothing for the Claimants. 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: For the Respondent? 19 MR. LEONARD: Just one minor recommendation. It's for the sake of the interpreters, for the Expert to slow down a little bit in order to making his recommendations 22 since yesterday. 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Andrade, I hope you can 24 hear me through the interpreter. THE WITNESS: I'm listening to you, Mr. President, 2357 2359 09:28 1 yes. Good morning. CONTENTS PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm being asked to remind you, 2 PAGE 3 but also to remind all others that because your questions PRELIMINARY MATTERS: 2358 4 and answers are being translated, it's very important to WITNESSES: 5 speak slowly and also to leave a break between the question and the answer. This applies to counsel just as much as to FABIÁN ANDRADE NARVÁEZ 7 witnesses. So, if you could bear that in mind, we may get Continued cross-examination by Mr. Coriell 2359 Redirect examination by Mr. Leonard 2409 on more quickly with less difficulty. Questions from the Tribunal 2439 9 FABIÁN ANDRADE NARVÁEZ, RESPONDENT'S WITNESS, RESUMED Further redirect examination by Mr. Leonard 2450 Recross-examination by Mr. Coriell 2453 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, we return to the 10 PROCEDURAL DISCUSSION 2456 11 questions from the Claimants. MR. CORIELL: Thank you, Mr. President. 12 13 CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION 14 BY MR. CORIELL: Q. Good morning, Dr. Andrade. I want to pick up with 15 just a few final questions on where we ended yesterday because we stopped a little early, and you'll recall that we were discussing a ghostwriting of a judgment by a Plaintiff is a serious allegation; right? 20 A. Good morning. 21 Yes, of course, it is quite a serious allegation. 22 (Technical difficulty.) 23 (Pause.) Q. And ghostwriting of a judgment is illegal in 25 Ecuador because it violates due process; correct?

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- 09:30 1 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And we agreed yesterday that any court hearing
 - 3 that allegation has to decide that allegation as long as it
 - 4 can do so based on evidence duly admitted to the
 - 5 trial-court record; right?
 - A. That is correct, yes.
 - Q. So, I'd like for you to assume a hypothetical
 - situation with me, okay?
 - 9 A. With pleasure, yes.
 - 10 Q. Okay. Number one, a first-instance court issues a
 - 11 judgment against a Defendant, and that judgment relies on a
 - 12 document that I will call, "Document A," okay?
 - 13 A. Very well, yes.
 - 14 Q. Number two, the Defendant appeals that judgment,
 - 15 and it loses at the Provincial Court, okay?
 - 16 A. Very well, yes.
 - 17 O. Number three, the Defendant files a cassation
 - 18 appeal, and one of its allegations is that Document A is
 - 19 not in the original trial-court record, okay?
 - 20 A. Correct.
 - 21 Q. In that situation, you would agree that the
 - 22 Cassation Court is required to consider and decide upon
 - 23 that allegation; correct?
 - 4 A. If it is under a rule, then, yes.
 - 25 Q. Okay. And you would agree that the Cassation

- 09:33 1 it's going to find that document; correct?
 - A. Yes, of course, in connection with the case put
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{3}}$ forth to the Cassation Court. And if the document, the
 - 4 specific document, is relevant, it is going to review it,
 - 5 and it is going to find it in the case file.
 - Q. And if it doesn't find it, then, obviously, it
 - 7 would sustain the appellant's allegation that it's not 8 there?
 - 9 A. I think so. I believe so.
 - Q. Okay. I'd like to go back to your First Report,
 - 11 which we were discussing yesterday. This is behind Tab 1,
 - 12 and it's the February 2013 Report. And just to refresh
 - 13 what I think we agreed to yesterday, if I need to point you
 - 14 to the discussion we had, I can do that, but you already
 - 15 testified that as of the time you wrote this Report, you
 - 16 had reviewed the violations that Chevron had alleged in its
 - 17 cassation appeal; correct?
 - A. In connection with the contents, yes.
 - 19 Q. And you had reviewed the violations described in
 - 20 Claimants' Memorials in the arbitration proceedings; right?
 - 21 A. Yes, the statements of the Memorial, I did review
 - them, and I compared them with the cassation writ.
 - 23 Q. And then you described those allegations in the
 - 24 Memorial and in the cassation writ as the same issues,
 - 25 nearly the same I believe was the terminology you used?

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- 09:31 1 Court, in doing that, couldn't determine whether Document A
 - $\ensuremath{\mathbf{2}}$ is in the trial-court record by simply looking at the
 - 3 trial-court record; correct?
 - 4 A. Yes, of course. If this was an allegation in
 - 5 connection with a provision related to matters in
 - 6 connection with the weighing of the evidence--that's what
 - 7 is important. And if a cassation appeal has been submitted
 - 8 and if the violated rule relates to the weighing of
 - 9 evidence, and if the appellant states that this is a 10 specific document that was involved. Document A, the Court
 - 11 is going to consider the violation of the provision, and
 - 12 it's going to make specific reference to the document that
 - 13 is included in the case file, yes, that is the case.
 - 14 Q. So, by definition, it would not have to consider
 - 15 evidence extrinsic to the record in this hypothetical;
 - 16 correct?
 - 17 A. Yes, exactly.
 - 18 Q. Because, if a document is duly admitted to the
 - 19 trial-court record, and if you review that trial-court
 - 20 record, you'll find the document in the record; is that
 - 21 fair?
 - 22 A. Could you please repeat the question?
 - 23 O. Sure.
 - 24 If a document is duly admitted to the trial-court
 - 25 record, and if the Cassation Court reviews that record,

- 09:35 1 A. Exactly, these are the allegations that are put 2 forth in connection with a series of violations of
 - 3 provisions, legal provisions, that were put to the
 - 4 Cassation Court, yes.
 - ${\tt Q}. \hspace{0.5cm} {\tt And} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt then} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt you} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt said} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt that} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt those} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt allegations} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt fell} \hspace{0.1cm} {\tt }$
 - 6 squarely within each of the grounds established in
 - 7 Article 3 of the Law of Cassation; right?
 - 8 A. Yes. In fact, I describe the grounds under
 - 9 Article 3. I state the different legal arguments that are
 - 10 put to the Court, and these allegations fall squarely
 - 11 within the concepts of due process and right to defense.
 - 12 Essentially, these are the two notions that have to do with
 - 13 legal arguments put to the Court, yes.
 - $\mbox{14}$ $\mbox{MR. CORIELL: Okay.}$ And just for the Tribunal's
 - 15 reference, that's at Paragraph 81 of the First Report.
 - BY MR. CORIELL:
 - 17 Q. But if you bear with me, Dr. Andrade, I'd like to
 - 18 turn you to Pages 3 to 4 in the English, I believe it
 - 19 starts on Page 4 in the Spanish. It's in the Executive
 - 20 Summary of your opinions in this Report, and it's Section
 - 21 E, "Assessment of Evidence and Standard of Review at the
 - 22 Appellate Level." And if you could let me know when you're
 - 23 there.

- 24 A. Starting on Page 3; right?
- Q. I'm not sure on the Spanish if it starts on 3 or

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09:37 1 4, but it's Section E, "Assessment of Evidence."

- A. Yes, I found it perfectly, well.
- Q. And if you'll bear with me, I'm going to read this into the record because I have just a few questions about it.

You say: "A court hearing an appeal in a summary oral proceeding may consider only evidence that has been lawfully requested, ordered, and submitted during the proceedings before the lower court. There is no evidentiary phase at the appellate level of an oral summary proceeding. The Appellate Court thus has no competence to hear and rule on an issue if it does not form a merits of the proceeding."

13 the proceeding."

14 And then there is a second paragraph where you

15 say: "Chevron submitted voluminous documentary evidence to

16 the trial court in support of its allegations of

17 ghostwriting of the Judgment by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs

18 and fraud surrounding the Cabrera Report and the Calmbacher

19 Report. These submissions were untimely and largely

20 commissed of inadmissible evidence under applicable rules

- 20 comprised of inadmissible evidence under applicable rules
- 21 of procedure. The appellate panel was therefore barred
- $22\,\,$ from considering as evidence the 'fraud' documents that
- 23 Chevron unilaterally submitted to the lower court, and
- 24 those submitted post-judgment in the course of its appeal
 25 from the Judgment below." So, that's the Appellate Court.

09:40 1 of your Report as you sit here today as well; correct?

- A. Yes, of course, that's correct.
- Q. Now, I'd like you to imagine for me another
- 4 hypothetical, okay? I want you to imagine that this
- 5 three-paragraph Executive Summary that I just read into the
- 6 record from your First Report, that you wrote it not to
- 7 summarize for this Tribunal your expert opinion, but
- 8 instead that you wrote it as a memo for a client in Ecuador
- 9 for whom you were doing legal work, okay?
 - A. Yes, correct.
- 11 Q. And I want you to imagine that the purpose of the
- 12 memo, which is the purpose of this section of your report,
- 13 was to talk about the effective remedies--and I'm using
- 14 your words--for the alleged fraud--again using your
- 15 words--in the Lago Agrio Litigation, okay?
- 6 A. Okay.

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- 17 Q. Would you blame your client after reading these
- 18 three paragraphs for accepting your advice that it file a
- 19 cassation appeal to remedy the alleged fraud?
 - A. I would not. Of course not.
- 21 Q. Would you blame your client for not filing a
- 22 collusion prosecution action to remedy the alleged fraud
- 23 since you never even mention it as a remedy anywhere in
- 24 this Report?
- 25 A. What actions do the initials you mentioned stand

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09:38 1 And then you have a third paragraph: "However,

- 2 Ecuadorian law provides for at least two effective remedies
- 3 to address the alleged fraud or comparable violations of
- 4 due process and other constitutional rights by way of (1)
- 5 the cassation appeal to the National Court of Justice, and
- 6 (2) the extraordinary action for protection before the
- 7 Constitutional Court. In fact, the National Court can, and
- 8 presumably will, review Chevron's allegations of fraud and
- 9 procedural misconduct pursuant to its powers under
- 10 Article 3 of the Law of Cassation. Should the National
- 11 Court deny Chevron's cassation appeal, Chevron would have
- 12 an opportunity to file an extraordinary action for
- 13 protection before the Constitutional Court, which can and
- $14\$ would conduct an examination of, and redress any alleged
- 15 violation of due process during the course of the Lago
- 16 Agrio Litigation."

17 Now, before I ask you a couple of questions about

- 18 that, do you stand by this two-paragraph
- 19 summary--three-paragraph summary that you wrote in your
- 20 First Report? Do you stand by that today?
- 21 A. Yes, I do. Those three paragraphs are a summary
- 22 of Paragraphs 63 to 92 of my Report, and for each
- 23 paragraph I provided an explanation and details in this
- 24 section of my Report.
 - Q. And you stand, of course, by Paragraphs 63 to 92

09:42 1 for?

- Q. Well, I used CPA instead of saying Collusion 3 Prosecution Act.
 - Q. So, let me repeat the question.
- 5 Would you blame your client for not filing a
- Collusion Prosecution Act case to remedy the alleged fraud
- 7 since you never even mentioned that as a possible remedy in
- this Report?
- 9 A. No. In this Report, I do make specific reference
- 0 to parallel measures that go beyond the line that a lawyer
- 11 would follow to present these things in Ecuador. Following
- 12 an appeal, he would file a cassation appeal, presenting his
- 13 arguments. He would then file an extraordinary action of
- 14 protection, if such allegations are related to due process
- 15 and fundamental rights. And this is completely independent
- 16 from parallel actions that could be taken, and reference of
- 17 that is made specifically, I think, at Paragraph 74 of my
- 18 First Report. As you must understand, there has to be a
- 19 logical order to be followed in proceedings. At this time
- 20 we were not discussing those parallel measures, but we were
- 21 discussing those measures that were at the same
- 22 hierarchical level. First, after an appeal, you have a
- 23 cassation appeal, because I have legal arguments that I $\,$
- 24 need to put to the Court.
 - Then I'm going to go to the Constitutional Court

09:44 1 because I had legal constitutional arguments to put to the 2 Court, this regardless of the parallel measures that I may

Q. Well, let me break your answer into two pieces.

5 Let me start with where we currently are in the document, 6 the paragraphs that I just read that you concluded that

7 these two remedies could, "redress any alleged violation of

8 due process during the course of the litigation." You

9 didn't make the distinction--and I'm talking right now

10 about this Executive Summary--you didn't make the

11 distinction here between these two remedies and some other

12 sorts of parallel measures that might need to be taken, did 13 you?

I did not. 14

Q. And you didn't use--you didn't mention the 15

16 Collusion Prosecution Act as something relating to fraud,

17 due process, or even collusion in this Executive Summary,

18 did you?

19 A. Not in the Executive Summary, I did not.

Q. And you did not specifically mention the Collusion 20

21 Prosecution Act anywhere in your entire--

A. You don't have to look for it because--you don't

23 have to look for it. Indeed, I did not specifically

24 mention the CPA or any other action that may be used in a

25 parallel manner, if you will.

09:47 1 time in a report in which you discussed, "effective 2 remedies to address the alleged fraud"? Do you understand 3 why I find that odd?

A. I understand.

In this Report, I am addressing whether, in 6 practice, we had at that time additional mechanisms that 7 Chevron could have in order to put forth its legal claims 8 according to a logical sequence that would be used by any 9 lawyer in Ecuador. If I submit an appeal to the Provincial 10 Court, the natural thing is to go to a cassation appeal if 11 I have legal claims. The legal claims were evidence in the

cassation appeal, and we see that those are the ones put forth in this case. 13

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Now, the natural thing after that is that if my legal claims have a constitutional rank, for example, such 15 16 as a violation of due process, any lawyer in Ecuador would submit an extraordinary protection action.

So, I was answering the question: Are there 18 19 mechanisms or additional means for these claims to be put to the courts of Ecuador? The answer is yes, and this is the logical order in which those should have been raised.

I also say that there are parallel measures and

23 that are different in nature, and they're varied in nature 24 as well. That's what I said in my Report. We were not

25 discussing that the fact that the only basis and the most

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09:46 1 Q. And you understand, because I know that you sat 2 through Ecuador's opening two weeks ago--you understand 3 that Ecuador's position is that the Collusion Prosecution 4 Act was the only proper remedy for large portions of 5 Chevron's allegations of fraud and ghostwriting with 6 respect to the Lago Agrio Judgment; right?

A. Yes, because of a specific reason: The evidence 8 that wants to be used as evidence is evidence that the 9 other Party cannot contradict. It cannot submit new

10 evidence. It cannot discuss that evidence. For that to 11 happen, what I need is a process where we can have

12 evidence, we can listen to the other party and in which a

13 decision can be made in connection with matters that are 14 not necessarily related to the violation of a legal

15 provision, but the determination of a specific fact.

Dr. Andrade--0.

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This was stated... 17

Q. And, Dr. Andrade--and if we can again stick to my 18

19 question because I wasn't asking what you were trying to

20 put forth there, but I appreciate the distinction that you 21 just made about new evidence. And you, in fact, talk about

22 evidentiary rules in this First Report: So, don't you find

23 it odd that if that is the important distinction with

24 respect to why Chevron needs to use the Collusion

25 Prosecution Act that you did not mention that mechanism one

09:49 1 relevant basis in the weighing of the evidence by Chevron 2 had to do with the demonstration of factual elements. And 3 in order to evidence factual elements, I need a specific 4 proceeding where I can explain to the other Party to which 5 I'm presenting those arguments, well, I have to indicate 6 that, the Judge has to weigh the evidence, notice has to be 7 made to the other party, everything has to be aired out, 8 and then the facts need to be characterized, and then a decision of fact--a decision of law--a decision of law 10 needs to be made. That is all. At the time, we were not 11 talking about which was the most important element in the 12 weighing that was being made in connection with the 13 violations of due process. There were a number of 14 allegations of violations of due process. Many of them 15 have to do with a violation of legal provisions rather than

> Q. And we can all look afterwards at Paragraph 74 of your First Report and what you say about parallel measures.

19 I'd like to move to a different subject, if I might, which is corporate separateness and piercing of the

21 corporate veil, and in particular I'm going to ask you some

questions about a portion of your Second Report, which is 23 behind Tab 2 at Paragraph 78, where you're responding to

24 certain allegations that were made at Paragraph 225 of

25 Chevron's Track 2 Reply Memorial?

the determination of specific facts.

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- 09:51 1 A. Let me look for Paragraph 78, please.
 - 0. Okay.
 - A. I have found Paragraph 78, sir.
 - 4 Q. And you see that you're responding to a series of
 - 5 allegations that Chevron made at Paragraph 225 of its
 - 6 Track 2 Reply Memorial?
 - 7 A. Are you making reference to paragraph 78 collusive
 - 8 acts? I'm lost. You're talking about the second report,
 - 9 Tab 2; right?
 - 10 Q. I'm at Tab 2, which is your Second Report,
 - 11 Paragraph 78, at which you respond to a series of
 - 12 allegations in Paragraph 225 of Chevron's Track 2 Reply.
 - 13 Are you with me?
 - 14 A. I found it, yes, thank you.
 - 15 Q. And if you go to Tab 9, I'm going to show you the
 - 16 particular accusation that Chevron made that I would like
 - 17 to discuss with you. This is, in fact, the Track 2--it's
 - 18 an excerpt from the Track 2 Reply, and I'm looking at
 - 19 Page 102, the second bullet point. If you let me know when
 - 20 you're on Page 102 of Tab 9.
 - 21 A. I have found Tab 9, sir, yes.
 - Q. And you see in that second bullet point: One of
 - 23 Chevron's allegations is that on October 15 of 2012, the
 - 24 Lago Agrio Court issued an order against numerous assets of
 - 25 Chevron and its subsidiaries, including the \$96 million

- 09:55 1 A. Yes, I've seen it.
 - Q. And you understand, as a general matter, that in this Order, the Lago Agrio Court declares that the Judgment
 - 4 may be enforced against the assets of dozens of direct and
 - 5 indirect Chevron subsidiaries across the world; right?
 - A. That is the decision made, a series of assets are seized, and these are subsidiaries of Chevron's, is my understanding.
 - 9 Q. And if you look at the bottom of Page 2 and most
 - 10 of Page 3, you see a long list of all of those Chevron
 - 11 subsidies whose assets are being seized to satisfy this 12 Judgment; right? Do you see that long list of companies
 - 12 blad taken up a mana annual Dana 2 of the Orders
 - 3 that takes up a page around Page 3 of the Order?
 - A. Yes, I see it. It is a long list, and the heading
 - 15 of the Order says: "it is decreed that the enforcement of
 - 16 this Judgment be enforced against the whole of the assets
 - 17 of Chevron Corporation," and there is a list of 18 subsidiaries with the understanding that they belong to
 - 19 Chevron Corporation.
 - Q. And then we can see that one of the companies that
 - 21 this Order declares the Judgment may be enforced against is
 - 22 actually Texaco Petroleum Company or TexPet. And we can
 - 23 see that, I think, on Page 4, unfortunately, it's all one
 - 24 paragraph, but it's a little more than halfway down, where
 - 25 it says "the attachment also extends to all the Funds

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- 09:53 1 Arbitral Award issued in the earlier Chevron versus Ecuador 2 BIT arbitration.
 - B Do you see that?
 - A. I do see that, yes.
 - Q. Okay. So, let's go back to where you address that
 - 6 contention which, just for reference, it's at Page 32 of
 - 7 your Second Report. And you referred to that October 15th
 - 8 Order as the "Seizure Order." And if you let me know when
 - you're ready, I can point you to the Order itself.
 - 10 Do you understand the Seizure Order that I'm 11 talking about?
 - 12 A. You're talking about the Seizure Order, yes, yes.
 - 13 Q. Yes.
 - 14 A. An attachment order, yes. Yes, that is an order
 - 15 that is handed down at the enforcement stage, yes.
 - 16 Q. Right. So, let's look at that, and I'm sorry, but
 - 17 it's--the Order itself is in your Volume 2 binder behind
 - 18 Tab 18.
 - 19 A. It's only in English; right?
 - 20 Q. There should be a Spanish translation right behind
 - 21 the pink divider.
 - 22 A. Yes, I found it, yes.
 - $\,$ Q. $\,$ And you understand generally, you have seen that
 - 24 Order before; right? You reviewed it in working on your
 - 25 Second Report?

- 09:57 1 deposited and existing in a certain account as well as any 2 other account, investment or fund owned by Texaco Petroleum
 - 3 Company or TexPet."

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- Do you see that?
- A. Yes, yes, I do see that.
- 6 Q. So, this Order by purporting to seize the assets
- 7 of TexPet to satisfy this Judgment, made TexPet a debtor on 8 this Judgment; correct?
- 9 A. No, that is not correct. This is the enforcement
 - stage of a decision that determines who the debtor is.

 Now, at the enforcement stage, what must be
- 12 ordered here--and this is what is ordered here--well, the
- 13 attachment of the assets of Chevron, Chevron is a debtor
- 14 determined by the Judgment. On the basis of the
- 15 information provided to the Court by the creditor, I
- 16 understand, the Court understands that Chevron has property
- 17 and assets related to all of the subsidiaries.
- Now, the normal thing to do at the enforcement
- 19 stage, if Chevron has no property in connection with these
- 20 companies, the owner of the assets, what they do is they
- 21 submit an action called "third-party actions by legitimate
- 22 owner" to exclude assets from enforcement proceedings, so
- 23 that they exclude from enforcement what does not belong to
- 24 Chevron at that stage. That is what goes on in those
- 25 proceedings.

O. I think we may be misunderstanding each other, so 2 let me try that again.

This Order attaches assets that belong, in part, 4 to Texaco Petroleum Company; would you agree with that? 5 And I can point you to the specific reference if that would 6 help.

- A. Yes, that would be a good idea, yes.
- So, on Page 5, about 10 lines up or so, you see a 9 Number 6, and it says: "Likewise, and with the same 10 content, the Ministry of Economics and Finance shall be 11 notified of the attachment decreed over the total amount of 12 the Award of U.S. \$96 million owed by the Government of
- 13 Ecuador to Chevron Corporation as a result of an 14 arbitration award." And then it says, "shall be notified
- 15 of the attachment decreed" on the entire award of that

16 amount against the Government.

Do you see that?

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- A. I do see that. In this ruling, reference is made 18 19 to Chevron Corporation. That is to say--
- Q. Did you know that one of the Claimants with an 21 interest in that whole U.S. \$96 million Award is Texaco 22 Petroleum Company?
- A. I did not know that, Mr. Coriell. In fact, if it
- 24 has interest, Texaco is going to be able to submit a
- 25 third-party action by legitimate owner to exclude assets

10:03 1 how it works. If you want, we can give an example. Let's 2 say that the Judge--

- O. Dr. Andrade, let me ask you my next question. 4 Because I asked if you were aware that TexPet had had its bank accounts seized, and you said that you were not, and that's fair.
- And I think what you're telling me, as far as how 8 the process works, is that if TexPet's bank accounts were 9 seized, that would not be proper; correct?
 - Α. No--

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- 0. In this Order.
- 12 Α. What I'm telling you is that if the enforcement of a judgment is declared on assets that do not belong to that
- debtor, what I'm saying is that those third-party actions
- 15 by legitimate owner to exclude assets from enforcement
- 16 proceedings may be presented, thus excluding those assets 17 from enforcement. That's what I am saying. If, indeed,
- there has been a situation like this--and Texaco is not a
- debtor based on the Judgment, they may use that action and
- exclude those assets from the enforcement proceeding.
- 21 Obviously...
- 22 Q. And if they're not--and if they're not a debtor on
- the Judgment, and that if they bring forward that action,
- 24 then they should succeed in that action; correct?
- 25 A. It seems reasonable if they are able to prove

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10:01 1 from enforcement proceedings, so as to exclude from 2 enforcement assets belonging to Texaco. No rights are 3 declared at the enforcement stage. Right?

What happens is that the mechanism is established 5 for the debt to be, indeed, collected, and those that are 6 affected by a Seizure Order over assets that do not belong 7 to the debtor, can file a third-party action by legitimate 8 owner to exclude assets from enforcement proceedings, thus, preventing that assets that do not belong to Chevron, be 10 part of the assets seized and over which a debt is being 11 enforced.

Q. Well, let's go back, then, to the previous page, 13 Page 4, which talks about TexPet's property in particular, 14 okay? And what it says is that the attachment extends to 15 all the Funds in a particular bank account as well as over 16 any other bank account, investment or fund owned by Texaco 17 Petroleum Company or TexPet.

Are you aware that the Government of Ecuador has 19 seized TexPet's Ecuadorian bank accounts pursuant to this 20 Seizure Order?

21 A. No, I didn't know this. As I said before, if this 22 is what actually happened, any subject that is interested 23 in removing from this enforcement procedure any of his

24 property, may file a third-party action by legitimate owner

25 to exclude assets from enforcement proceedings. This is

10:04 1 ownership. Yes, that's like that.

Q. Okay. Let's move to another subject, then, which 3 is related to some of the topics that you were discussing 4 yesterday about tort law in Ecuador, okay? Environmental 5 tort law.

You would agree with me that the Lago Agrio Case--

- A. We don't need this anymore, do we? Or do we still need these binders?
- 9 Q. We may. Depending--we may still need the binders. 10 You would agree with me that the Lago Agrio Case 11 is a case about harm to the environment; correct? Environmental impact.
- A. It has to do with environmental harm and all of 13 14 the harmful events derived from that act.
- Q. Okay. And my understanding from your presentation 16 yesterday was that you interpreted it to be about both 17 actual harm to the environment and contingent harm to the environment; right?
- 19 A. No, that is not correct. What I said in 20 connection with this is that these are damages that
- 21 actually happened in connection with the environment and,
- 22 for sure, to individuals, and contingent harm as a result
- of the environmental harm to the rights of people who live in that place or in the impaired area.
 - Q. Does the Lago Agrio Judgment vindicate contingent

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10:06 1 harm?

- A. I think it does.
- 3 Q. Does the Lago Agrio Judgment vindicate actual 4 harm, existing harm?
- 5 A. Also. Actual harm and contingent harm. That is 6 what is expressed in the Judgment.
- 7 Q. Now, you agree with me that the Environmental 8 Management Act of 1999 is what provides us the standard for 9 determining whether environmental harm exists or not; 10 correct?
- 11 A. No, that is not correct.

12 What are you referring to? Are you referring to 13 the identification of environmental harm? Is that what 14 you're referring to?

- 15 Q. I'm asking if you agree that the Environmental 16 Management Act provides the standard for determining 17 whether there is or is not environmental harm. Do you 18 agree with that?
- 19 A. The Environmental Management Act--
- Q. Would you tell me if you agree with me first, and then given your explanation, please.
- 22 A. I do not agree. It is not accurate. What the
- 23 Environmental Management Act does is to capture as part of
- $24\,$ the glossary what environmental harm means. That's what it

25 does.

10:09 1 environmental harm is, that is the definition of the term, 2 lexicographic definition of the term.

Q. Dr. Andrade, I can promise you that I think this
will go easier if we can go through what I think are some
uncontroversial views about the definition rather than
trying to pack the entire anticipated discussion all up
front in response to my introductory questions. So let
me--I appreciate the clarification you made. We've agreed
that the Environmental Management Act is the source of the
definition for "harm," and let's try to go forward from
there.

My next question for you is: You agree that the legal standard in the Environmental Management Act for harm is significant negative impact; right? That's what constitutes a harm, if it's a significant negative impact?

A. Yes, negative environmental impact, correct.

MR. LEONARD: Mr. President, excuse me. I
understand that Procedural Order Number 35 specifically
states that the cross-examination may not be limited to the
four corners of what is written in the respective Expert
Reports, but just so that the record is clear, I will make
an objection to this line of questions as exceeding the

PRESIDENT VEEDER: You may want to go a little bit further and tell us why.

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0:07 1 Q. Okay. We're going to have to look to the binder, 2 unfortunately. It's behind Tab 20. And what this is is 3 your testimony from the Burlington Hearing, Page 466 in the 4 English, Page 478 in the Spanish.

- A. At what tab, Mr. Coriell?
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- 7 And Page 478 of the Transcript in Spanish.
- B A. Yes, I got it.
- 9 Q. And if you'll look to where I asked the question:
- 10 "So, let's move on to the specific definition of harm." I 11 think it's Line 14 in the Spanish. I say: "You agree with
- 12 me that the Environmental Management Law of 1999 is what
- 13 provides us the standard for determining whether or not

14 environmental harm exists?"

15 And you answered: "Yes, yes, we get the reference 16 values from them, yes."

So, do you stand by that testimony in the Burlington Case, that the Environmental Management Law defines "environmental harm"?

0 A. What I just told you is that this Environmental

- 21 Management Act includes the definition of "environmental
- 22 harm," and you may recall that during that chat, we
- 23 discussed that environmental harm is not an abstract
- 24 determination, rather a specific actual fact; and what the
- 25 Environmental Management Act does is explain what

10:11 1 MR. LEONARD: The grounds for my objection?
2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

scope of the Expert's Report.

3 MR. LEONARD: I believe that we're getting into a
4 subject matter that the Expert did not address in these
5 proceedings. If I understand the line of questions
6 correctly, we're going to get into issues of standard for
7 definition of what exactly is the meaning or the notion of
8 environmental harm based on technical values established by
9 statutes in Ecuador that are not in the record of these
10 proceedings. Or, at least I understand they are not in the
11 record of these proceedings.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think you better try and sort this out now. Is that where you're going?

MR. CORIBLE: Two things, Mr. President. That's not where I'm going but just to respond to the objection as to going through this general subject, we had a direct presentation yesterday for a little under an hour that discussed the substantive standards in the procedural rules for general environmental tort liability under this particular Act that I'm asking the Expert about.

We also had the Expert testify the he had 22 testified as to these same standards for environmental tort

23 liability in the Burlington and Perenco Cases, which

24 testimony I'm now taking him to. So, I think that even

25 aside from the Procedural Order, I think that this is fully

10:13 1 in response to the scope of what was a rather expansive 2 direct presentation.

> PRESIDENT VEEDER: There is no issue about you 4 referring to the Burlington Transcript--I think that's not 5 in controversy. Can you confirm that?

MR. LEONARD: I can confirm that, to the extent 7 that one aspect relevant to the presentation that Professor 8 Andrade--Dr. Andrade gave yesterday. One aspect is the 9 fact of environmental contamination, that was assumed for 10 purposes of presentation. I would object to any questions

11 about standards, technical standards, that are applied or 12 not applied, depending on the case, to define whether

13 environmental harm exists or not. For purposes of

14 yesterday's presentation, Dr. Andrade assumed the fact of

15 damage as a fact that needs to be determined by the Court

16 in a given case, Delfina, Lago Agrio, whatever the case

17 might be. He did not testify as to the standards to define

18 what "environmental damage" means, and that's what I would

19 object, again, with the caveat that Procedural Order

20 Number 35 might render my objection moot, but in any event,

21 I would like to state it for the record.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just give us one second.

23 (Tribunal conferring).

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We will note the Respondent's 24

25 objection, but we're going to allow these questions to

10:16 1 And I just want to confirm your understanding of 2 where you and Dr. Coronel agree and where you disagree on 3 this particular issue, okay? So, I have some questions 4 about that.

A. Excuse me, joinder of third parties? Joinder of 6 individuals because that is the concept they have

7 translated; right? 8 Q. I'm talking about joint--right, you are correct.

9 I'm talking about joinder of Parties and where you and 10 Dr. Coronel disagree on that subject. I just have a couple 11 questions for you about that, okay?

MR. LEONARD: May I suggest--may I make a 12 13 suggestion to the interpreter. You are referring to the 14 joinder of third parties; is that correct?

MR. CORIELL: Yes.

16 MR. LEONARD: That would be "llamamiento de 17 terceros."

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's proceed on that basis. 18

19 BY MR. CORIELL:

20 Q. Okay. Thank you for the clarification.

21 A. No problem. Gracias.

22 Now, you and Dr. Coronel both agree that in a

23 verbal summary proceeding like the Lago Agrio Case, joinder

24 of third parties is not permissible; right?

A. Correct.

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10:15 1 continue because we understand that the Claimants are not 2 going to take this Expert Witness into technical standards 3 as such.

MR. CORIELL: That's correct.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue.

BY MR. CORIELL:

O. And, in fact, I think we're almost finished with 8 the discussion of the general standard. We've agreed that 9 the Act, the Environmental Management Act, defines harm. 10 We've agreed that the legal standard in the Act is

11 "significant negative impact."

So, my third question, Dr. Andrade, you agree that 12 13 a negative impact is significant if it affects the

14 functioning of the ecosystems or the renewability of 15 resources; correct?

A. That is the rule stated under the Environmental 16 17 Management Act. It captures the real meaning of

18 "environmental harm."

Q. Okay. So, with that general background in mind, I 20 would like to discuss improper joinder, which is a topic

21 that you have opined on in your Reports in this case;

22 correct?

23 A. Yes, correct.

Q. And to begin, I would like to discuss joinder of

25 third parties under Ecuadorian law, so joinder of Parties.

Q. You understand that Dr. Coronel believes that 2 joinder of third parties is permissible in ordinary 3 proceedings; right? That's what he thinks.

A. According to some of the assumptions under the 5 law, it is possible under ordinary proceedings to have this 6 joinder of third parties. The rule is the opposite.

Q. Before we go to the rule, I'm just trying to define where you and Dr. Coronel agree and where you 9 disagree. You agree that there is no joinder of third 10 parties in a verbal summary proceeding; right?

A. Correct.

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Q. Your view is that, in an ordinary proceeding, the 13 general rule is that there is no joinder of third parties; 14 right?

15 A. Correct.

O. His view is that there is--Dr. Coronel's view is 16 17 that there is?

A. I am not understanding your assertion very well.

Q. Do you understand that Dr. Coronel's opinion is

20 that third parties may generally be joined in an ordinary

21 proceeding? I know you disagree with it. Do you 22 understand that that is his opinion?

23 A. Yes, I--yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I stop you? You must wait

25 until the end of the translation because you're making it

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10:19 1 very difficult for the transcribers. I can guess you speak 2 some English, but just wait until the Spanish finishes 3 before you say yes or no. Thank you.

4 BY MR. CORIELL:

- 5 Q. Now, your view is that, in general, joinder of 6 third parties is not permissible in ordinary proceedings,
- 7 but that there are a few exceptional circumstances where it 8 is; right?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. And, in your view, none of those exceptional 11 circumstances apply in the Lago Agrio Case?
- A. That is correct.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, we have been talking about joinder of
- 14 third parties. I now want to move to joinder of claims,
- 15 and before I do that, we may want to make sure that we have
- 16 an agreed translation for that, so that we don't have the
- 17 same confusion. All right.
- 18 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that agreed?
- 19 MR. LEONARD: Yes.
- 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's proceed.
- 21 BY MR. CORIELL:
- Q. And you know that the joinder of claims in a
- 23 single action, that issue was discussed by the National
- 24 Court of Justice in the Lago Agrio Cassation Decision;
- 25 right?

10:23 1 use imply that these must be individual actions."

So, let's break that passage down.

Is it your understanding that if environmental

4 harm occurs, the Court will have jurisdiction to hear

- 5 lawsuits for two things: Degradation to health or
- 6 degradation to the environment? Is that fair?
- 7 A. That is correct. There is environmental harm, and
- 8 from that you have actual and contingent harm, that is the
- 9 concept under the law.
- 10 Q. Okay. I understand. And so, then these lawsuits 11 for environmental harm will be handled by means of summary
- 12 verbal proceedings; right?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. And the Lago Agrio Case, as we discussed earlier,
- 15 is a case of environmental harm, and it proceeded under
- 16 Article 43 of the Environmental Management Act; correct?
 - A. Correct.
- 18 Q. And it was handled by means of a summary verbal
- 19 proceeding; right?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. Now, in the passage I just read, the National
- 22 Court says that the Civil Code provisions--I assume like
- 23 Article 2214, Article 2236--have been auxiliary to the Lago
- 24 Agrio proceeding. You saw where it says that; right?
- P.5 A. Yes, I do see it.

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10:21 1 A. Yes

- Q. I would like to walk through a little of that
- 3 reasoning, if I might, to test this issue, and so the
- 4 Cassation Decision is behind Tab 19, which is in your
- 5 second binder, and we will be looking at Pages 73 and 74 in
- 6 both the English and Spanish versions, and in particular
- $7\,$ the paragraph that begins "the Environmental Management Act
- 8 in effect at the time."

9 Can you let me know when you're there.

- 10 A. Seventy-three, last paragraph, yes.
- 11 Q. And let me read the passage that then I would like
- 12 to just break down and discuss with you. It says: "The
- 13 Environmental Management Act, in effect at the time the
- 14 lawsuit was filed, allows for individuals, legal entities
- 15 (individual interests), or to social groups (collective
- 16 interest) to be heard in proceedings of a civil,
- 17 administrative or criminal nature. The President of the
- 18 Superior Court where the environmental harm occurs will
- 19 have jurisdiction to hear these lawsuits for damages and
- 20 lawsuits for the degradation to health or the environment.
- 21 Lawsuits for damages resulting from environmental harm will
- 22 be handled by means of summary verbal proceedings. The
- 23 procedural rules established in the Civil Code have been
- 24 auxiliary to this proceeding, but their use does not mean
- 25 that there has been a joinder of actions, nor does their

- 10:25 1 Q. But then the Court is saying that the fact that
 - 2 those provisions are used in the Lago Agrio proceeding does
 - 3 not mean that there has been a joinder of actions; right?
 - A. Correct. That's what the text says.
 - 5 Q. And it also says that the fact that those
 - 6 provisions have been used does not imply that these must be
 - 7 individual actions; right?
 - A. That's what you can read here in the text.
 - 9 Q. Okay. Now, we're going to go back to the
 - 10 Cassation Decision, so I wouldn't put your binder away, but
 - 11 I would like to look at a reference that you made in your
 - 12 Second Report, behind Tab 2 in the first binder, and I'm
 - 13 going to be looking at Footnote 78. So, if you could let
 - 14 me know when you get there.
 - 15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Page 20?
 - MR. CORIELL: Page 20 of the English, yes. It's
 - 17 the bottom footnote.
 - BY MR. CORIELL:
 - 19 Q. You see what I'm referring to, Dr. Andrade? It's
 - 20 Footnote 78, and you're quoting a paragraph from a
 - 21 Declaration of Drs. Equiquren and Albán.
 - 22 Do you see that?
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. And what they say is that the popular action,
 - 25 Article 2236, would proceed as an ordinary action while an

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10:27 1 action under Article 43 of the EMA would be heard through 2 summary oral proceedings.

Do you see where they say that?

- A. Yes, I see it. This is a quote from his Report, 5 the Report by Dr. Equiquren.
- Q. So, don't you understand Drs. Equiquren and Albán 7 to be saying that the use of Civil Code provisions like 8 Article 2236 does mean that there has been a joinder of 9 actions, does mean that these must be individual-rights 10 actions?
- A. That was not my understanding in my Report. 11
- 12 O. Okay. So, you disagree with me, and what you're 13 saying and your understanding of what the Cassation Court
- 14 is saying is that the mere fact that a Civil Code claim has
- 15 been made does not mean that it has to be heard in an
- 16 ordinary proceeding. That's your position?
- A. Correct. Exactly, the rules under the Civil Code 17
- 18 are general rules. In terms of procedure, Article 43
- 19 exclusively applies to harm of an environmental origin or 20 nature.
- Q. So, what you're saying and what you understand the
- 22 Cassation Court to be saying is that no matter the
- 23 particular cause of action that's used, the question is
- 24 whether the subject matter of the case relates to
- 25 environmental harm; is that your position?

- 10:31 1 A. My statement is that when the tort system is 2 applied because of environmental impact, the summary oral 3 proceedings must be used because that is what Article 43 of 4 the EMA establishes.
 - Q. Okay. So, if it's an article--if it's an Article 2236 case alleging environmental harm, then it is required to be heard in a summary verbal proceeding; right?
 - A. That is my idea. If the risk factor is environmental damage, in order to avoid contingent harm, one must resort to the summary oral proceedings.
 - Q. And that's true for contingent harm, it's true for 11 actual existing harm, either way; right?
 - A. I agree, yes.
 - Q. Okay. And so I would like to move back to the
 - Cassation Decision, and now I'm going to be on Page 200. 15
 - 16 THE INTERPRETER: Where is it, sir? This is the 17 Interpreter.
 - 18 MR. CORIELL: Yes, I'm sorry. It's behind Tab 19, 19 Page 200.
 - 20 BY MR. CORIELL:
 - Q. And the middle paragraph at the page, I'm starting
 - at the Number 2 where the Court says "we must reiterate."
 - So, if you can let me know when you're there, Dr. Andrade.
 - A. I found it, yes.
 - 25 O. And so, I think this is the Cassation Court

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10:29 1 A. Would you please repeat the question? THE INTERPRETER: Says the Witness. BY MR. CORIELL:

Q. Sure.

What you're saying and what you understand the 6 Cassation Court to be saying is that regardless of what particular cause of action is being alleged, the question for what proceeding it's supposed to be heard in is whether 9 the subject matter of the case relates to environmental 10 harm or not?

A. I think that there is a translation issue. What 11 12 I'm really saying is that the National Court here is not 13 saying that because the Civil Code provisions are used in 14 this case, you can say that this is an ordinary case under 15 the Civil Code provisions because this refers to the 16 environmental problem, the environmental harm, and 17 environmental issues are decided under Article 43 in terms 18 of procedure, and this would be my understanding, and this 19 is what it is said when they--when he refers to individual 20 actions or individual-right actions.

- O. Okay. So, I think I understand what you're 22 saying: Any action that substantively deals with
- 23 environmental harm or environmental impact is heard in a
- 24 single summary verbal proceeding, no matter what cause of
- 25 action is relied upon; is that a fair statement?

- 10:33 1 describing what you just told me. It says: "We must 2 reiterate that the application of the Civil Code and the
 - 3 Environmental Management Act is not unusual, since, as said
 - 4 above, Article 43 of the Act regulates the procedure in
 - 5 civil actions provided to a collective for environmental
 - 6 harm." Right? So, you're saying and you understand the
 - 7 Court to be saying that Article 43 takes every type of case
 - 8 for environmental harm and puts it in a summary verbal
 - 9 proceeding; right?

- A. That is correct, yes.
- 11 Q. And so, with respect to the allegation of improper 12 joinder, you disagree with Chevron. You're telling us that
- 13 the mere fact that Article 43 deals with the collective
- 14 right to reparation for environmental harm means that Civil
- 15 Code actions based on the same collective right may be
- 16 heard in the same action; is that a fair statement of your position? 17
- 18 A. The joinder of claims or actions takes place in
- this case in the same kind of proceeding which is the
- summary oral proceeding.
- 21 Now, that note regarding collective rights
- 22 concerns me a little bit, but let's say that we agree as to
- procedure. That is my criteria.
- Q. Okay. Maybe there is an easier way for me to
- 25 phrase it without using the concerning term "collective

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10:35 1 rights."

Are you saying and are you understanding the 3 National Court to be saying that the substantive right at 4 issue in Lago Agrio is the right to a clean environment and 5 that Article 43 simply provides the procedure for 6 vindicating that right? Is that a fair statement?

- A. Not really, because it is not only the right to 8 live in a healthy environment, what is dealt with in the 9 Lago Agrio Case, but it has to do with all of the rights of 10 each one of the inhabitants of the area insomuch as they 11 have been affected by an event such as environmental 12 contamination.
- 13 Q. Okay. Well, you began your answer by saying "it 14 is not only the right to live in a healthy environment," 15 so, just to clear that up, you would agree that it is in 16 part the right to live in a healthy environment that is 17 what is substantively being vindicated in the Lago Agrio 18 Case; right?
- 19 A. It is one of the rights that is being vindicated, 20 yes.
- Q. Okay. And let's look to how the National Court 22 explains it in a little more detail, and this is the
- 23 beginning of the next paragraph, "a plaintiff's standing."
- Do you see that?
- A. Yes, I do see that.

10:38 1 O. And it says: "When a case involves damage to the 2 environment, it is always a collective that will be harmed, 3 so the Environmental Management Act itself contemplates 4 group actions in order to enforce the Claims of a given group and achieve the corresponding remedies and to 6 exercise the fundamental right to live in a healthy environment."

So, in the first sentence I read, you understand the Court to be saying, when a case involves damage to the environment, it's held by a collective, this right. It's 11 held by a collective; correct? A. What it's actually saying here is that when there

is harm to the environment, generally what happens is that 14 there is a plurality of individuals, the collective, and 15 that collective is impaired, ultimately. That is what it 16 is saying. They're not talking about right-holding. 17 They're talking about the ordinary effect of the impact to the environment, and this is effectively what happens.

Usually a collective is affected. It is not usually one person that is affected.

Q. Well, they're talking--well, they do talk about 21 22 right-holding, don't they? Because they say it's a 23 collective that will be harmed, the Act contemplates group 24 action to enforce the Claims of the group and achieve and 25 exercise the fundamental right to live in a healthy

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Q. And it says: "A plaintiff's standing, as we have 10:36 1 2 said, corresponds to diffuse interests must be considered 3 as general interests, meaning that they are interests held 4 by all members of a collective or a large part thereof, the 5 object of which consists of goods of general or collective 6 importance."

And then it says at the end: "The procedure in 8 this case is dictated by the Environmental Management Act, complementing the Code of Civil Procedure."

10 So, do you understand the Court here to be saying 11 that the interest being vindicated substantively in the 12 Lago Agrio Case is a, to use its words, "general interest, 13 a diffuse interest" in a clean environment, at least in 14 part? 15

- A. Yes. This is dealing with procedural legal 16 standing, and it is indicating the origin of that legal standing in connection with the environmental problems. 17
- Q. And if we turn the page to Page 202, the paragraph 19 at middle of the page that begins "As noted"--and just for 20 reference you will see this is Section 9.9 of the Cassation 21 Decision, "actions (the right to sue) existing before 1990.
- 22 Individual suits for personal injury or economic
- 23 harm."--and then you see that paragraph beginning "As 24 noted"?
- A. I do see it, yes.

10:40 1 environment. So, you are achieving and exercising the 2 fundamental right to live in a healthy environment through 3 the collective because the collective is what's harmed with 4 environmental harm. Is that what you understand the Court 5 to be saying?

- A. I do not understand that out of the paragraph that you're citing. I am sorry to disagree, Mr. Coriell.
 - Q. Well, let's break it down, then.

9 Do you agree with the Court that, when a case involves damage to the environment, it is always a 11 collective that will be harmed? Do you agree with that statement by the Cassation Court?

- A. I agree that when the environment is harmed, there 13 14 is a group of individuals, a collective, that will be 15 affected. That is regular, I think.
- 16 Q. I'm not--we may be saying the same thing, but just to be clear for the record, do you agree with the Court that, when there is environmental harm, it is always a collective that will be harmed?
 - A. Yes. I think that's natural.
 - O. And do you agree with the Court that the
- 22 Environmental Management Act contemplates group
- actions--let's stop there. Do you agree with the Court
- 24 that the Environmental Management Act contemplates group

- 10:42 1 Yes. As I indicated, you have a group there, a 2 determinative group of people that are directly impaired, 3 and they're held together by a common interest. That is 4 the first part of Section 43, yes.
 - Q. Do you agree with the Court that the purpose of 6 these group actions is to enforce the Claims of a given group?
 - 8 A. Yes, of course.
 - Q. And do you agree with the Court that another 10 purpose of these group actions is to achieve the
 - 11 corresponding remedies for that group?
 - A. Of course, the corresponding remedies as a 13 function of the legal interest that has been impaired, the 14 legally protected right that has been impaired.
 - Q. And do you agree with the Court that a third 16 purpose of these group actions is to exercise the
 - 17 fundamental right to live in a healthy environment?
 - A. Yes, indeed. As an individual right to live in an 18 19 environment that is healthy, that is ecologically balanced
 - and free of contamination, yes.
 - Q. And am I right that, when we speak of the
 - 22 fundamental right to live in a healthy environment, that is
 - 23 the right that used to be contained at Article 19.2 of the
 - 24 Ecuadorian Constitution?
 - A. 19.2, the right to live in a healthy environment,

- 10:45 1 for vindicating those rights; right?
 - A. Article 43, yes. Article 43. What the EMA does 3 is to establish or arrange the procedural matters for the 4 exercise of rights; in this case, rights that have to do 5 with vindication via the tort-liability system that is general in nature.
 - Q. And just to close this point on improper joinder since we have been walking through what the Cassation Court said about it, if we go to the next paragraph on Page 202 10 of the Cassation Decision, the one that begins with the 11 word "further," are you with me?
 - A. Yes, I'm looking at the paragraph right now.
 - The National Court of Justice concludes its 13 14 analysis saying "it is mistaken to state that Article 2214
 - 15 of the Civil Code only contemplates individual actions,
 - 16 considering that Title XXXIII, Intentional and
 - 17 Unintentional Torts, provides for a popular-action lawsuit
 - in all cases of contingent damages in which indeterminate
 - persons are threatened by a party's imprudence or
 - 20 negligence."

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- 21 So, in other words, the Civil Code doesn't just
- 22 contemplate individual actions, it contemplates collective
- 23 actions for environmental harm like the Lago Agrio Case;
- 24 correct?

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A. We have spoken about this. It does not only refer

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- 10:44 1 ecologically balanced and free of contamination. That is 2 what the 1998 Constitution put forth.
 - Q. And your understanding--because we have been 4 looking at the portion of the Cassation Decision that talks
 - 5 about the joinder of Civil Code claims and Chevron's
 - 6 objection to that--your understanding that when the
 - 7 Court--is that when the Court sets out this reasoning that
 - 8 you and I have just walked through, they're saying that
 - 9 this--and I know you said that there are other rights being
 - 10 vindicated as well--so, they're saying, in part, that this
 - 11 fundamental right to live in a clean environment is simply
 - 12 being vindicated procedurally by the Environmental
 - 13 Management Act; right?
 - 14 A. Yes, the right to live in a healthy environment is
 - 15 a large umbrella that includes a series of
 - 16 rights--secondary-rank rights, if you will--that have to do
 - 17 with health, with the control of pollution, yes. If you
 - 18 are vindicating, let's say from a procedural standpoint, a
 - 19 number of rights and legally protected interests are being
 - 20 vindicated, rights and interests that are spread out
 - 21 throughout the legal system. Yes, that is the mechanism
 - 22 and nothing more.
 - 23 Q. And your point is that the substance of the rights
 - 24 does not come from the Environmental Management Act. The
 - 25 Environmental Management Act is merely a procedural vehicle

- 10:47 1 to tort liability in connection with damages to individuals
 - 2 considered independently. It also takes into account cases
 - 3 where a number of individuals are impaired, and we can 4 think about this from this idea of group or collective

 - 5 actions. I agree with what the Court says. It's very 6 clear.
 - Q. Okay. But just so that we're clear on the record,
 - the Court is referring to indeterminate persons--you see that in this passage that I just read you--and so your
 - understanding of what it's saying is that the Civil Code
 - 11 does not just contemplate individual actions, it also
 - contemplates collective actions for environmental harm like
 - 13 the Lago Agrio Case; is that a fair statement?
 - A. Yes, that is correct.
 - Okay.

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- MR. CORIELL: Mr. President, this may be a good 16 time for a break, at which point I think I can be very short when I get back.
- 19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a break now of 15 minutes. We will come back at 10 past 11:00. 20
- Again, as always, please don't discuss the case or
- 22 your testimony away from the Tribunal. Thank you. 23 (Brief recess.)
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 24
 - Would you please give us some indication as to how

- 11:06 1 long you might be.
 - MR. CORIELL: I think it could be 20 to 30 3 minutes.
 - PRESIDENT VEEDER: Take your time. We've got 5 plenty of time.
 - BY MR. CORIELL:
 - O. Dr. Andrade, I'd like to look at Article 397 of
 - 8 the current 2008 Constitution. That's the Constitution
 - 9 that's currently in force in Ecuador; correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And it's the Constitution that was in force when 11
 - 12 the Lago Agrio Judgment was issued in February 2011; right?
 - 13 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And the Lago Agrio Judgment was required to apply
 - 15 and did apply the principles set out in the 2008
 - 16 Constitution; correct?
 - A. I assume that they must have considered the 17
 - 18 Constitution of 2008 in connection with principles. I
 - 19 assume so.
 - 20 Q. Okay. And I said I'd go to Article 397. It's at
 - 21 Tab 13, which is in Volume 1 binder. It's Exhibit C-288.
 - 22 And I think behind Tab 13 will be at Page 8 in the English,
 - 23 and Page 178 in the Spanish.
 - A. I'm sorry, what tab? 24
 - Q. The English is not numbered, but it's Page 8.

- 11:10 1 is that, if the State finds that the natural environment
 - 2 was impaired, it's not going to wait for long proceedings
 - 3 before adopting a measure that avoids the situation. When
 - 4 the State adopts the Measure, obviously, it has to recover
 - 5 the costs incurred by going against the individual that
 - 6 caused the harm. This is the regime established on
 - 7 Article 397 of the Constitution in force starting in 2008.
 - 8 And by the way, this is not a principle. It's a rule that
 - has been incorporated into the Constitution.
 - Q. So, I want to do one more hypothetical with you, 11 Dr. Andrade.
 - 12 Assume with me that, in 2009, which was two years
 - 13 before the Lago Agrio Judgment, the Ecuadorian State became
 - 14 aware of environmental harm in the former Concession Area;

 - 15 okay?

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- A. Yes, okay.
- 17 O. Under Article 397 of the Constitution then in
- force, Ecuador had the obligation to act immediately to
- ensure the health and restoration of the ecosystems in the
- former Concession Area; right?
- A. Pursuant to this rule in the Constitution, yes,
- 22 that is the duty that the State has.
- O. And then, after it did that, it could seek
- 24 restitution from the Operator of the activity that produced
- 25 the harm; right?

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- 11:08 1 It's behind the backside of the fourth physical page, and 2 it's 178 in the Spanish.
 - Will you let me know when you read Article 397,
 - 4 Dr. Andrade? A. I found it, yes.
 - Q. And this article of the Constitution says that, in
 - 7 the event of environmental damage, the State shall act
 - 8 immediately and subsidiarily to ensure the health and
 - 9 restoration of the ecosystems; right?
 - A. Yes, that is what the provision says.
 - Q. And so what this is saying is that the State has 11
 - 12 to act immediately in a case where it sees environmental
 - 13 harm; correct?
 - 14 A. It is a general rule, yes, that is the case.
 - Q. And then it goes on to say that, in addition to 15
 - 16 whatever sanction there is for environmental harm, the
 - 17 State shall seek restitution from the Operator of the
 - 18 activity that produced the harm; right?
 - 19 A. That is correct, yes. That is what the provision
 - 20 says.
 - O. So, what that does is it creates a right, the
 - 22 right to receive compensation for whatever the State had to
 - 23 invest in order to protect the natural environment. That's
 - 24 what the Constitution says; right?
 - A. Yes. Starting in 2008, the purpose of this system

- 11:12 1 A. Theoretically it could, yes.
 - Q. If in this hypothetical it believed that TexPet
 - 3 produced the harm, it could seek restitution from TexPet
 - 4 for whatever it had to invest in order to protect the
 - 5 natural environment. That's what the Constitution says;

 - A. Yes. The Constitution, when it makes reference to
 - 8 issues that are environmental in nature and the damages
 - 9 caused to the environment, in the abstract, well, the State
 - 10 could do that, and it could go after any operator that
 - 11 caused the damage and seek restitution. In this case,
 - 12 we're talking about rights and duties that are different.
 - 13 The State has nothing to do with this matter, though.
 - 14 Q. I understand, but, Dr. Andrade, you are aware
 - 15 that, if Ecuador sought restitution from TexPet for
 - environmental harm in the former Concession Area, it would
 - be barred from doing so by the 1995 Settlement Agreement
 - and the 1998 Final Release, wouldn't it?
 - 19 A. I didn't understand the question. Excuse me. 20 What couldn't the State do?
 - O. If Ecuador sought restitution from TexPet for
 - 22 environmental harm in the former Concession Area, it would
 - 23 be barred from doing so by the 1995 Settlement Agreement
 - 24 and the 1998 Final Release, wouldn't it? A. I don't know the details of that Agreement.

- 11:14 1 You've read the Cassation Decision in this case?
 - A. I did, yes.
 - Q. And you're aware that the Cassation Decision spent
 - 4 a lot of time discussing this Agreement?
 - A. From the viewpoint of the system of res judicata
 - 6 and the system related to settlement, the details of the
 - 7 commitments made by the State institutions under that
 - 8 Agreement, well, those details, I don't know them
 - 9 specifically, but if you're saying that, I accept your 10 comment.
 - Q. And if we could just put up on the screen, 11
 - 12 Mr. Johnson, the Track 1 Counter-Memorial from Ecuador in
 - 13 this case, it was from October 2012, and I'm looking at
 - 14 Paragraph 133. It's not in your binder, but I'll read it
 - 15 to you once we get it up on the screen.

 - THE INTERPRETER: Mr. Coriell, read slowly, 16
 - 17 please.
 - 18 BY MR. CORIELL:
 - 19 Q. It's just the very last--second-to-last sentence:
 - 20 "The Republic and Petroecuador agreed not to bring suit
 - against the Releasees."
 - 22 Assuming that's true, Dr. Andrade, then Ecuador
 - 23 could not seek restitution from TexPet for environmental
 - 24 harm in the former Concession Area under Article 397 of the
 - 25 Constitution; isn't that correct?

- 11:27 1 allowed in oral summary proceedings?
 - A. No, it's not.
 - And as a general rule, is a joinder of third
 - 4 parties allowed in ordinary proceedings?
 - A. No.
 - Are there exceptions to this rule?
 - A. Specific rules provide for when a third party may
 - 8 be called to appear in a proceeding. There are very few 9
 - exceptions.
 - Q. And do I understand correctly that your position 10
 - 11 is that none of those exceptions apply to this case? A. That is correct. None of those provisions under
 - the law applied to this case. 13
 - Q. So, at the Lago Agrio Litigation, if that
 - 15 litigation had been tried in ordinary proceedings, and the
 - 16 assumption, if it was an ordinary proceeding as opposed to
 - 17 an oral summary proceeding, would any other Parties have
 - been able to join third parties to the litigation?
 - A. Not at all.
 - 20 Q. Would it have been possible for Chevron to log a
 - 21 claim for restitution against Petroecuador as part of the
 - 22 same proceedings?

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- A. No, not at all. It is not possible. It would be
- 24 a violation of due process.
- Q. Can you elaborate as to why it would be a

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A. That is what the text says. 11:15 1

MR. CORIELL: I have no further questions,

3 Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

5 There will now be questions from the Respondent.

Do you want a short break, or are you ready to

7 proceed?

- MR. LEONARD: If I could have a five-minute break.
- 9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a five-minute break.
- 10 MR. LEONARD: Thank you.
- 11 (Brief recess.)
- PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 12
- MR. LEONARD: Thank you, Mr. President. 13
- 14 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 15 BY MR. LEONARD:
- Q. Dr. Andrade, I'm going to ask you a few questions 16
- about a variety of topics, so I'm going to start with the
- topics that we have fresh in our minds.
- 19 You were asked questions about the notion of the
- 20 joinder of third parties in Ecuador. Do you recall that
- 21 line of questions?
- 22 A. Yes, I do.
- 23 So, I would like to make some points of
- 24 clarifications so that the record is clear.
- As a general rule, is a joinder of third parties

- 11:29 1 violation of due process?
 - A. Because under Ecuadorian system, Procedural Rules 3 are public; and, as I mentioned in my Report, the Supreme
 - 4 Court of Justice has said that procedural rules are

 - 5 obligatory for the Parties. Well, under the ordinary
 - 6 proceeding, there are also specific rules. And it is the 7 Plaintiff the one that will determine who will be--who is
 - 8 the Party that is being claimed, and the Defendant is the
 - 9 one that answers through the complaint; and, in this way,
 - 10 the points at contention in the litigation are established.
 - 11 There is an evidentiary stage that is opened up, and then
 - 12 the Judge has to decide based exclusively on the subject
 - 13 matter of the litigation as established by the Parties.
 - 14 And, once in the enforcement stage, whenever there
 - 15 are third parties affected, those affected third parties,
 - 16 in full exercise of their rights, they can request the
 - judge that they be heard, for example, through what I had
 - talked about, a third party action by legitimate owner to
 - 19 exclude assets from enforcement proceedings. Any variation
 - 20 in this procedure should first be rejected by the Judge;
 - 21 and if, in fact, something like this occurred, then this
 - 22 would be a violation of procedure; and, in this case, that
 - 23 could lead to the nullity of the proceeding.
 - Q. Just so we're clear, whose prerogative is it to
 - 25 determine who is going to be the Defendant in any given

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A. The Plaintiff is the one that is actually bringing 2 3 forward the case.

The Defendant, if it is not the right party in 5 this substantive legal relationship, the goal of the legal proceeding, what it will do is to present its defense and 7 say to the Judge that that Defendant is the wrong party. 8 That is what will happen in the proceeding.

Q. Thank you.

You were asked questions by Mr. Coriell about 10 11 joinder of actions. Can you very briefly describe the 12 concept, the notion of joinder of actions and when could 13 that take place, in what circumstances?

A. The rule is that, in general, actions may be 15 joined as part of the same claim, what is called the 16 joinder of actions, except--and this is under the Civil 17 Code--they are not compatible or they are contradictory or, 18 in general, they require different proceedings. And, in 19 this case, claims that originate on harm to the 20 environment, regardless of the protected legal interest, 21 all of them are subject to the summary oral proceedings.

22 So, as part of the same claim, various claims that 23 originate on environmental harm may be joined according to

24 the article under the Environmental Management Law,

25 Article 43.

11:35 1 of the damages as a result of an environmental claim. That 2 is what Article 43 does.

Q. Let me take you back to one of the hypotheticals 4 or examples that you used during your presentation yesterday. You used the example of a forest. You also 6 used the example that is, according to your presentation, 7 typically used in law schools to teach the concept of 8 popular action to students. And you described the example 9 of a plant pot at the edge of a building, and there is a 10 possibility that that--for different circumstances, that 11 plant pot might fall on the street. And you explained that that gives rise to the popular action under Article 2236. 13

So, if in 1861 I were one of the people who every day walked past that building, would I be entitled to file a claim under 2236 to remove that plant pot?

MR. CORIELL: Mr. President--PRESIDENT VEEDER: One moment.

18 MR. CORIELL: I'm not sure, and maybe there could 19 just be some clarification on this. I'm not sure exactly 20 what line of cross this relates to. It seems to be going 21 back to a hypothetical that Dr. Andrade gave in his direct 22 presentation, so if you can clarify that this arises from 23 the line of cross, I'm fine with it, but otherwise I would 24 object.

MR. LEONARD: I intend to get there in a minute,

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11:33 1 Q. And you recall that it is Claimants' position that 2 the Lago Agrio Court improperly allowed the joinder of 3 claims under Civil Code tort provisions on the one hand and

4 under Article 43 of the EMA, on the other hand? Are you

5 aware of that? Do you recall that that's the Claimants' 6 position?

A. Yes, I do.

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Q. And you did talk about Article 43 at some length yesterday during your presentation. Where is Article 43 found in the text of the EMA?

A. It is under the heading of civil actions.

O. Civil actions. Are those tort actions?

A. That is correct. Those are all the actions that 13 14 have to do with tort liability under the Code, yes.

Q. And I understand that--I know that you addressed 15 16 this yesterday, but I just want to clarify a few points.

Is this civil action a new action--civil action 17 18 created by Article--or set forth by Article 43, is that a 19 new kind of civil action?

A. No. Civil actions in connection with tort 21 liability have been applied starting in 1861. This is the

22 regime that is still in force in Ecuador. 23 Article 43 does not refer to any of the

24 substantive elements for tort liability. It just fixes

25 procedural problems so as to address the particular aspects

11:37 1 so it may be longer than it should, but it relates directly 2 to the line of questions by Mr. Coriell about the nature of 3 the Lago Agrio Litigation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Stop there. We'll get it go and then we'll see where it comes to, so please go on. 5

BY MR. LEONARD:

O. So, let's cut to the chase. What are the evidentiary requirements of my claim under that popular 8 action, 2236?

9 A. There is a risk factor. Correct? I need to prove 11 that there is a risk factor, and I also need to determine

12 how this risk factor may have an impact on a protected 13 legal right, and that is what I need to do. In the case of 14 Lago Agrio, I should prove that there is environmental harm

15 or impact, and that that harm may also impair the rights of

16 the residents where that contamination has taken place;

and, in that way, I would be meeting the requirements under 2236 for activities that are abnormally dangerous.

Q. All right. Assume that the Lago Agrio Complaint 20 was filed in 1950. What would have been the proper 21 procedure to hear that claim?

A. From the procedural point of view, there would be 23 a need for an ordinary proceeding. Article 2236 would be

24 invoked, and there would be a need to prove the risk

25 factor -- the same elements in practice going back to 1950, I

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11:39 1 think you just said.

O. That is correct.

So, what about Articles 2214 and 2229? I 4 understand--do you understand that those are also referred 5 to in the Complaint and in the Judgment that's the basis 6 for the Complaint and the relief? So, let's just assume a 7 hypothetical identical to the Delfina Torres case in 1950, 8 where Article 2236 is out of the picture, and it's only 9 about Articles 2214 and 2229.

What would have been the proper procedure for a 10 11 claim under those provisions?

- A. According to this regime, this is a claim due to 13 actual harm for activities that are abnormally dangerous 14 and the action would have been filed as an ordinary 15 proceeding.
- Q. So, in your hypothetical of yesterday, you used 16 17 the Delfina case to choose the number of families or 18 individuals that live in that forest in your hypothetical. Can you explain again how environmental harm
- 20 affects those residents? A. Given an instance of contamination, contamination 22 as such leads to actual damage in the case of a protected 23 legal right; in this case, it is nature in itself or it 24 could be a more abstract concept, the right all of the

25 inhabitants of the country have, all of the inhabitants of

11:43 1 as to have on the one hand a reparation of the actual 2 damage and, on the other hand, an elimination of the risk 3 factors that may also have an impact on other legally 4 protected rights. This is the concept. The only thing that was different was the procedure, and also the way to avoid a dissemination of claims, and here under Article 43 that's what we have. We are just joining these proceedings. 8

- Q. So let's take us back to the issue of the joinder 10 of claims. So, in your opinion, any claim under Civil Code 11 tort provisions and the source--in circumstances where the 12 source of the tort, of the harm, is environmental contamination must be heard through oral summary proceedings by amendment of Article 43 of the EMA?
 - A. That is correct, yes.
- Q. That would not be an improper joinder of claims 17 under the Civil Code and claims under Article 43?
- A. Not at all because there is a specific proceeding 18 19 for all of the actions that originate from environmental 20 impact.

Just as an example of how I could do things 21 22 improperly, let's think that there is an event that entails 23 environmental contamination, and I am bringing forward an 24 action to have that contamination or pollution removed

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25 because I see that my neighbors are becoming sick and I

11:41 1 the world to have no impairment of our rights. That is on 2 one hand.

But, on the other hand, contamination as such may 4 directly impact rights for the people that live there. 5 That is the human group that is directly affected or 6 impaired. And that impairment also entails, for example, 7 that people may die or become sick, and there are some 8 legal interests that are also protected because, finally, 9 if I drink from the water in that river, I will become 10 sick. I will die. Finally, they will bury me under the 11 ground. There will be a name, a date of birth, and a date 12 of death.

There are some different additional interests. 14 So, contamination as such is an actual damage. It is an 15 impairment of a protected legal right, and that protected So, as I mentioned before, each of those

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16 legal right can be seen from a universal perspective, but 17 it can also be seen from the perspective of direct 18 impairment of each of the individuals in that place. 19 20 individuals may--even before Article 43 and even now, may 21 bring forward an individual action so as to obtain the 22 restatement of their rights that also have an impact on 23 them as individuals. But also with Article 43, we can 24 bring forward the same action to protect each of the legal 25 interests for each of the members of this affected group so 11:45 1 want to avoid sickness for my children. I'm going to 2 assume that. And I go to the place, and let's say that 3 there is a security quard, and that security quard has a 4 bad reaction, I get hit, and some harm is caused. I cannot 5 invoke Article 43 because there has been environmental 6 contamination and also claim under the same action the harm 7 caused to me by the security guard when he hit me because of that event. 8

9 So, this is an improper joinder of claims because the damage that was caused to me did not originate from 11 environmental harm; correct? So, this is an improper joinder of actions. All of the actions that come from 13 environmental harm that followed the regime, the tort 14 regime, should be in this case--should follow in this case the summary oral proceedings. 15

Q. A small portion of your response may have been 16 lost in translation, so what--if I understand correctly, what you're explaining to me is that I would not be able to join a tort claim for the harm that I suffered as a result 20 of the assault that I suffered by the guard, who would not 21 be able to join that claim to claims arising from the 22 environmental contamination?

23 A. That is correct, and that is because under 24 Article 43, all of the actions need to have a direct link 25 to environmental pollution. The assault by the quard, even

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11:47 1 within the context of this environmental harm, it is not a 2 damage that results from the environment.

0. I understand, thank you.

Now, I would like you to take you to Tab 19 of the 5 second binder that Claimants' counsel provided to you this morning. Page 73, please, the last sentence.

A. Is it in Spanish?

Q. The English version. I'm not sure what the page 8 9 number in the Spanish version is. Also 73.

I would like you to pay attention to the Spanish 11 version, though, so this particular sentence is found at 12 the second-to-last paragraph, halfway through that paragraph. And it begins--

A. I see the page, and I am also looking at the 15 second-to-last paragraph.

O. Perfect. 16

17 Mr. Coriell asked you a question this morning 18 about the language that begins with, "the norms prescribed 19 in the Civil Code, established in the Civil Code."

Do you see that language?

A. Yes, towards the end. 21

Q. Could you please read that language for the record

23 slowly so the interpreter can correctly interpret that

24 language.

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THE INTERPRETER: The procedural rules 25

11:51 1 make a note. It's an objection to the translation of the 2 document that we have at Tab 19. This is at Page 73, the 3 last paragraph in the English version, and the language 4 starting with, "the procedural rules established in the 5 Civil Code." This is incorrect aspect to this translation. 6 These are not procedural rules; these are substantive

8 MR. CORIELL: We disagree with that objection on 9 the procedural and substantive grounds, which I'm happy to 10 explain. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take it slowly. I think

12 we can't take it further with this Witness, but after this Witness is completed, please talk to each other. We have enough Spanish speaker, because this more a question 15 Spanish legal translation into English legal translation, 16 but I think we need to get beyond the interpreter. Let's 17 see how it goes, if you can sort this out. If you can't,

MR. LEONARD: Let me ask just one follow-up 19 20 question.

21 BY MR. LEONARD:

we'll deal with it later.

Q. Dr. Andrade, are you aware of Procedural Rules in

23 the Civil Code?

A. There are some. None of those have been applied

25 or discussed in this case.

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11:50 1 establish--I was on the wrong channel, sorry.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's start again.

Do you want to put your question again? Because 4 we've got to get this right.

MR. LEONARD: Yes, we will.

The interpreter, please, this language, if you can 7 interpret what the Expert is reading and not what appears 8 on this document.

9 BY MR. LEONARD:

Q. So, if you could please start again reading this 11 language that begins with, "The norms established in the 12 Civil Code."

A. Very well: "The rules established by Civil Code 13 14 have been ancillary to this proceeding, without this 15 meaning that there is a joinder of actions or that by 16 invoking them, they refer to individual claims. The claim 17 is clear in connection with this process.

This is a quote.

19 And on the other hand, since there are no special 20 provisions regarding the environmental Civil Liability, 21 there is a need to resort to the Civil Code and also to the 22 oldest and best known principle such as the ones to repair

damage caused by negligence."

24 Q. Thank you.

MR. LEONARD: Mr. President, I would just like to

Q. And to be clear, which are--which ones are the 2 Civil Code rules that have been applied in this case? 3 Which are the Civil Code rules that have been applied in 4 this case?

A. The general rule that establishes risk liability 5 under Article 2214; the specific rule on inherently dangerous activities, Article 2229; the specific rule on contingent harm, 2236 mainly; and there is an incredible number of rules on joint liability, joint and several liability, but these are basically the ones I mentioned.

Q. Are any of those rules of a procedural nature?

A. Not in particular. There may be some procedural 13 content when you're referring to a popular action under 14 2236, but this is the rule that governs contingent harm, 15 and that goes back to a more general concept that has to do with popular action. And from the procedural point of view, we need to understand the meaning of popular action,

and that's the reason why yesterday I referred to that

19 concept.

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Q. Thank you.

Let me change subjects, and let me take you back 22 to the exchange that Mr. Coriell and you had yesterday afternoon concerning your First Report. That's RE-9, and I

24 believe that's at Tab 1 of either of the binders, either

25 the one that we provided to you or the one that Claimants

- 11:55 1 provided to you.
 - A. First Report?
 - 0. Let me know when you're there.
 - Where in the Report?
 - Well, I'm going to take you to Page 4 of the 5 0. Spanish version.

 - MR. LEONARD: Mr. President, this is on Page 3 and
 - 8 Page 4 of the English version.
 - 9 THE WITNESS: I'm there at Page 4.
 - 10 BY MR. LEONARD:
 - 11 Q. Thank you.
 - 12 So, I'm looking at the second paragraph of Section
 - 13 E. There, you referred to voluminous evidence, documentary
 - 14 evidence, that Chevron submitted to the trial court in
 - 15 support of its allegations of ghostwriting of the Judgment,
 - 16 and also allegations of fraud concerning the Cabrera Report
 - 17 and the Calmbacher Report.
 - Do you see that? 18 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 In the next sentence you explained that the
 - 21 evidence that Chevron submitted is inadmissible evidence
 - under applicable Rules of Procedure.
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. How is that evidence inadmissible under applicable 24
 - 25 Rules of Procedure?

- 11:59 1 finds that the evidence has probative value and, in fact,
 - 2 shows the alleged fraud affecting the Cabrera and the
 - 3 Calmbacher Reports. What remedy would Judge Zambrano have
 - 4 to apply in respect of that evidence in respect of those
 - 5 Reports?
 - A. Simply, he has to eliminate that evidence, and he 6
 - 7 cannot resort to that for the Judgment to refer to the 8 facts cited in that evidence. This is what he has to do.
 - 9 This is evidence that cannot be taken into account by the
 - 10 Judge and cannot be the grounds for a judgment for the

 - 11 facts that are intended to be proved through that evidence.
 - O. And based on your review of the Judgment, the Lago Agrio Judgment, isn't that what Zambrano ordered? 13
 - A. I think so. That is what he did, I think, in
 - connection with the Report prepared by Mr. Cabrera. 15
 - Now, in connection with Mr. Calmbacher, I don't
 - 17 remember. I don't recall this connection. 18
 - 0. Fair enough.

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- Let's move on to the appellate level.
- 20 And assume as a fact that Chevron has grounds for
- 21 appeal in connection with those two Reports. Chevron
- argues that Judge Zambrano relied on the Cabrera Report and
- also argues that the Report has been procured by fraud.
 - So, the first question that I have for you is:
- 25 Does the Court of Appeal have competence to examine

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- 11:57 1 A. The legal regime of Ecuador clearly, clearly 2 starting with the Constitution as a rule of due process,
 - 3 provides for evidence that is properly presented as the
 - 4 only one to be used in the proceeding. And what is the one
 - 5 that is properly presented? The one that has been
 - 6 requested at the right stage that has been ordered by the
 - 7 Judge in the proceeding after hearing or listening to the
 - 8 opposing party and that has been also presented according 9 to the Judge's instructions. This is key for the evidence
 - 10 to be properly presented.
 - 11 That is to say, the other Party has to be heard in 12 connection with the evidence so that this Party may present
 - 13 arguments, but at the same time present evidence opposing
 - 14 the content of the other evidence and documents that are
 - 15 introduced to the file outside these basic rules by the
 - 16 Parties has no value for the proceeding. And this complete
 - 17 explanation can be found in the Report.
 - Q. All right. Now, let's focus on the evidence
 - 19 concerning the fraud allegations in respect of the Cabrera
 - 20 Report and the Calmbacher Report.
 - Suppose, hypothetically speaking, that the
 - 22 materials that Chevron submitted to the trial court are, in
 - 23 fact, admissible evidence and that the Court can properly
 - 24 consider it.
 - Assume further that the Court, Judge Zambrano,

- 12:01 1 Chevron's evidence of fraud in respect of that Report? A. Following the hypothesis that the evidence was
 - 3 duly submitted or how?
 - Q. I should clarify that: We are not operating on
 - 5 the basis of that hypothesis. In real life, does a court of appeal have
 - competence to examine and rule upon that evidence of fraud?
 - A. If they had been unduly submitted, it must be
 - 9 thought that they do not exist, although evidently the
 - 10 Court is going to look at the documents to see if they had
 - 11 been submitted duly or not. This is what should happen.
 - 12 If it reaches a conclusion that that is not duly submitted,
 - 13 the Court cannot consult them. The Appellate Court or any
 - 14 other Court in Ecuador, they cannot consider any evidence that has been unduly submitted.
 - 16 Q. So, you're referring to the trial court record.
 - What prevents Chevron from producing that evidence at the
 - Appellate Court level?
 - 19 A. In the verbal summary proceedings, according to
 - 20 Article 838 of the Code of Civil Procedure, it is provided
 - 21 that the Judge of the Provincial Court that hears the
 - 22 appeal must rule on the basis of the merits of the
 - 23 proceedings.
 - 24 What does that mean? Well, it means whatever was
 - 25 legally and duly submitted in the summary oral proceedings

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12:03 1 at the appeal level, there is no new evidentiary phase.
2 You cannot open up an evidentiary period during the appeal
3 at the summary oral proceeding.

Now, the Appeal Judge must consider the arguments put forth at the appeal level only on the basis of those elements that had been legally incorporated into the proceedings.

- Q. Is there any exception to this rule?
- A. None.

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- Q. And do you recall where this rule is set forth?
- 11 A. I think I said, I think it's Article 838 of the
- 12 Code of Civil Procedure. Perhaps the number is wrong. I'm 13 sorry.
- 14 Q. No, I apologize. I missed that on the Transcript, 15 your response.

Now, let's move on to the cassation level, and I would like to turn to Paragraph 80 of your Report. So, there you explain the various grounds on which a cassation appeal could be grounded, could be based. Now, suppose

- 19 appeal could be grounded, could be based. Now, suppose 20 that Chevron alleges that the Court improperly applied
- 21 applicable rules of evidence by relying on the fraudulent
- 22 report of Cabrera and the Calmbacher Report. My first
- 23 question is whether the Cassation Court could review these
- 24 allegations pursuant to its powers under Article 3 of the
- 25 cassation law.

12:06 1 regular proceeding that takes place in those circumstances.

Q. Thank you for that explanation.

3 You may have answered the question that I intended 4 to pose to you, so let me--just to be clear, let me 5 rephrase.

6 So, if the allegation is that the Court violated 7 the rules of evidence, regardless of the factual basis for 8 the allegation, is there allegation appropriately grounded 9 in one of the bases provided for in Article 3 of the 10 cassation law?

- A. Of course, it is. Yes, surely. I'm alleging the violation of a legal provision that has to do with the weighing of the evidence, and on that basis, I am invoking Ground 3 of the cassation law, and that is how I am put-I am putting my allegation to the Court. That is the way this is done.
- 17 Q. So, it would be within the Court's mandate to 18 address my allegation?
 - A. Yes, that is correct.
- Q. Now, let's assume that the Cassation Court, the 21 National Court has not issued the cassation appeal in the
- 22 Lago Agrio Litigation. Given what we just discussed about
- 23 Judge Zambrano having dismissed or rejected the Cabrera
- 24 Report, what would be your prediction as to the outcome of
- 25 the cassation appeal on that basis? Is the question clear?

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12:04 1 A. Yes. Let's see. Just a moment ago, we were
2 saying that there are specific rules in the sense that
3 evidence that was duly submitted, only that evidence can
4 have full faith and credit at a proceeding.

Now, let's assume that a judge applied evidence that was unduly submitted. Now, what can the appellant do? He can say, okay, the rule was violated. The rule that says that the evidence that the Judge could consider in order to make a decision is only the legally submitted evidence. The other requirement that the Court asks for is that the violation of the legal norm refers to a specific documents that is included in the case file and that explains its relevance.

For example, Judge Zambrano, in his Judgment,
cited a report that has been unduly submitted. The Court,
on the basis of Ground 3 of Article 3 of the cassation law,
will consider this argument, will see whether that piece of
evidence was duly submitted and, if it was not duly
admitted, it will say Article--and I forget the number of
the Article--Article whatever the number was, was violated.
The Article says that only duly submitted evidence has full
faith and credit during a proceeding.

So, it will quash the Judgment and, according to Article 16 of the cassation law is going to hand down a judgment that is relevant in that case. That is the 12:08 1 A. Not really, no.

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Q. Let's go back in time before the National Court
sissued--rendered the decision. And we know that Judge
Zambrano struck the Cabrera Report from the record.
Chevron files a cassation appeal, nonetheless, alleging a
violation of the rules of evidence under Article 3. So, we
don't know how the Court will rule on that matter, but what
would be your opinion as to the likely outcome of that
spect of the cassation appeal?

10 A. The National Court was not going to admit the
11 allegation. And as I had said before, what the trial court
12 does is to do exactly what must be done in connection with
13 evidence that has been unduly submitted. It will not
14 consider it for purposes of its decision. That is the
15 common regular effect whenever you have a situation such as
16 that.

17 Q. If I could take you back to Page 4 of your Report? 18 THE INTERPRETER: This is in the First Report? 19 (Pause.)

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's continue.

21 MR. LEONARD: Thank you.

22 BY MR. LEONARD:

Q. So, you just predicted that the National Court would reject that aspect of the cassation appeal on the basis of the facts as we know them?

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- 12:11 1 A. Yes.
 - Q. And are you back at Page 4 of your Report? Again, this is RE-9, in the First Report.
 - A. I'm there, yes.
 - 5 Q. All right. There you refer to the cassation 6 appeal as an effective remedy.

7 Did you mean to suggest that effective necessarily 8 means an outcome favorable to the appellant?

- 9 A. I would not be able to do that, although I may
 10 have a personal opinion in the sense that in connection
 11 with certain subject matters, those allegations should have
- 12 been rejected. I cannot be certain as to what the result 13 of the future judgment is going to be. When I prepared
- 14 this Report at that date, I didn't consider under any
- 15 circumstance what the result or the outcome could have been
- 16 in each one of the assumptions or how the Court would have
- 17 conducted itself in connection with each of the allegations
- 18 made. I wouldn't have been able to suggest that I was
- 19 going--that Chevron, rather, was going to obtain a
- 20 favorable Judgment.
- In our legal system, there are a number of
- 22 mechanisms that have to do with getting decisions off and
- 23 deciding the issues that will be put forth in this case.
- 4 Q. All right. Now, I would like to focus on the
- 25 evidence of ghostwriting. And I believe that we've

12:15 1 case under Article 43 of the EMA, and it is signed by a 2 judge other than the Presiding Judge of the Provincial

3 Court--are you with me?

- A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And let's assume that the Defendant or--let's assume the Defendant appeals, and the Court of Appeals
- 7 affirms the Judgment, that Judgment is against me. Do I 8 have grounds for cassation appeal under either of the
- 9 grounds such as you described at Paragraph 80 of your
- 10 Report? Eighty.

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- A. Was this a statement or a question on your part?
- 12 Q. I will state it again.

So, I have a Judgment in a case under Article 43 that is signed by a judge other than the Presiding Judge of

15 the Provincial Court. Do I have grounds for appeal under

16 Article 3 of the cassation law?

- A. Yes, you do.
- 18 Q. In your opinion, which of the grounds listed in 19 Paragraph 80 could I invoke on the basis of these facts?
 - A. Yes, of course.

21 If the signor of the Judgment or the preparer of

- 22 the Judgment is not a judge, we could allege lack of
- 23 jurisdiction. If the Judge handing down the ruling is not
- 24 the one that had to hand down the Judgment, we could
- 25 alleged lack of competence of the Court. One thing has to

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- 12:13 1 established it, but could the Court of Appeals examine and 2 rule upon such evidence?
 - 3 A. No. These were documents or pieces of evidence,4 instruments that were foreign to the proceedings.
 - Q. Same result in respect of the Cassation Court?
 - A. That is right. Article 15 of the cassation law
 - 7 also prohibits the evidentiary stage at that phase in
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{8}}$ connection with all the proceedings of that nature, and the
 - ${\tt 9}$ $\,$ National Court could not consider in its decision-making
 - 10 process evidence that was external to those proceedings.
 - 11 Q. All right. Let's turn to Paragraph 83 of that
 - 12 same report. It's the paragraph that begins with "The main
 - 13 grounds asserted by Chevron in its cassation appeal."
 - 14 There was an extensive back and forth yesterday
 - 15 about Item D?

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- A. Yes, I recall.
- 17 Q. By a third party.
- I would like to ask you a few questions so the
- 19 record is clear, and I have two hypotheticals for you. And

Who is the competent Court to hear a claim under

- 20 these are questions concerning the first hypothetical.
- 22 Article 43 of the EMA?
- 23 A. The Presiding Judge of the Provincial Court of the
- 24 location where the contamination event took place.
- Q. All right. And assume that a judgment issues in a

12:17 1 do with jurisdictional powers, and the other has to do with
2 the distribution of the jurisdictional powers amongst the
3 Judges of the Republic. We could use the grounds of lack
4 of jurisdiction and lack of competence.

And also, this is an event that brings about procedural nullity. This is a solemn--this is a substantial formality so, we should go to Grounds 2 of Article 3 of the cassation law in connection with events that create nullity, procedural nullity.

- 10 Q. Are these violations are the kind that would 11 require me to produce extrinsic evidence?
- 12 Let me ask the question again.
- $\mbox{\sc MR.}$ CORIELL: Can we get an answer to the
- 14 question?
- THE INTERPRETER: The interpreter didn't really hear the question properly. Can you please rephrase it?
- 17 MR. LEONARD: Or ask it again.
- 18 BY MR. LEONARD:
- 19 Q. Are these violations that you're referring to of 20 the kind that I would have to prove by submitting extrinsic
- 21 evidence?
- 22 A. As I have said, at the cassation level, you cannot
- 23 present extrinsic evidence. It doesn't work that way. But
- 24 there are violations of this nature that derive clearly
- 25 from the proceedings. In the case you are proposing, if

12:19 1 we're talking about a judge that's different from the judge 2 that had to hand down the Judgment, there is going to be, 3 for example, the certificate of the lottery that would 4 establish who should have heard the cause.

Now, if the argument is that the writer of the 6 ruling was not a judge, it would be a little bit more 7 difficult to prove that at the cassation level. This is a 8 piece of information that goes beyond that proceeding.

- Q. In your opinion, what would be the chances that 10 the Court would accept my cassation appeal on the basis of 11 these facts?
 - A. The facts described under 83?

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Q. We're talking about a judgment issued by a 13 14 different judge.

In your opinion, what are my chances of success in 15 16 my cassation appeal?

A. If it's a different judge and the reason has to do 17 18 with lack of competence, for example, that is going to be 19 included in the case file, and the Cassation Court will 20 have that very clear in its mind.

Now, if what I'm putting forth is that the writer 22 of the Judgment is not the signor of the Judgment, I don't 23 think I'm going to be successful at the cassation level

24 because I'm asking the cassation level to do something that

25 it will not do because it is specifically prevented from

12:24 1 legal provisions; validation, which means that there are 2 certain nullities that are not effective anymore because 3 they had been admitted or accepted by the Parties because 4 of the own conducts of the Parties--and this is the estoppel in common law, that is my understanding, we call it preclusion in our system; or--well, when those behaviors or conducts are validated. And the most used in our system is the principle of transcendence.

For something to create nullity of an act or a proceeding, it could be an administrative act or act 11 between private parties, one has to have transcendence. 12 Transcendence means that in practice, without that element, no effects would have existed or the effects pursued in 14 such proceedings, and there would be transcendence, for 15 example, if a document that is extrinsic to the proceedings 16 would have been taken. And if, on the basis of that 17 document, the judge would have issued his decision, and without that document the judge would have never been able to make that decision in that way. That's an example.

20 There would be transcendence if the violation in 21 the proceedings would have generated the impossibility for 22 the opposing party to defend itself. These three 23 principles show the possibility for a proceeding to declare

24 null; and, according to this same logic, well, we can apply

25 this same logic to other areas of the law.

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12:21 1 doing that by the legal provisions.

Q. I was going to turn to the second hypothesis, but 3 I believe that you have just addressed it.

MR. LEONARD: Mr. President, if I could have a 5 minute to go over my notes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please do.

(Pause.)

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8 MR. LEONARD: Just a couple more questions.

BY MR. LEONARD:

Q. I would like to direct your attention to probably the second tab on that binder, your Second Report, RE-20. 11 If you could go to Page 25, Footnote 102.

Today, you talked about what is the meaning, the 14 significance of the merits of the proceedings and what 15 evidence is admissible, what evidence is inadmissible. And 16 Mr. Coriell asked you a question about a judgment that 17 references a document that does not appear to be in the 18 record.

19 Could you explain whether that would lead to the 20 nullity of the proceedings and under what circumstances.

A. Let's see, in general terms, it would not only 22 entail the nullity of the process but the general system of nullity in Ecuador. There are three principles in this

24 regard: Specificity--that is to say, the reason whereby

25 the nullity is declared, is expressly established in the

12:26 1 In the case put forth by you, one would have to 2 see the relevance that that document has in the Final 3 Decision made by the Court, by the Judge. That is what would happen. 5

Q. Thank you.

MR. LEONARD: I have no further question,

7 Mr. President.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

The Tribunal may have questions.

OUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL

11 ARBITRATOR LOWE: I have one or two questions which I would like to ask to crystallize and clarify the record for my purpose. 13

14 I know that there are matters that you've already gone over in your Reports and have addressed in cross-examination, but it will be helpful if you could be patient with me and deal with them.

The first question is in two parts.

19 Assume that there is an allegation that a document 20 that is in the record of a hearing of a case has been 21 fraudulently prepared. First, can the Cassation Court 22 consider that issue on the basis that it concerns material

23 that is in the Report, or must the Cassation Court refuse

24 to consider it on the grounds that proof of the fraud

25 involves reference to materials that are extrinsic to the

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12:27 1 record?

THE WITNESS: The Cassation Court will surely 3 reject that allegation insofar as the claim of violation of 4 the legal provision that applies in connection with the 5 weighing of evidence could only be proven by elements that 6 are extrinsic to the proceedings. I'm convinced that the 7 Cassation Court would reject that kind of claim.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: That is what I had understood 9 your testimony to be, so my real first question is this: 10 Is there any legal consequence under the law of Ecuador of 11 the fact that it is known that a key document in a case has 12 been alleged to have been procured as a result of a serious 13 fraud, or do the Courts simply carry on as if the document 14 is a perfectly proper document and the Judgment that was 15 based upon it is one which can be allowed to stand like any 16 other Judgment?

17 THE WITNESS: The Judges that hear a case and that 18 have external knowledge of a fact cannot make decisions in 19 connection with things that do not have value in the process. They must continue to hear the case because 21 that's a legal obligation.

Now, at the same time, they can notify the 23 Competent Authorities if one of the Parties requires so, or 24 if they are convinced that there is a problem of that 25 nature, then they are going to notify the Competent

12:31 1 or bringing a report.

Now, in the case of judges, those obligations 2 3 derive from the conviction that the Judge has that there is 4 enough evidence of the fact because when the Judge hands down a judgment, and when he's convinced that something 6 like this has happened, it can send the whole case file to 7 the Prosecutor General's Office for a criminal action to be 8 brought, or it can notify the Council of the Judiciary for 9 the Council of the Judiciary to take the administrative or 10 disciplinary measures that may be in order.

And also the Parties. If they know that a 11 12 violation has existed, they have to notify via a claim or a 13 report by the Prosecutor General's Office if it's a 14 criminal case or the Council of the Judiciary to impose 15 sanctions, and are also there are remedies in the 16 proceedings to deal with their situation in connection with 17 the case that is taking place.

> I hope I answered your question. ARBITRATOR LOWE: That's helpful.

20 Can I press you to the very specific point in my 21 question, which is whether there is a legal duty. What you've described are a number of possible procedures that 23 might be pursued. Is there, as a matter of Ecuadorian law,

24 an actual legal duty on anyone to take any action in these 25 circumstances? This may be outside the scope of your

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12:30 1 Authorities of the fact. For example, the Prosecutor 2 General's Office or, for example, the Council of the 3 Judiciary, if this is in connection with a judicial officer 4 or a judicial assistant, fully independently of the powers 5 and rights that attorneys may have and the Parties may have 6 in connection with the existence of a relevant violation, 7 okay?

ARBITRATOR LOWE: That starts to answer my 9 follow-up question to that, which is that if there is prima 10 facie evidence of a serious fraud in the administration of 11 justice, is there under the Constitution or under any other 12 law in Ecuador, a duty either on the State as such or on a 13 particular agency of the State to take action in respect to

14 that fraud? THE WITNESS: Well, let's say that the 15 16 responsibility in these matters falls on many on the basis 17 of the belief of many. The first duty falls on the 18 parts--on the Parties to the proceeding and also on the 19 lawyers to the proceedings. There is an ethical duty that 20 lawyers have, where if they gain knowledge of an event that 21 may entail an illegal act, a fraudulent act, they have to 22 notify the Prosecutor General's Office so that the

23 Prosecutor General's Office may bring a public action.

24 Also, they have to notify the disciplinary authorities--for

25 example, the Council of the Judiciary, by stating a claim

12:33 1 expertise or your evidence; and, if it is, then please say 2 so.

THE WITNESS: The way you are presenting it to me, 4 Professor, as if there is any legal duty for someone to adopt a specific measure giving evidence, I will tell you 6 that, no, it doesn't exist. As for the Judges, it depends 7 on the discretionality of the Judge and also the conclusion 8 reached by the Judge, and in the case of the Parties, clearly it is different, but based on your question, no, 10 the answer is no.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: If I can be allowed one further 11 12 backup question on that heading, I notice in Tab 13 of the 13 first Cross-Examination Bundle, which is the tab which has 14 in the provisions from the Constitution, we were taken to 15 Article 397, which concerns the State's duty to take action in respect of environmental harm, and I noticed that, on the opposite page in the English translation, though it won't be in the Spanish, Article 437 sets out a constitutional right in loose terms to due process.

And I quess one way of putting my question is 20 21 whether the State has, in relation to the constitutional 22 right to due process, a duty to take action that is similar 23 to the duty that the State has to take action to protect

24 the environment.

THE WITNESS: Are you referring to using this

12:35 1 extraordinary action for protection? 437 under the 2 Constitution refers to what we called the "extraordinary 3 action for protection." This is a constitutional action 4 that has to do with key rights, with essential fundamental 5 rights. And in the case of a legal person, whether public 6 or private, thinks that the rights have been impaired, may 7 bring forward a claim. But this has nothing to do with the 8 duty the State has to protect some rights such as the 9 environment. It's a general duty, such as health, housing, 10 et cetera. Let's say this is not--this is not the place of 11 regulation. The extraordinary action for a protection has 12 to do with a specific Judgment where there is a violation 13 of a constitutional right, and any of the Parties to that 14 proceeding has standing to bring forward the extraordinary 15 action for protection; and, in this case, we cannot have a 16 third party. 17

For example, the State, to bring forward an 18 extraordinary action for protection to protect some rights 19 that allegedly were violated as part of the underlying 20 proceeding.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Thank you. That's helpful. 22 It's a point which I guess might get taken up in the 23 closing.

24 There are two other short points. One is simply a 25 matter of clarification in relation to your First Report,

12:39 1 this answer.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Clarified, but not brought to a 2 3 complete resolution. Let me put it another way. Is abuse an essential component of the justification for piercing the corporate veil in every 5 case?

THE WITNESS: Yes. There is a need to have abuse 8 of this concept.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Thank you.

9 My last question changes topic, and again, this is 10 11 a case of clarifying in my mind evidence that you've already given. But assuming that both Chevron and 13 Petroecuador would be liable in tort or delict for 14 environmental harm, and assuming that there was environmental harm, and assuming that the claim is brought 16 against Chevron alone and not against Petroecuador, what 17 are the procedures that are available to Chevron to have a

court in Ecuador determine two things: First, that Chevron is liable only for a part of the harm and, second, that

Petroecuador is also liable for a part of the harm?

THE WITNESS: Let's say that the normal proceeding 22 would be a claim against the joint and several obligor,

with the assumptions that you have mentioned, this would

24 have to be filed before the administrative contentious

25 jurisdiction, the claim should be filed there. And this is

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12:37 1 and it concerns the section in which you deal with piercing 2 the corporate veil, and it relates to Paragraph 95 of your 3 First Report.

In that paragraph, you say that Ecuadorian law 5 recognizes the Court's prerogative to lift the corporate 6 veil of a business organization when the corporation is 7 used as a vehicle to promote abuse of the law or to 8 defraud, or where recognition of corporate separateness 9 would lead to an inequitable result.

Now, as I read your Report, you give examples of 11 the lifting or piercing of the corporate veil in order to 12 prevent abuse, but is it your testimony that, as a matter 13 of Ecuadorian law, even in the absence of abuse, a court 14 has the right to pierce the corporate veil in order to

15 secure an equitable result in a case before it? 16 THE WITNESS: I apologize if the language is not

17 clear, but the regime for the piercing of the corporate 18 veil in Ecuador is intended to protect third parties

19 vis-à-vis the abusive use of the corporate identity. I

20 think that this is a good summary for the concept, and what

21 I tried to say when I referred to an inequitable result has 22 to do with avoiding or preventing any damage to a third

23 party. I cannot use the corporation to damage third

24 parties. That would be an abusive of the corporate form in

25 this case. And I don't know if I was able to clarify with

12:42 1 not a knowledge proceeding [one of the parties has to prove 2 the existence of a right], this is a declaratory proceeding 3 [the judge simply recognizes the existence of a right].

And, in this proceeding the obligation of 5 Petroecuador would be declared, for example, of assuming 6 first, that it is a joint and several obligor, and in 7 second place, to assume its corresponding share of the 8 joint and several obligation to which it was found liable, 9 for example Chevron; this would be the normal proceeding 10 and certainly article 1538 of the Civil Code will be 11 raised, which as I have mentioned before establishes the 12 applicable regime to the joint and several debtor that

13 Chevron may propose a claim before the judicial branch, in 14 this case the administrative contentious jurisdiction,

15 because this would be a claim against Petroecuador.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Let's assume for the sake of 16 argument without wishing to be uncharitable to Petroecuador that it does not accept that it is liable and that it is not a willing participant in proceedings, and suppose that

20 the action has been brought against Chevron alone. What

21 procedures are available under the law of Ecuador under

22 which Chevron could compel, under which Chevron has a right

23 to have a court in Ecuador determine that it is only liable 24 for part of the harm and that Petroecuador is also liable

25 for part of the harm?

12:43 1 MR. LEONARD: If I could reiterate my request for 2 the Expert to slow down to allow for a more accurate 3 translation of his responses. THE WITNESS: Perfect.

Chevron may propose a claim. In this case, this 6 is the--in the administrative area of the law because this 7 would be a claim against Petroecuador. As part of that 8 proceeding, it may be--there might be an invocation or 9 declaration of the liability of Petroecuador. And finally, 10 there would be a determination of the amount that 11 Petroecuador would have to pay. Then Chevron would be able 12 as part of that claim to obtain a declaration of liability 13 by Petroecuador, and even the determination of the amount

14 to be paid by Petroecuador given a liability that was 15 previously declared against Chevron, to be more specific. ARBITRATOR LOWE: So, to make sure that I've 16 17 understood it, in a case where liability is founded upon 18 tort or delict, one party which is found liable has a right

19 to proceed against a third party which could have been sued 20 but which was not sued in essence for a contribution

21 towards the damages that had been ordered against it, and 22 that would be given effect through the institution of a

23 separate proceeding by the party which was found

24 responsible in the first place; is that right?

Actually, I think my question was less clear than

12:47 1 portion. This is the idea behind the proceeding. That is 2 to say, this is completely independent of any other sort of 3 allegation and claim that may be brought forward that is 4 not based on that Article; rather, in general, presented against the State as co-liable or co--or joint obligor as part of this situation or case.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: That's very helpful. I think I 8 was confused because your answer was translated to say that Chevron may propose that claim. Another way of making that 10 point is to say that Chevron can initiate a separate claim 11 against Petroecuador. Thank you, that's fine.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That brings to an end the questions from the Tribunal. But as a matter of fairness, we give the floor to the Claimants if they wish to ask any questions arising from the Tribunal's questions.

MR. CORIELL: Just one, Mr. President, arising 17 from Professor Lowe's initial line of guestions.

RECROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. CORIELL:

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20 Dr. Andrade, if the Attorney General of Ecuador possesses prima facie evidence of judicial fraud, does he have an legal duty to investigate and remedy that fraud?

MR. GALINDO: I don't know to whether you're

24 referring to Procurador General del Estado Attorney General

25 or the Fiscalía General del Estado.

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12:45 1 your answer.

(Laughter.) 2

THE WITNESS: I think I understand what you say. When Chevron is declared--is found liable, Chevron 5 may propose a claim before the judicial branch, in this 6 case the administrative contentious jurisdiction, because 7 this would be a claim against Petroecuador, so that 8 Petroecuador is considered also co-liable and also the participation in the damages is determined because here 10 this is a different problem. We're not referring to the 11 liability arising from the original case, rather the 12 co-liability as co-obligor and how--or joint obligor and 13 how this will be distributed based on the participation in 14 the harmful act.

15 So, yes, this could be part of a separate 16 proceeding. And since this is a claim against a public 17 institution, there is a specific judge that has 18 jurisdiction, and this is a proceeding where evidence will 19 be presented, and that's when the situation will be 20 explained, so that Chevron can explain why Petroecuador is

21 the joint obligor and also the part to be paid by

22 Petroecuador given their participation in the generation of

23 harm. This is the organized--the ordered proceeding.

25 Article 1538, if as the joint obligor Chevron pays their

As I told you, Chevron has the right, based on

12:49 1 MR. CORIELL: Both, as to each one.

> THE WITNESS: The Attorney General has a duty 3 within a specified area to represent the State, and also 4 some other responsibilities in connection with this topic. 5 He has no specific duty in connection with a case of fraud 6 or something like this. The Prosecutor General of the 7 State is the Party that heads the agencies that are in charge of the public criminal action, and he is the one that has to find the evidence to sustain in front of a Court, and also to defend the right, the interest of 11 society, given a crime before the competent Judge or the Judge with jurisdiction.

> 13 MR. GALINDO: I'm sorry to interrupt again. The Attorney General has asked me to intervene, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course. Please. 15

16 MR. GALINDO: When the interpreter is referring to 17 Solicitor General, the right institution is the Prosecutor General of Ecuador. 18

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's an important correction. 20 Is that agreed by the Spanish speakers on the 21 Claimants' side?

22 MR. CORIELL: Yes.

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's have that corrected in 24 the Transcript. Thank you for raising that to the

25 Tribunal's attention.

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12:50 1 MR. GALINDO: Thank you, Mr. President.

BY MR. CORIELL:

Q. So, is your answer that the Attorney General does not have the duty that I asked you about and that the Prosecutor General does have the duty that I asked you about?

A. As I just mentioned, their roles are completely
different. The duties and the obligations of the
Prosecutor General are to investigate and also to look into
all of the crimes that have been committed, and then the
Attorney General has to do with the legal representation.
Now, if this has to do with any public authority
that has knowledge of a crime, what you're telling me is

that, yes, indeed, any public authority that is convinced, that is completely convinced, that there is crime may

16 inform this to the Office of the Prosecutor General, so 17 that the process continues to be investigated. There is an 18 important difference here.

19 Q. Is a public authority so convinced required to 20 inform that to the Office of the Prosecutor General?

21 Required to inform that?

22 A. That is correct.

Q. And the Prosecutor General is required to

24 investigate and required to remedy that judicial fraud?

A. I wouldn't say "remedy." What they're going to do

12:54 1 being gathered to obtain the evidence, this first stage is 2 not public. It's reserved. There are only some 3 individuals that may have access to this information.

Q. And if as a result of these preliminary
investigation the Prosecutor General reaches the conclusion
that there is not enough indicia or evidence of a crime and
decides not to proceed with an investigation or not to
prosecute the relevant subjects in this case, would that
decision become public?

10 A. As a matter of fact, the prosecutor communicates 11 to the judge that the prosecutor decided not to continue 12 with the proceeding and what he requests is the closing of 13 the case, and this is more or less the end of the process.

14 That's basically the relevant information, yes.

15 MR. LEONARD: Then I have three comments of a

16 translation nature. The first one is, with the one 17 exception of Mr. Coriell's question, I have been asked to

18 instruct the Tribunal that every reference to the
19 "Prosecutor General" is actually a reference--the "Attorney

20 General" is actually a reference to the "Prosecutor

21 General."

22 THE WITNESS: Since I am a judicial prosecutor,

 $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ the level of risk is different, so my title was changed,

24 and I ended up with life insurance that I shouldn't have

25 had.

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12:52 1 is to investigate, they will determine whether there is
2 enough evidence to be able to bring forward this public
3 criminal action until the Final Decision is reached. This
4 is not going to be done through the Prosecutor General,
5 rather the Judge hearing the case.

MR. CORIELL: Thank you.

7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Does the Respondent have any 8 further questions arising from the Tribunal's questions?

9 MR. LEONARD: Yes, Mr. President. And I would 10 like to begin first with a follow-up question to

11 Mr. Coriell's questions. And again this may be beyond the 12 scope of your area of expertise.

FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION

14 BY MR. LEONARD:

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Q. But do you know whether in a case where the Prosecutor General commences an investigation, and the term is in Spanish "indagación previa," whether that aspect of the proceedings before the Prosecutor General's Office or by the Prosecutor General's Office, is that public or public knowledge?

A. No. During this stage--that is called a
preliminary investigation--which is the search for grounds
to begin the actual--the formal investigation, this is a
secret stage. There is a secrecy of the case so that this
information is not made public. The information that is

12:57 1 MR. LEONARD: Well, the translation is different.
2 Two last points, Mr. President. There is, in
3 connection with the responses to Mr. Lowe's questions, the
4 abuse of the corporate form was translated as "abuse of the
5 corporation." I'm not sure how appropriate this is. Maybe
6 perhaps we could discuss it with opposing counsel.

And there was also a response to the duties of a judge to refer a certain matter in the event of prima facie evidence of a crime, and the response spoke about the conviction of the Judge, and that was not the--the term "conviction" did not appear in the translation.

12 I do not want to restate the answer. I just want 13 to make this point, and perhaps we will discuss it with 14 opposing counsel and make the appropriate revisions to the 15 Transcript.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, thank you for that.

Generally, there may be, after this week, time for

18 everyone just to check the interpretation and, indeed, the 19 transcription, and we will have a procedure with a time 20 limit where this can be done, first of all, by the Parties

21 cooperating with each other because often these can be

22 agreed very quickly. If they can't be, then obviously
23 there is a tape-recording, and if that can't resolve the

24 issue, it will come to the Tribunal. So, thank you for the

25 comments, but there will be another opportunity to correct

Sheet 28 2456 2458 12:58 1 the Transcript--not to change it, but just to correct it. 01:01 1 to 5:30 p.m. Is there anything else from the Respondent that we 3 need to hear at this stage? MR. LEONARD: Nothing from the Respondent. PRESIDENT VEEDER: We've come to the end of your 6 testimony. We thank you for coming here to assist the 7 Tribunal, and you may leave the table. THE WITNESS: Pleasure, thank you very much, 9 Mr. President. 10 (Witness steps down.) 11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, it's now 1:00. We've 12 probably extended the interpreters and the shorthand 13 writers almost as far as they can take this morning. But 14 given that we will break after the housekeeping, it may be 15 helpful if we tried to do the housekeeping over the next 16 ten or so minutes, but if it's going to take longer, we 17 should take a break and then come back after lunch. But can we, first of all, establish that both 18 19 Parties have completed the evidential phase of this Hearing 20 and that on Thursday and Friday we will start with the 21 closing oral submissions? We would like, in that regard, 22 to have a better understanding of when you would like us to 23 start the Hearing on Thursday and Friday and how you 24 foresee each side going through the day with perhaps the 25 usual breaks or fewer breaks or more breaks, and when we 2457 2459 01:00 1 might finish. 01:03 We ask the Claimants first. MR. BISHOP: Yes, Mr. President, we have finished 4 the evidence. We are--we will be prepared to proceed on 5 Thursday and Friday with the Closing Statements. From the 6 Claimants' standpoint, we would ask that we start at 9:00 7 on Thursday. We believe we will be done--with the normal 8 breaks and the normal lunch hour--we believe we will be 9 done approximately 5:30. That would be our proposal, and 10 that's the way we would plan to go forward on Thursday. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 11 And the Respondent? 12 MR. BLOOM: We can confirm what Mr. Bishop said. 13 14 We, too, are fine beginning at 9:00, concluding at 5:30, 15 both Thursday and Friday. 16 It does dawn on me as we're talking about being 17 completed with the evidentiary phase, we owe the Tribunal 18 the two exhibits that Mr. Bishop and I spoke about the 19 other day whereby we both agreed to allow additional 20 evidence that had been inadvertently omitted, so we have 21 that housekeeping measure to do. But other than that the 22 evidentiary phase should be completed. 23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, that's satisfactory for 24 the Tribunal. We will start again Thursday 9:00. We'd run 25 to 5:30 p.m., and on Friday we will start at 9:00 and run

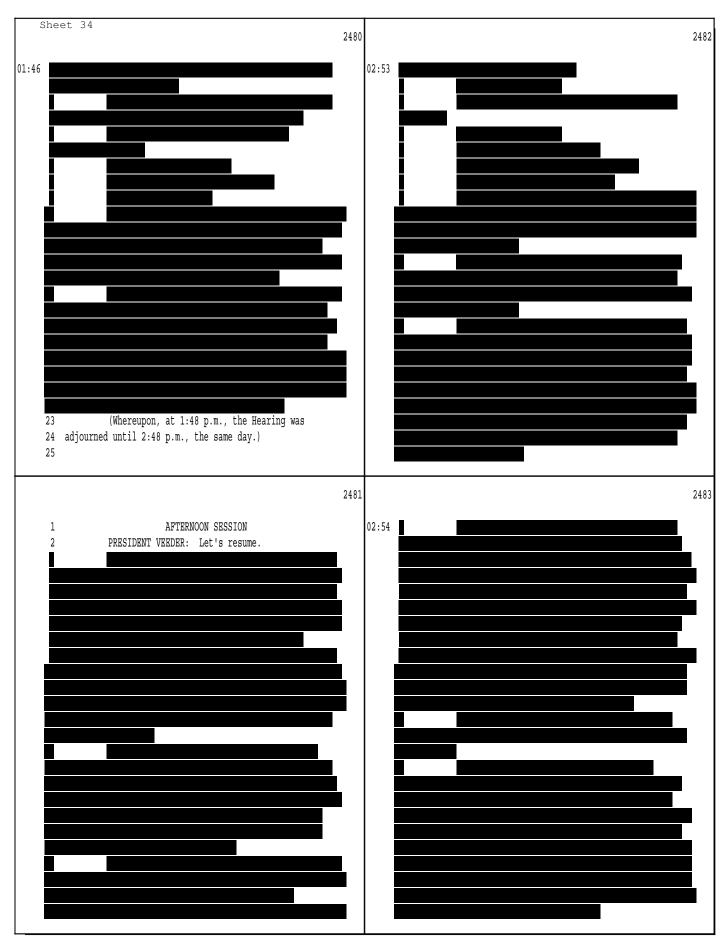


















Sheet 38 2496 03:15 more we could can do? It's now 3:15. I'm sure you've got better things to do, 9 but let's ask the Claimants first. MR. BISHOP: The Claimants have nothing further, 10 11 Mr. President. Thank you. PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent? 12 13 MR. BLOOM: Nothing further. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, you will, I hope, get 15 later today the final, final, final draft, so 16 helpfully monitored by the Tribunal's Secretary, Mr. Doe. 17 And if you any comments on it or corrections, please come 18 back to us tomorrow, and we will take those into account, 19 because the idea is that we would have this ready to be 20 signed on Thursday morning. So, until Thursday morning at 9:00. Thank you all 22 very much. (Whereupon, at 3:16 p.m., the Hearing was 24 adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 7, 2015.)

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, SIGNED AUGUST 27, 1993 (THE "TREATY")

and

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> : PCA Case No. Claimants, :

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and

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Respondent.

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TRACK 2 HEARING

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09:00 1 The Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' lawyers' descent into 2 an ethical hell is rather astounding, but what's most 3 shocking about this case has been the State's role in it. 4 President Correa adopted the Plaintiffs' case as a national 5 cause. He committed the Government to that case, and he 6 began an aggressive campaign to influence the Court's 7 decisions, and it's clear that successive judges were 8 influenced as every judge after President Correa was 9 elected made clearly biased decisions that denied due 10 process to Chevron.

When the \$18 billion Judgment was issued and the fraud and the corruption was revealed, the State, through both the Government and its courts, refused to stay the enforcement of the Judgment, despite that evidence and despite the Interim Awards of this Tribunal. The Government also refused to investigate Chevron's claims or to prosecute or punish any of the principals behind the scheme. And the appellate courts affirmed the Judgment and certified it as enforceable without ever reviewing or deciding the claims of fraud and corruption.

21 And the Government has even adopted and 22 aggressively promoted the enforcement of the Judgment as a 23 matter of Government policy.

Now, a commonsense view of the evidence, and even of the Judgment just on its face, indicates bias and the 09:03 1 key evidence in this case is undisputed. For example,
2 Ecuador said in the Opening Statement, and I quote it: "To
3 be clear, the Republic does not dispute the text from some
4 of the Plaintiffs' documents appears in the Judgment as
5 Claimants have identified."

So, it's undisputed that the Plaintiffs' own internal documents are copied into the Judgment. And no one has found those documents that we pointed to anywhere in the Court Record.

10 So, Ecuador goes further and also says in the 11 Opening Statement, and I quote it again: "It's quite 12 impossible under these circumstances for any person to know 13 the universe of the lawfully submitted documents."

The ghostwriting of the Judgment is clear; and, as 15 a result, Ecuador is forced to resort to an opportunistic 16 any port in the storm defense, that the Court record was 17 kept by the Clerk in such a sloppy manner that no one could 18 know what documents were filed or were not filed.

But what's not clear about this is why Ecuador could possibly believe that's a defense. It would not be a defense at a \$9,000 case, and it's certainly not a defense in a \$9 billion case.

Dr. Velasquez, a former judge on the Ecuadorian
Constitutional Court, confirms in his Expert Reports that a
Judgment cannot be based on documents not in the Court

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09:02 1 ghostwriting of that judgment, and I refer you to Slide 3
2 in that regard. \$18 billion in damages, despite
3 Petroecuador's remediation for the same sites of
4 \$70 million.

\$8.5 billion in punitive damages in manifest
violation of Ecuadorian law which doesn't permit or
recognize punitive damages, and conditioned on an
unprecedented public apology which would have effectively
been an admission, and based on Chevron's attempts to
defend itself in the face of pervasive fraud and
corruption.

The factual absurdities of the environmental findings and damages with no grounding in scientific evidence but based instead on the fraudulent Cabrera Reports and the legal absurdities of trying to justify suing the wrong party and ignoring Petroecuador's operations and impacts.

Now, each of these, along with the Cabrera fraud and the bribery and ghostwriting of the Court Orders and the Judgment evidences a denial of justice and a breach of the Bilateral Investment Treaty.

Now, much of Claimants' case rests on unrebutted evidence. For example, the concessions which Ecuador made in the Opening Statement which reflect generally what they had already said in their Memorials, demonstrates that the 09:05 1 Record. And Mr. Andrade confirmed that same principle in 2 his testimony on Tuesday. A judgment based on unfiled 3 documents is a nullity under Ecuadorian law.

Now, in the Opening Statement, I told you that
there were at least four central characters in the Lago
Case, but you would only hear from one of them, and that's
Mr. Guerra. And you've now had the opportunity to see and
hear Mr. Guerra. And since you've seen his demeanor and
you've heard his forthright answers, you can judge his
credibility for yourself. But very importantly, his
testimony is largely corroborated by independent and
documentary evidence.

By contrast, however, the Witness you didn't hear from is former Judge Zambrano. We challenged Ecuador to bring him, since he currently works for a company controlled by Petroecuador, the national oil company of Ecuador, and you invited him to appear. But Ecuador refused to bring him.

19 So, we might ask why. Why isn't he here? Why
20 didn't they bring him to testify in this case? Well,
21 there's a simple answer to that question, and the answer is
22 that his testimony in the RICO case was so dismal and so
23 devastating and his demeanor so lacking in credibility that
24 it was clear he didn't author the Judgment. So, he's not

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09:06 1 Now it's unfortunate that you didn't get to see
2 him and draw your own impressions from watching him
3 testify, but fortunately, Judge Kaplan in the RICO case did
4 get to see Zambrano in person and did get to hear from him,
5 and he concluded that Zambrano was not a credible witness.
6 And although his conclusion is not binding on you, it's the
7 best evidence that you have as to the demeanor and
8 credibility of Zambrano as a witness.

Now, what is Ecuador's defense to this case?

There seems to be no coherent defense on the facts of the case. Ecuador has not brought you a single fact witness in Track 2. Its primary defense seems to be exhaustion of local remedies, but with Ecuador's highest court, the National Court of Justice now having spoken, Ecuador struggles to find a way to preserve its now exhausted exhaustion defense. So, it casts about, and it points to a new and oblique vehicle: The Collusion Prosecution Act.

But that doesn't work. The direct remedy for Chevron was appealed, and Chevron fully pursued its appeals.

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The Ecuadorian appellate courts had ample
procedural vehicles under the Constitution to determine the
claims of fraud and corruption that Chevron brought, but
they ignored them.

24 They also had ample evidence of the fraud already 25 in the record before them--the Cabrera fraud, for 09:10 1 opportunity to see and hear from the Environmental Experts,
2 and I think you've seen the gross exaggerations and
3 distortions of Ecuador's case in this regard. And there
4 are three simple points I'd like to make about it very
5 quickly:

6 First, at all relevant times, Petroecuador was
7 always the majority and controlling partner of the
8 Consortium, and the Government was both the regulator and
9 the policy-maker who set the policies that was followed by
10 the Consortium.

Second, the Government agreed to a remediation
program with TexPet at specific sites and with agreed
criteria that was both effective and protective, and then
it approved that remediation at every single site and fully
released TexPet from all diffuse environmental liability.

16 What was left was Petroecuador's responsibility.
17 And, third, Petroecuador's own budget for the full
18 remediation of the same sites is \$70 million, not

21 request a combination of declaratory, injunctive, and 22 monetary relief in order to wipe out the consequences of

23 the illegal acts of Ecuador. The most important of those

24 remedies is declaratory relief, declaring that the Republic

25 of Ecuador committed a denial of justice under customary

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09:08 1 example--and the evidence that the Judgment copies from the
2 Plaintiffs' internal documents that are nowhere filed in
3 the Court Record. That evidence was before them. And they
4 could have ruled on that basis, but instead they ignored
5 that evidence as well. And the reason I think is clear:
6 Donziger wanted the Government to make the Lago case into a
7 national issue, so no judge could rule against them and get
8 away with it in terms of his career, and he said that in so
9 many words. And President Correa, once he was elected,
10 accommodated exactly that and made the case into a national
11 cause.

Now, as to the Collusion Prosecution Act itself, it's not a direct remedy; and, very importantly, it cannot be used to enjoin or arrest the enforcement of the gargantuan \$9.5 billion judgment which would remain enforceable throughout the pendency of the case.

In these unique circumstances in which Chevron is condemned by the President of Ecuador as an enemy of the country and its lawyers and experts are condemned as traitors to the country, justice for Chevron in Ecuador is futile, and the CPA provides no possible remedy.

Now, Ecuador's other major theme in this case is environmental. Over the past three years, you've heard them describe what happened in Ecuador as an environmental

25 disaster. But over the past two weeks you finally had an

09:11 1 international law and also breached the Bilateral
2 Investment Treaty and several of its provisions, including
3 the effective means provision.

Now, in order to provide full relief as international law requires, Chevron needs a declaration of both denial of justice and a breach of the Treaty, and Mr. Kehoe will discuss this in much more detail this afternoon.

9 Similarly, Chevron also requests the Declaration 10 that the Judgment is nullity and therefore devoid of legal 11 effect under international law.

Now, I'd like to answer your first question.
Throughout this presentation, various of the speakers will
be answering your questions. We're going to try to answer
seach and every one of them.

But as to your first question, the Claimants
certainly have no objection to the Tribunal having the full
legal materials that you need, including the full books of
Professors Paulsson and Freeman and the full legal opinions
in the Loewen Case, among others. We have no objection to
that whatsoever.

Now, we've divided our presentation today into seven segments. And, as I said, we've tried to weave the Tribunal's questions into these, and so we're going to answer those questions throughout, so the structure of our Sheet 6 2515 2517

09:12 1 argument is going to be as follows:

First, I'm going to hand the floor to Tracie
Renfroe, who will address TexPet's remediation and the RAP.
Then Wade Coriell will address the remaining

5 Track 1 issues, including the settlement issues and 6 certainly the Tribunal's questions on veil piercing,

causation, and timing that relate to the Judgment itself.

8 Now, at that point, that might be a good 9 opportunity to take the mid-morning break. I think that 10 will take about an another hour and 15 minutes to get to 11 that point.

12 After that, we will then turn to the international 13 law issues for approximately an hour and a half.

David Weiss will address the jurisdictional and admissibility issues and the relevance or irrelevance of the environmental issues.

Professor Paulsson will then address the remaining international law issues such as the treaty breaches, the denial of justice, and the exhaustion of legal remedies.

20 That might be a good opportunity for a lunch

21 break.

22 Following that, we'll return to Tracie Renfroe,

 $\,$ 23 $\,$ who will answer the environmental case that Ecuador has put

24 forward.

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Then we will turn to the facts of the fraud and

09:15 1 that under that Remedial Action Plan or RAP, the Parties

2 divided not only the sites within the Concession Area, but

3 within a given site they divided remediation

 $4\,\,$ responsibilities with TexPet having responsibility only for

5 certain features at certain sites. And we've discussed

6 that issue in detail, and you will have heard no dispute

7 from any fact witness or any expert witness to that point. 8 Which then brings me to: What was done in this

9 Remedial Action Program? With the benefit of the jointly commissioned HBT Agra audit, the Parties--meaning Ecuador,

11 Petroecuador, and TexPet--agreed on the details of exactly

2 what sort of remediation would be done and where.

13 And in this slide I've just excerpted a few of the 14 highlights of the nature of the types of things that were

15 to be addressed.

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16 Contrary to what you may have heard earlier this 17 week from Ecuador's Expert LBG, it is not the case that the 18 remedial action work was limited to pits. If one simply

19 looks at the Remedial Action Plan, you will find that it

20 calls for remediation of soils and spills as well as

 $21\,\,$ sediments in certain areas, including, in addition to the

22 pit remediation, plugging and abandonment of wells, et

23 cetera; and so it's simply factually incorrect to suggest

 $24\,$ that this remediation program was limited to pits.

Now, the remediation program was conducted by

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09:14 1 the corruption, and I will address that along with Caline 2 Mouawad and Elizabeth Silbert.

Following that in our sixth segment we'll turn to the issue of remedies. Mr. Kehoe will primarily discuss the remedies, followed by Jan Paulsson discussing the offset theory.

7 And we will conclude with some final remarks from 8 Mr. Hew Pate, who I think will also attempt to answer some 9 of the Tribunal's questions with respect to the RICO 10 issues.

11 And with that, I'll turn the floor over to Tracie 12 Renfroe.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

14 Ms. Renfroe.

15 MS. RENFROE: Thank you very much, Mr. President, 16 and good morning, Members of the Tribunal.

17 I would like to add some color and additional 18 detail to Mr. Bishop's comments about the fact that the

TexPet Remedial Action Program, or the RAP as we have

20 called it, was both effective and highly protective.
21 You may remember this slide that I showed you in

22 my opening remarks in which I set forth the division or

23 allocation of remediation responsibilities that the Parties

 $24\,$ agreed to in 1995 in their Settlement Agreement and the

25 Remedial Action Plan. And the noteworthy point here is

09:17 1 Ecuadorian remediation Contractors under the oversight and

2 management of the Woodward-Clyde International

3 environmental engineering firm. You may recall having

4 heard in detail from Claimants' Expert engineer John Connor

 $\,{\rm 5}\,$ how the remediation work was done; and, on this slide from

6 his presentation, you'll see the eight-step process that

7 was followed by the remediation for remediation of pits.

And you will find when you look at the volume, the

9 two-volume final report published by Woodward-Clyde

10 International in 2000, you will find a photographic log in 11 Volume 2 of this Report that shows you the photographs that

12 documented the remediation of all of these pits and

13 surrounding areas, including some streams.

14 And just as a reminder, the Woodward-Clyde Report 15 is in the record as Connor Exhibit 30.

Now, Mr. Connor also, in addition to explaining how the remediation work would be done, he showed us the

18 results of it; and, if we look at this slide taken from his 19 presentation, you can see just one illustration of what a

20 pit looked like before it was remediated and then what it

21 looked like following application of the eight-step

22 remediation process. And as you can see for yourself, the 23 result of it is that the pit was--the contents of it were

24 treated and solidified, it was revegetated and essentially

25 retaken by the surrounding land area.

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09:18 1 We also heard from Mr. Connor's testimony about
2 the effective nature of this type of remediation program.
3 And it might be of interest to you to know that today, the
4 Republic of Ecuador and Petroecuador actually use the same
5 eight-step process for remediating pits in the Concession
6 Area.

Now, during the testimony of LBG earlier this
week, I believe you may have heard the suggestion that
streams and sediments were a problem in the Concession Area
that LBG is now focused on, and the suggestion that TexPet
addressed no sediment contamination. As I said a moment
ago, that is simply not true. And in this photograph taken
from the Woodward-Clyde Report and that can be found in the
clickable database, I show you an example of a stream that
TexPet actually remediated, and the stream is near the
Sacha 89 well platform. You will find when you look in the
Actas in this record that Hinchee 175 contains a copy of
the October 1997 Acta confirming from the Republic of
Ecuador's Ministry that the remediation work had been done
and completed.

and completed.

And not only do we have the Acta confirming

Ecuador's satisfaction with the remediation of this stream,

but we also have this letter from members of the local

community, this letter of appreciation to TexPet, thanking

them for the grate--well, providing an observation of and

09:22 1 which we have provided citation, but we're happy to provide 2 them in a handy, convenient collection if that would be of 3 convenience to the Tribunal.

So, let me then move on to this issue, and that is, not only did we have the contemporaneous documented confirmation by Ecuador's representatives, but after the fact we've had further sworn testimony, as I mentioned in my Opening Statement, from high-level executives from the Republic of Ecuador's Ministries again confirming that TexPet, indeed, performed all of the remediation items that were assigned to it, but observing that Petroecuador had yet to do its part.

And I wish to remind you again of the testimony of
the Republic's Undersecretary of the Environmental
Protection Division with the Ministry of Energy and Mines,
Mr. Giovani Rosanía Schiavone, whom you met in a hearing in
November of 2012, and he told you under cross-examination
he was brought by the Republic of Ecuador, and he told you
under cross-examination that he insisted that the technical
work, the environmental remediation work, had been done
well.

Now, one other important observation that we learned this week and to which there is no dispute from Ecuador's own environmental experts is the fact that the Parties' agreement, their agreed remediation criteria that

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09:20 1 expressing their testimony of, "real gratefulness to TexPet
2 Petroleum Company for the environmental remediation work
3 performed on the creek which has its origin near well
4 Sacha 89." You'll find that letter in C-1174.

So, not only was TexPet's remediation of pits effective and protective, but we have the testimony of local members of the community who appreciated TexPet's remediation work of streams.

And then again to remind you of the detailed documentation from the Government of Ecuador's own representatives who monitored this remediation program, and their work notes and their monitoring of the program were documented in these 52 what we called RAT Actas, and those are all in this record. And then ultimately, all of the remediated areas that required action by TexPet were approved in the 19 Approval Actas, which are also all in this record, and then all of that culminated in the Final Acta, the final remediation Acta issued September 1998 in which the senior Executives for both Petroecuador and the Ministries of Ecuador confirmed their satisfaction that TexPet had, indeed, completed all of the remediation obligations assigned to it.

And as I said, the documentation of the oversight by Ecuador and Petroecuador's representatives is contained in these various Actas, all of which are in the record, and 1 they set forth in the Remedial Action Plan called for the
2 treatment and then encapsulation of materials that had been
3 stored in pits. After treatment through that eight-step
4 process, then the pits were closed and encapsulated, but
5 the result is that there will be residues or there could
6 be--there is not necessarily, but by agreement of the
7 Parties there could be--residues of TPH left in these
8 remediated closed pits. Dr. Garvey, or Mr. Garvey, and
9 Mr. Goldstein from LBG acknowledged that and acknowledged
10 that was the Agreement of the Parties. And so, to the
11 extent that something untoward is suggested by Ecuador,
12 something untoward about that, that we need only to look at
13 the Parties' agreement and recognize that that was the
14 anticipation and recognition.
15 And then we move forward in time to two other

And then we move forward in time to two other points in which different representatives of Ecuadorian agencies investigated more than a decade later the efficacy--in some cases a decade later--the efficacy of TexPet's remediation work. And here on this slide, I simply summarize the key findings of one of these environmental investigators associated with one of Ecuador's agencies.

And here, this environmental engineer, Dr. Narváez Troncoso and Dr. Bolivar García Pinos have concluded after investigating various remediation areas that TexPet had

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09:25 1 addressed, they concluded that the hydrocarbon impact is 2 confined to the area of the pits and does not affect 3 underground water quality.

> Likewise, they concluded that the remediated pits 5 had no impact on the quality of life or the wildlife. Nor 6 were there any leaks or infiltrations into the subsoil or 7 the bottom of the pits detected.

And so, this is proof positive from 9 representatives from the Republic of Ecuador themselves 10 that the TexPet remediation work was both effective and 11 protective of the environment.

12 Similar findings were made by another 13 investigator, another environmental engineer associated 14 with Ecuador's Office of the Prosecutor; and in this Report 15 in 2006, she reports, after having inspected the surface 16 area of a number of the RAP-remediated pits, that, "of all 17 the pits evaluated, 100 percent of them showed no surface 18 environmental impacts that endanger human life, flora, or 19 fauna." 100 percent of those that she inspected. Now, all this occurred before the Judgment was

20 21 issued.

22 Now, I come to my final point, and that is, not 23 only do we have the official actions of the representatives 24 of Ecuador in the various Actas that we have included in 25 this record, confirming in the period of the remediation

09:28 1 LBG, from actually quoting from his prior deposition, he 2 said he believed they complied with the RAP, that TexPet 3 complied with the RAP.

> So, Members of the Tribunal, it is simply 5 uncontroverted from any fact or expert witness that TexPet 6 fully complied with the RAP and performed its obligations 7 to remediate, and it did it well, its work was effective, 8 it was protective, and it fully deserved the release that 9 it got from the Republic of Ecuador.

And so, with that, I will now turn it over to 11 Mr. Coriell.

12 (Tribunal conferring.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Coriell.

MR. CORIELL: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of 15 the Tribunal.

16 You've heard about the effective remediation that 17 TexPet performed, and I'll now be discussing Ecuador's liability for its legally absurd refusal to give effect to the Settlement and Release Agreements that TexPet signed on behalf of itself and its affiliates in exchange for doing 21 that RAP work that Ms. Renfroe discussed.

And you will recall that this falls into three 23 different and independent legal categories, Ecuador's 24 remaining Track 1 liability. The first, of course, is 25 breach of the Settlement and Release Agreements which you

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09:26 1 work between 1995 and 1998, that the remediation was done 2 pursuant to the Parties' Agreement, and then we see the 3 subsequent testimony to that effect by the two senior 4 environmental Ministers from Ecuador. And then we have the 5 subsequent investigations by various branches of Ecuador's 6 Ministries.

But now we move forward in time to the Lago 8 Litigation, where I have--where we find the observation of 9 the Stratus Expert Doug Beltman on behalf of the Lago 10 Plaintiffs. And on this slide at the top, I have excerpted 11 again one of his private e-mail observations, where he's 12 telling Steven Donziger: "I did not find any clear 13 instances where TexPet did not meet the conditions required 14 in the cleanup." From the observations of the Lago 15 Plaintiffs' Environmental Expert himself.

That same conclusion was also observed by 16 17 Mr. Barros, one of the Court-appointed experts who said, 18 "TexPet completed the part of the remediation assigned to 19 it under the RAP." And again, you heard Mr. Connor last 20 week tell you the very same thing in his testimony, that 21 when he went to those sites during the judicial inspection 22 process, he too confirmed the RAP remediated areas had been 23 perfectly and faithfully remediated pursuant to the 24 remediation plan.

And then finally this week, Mr. Goldstein from

09:30 1 have jurisdiction to hear under Ecuadorian law under 2 Article VI(1)(a) of the BIT.

The second is, of course, denial of justice for 4 the legal absurdity inherent in the Judgment's failure to account for the Settlement and Release Agreements and its 5 reasoning with respect to those.

And the third is, of course, the treaty breaches, in particular the effective means provision and the fair-and-equitable-treatment provision because of the legitimate expectation of finality that TexPet and Chevron 11 derived from these Release Agreements.

And then I'm going to answer a couple of your 13 questions about causation and piercing of the corporate 14 veil.

15 Now, when we submit our final brief on the Track 1 issues, we're going to walk you through Ecuador's changing and inconsistent position on the nature of the rights that were purportedly vindicated in the Lago Agrio Judgment. You may remember how in 2010, Ecuador spoke to you during

our very first Interim Measures Hearing as if Chevron made up the entire concept of a diffuse right; how in 2012,

22 Ecuador and its experts treated diffuse and collective

23 rights as synonyms in the context of this case. Or how

24 after your Track 1 Award they suddenly pivoted and said

25 somehow "collective" actually means "individual." That was

09:32 1 the theme at last April's Track 1b Hearing.

Just two weeks ago we heard for the first time
that the Lago Agrio Case isn't about actual harm at all.
It's wholly about contingent harm. But what I want to
focus on today is the narrow issue of what you have left to
decide on Track 1 and how Ecuador is liable for a breach of
the Settlement and Release Agreements. And so, I'd like to
start with your two key holdings from the final Track 1
Award.

First, at Paragraph 106, at the time when the 1995
Agreement was executed, only Ecuador could bring a diffuse
claim under Article 19.2 of the Ecuadorian Constitution to
safeguard the right of its citizens to live in an
environment free from contamination. Only the State could
represent that diffuse right.

Second, Paragraph 112 of your First Partial Award:
The '95 and '98 agreements have legal effect under
Ecuadorian law precluding any diffuse claim under 19.2 by
any individual not claiming personal harm, actual or
threatened. The State settled that diffuse right that you
held that it could represent.

So, all that's left are individual allegations of, in your words--and I discussed this with you during my opening--personal harm. And you explained in your Track 1B Decision the basis for that key distinction that you made 09:35 1 And before your Track 1 Award forced them to
2 change tune, their comparative law expert agreed with you
3 as well. We see Mr. Chatelier's joint report with
4 Professor Oquendo back in August of 2012, defining diffuse
5 rights as indivisible entitlements that pertain to the
6 community as a whole, such as the community's collective
7 right to live in a healthy and uncontaminated environment,
8 in other words, such as Article 19.2 of the Ecuadorian
9 Constitution. Again, indivisible interests, community as a
10 whole. So, you didn't get confused by civil law concepts,
11 as Ecuador implied during its opening presentation two
12 weeks ago. You got this right, this key distinction.

So, where does that leave us? With a single remaining Track 1 liability issue: Was the Lago Agrio Judgment diffuse or did it vindicate individual claims for personal harm, whether actual or threatened?

And in our Opening Argument, I showed you how the Plaintiffs, how Ecuador up until your Track 1 Award, and how every Ecuadorian Court in the Lago Agrio Case has answered this question diffuse: No claims for personal harm. And you have that handout of admissions that walks you through all of that, and so I'm not going to go to those provisions again.

And in Ecuador's opening, it agreed with us. You 25 see it from the Day 1 Transcript: The Lago Agrio Case does

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09:33 1 between diffuse and individual rights. You did it at
2 Paragraphs 155 and 156 of that decision. You said that
3 under Ecuadorian law, an individual claim belongs to that
4 individual with the remedy personal to that individual.
5 It's not a diffuse claim. A diffuse claim may belong to a
6 community of indeterminate people with the remedy
7 indivisible, and it is not an individual claim. So,
8 indeterminate people, indivisible interests. These are the
9 characteristics make that distinction.

Now, you may recall in its opening when Ecuador
showed you these two paragraphs from your decision, warned
you that you got it wrong in your Track 1B Decision, and
told you that there was no source for this distinction that
you made in Ecuadorian law. But you didn't get it wrong.
Ecuador's own expert Dr. Eguiguren has agreed with you.
Back in his Report in 2012, and he cited you to the source
in Ecuadorian law, which is the definition of a diffuse
interest in the 1999 Environmental Management Act. Let's
take a look. This is Footnote 14 from his declaration:
Uniffuse interest shall mean the homogeneous and

21 indivisible interests, whose holders are undetermined 22 groups of individuals linked by common circumstances." So,

23 just as you said, undetermined people, indivisible
24 interests. Equador can try to pretend otherwise now but

24 interests. Ecuador can try to pretend otherwise now, but 25 this is its law.

09:36 1 not seek to address personal injury claims or health harms
2 specific to any one person. It didn't award damages based
3 on past or existing injury to any specific person or
4 persons.

And not that it would change the result either
way, but the health Expert that Ecuador hired and brought
before you to defend this Judgment after the fact didn't
even consider--wasn't asked to consider--the question of,
in your words, "personal harm." She was asked if the risk
assessments prove actual particular harm to a particular
person, and Dr. Strauss said no, they do not. "Does that
mean that you found that specific persons have been harmed
by TexPet?

No, I did not mean to imply any specific person is was harmed. I looked at no specific person. I did not evaluate individual harms in the least."

And then we have Ecuador again in its Opening
Statement: The Aguinda Plaintiffs dropped their personal
injury claims. Indeed, they did. Those personal injury
claims refer to their cow claims, their claims for
reparation or compensation for their individualized harm.
Discrete, past harm. Personal harm. The key to the
distinction that you made, that would be a 2214 type
action, referring to Article 2214 in Ecuador's Civil Code.

So, what Ecuador is telling you now is that this

09:38 1 is not a case of actual existing personal harm, which
2 leaves them with one remaining possibility other than a
3 diffuse case, and that's contingent individual harm under
4 Article 2236, and this is the argument that Ecuador made in
5 its opening presentation, its last remaining Track 1
6 argument.

But the Lago Agrio Judgment, in fact, used
Article 2236 in a wholly diffuse way, and Ecuador had
already released the diffuse use of that cause of action
back in 1995 and 1998, and that's what I'd like to turn to

Now, in Article 5.1 of the 1995 Settlement
Agreement, Ecuador released claims for a defined term under
the Contract: Environmental impact. And those claims fall
into two buckets which I've tried to illustrate
conceptually on Slide 32, both of which are diffuse by
definition, and that's a key point. The first bucket is
harm to the environment, and that's the diffuse interest at
Article 19.2 of the Constitution that you identified in
your Track 1 Award; and the second is health impacts on
indeterminate persons.

And the source for these two buckets of released diffuse claims is the Settlement Agreement itself, as it would have to be, and in particular Article 1.3 which defines the environmental impacts that were released under 09:41 1 the future, directly or indirectly arising out of 2 operations of the Consortium, including but not limited to 3 consequences of all types of injury. And then it says in 4 all other types of injuries and it lists some, including 5 nuisance. You will recall your Track 1B Decisions, 6 nuisance analogy, strict liability, any other theory or 7 potential theory of recovery. So substantively, what's 8 being released here is in any way related to contamination. 9 That's as broad as this could be. And when you read it 10 with the definition of environmental impact and those two 11 diffuse categories of claims that are being released, you see that the State is acting in a representative capacity. 13 So, it's any statutory cause of action "related to contamination" as long as it's diffuse and, thus, able to be represented by the State. That's the key: As long as 16 it's diffuse and thus, able to be represented by the State. 17 And that's what you'll recall I started with this, that's what you held at Paragraph 106 of your final Track 1 Award was the case with Article 19.2 of the Constitution. 20 So, let's look now at another such cause of 21 action, and it's the one that Ecuador is now hanging its 22 hat on, Article 2236. And we see the terms of it. As a 23 general rule, a popular-action lawsuit, and that's what

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25 of future damage that, due to a party's imprudence or

24 2236 is, it's a popular action--is permissible in all cases

09:39 1 that Agreement. An environmental impact is any substance 2 present or released into the environment in such 3 concentration or condition, the presence or release of 4 which causes, or has the potential to cause harm to two 5 things: Number 1, human health; Number 2, the environment. 6 So, let's think about this for a minute. The 7 State is releasing claims for harm to human health or harm 8 to the environment. The State can't have an individual 9 right in human health. The State can't have an individual 10 right in the environment. So, the only way for it to be 11 releasing claims based on these two substantive categories 12 is if it is doing so in a representative capacity, if it is 13 releasing diffuse claims. That's why with this definition 14 of what is being released in the Settlement Agreement is so 15 important to the Track 1 issues.

Any claim alleging harm to those two diffuse
interests identified in Article 1.3 is released by this
Agreement. The particular cause of action under which that
substantive claim is bought is irrelevant, and we can see
that in Article 5.2, where the Government and Petroecuador
said they intend claims to mean any and all claims, common,
civil law, equitable, Contract, tort, constitutional, like
19.2, statutory, like 2236--and here is the key part, and
it's highlighted in the middle of the screen. In any way
related to contamination, that have or ever may arise in

09:43 1 negligence, threaten undetermined persons. And we can stop 2 there. Because Ecuador and the Claimants and the 3 Ecuadorian courts all agree that the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs 4 purported to represent a group of some 30,000 undetermined 5 persons. It's not in dispute that it is the undetermined 6 persons prong of this Civil Code article that's being used 7 in the Lago Agrio Judgment.

And remember the definition of "diffuse interests"

that Dr. Eguiguren referred to, that you referred to,

that's in the 1999 Law, remember that that definition

refers to those interests that are held by undetermined

persons. That's the key link, the definition of diffuse

interests in the EMA to this prong of Article 2236 that is

undisputedly the one purportedly vindicated in the Lago

Agrio Judgment.

So, Article 2236 can be used in a diffuse way.

That's what we know from this terminology read with that
definition. And it could also be used by the State as
representatives of those undetermined persons, and we know
that from the testimony of Dr. Eguiguren back in November
of 2012. He was asked: Under Ecuadorian law in 1995, you
would agree that the Government had standing under
Article 19.2 to seek reparation for environmental damage
from any party? And he said, I think that, as a public
action, it could have done it. The protected legal right

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09:44 1 is the right to the healthy environment, to live in a 2 healthy environment.

Public action means Article 2236 as the cause of action, the mechanism. And the substantive right is Article 19.2, the right to the healthy environment.

Article 19.2, the right to the healthy environment.

And for the avoidance of any doubt, he went on to specify that he was talking about Article 2236. This is his follow-up answer. He's still talking about the State.

And he says: It could have initiated a legal action seeking the reparation of an environmental damage. The State in 1995: It could have followed Article 2236. And that's determinative of Ecuador's one remaining argument, and the one remaining Track 1 liability issue that you have to decide.

15 It comes down really to four steps: The first is 16 that the State released all diffuse claims that it could 17 assert for environmental impact defined in the Agreement in 18 1995.

Number 2, the State could assert diffuse claims under Article 2236 in 1995. It makes sense conceptually, and Dr. Equiquren confirmed it.

Number 3, the Lago Agrio Judgment was purportedly a diffuse Article 2236 claim--Ecuador agrees with that--therefore, Number 4, the Lago Agrio Judgment was barred by the Releases.

09:48 1 as Professor Paulsson explained during in his opening 2 presentation.

You went on: "As agreed by the Parties' Experts,
that diffuse right under Article 19.2 was indivisible,
either settled in full or not at all. The Tribunal rejects
entirely the possibility that the same diffuse right in
Article 19.2 can exist in separate parts to be exercised by
multiple Claimants at different times with successive
diffuse claims, thereby making any effective final
settlement or adjudication of such claims illusory." You

11 rejected that possibility because we had a contractual
12 right and a legitimate expectation not to have that happen.

3 The Lago Agrio Judgment embraced that possibility.
4 And contrary to Mr. Leonard's concern during his

opening, the Romans wouldn't be surprised about this either, and you can look at the source for that in Professor Oquendo's Second Report in 2012, where he said

18 the actions under analysis derive--and Ecuador said

19 this--from Roman law, which explicitly recognized the erga 20 omnes preclusion effect of these suits. And then he cites

21 to where it does that, Title 23 of Book 47 of the Justinian 22 Code, which deals with popular actions, that's like 2236,

23 unequivocally proclaims: "If an action is repeatedly

 $24\,$ brought on the same cause and on the same fact, the

25 ordinary exception of res judicata may be raised." In

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09:46 1 And there is nothing unusual about that: Despite 2 Ecuador's claims to the contrary, representatives may 3 settle diffuse Article 2236 claims. They can bind the 4 community if they're acting properly in their 5 representative capacity. We can see this from a quotation 6 and citation in the Cassation Decision itself.

7 This is from Professor Guidi. He is being cited 8 in the Cassation Decision, Exhibit C-1975 at 185, and he 9 says: A popular-action lawsuit--that's like 2236--a

10 popular-action lawsuit is a lawsuit filed by one

11 representative in defense of a collectively considered 12 right, whose immutability and the authority of the Judgment

13 will impact a group of people, res judicata. In a

14 popular-action lawsuit, the rights of the group are

15 represented in Court by a representative, and the Judgment

16 will be with respect to the entire collective dispute,

17 reaching the members of the right of the group.

18 And consistent with this principle, you've already

19 held at Paragraph 107 of your Track 1 Award that 20 representatives may settle diffuse claims, and you've

21 talked about how the Ecuadorian State did so in one

22 instance. You said: It is not juridically possible for a

23 person to exercise a right which no longer exists. And I 24 want you to remember that term "juridically possible"

25 because as you'll recall it's a denial-of-justice standard,

09:49 1 other words, preclusion applies upon repetition of the 2 suit, independently of who acts as Plaintiff" independently 3 of the representative.

4 So, this is basic stuff, and it's been true for at 5 least 1500 years in the civil law.

6 So, Ecuador can't escape the Releases just by
7 pointing you to Article 2236 and saying there was a
8 carve-out for this from the Settlement Agreement. Nor does
9 the so-called "five Texaco Experts" or Bustamante Affidavit
10 that they like to point to, support Ecuador's position.
11 This is the Affidavit from the proceedings before
12 Judge Sand in New York in 2005 that you heard referenced

12 Juage sand in New York in 2005 that you heard referenced
13 again a couple weeks ago.

And my colleague earlier handed out a packet with four documents for you. I will be mentioning each of them. This is behind Tab 4 and it's the entire text of the Affidavit. I'm not going to walk you through it right now,

18 but I have pulled out the sort of two key pullouts on

19 Slide 41. The second one is the language Ecuador always 20 likes to point you to, the reference to Article 2236, and

21 these Experts' opinion that the possibility of bringing

22 those claims is not affected. But what I would like you to

23 look at, you see that that's labeled (b), I would like you

24 to look up at the question that they're being asked,

25 Question 4(b): Does a settlement between the State and

09:51 1 TexPet affect the ability of individuals to bring claims 2 against Petroecuador for preventive purposes under 3 Article 2236? That's what they're responding to. They're 4 saying it doesn't affect the ability to make these 5 Petroecuador claims. So, this language can't carry the 6 weight that Ecuador wants it to carry with you, especially 7 in light of what I have just walked through, showing the 8 clear release of diffuse Article 2236 claims in the 9 Settlement Agreement.

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So, please do take a look at the entire Affidavit, 11 and I will point you in particular to around the middle of 12 Page 2 of the Affidavit where these Experts talk about the 13 use of Article 2236 to vindicate what they call collective 14 or, indeed, diffuse rights. You've heard a lot. You heard 15 it again two weeks ago about how the term "diffuse rights" 16 only came up for the first time in this dispute during this 17 arbitration in 2009 or 2010. These Experts that they like 18 to point you to were talking about them, and talking about

19 them in terms of Article 2236's use back in 2005. 20 Although--and we've discussed this 21 before--although the Cassation Decision disagreed with 22 Dr. Equiquren and although it disagreed with your final 23 Track 1 Award on the guestion whether the State could 24 represent diffuse rights in 1995, I do want to give you 25 comfort on the remaining Track 1 liability issue that you 09:54 1 substantively in the Lago Agrio Case is a general interest, 2 a diffuse interest in a clean environment, that's 3 Article 19.2, and he said ves, in part. So, Ecuador is 4 admitting that the Judgment at least in part vindicates 5 diffuse rights that we know it can't legitimately and 6 legally vindicate because of the Settlement and Release 7 Agreements.

8 These are otherwise known, by the way, to go back to the EMA glossary of definitions, as "environmental 10 collective rights" in Ecuadorian law, and you see this 11 again, Dr. Equiquren citing to that term and its definition as those rights shared by the community to enjoy a healthy and pollution-free environment; in other words, Article 19.2, it's an environmental collective right.

So, this is saying diffuse is the same as 15 16 collective when we're talking about these group rights to public health and to a pollution-free environment. You see again those two substantive buckets of rights I was talking 19 about: Healthy and pollution-free.

20 And Dr. Andrade agrees with the Cassation Decision 21 that the Lago Agrio Case is a collective action for environmental harm, which is distinct--again, to go back to that distinction that you made in your Track 1B Decision 24 that's troubling Ecuador--it's distinct from an individual 25 action. So, your understanding, he was asked, of what it's

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09:52 1 still have left to decide because, on that one, the 2 Cassation Decision is clear. It treats the Lago Agrio 3 Judgment as wholly diffuse.

Now, on Tuesday morning you may recall I walked 5 Dr. Andrade through the section of the Cassation Decision 6 or portions of the Cassation Decision that rejected 7 Chevron's improper joinder argument, and the reason that 8 the Cassation Decision did so--and I'm going to show you 9 the key passages in a moment, but the reason that the 10 Cassation Decision rejected the argument that the Civil 11 Code and the environmental claims were improperly joined, 12 is based on the fact that the Claims decided in the 13 Judgment were wholly diffuse, no matter the vehicle, they 14 were wholly diffuse environmental claims. The reason it 15 rejected our improper joinder defense is because these are 16 wholly diffuse claims.

So, let's start at Pages 200 and 201 of the 17 18 Decision, where the Court says "diffuse interests have to 19 be considered as general interests, interests held by all 20 members of a collective, the object of which consists of 21 goods of general or collective importance." Again, that 22 sounds a lot like the distinction that you made between 23 diffuse and individual claims.

And I asked Dr. Andrade if he understood the Court 25 to be saying that the interest being vindicated

09:55 1 saying is that the Civil Code does not just contemplate 2 individual actions, it also contemplates collective actions 3 for environmental harm, like the Lago Agrio Case. And he 4 said yes, that is correct.

So, collective or diffuse, even if it's a Civil 5 Code cause of action, it's vindicating the same collective 7 or diffuse substantive right, and these are not, as a result, individual Civil Code claims.

9 The Cassation Decision goes on. The complaint was 10 filed by a collective. When a case involves damage to the 11 environment, it is always a collective that will be harmed, 12 so the EMA itself contemplates group actions in order to 13 enforce the Claims of a given group and achieve the 14 corresponding remedies and exercise the fundamental 15 right--and here is that reference to Article 19.2 again--that diffuse right to live in a healthy environment. And then Dr. Andrade confirms three things for us: 17

18 One, when there is environmental harm it's always a collective that's harmed; two, the EMA contemplates group 20 actions; and, three, the purpose of them is to enforce the 21 Claims of a given group. So, what the Court is saying through this analysis is that it's okay to join the Lago

23 Agrio Plaintiffs' Civil Code claims with their 24 environmental claims because the substance of all of those 25 claims is a collective right, a group right, a diffuse

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09:57 1 right. That's the reason it's not an improper joinder, 2 according to the Cassation Court.

And then the Cassation Decision explicitly says 4 these Civil Code claims are not being used here as 5 individual claims. They're being used to make diffuse 6 claims. And you have that at Page 203. It is mistaken to 7 state that Article 2214 only contemplates individual 8 actions, considering that this title provides for a 9 popular-action lawsuit in all cases of contingent damage in 10 which indeterminate persons are threatened, indeterminate 11 persons. Again, the characteristic of diffuse right. So, 12 the appellant cannot try to confuse the Court by arguing 13 that the current Article 2214 only applies to individual 14 claims. Again, that's why the National Court of Justice 15 says that there was no improper joinder because the entire 16 Judgment vindicated only diffuse or collective claims under 17 the right to human health, the right to live in an 18 environment, and that's why it was appropriate, according 19 to the Court to be heard under Article 43 of the EMA in a 20 summary verbal proceeding.

And finally--and this is the last one--the
Cassation Decision cites to comparative law from Colombia
in Footnote 221 to show how the popular action--again,
Article 2236 in Ecuador--is being used here solely in a
diffuse way. You see the reference: Popular-action

10:00 1 Article 2236 of the Ecuadorian Civil Code.

Go down to the Cassation Decision. That is how
both the EMA and Article 2236, which were allegedly not
improperly joined in the case. According to the Cassation
Decision, that's how both of them were interpreted as being
used in the Lago Agrio Judgment, in a wholly diffuse way,
to protect--and we are back to those two key substantive
buckets: The people's public health and the people's right
to live in a clean environment.

So then we go to the Settlement Agreement, and
that's exactly what we started with. That's exactly what
the Settlement Agreement released with respect to that key
defined term "environmental impact." Cases of actual or
contingent harm to public health or to the environment.
What else could have been being released by that term
"environmental impact" when you're talking about potential

17 or actual harm to public health or to the environment,

18 other than the community's diffuse claims based on alleged 19 harm in each of those categories?

20 So, the Releases bar the Lago Agrio Judgment, but 21 I would like to take a step back. And I want to go back to

22 the conversation with which I ended my discussion with

23 Dr. Andrade on Tuesday. You'll recall it was about the 24 State's duty under Article 397 of the Ecuadorian

21 State Study under Article 397 of the Education

25 Constitution. Under that provision as he says here from

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09:58 1 lawsuits are mechanisms instituted by the legal system to 2 defend collective interests. And then it lists some types 3 of collective interests involving public property, space, 4 safety, health, moral administration, the environment, 5 competitive markets and other similar rights and interests. 6 All of these--all of these--are group rights that have to 7 be vindicated by representatives, not individual rights, 8 not relating to personal harm, in your terminology. 9 And then at the bottom, it goes on, popular-action

8 not relating to personal harm, in your terminology.
9 And then at the bottom, it goes on, popular-action
10 lawsuits as a collective remedy in response to public
11 injuries and damage as a right afforded to the community to
12 defend itself. In a public-action suit, any person
13 belonging to a group in the community has standing to
14 defend the group harmed. Collective remedy, public injury,
15 community right, individual standing to defend that
16 community right, no personal harm, so we're talking about
17 something that's wholly diffuse, and this is the Cassation
18 Decision analyzing the use of Article 2236 in the Judgment
19 and comparing it to a Colombian provision that's similar.

Now, this final slide on this issue, Slide 51, I
hope puts all of the pieces together as far as why the Lago
Agrio Judgment is wholly barred by the Settlement and

23 Release Agreements. You see at the top, the EMA. It

24 protects diffuse interests which are held by indeterminate

25 groups. And then you go clockwise, and you see, so does

10:01 1 the Transcript: The State has to act immediately--it's a 2 constitutional duty to act immediately and to repair in any 3 case where it sees environmental harm.

And he was asked: In addition to whatever
sanction there is for environmental harm, the State then
shall seek restitution from the Operator that it thinks
caused that harm. And he said: That's correct, yes.

So, what that does is it creates a right, the right to receive compensation for whatever the State had to invest in fulfilling that duty, and again he said yes.

And we walked through a hypothetical about this, but the obvious implication is, if the State saw harm in the former Concession Area, it was required to fix that harm, and then it could sue the Operator that it thought caused that harm.

But we know that it couldn't sue TexPet, and we know that it couldn't sue Chevron--both sides at least agree on that because of the Releases.

19 So think about what this illustrates. They
20 released us in 1995 and 1998 for claims for environmental
21 impact, and I've walked through what that means. In
22 exchange, we cleaned up our percentage interest in the

23 Consortium, and Ms. Renfroe walked you through that

24 process. They're supposed to clean up the rest. Why?

25 Because, as Dr. Andrade said, as the Constitution says,

10:03 1 it's a constitutional requirement, immediately.
2 Then--then--they have the right to sue the

allegedly responsible party, exactly like they've sued
Burlington, exactly like they've sued Perenco.

And please don't forget, as the State sits here before you today saying that it could not settle diffuse claims, it is seeking billions of dollars from those two companies for the same diffuse environmental torts that are the subject of the Lago Agrio Judgment, just in a different area, a different geographical area.

But because of the Releases, Ecuador can't sue
Chevron, so the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs sued Chevron for the
same alleged environmental impacts to vindicate the
community's right to public health and to live in a clean
environment.

And what this illustrates is that this whole entire process has become a shell game and it's not permitted by the 1995 and 1998 Releases.

19 So, with respect, we believe that revolves the 20 remaining Track 1 liability issue. The Judgment is barred 21 by the Releases.

Second, Rcuador breached the Settlement and
Release Agreements. This relates to the first of the three
different legal buckets. You've got a denial of justice
for ignoring the Releases, you've got a treaty breach for

10:06 1 Now, what the decision about the complaint might
2 do is it might have an effect on the date at which you find
3 that a breach of the Settlement and Release Agreements
4 occur. Now, we argue that there were various breaches of
5 the agreements, regardless of what the complaint said,
6 beginning with the filing of the case, extending through
7 the criminal investigations and the criminal proceedings
8 that took place before the Judgment was issued; the
9 Government's collusion with the Plaintiffs up to and beyond
10 the Judgment itself. But at the very least--at the very
11 least--we know that there was a breach as of the
12 enforceability date of the Judgment itself.
13 So, that said, I would like to walk you through

So, that said, I would like to walk you through some of the key breaches that, in fact, occurred much earlier than that, even consistent with your Track 1B Decision.

But, first, Ecuador's obligation, just to sort of go back to the context, Ecuador's obligation, which is to perform the Releases in good faith. You see the references on the screen: This is a substantive duty under the civil law, to do whatever is necessary to implement the objectives of the Contract. They didn't just have some sort of negative obligation. They had a positive qood-faith obligation to do whatever was necessary to

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25 implement the objectives.

10:05 1 ignoring our legitimate expectation of finality, but you've
2 also got a breach of the Settlement and Release Agreements.
3 Now, you recall that we've briefed the various breaches,
4 and we'll outline them again in our Post-Hearing Brief.
5 Last April, Ms. Mouawad walked you through each one, and I
6 have put her slide packet from that presentation from the
7 Track 1B opening last year in with all the key evidentiary
8 references in it at Tab 1 of the handout that you received
9 this morning, and I do encourage you as you deliberate to
10 review that slide packet because there is overwhelming

evidence of breach.

For now, I want to touch on a couple of the more egregious breaches of the agreements, but before I do that, Professor Lowe had asked during the opening about the relationship between the Track 1B Decision, the complaint and the Judgment. And while we certainly maintain our view, and we believe that it's supported if you look through the handout that I gave you on opening of the various statements and characterizations about the complaint, while we maintain our view that the complaint brought exclusively diffuse claims, it ultimately doesn't matter because, as I think we have shown, the Judgment vindicated exclusively diffuse claims, so the Judgment is barred as res judicata, whether the complaint in whole or in part was barred as res judicata or not.

10:07 1 So with these releases, what does that mean as a 2 practical matter? Well, it means a few things--to uphold 3 them and implement their objectives and not to undermine 4 them. So, for example, Ecuador can't release Chevron and 5 then impose liability through its Judgment for claims that 6 Ecuador extinguished. It can't help the community sue, 7 pressure Chevron, enforce the Judgment against Chevron for 8 the Released claims. It can't frustrate the Releases by 9 seeking creative ways to undermine them or nullify them. 10 That is inconsistent with them on their own terms and it's 11 inconsistent with that good-faith obligation. 12 And what it is is what it comes down to is it's and 15 them 16 them 17 them 18 them 19 the

And what it is is what it comes down to is it's an obligation of result. Ecuador can't try but fail to release, acquit and forever discharge--those are the terms from the Agreement--Claimants from claims for diffuse environmental impact. That's the ultimate obligation.

And when the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs filed their

18 case, Chevron requested way back in October 2003 that
19 Ecuador honor its obligations under these releases. You
20 see it on Slide 57 in the letter from Chevron to Ecuador's
21 Minister of Energy and Mines. It asked Chevron to notify
22 the Court that, pursuant to the Releases, Chevron, Texaco,
23 TexPet are not liable for environmental damage or for the

24 remediation work arising from the Consortium activities; in

25 other words, are not liable for Environmental Impact,

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10:09 1 capital E, capital I, was released. Please protect and 2 defend the rights of Chevron, Texaco, and TexPet.

Now, Ecuador likes to say to you what could we do, as if it were some sort of a passive observer of the undermining of these releases. But let's take a look back at some of what it did do. It knew that the Settlement Agreements barred the Lago Agrio claims, so it sought to undermine them, by instituting criminal proceedings against the signatories to those agreements, and Ms. Mouawad walked you through that sordid story before, the timeline of the events for the investigation and the proceedings themselves—the reopening, all of it, are at Slides 39 and 40 behind Tab 1 of your handout. But let's look at some of the low lights of that process.

And we can start in August 2005 with Martha

Escobar, the Deputy Attorney General, who wrote in an

e-mail to the Plaintiffs' attorneys, if you look at the

"to" line, to the Plaintiffs' attorneys, about how the

A.G.'s Office and all of us working on the State's defense

are searching for a way to nullify or undermine the value

of the Remediation Contract, searching for a way to breach

the Settlement Agreements. The Attorney General remains

resolved, he wants to criminally try those who executed the

Contract, the evidence of criminal liability having been

already rejected by a prosecutor. They are going to try

10:12 1 Donziger instead of agreeing, says don't worry, nothing 2 Chevron says sticks these days.

So, collaborating with the Fiscalía, to undermine and nullify releases executed by the State. If this is not be a breach, then I don't know what would be a breach of these Release Agreements.

Now, Ecuador's response to all of this, amazingly, 8 is to shrug it off essentially before you. The charges 9 were dismissed, they say. No harm, no foul. They want you to ignore what Mr. Veiga went through, being accused of 11 criminal acts and fearing the consequences as he traveled around South America and continued to work on these Ecuador matters. They want you to ignore what Mr. Pérez went through living in exile in Florida away from his family and away from his Ecuadorian home for most of the last few years before he passed away. Really, what appalling 17 conduct by a sovereign State shamelessly ignoring its own contractual obligations much less any basic sense of justice, using the full weight of its authority to support Donziger and his fellow conspirators. I should hope that 21 we can at least agree that this kind of conduct rises to the level of a breach of contract.

But it doesn't stop there, as Ms. Mouawad referenced for you last year. Ecuador has reopened the investigation, no formal proceedings have been filed, but

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10:10 1 again. So, the Releases are in the way, so let's undermine 2 them.

A month later, Steven Donziger talks about the collusive plan with the Government, how the idea is to use it to convince the Government to take action against Chevron to nullify the remediation Contract, compel the Government to act against the company legally, to nullify the remediation Contract.

9 These Plaintiffs' lawyers knew the hurdle that the 10 Remediation Contract had for their claims down in Lago 11 Agrio, so they needed it nullified and they colluded with 12 the Government to try to get it nullified.

October 6th of 2005, Donziger again, the key issue is the criminal case, can we get that going, Ricardo Veiga likely will be knocked out of the box by the criminal investigation and being called as a witness. This will be useful for us in Lago and in the ongoing criminal investigation.

And then in 2009, the honest confession from a
Plaintiffs' lawyer to Mr. Donziger, he says on
February 4th: Dude, if the guys at Jones Day--that's
Chevron's counsel--get a hold of this, it's gonna hurt us.
It's pretty much irrefutable evidence of us collaborating
with the Fiscalía to get Reis Veiga and Pérez convicted."
Irrefutable evidence. We agree. And then of course,

10:14 1 they've reopened the investigation that continues to hang 2 over the people who signed this Release Agreement. You see 3 no less than President Correa's favorite advisor, Alexis 4 Mera, October 7th of 2013, he said, "I have asked the 5 Prosecutor General--recall this is the same Prosecutor 6 General who seems unwilling to investigate any of the 7 judicial fraud, the evidence of which you have seen in this case--but Mr. Mera focusing on the Releases said: "I have asked the Prosecutor General publicly, and privately, I 10 have gone to see him, to ask him to bring criminal actions 11 for embezzlement of public funds against all of these 12 officials. They committed treason. There is that word 13 again. President Correa has demanded that the Prosecutor 14 reopen proceedings and there have actually been a series of 15 so-called site inspections preliminary to just that, and we will walk you through the evidence of that in our

Post-Hearing Brief as well.

You see the words from the Minister of the
Environment just last summer. Ecuador is going to pursue
this to the very end. All efforts by our Attorney
General's Office, to ensure that this oil company
acknowledges the harm that it caused and responds with the
appropriate compensation. As if there hadn't been a
Release Agreement and a Remediation Action Plan properly
implied that already did just that.

10:15 1 And, of course, flouting your Interim Measures
2 Awards, Ecuador continues to undermine the Releases
3 globally. To you, they complain every few months about
4 limited resources while spending the public funds liberally
5 across the world, promoting through payments to various
6 publicity groups and the like, promoting their declared
7 number one foreign policy priority, as Mr. Bishop noted in
8 his opening presentation: The Lago Agrio Judgment.

9 Do you remember in 2010 when they used to come 10 before you and say we have nothing to do with this case? 11 Number 1, foreign policy priority.

I could go on, Mr. President, about the various
breaches but please do review the materials behind Tab 1 in
the handout. Before our break, though, I would like to
answer a couple of your questions about causation and
veil-piercing, which as you know and as I argued in my
opening presentation, were additional legal absurdities in
the Lago Agrio Judgment.

19 On causation, I think that the issue for its
20 effect on a denial-of-justice case, what it ultimately
21 boils down to is fairly straightforward: The Parties agree
22 that causation is a required element for an environmental
23 tort in Ecuador. We disagree on who has the burden of
24 proof with respect to that element. And you can look at

25 the references from Doctor Coronel, Dr. Barros and then

10:18 1 articles for the rather unremarkable proposition that there
2 was a form of merger between Texaco and a Chevron
3 subsidiary.

And then it says this, what you see on Slide 66:
Per the principle of good faith, any citizen, Ecuadorian or
North American, who heard the public statements made by the
companies Chevron and Texaco would have inevitably come to
the conviction of a merger between them.

9 So, again, I encourage you to read Pages 11 to 13 10 of the Judgment to see the true absurdity in this Court's 11 veil-piercing holding.

I also encourage you to read Tabs 2 and 3 of your handout. Behind Tab 2 is the Witness Statement of Chevron's corporate governance liaison, Frank Soler. He details the merger transaction, and he explains how Texaco, Inc. survived with even more equity value than it had pre-merger. He explains how its assets and its liabilities were fully intact because of the particular form, the reverse triangular merger that took place. And to that end I would say that Paragraph 20 of his Statement is particularly informative.

Behind Tab 3 is the Expert Report of Delaware law professor William Allen, who is a former Chief Judge of the Chancery Court there, and he explains the legality of the

25 merger under the applicable law, which was

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10:17 1 Dr. Andrade on the other side for that discussion.

But recall from my opening that the Cassation

Decision refused to consider evidence from Chevron of

Petroecuador's causation, saying that it would violate due

process because Petroecuador isn't a party to the case.

That was the Cassation Decision's legal conclusion, and

that's the legal absurdity that's at the heart of our

denial-of-justice case on causation. Regardless of burden

of proof, that issue transcends burden of proof to say that

that can't be considered, the factual causation by

Petroecuador is a legally absurd result under Ecuadorian

law as it would be under the law of any system.

And I'll note before I move to veil-piercing, that
as I said, Dr. Barros and Dr. Coronel spent a lot of time
with these issues in their Reports. You heard from
Dr. Andrade because we confronted him. You have not had
the opportunity to hear from Dr. Barros and from
Mr. Coronel because Ecuador did not want to confront them,
did not want you to hear from them.

Now, on veil-piercing, you asked if the Judgment
has findings of abuse of the corporate form as to the
Chevron/Texaco merger. It does not. What it does, and I
encourage you to look at pages roughly 11 through 13 of the
Judgment, which is at Claimants' Exhibit 931--what it does
is it cites a series of PowerPoint presentations and news

10:20 1 ignored--absolutely ignored with no explanation by the Lago 2 Agrio Judgment in those pages that I've asked you to 3 review. And again, the reason I'm putting those in your 4 handout and asking you to take a careful look at them is 5 because Ecuador again chose not to confront these 6 particular witnesses and chose not to let you hear from

8 Finally, you asked for the reference for the 9 Plaintiffs suing the wrong party in their initial 10 complaint, and so here it is on Slide 67, it's Exhibit 716 11 from Steven Donziger's diary January 24, 2006, and what he

12 says is this goes back to Alberto's, and by Alberto he 13 means Plaintiffs' lawyer Alberto Wray, this goes back to 14 Alberto's errors, suing the wrong party in the complaint.

15 This is one of the many reasons why the Plaintiffs had to

16 ghostwrite this Judgment. They had to fix this mistake and

17 they had to navigate numerous other issues and

18 difficulties, like the exposure of the Cabrera fraud, the

19 use of the cleansing Experts, lots of complications that

20 they had to navigate, and they couldn't rely on Judge 21 Zambrano, of course, to get it right, and so they bought

22 the opportunity to write this Judgment. This is part of

23 the reason for that.

7 them in person.

So, with that, I will close my presentation and, as Mr. Bishop mentioned, this might be a good time for our Sheet 17 2559 2561

10:21 1 morning break.

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

3 Let's have a 15-minute break, and we will come

4 back at 25 to 11:00.

(Brief recess.)

6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

7 MR. BISHOP: Yes, Mr. President. We will now move

8 into the international law issues and start with David

9 Weiss, who will discuss the jurisdictional and the

admissibility issues.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Weiss.

12 MR. WEISS: Thank you.

13 Professor Lowe asked during the opening arguments

14 for Claimants' case regarding when the breaches are said to

15 have occurred especially in light of the fact that

16 Claimants filed their Notice of Arbitration in 2009; and on

17 Friday the Tribunal asked the related question of whether

18 this timing has any effect on your jurisdiction or the

19 admissibility of those claims under the lex arbitri, the

20 UNCITRAL Rules, or public international law.

First, these sorts of temporal issues have no

22 effect on your jurisdiction. They are an attack on the

23 effectiveness or the defects in certain claims. They are

24 not an attack on your power to rule on those claims. To

25 the contrary, they assume that you have the power to rule

10:39 1 accordance with due process and in particular allow the 2 counter-party a right to respond and prevent unreasonable 3 delays in the course of the arbitration. And this is set 4 forth in Article 20 of the UNCITRAL Rules.

We think this is dispositive as to the question;
nevertheless, we have cited on the next few slides a few
additional authorities. For instance, this is consistent

8 with the practice of the PCIJ and the ICJ. We've also

9 cited several investor-State cases under the UNCITRAL

10 Rules, but I would take one moment to bring to your

11 attention a statement from the EnCana versus Ecuador

 $\ensuremath{\text{12}}$ Tribunal deciding an investor-State dispute under the

13 UNCITRAL Rules where Professor Crawford, in discussing this

14 discretion, stated that a balance must be struck between

15 unreasonably requiring that new proceedings be commenced

16 where the substance of a claim of breach of a BIT may

17 arguably have been made out or very nearly made out, and

18 subsequent questioned events put the question beyond doubt.

19 That is very apropos to this case. To the extent you have

20 any concerns as to the ripeness of Claimants' claims when

21 asserted, there can be no doubt as of today, given the

22 conduct of Ecuador since 2012, that all of Claimants'

23 claims are ripe, provided that they fall within the

24 Agreement to arbitrate.

Which brings me to Ecuador's outstanding

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10:37 1 on those claims, and this reasoning is consistent with your 2 Award on Jurisdiction at Paragraph 4.91.

3 Very well. As a question of admissibility, when

4 did the breaches occur? Mr. Coriell touched on this a 5 little bit. Certain conduct of the Ecuadorian State

6 violated Claimants' rights under the Release and related

7 rights under the Treaty before 2009. Subsequent conduct

8 has continued to violate those obligations. But Claimants
9 did not assert denial-of-justice claims in 2009. Now,

10 certainly conduct that's inconsistent with the

11 international minimal standard of due process required by

12 international law had occurred prior to 2012, but on

13 Claimants' case, at the latest, because of questions of

14 exhaustion, Claimants' denial-of-justice claims ripened in

15 2012 when they asserted them.

16 Does this timing affect the admissibility of 17 Claimants' claims under the lex arbitri, the UNCITRAL

18 Rules, or public international law? The answer is no. We

19 consulted with our Dutch counsel. There are no applicable

20 mandatory rules which would take us to the UNCITRAL Rules.

21 Nevertheless, it's somewhat of a moot point because Dutch

22 arbitral practice is consistent with the practice under the

23 UNCITRAL Rules, which is basically this Tribunal has the

24 discretion to allow Claimants and Respondents to amend and

25 supplement claims and defenses, provided that they do so in

r 10:40 1 objections to jurisdiction, and I will discuss those

2 objections in four categories: First, objections to this

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3 Tribunal's jurisdiction under VI(1)(a), claims arising out

4 of or relating to an investment agreement with respect to

5 TexPet; claims under VI(1)(c) BIT breaches with respect to

6 TexPet, and the same two categories with respect to

7 Chevron.

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8 I would also note at the outset that Ecuador has

9 challenged your Track 1A Award in the Dutch courts and in 10 so doing also your Award on jurisdiction. Therefore, as a

1 matter of Dutch law and international law, the

12 Jurisdictional Award is final and binding.

VI(1)(a), this Tribunal has already held that

4 TexPet may assert claims related to its Investment

5 Agreement. This Tribunal has held that the 1973 Concession

and the 1995 Release comprise one Investment Agreement.

17 VI(1)(a) jurisdiction includes disputes related

18 to. It is broadly defined. It is not limited to claims

19 arising under an Investment Agreement. And here I depart

20 from your prior Award and note that the Commercial Cases

21 Tribunal expressly held that VI(1)(a) provides jurisdiction

22 to bring claims directly under customary international law

 $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ provided that they relate to an investment agreement. And

24 as Mr. Bishop foreshadowed, this is a very important point

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10:42 1 later today.

Ecuador has not contested in this proceeding your jurisdiction to decide denial-of-justice claims directly under customary international law, provided that they relate to an investment agreement.

Your jurisdiction with respect to TexPet under
VI(1)(c), your Award on Jurisdiction: TexPet has an
investment. That investment began in the 1960s; it
continues to exist today. And if I could bring your
attention to the red underline, it includes the Lago Agrio
Litigation, and that makes sense because, as you also state
in your Decision on Jurisdiction, remediation is a normal
part of an oil concession.

Now, Ecuador's principal argument with respect to
TexPet historically has been that TexPet was not a party to
the Lago Agrio Litigation and, therefore, it hasn't
suffered any harm, and, therefore, it has no standing in
this forum to complain about what transpired in the Lago
Agrio Litigation. This Tribunal in its decision on
jurisdiction already rejected that argument at least as to
TexPet's release claims for non-compensatory relief. But

22 even to the extent that Ecuador's argument had water as to 23 compensatory relief at one point in time, it does not

24 today. As you will recall when we were examining Professor 25 Andrade, the Ecuadorian judiciary has imposed all of the

10:46 1 that Dr. Andrade agreed when discussing the Cassation
2 Court's Judgment and the Lago Agrio Litigation that at
3 least in part the right to live in a clean environment was
4 being vindicated, and I submit, at least for purposes of
5 jurisdiction under VI(1)(a), this is sufficient to provide
6 Chevron with the jurisdictional bases to assert
7 denial-of-justice claims under customary international law.
8 Your jurisdiction over Chevron's claims under

9 VI(1)(c). This Tribunal has already held that Chevron may
10 bring claims with respect to its indirect investment in
11 TexPet. You reserved for the merits the question of the
12 extent to which whether Chevron, on that basis alone, can
13 seek all of the relief that it seeks in this arbitration.

14 We submit that it is more than sufficient. What precisely 15 is Chevron's indirect investment? It's the same investment

16 as TexPet's. The only difference is that TexPet had a
17 direct investment from the 1960s that continues to exist
18 today. As of 2001, Chevron acquired an indirect investment
19 in that same investment, and that continues to exist to

19 in that same investment, and that continues to exist to 20 this day.

Thus, since 2001, Chevron has had an investment in Ecuador, and all of Chevron's claims in this arbitration

23 concern that investment.

Now, to put a finer point on it, but for that link, but for that indirect ownership, there is no more

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10:44 1 liability arising out of the Lago Agrio Judgment directly 2 on TexPet. It has seized TexPet's bank accounts, and it 3 has purported to seize TexPet's interest in the Commercial 4 Cases Award.

Your jurisdiction over Chevron's claims under

VI(1)(a), again, I began with your Award on Jurisdiction.

There is an investment agreement that includes both the

1973 Concession and the 1995 Release. Chevron is a

Releasee. Chevron may enforce its rights under the 1995

Agreement. Jurisdiction under VI(1)(a) is broad and

includes claims related to the Investment Agreement and

does not require original contractual privity. And as I've

already noted, it provides a basis for asserting

denial-of-justice claims directly under customary

15 international law.
16 Now, Ecuador's argument focuses on your limited
17 holding that the 1995 Release Agreement by itself is not an
18 investment agreement, that Chevron was not a party to the
19 Concession Agreement and, therefore, Chevron cannot bring a
20 claim under VI(1)(a). We believe your reasoning has

21 already rejected that argument at least as to the 1995

22 agreement; and, therefore, Ecuador's entire argument under

23 this prong is predicated on it prevailing entirely on the 24 Track 1 issues. I'm not going to rearque the Track 1

 $25\,$ issues that Mr. Coriell has covered, but I would note again

10:47 1 connection between Chevron Corporation and the impacts in 2 the Oriente than Federal Express or Google. That alone is 3 sufficient.

Let me address Ecuador's counter-arguments.

Ecuador argues that TexPet has not suffered any harm in the Lago Agrio litigation; and, therefore, there has been no harm to Chevron's indirect investment. And that kind of makes sense with perverse logic. Again, these treaties were all designed in the wake of Barcelona Traction to provide standing for indirect investment. What does that typically entail? The most that an indirect investor in almost every investor-State case can lose is the money they contribute and the value of the company that they own. And yet here, based exclusively on indirect ownership of TexPet, billions of dollars have been imposed directly upon Chevron.

Ecuador argues that the right to limited liability
is not a part of its investment. It's not an "investment
treaty right." It's a legal right under municipal law.
This argument confuses the components of an "investment"
which is determined by the definition of investment and the

22 relevant Treaty with the substantive treaty rights. The 23 legal right to limited liability under municipal law is a

24 claim to performance having economic value and associated

25 with an investment. As such, it falls squarely within the

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10:49 1 definition of "investment" in Article I of this Treaty.
2 And, therefore, Ecuador has an obligation to accord
3 Chevron's right to limited liability with fair and
4 equitable treatment, and Ecuador has an obligation to
5 provide Chevron with an effective means of enforcing its
6 right to limited liability.

Next, Ecuador argues that Chevron did not
contribute to the Ecuadorian economy and, therefore, it
cannot complain it does not have an investment. This comes
from the Salini line of cases. It is a controversial
element of the Salini line of cases, but more importantly,
Salini has to do with the concept of "investment" in the
ICSID Convention, which famously does not have a definition
of "investment," and even there it is very controversial.
ICSID Awards have been annulled for applying it. In its
opening argument, Ecuador cited GEA v. Ukraine, and yet
that case at Paragraphs 137-143 discusses and acknowledges
the controversial nature of the Salini line of cases.

20 controversial element of a controversial test having to do 21 with a different Treaty and seek to import it into an 22 entirely different Treaty that has a definition of 23 "investment." Nevertheless, it's an entirely moot point. 24 Even if one accepts the contribution element entirely, the

25 question is not whether each individual legal right that

It is entirely inappropriate to take a

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10:52 1 focused on the facts of those cases; we were citing it for 2 the principle. It's a general principle of law. It's 3 fairly straightforward. The question is how it should 4 apply to this case, and we submit it is fundamentally 5 unfair for the Ecuadorian State to impose billions of 6 dollars on Chevron as if it were TexPet as if they were one 7 and the same, and then turn around for purposes of 8 investor-State arbitration and insist that Chevron be 9 treated as a separate legal personality.

Again, that functions whether or not you think the veil-piercing was illegitimate. But if you were to conclude that the veil-piercing was arbitrary and illegitimate, Ecuador's objection is even worse because it seeks to benefit from its own improper veil-piercing to deprive Chevron of this forum. Ecuador cited BG Group in its Opening Argument, where that Tribunal declined to allow the parent corporation BG to bring contractual claims that belonged to a contract of Metrogas.

Let me pause on that for one second. That
argument succeeded. But why did it succeed? It succeeded
because that Tribunal and Argentina respected the corporate
separateness between Metrogas and BG. What Argentina did
not do in that case is impose billions of dollars in fake
liability on BG Group for the alleged conduct of Metrogas
and a State-owned joint venture partner and then turn

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10:51 1 comprises a component of the investment contributes to the

2 Ecuadorian economy in some esoteric or vague way. The 3 question is whether the investment contributes to the

4 Ecuadorian economy. And TexPet and Chevron's investment

5 contributed \$23 billion to the Ecuadorian Treasury and

6 billions and billions more to the Ecuadorian economy.

Finally, there is the open question of Chevron's
status as a direct investor. We don't think this Tribunal
needs to reach that question. As we've already submitted,
your jurisdiction over Chevron's indirect investment is
more than sufficient. Nevertheless, let me make three
quick points:

The Ecuadorian judiciary has pierced the corporate veil between TexPet and Chevron. As a result, whether you think that veil-piercing was legitimate or not, as a direct result under Ecuadorian law, the rights and obligations of TexPet flow to Chevron. Dr. Coronel addressed this in his August 28th, 2012 report at Paragraph 11, and he also addressed it in his June 13, 2013 Report at Paragraphs 25 to 28. That is a separate question from our preclusion

argument under international law.
In its Opening Argument, Ecuador argued that we
had no authority for our preclusion argument. We cited
several authorities in our Counter-Memorial on Jurisdiction
at Paragraphs 82 through 96. We were not particularly

10:54 1 around and argue that BG cannot complain about that conduct 2 in an investor-State forum.

For these reasons, this Tribunal has ample
jurisdiction with respect to both TexPet's and Chevron's
claims under both Article VI(1)(a) and VI(1)(c) of the
Treaty and, as a result, has the power and the duty to
decide the Claims before you and to discuss the content of
those claims.

I yield the floor to Professor Paulsson.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

Professor Paulsson.

MR. PAULSSON: Good morning, gentlemen. I'll address international law issues relevant to Track 2; namely, denial of justice under customary international law and the treaty breaches, but you will find me most of the

time addressing a subtopic, "exhaustion."

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17 Members of the Tribunal, the sheer weight of
18 evidence that Chevron has been able to put forth in this
19 case is massive, notwithstanding the considerable efforts
20 of those involved to conceal their misconduct. Now, in
21 Loewen, the Tribunal found that an outrage--that's the

22 Tribunal's word, an outrage--had been committed in the

23 conduct of a trial by a single judge. What should one say

24 if, instead, several appellate jurisdictions up to the U.S.

25 Supreme Court had applauded and endorsed the Mississippi

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10:56 1 Judgment, that U.S. prosecutors had blankly refused to 2 consider evidence of a gross fraud--that the U.S. 3 Government had indicated in formal submissions and in 4 treaty arbitration that the remedy which Loewen was 5 required to exhaust was available in a particular Appellate 6 Court, which then denied having any authority to consider 7 the matter, that a U.S. Federal Court nevertheless endorsed 8 the Judgment for enforcement abroad; and that the U.S. 9 President on a weekly telecast proclaimed that the 10 un-investigated fraudulent judgment was the most important 11 in the history of the country, and it was a matter of 12 national policy of highest priority to influence other 13 countries to enforce the Award? 14 And the Attorney General of the United States

And the Attorney General of the United States
stands before the international tribunal and says with a
straight face that although his country has flouted every
order pronounced by the Tribunal, and although he has
publicly condemned the arbitrators for their failure to
obey the decisions of his country's courts, he invokes the
very international law which he rejects to require Loewen
to seek some remedy in some other Court of First Instance.
What do you call this? What comes after outrage?

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I would like to start off by addressing your

specific question about the relevance of the environmental

evidence. The only role it serves in Track 2 is to

10:59 1 from issuing a Track 2 Award since this offset request
2 could only apply to the Claimants' tertiary request for
3 damages, the quantum of which has been reserved for
4 Track 3. Indeed, Ecuador has declined to quantify its
5 allegations of environmental damage and instructed its
6 experts to do the same, not talk about this. This confirms
7 that the only relevance that Ecuador's environmental case
8 has to the issues before you in Track 2 is whether the Lago
9 Agrio Judgment satisfied minimum criteria of judicial
10 rationality.

Turning to the question when precisely the claimed denial of justice occurred is a mere curiosity rather than a jurisdictional impediment, as Mr. Weiss explained. When I say, "curiosity," I use the word in its fundamental old-fashioned sense: Something strange. When a State is in the position of defending itself against a claim of international law, it tends to take great care, as of the commencement of the case, to stop violating its international obligations. In this case, the conduct of Ecuador is really hard to believe.

I do not even know if it is correct to say that
Ecuador is defending itself in the sense of arguing that it
has respected its international obligations. Rather, it
recognizes no obligations to international law. Speaking
repeatedly through its Head of State, it says that this

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10:57 1 corroborate the existence of a denial of justice, full 2 stop. Of course, you do not sit as a court of appeal, but 3 you can review the substance of the Lago Agrio Judgment 4 when evaluating the denial-of-justice claims. If your 5 Tribunal concludes that the Judgment's factual, legal, and 6 damages holdings are objectively absurd--divorced from 7 reality is how Dr. Hinchee put it--that proves a breakdown 8 in the legal process. The testimony you heard this week 9 and the various Expert Reports you have read reveal the 10 preposterousness of the Judgment's treatment of causation 11 and the absurdity of the \$9.5 billion. Ms. Renfroe will 12 return to discuss later the unrefuted evidence that the 13 Judgment's remediation Award is almost 90 times more than 14 Petroecuador's estimated total remediation costs for all 15 environmental liabilities in the former Concession Area, 16 where it has been the one and only polluter for the last 17 guarter of a century. 18

quarter of a century.

To be sure, Ecuador argues that the environmental evidence before you support its, they call it, "offset theory," but that theory has no possible traction in this case, given that the Lago Agrio Record is completely and irretrievably tainted, which, in fact, Ecuador has implicitly conceded by instructing LBG to gather new evidence.

At any rate, this need not detain your Tribunal

11:00 1 Tribunal is comprised of crooks (corrupt arbitrators) and
2 that it is for the State and its courts to decide what it
3 needs to do, not this institution created by the Treaty
4 which it has denounced.

So, what is Chevron to do when faced with the fact that Ecuador breaches international law by thumbing its nose at the Orders of this Tribunal? Must Chevron file a new BIT arbitration and ask a new set of arbitrators for relief? And an arbitration after that, when the President of Ecuador laughs off whatever decisions the second Tribunal makes?

When you think about it, States who are as
violently opposed to international tribunals as this one
usually simply default. This at least has the merit of
avoiding hypocrisy. In this case, Mr. Correa calls you
corrupt while his lawyers appear politely before you
clamoring for due process. What is going on here? Isn't
it clear? Ecuador participates because Mr. Correa would
like to give the appearance that Ecuador cares about
international law. But it does not, and he must find some
explanation for all the adverse BIT Awards, so he blames
the system. He blames you. You're convenient. You, of
course, cannot answer in kind--you can only answer in the

So, let's talk about exhaustion.

voice of international law.

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11:02 1 Chevron raised all of its complaints about the 2 process and about the Judgment with the Appellate Court, 3 which ignored most and rejected others on entirely specious 4 grounds, as you have heard. Most significantly, the 5 Appellate Court deferred to the supposed sana critica of 6 Mr. Zambrano and affirmed the Judgment in toto without 7 bothering to determine whether it had been secretly written 8 by the Plaintiffs. Additional recourse then remained 9 available to Chevron, but the Appellate Court at that point 10 ignored the Tribunal's interim measures Awards and 11 certified the Judgment as enforceable abroad. 12

Now, we do not argue and we do not ask the 13 Tribunal to hold that the enforceability of a judgment 14 results in the consummation of a denial of justice in all 15 circumstance in every case when this might happen. But it 16 clearly did in this case where Ecuador took the affirmative 17 step of declaring the Judgment enforceable knowing full 18 well that the Plaintiffs would immediately take it abroad, 19 which, in fact, they did.

20 The irreducible premise of exhaustion is that the 21 State has the power to remedy the harms arising from the 22 denial of justice and to do so effectively. Mr. Ugarte 23 stated in opening that, "the test is whether or not the 24 local remedy is effective to address the harm complained 25 of." Transcript Page 234. Professor Mayer likewise

11:05 1 but two points: First, even with the enforcement abroad 2 forestalled, Chevron would have no effective recourse in 3 Ecuador for the harms it has already suffered, including 4 the significant fees it has incurred over the past three years defending the vexatious foreign enforcement actions. Complete success in Ecuador would not wipe out the injury. It would simply reduce the amount of damages flowing from the consummated delict.

> 9 Second, and more important, this partial redress would be entirely serendipitous and contingent upon events and activities beyond Ecuador's control. Let me explain.

12 It is just happenstance that the Plaintiffs have brought only three foreign enforcement proceedings and that 13 they have not yet reached conclusion. The Tribunal will recall that an Argentine trial court froze all the assets 16 of a Chevron subsidiary operating there. If that freezing 17 order had not been overturned by the Argentine Supreme Court, it is indisputable that Chevron would have suffered substantial harm for which there is no adequate remedy in Ecuador. This is the critical point: The question of 21 exhaustion must be answered objectively at the relevant

22 time; it cannot turn on future possibilities and

contingencies beyond the control of the Claimant and beyond 24 the control of the State.

It's not enough that a remaining remedy might be

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11:03 1 acknowledged at Page 215 that a remedy must be effective, 2 and I quote: "In some situations there is no possibility 3 of redress when a first instance or appeal Judgment has 4 been enforced." Although neither of them would admit it, 5 these precepts, which they acknowledged, are dispositive 6 here; they're decisive, where enforcement is actively being 7 pursued abroad. Ecuadorian courts don't have the power to 8 control the actions of foreign sovereign courts. Where 9 there is no effective remedy remaining, there is 10 consummation of the denial of justice.

This left Professor Mayer to argue that the mere possibility of obtaining relief through a CPA action before 13 the Judgment is enforced abroad requires that it be 14 pursued. This is not, and cannot be, the test for 15 exhaustion.

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Members of the Tribunal, let us, just for a 17 moment, suspend what is surely the disbelief of every person in this room and assume that a sole Ecuadorian judge 19 Hearing a CPA complaint unpatriotically nullifies the Lago 20 Agrio Judgment in its entirety, and the result is then 21 summarily and unpatriotically affirmed by the Appellate 22 Court, the National Court of Justice, the Constitutional 23 Court--notwithstanding their prior refusal to do so.

One would hope that this would cause the pending 25 actions in Argentina, Brazil, and Canada to be dismissed,

11:06 1 effective. Where the victim of a denial of justice is 2 facing imminent harms for which the breaching State is no 3 longer capable of providing effective redress, the delict 4 is consummated. The victim of a denial of justice cannot have the doors of international law slammed in its face 6 based upon the speculative possibility that things might 7 somehow work out to some extent in the end, depending on the breaks. The uncertainty of the remedy, moreover, must be balanced against the severity of the harm. It cannot be forgotten that we're dealing with a \$9.5 billion Judgment and a government actively promoting its enforcement abroad. 12 Indeed, when Professor Mayer in his opening

13 finally got around to acknowledging the possibility of a 14 foreign Court enforcing the Judgment before the completion of a CPA action, he blithely answered his question, and I quote, "the trust--that's the trust with the Amazon Defense 17 Front as its beneficiary--would be forced to give that back the money, which it would not have had time to spend." 19 That's what he said. Transcript, Page 218.

Really? Professor Mayer apparently is unaware of 20 21 the fact that the Amazon Defense Front has signed an 22 inter-creditor agreement in which it has promised to put 23 any enforcement proceeds immediately into a separate escrow 24 account with immediate and priority payment going to the 25 Plaintiffs' counsel and offshore funders. It's a

11:08 1 complicated agreement, but the Tribunal will surely recall
2 the distribution waterfall in Article 3.2. It sets out
3 nine categories of beneficiaries, and the Order in which
4 they will receive payments from the escrow account. The
5 first eight categories are restricted to lawyers, funders,
6 and advisers.

The Plaintiffs are ninth of nine. At last, the balance, if any, shall be paid to the Claimants or as otherwise required by applicable law. As for whatever might be left, who knows how much of it will make its way to the Government in return for its support of the plaintiffs which, after all, has been substantial. Not much hope for the indigenous, I fear. And Chevron would be left to seek restitution of a mere portion of its loss from a government which will be slow to accede to a claim of the demon Chevron and quick to claim sovereign immunity in its own courts.

But let's ignore for the purposes of argument the evidence on record. Let's follow Professor Mayer's logic, and assume that all enforcement money will be transferred to an Ecuadorian trust where it will sit untouched pending the outcome of a CPA action, including its three layers of appellate review. Given the amount at issue here, that money will most likely have come from the forced sale of assets belonging to an independent Chevron subsidiary.

11:11 1 \$625 million bond. It was undisputed that the U.S. Supreme
2 Court had the power to reduce the Bond, so the only
3 question was whether there was a reasonable prospect that a
4 writ of certiorari would be granted. The Loewen Tribunal
5 ultimately determined in Paragraphs 215-217 that Loewen had
6 failed to present sufficient evidence to explain its
7 decision to settle the case rather than to pursue recourse
8 in the Supreme Court, and concluded that the exhaustion
9 requirement had not been satisfied.

10 As Mr. Ugarte said in his opening, Loewen's mortal 11 sin was failing to petition the U.S. Federal Supreme Court 12 to strike down a bond requirement imposed by the 13 Mississippi State courts, Page 234.

Now, as I will elaborate in a moment, all of this
was obiter dicta, and the Loewen arbitrators were
embarrassingly and plainly wrong, but that's what they
said.

The Loewen situation has nothing to do with the issue here, which is, in any event, whether the Claimants were right to come to this Tribunal in March 2012 after the Appellate Court certified the Judgment as immediately enforceable. At that point, there were no adequate remedies available in Ecuador, not simply because the Judgment was enforceable, but because it was actively being

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25 enforced abroad, as I just said.

11:10 1 Gentlemen, what is the remedy in Ecuador for the total loss 2 of a going concern in another country? I could go on, 3 Members of the Tribunal, but surely at some point theory 4 must make some allowance for reality.

You'll note that I have been talking thus far only about the effectiveness of the remedies available in Ecuador after the Judgment was certified for enforcement abroad. If the remaining remedies are inadequate to redress the harms complained of, that brings the exhaustion analysis to its conclusion. There is no need to ask whether there is a reasonable possibility of those remedies succeeding because even if there was, they would not provide adequate redress. That's the situation here given the inherent inability of an Ecuadorian court to indemnify Chevron for the actions of other sovereigns with respect to a \$9.5 billion judgment.

You'll note that I have been talking thus far only
about the effectiveness of the remedies available in
Ecuador after the Judgment was certified for enforcement
abroad. If the remaining remedies are inadequate, the
exhaustion analysis reaches its conclusion. That's
different from the situation that obtained in Loewen. The
issue in Loewen was whether Loewen was right to abandon
further recourse and settle the case after the Mississippi
Supreme Court denied its request to reduce the size of the

11:13 1 Contrast this with a statement in Paragraph 167 in 2 Loewen that I quote: "Here the issue concerns the 3 availability of the remedy rather than its adequacy or even 4 its effectiveness." Loewen did not involve and did not 5 address the adequacy of intra-State remedies in the face of 6 foreign enforcement.

Nor can Chevron be faulted for allowing the
Judgment to become enforceable: The appellate and
cassation courts refused Chevron's request that they comply
with your Tribunal's interim measures Awards, which would
have obviated the need to post a bond. At any rate, both
sides agree that a bond would have been in the amount of at
least--at least--\$1.9 billion, given the Appellate Court's
affirmation of the punitive damages award, which, while not
per se a denial of public international law, to answer a
question from the Tribunal, is further confirmation of the
denial of justice since punitive damages are a remedy which
is not available under Ecuadorian law.

I invite you to conclude on the punitive damage
aspect that this was a gambit invented by the Plaintiffs'
U.S. counsel very familiar with punitive damages to jack up
the size of the Award to do two things: Either Chevron
will be so scared of the number \$18 billion that it will

24 say sorry, and pay the 9.5 billion immediately without 25 fighting further; or if Chevron doesn't bite, have a higher 11:14 1 court reduce the Award to show how fair the courts are in 2 Ecuador. Worth a try. Posting a bond of this amount in 3 Ecuador would have been tantamount to a down payment on 4 ransom given the fraud and collusion that had brought 5 Chevron to this point. And here, not only were the 6 remaining Ecuadorian judges limited in the scope of the 7 relief that they could grant, but could hardly rule in 8 favor of Chevron without placing their careers and 9 livelihood at risk.

10 The situation is thus vastly different from that 11 in Loewen. Still, the result here is dictated by the 12 straightforward application of the test for exhaustion 13 articulated in Loewen under Paragraph 168. Here it is. 14 It's an obligation to exhaust remedies which are effective 15 and adequate and are reasonably available to the 16 complainant in the circumstances in which it is situated. 17 Because the remedies in Ecuador cannot effectively and 18 adequately redress the injuries Chevron has already 19 suffered and may suffer from enforcement of the fraudulent 20 judgment abroad, the exhaustion inquiry is at an end. This 21 tracks the opinion filed in Loewen by then Professor 22 Greenwood writing a couple of years before the Award was 23 rendered, who wrote in Paragraph 41 of his First Opinion 24 that, "It is well established that local remedies do not

25 have to be exhausted when there are no effective remedies

11:17 1 it had been the victim of an outrage, Loewen then came up 2 against a few disastrous sentences at the end to the effect 3 that, by the way, so sorry, your claim must be rejected 4 because you failed to exhaust remedies. The arbitrators 5 could have been more merciful and just contented themselves 6 with saying that the denial of justice story was 7 irrelevant. But wait. Wait. Even the exhaustion of 8 remedies finding was not the ratio decidendi. Because in 9 the end, and few people seemed to notice this, the Tribunal 10 ruled that under NAFTA, a national of one of the three countries cannot bring an action against its own State. You see, in the course of the bankruptcy, the denial of justice has caused a reorganization which involved the reincorporation of a Loewen entity in the United States. And so the Loewen corporate Claimant became American. 16 Now, every comment I have read about the Loewen 17 Case says that the arbitrators got the rule of continuous nationality wrong. And what is one to say about the fact that the arbitrators simply forgot that there were two Loewen Claimants, right on the caption of the case, the second being Mr. Raymond Loewen, a natural person who had always been Canadian and so remained. His share of the

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25 recorded public address some years after the event that

claim was significant. He was just forgotten.

As we now know, one arbitrator revealed in a

11:16 1 to exhaust."

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Before leaving Loewen, let me say a few more words 3 about that unfortunate case. When it was first decided, I, 4 as someone in the midst of writing a book on the subject, 5 was very happy, indeed, to see that in a major 6 international case--against the United States no 7 less--three eminent retired judges from the appellate jurisdictions of three respectable legal systems (two of 9 them, in fact, former members of the Supreme Courts of 10 their respective countries) had reviewed a trial record in 11 depth and not hesitated to conclude that the discrimination 12 against the foreigner, whose \$3 billion transaction had 13 resulted in punitive damages of half a billion dollars was, 14 I quote again, "an outrage," and thus a denial of justice. But as time has passed and further details of this 16 case have revealed themselves, I have resiled from that

19 entirely forgotten. The entire discussion of the outrageous denial of 21 justice was perhaps the longest obiter dictum in history 22 because it did not make any difference. Loewen's rejoicing 23 must have been short-lived. Having been told by these 24 distinguished persons at great length and with much 25 indignant emphasis and fulsome citations of authority that

17 view and now conclude that the doubts hanging over the

18 Loewen Award are so substantial that the case is best

11:19 1 when he was appointed by the U.S. Government he had been 2 told ex parte that this was a case which would destroy 3 NAFTA if the United States were not successful in its 4 defense, and he had answered: "You really know how to put pressure on me." Worse, he had asserted that he, of course, had had to dissent from the inconceivable finding 7 that the United States was responsible for denial of justice, but was relieved in the end that the case was thrown out nevertheless. This comment was all the more 10 remarkable since there was no recorded dissent at all. The 11 entire award, including the obiter about the outrageous denial of justice was unanimous. One can only infer one 13 thing: The U.S. arbitrator disagreed with the denial of justice finding but was willing to go along if a way could be found on another point so that the United States could win the case anyway. It's a deal. Perhaps you see why I say the case is best forgotten. 17 18

Of course, the only thing of present interest is what was said, in what one might describe as the intermediate obiter dictum about the failure to exhaust. 21 That's the only thing of relevance here. As you might expect, this aspect of the decision has been extensively criticized as well, including at length in my book. One 24 cannot fail to observe that none of the three arbitrators 25 had credentials in international law. This is not the

11:20 1 place to find significant jurisprudence, whatever respect 2 one might have for the achievements in other circumstances 3 of the three individuals who struggled with case. But for 4 us here it really doesn't matter. Even if the arbitrators 5 had been right about exhaustion there, our case is 6 different, as I have explained.

Indeed, although your Tribunal need not address 8 the issue, it is manifest that the second required element 9 for exhaustion--that the remedy, to quote Loewen, "be 10 reasonably available, given the circumstances, " is not met 11 here, either. Every indication is that Chevron cannot 12 receive fair treatment in Ecuador: The guid pro guo 13 agreement between the Plaintiffs and Ecuador; the 14 discriminatory, indefensible, and aberrant rulings against 15 Chevron in the Lago Agrio Litigation; the active prosecution of Guerra while complaints against Zambrano, 17 Fajardo, and Cabrera languish in oblivion; to say nothing 18 of the frequent anti-Chevron rants of Mr. Correa.

In considering the effect of all of this on a weak and dependent judiciary, I ask you to bear in mind two fundamental propositions: First, international law must be practical or it will be a dead letter. Second, a denial of justice can perfectly well be 24 consummated by the Head of State, even if he is not a

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25 judge.

11:23 1 Dr. Andrade, in his original Report, and Ecuador in its 2 Track 2 Counter-Memorial, stipulated that Chevron would 3 satisfy the exhaustion requirement with petitions to the 4 National Court of Justice and the Constitutional Court. As Chevron pursued this path and as Chevron--as Ecuador came close to losing its main procedural defense, Ecuador and its Expert reversed themselves without explanation, moved the goal posts. This is just a contrivance. If it were not the CPA, it would have been something else. Ecuador rejects international law and does not want to answer it. At this point, I wish to make a submission to the 11 Tribunal in the most formal terms possible. The State of Ecuador, represented by its Attorney General, who is a co-signatory of its written Memorials, represented to Chevron in front of your Tribunal that Chevron was entitled to have its claim of corruption in the Lago Agrio Judgment heard by an Appellate Jurisdiction which then refused to consider Chevron's evidence at all. In light of this, Chevron submits that Ecuador simply cannot contend that Chevron needs to proceed to some other form of exhaustion 21 because it sought the remedy which Ecuador formally 22 represented as the appropriate one. Your Tribunal should not allow itself to become a partner in the age-old hustle 24 known as bait-and-switch. It is offensive to good faith

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25 and to international law.

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11:22 1 The first point is crystalized in 2 Sir Hersch Lauterpacht's observation in the Norwegian Loans 3 Case to the effect that "the requirement of exhaustion of 4 local remedies is not a purely technical or rigid rule. It 5 is a rule which international tribunals have applied with a 6 considerable degree of elasticity." I consider this to be 7 among the most insightful of all doctrinal statements I 8 have ever read on this subject. If international law were 9 overly formalistic the remedy would be pure illusion.

10 Imagine that a country whose highest Appellate Court has 11 failed to overturn a denial of justice in an important 12 case, enacts a decree which, on its face gives some Court a

13 new authority to reconsider the matter. "We must be judged

14 by our system as a whole," the Government will say. "We 15 have just improved it, and you must go there." And, lo and

16 behold, the Government says the same thing two years again

17 later when the foreigner gets yet another unfavorable

18 ruling. Gentlemen, general principles of international law

19 do not have specific rules about the need to try new as

20 opposed to previously established means of recourse. But 21 if international law cannot put an end to such a charade,

22 the rule against denial of justice will be sheer hypocrisy.

23 Ecuador's invocation of the CPA is a similar

25 cross-examination of Dr. Andrade earlier this week.

24 charade, as brought into relief during the

11:25 1 If we were to look at the CPA anyway and its 2 terms, there are five inherent problems with its invocation 3 by Ecuador:

> First, as noted, it does not provide an adequate 4 remedy for the damages that Chevron has suffered and may suffer abroad. I've dealt with that.

Second, Dr. Andrade confirmed that the doctrine of ultima ratio applies here, meaning that the CPA may not be invoked if there is an alternative forum. Chevron has not pursued a CPA action because it has been advised by local 11 counsel that the Courts reviewing the Judgment have the power and duty to consider the evidence of fraud in order 13 to vindicate the rights of due process enshrined in the 14 Ecuadorian Constitution. Ecuador disagrees and would have you accept that Appellate Courts considering whether to affirm a judgment are disempowered from considering whether it was procured by fraud.

18 But Article 838 of the Code of Civil Procedure does not mandate such a perverse result. What it provides in its relevant part is that the Court shall rule on the 21 merits of the case, and this, as it would apply here, means that the Appellate Court's consideration of the underlying merits in the Ecuadorian system would be limited to the 24 evidence presented and designated during the evidentiary 25 phase set by the Court of First Instance and established in

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11:27 1 October 2003. By the way, the Appellate Court actually 2 violated this provision by considering the cleansing 3 Expert's Reports, but I digress, there are too many 4 details.

> Article 838 does not purport anywhere to bar 6 consideration of non-merits evidence going to conduct that affects the integrity of the proceedings and the bona fides 8 of the Judgment under review, and Ecuador can cite no authority that it has ever been so read.

10 Article 838 cannot be read as a prohibition or it 11 would violate fundamental principles such as the supremacy 12 of the Constitution; the direct and immediate application 13 of constitutional quarantees; and the requirement that all 14 proceedings shall provide due process. As you review the 15 plain textual commands of these provisions, which you now 16 see, recall the answer Dr. Andrade gave to Professor Lowe 17 on Tuesday morning: Due process, he said, is not a duty, 18 it "depends on the discretionality of the Judge." 19 Transcript Page 2426.

20 I think all of this speaks for itself, but to 21 answer the Tribunal's question, there is a denial of 22 justice regardless of the proper construction of 23 Article 838. If we are correct that the Appellate Court 24 had, but failed to exercise, the power to correct--to 25 consider the evidence of fraud, that is a denial of

11:30 1 languish. Gentlemen, recall the Commercial Cases 2 arbitration, where eight cases filed by Chevron had sat 3 dormant for over ten years without decision, a delay 4 condemned by the Böckstiegel Tribunal as violating 5 Article II(7) of the Treaty. And those were less 6 politicized cases in a less politicized time. It is hard 7 to believe that a CPA Court would act with greater alacrity 8 than the office the Prosecutor General, which has either 9 contemptuously returned or ignored the crates of evidence 10 sent to it by Chevron over the past four years about the 11 fraud. And this is to say nothing of the fact that any CPA Judge who dared to rule for Chevron would be deemed a vende patrias, and that ruling would then be appealed to the very same courts that have already affirmed the ghostwritten Judgment. 15

16 Fourth, as articulated in the work of David 17 Mummery placed in record by Ecuador, as a matter of fact, local remedies should be deemed exhausted if the cost involved in proceeding considerably outweighs the possibility of any satisfaction resulting. As noted in my 21 opening remarks, given the scope of the fraud here, Chevron would need to file not one, but several different CPA actions. This would only add to the costs and delays of an

25 Fifth, under Chevron's theory of the case,

already ineffective remedy.

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11:28 1 justice. Let me repeat. If we are correct that the 2 Appellate Court had the power but failed to exercise it to 3 consider the evidence of fraud, that's denial of justice.

If Ecuador is correct that its judicial system is powerless to address fraud on direct appeal or even to stay 6 enforcement during the pendency of a CPA action, then its 7 system falls below international standards and has in this 8 circumstance led to a denial of justice on that hypothesis 9 as well. That's the Kingsley Case and other authorities I mentioned on the first day, European Court of Human Rights.

Third, even if Points 1 and 2 are wrong, the CPA 12 is still ineffective because it does not permit a stay of 13 enforcement of the Judgment under review. Now, one might 14 imagine a system where allegations of fraud committed in 15 the course of the first instance proceedings are not 16 addressed by an ivory-tower Appellate Court but rather

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17 deferred to a special Magistrate for a prompt Hearing. But

18 for this imaginary system to make any sense, the Appellate

19 Court would have to stay its hand until the fraud Hearing 20 is resolved. But the CPA scenario constructed by Ecuador

21 for the purposes of this case does not even have these

22 basic attributes. Given that even Ecuador admits that a

23 typical CPA action would take several years, this is not a

24 remedy, it's an invitation to anarchy. And there is every

25 reason to think that a CPA action brought by Chevron would

11:31 1 furthermore, the remedy offered by the CPA is completely 2 irrelevant. If you please, read together these two flatly 3 inconsistent statements from Ecuador's Memorials. Track 2 4 Rejoinder, Paragraph 220: 5

After bringing a complaint under the Collusion Prosecution Act alleging a collusive action by means of 7 fraud and ghostwriting, Chevron would be afforded full and proper recourse to address any claims of fraud or collusion in respect of Judge Zambrano's Judgment.

10 Now, Paragraph 67 of Respondent's Track 2 11 Supplemental Counter-Memorial: Claimants' efforts to 12 impugn the Ecuadorian courts is focused on the Judgment 13 rendered by Judge Zambrano. But as Dr. Andrade explains, 14 this decision is not the operative Judgment because the 15 intermediate Appeals Court reviewed and affirmed it de 16 novo.

Why is Ecuador recommending that Chevron attempt 17 to nullify a judgment that Ecuador views as inoperative? Ecuador is asking Chevron to spend years pursuing relief 20 that it would later argue, no doubt to this Tribunal when, 21 in 2018 and 2019, it would argue that it's completely 22 beside the point. Inoperative. Rather, if Ecuador is 23 seriously arguing that Chevron hasn't been harmed by the

24 Judgment because of the supposedly curative effects of the

25 Appellate Court's 16-page review, a point Chevron

11:33 1 vehemently rejects, then that issue is ripe for this 2 Tribunal's decision now, because nothing a CPA Court could 3 say or do will address it.

I said two fundamental propositions. The second 5 one is shorter. It's this. While denial of justice always 6 involves the functioning of the judicial process, extended 7 possibly in some instances to some types of administrative 8 determinations, international law does not limit 9 responsibility, State responsibility, to acts of officials 10 who are formally part of the judiciary. The reason why I 11 thought it was worthwhile to write my book on the topic was 12 that international law had evolved in three fundamental 13 ways since the last comprehensive work on the subject, 14 which was Freeman's book in 1938, and this was one of the 15 three developments. I describe it in Chapter 3 under the 16 subtitle "denial of justice by non-judicial authority." 17 This is how I describe the evolution of the law. Forgive 18 my self-guotation, written way before I had heard of this 19 case obviously. "Once it is established that the relevant 20 Act or Mission is attributable to the State, it does not 21 matter whether the doors to justice were blocked by 22 Executive fiat, legislative over-reaching, or judicial 23 obstreperousness." What makes this case unprecedented is 24 the innumerable confirmations of the denial of justice from 11:36 1 diplomatic representatives to militate around the world to 2 secures its enforcement as a matter of national priority on 3 policy, as of now without waiting for any possible 4 correction, how flaccid would international law have to be 5 to find that the denial of justice is not ripe for 6 assessment under international law, and that Ecuador must 7 still be given a chance, which visibly it doesn't want to take, and when any hope of effective restoration is long, 9 long gone.

The realities of our situation, Members of the 10 11 Court, render Ecuador's argument for the obviously futile test irrelevant, we would pass with flying colors even under that. But our Memorials lay out the clear consensus that has emerged in favor of the test as being one of reasonable possibility. I will say only two things. You 16 heard again in opening that the Sole Arbitrator's Decision 17 in the Finnish Ships Case was seminal in the development of the obvious futility test, but no one who's actually read the case would say that Mr. Justice Bagge applied that test at all. He simply said that an appeal would have been

obviously futile when it turned upon a factual finding that the Appellate Court could not review. Obviously correct.

But very different from saying that appeals must be brought 24 if they are not obviously futile. That's it.

25 My second observation is that the Apotex Case

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11:35 1 Let me concentrate on the Head of State. I spoke 2 a few moments ago of a weak and dependent judiciary. 3 Perhaps I should have said despondent judiciary. Is that 4 an outlandish claim? Of the myriad of documents you have 5 seen in this case, if one had to pick three or four that 6 were absolutely crucial, you might be pleased to hear there 7 is one which is only one page long, and that's is C-127, 8 when Mr. Correa describes who he is in his capacity as head 9 of the entire Ecuadorian State. This is what he said in

25 various quarters.

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10 one of his Saturday radio broadcasts. "The President of Ecuador is not only the head of 11 12 the Executive Branch, he is also head of the entire 13 Ecuadorian State." Correa added that, "The Ecuadorian 14 State is the executive, the legislative, the judiciary, the 15 electoral, and the transparency and citizens oversight 16 bodies, the superintendencies, the Prosecutor's Office and 17 the Controller General's Office. The Ecuadorian State 18 comprises all that. Why should it be strange for the Head 19 of State to meet with the legislators, with the members of 20 the electoral counsel or with the Members of the Court of 21 Justice to get to know each other, to support each other? 22 There is nothing wrong with that. Quite the opposite, it's 23 a very positive thing."

When the Head of State says that he not only 25 endorses the corrupt Judgment but has instructed Ecuador's 11:38 1 recently decided under the chairmanship of Toby Landau, is 2 not an outlier which contradicts what I have just said. 3 The obviously futile test was applied there, but only 4 because of a joint stipulation of the Parties, for some 5 reason, as Mr. Landau was careful to note pointedly and 6 repeatedly, but apparently not enough times for everyone to 7 notice it. See, for example, his Paragraphs 257 and 268. In short, while I believe that the obvious 9 futility test is wrong and irreconcilable with

Lauterpacht's call for common sense and realistic weighing 11 of the circumstances, if there is a case in which the 12 standard cannot matter at all, this must be it. There is 13 not, to borrow from Professor Mayer, even a tiny prospect 14 of effective redress for Chevron in Ecuador. 15

Let me finally, before I move to the Treaty, address among the most audacious statements Ecuador has made in this arbitration, which is that Ecuador is the victim of Chevron's deliberate failure to act. If I follow this argument, it is that Chevron allegedly knew of 20 Plaintiffs' bribe to Zambrano before the Judgment issued, 21 which is false, and decided to allow him to issue an \$18 billion Judgment against the company, which is insane. 22 23 To put an end to this nonsense, the sole piece of contemporaneous evidence Chevron had of Zambrano's

25 agreement with the Plaintiffs was double hearsay. This is

11:40 1 the Affidavit of a local Chevron attorney named Enrique 2 Carvajal Salas, and the relevant portion is found in 3 Paragraph 5. "In that meeting, my friend told me based on 4 his discussion with Dr. Guerra, that Judge Zambrano would 5 no longer try to reach some agreement with Chevron because 6 he was aware that the company would not make financial 7 arrangements with anybody, but, instead, that 8 Judge Zambrano was sure to do so with the Plaintiffs." So, 9 Guerra told a friend who told a Chevron lawyer. There is 10 no link, no direct link, at the time with Zambrano itself, 11 given the backlash that Chevron faced when it submitted 12 authenticated videos of judicial malfeasance by Judge Núñez 13 coming forward based on this double hearsay Affidavit, 14 would surely have exposed Chevron to further charges of 15 reckless and malicious defamation, as Mr. Bishop explained 16 on the first day. This argument sits particularly poorly 17 in Ecuador's mouth considering that when Chevron finally 18 obtained sufficient confirmatory evidence of the 19 ghostwriting scheme, it did present the evidence to 20 Ecuador's Appellate Court, and we all know how that turned 22 Now, you could forget everything I have said about

11:42 1 Ecuador doesn't get it. You're not supposed to ignore the
2 Orders of an international tribunal. Ecuador is saying
3 three things unrepentantly: One, we are trying with all
4 our might to enforce the Judgment, and we don't care what
5 the Tribunal says or thinks about it. Two, Chevron is
6 asking for the urgent nullification of the Judgment because
7 it was a denial of justice, but, three, we insist that
8 Chevron cannot do this, and will be powerless to stop the
9 enforcement actions because Chevron has to run around on a
10 wild goose chase and we will tell them that they must seek
11 relief from one Court and then another, as we please. This
12 really cannot be tolerated without belittling the
13 international legal process.

The treaty claims. The breaches in our Memorials,
Gentlemen, have been specific. They concern governmental
actions unrelated to the Lago Agrio Litigation. To the
extent that the treaty claims do concern judicial conduct
in some way, Ecuador is mistaken in treating them as denial
of justice redux with the same exhaustion requirements.
Although these issues have been well rehearsed in the
Memorials, I will happily address the Tribunal's questions
about Chevron's treaty claims and their relationship to the
denial-of-justice claims.

Ecuador has breached its obligation to provide

25 actions, disqualified itself from relying on the exhaustion 25 fair and equitable treatment through non-judicial conduct

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11:41 1 argument. It's violated your Orders. In doing so, it not 2 only declined to take all measures to avoid enforcement of 3 the Judgment, it has done the exact opposite. That is a 4 violation of international law. And Ecuador is shameless 5 about this.

23 exhaustion and take a more direct route to the same

24 conclusion. The fact is that Ecuador has, by its own

In the waning moments of the hearing of the 7 Witnesses Tuesday afternoon, I heard from the back of the room that Mr. Bloom was making an application to you for some type of Protective Order regarding Expert evidence in 10 these proceedings. Since it was the last day of very 11 lengthy witness examinations, I thought he might have been 12 seeking to introduce a humorous note into the case. He 13 said--and I'm quoting from the Transcript Page 2462: "All 14 we're asking for is for this sensitive information that was 15 produced under certain circumstances to be treated with a 16 certainly level of sensitivity, especially with the 17 overlay, the evidentiary overlay in terms of potential uses 18 abroad or somewhere in the United States." Ironic, isn't 19 it, for Ecuador's lawyer to ask you to be its accomplice as 20 it seeks the violation of your own Order. You ordered the 21 enforcement of the Judgment to be suspended. Ecuador

22 disregards that Order, and now asks you to help facilitate

25 not a man of irony and that he was perfectly earnest.

In time, I understood that Mr. Bloom is apparently

23 enforcement.

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11:44 1 in a variety of ways. Let me highlight just three:

2 First, the Ecuadorian Government breached the

3 fair-and-equitable-treatment standard failing to honor but

4 instead working in bad faith to destroy the value of the

5 Settlement and Release Agreement, as Mr. Coriell has

6 already explained.

Second, the Head of State, the Attorney General,
and other high-ranking officials have improperly
interjected themselves into the Lago Agrio Litigation--with
Mr. Correa, as I noted in my opening, even offering to call
the Presiding Judge. Such conduct breaches the FET
requirement, not only because it is inconsistent with
Claimant's legitimate expectations, but because it's
non-transparent, arbitrary, and done in bad faith. As
confirmed, for example, by the Petrobart Decision, CLA-219,
where the Tribunal based its finding of a breach of the
Energy Charter Treaty FET provisions in part on the fact
that the Vice-Prime Minister sent a single letter to the
Court trying to influence the outcome of the case.

Similarly, in the recent decision of TECO versus
Guatemala, CLA-615, a CAFTA Tribunal found a breach of the
FET obligation through a regulator's attempt to influence
review of the tariffs to be charged by the investor.
And third, the Ecuadorian Government has commenced
a coordinated campaign to promote enforcement of the

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11:45 1 Judgment. And investors can reasonably expect to be
2 involved in foreign litigation, but not that the Government
3 will use that litigation as a form of extortion,
4 punishment, defamation.

Altogether, the level of abuse directed against
the Claimants here from the highest levels of Government is
astounding. It's the antithesis of a State's obligation of
fair and equitable treatment. This delict is separate and
distinct from denial of justice. So is the anti-foreigner
discrimination. There is no exhaustion requirement with
respect to these non-judicial conduct, and they are ripe
for resolution.

Now, specifically with regard to Ecuador's breach of the effective means provision, to answer the Tribunal's question as to whether Article II(7) imposes obligations beyond those of customary international law, the answer is plainly affirmative.

Article II(7) requires that Ecuador, let me quote,
19 "provide effective means of asserting claims and enforcing
20 rights." This is a specific and self-contained obligation,
21 it makes no mention of customary international law.
22 Ecuador argues that the United States intended to limit
23 Article II(7) to the obligations of customary international
24 law, but they do not establish a common intent of the

11:48 1 summary verbal proceeding breached Article II(7) because,
2 among other things, it prevented Chevron from impleading
3 Petroecuador.

Your Tribunal asked specifically about
Article II(7)'s application with respect, not to the Trial
Court but rather to the higher courts. It's manifest that
the Appellate Court breached this affirmative obligation by
failing to consider the evidence of fraud before affirming
and certifying the Judgment as enforceable abroad. The

pand certifying the Judgment as enforceable abroad. The breach was immediate.

As Professor Böckstiegel wrote for the Commercial Cases Tribunal claims of breach of Article II(7), and I will quote, "they're not subject to the same strict requirement of exhaustion as claims for breach of customary international law," and he added that "the decision of a lower court may in certain circumstances directly violate BIT provisions." And where, if not here. The time to provide an effective remedy was before the Judgment was allowed to set sail to the four corners of the earth. The

21 bottle, and further recourse in Ecuador could not bring it 22 back. Contrary to Ecuador's argument, there was no need

23 for Article II(7) to expressly waive the exhaustion

24 requirement established under customary international law.

25 To the extent that there is exhaustion element, it comes

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11:47 1 To the contrary, Professor Caron, in his Report,
2 confirms that the preparatory work of the Treaty indicates
3 that the effective means provision was intended to go
4 beyond customary international law. That's in his Report
5 of 3 September 2010. It would moreover have been senseless
6 for the State Parties to have repeated in Article II(7) the
7 obligation to provide the customary international law
8 standard of treatment that is already required by

25 Parties to the Treaty.

9 Article II(3). An interpretation which denies the

10 independent significance of Article II(7) obviously cannot

11 be correct. This much was confirmed by the only two

12 tribunals to have directly addressed the relationship

 $\ensuremath{\texttt{13}}$ between effective means provisions and customary

14 international law. Those, Gentlemen, are the Tribunal's

15 and the Commercial Cases, CLA-47, and White Industries,

16 RLA-347 from Paragraph 92 on in that case. The conclusion

17 of the Commercial Cases Tribunal applied to the

18 Ecuador-U.S. BIT, which is, of course, the very Treaty 19 before you.

So, Article II(7) is properly read to place an affirmative duty upon Ecuador to provide measures that are adequate in practice to secure the rights at issue, rather

23 than simply a negative promise not to deny justice. It 24 calls for practical, timely, useful recourse. For example,

25 trying a case of this magnitude and complexity through a

11:50 1 form the nature of Article II(7)'s command itself, as
2 applied to the specific circumstances which, of course, are
3 a matter for the Tribunal to judge.

Ecuador's judicial conduct also breached other obligations in the BIT. Claimants have explained in their written submissions that Ecuador breached the obligations of fair and equitable treatment, full protection and security, and non-discrimination, such as, for example, the 100 PPM/TPH remediation standard. You can see our full arguments on this score in our Track 2 amended Reply, Paragraphs 333 to 357, Track 2 supplemental Reply, Paragraphs 393 to 407.

In short, the conduct of the judicial system here plainly violates customary international law, and the breaches of Article II(7), fair and equitable treatment, and the other treaty provisions follow a fortiori.

17 I thank you very much for your attention, and this 18 is our moment for a break, I believe.

19 MR. BISHOP: Mr. President, we're in the 20 Tribunal's hands. We could do--we could move forward in 21 one of two ways. We could either take our lunch break now, 22 which we are happy to do if the Tribunal would like that,

23 or we could perhaps go to one other topic, which is 24 Ms. Renfroe's discussion of the environmental case put

25 forward by the Respondent, so we could either do that and

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11:51 1 then break for lunch or we could break for lunch now, 2 however the Tribunal wishes to proceed.

3 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It's a little bit early for 4 lunch. The clock says ten to 12:00. How long would 5 Ms. Renfroe take?

MR. BISHOP: I think she plans on probably a little more than 30 minutes, but perhaps we could take a five-minute break before that, if you don't mind, to set up.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's take a five-minute break, and then we will go to the next section. Thank you.

12 (Brief recess.)

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Ms. Renfroe.

 $14\,$ MS. RENFROE: Thank you very much, Members of the $15\,$ Tribunal.

I turn now to the discussion of the environmental evidence and use it to illustrate several important aspects about the absurdity of this Judgment.

19 Certainly, the damage awards of the Judgment are 20 not the only example of how this Judgment is absurd. One

21 could point to the causation element or the lack of 22 causation analysis in the Judgment as an equally absurd

23 feature of it, but for now this morning I'd like to focus

24 my discussion on the damage components because I think,

25 standing alone, they illustrate perhaps one of the most

12:01 1 damage awards contained in it.

I want to review for you, however, five of the
gentlemen or experts who you did not have an opportunity to
hear from in the last few weeks but whose testimony you
certainly have, and the contribution they make to this
conclusion that there is no scientific basis that supports
these damage awards.

8 We start with that of Dr. Bill Bellamy, who 9 observes and who's testified that there is no drinking 10 water contamination from TexPet's petroleum operations and, 11 therefore, no support for the Judgment's Award of 12 \$150 million to replace community water systems.

In fact, not only was this opinion not controverted by the Lago Plaintiffs in the Lago Litigation, but it's not controverted even in this arbitration case

Then there is the opinion of Dr. Suresh

18 Moolgavkar, a renowned epidemiologist, who is the only
19 Expert in this arbitration case to have published a
20 peer-reviewed mortality study analyzing mortality data from
21 the Concession Area; and, based on that study, he concludes
22 that there is no statistical significant relationship, much
23 less any causal relationship between exposure to TexPet's
24 operations and any sort of human health risk.

And then we have the testimony of Dr. Pedro

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11:59 1 shocking examples of why this Judgment is, indeed, so 2 absurd on its face.

And so, I take you back to a slide that was
presented by John Connor, Claimants' environmental expert,
during his presentation in which he summarized those key
Awards in the Judgment and noted that \$3 billion or more of
the damages awarded in the Judgment had absolutely no basis
expressed in the Judgment. Those would include the
groundwater remediation Award, the Award for potable water
systems to be replaced, the community--the healthcare
monitoring system Award, and then the healthcare program
for cancer care--no basis in the Judgment whatsoever.

The other Awards in the Judgment that purported to have some basis, when analyzed we know from the record that there was no legitimate basis in the record for them.

And we know that because of the, among other things, the testimony in this Hearing from Claimants' array of highly qualified oil field petroleum experts whose testimony I've summarized again for your convenience.

Many of them or several of them you had the
opportunity to meet in the last few weeks, and I think you
and judge for yourself their experience, their credibility,
and the quality of the scientific analysis they brought to
bear to support their conclusions that there is no

25 scientific basis for the Judgment as a whole or any of the

12:02 1 Alvarez, another gentleman you didn't have a chance to 2 meet, but who has explained in his Expert Report the impact 3 of Petroecuador's last 25 years of operations. And the 4 fact that its operations from both the perspective of its 5 expansion as well as its numerous spills and releases, how 6 those impacts have irrevocably changed the face of this oil 7 field in a way that makes it absolutely impossible to go 8 back and reconstruct what it was like in June of 1990, when 9 it was handed over.

10 That, of course, is very significant on one's 11 consideration of the causation factor and the fact that the 12 Lago Court made no effort to deal with a critical causation 13 question.

And then we have two more opinions bearing on the
ecosystem factors, and those are Dr. Robert Wasserstrom and
Dr. Douglas Southgate, both of whom were experts in the
Lago Case, and both of whom testified to factors that bore
on ecological impacts, that those factors were driven by
the Government of Ecuador's policies to promote
agricultural development and population growth in the area,

So, perhaps the most important of these illustrations of why the damages award is so absurd, it has to do with the soil and groundwater remediation Awards that amount to over \$6 billion. Perhaps you will remember, or

21 not by oil field operations.

2 Hinchee who was here last Friday, I believe, and who
3 explained to you based on his widespread experience in
4 actual real oil field contamination cases, that the damage
5 award of \$6 billion from the Lago Court to remediate soil
6 and groundwater has absolutely no bearing to reality.
7 And to illustrate that point, he shared with you
8 he shared with you his experience with the Kuwaiti oil

12:04 1 at least I hope you will, the testimony of Dr. Robert

And to illustrate that point, he shared with you a he shared with you his experience with the Kuwaiti oil field, where Saddam Hussein had ordered the intentional destruction of those oil fields, and there the most that was ordered for the remediation of over 350 square kilometers was \$2.5 billion.

You will remember also Dr. Hinchee's comparison of the square kilometers to be remediated in the Kuwait oil fields, and he compared it to the total amount to be remediated according to the Judgment. And look at the difference: 385 square kilometers in Kuwait versus 3.1 square kilometers in the Concession Area. Just think about that difference in the amount of area allegedly to be remediated, and look at the difference in the price tag. You simply cannot support a \$6 billion cost when you take into account the area to be addressed.

And then if you look at it, if you compare these numbers on the cost per square meter or cubic meter for remediation, in Kuwait, where it was actually done, \$45 per 12:08 1 what has been estimated by Petroecuador that is actually 2 needed to deal with Petroecuador's liabilities. That 3 alone, Members of the Tribunal, is a profound absurdity. 4 It illustrates that this Judgment, on its face, is nothing 5 less than absurd. And that's just one example.

Now, we go to the health Awards, and they are
equally lacking in any technical or scientific basis. When
you consider what evidence was in the Lago record that
could possibly have justified Awards of over \$2 billion for
health-related costs, it's shocking to see what we find.

On this slide, I've summarized the evidence that was in the
Lago record placed there by Chevron. Unfortunately, there
is no comparison placed there by the Lago Plaintiffs, and
to the extent that they put anything in the Lago Record, it
does not survive any kind of scientific rigor or scrutiny.

Let me just review for you the fact that it was
Chevron in the Lago Case; that was the Party who bothered
to sample the drinking water sources during all the
Judicial Inspections. That's not something that the Lago
Plaintiffs even bothered to do.

It was also Chevron who was the only party who
performed a quantitative human health-risk assessment. You
heard Dr. McHugh tell you about that. He was the Expert
who did it. There was no equivalent risk assessment
performed by the Lago Plaintiffs. And it was Chevron who

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12:06 1 cubic meter compared to the Judgment Award that would 2 amount to \$730 per cubic meter.

Now, if we think about this a little more closely,
4 and we look at the elements that went into this soil and
5 groundwater remediation Award, and we then assess it or
6 measure it against reality, and that reality is very clear
7 and undisputed, it's the reality of what Petroecuador does
8 in the Concession Area today. It actually remediates in
9 the Concession Area soil, though not groundwater because
10 groundwater is rarely, if ever, impacted by oil field
11 operations.

But if you remember the slide presented to you by
13 Dr. Hinchee, he sums up as concisely as anyone could the
14 departure from reality wrought by this Judgment.

And when you actually look at the \$70 million cost estimate published by the PEPDA program for what it would cost to remediate both former Concession liabilities of Petroecuador as well as post-1990 liabilities of Petroecuador, so from two different operating eras,

20 Petroecuador's estimate as published by PEPDA, I believe,

21 in 2009 in Hinchee Exhibit Number 1, that estimate was

22 \$70 million. And it included remediation not only of 23 soils, but sediments as well. And when you compare that to

24 the \$6 billion Award, you will find a 90 times

25 exaggeration. The Lago Award of \$6 billion is 90 times

12:10 1 commissioned and put in the Lago Record the only study of
2 ecological risks as well as the only study of impacts on
3 biodiversity. Those studies and those reports in the Lago
4 Agrio Record stand alone to demonstrate that TexPet's
5 operations did not present a human health risk or a risk to
6 the environment. And there was no offsetting evidence of
7 any validity, of any legitimacy from the Lago Plaintiffs.
8 And so, when you look at this collectively, you can see
9 there simply was no basis for the staggering human health
10 Awards issued by the Lago Court.

So, now we turn to the question of whether LBG,
Ecuador's new after-the-fact experts who were not involved
in the Lago Case, we turn to the fact or the question of
whether they can endorse this Judgment or whether they can
somehow rescue it. The answer, respectfully, Members of
the Tribunal, is that while they endorse it in form, they
do not endorse it with any scientific substance whatsoever.

I've summarized on this slide for you as concisely
as I can the essence of their testimony and why I say,
notwithstanding the four volumes of reports they have
submitted, they simply do not offer any scientific support
for this Judgment. It begins with the fact that they don't
even endorse the monetary Awards. They told you here

23 even endorse the monetary Awards. They told you here 24 earlier this week, they didn't make any attempt to evaluate

25 causation or attribute liability or apportion liability,

12:11 1 even though they recognized that Petroecuador had operated
2 these oil fields for 25 years. And even though they
3 recognized numerous spills had occurred throughout the
4 Concession Area, knowing that, they nevertheless made no
5 attempt whatsoever to try to apportion liability.

And on the many questions I asked them about what
evidence they had on the extent of sediment impacts,
groundwater impacts, impacts to drinking water, or the
extent of impacts to soil at any given site, they had no
opinion. It's quite amazing when you consider the volume
of reports they have submitted, but here is their testimony
that you heard on Monday of this week: They had no
opinion.

They did venture an opinion that contamination as
they define it is anything over a detection limit, but they
had to admit that the matter of what constitutes an
actionable impact is a matter of law for which they offered
no opinion as we would expect. But what they also had to
concede was that they were not applying Ecuador's own oil
field regulation, Decree 1215, or the RAOH, as we sometimes
call it. They simply put that aside and didn't apply it in
forming their conclusions.

23 And so, I caution you that to the extent that you 24 consider their Reports and their use of the word 25 "contamination," please recognize that that is a conclusion 12:15 1 see any pictures or any drawings or diagrams about any 2 problems with those four. Instead, what we saw are 3 photographs like these that come from non-RAP areas.

So, moving then to a second reason that the LBG
work simply deserves no weight and does nothing to prop up
this Judgment is their departure or their failure to follow
Ecuador's own oil field regulations, Decree 1215. You
heard a lot about that on Monday. The facts are, as I
tried to draw out from them, that when you do apply Decree
10 1215, Ecuador's own oil field regulations, we find that
many, many of the places that LBG contends to be
"contaminated" would require no action, no remediation
under Ecuador's own system.

So, the fact that LBG and the Republic of Ecuador refused to apply even their own oil field regulations governing oil field operations and which are designed to protect the environment in oil field areas, the fact that they don't apply those is shocking. It's just impossible to reconcile it with any intellectual honesty. And so that's the second reason I urge you to conclude they do nothing to support this Judgment, and their conclusions deserve no weight.

To remind you of the effect of their failure to apply Ecuador's own environmental regulations, I bring you back to a graphic presented by Mr. Connor where, on the

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12:13 1 they've made that completely departs from Ecuador's own
2 legal criteria for oil field operations.

And so, instead of supporting this Judgment with evidence from the Lago Record and mainstream widely accepted scientific protocols, what did they do? Well, a bit reminiscent of what Steven Donziger did, as he told us, "When the facts do not exist, facts are created." And what we find with the LBG team is that they've completely departed from accepted protocols in trying to fashion some sort of a defense to this Judgment.

I point out for you the photographs that LBG
provided in their Reports, but under examination they had
to admit that these photographs do not represent areas
remediated by TexPet or RAP areas. Instead, what they told
us was that they purposefully targeted non-RAP areas and
were really oblivious to where the RAP and non-RAP areas
were. They didn't concern themselves with that distinction
very much. And to the extent that they did sample in RAP
areas, you didn't hear one example from them this week that
they found a location that TexPet had remediated; i.e., a
RAP feature, for which they found any problem. You didn't
hear anything about that.

And the facts are, Members of the Tribunal, that of the 13 sites where they actually took samples, they ampled only four RAP locations. Only four. But we didn't 12:17 1 left, he took a map that was provided by LBG, and he shows
2 the sample locations that LBG says are, "contaminated."
3 And then on the right, Mr. Connor demonstrated for us that
4 when you apply Decree 1215, in this case it's agricultural
5 criteria of 2500 parts per million, that all but one of
6 those sampling locations require no action. The Government
7 of Ecuador and Petroecuador would take no action because
8 under Ecuador's regime, 2500 parts per million of TPH is
9 permissible to remain in soils in agricultural areas.

Another illustration of this we see at the
Shushufindi 25 well platform where again, Mr. Connor was
making the point that there is great agreement between the
JI data that he analyzed on the left and the LBG data that
they collected recently, when you apply the same Decree
1215 criteria. So, when you compare apples to apples in
defining what constitutes an impact that needs remediation,
when you do that, you will see that these Parties found
essentially the same thing. They sampled in the same areas
and got essentially the same results.

And yet, LBG continues to urge you to find
widespread contamination throughout the Concession Area,
which they attribute to TexPet, even though they've made no
attempt to analyze causation.

And then I want to take you to this example, which I found perhaps one of the most dramatic of all 12:19 1 illustrations of how LBG cannot demonstrate any support for 2 the Judgment using its approach. They showed you this 3 photograph, as did the Republic of Ecuador in opening, this 4 hand-dug well used by a family; and, on their slide, they 5 told you the residents at Lago 16 used contaminated water 6 when drinking, bathing, and washing their clothes.

And this was not the only photograph like this
they showed you, but under cross-examination, Dr. Garvey
had to acknowledge that his own data showed that when you
applied Ecuador's TULAS regulations, this water well, this
hand-dug well, met not only Ecuador's groundwater
regulations, but it also meets Ecuador's drinking water
criteria under TULAS.

So, I urge the Tribunal to beware, when you were shown photographs during Ecuador's closing as I suspect you will be, remember this photograph and others like it where the word "contamination" is used, but the data doesn't prove it.

Now I go to a third example of LBG's extraordinary
measures to try and support this Judgment. You may remember
in opening and then again during LBG's presentation this
week, they showed you this drawing, and this map from the
Sacha 13 well site has been annotated to show a calculation
that Dr. Garvey created. His calculation was taking the
Judicial Inspection soil data, developing an average, and

12:23 1 And I asked him whether he had any data that would
2 validate his model, and you will see here his answer to my
3 question: "Do you have any data here that would confirm
4 your model, or you don't have it, do you?" And he said:
5 "No." And you may remember that I walked him around the
6 Shushufindi 34 well site where he had collected data, and
7 none of those samples conformed to his predictions in his
8 model.

9 So, this is another example of LBG's work really 10 being nothing less than just some smoke and mirrors to try 11 and add some weight to this Judgment, and it does not 12 survive any kind of scientific rigor or scrutiny.

I take you now to another problem with that
calculation, readily admitted by Dr. Garvey. It took no
account of the fact that much of the--many of the Judicial
Inspection sites were measuring contamination in the soils
from Petroecuador's operations. He acknowledged that he
had made no attempt to separate that out.

And here I showed him this photograph, and you may remember I asked him: "In developing your calculation, did you make any deductions for the oil that was spilled in these various sites by Petroecuador?"

23 Answer: "No, we did not."

And then we talked about the fact that, according to Petroecuador's own public records, the SIPAS database,

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12:21 1 extrapolating that to assume that all 344 Concession Area 2 sites would be equally contaminated. But what he didn't 3 tell you was, but I did, or he acknowledged it under 4 cross-examination was that, Number 1, that he relied upon 5 soil samples from a Petroecuador spill at the Sacha 13 well 6 site to form the basis of developing his average.

Number 2, we learned that all of the contamination that he declared to constitute six Exxon Valdezes, all of that contamination, that so-called "contamination," if you applied Ecuador's Decree 1215 criteria, it would all be below the agricultural standard for TPH.

And then we took the step of examining--well, before I move there, let me also remind you of the testimony by Mr. Connor, who tried to explain the flaws in this calculation, and he illustrated for you that the oil that Dr. Garvey fictionalizes to exist in 200-meter diameters from each of these Platforms simply does not exist when you look at the data. It exists nowhere but in Dr. Garvey's calculation, as Mr. Connor told you.

But then, if you remember I asked Dr. Garvey if he could ground-truth his model, that is, test it against the data, because, after all, as he acknowledged, data is what we should make decisions by. It is the gold standard. And as between data and a model or a calculation, there is no question that the data governs.

12:24 1 through 2009, 125,000 barrels of oil had been reported to 2 be spilled throughout the Concession Area, and again, LBG 3 has taken no account of this.

But we do know, and Dr. Garvey and LBG had to acknowledge, as did Dr. Strauss, that the Petroecuador operations over the last 25 years have indeed been, very, very extensive. I showed you this image in opening, the screenshot from the mapping tool where the green icons represent the TexPet wells, and if I can draw your attention to the screen, the red icons representing the Petroecuador wells drilled since 1990. And if you just compare, if you go back and forth, what you can do when you open the mapping tool, you will see the dramatic comparison, the dramatic expansion of Petroecuador's operations in the last 25 years.

Now, we know from observations by Pablo Fajardo in statements he made before he joined the Lago Agrio
Plaintiffs' team, that Petroecuador had, indeed, caused more damage and far more disasters than Texaco, and quoting him: "There are frequent spills and broken pipes and contamination of wetlands, of rivers, of streams in great magnitude. But since it's a State-owned company, no one says a thing," quoting Pablo Fajardo. And I've shown you just two of the images that you saw in the last few weeks that are examples, they are photographs of Petroecuador

12:26 1 impacts in the Concession Area.

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Now, I want to make another point, taking you back 3 to the mapping tool, C-2444, and this has to do with the 4 dramatic expansion that we find in the Concession Area. 5 This is the Shushufindi 40 Well Platform, and I'm showing 6 you an image on the left from the Year 2000, 10 years after 7 Petroecuador had been operating. The red circle on the 8 left is the well platform as it existed in 2000.

Now, if you look closely on the right-hand side, 10 you will see the platform, and you can see in the brown 11 sort of scarred area, the expansion of that platform, and 12 what you're looking at, Members of the Tribunal, is a 13 150-pit pit farm that has been constructed by Petroecuador 14 since 2000. Again, when you go into the mapping tool and 15 you toggle through each year, you can see the evolution and 16 the progression of changes.

It's a little bit hard to see in this slide, but 18 when you look at it carefully, you will see in the upper 19 portion what looks like little cells. Those are pits that 20 Petroecuador has constructed recently. This is just but 21 one example of one site where there has been dramatic 22 expansion.

Now, I want to show you an image as I move forward 24 with my observations about LBG and why their work deserves 25 no weight and why it in no way validates the Judgment.

12:29 1 this record. And what I've annotated here is the fact that 2 these three reports include surface-water sampling results, 3 in three--in these various oilfields.

So, for example, in the Shushufindi Aquarico 5 field, which is Number 2 on the map, there is an 6 Environmental Impact Assessment that reports that the vast 7 majority of surface water and sediment samples meet 8 Ecuadorian standards for TPH. Now, that is not to say that 9 there aren't impacts from Petroecuador's operations and, in 10 fact, I have shown you some those in the last few weeks. 11 We recognize that those are there, but what I do think is 12 very important to the Tribunal to recognize is that Petroecuador and other organizations actually monitor the 14 quality of surface water within the Concession Area. And 15 so I urge the Tribunal to take great caution as you listen 16 to and consider what may be presented in the Republic's 17 closing about what Dr. Garvey has found because as we can

see from this map, he has actually found nothing about the condition of the stream system.

20 Now I will move on quickly to the question about 21 Dr. Strauss and the health risks and whether she can do 22 anything to rescue the Judgment. You may remember the 23 testimony of Dr. Strauss last Friday. And again, with all 24 due respect to her, she brings absolutely no support, no

25 scientific support whatsoever to bolster the healthcare

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12:28 1 Like those photographs that we were shown declaring 2 contamination where the data didn't support it, LBG showed 3 you this image from their slide presentation. We hadn't 4 seen this before. This was new. It was not included in 5 their Expert Reports. And in this image, they purported to 6 suggest that there are stream impacts throughout the 7 Concession Area that caused them concern. We certainly 8 recognized that stream impacts can be concerning and can be 9 of concern and should be taken seriously, but the point I 10 want to make to you now is that Dr. Garvey admitted "we

So, what he did was to present to you this image 14 suggesting that all of the red streams within the 15 Concession Area are contaminated, but even he acknowledged

11 don't have the details as to where it might be impacted."

12 And you can see his testimony there.

16 he really didn't know. But, Members of the Tribunal, in the Slide 137 A 17 18 that I have just handed out, I want to direct your 19 attention to something that Dr. Garvey did not share with 20 you, and that is that we actually do know quite a bit about

21 the condition and quality of the streams and the surface 22 water in the Concession Area. On this image, I have taken

23 Dr. Garvey's map and I've annotated it with information 24 from three Environmental Impact Assessments that were

25 commissioned by Petroecuador very recently. They're all in

12:31 1 awards in the Judgment. On their face, they, too, are 2 absurd, and she did nothing to demonstrate otherwise. 3 Again, on this slide, for your convenience, I have 4 summarized her key--the key admissions that she made. Even 5 as limited as her opinions are, we found that she backed 6 away from many of them or she simply couldn't address 7 critical points.

She performed her risk assessment, her quantitative health risk assessment as if the Settlement 10 Agreement and Remedial Action Plan had never occurred. She 11 made no effort to differentiate between impacts from 12 Petroecuador as opposed to those from TexPet. They didn't 13 even try to do that.

14 And then you might have heard that she also 15 disregarded Petroecuador's operations throughout. She 16 wasn't satisfied to calculate health risk using widely 17 accepted EPA approaches. She did it that way in 2014 but 18 not in 2015. Instead, she resorted to having to make up 19 her own toxicity factor in trying to calculate a human 20 health risk. Why would anyone do that? Only because using 21 widely accepted published toxicity values, she could not 22 calculate a risk to human health.

23 And then we also saw how she used unprecedented 24 TEM data to assess health risk. Similarly, she, too, 25 disregarded Ecuador's own Decree 1215 Regulatory Cleanup 12:33 1 Criteria, she paid no attention to those. Even though 2 purportedly the question she was trying to answer was 3 whether remediation was needed.

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You then will recall the testimony from 5 Dr. Greg Douglas about the problems with the data that she 6 relied upon, key data that she relied upon for her 7 calculations has reliability problems because it's got 8 blank contamination as well as many samples are simply 9 plant matter.

So, now I move to the question of cancer, and 11 while Dr. Strauss purported to do some cancer-risk 12 calculations for future risk, I'm going to address those in 13 a minute, but here I want to reflect a moment about the 14 epidemiologic evidence. I told you earlier that 15 Dr. Moolgavkar was the only Expert in this arbitration 16 case, the only epidemiologist, who's published any kind of 17 peer-reviewed study, and I've highlighted his key 18 conclusion at the top of the page.

But his finding about the lack of any association 20 between exposure to petroleum in the Concession Area and 21 any human health risks or health impacts, his finding is 22 actually consistent with other evidence that was in the 23 Lago Record during the Lago Case, some of which I have 24 summarized on this slide.

No excess cancer or cancer mortality in the

12:35 1 they're speaking only of taste and odor, which has nothing 2 to do with whether the drinking water is safe.

Now, I want to return to Dr. Strauss's calculations just briefly. You may remember that we walked through this diagram, this chart from her 2014 Report. 6 This was her non-cancer risk calculation in which most of 7 the cells are white and recall that she admitted the white cells show absolutely no risk, no harm, nothing to worry 9 about, not even a cause for any concern.

10 She also eventually acknowledged that even the 11 pink cells and the orange cells were just areas where further evaluation may be needed. The red cells were the only ones that she indicated any concern for.

But now what I've done is I've distilled from her three the quantitative risk assessments, I've distilled 15 them on this slide, and what did she really find?

17 Well, she calculated -- now, bear in mind, this is a calculation of theoretical health risk. Undisputed, she did not find any actual health impacts. No one did. But in terms of her calculation of a theoretical health risk, 21 she finds--she calculates such risk at nine sites, all of 22 which are non-RAP locations, all of which are non-RAP 23 locations.

But even those nine sites--let's look at them a 24 25 little more closely.

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12:34 1 village of San Carlos according to Arana and Arellano and 2 according to Rourke, TexPet's operations did not cause 3 anyone to get cancer.

And then to the extent that Dr. San Sebastian's 5 work has been mischaracterized, he corrected it or he 6 corrected any misinterpretation and observed that his 7 Reports and his studies had been misinterpreted.

Turning to the question of drinking water, which 9 is obviously an important feature or component in 10 evaluating health risk, here we have no dispute of any 11 kind. We know from the JI data, 520 drinking water samples 12 were collected and 98 percent of those meet World Health 13 Organization and USEPA Standards for drinking water.

14 They also meet Ecuador's own standards for 15 drinking water criteria. And on this point, I want to be 16 very clear, I'm talking about primary standards for 17 drinking water that determine what water is safe to drink 18 and what is not. Across the board the JI data shows that 19 the water in the Concession Area is safe to drink. That 20 was also the finding by LBG as to the four drinking water 21 sources they sampled when they were in the field, and I've 22 got an excerpt of their data.

23 To the extent that you heard any opinion or have 24 read any opinion by Dr. Strauss or LBG in their Reports 25 that there is a violation of drinking water standards,

12:37 1 Of the nine, they break down with eight being 2 future exposure scenarios. That is, she's assumed that 3 someone would be exposed to something in a swamp in the 4 future, even though today no one uses the swamp, and there 5 is no water well in the swamp, but she made assumptions 6 that this oilfield would be used for more residential 7 purposes in the future. And so that leaves us with one, only one scenario,

9 where she calculated a current human health risk, and that was from the Shushufindi 13 Well Platform. And you may 11 remember this, but if you would indulge me, I would like to remind you, that when I presented to her the fact that 13 Dr. Short had concluded that the one sample from the one 14 pit that she was relying upon to calculate human health 15 risk, that Dr. Short, Respondent's Expert, analytical chemist, he had concluded that that sample was from oil that had been released within the last year. So that could only have been Petroecuador, and Dr. Short's Report is on 19 this Slide 2014 at Page 15.

So, that leaves us with the conclusion that 20 21 Dr. Strauss was not able to calculate any human health 22 risk, theoretical human health risk at any RAP location, 23 and even where she does find one, it's all in the future 24 with the one exception, and that exception falls at the 25 feet of Petroecuador.

12:39 1 So, then, to summarize collectively the work and 2 the flaws of LBG and Dr. Strauss together, this slide does 3 that. Some of these points I have covered for you. But 4 when I told you in Opening Statement that Ecuador's Experts 5 had to depart from widely accepted protocols to try and 6 fashion some support for this Judgment, these are examples 7 of what I was talking about. And only by doing this are 8 they able to even attempt to support this Judgment, but as 9 I said, under any real scientific scrutiny, their effort 10 fails.

So, that brings me to my conclusion that there is 12 a manifest absurdity in the damage awards in the Judgment 13 and in the Judgment itself to the extent that no causation 14 analysis is provided. And so, as I conclude, I bring you 15 back to the most compelling illustration of that, and that 16 is Dr. Hinchee's chart in which he shows you how badly the 17 soil and groundwater remediation awards in the Judgment 18 depart from reality, more than 90 times what is actually 19 done in Ecuador today by Petroecuador.

20 So, Members of the Tribunal, I conclude with the 21 observation that the damage awards in this Judgment cannot 22 be supported with the environmental evidence that was in 23 the Lago Record, nor can they be supported in any sense of 24 the word with the new information that has been provided by 25 LBG, Dr. Strauss, and Ecuador's other Environmental

AFTERNOON SESSION

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 2

Before we give the floor back to the Claimants, we 4 understand that the current draft of the Site Visit Order is agreed, but we don't have the security protocol.

What is the position about that missing annex? 6 MS. RENFROE: Mr. President, we were speaking

about it with our client over the lunch hour. We have one 8 9 more phone call to make, and I think that we'll be in a

10 position by tomorrow, early tomorrow, to represent that we 11 have all the important details worked out. We certainly

12 are aware that you would very much like to have it completed by tomorrow.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is the Attorney General here 15 tomorrow?

ATTORNEY GENERAL GARCIA CARRION: Yes.

17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: What we're going to do because 18 we struggled so much with this document is that we're going to give you copies during the next break, and if it's

20 agreeable, could you please just initial to the extent it's

21 agreeable, so that we at least have that under our belt.

22 And then tomorrow we'll look at the security protocol, and

23 then we can add that in if that's agreed, and then we could

24 formally issue the order and have it countersigned. Can we

25 do that?

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12:40 1 Experts. There is simply no support for these damage 2 awards, and they are patently absurd on their face.

> 3 Thank you.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

We will break now for the lunch break. We will 6 come back at guarter to 2:00.

Over this lunch break, if the Parties could look 8 at the draft Site Visit Order, and before the end of the 9 lunch break, approach the Tribunal's Secretary to see if 10 there is any changes we need to make to the wording, we 11 need to complete an annex, we would very much like by this 12 evening to issue this Order signed and countersigned.

The other matter is we have questions. They have 14 arisen as you have been speaking to us. We thought it 15 appropriate not to interrupt you, but you may assume that 16 at the end of your presentation today, you will have a 17 number of questions. You may have answered them, which is 18 one reason for keeping quiet at the moment, but if you 19 don't, we will raise them with you at that time. So, we 20 come back in an hour plus.

(Whereupon, at 12:41 p.m., the hearing was 22 adjourned until 1:45 p.m., the same day.)

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01:47 1 MS. RENFROE: Yes, sir, we can. Thank you. 2

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Respondents, too?

MR. BLOOM: Yes, that's fine. 3

4 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay, well during the next break, you'll be given copies by our Secretary. Please 5 just initial them. At least we've moved on.

Nothing else, so we will give the floor back to 8 the Claimants.

9 Mr. Bishop.

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MR. BISHOP: Thank you, Mr. President.

This brings us to the factual discussion of the 11 12 evidence of fraud and corruption, but before going into 13 that, I want to answer one of the Tribunal's questions. I 14 think Mr. Coriell had answered one that was on Slide 148 15 already.

16 There was a second one that the Tribunal asked with respect to my reference in the opening statement to Donziger's words about having gone over to the dark side. What you find in Slide 149 is a portion of Mr. Donziger's 20 diary where he makes that statement. And let me give you 21 the context of this very guickly.

At this point, Donziger made a deal with Gustavo 22 23 Pinto and Fernando Reyes, and this is all set forth in the

24 Witness Statement or the Declaration of Mr. Reyes, which

25 you have in this case, but what he did was he hired

01:48 1 Fernando Reyes and Gustavo Pinto to act as monitors of the 2 Court-appointed independent settling Experts during the 3 Judicial Inspections. He held them out as being 4 independent, but he made a deal with them to secretly pay 5 them, which was the forerunner of the pattern you saw later 6 with Cabrera where he secretly paid Cabrera and held him 7 out as independent. He was doing something similar here, 8 and this is his statement in his diary, "feel like I have 9 gone over to the dark side." So, that's what I was 10 referencing in my Opening Statement, and you have the 11 source here on Slide 149.

12 Now, the Plaintiffs' claims of fraud and 13 corruption fall broadly into three main factual categories: 14 The Cabrera fraud, which you've heard quite a lot about and 15 which is now admitted; the qhostwriting of the Court orders 16 in the Lago Agrio Case by Mr. Guerra, who was being paid by 17 the Plaintiffs to do so in order to advance their case; 18 and, of course, the Judgment fraud and corruption in which 19 Judge Zambrano was bribed by the Plaintiffs in order to be 20 able to ghostwrite his opinion, which they did. In the past three weeks, you've heard the

22 testimony of Claimants' Witnesses and Experts, and I have put up some of those gentlemen on the Board on Slide 151, 24 but in contrast in these three weeks, you have not heard a 25 coherent factual case from Ecuador, and so Claimants' case 01:51 1 and forget to give you the source. You'll find them right 2 there on this slide.

> Instead, Ecuador, in fact, has tried to distance 4 itself from each of those actors, saying it doesn't defend their conduct, effectively acknowledging the illegality of that conduct in the Lago Agrio Case.

So, who did you hear from in the past three weeks? 8 You heard from Mr. Guerra because we brought him. You didn't, however, hear from Judge Zambrano because Ecuador 10 didn't bring him to the case, so you didn't hear him rebut 11 any of the testimony you heard from Mr. Guerra.

12 You did hear, however, from Dr. Robert Leonard, who testified before you that he found at least six of the Plaintiffs' internal documents were plagiarized in the Judgment, and Ecuador has no counter expert to offer in response to Dr. Leonard.

17 We have brought you the expert reports of Dr. Gerald McMenamin who testified that in his opinion, the judgment probably had multiple authors, and Zambrano had very little input to it. Ecuador did not call 21 Dr. McMenamin for cross-examination, and they have no counter expert to him.

23 You also heard from Spencer Lynch. He testified 24 that the Guerra computer contained drafts of Ecuadorian 25 court orders that were later issued by Judge Zambrano, in

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01:50 1 and its experts stands largely unrebutted. Ecuador has no 2 alternative narrative to explain how or why the Plaintiffs' 3 internal documents were copied into the Judgment. The RICO 4 Defendants had no explanation for that. Mr. Zambrano at 5 the RICO trial had no explanation for that, and Ecuador has 6 no explanation. They had no explanation for where in the 7 Court Record you can find any of these Plaintiffs' documents.

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Now, instead, all you've heard are disjointed and 10 sometimes inconsistent excuses that do not in any way 11 explain the fraud and corruption that occurred. If Ecuador 12 had any reasonable alternative story to the evidence that 13 we put forward, it could have brought you direct evidence. 14 It could have put on the stand any of these people: Pablo 15 Fajardo, Judge Zambrano, Steven Donziger, Luis Yánza or 16 Richard Cabrera, but it's not provided you with testimony 17 from any of those people either in the past three weeks or

18 in any of their Memorials throughout this case. 19 And you didn't hear from Steven Donziger, although 20 you have plenty of evidence--plenty of material--in his own 21 words that demonstrate the corrupt tactics that the 22 Plaintiffs pursued in this case. In Slide 153 I tried to 23 provide you some of the more memorable statements by 24 Mr. Donziger that demonstrate those corrupt tactics, and I 25 put them up there just in case I make a reference to them

01:53 1 fact, over a hundred of them generally in other cases, 2 including nine in the Chevron Case specifically. He 3 testified that the forensics evidence is inconsistent with 4 Zambrano's testimony in the RICO case, and he's testified 5 that the content of the Ecuadorian Judgment was not 6 generated on the Zambrano computers.

Now, this is the one place where the Ecuador has a partial counter expert in Mr. Racich, but you heard his 9 cross-examination, and he largely, to a great extent when 10 he was cross-examined, agreed with much of the testimony of 11 Mr. Lynch, and he doesn't testify at all about the copying of the Selva Viva Database into the Judgment as Mr. Lynch 13 testifies, and he also doesn't testify about Mr. Zambrano's 14 testimony.

15 Now, you heard from Dr. Juola that he searched the court record, did a very careful search, and he concluded that the Plaintiffs' documents that are plagiarized in the Judgment are nowhere found in the Court Record, and Ecuador 19 has no counter expert to Dr. Juola.

We also brought you the Expert Reports of 20 21 Mr. Samuel Hernandez of Morningside Translations, who did a 22 hand-review of all relevant portions of the Court Record, 23 and he also concluded that the Plaintiffs' documents that 24 are plagiarized in the judgment are nowhere found in the 25 Court Record, and Ecuador has no counter expert to

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01:55 1 Mr. Hernandez.

We heard filed an expert report from Mr. Adam 3 Torres, who marshals all of the documentary evidence that's 4 relevant to Mr. Guerra's testimony, and he shows the clear 5 patterns that corroborate that testimony of Mr. Guerra. 6 And Ecuador chose not to call Mr. Torres for 7 cross-examination, and it has no counter expert for him. Now, I'd like to come back to another two further 9 questions asked by the Tribunal. You asked whether the 10 RICO Judgment is in evidence in this case. Well, we gave 11 the RICO decision an exhibit number, so it is an exhibit in 12 this proceeding. So, it could be treated as evidence. 13 But, quite frankly, it's better than evidence. You had the 14 opinion here of a Federal judge who heard all of the same 15 testimony, he had all the same testimony before him--well, 16 excuse me. You actually have all the testimony before you 17 that he had before him and more. He wrote a 500-page 18 opinion, and he came to some strong conclusions.

opinion, and he came to some strong conclusions.

Now, we don't say that that opinion is binding on you, of course, but, quite frankly, it's highly persuasive, and it's entitled due consideration, so I think that probably answers the question as best we can on that subject.

Now, you also asked a question that we've struggled with somewhat, struggled with trying to 01:57 1 apply it to the facts, and thus that is also evidence of 2 denial of justice.

But if the question is simply whether if the Court
appropriately took notice of foreign law and got the
foreign law correct in writing the Judgment, I don't think
that would be a denial of justice in and of itself. So I
hope that answers the question.

8 Now, I'll turn next to the State's role in the 9 Lago Agrio Case, and after that I'll turn the floor over to 10 Caline Mouawad and Elizabeth Silbert to discuss the 11 standard of proof and adverse inferences as well as some of 12 the evidence.

There are three aspects of the political
interference in the Lago Agrio Case: The first is the
Government's interference in the case to tip the scales of
justice before the Judgment was issued, and this has to do
with President Correa and the Government making the Lago
Agrio Case into a national cause, as they were requested to
do by Fajardo and Donziger, and as Donziger was trying to
get them to do.

21 The second, which is where I'll spend most of my 22 time today--I have spent much of my time in the past on 23 that first issue, so I'm not going to try to retread the 24 same ground again, but the second issue is the Government's 25 promotion of the enforcement of the Judgment, even after

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01:56 1 understand it. The question is, what if the Fusión Memo
2 were an accurate reflection of Ecuadorian law, could that
3 be a denial of justice? Is it arbitrary to take the
4 correct account of applicable foreign law, is that a denial
5 of justice.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, you left out a rather important phrase, "subject to respecting the Parties' procedural rights." So, assuming you don't have that as a problem, which obviously is another part of your case--

10 MR. BISHOP: Okay.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: --is it inappropriate for an Ecuadorian judge to take of his own motion judicial notice of the foreign law.

MR. BISHOP: Okay. I have to tell you, we understood the question differently.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Don't worry. We will come back to it.

MR. BISHOP: We understood the question as being--as going to the Fusión Memo itself and its appearance in the Judgment, and perhaps we did misunderstand. And, of course, the ghostwriting of the Judgment using the Fusión Memo is, we believe, a denial of justice. And in this situation, we also believe that the

24 Court, as I think Mr. Coriell has discussed at some length, 25 did not consider the legal test appropriately, did not

01:59 1 the fraud and corruption were revealed.

And, third is President Correa's attempts to control the judiciary more generally to undermine its independence, which we think is particularly relevant to the appellate process in this case.

Now, when President Correa took office in
January 2007, he found in the Plaintiffs' case a political
and nationalistic issue. And just as Donziger asked him to
do, Correa and the Government adopted the case as the
Government's case effectively and proceeded to make it into
a national cause in Ecuador. During the pendency of the
case, and especially during the appellate phase of the
guilty. And in a country like Ecuador with a weak and
fragile judiciary, as Donziger himself explained it, a
strong President who is willing to put his own popularity
and the full weight of the Government behind a case can
clearly tip the scales of justice, as happened exactly in

Now, the second aspect of the Government's involvement has been its actions supporting the fraudulent judgment and promoting its enforcement since it was issued. When the Judgment was issued, President Correa praised the

24 Judgment as the most important Judgment in the history of

25 the country, clearly signaling to the appellate courts what

19 this case.

02:00 1 his position and his Government's position was with respect 2 to the appeals. And when the Appellate Decision was issued 3 a year later, he again praised it, saying that justice had 4 been done, even though during this period, the evidence of 5 fraud and corruption was coming out.

Now, this Tribunal, in February 2012, issued its 7 Second Interim Award, ordering that the Government maintain 8 the status quo by preventing enforcement of the Judgment. 9 But despite the evidence of fraud and corruption and in 10 violation of your Interim Awards, Ecuador responded by 11 initiating a worldwide campaign to promote the Judgment and 12 its enforcement.

13 In late 2012, after your Interim Award had been 14 issued and at a very critical moment in the enforcement 15 proceedings in Argentina, President Correa flew to Buenos 16 Aires, he met with the President of Argentina, and he told 17 the press on that trip that he was there to try to ensure 18 that the Court ruling in the Chevron Case is complied with, 19 and you see the reference is there. That's exactly what he 20 was talking about, and that's what he was doing.

In 2013, the Foreign Ministry even published and 22 distributed a pamphlet saying, among other things, the 23 Judgment is enforceable anywhere in the world. And the 24 Government, in fact, in the past three weeks has been 25 distributing similar pamphlets outside this very building, 02:04 1 made this case, made the Plaintiffs' case a matter of 2 Government policy.

The Republic cannot now claim that it's not 4 involved in the Lago Agrio Case. It has made itself a participant, and it has made itself a partisan in the case. 6 And as he did before the Judgment was issued, President 7 Correa has continued to call Chevron an enemy of the 8 country. And as he and the Government have also sought to 9 shame and intimidate Chevron's lawyers and expert 10 witnesses.

Shortly after President Correa was elected--this 11 12 is in February 2007--he asked Donziger for a list of the lawyers who are hurting the country, and that's a reference to Chevron's lawyers at that point.

15 Shortly thereafter, he started making public 16 statements, calling Chevron's lawyers "vende patrias," 17 basically traitors, homeland-selling lawyers who for a few dollars are capable of selling souls, homeland, family, et 19 cetera. These are in speeches that he gave.

20 More recently, he has again referred to anyone who 21 worked with Chevron as traitors and as opponents of the Government who have teamed up with Chevron.

23 And still again more recently, he's referred to 24 Chevron's attorneys as collaborators who act against the 25 interest of their own country and their own countrymen.

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02:02 1 and you may have seen some of them during that period. 2 They have the Ministry of Foreign Affairs written on the 3 outside of each of those pamphlets.

Now, this promotion of the Judgment's enforcement 5 is a direct violation of your interim awards; and in over 6 40 countries--I think Mr. Coriell showed you this slide as 7 well--in over 40 countries since that time, Ecuador's 8 embassies in the Foreign Ministry have held demonstrations 9 and various meetings denouncing Chevron and again promoting 10 the Judgment in saying Chevron is quilty, and it must 11 comply with the Judgment.

Now, you have seen this next clip before, but I 12 13 think it's very important because it shows that President 14 Correa has instructed the Foreign Ministry to make this 15 case and this Judgment a first priority of the foreign policy, so I'd like to show it to you again.

(Video played.)

17 18 MR. BISHOP: So, in other words, President Correa 19 and the Government have made enforcement of the Judgment a 20 foreign-policy issue--in fact, not just a foreign-policy 21 issue, but the number one priority of the foreign policy 22 according to the statement of the Foreign Minister himself, 23 and the Vice Foreign Minister has made very similar 24 statements as well, which are also in our record. And in doing so, what the Government has done is

02:05 1 Now, I want you to please note those words. 2 Correa is identifying the Plaintiffs' case and the Judgment 3 as a national interest, and he is saying that Chevron's 4 lawyers, who are simply defending Chevron, are acting 5 against the interests of the country. The point of this 6 and the point of all of these has been to try to deprive 7 Chevron of legal counsel in Ecuador, and reflecting 8 President Correa's statements, an Ecuadorian Web site was 9 established entitled, "The Nation's Traitors," and it refers specifically to Chevron's lawyers--well, Chevron's 11 lawyers and also its experts, the various people who have 12 been working with it. This was an attempt to deprive 13 Chevron of expert witnesses in this BIT proceeding.

14 And President Correa in his weekly national radio 15 addresses has called out Chevron's lawyers and experts and Contractors by name, and the State-owned newspaper has published identifying information, personal information, about those lawyers and experts.

19 And it's notable that both the President in the 20 past few weeks leading up to this Hearing and the Vice 21 President of Ecuador have called Guerra a traitor to the 22 nation, a traitor for giving evidence in this case, clearly trying to intimidate him and prevent him from testifying 24 here.

Now these words, "enemy" and "traitor" are not the

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02:07 1 kind of words you normally hear in a lawsuit. These 2 necessarily, as I said, implicate a national interest. 3 Ecuador is identifying its national interest with the 4 Plaintiffs' case, and thus it's identifying Chevron as an 5 enemy of the country, and its lawyers and experts as 6 traitors to the nation. It's also the language, of course, 7 of intimidation, trying to prevent them from testifying in 8 this case.

Now, you asked in your Friday questions if anyone 10 involved in the fraudulent schemes has been charged. Well, 11 I would note that Chevron has sent at least 12 letters to 12 Ecuador's Prosecutor General in the past six years seeking 13 investigations, first of the Núñez bribery scandal; 14 secondly of the ghostwriting of the Cabrera Reports; and, 15 third, of the ghostwriting of the Judgment and the 16 corruption involved in it. So, all of these matters have 17 been put before the Prosecutor General, and substantial, in 18 fact, boxes and boxes of evidence, have been sent to the 19 Prosecutor General so that he would be fully informed and 20 have all the material. Chevron has given them all of that 21 information.

22 And yet, what has happened? No one has been 23 charged: Not Zambrano, not Fajardo, not Yánza, not 24 Donziger, and not any others over the past six years. And, 25 in fact, with regard to the Núñez bribery scandal in

02:10 1 corroborate Mr. Guerra's testimony. We would like to have 2 used that evidence, but because of concerns for their 3 safety at the hands of the Government, we did not bring 4 that evidence forward in this case.

It's this conduct of intimidation and retaliation that makes the Republic's actions so insidious. The 7 President's counsel Alexis Mera at one point had a meeting 8 with Fajardo in which he said you need to bring a mob to Ouito to close down the streets and to demonstrate because 10 that's the way this country operates. That's the way this 11 country works. Now, it's that attitude that has pervaded the Government's approach to both the Lago Agrio Case and to this BIT proceeding: Pressure and intimidation. 14 Intimidate the Judges. Intimidate Guerra. Intimidate 15 Chevron's experts. Intimidate Chevron itself, and 16 intimidate others.

17 But that strategy is the very antithesis of the 18 rule of law. That strategy puts one man's will above the 19 law.

20 Former Minister Alvarez, in his expert opinions, 21 noted President Correa's statements, and Mr. Paulsson 22 alluded to this earlier today, but President Correa has 23 said that he has the right to pressure the judiciary. When 24 he was asked about that statement, he said he's the leader 25 of the entire State, including the Judicial Branch as well

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02:09 1 particular, the Prosecutor General closed the investigation 2 not only taking no action, but he accused Chevron of 3 recklessly and maliciously filing the complaint and 4 threatened to investigate Chevron's lawyers instead.

Now, in contrast to the fact that Chevron's 6 requests for investigations have gone absolutely nowhere in 7 Ecuador, we can see what has happened in Fajardo's request 8 for a criminal investigation of Guerra. Over the past 9 week, the day after, in fact, Guerra testified in this 10 case, that investigation started to move forward very 11 quickly. The Prosecutor accepted jurisdiction. He added 12 documents to the file. He required that Chevron's lawyers 13 appear this week to testify in that investigation, along 14 with other witnesses, so we have seen substantial action in 15 that investigation, but nothing in the investigations

Now, I would also note that Ecuador's attempts at 17 18 intimidation have had their effects.

16 requested by Chevron.

19 In the RICO case there were four John Doe 20 witnesses for Chevron whose identity Judge Kaplan kept 21 confidential because of security concerns for their welfare 22 in Ecuador, and Judge Kaplan wrote a very long opinion 23 about maintaining confidentiality for those people.

Now, we could have produced their sworn 25 declarations in this case, and their sworn declarations

02:12 1 as the other branches. And at one point he called for a 2 referendum in early 2011 on the judicial system, saying, 3 among other things he was doing so, "so I could get my 4 hands on the justice system."

And he followed that view, and I have shown you 5 6 substantial evidence of this in the past. He's followed 7 that view by firing and prosecuting judges for the rulings 8 in specific cases, and here on slide 186 you see two Orders sent out by the Office of the Presidential Council to the judiciary in which he's essentially threatening judges 11 about their decisions in specific cases unless they rule in favor of the Government. You can read them at your 13 leisure, but that's essentially what they mean.

14 Now, President Correa may think that he's James 15 the First, but in the 21st Century, the King's prerogative does not extend to violating the law, including 17 international law. The rule of law is why we're here in this proceeding. It's what restrains despotic rulers. It's what makes foreign investment and economic development possible. In fact, it's the very foundation of liberty.

21 What we're asking in this case is that the 22 Tribunal uphold the rule of law because that's what, in 23 essence, this case is all about. You don't have to make a 24 decision that Ecuador's entire judiciary is corrupt or has 25 substantial problems. The issue before you, the issue in

02:14 1 this case is simply whether Chevron in the full 2 circumstances of this case can get a fair trial and fair 3 appeals in a situation in which the President of the 4 country condemns Chevron as an enemy of the country, and it 5 condemns its lawyers as traitors to the nation. And with that, Mr. President, I think that I will 6

7 hand the floor over to Caline Mouawad to discuss the standard of proof and the Judgment fraud.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

Ms. Mouawad.

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MS. MOUAWAD: Thank you, Mr. Bishop.

12 Mr. Chairman, Members of the Tribunal, I will

13 start by addressing the Tribunal's question from last 14 Friday about the applicable standards of proof when the

allegations concern what amounts to criminal conduct.

As the Chairman intimated in his question, there's 16 17 a distinction between the burden of proof and the standard

18 of proof. The Rompetrol Tribunal explained that 19 distinction most clearly. The burden of proof defines

20 which Party has to prove what in order for its case to

21 prevail; the standard of proof defines how much evidence is

22 needed to establish either an individual issue or the

Party's case as a whole.

The relevant rules applicable to our case do not 25 provide any specific standard of proof that the Tribunal

02:17 1 civil proceedings, and generally civil law would not impose 2 any heightened burden on the standard of proof just because 3 fraud and corruption are at issue.

> More recent jurisprudence has rejected a heightened standard of proof for fraud allegations in favor of the ordinary common law standard of balance of probabilities. You have that in the Libananco case and as well as in the Rompetrol case.

Whichever standard of proof the Tribunal decides to apply in this case, the evidence of fraud and judicial 11 corruption that is before you, Members of the Tribunal, is overwhelming. There has never been such clear, uncontroverted, and unrebutted evidence of fraud and corruption in any one case.

We have videotaped evidence, clip after clip after 15 16 clip of government officials doing everything in their power to help the Plaintiffs against Chevron. We have videotaped evidence of the President's top legal adviser, Alexis Mera, advising the Plaintiffs on how to pursue

criminal prosecution of Chevron's lawyers.

21 We have videotaped evidence of a supposedly 22 independent damages Court-appointed Expert meeting with the Plaintiffs prior to his appointments.

And we have videotaped evidence of a judge caught 25 in a bribery scandal.

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02:15 1 should apply. Under Dutch law, there are no relevant 2 mandatory rules that have a bearing on the issue. 3 Article 1039 Subsection 5 of the 1986 Dutch Arbitration Act 4 provide that the application of the evidentiary rules is at 5 the discretion of the Tribunal. The UNCITRAL Rules are 6 silent on the standard of proof; so, again, it is left to 7 the Tribunal's discretion. The BIT also has no relevant 8 rules.

9 Which brings us to investment arbitral case law, 10 which may be better suited to assist the Tribunal on the issue of the proper standard of proof in cases of fraud and serious wrongdoing. 12

Judge Higgins cautioned that, "the graver the 13 14 charge, the more confidence must be in the evidence relied 15 on." With that in mind, tribunals have applied different 16 standards of proof. Some tribunals have imposed a 17 heightened common law standard of clear and convincing 18 evidence for fraud and corruption allegations. You see

19 this in the Siag v. Egypt Case. You also see EDF versus 20 Romania and Rumeli versus Kazakhstan.

21 Other tribunals have employed the civil law 22 standard of reasonable certainty to determine whether 23 corruption has been established. Reasonable certainty is 24 the standard of proof that most civil law systems,

25 including The Netherlands, impose to disputed facts in all

02:18 1 We have e-mail evidence--and you saw this this 2 morning with Mr. Coriell--we have e-mail evidence of the 3 Attorney General's Office working with the Plaintiffs to, 4 "search for ways to nullify and undermine the Settlement 5 and Release Agreements." We have e-mail evidence of the 6 Plaintiffs' lawyers worried about, "going to jail," because 7 of their illegal conduct.

We have banking records of bribes paid and secret 8 9 accounts.

10 We have the use of the code names, the cook, the waiter, the restaurant, the menu, the Wao, the puppet, the 11 puppeteer, all of these code names to hide the truth of 13 wrongdoing.

14 We have admissions by co-conspirators about qhostwriting Expert Reports and judicial orders. 15 16

And we have conclusive forensic evidence that the Plaintiffs ghostwrote this \$18 billion Judgment.

Under any standard of proof, the amount of 18 evidence that Chevron has put forward is staggering, and I would refer you to Judge Kaplan's decision in the RICO action in which he found that Chevron had proven among other things the Judgment fraud with clear and convincing evidence. That's Exhibit C-2135 at Pages 323 to 326.

24 Chevron has exposed an unprecedented record of 25 judicial fraud and public corruption, its complexities, its

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02:20 1 secrecy, its insidiousness, and Ecuador's only answer is 2 show us more evidence.

> But Ecuador is complicit in ensuring that more 4 evidence is not found, and that more evidence that is in 5 Ecuador does not come to light.

You heard Dr. Andrade tell us earlier this week 6 7 that the Prosecutor General is required to investigate 8 judicial fraud, but when Chevron asked the Prosecutor 9 General three years ago--three years ago--to collect 10 documents and order the forensic examination of the 11 computers of Fajardo, Sáenz, Prieto, Yánza, Cabrera, and 12 Zambrano, among others, in Ecuador, the Prosecutor General 13 just ignored Chevron's request.

When Chevron provided the Prosecutor General with 15 the latest evidence of fraud in the Lago Agrio Case, the 16 Prosecutor General answered that, as the head of public 17 criminal action, he could not investigate a civil 18 proceeding, and he returned the three boxes of evidence to 19 Chevron unopened.

20 The Prosecutor General repeatedly abdicates his 21 duty to investigate the judicial fraud that has transpired 22 in the Chevron case.

And instead of investigating Fajardo or Yánza or 24 Zambrano, Ecuador is actively pursuing an investigation 25 against Mr. Guerra for the alleged crime of incitement or 02:23 1 action.

And when Chevron sought Mr. Fajardo's depositions 3 and special arrangements were made for depositions to be 4 heard at the U.S. Embassy in Lima, Mr. Fajardo simply refused to appear and have his deposition taken.

This is the same Fajardo who, just a couple of 6 7 years earlier, eagerly submitted a declaration in 17 U.S. 8 court proceedings, a highly misleading Declaration, in 9 which he did not disclose blackmailing Judge Yánez into 10 canceling the judicial inspections, or the Plaintiffs' 11 secret meeting with Cabrera, or Stratus ghostwriting the 12 Cabrera Report, or the Plaintiffs' secret payments to 13 Mr. Cabrera. Mr. Fajardo shamelessly went across the 14 United States filing this false Declaration in many U.S. 15 courts, but when it came time to be held accountable by one

16 of those courts, the New York Court, Mr. Fajardo was 17 nowhere to be found.

So, in answer to one of the Tribunal's questions, 18 19 yes, Mr. Fajardo was requested to give evidence in the RICO case he refused to do it, and the Court drew an adverse 21 inference from the lack of his testimony, but it did 22 clarify that it would have made the same findings even in 23 the absence of those inferences.

Notwithstanding Ecuador's and the Plaintiffs' 25 efforts to keep the truth from coming to light, the

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02:21 1 fostering separatism, an investigation that Ecuador opened 2 at the request of Mr. Fajardo, whose very computer is a 3 critical piece of evidence of the fraud. By investigating 4 Mr. Guerra rather than Mr. Fajardo, Ecuador is again making 5 sure that this piece of evidence never comes to light.

Ecuador has also made sure that no other witness 7 testimony will come to light in Ecuador. As you heard from 8 Mr. Bishop, Ecuador brazenly uses State power to intimidate 9 persons assisting Chevron. President Correa personally 10 denounces anyone who works with Chevron on this case as a 11 traitor to the nation. Just a few weeks ago, on the eve of 12 this Hearing, President Correa singled out Mr. Guerra in 13 his weekly presidential address. And you, Members of the 14 Tribunal, witnessed how Ecuador's counsel pushed to know

15 where Mr. Guerra's children and grandchildren live. Chevron tried to obtain documentary and 16 17 testimonial evidence through the New York RICO action as 18 well, but its efforts to get evidence from the Ecuadorian 19 co-conspirators were, "largely stonewalled." Even when 20 ordered to do so, Donziger refused to produce the

21 Ecuadorian co-conspirators' documents. Mr. Fajardo then

22 commenced a collusive action in Ecuador, and obtained an 23 order from an Ecuadorian Court, again complicit with the

24 Plaintiffs to cover up the fraud, this order enjoining

25 Mr. Fajardo from producing any documents in the RICO

02:25 1 evidence that you have before you of the Judgment fraud 2 that took place in Ecuador's courts is as shocking as it is 3 voluminous. The starting point for examining the Judgment 4 fraud is the text of the Judgment itself, and that starting 5 point is an undisputed point between the Parties. The 6 Judgment copies verbatim from the Plaintiffs' work-product 7 documents.

Ecuador admitted this point in its Opening 8 9 Statement, stating that it "does not dispute the text from 10 some of the Plaintiffs' documents appears in the Judgment 11 as Claimants have identified." Ecuador's own forensic 12 expert Mr. Racich also agreed that the Judgment copied from 13 work product documents created by the Plaintiffs. This is 14 the Hearing Transcript at Page 1194.

We saw together the extent of that copying when 15 16 Dr. Leonard testified here on the second day of the 17 Hearing. Dr. Leonard identified five different indicia of 18 plagiarism across 38 examples in the Judgment spanning 19 dozens of pages. Among other things, the Judgment copied 20 word strings of 90 words, 100 words, 150 words. The 21 Judgment copied identical mistakes. Our starting point is 22 thus one of common ground. Page after page, the Judgment

23 copies multiple times and in multiple ways from the

24 Plaintiffs' work-product documents.

But none of these Plaintiffs' documents copied

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02:26 1 into the Judgment appears in the Lago Agrio Court Record.
2 You heard Dr. Juola explain to you in detail how he
3 reviewed the entire Lago Agrio Court Record with the aid of
4 his computers. His analysis was robust and reliable. He
5 broke down the entire Lago Agrio Court Record into millions
6 of five word strings scouring the record for a source for
7 the overlaps. To no avail.

8 Ecuador tried to poke holes in Dr. Juola's
9 computational analysis by attacking the quality of the OCR
10 record that he reviewed. Ecuador showed him text files of
11 the Court Record with localized error, but as Dr. Juola
12 testified, his reading of the record five words at a time
13 was specifically intended to mitigate the risk of localized
14 errors. Even if every other line of text were missing, he
15 still would have caught a source for overlaps of 50 words,
16 100 words, 150 words.

Ecuador then pointed to a few documents that, when subjected to the OCR process, produced blank pages, but as Dr. Juola testified if the Plaintiffs' work-product documents which you see on the screen, if those documents had been filed in the Lago Agrio Court Record, they would have OCR'd very well and would have produced readable text, not blank pages because these documents were nicely typeset. These are not handwritten documents, these are typed and printed documents as you see on the screen.

02:29 1 date of May 28, 2010, which is the date when Chevron began
2 receiving document production from the discovery actions in
3 the United States, and so the idea was to ensure that,
4 prior to May 28, 2010, Chevron would have had no access to
5 any of that work product. And after that date it would
6 have, and we wanted to be sure that it hadn't been
7 inadvertently put in the record through Chevron's own
8 filings, so this is why you have the subset of
9 documents--generally all of the Plaintiffs' filings,
10 anything filed by third parties, and Chevron's filings
11 after May 28th, 2010.

There was a three-level hand review that was done.
First level was two reviewers who looked at every document.
Second level of review was also two reviewers who looked at the entire set, so it wasn't just first pass, second pass.
The first level, both looked at the entire set; second level, both looked at the entire set; and then there was a third level of review that Mr. Hernandez personally conducted.

I hope that elucidates the mystery of the $\ensuremath{\text{21}}$ hand-review.

And in doing that very thorough hand-review of
every piece of document in those categories that I just
described they looked for the passages that same from the

24 described, they looked for the passages that came from the

25 Fusión Memo, the January and June Index Summaries, the

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02:28 1 And, in fact, looking at the Plaintiffs' filings
2 that Ecuador showed Dr. Juola, those filings which for one
3 of them you should have on the left, the TIFF image,
4 produced generally good quality text which you see on the
5 right-hand side after the OCR process. So, Dr. Juola did
6 not find the Plaintiffs' work-product documents in the Lago
7 Agrio Record, and Ecuador, despite having clearly spent
8 time reviewing that record, also did not find the
9 Plaintiffs' work-product documents in the Court Record.
10 None of the documents that Ecuador showed
11 Dr. Juola, none of them was the Plaintiffs' internal work
12 documents.

 $\,$ The manual review that Morningside did also came $\,$ 14 $\,$ up empty-handed.

15 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could I just ask you to take
16 this piece of evidence quite slowly. There was one
17 question that we wanted to raise last Friday, and we
18 omitted to raise it. So, just explain a little bit more as
19 you go through what Mr. Hernandez's colleagues looked at.

20 MS. MOUAWAD: Sure, I'd be happy to do this.
21 Morningside Translations conducted a manual review

21 Morningside Translations conducted a manual review 22 of all the documents filed, of a subset of the documents

23 filed in the Lago Agrio Litigation, and that subset

24 includes all of the filings by the Plaintiffs, all of the 25 filings by third parties, and Chevron's filings after the 02:31 1 Fajardo Trust e-mail, Draft Alegato, Moodie Memo, and Selva 2 Viva Database.

> And the conclusion that Mr. Hernandez drew and to which he testified in his Report is that none of these overlaps is in the Lago Agrio Court record, and Ecuador has offered no response to the Morningside manual review of the record.

8 So no one, not Chevron, not the Plaintiffs, not 9 Ecuador--absolutely no one--has produced a copy of any 10 single one of the Plaintiffs' work-product documents as 11 filed with the Lago Agrio Court.

And this brings us to the Lago Agrio Court Record.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just one moment. Just coming
back to the records that were reviewed by Mr. Hernandez and
bis colleagues, you say he reviewed documents filed, but

they were copies of documents or copies of the file. Were they the product of OCR or were they photocopies?

MS. MOUAWAD: They reviewed the actual TIFF images, so they could be the same TIFF image record that Dr. Juola was provided for was also provided to

21 Morningside, so they reviewed the actual documents that

22 were filed, not a text version that had been OCR'd.

23 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

MS. MOUAWAD: Sure.

So, that brings us to what the Lago Agrio Record

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02:32 1 is or isn't.

As Chevron's Expert Dr. Velázquez testified in his
Expert Report, and as you heard Mr. Guerra confirm in
cross-examination, the official Court Record is the one
kept by the Court Clerk. A party will file the document
with the Court Clerk. That document is stamped to prove
that it was received by that Clerk and that it was
submitted to be included in the Court Record, and that's
what we talk about and referred to as the certificate of
submission.

The Clerk stamps a document, and this is a blowup of that stamp that you will see--handwrites the date when the document is received by the Clerk, writes in the time at which it was received, and then signs it.

15 And typically the party filing a document will 16 bring an extra copy, have that document also stamped, 17 signed, and dated, so that it maintains proof of receipt by 18 the Court.

The copy of the document that is actually included in the Court Record, that's physically put into the Court Record is paginated, hand paginated by the Court Clerk and then inserted into the record, into the Cuerpo of the record.

So, this is how a Court Record becomes the Court It's a finite universe of documents that serves as

02:35 1 it here except to say one thing. That among each other,
2 the poor members of the fraud clearly discussed their plan
3 to draft the Judgment, as is clear from this June 2009
4 e-mail, and they wanted to do it without having a member or
5 Junior member of their team know what he is doing. So,
6 it's no surprise that they wanted to keep this a secret
7 from others. And, in fact, many individuals, funders,
8 lawyers, other people that were part of this whole
9 fraudulent scheme but who were not members, core members of
10 the fraud have testified about Donziger and Fajardo
11 misleading them about what was really going on in the Lago
12 Agrio Litigation.

13 Ecuador simply cannot explain away any of the 14 Plaintiffs' unfiled documents. It speculates, it suggests, 15 it ignores, but at the end of the day, it cannot produce a 16 filed copy of any one of these nine documents.

And if you step back for a moment and you look at these documents on the screen, the Plaintiffs' legal research memos, the Plaintiffs' database of sampling results, the Plaintiffs' internal index of the Court Record, the Plaintiffs' internal e-mails, these documents are precisely the types of documents that the Plaintiffs would have had at their fingertips in ghostwriting the Judgment, which explains how they left their fingerprints all over that judgment.

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02:33 1 a basis for a judge's decision. And the importance of the 2 Court Record cannot be overstated. As Dr. Velázquez stated 3 in his Report, "what is not part of the record lacks 4 procedural value and obviously can't be used as basis or 5 element to render a decision."

And Dr. Andrade agreed and went even further:
Documents that are not properly submitted, to the Court,
"do not exist."

9 A judge cannot consider evidence that is not in
10 the Court Record. That is a breach of Ecuadorian law and
11 of due process, and for that I refer you to the Expert
12 Report of Dr. Velázquez. And yet that is precisely what
13 the Lago Agrio Judgment does. It relies over and over
14 again on evidence not in the Court Record. No one has ever
15 found an official filed copy of any single one of the

16 Plaintiffs' work product documents, but Ecuador expects you 17 to believe that Judge Zambrano supposedly found each of

18 these nine Plaintiffs' documents. Now, Ecuador makes a

19 last-ditch attempt to undermine this overwhelming evidence

20 of fraud by pointing to a handful of Fajardo e-mails in

21 December 2010 and January 2011 as supposed evidence that

the Plaintiffs did not know when the Judgment was coming, and so they could not have qhostwritten that judgment.

Mr. Bishop already addressed Ecuador's argument in detail in his opening presentation, so I will not revisit

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02:37 1 And if we look specifically at this Selva Viva
2 Database, it's one of the dozen examples of the Plaintiffs'
3 fingerprints that simply cannot be explained any other way
4 than by the Plaintiffs' ghostwriting. The forensic
5 evidence in this regard is conclusive, and I would refer
6 the Tribunal to Mr. Lynch's testimony starting on Page 948
7 and Mr. Racich's testimony starting on Page 1195, so I will
8 just cover this very quickly because I want you to see the
9 points that cannot be refuted where the forensic evidence
10 is clear, and it cannot be refuted.

11 We know that the author of the Judgment used the
12 Selva Viva Database. There are data and naming
13 irregularities that are copy-pasted into the Judgment.
14 There are statistical percentages calculated across
15 thousands of lab results from within the database that
16 appear into the Judgment, and I think you will remember
17 this slide, I should give credit to Mr. Lynch from his
18 opening presentation. Mr. Racich agreed and testified that
19 whoever calculated the statistics that made it into the
20 Judgment must have had access to the Selva Viva Database

Judgment must have had access to the Selva Viva Database.

We also know from Mr. Lynch that the Selva Viva
Database, if printed, would print out to more than 2000
pages and would be completely unusable. It is only usable

24 in electronic form.

So, we know that the Selva Viva Database

02:38 1 information is in the Judgment, that it must have been in 2 electronic form. We know that the Selva Viva Database is 3 not in the Lago Agrio Record, not in the paper record, and 4 not in the 69 CDs. And for this I refer you to Dr. Juola's 5 January 2013 and June 2013 Reports.

We also know that there are no electronic copies 7 of the Plaintiffs' documents on Zambrano's computers. Both 8 Mr. Lynch and Mr. Racich testified to that.

We know that Zambrano's computers were not used to 10 calculate the statistics in the Judgment. Mr. Lynch 11 testified that Excel was used for fewer than five minutes 12 during the period of Zambrano's second tenure from 13 October 2010 through March 2011, and that it was not used 14 at all during the period from December 21 to December 28, 15 2010, where content from the Selva Viva Database was 16 entered into the Providencias document. And Mr. Racich 17 agreed with Mr. Lynch's testimony regarding the amount of

18 Excel usage on Zambrano's computers. 19 So, Ecuador can speculate all it wants about how 20 Judge Zambrano may have received the Selva Viva Database, 21 but the forensic evidence is irrefutable. Judge Zambrano 22 did not have the Selva Viva Database on his computers. He 23 did not download it. He did not use it. He did not make 24 calculations with it. There is simply no explanation for 25 how data and naming irregularities and statistical

02:41 1 knowledge.

With regard to the missing witnesses on Ecuador's 2 3 side, I note that Ecuador brought forward, as Mr. Bishop 4 previewed, not one witness to support its elaborate version of events of how this Judgment came to be.

I will go through some of Claimants' witnesses 7 that you did not hear from over the last three weeks. 8 First is Adam Torres, a 30-year veteran of the U.S. 9 Marshals and the IRS fraud investigation. He has a unique 10 background of investigating thousands of public corruption 11 claims, including thousands of judicial corruption claims in his 30-year career.

13 What he did in this case was to conduct an independent, from-scratch review of more than a million 15 records provided to him directly, and looking only at the 16 corroborating evidence of what happened and what was 17 attached to Mr. Guerra's report. He found that the documents, standing alone, were consistent with the pattern of public corruption that he identified in his career. He also opined that none of the alternative theories brought 21 forward survived the challenge of investigation. 22 And I'm going to show you a timeline of the

23 documents culled together by Mr. Torres. Now, in order to 24 analyze and investigate the chain of events, he assembled a 25 timeline, and even without Guerra's words narrating the

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02:40 1 percentages from the Selva Viva Database made their way 2 into the Judgment other than the Plaintiffs put them there, 3 the same way that they put in the rest of their internal

4 unfiled documents into the Judgment as we just saw.

5 Ecuador simply cannot explain away the evidence.

I will now turn the floor to Ms. Silbert who will show you how Ecuador has tried to minimize this mountain of Judgment fraud evidence by limiting the extent of the evidence that it wanted you to hear.

10 Thank you.

11 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

Ms. Silbert. 12

MS. SILBERT: Members of the Tribunal, good 13

14 afternoon.

In its guestions to the Parties last week, 15 16 Tribunal asked the extent to which it can draw adverse 17 inferences from the failure of certain witnesses to appear. 18 Over the next 15 minutes, I will address that question 19 along with the larger theme of missing Witnesses that have 20 been so prominent in this Hearing.

21 With respect to Claimants' witnesses, Ecuador made 22 a tactical choice not to confront many of the key witnesses

23 we brought regarding the Judgment fraud. Instead, they 24 critiqued that evidence indirectly through the argument of

25 counsel or by questioning witnesses without direct

02:43 1 story as you've heard before, the plot is very clear.

2 You've seen these documents before, so I won't go into them

3 in great detail. I just will walk through one pattern. We

4 see on November 18 a Draft Order saved to Guerra's

5 computer, the next day a shipping receipt of a package to

6 Narcisa Leon at the Lago Agrio Court, and four days later

7 Judge Zambrano issues an order with closely matching text.

A few days later, there is a \$1,000 withdrawal from the

9 Selva Viva bank account as evidenced in the record itself,

and the next day, an internal e-mail from the Plaintiffs'

11 team we have seen before. "The budget is higher since we

are paying the puppeteer." And that day a 1,000-dollar

deposit, according to Guerra's own bank account statement. 13

14 And from there we see the pattern repeat itself

again and again, and the timeline continues. 15

16 Another witness you did not hear from is

Dr. Gerald McMenamin, a Spanish linguist with significant

testifying expertise on Authorship issues. Dr. McMenamin

concluded that it's highly probable the Judgment has

multiple authors and that Nicholas Zambrano did not author

21 a significant amount of that document.

He achieved this analysis by relying on what he calls style markers: He analyzed seven different ones, and

24 I'll show you just one.

Mr. Zambrano, in his known writings, has a very

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02:45 1 unique and very consistent manner of subdividing his 2 headings. You see a number, a period, a dash, a number, a 3 parentheses, a period, a dash. It's quite consistent among 4 documents.

When you look at the Judgment, however, you see 6 all sorts of styles used. It goes back and forth from one 7 to the other. No internal inconsistency whatsoever.

Now, Dr. McMenamin concluded that this means 9 multiple authors, but I note that this evidence also 10 dovetails with the forensic evidence proving that the 11 Judgment is a collection of cut and pasted text from 12 different sources.

13 Another witness, Dr. Vladimiro Alvarez, his 14 qualifications are here on the screen, and they are many, 15 but I also note to you that his Report attached hundreds 16 upon hundreds of public media and NGO reports on the state 17 of the judiciary of Ecuador and its decline in recent 18 years.

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Dr. Alvarez concluded that the Executive Branch 20 has continually violated the rule of law by influencing 21 courts and tribunals. Ecuador never confronted him on this 22 conclusion. Instead, and to make a point personal that 23 we've heard from several times in our Closing Statements 24 today, Mr. Alvarez testified before the New York Court

25 about the effect that President Correa's statements calling

02:48 1 level of confidence that the Courts in Ecuador guarantee 2 fair trials support the conclusion that the Courts of 3 Ecuador do not offer impartial tribunals." Again, he has 4 never been cross-examined on that ultimate conclusion.

> And these are but a few of the Witnesses you did 6 not hear from this week--I'm sorry, this month, from the Claimants' side.

You also have not heard Ecuador challenge the 9 testimony of many who have disavowed the Judgment. And I 10 put up here on the board several witnesses who have 11 publicly recanted their involvement in this case. This involves them admitting wrongdoing in many instances. And for the funders, they have forfeited their stake in the Judgment, and many millions of sunk costs towards the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' legal case.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Would you mind just going 17 through their names and telling us where they came from.

MS. SILBERT: Sure. You see at the top 18 19 Mr. Beltman and Ms. Maest, across, those are Stratus consultants. Mr. Russell and Mr. Ouarles were early 21 Experts who had provided assessments that they later 22 recanted, and the cleansing Experts who gave depositions

23 either recanting--well, recanting their findings or stating 24 that the findings relied on the Cabrera Report and did not

25 come from independent testing and data.

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02:46 1 him and other Chevron witnesses "traitors," the effect that 2 that had on his personal reputation, his 35-year career as 3 a professor and his working life as an attorney.

The fourth and final witness I will go over with 5 you is Professor Mitchell Seligson, a professor at 6 Vanderbilt University. He's responsible for the Latin 7 American Public Opinion Project which administers the 8 Americas Barometer Survey throughout Latin America. 9 Mr. Seligson has personally conducted these surveys in 10 Ecuador since 2001. And what you did hear Ecuador do this 11 week is tout one of Professor Seligson's own surveys in its 12 opening. Again, without calling him for cross. You see 13 the cover of this survey sponsored by USAID. At the bottom 14 we see the LAPOP Project and Vanderbilt University. He is

15 the director of this study. Now, if Mr. Seligson had been here, he would have 16 17 told you that the 2014 Report far from endorsing Ecuador's 18 judiciary, marked the lowest point in a decade of

19 confidence in the judiciary among the Americas, that

20 Ecuador continued to rank among the most corrupt countries

21 in the Americas, and that more than 68 percent of

22 Respondents in Ecuador said that corruption is somewhat or

23 very common among government officials in their country.

I've put Professor Seligson's ultimate conclusion 25 up here for you: "The high level of bribery and the low

At the bottom, Joe Kohn, an American lawyer who 2 originally had worked with the Plaintiffs, Mr. McDermott

> 3 and Mr. Shinder, also attorneys. Chris Bogart, Mr. De Leon 4 and Woodsford were all litigation funders. Mr. Bogart, his

5 declaration is in the record. Mr. De Leon and the

6 Woodsford, those settlements have become public in very 7 recent months since we last submitted a Memorial on the

Merits, our last Memorial on the Merits.

9 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Forgive me for interrupting, when you say "settled," were they Defendants in the RICO 11 litigation in New York?

MS. SILBERT: No, I apologize. And correct me if 13 I'm mistaken, but they were not, those are separate 14 settlements agreed between Chevron and those Parties.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay. 15

MS. SILBERT: Changing gears from Claimant's case 16 17 to Ecuador's. We also note that Ecuador has brought 18 forward no witnesses to support its version of events. Of course, the key missing witness is Mr. Zambrano and 20 Mr. Bishop will tell you more about him later, but we also

21 note that there are several Court employees who could have

22 come forward to discuss Ecuador's side of this case, and 23 that includes Ms. Calva, Ms. Leon, Mr. Albán. The

24 Plaintiffs' legal team are another category of witnesses we

25 do not see here, and given their eagerness to defend the

02:51 1 Judgment in the media and tout it as a historic victory, 2 one would presume they would be willing to defend it here 3 before you, but none have stepped forward to testify under 4 oath.

Now, the Tribunal asked last week about 6 Ms. Calva's testimony before the New York Court. This 7 timeline sets forward the events that took place there. I 8 will note that all of the documents referenced here are on 9 the record with two exceptions, the November 20 Court Order 10 and the December 4 through the 7th migration records. With 11 the Tribunal's permission, we would ask to add those to the 12 record in response to the Tribunal's guestions. We have 13 the exhibit numbers ready, and we can distribute the documents at the end of our presentation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: If you can first show them to 15 16 the Respondent, and then we will see where we go.

MS. SILBERT: Yes, we will do that.

In brief, the timeline is as follows, two weeks 18

19 into the RICO Case, the Defendants moved to add

20 Evelyn Calva to their witness list and to submit her

21 notarized Declaration. Judge Zambrano was deposed the very

22 next day after that Declaration was signed and admitted

Ms. Calva's involvement in writing the Judgment.

Judge Kaplan accepted Ms. Calva's Declaration on

25 the condition that she submit to a deposition, a sworn

02:54 1 without showing sufficient cause, the Tribunal may make the 2 Award on the evidence before it; in other words, the rules 3 suggest sticking to the record at hand.

The IBA Rules, however, explicitly permit adverse inferences both with respect to documentary evidence and 6 witness testimony. Here we see if a party fails to make 7 available any other relevant evidence, including testimony 8 sought by one party or fails to make available evidence including testimony ordered by the Tribunal, the Tribunal 10 may infer that such evidence would be adverse to the 11 interests of that party.

12 And, finally, we have reviewed Dutch law on this matter. As Ms. Mouawad told you, the application of Dutch 13 procedural law is discretionary under the Dutch Arbitration Act, but we simply note that adverse inferences are permitted.

17 Regarding the practical application of adverse inferences by international tribunals, we point the Tribunal to a thorough survey of the practices of the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal on adverse inferences in 21 particular, published in Arbitration International and which summarizes many published decisions of that Tribunal.

23 Here you see a five-point test. We would state that all

24 five of these factors are met. But we do note two

25 procedural requirements that emerge from the practice of

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02:52 1 deposition, in New York. And over the next week, the

2 Defendant's lawyers represented that they would obtain a

3 visa for Ms. Calva and her sister to travel to the United

4 States. Those visas were obtained, but the very next day,

5 the lawyers advised the Court that they would no longer

6 call Ms. Calva to trial. The trial concluded on

7 November 26th, and on December 4th, Ms. Calva traveled to

8 New York, accompanied by her sister. How did Judge Kaplan

9 weigh Ms. Calva's evidence before him? You see how he

10 assessed it in his ultimate decision. He noted that at

11 first Zambrano stated in his original Declaration he was

12 the only Author of the Judgment. Then Ms. Calva's

13 existence was actually first disclosed by Mr. Guerra. And

14 after Guerra had testified, the Defendants moved to add

15 Ms. Calva as a witness, and at that point Zambrano changed

16 his story.

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Judge Kaplan said, of course, Ms. Calva readily 17 18 could have confirmed or denied Zambrano's account; and

19 while the Court does not draw any inference as to the

20 substance of her testimony she would have given, her

21 absence is worthy of note. We ask the Tribunal to make a

22 similar inference with respect to Judge Zambrano's

23 testimony at least.

The UNCITRAL Rules states that if one party duly

25 invited to produce documentary evidence fails to do so

02:56 1 the Tribunal.

First, there is a consensus that an adverse 2 3 inference must relate to an Order by the Tribunal under the 4 IBA Rules. And there is also a consensus that a tribunal 5 must notify a party of its evidential obligations and give 6 it a sufficient opportunity to produce the evidence before 7 drawing the inference. For that reason, we suggest treating the failure of certain witnesses to appear, including Judge Zambrano, as additional circumstantial evidence of concealment of wrongdoing without drawing 11 formal inferences as to the content of that testimony.

A similar approach was found by the Feldman versus 13 Mexico Tribunal. In this case, the Claimant alleged 14 discrimination. It said that it was denied export rebates that were handed out to their local Mexican equivalents. And here the Tribunal noted the utter failure of Mexico to bring exonerating evidence before the Tribunal. Instead,

Mexico had focused its defense on the corporate structure 19 of the Claimant Parties.

As the Tribunal said: Why would any rational 20 21 party have taken this approach at the Hearing and in the 22 Briefs if it had information in its possession that would

have shown that the Mexican-owned cigarette exporters were

24 being treated in the same manner as the Claimant? This

25 allowed the Tribunal to make an inference based on that

02:57 1 failure to present evidence. It was treated as another 2 weight on the scale of evidence before the Tribunal.

At the very heart of this issue, and in conclusion 4 of my presentation, we note Ecuador's responsibility to 5 produce all evidence in its possession to establish the 6 truth, whatever it may be. In this case, the Parker versus 7 Mexico Commission took into account the Respondent's 8 failure to produce relevant evidence in reaching its 9 decision.

10 This concludes my presentation. I turn it back to 11 Mr. Bishop, who will explain to you the evidence that is 12 before you concerning the conduct of Guerra and Zambrano 13 which is more than sufficient to support a finding of

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just before that happens, you 15 16 referred to Jeremy Sharpe's Article in Slide 246, Exhibit

17 CLA-620. I don't believe we have that electronically. MS. SILBERT: No, that's correct. I apologize. 18 19 There are several Legal Authorities that we are seeking to 20 introduce into the record in response to the Tribunal's 21 questions of last Friday. We also have them ready to

22 distribute at the end of our presentation, and can hand

23 them to Ecuador before turning them in.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Do share them to the Respondent 25 first.

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03:00 1 forthright answers in his testimony in the past two weeks;

Second, the extent to which his testimony is 2 3 corroborated by independent and documentary evidence;

And, third, from the extent to which our own 4 common sense tells us that his testimony is probably 5 correct given the full facts and circumstances that you otherwise have before you.

8 So, in the next few minutes, I intend to go 9 through the corroborating evidence in particular for the testimony you've heard from Mr. Guerra.

First of all, there is no dispute that Mr. Guerra 11 was generally ghostwriting Court Orders for Judge Zambrano at least in other cases. Zambrano, in fact, admitted this 14 in his RICO testimony. He admitted that Guerra, in the 15 period from 2009 to 2012, was helping him draft Court 16 Orders generally. So, we had that admitted from Zambrano 17 himself.

18 Mr. Lynch, in his forensic examination of 19 Mr. Guerra's computers, found over 100 draft Court Orders on Guerra's computer that were later issued by Zambrano in his other cases. So, there is no dispute that Guerra was generally ghostwriting Orders for Zambrano. There is no dispute about that whatsoever.

24 Now, Zambrano, however, denies that Guerra 25 ghostwrote Court Orders in the Chevron Case specifically.

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02:59 1 MS. SILBERT: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: So it would be 620, 623, 621.

3 MS. SILBERT: Correct.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: We will sort that out later.

MS. SILBERT: And we have an index as well for 5 everyone to view.

7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Show it to the Respondent

first. Thank you very much.

MS. SILBERT: We will. Thank you.

10 MR. BISHOP: Thank you, Mr. President.

11 At this point we move to the end of our discussion 12 of the fraud and corruption facts, and what I plan to do is 13 to take you briefly through some of the testimony of

14 Mr. Guerra and the corroborating evidence for his

15 testimony, and then move to Mr. Zambrano and discuss the

16 RICO evidence or the RICO testimony that he gave. And I

17 should be approximately 30 to 40 minutes in that endeavor.

Now, you have been able to see and hear directly

19 from Mr. Guerra, and as I mentioned in the opening,

20 Mr. Guerra is no saint. He's admitted to some very serious

21 wrongdoing, but the guestion the Tribunal has to deal with

22 with respect to his testimony is simply whether the

23 testimony that he has given before you is true or not, and

24 there are three ways in which you can go about doing that:

First, from your own view of his demeanor and his

03:02 1 But first of all, in light of the clear pattern that Guerra

2 and Zambrano had established with Guerra ghostwriting over 3 100 Orders, Zambrano's testimony in this regard has to be

4 viewed with substantial scepticism.

5 And what I had planned to do next was to walk you through but very quickly the evidence that corroborates 7 Mr. Guerra's testimony that he was paid \$1,000 a month by the Plaintiffs to ghostwrite the Court Orders for Zambrano 9 in the Chevron Case specifically and to move the case along 10 quickly for them, and you see Mr. Guerra's testimony in the

11 next slide. The first corroborating evidence I would refer you 13 to is the Plaintiffs' own e-mails. When Zambrano was 14 becoming the Judge in his first tenure in September 2009,

15 October 2009, Fajardo sent an e-mail to Donziger in which

16 he said "I understand that Zambrano himself asked Judge 17 Núñez...that Núñez help him with the Orders."

18 So, what you see is that, in their own e-mails,

the Plaintiffs are saying that they knew that Zambrano 20 needed help with the Orders, his Orders were ghostwritten

21 and they were thinking who do they want to have

22 qhostwriting these Orders, Núñez who is being recused from

23 the case or Zambrano?

And also, I showed you in the Opening Statement--I 25 haven't put it up again here--the use of code names by the

03:03 1 Plaintiffs for Guerra and Zambrano in this period, in 2 September, October and November 2009, they were referring 3 to Guerra and Zambrano as the puppeteer and the puppet. 4 And the only reason they would be using code names to hide 5 the identities of Guerra and Zambrano is that they knew 6 that what they were doing was illegal.

Now, secondly--and this is very important, and you 8 see it on the next slide, I put this up in the opening 9 statement--we can match up the bank records both of 10 Mr. Guerra and of the Plaintiffs themselves to show that 11 they were paying Guerra \$1,000 a month during this period 12 to ghostwrite the Orders. The Plaintiffs were using the 13 Selva Viva company, which was set up by Donziger to support 14 the Plaintiffs, and he's testified to that. There is no 15 dispute about it. But what you see in this slide is that, 16 throughout this period of Zambrano's first term on the 17 Court from October 2009 to February 2010, you see \$1,000 18 cash withdrawals from the Selva Viva bank account and 19 either the same day or the next day you see that same amount of money being put into Mr. Guerra's bank account.

And for the first two deposits, we can match them 22 up to e-mails that Fajardo and Yánza were sending referring to them paying the puppeteer.

For the last two, we have direct evidence that 25 they were the ones who were making these payments into

03:06 1 this. Mr. Lynch did a forensic examination of Mr. Guerra's 2 computer, and he found the drafts of nine Court Orders in 3 the Chevron Case that were ultimately issued by Zambrano, 4 he found those drafts on Mr. Guerra's computer. The drafts 5 on Guerra's computer pre-date the later issuance of those 6 same Court Orders by Zambrano. And Mr. Lynch compared the 7 contents of the drafts on Guerra's computer to the final issued documents. He found substantial overlaps of the language, but they were not identical, so they were clearly 10 drafts as they appeared on Guerra's computer.

Now, fourth, we can also confirm that these were 11 drafts by looking at their contents because what we find, as you will see on Slide 259, is that Guerra left blank spaces in these Orders. You heard him testify about this 15 last week when he was here. He left blank spaces, and he put editorial notes in all capital letters for Zambrano in 17 places where he didn't have the information, and Zambrano had to fill in, for example, the names of expert witnesses, so you see those editorial notes in the drafts on Guerra's computer that he was sending to Zambrano. And Mr. Guerra 21 testified about this in his testimony that, in fact, these were editorial notes to Zambrano to fill in.

Now, fifth, Mr. Guerra testified, and Mr. Zambrano 23 24 confirmed in his RICO testimony, that Guerra would, in

25 fact, sometimes ship draft Court Orders to him using TAME

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03:05 1 Mr. Guerra's account because the deposit slips were signed 2 by Ximena Centeno. And when she signed the deposit slips, 3 she had to put her cédula number--that is her personal 4 identification number in Ecuador--on the deposit slips. 5 You can see it on the next slide, and we have matched that 6 cédula up to the governmental records to show that, in 7 fact, that is her number.

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And Mr. Donziger, in his RICO testimony, testified 9 that Ms. Centeno was an employee of Selva Viva at the time these payments were being made to Mr. Guerra.

Mr. Guerra has also testified that he would learn sometimes of these deposits into his account because 13 Mr. Fajardo would call him and tell him that deposits were 14 being made into his account on that day or the previous 15 day.

16 And this pattern, as I said, occurs throughout 17 Zambrano's first term on the Court and it corroborates 18 Mr. Guerra's testimony that he was being paid \$1,000 a 19 month by the Plaintiffs, and the only reason they would be 20 paying him that money was to ghostwrite Court Orders in the 21 Chevron Case, and neither Ecuador nor Donziger nor anyone 22 else has given any other explanation for why these payments 23 would be made to Mr. Guerra except his explanation that it was because of the ghostwriting.

Now, third, we also have forensic evidence of

03:08 1 Shipping, and we have, sixth, the TAME shipping records. 2 You have those before you, and they were discussed in the

3 testimony of Mr. Guerra. Mr. Guerra confirmed in his

4 testimony that he, in fact, sent Draft Orders to

5 Narcisa Leon at the Lago Agrio Courthouse to submit to

6 Mr. Zambrano. The reason was Mr. Zambrano was being very

7 careful to avoid clear-cut paper trails, so that's why they

were being sent instead of to him directly, as they were in

other cases, they were being sent through the Court Clerk

10 Narcisa Leon.

11 And seventh and finally, and Ms. Silbert has already addressed this particular slide, Slide 264, you see the clear patterns of how this worked. The Draft Order last saved on Guerra's computer on October 20th, for example, and the next day Zambrano issues an Order with text matching that found on Guerra's computer.

On November 18th, you have a draft Order last 17 saved on Guerra's computer, the next day Guerra sends a shipment to Narcisa Leon through TAME shipping and in four days later Zambrano issues an Order with matching text, and 21 that same pattern goes on.

22 Mr. Adam Torres, as Ms. Silbert has told you, has taken all of this evidence and has matched it into patterns, and he testifies about it in his Expert Report.

Now, Mr. Guerra, moving to the subject of the

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03:10 1 ghostwriting of the Judgment, Mr. Guerra testified that, on 2 instructions from Mr. Zambrano--and I should go back for a 3 moment. Both Mr. Guerra and Mr. Zambrano in the RICO Case 4 testified that they had a close and long-standing 5 relationship, that was not denied by Zambrano, Zambrano 6 admitted that. So Mr. Guerra testified that Zambrano used 7 him as an intermediary to solicit a bribe for the 8 ghostwriting of the Judgment. On Zambrano's instructions, 9 he approached Chevron's lawyers about a bribe in exchange 10 for ghostwriting the Judgment through intermediaries. In 11 the last part of 2010, you have the Chevron lawyers' 12 testimony in the RICO Case before you, so we know that that 13 occurred.

After Chevron rejected that approach, Zambrano then instructed Mr. Guerra to solicit a \$500,000 bribe from the Plaintiffs in exchange for allowing them to ghostwrite the Judgment.

Now, the only reason for the Plaintiffs to be
meeting with Mr. Guerra as he did at this point, was
because they knew that he was close to Zambrano, they knew
that he had been ghostwriting Court Orders for Zambrano

22 because they had been paying him to do it during Zambrano's

23 first term and they knew that he was Zambrano's

 $24\,$ intermediary. So, Mr. Guerra on Zambrano's instruction,

25 reached out to Donziger, and they set a meeting at the

03:13 1 them which they rejected, and it's also corroborated by 2 Donziger in his RICO testimony, so we know that this was 3 happening.

Now, in this case, we have a rare example of direct evidence from an insider to a fraudulent scheme.

Had Guerra not come forward and become a witness, Chevron would never have learned about the various details of this scheme, including, for example, the bribe solicitation to the Plaintiffs at the Honey and Honey Restaurant. And without Guerra, Chevron would not have known to ask Mr. Donziger about that in the RICO testimony, and so it

never would have come to light.

Now, you've heard about Mr. Guerra's security

concerns since filing his Declaration on behalf of Chevron.

He testified about those concerns. You asked him about the

Fajardo complaint, and you have seen the cross-examination

of him with respect to his children and his grandchildren.

18 And in the past week, as I've noted, that investigation 19 sought by Guerra has now been moving forward. It's clearly 20 retaliatory, but unfortunately, it's very much in line with

21 attempts we have seen by the Respondent to intimidate

22 Guerra and others of Chevron's Expert Witnesses by calling
23 them "traitors."

Now, by contrast to the treatment that we see from the Respondent of Guerra, I would like to next turn to

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03:12 1 Honey & Honey Restaurant in Quito, which was attended by
2 Donziger, Fajardo and Yánza and by Mr. Guerra. And at this
3 meeting, Guerra testifies that he passed on this offer from
4 Zambrano to allow the Plaintiffs to ghostwrite the Judgment
5 in return for a \$500,000 bribe. And we know that that
6 meeting occurred, and we know that that bribe solicitation
7 occurred because Donziger, in his RICO testimony, confirmed
8 it. He admitted, in fact, that they did have this meeting
9 at the restaurant in Quito and, in fact, that Guerra did
10 solicit, on behalf of Zambrano, the \$500,000 bribe in order
11 to fix the case with the Plaintiffs.

12 So, the fact of those meetings is established. 13 It's confirmed and corroborated by independent testimony 14 from Donziger himself.

And what happened after that is very interesting because Guerra has testified that Fajardo later approached him about being an expert for the RICO Defendants in the RICO Case in New York about the Ecuadorian judiciary, and Donziger confirmed in his testimony that he was aware that that approach, in fact, happened. So, we know that the Plaintiffs certainly weren't outraged by this bribe solicitation.

23 In summary, Guerra's testimony about the bribe 24 solicitation is corroborated both by the testimony of

25 Chevron's lawyers about the attempt to seek a bribe from

03:15 1 Mr. Zambrano and see the very disparate treatment we see 2 with respect to him from the Respondent.

> 3 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: To set the record 4 straight, the investigation is sought by Fajardo, not by 5 Guerra.

6 MR. BISHOP: Yes, I'm sorry. If I said that, I 7 apologize.

8 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: I think you said that. 9 MR. BISHOP: I apologize. Yes, it was sought by 10 Mr. Fajardo, that's correct.

Now, a year ago this Tribunal emphasized to the parties in this case that you wanted to see in person two witnesses, Mr. Guerra, whom you have seen, and

14 Mr. Zambrano, who you haven't. We asked the Government to

15 bring Zambrano to this Hearing. And as this Hearing

16 approached, you asked Mr. Zambrano yourselves to have him 17 come to this Hearing. Now, we asked the Government to

18 bring him because we know that he works for, he's

19 testified, he works for a company that is majority-owned

20 and controlled by Petroecuador, the national oil company of

21 Ecuador, so he is effectively controlled in that regard by

22 the Government.

23 We brought Mr. Guerra for you to see, but the 24 Government did not bring Zambrano. So now you have a major

25 contrast in that regard. You've seen and heard from

03:17 1 Guerra. You haven't had an opportunity, however, to see
2 Zambrano. And why is that? Why didn't the Government
3 bring--why didn't the Republic bring Zambrano to testify?
4 Well, the answer, I think, is actually a very simple
5 answer: He didn't write the Judgment. He's not a credible
6 witness, and they can't put him on the stand. And the
7 evidence of that is to look at the RICO Opinion of Judge
8 Kaplan where he finds specifically that Zambrano is not a
9 credible witness. Now, although you didn't get to see or
10 hear Zambrano, we do have his testimony in the RICO Case,
11 and I would like to very briefly take you through that.
12 Zambrano testified there that the Lago Agrio

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Zambrano testified there that the Lago Agrio

Judgment was the largest and most significant Decision of

his career. And of course, we know that's true, it's the

largest Judgment in the history of Ecuador by many factors.

He received a lot of attention from the media with respect

to this case. And the day after the Decision was issued,

he appeared with the head of the judicial council at a

press conference to receive praise about this Decision.

So, this was a big deal to him. And he testified in the

21 RICO Case that he spent a lot of time on the Judgment and 22 that he wrote every single word of it himself, with no

23 assistance from anyone else. That was his testimony.

But when he was asked in the RICO Case about the substance of the Judgment, he couldn't answer even basic

03:20 1 didn't draft the Judgment.

Well, maybe you might ask, maybe he has something
that he can use to refresh his recollection. Maybe he has
some notes, maybe he has some materials that he could look
at and refresh his recollection about that, so he was asked
about this in the RICO Case. Well, no, in fact, he had to
admit he has no documents that indicate he was the Author
of the Judgment.

9 Now, he says he made notes, but then he says he
10 threw those notes away about a year later, even though he
11 knew that Chevron was appealing the Judgment, and even
12 though he knew that Chevron was claiming that the Judgment
13 was ghostwritten. Nevertheless, he just tossed his notes.
14 But the bottom line is he now has nothing to indicate that
15 he was the Author of the Judgment, and my suggestion is he
16 never did.

Now, Mr. Guerra testified that Fajardo had a draft of the Judgment on Fajardo's computer before the Judgment never able to obtain Fajardo's computer or any of his documents, and Ms. Silbert has gone through that, so I won't go through it again. But because of that, Zambrano was asked at the RICO trial, what computer did you draft the Judgment on? So, he answered "the new one" in his office. He had an Old Computer from when he became a judge

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03:18 1 questions about it. He was asked, for example, what theory 2 of causation did the Judgment rely upon? Well, there is a 3 long discussion in the Judgment about the various theories 4 of causation, and then the Judgment comes to a conclusion, 5 but Zambrano didn't know. He couldn't answer.

6 He didn't know what the English word "workover"
7 means, which appears in the Judgment twice. But more than
8 that, when he was asked the question why does that English
9 word appear in the Judgment, he couldn't answer that,
10 either. He didn't know why it's in the Judgment. He had
11 no explanation for it.

And he didn't know what the term "TPH" means.

Now, the Judgment awarded \$5.4 billion to clean up TPH, so
that was a very significant term in the Judgment, and that
term appears in the Judgment 41 times. So, this was a term
that one ought to be familiar with, if one wrote the
Judgment.

Now, Ecuador's explanation for this in its
Memorial was that, well, he was perhaps confused because
you didn't ask him about the Spanish acronym HTP. You
instead asked him in cross-examination about the English
acronym TPH. But the problem with that is that the
original Spanish version of the Judgment itself uses the
English acronym TPH. It doesn't use the Spanish acronym
TPH. So, if he didn't know what it means, it because he

03:21 1 in 2008 and he obtained a New Computer. So, when he was
2 asked on what computer did you draft the Judgment, his
3 answer was on the "new one." He even drew a map of his
4 office, he showed where the old one was, he showed where
5 the new one was, he said Ms. Calva sat only at the New
6 Computer, typed only into the New Computer, that the
7 Judgment was drafted exclusively and only on the New
8 Computer, and he testified about that repeatedly, and he
9 testified about it insistently. He was quite sure, and he
10 said that he was quite sure because it was the more modern
11 computer. But we know that testimony is untrue.

He says he started drafting the Judgment in
mid-November 2010, but he only got the New Computer on
December 7th, and Microsoft Word was only open on that New
Computer from the time he got that computer on December 7th
until the Judgment was issued on February 14th, 2011,
Microsoft Word was only open on that computer for a total
of 36 hours, not nearly enough time to draft a 188-page
single-spaced Judgment. It just wasn't possible.

And every draft of the Judgment text that predates
the issuance of the Judgment was saved only on the New
Computer, and Mr. Lynch testified to that, and Mr. Racich
also had to admit it, so the only draft of the Judgment was
saved only on the Old Computer, not the New Computer. So

25 Mr. Zambrano's testimony on what computer he used to draft

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03:23 1 the Judgment was clearly false.

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25 used to find these cases.

Now, Zambrano also quite frankly lied when he said 3 that his 18 year old assistant, Ms. Calva, typed almost the 4 entire Judgment from dictation. He said he never gave her 5 a document to type from, and he never wrote out in longhand 6 what he wanted her to type and just handed it her. He said 7 everything that she typed into the computer was done from 8 dictation.

But Dr. Leonard, in his Report and his testimony 10 pointed out the many mistakes in the Plaintiffs' internal 11 and unfiled documents that were copied verbatim, word for 12 word, into the Judgment. So, is it credible that Ms. Calva 13 typed from dictation the very same mistakes, word for word 14 and comma for comma and period for period and number for 15 number, exactly as they appear in the Plaintiffs' 16 documents? What's far more likely is that the Plaintiffs 17 themselves copied and pasted portions of their internal 18 documents to create the Judgment.

And Zambrano also lied when he testified about how 20 the Judgment came to discuss U.S., Australian and English 21 law. And this is, I think, an important point. He says he 22 asked Ms. Calva, the 18 year old recent graduate, to do 23 legal research on the Internet in foreign law and in a 24 foreign language, and that she is the one who found these 25 cases from the U.S., Australia and England that are

03:27 1 And the only translation Web site that was 2 accessed from Zambrano's computer in the relevant period 3 could not have been used because it was accessed on 4 January 4th, 2011 but that was after these foreign law 5 cases appeared in the Providencias, specifically after the 6 U.S. cases appeared in the Providencias on Zambrano's computer on December 21, 2010.

And, as a matter of fact, let's talk about the Providencias. These are partial drafts of the Judgment 10 found on Zambrano's Old Computer on December 21 and 11 December 28, 2010. And these are perhaps the most important aspects of the forensic examination done by Mr. Lynch. So what do they show?

Well, Ecuador refers you to the metadata, the 15 Author name and the Last Saved name, but the metadata cannot show you who Authored the contents of this document, 17 these Providencias. In fact, you saw that illustrated very vividly in the cross-examination of Mr. Racich and with respect to his own Report when he was shown that the metadata indicates he wasn't the Author of his own Report. 21 And Mr. Racich, therefore, agreed that, in fact, metadata cannot tell you who created the content of a document.

23 Now, Ecuador also points you to the number of 24 times the Providencias was saved, the so-called "revision 25 number," but the revision count increases every time you

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03:25 1 discussed in the Judgment. That was his testimony in the 2 RICO Case.

Well, he had to create some story about this 4 because he doesn't speak English, and the cases aren't 5 anywhere to be found in the Court Record, but this is a 6 remarkable proposition, he's saying he decided to go 7 outside the Court Record and to have his 18-year-old 8 assistant do legal research in a foreign language, in a 9 foreign legal system to support the Judgment without giving 10 the Parties an opportunity to comment on them, and so 11 Ms. Calva is the one who did this, he says.

Well, Ms. Calva, as we know, conveniently did not 13 attend the RICO trial, and consequently she was never 14 cross-examined about any of this, and so we don't have her 15 testimony.

Now, the forensic evidence also does not support 17 Zambrano's testimony. The only legal research Web site 18 that was accessed by Zambrano's computer in the relevant 19 period was an Ecuadorian Web site called fielweb, but that 20 Web site cannot access U.S. cases and authorities, and we 21 brought you an Expert Report that looked at that Web site 22 and testifies to that, and Ecuador never refuted that, 23 never brought a counter Expert, so that is unrefuted 24 testimony that that Web site cannot be used, could not be

03:28 1 hit Control Save on the computer, regardless of whether the 2 document is actually revised or not. And an experienced 3 typist, I'm told--and I'm not one, but I'm told--that an 4 experienced typist may hit Control "S" every few seconds to 5 make sure that they are saving their documents and are not 6 going to lose them.

In fact, you saw Mr. Lynch's demonstration about this. He hit the Save button every few seconds to make sure that his work product wouldn't be lost, and the 10 document at the end showed 11 revisions in the very few 11 minutes that he had it open, even though he didn't create any of the content of that document, it also showed him as 13 being the Author. He simply cut and pasted from other 14 documents into the document.

There is no evidence, also, that the number of 15 16 Saves that Ecuador tells you about, I think it's 286 saves 17 in Providencias, there is no evidence that that's related 18 necessarily to the Judgment text. That relates to the 19 entire file of Providencias over the life of its existence, 20 and we know that there were other documents in Providencias 21 beyond just the Judgment text itself.

22 Now, the best evidence of what relates to the Judgment text in this regard is probably what happened 24 between that period, December 21 and December 28th, when 25 38 to 45 pages of the Judgment text were added, but there 03:30 1 were only 29 Saves, so the number of Saves simply doesn't 2 tell us very much.

There is, however, other forensic evidence that's more meaningful. First is the edit time. What the edit time tells you for these Providencias is that, on December 21st, the first 81 pages of the Judgment, which were later reformatted to become the first 107 pages of the Judgment, were input into Zambrano's Old Computer in only 35 hours, less than one week. And if, from the time that file had been created back in October, that's less than 30 minutes a day. In fact, depending on whether we use the 81 pages or the 107 pages, it means that the Judgment text was input into Zambrano's computer at a rate of somewhere between 20 and 26 minutes per page. And 94 percent of that December 21st Providencias, as it appears on his computer, was never changed thereafter. That means it went in at almost final form with very little editing after that.

And between December 21st and December 28th,
another 38 to 45 pages were input in only 17 hours at the
rate of approximately 27 minutes per page and 96 percent of
that text was never changed thereafter.

23 drafting a complex legal document. And as I said, these
24 154 pages of text were put on the computer in almost
25 completely finished form. That's not how lawyers typically

So, those consistent rates are incredibly fast for

03:34 1 done by accessing Hotmail and then cutting and pasting from 2 it. And we know that in the relevant period, Zambrano's 3 computer accessed Hotmail hundreds of times.

> Now, I want to go to another point about the Providencias, and this is an extremely important point. And that has to do with the substance of what we find on these Providencias and December 21st and December 28th on Zambrano's computer.

The Providencias--and let's just take the
December 21st Providencias--contains a discussion of
causation based on U.S. and Australian case law. Part of
that discussion is a discussion of the substantial factor
test, and you see it on the right-hand side of the screen
from the Providencias. And you see at the bottom of that
discussion in the Providencias, a citation to two U.S.
cases: Whitley versus Philip-Morris and Rutherford versus
Wens-Illinois. Those cases are nowhere found in the Court
record. Mr. Juola has testified about that. They are,
however, found in one place, and that is in the Moodie

20 Memo. You have on the left-hand side of your screen, a 21 discussion from the Moodie Memo of the substantial factor 22 test and citations to exactly those same two California

23 cases, Rutherford and Owens-Illinois.

24 So, what you see is U.S. case law, California case 25 law, being cited both in the Moodie Memo for propositions

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03:32 1 draft documents, at least not in my experience. And in my 2 experience, lawyers don't draft documents quite that 3 linearly either, at least I know I go back and forth in 4 drafting and editing my documents.

So, the edit time, I believe, indicates that the Judgment was not, in fact, drafted on Zambrano's computer but was only input to it.

Now, second, both of the Experts agree that the Providencias does show evidence of cutting and pasting or copying and pasting from other documents. Both of the Experts agree to that. And in Slide 290 you see evidence of that on the computer. There were two different fonts and two different formatting styles found in the Providencias on Zambrano's computer. And as I said, both Experts agreed that that indicates there was cutting and pasting from other documents into the Providencias.

Now, this is from Page 34, but this evidence of different fonts and different formatting actually goes for about 50 pages on and off in the Providencias.

20 Both Experts also agree that there were at least 21 13 USB Devices or flash drives connected to Zambrano's

22 computer during the relevant period of the drafting of the 23 Judgment, and text could have been copied and pasted from

24 those flash drives into Zambrano's computer without leaving

25 any forensic trail about it. And the same thing can be

03:35 1 about the substantial factor test and also being cited in
2 the Providencias on Zambrano's computer in support of
3 exactly the same legal proposition about the substantial
4 factor test.
5 And no one has suggested that the Moodie Memo was

6 ever filed in the Court Record. It's certainly not found
7 there.
8 So, is this just a coincidence? Did the 18-year

8 So, is this just a coincidence? Did the 18-year 9 old Ms. Calva just happen to find exactly the same legal 10 proposition supported by exactly the same two U.S. cases 11 that are found in the Plaintiffs' Memo? Well, before we 12 answer that question, there's substantially more.

The Providencias, on December 21st also cites to nine other U.S. Court cases and U.S. Legal Authorities in support of certain legal propositions. Those nine U.S. authorities are also found nowhere in the Court Record, and that was also confirmed by Mr. Juola in a supplemental review of the Record.

And I invite you to please compare the Plaintiffs'
unfiled Erion Memo, which has to do with the merger issue,
with the Providencias, and what you will find is exactly
the same legal propositions supported by exactly the same
U.S. Legal Authorities in both documents.

On Slide 295, you see, for example, references to patent injustice in both documents supported by exactly the

03:37 1 same U.S. case, the Penn Central Case, in exactly the same 2 citation form. And then you see a reference to manifest 3 injustice in both documents supported by a reference to the 4 Acushnet River Case. And note that in both documents, the 5 Acushnet River citation is an incomplete citation, but it 6 appears in exactly the same form at exactly the same place 7 in both of those documents.

In the next slide, you see the same pattern 9 reoccurring with exactly the same legal proposition in the 10 Erion Memo and in the December 21st Providencias supported 11 by exactly the same U.S. case citations in exactly the same 12 form. And you see that again in the next slide, only here 13 it's not a reference to case law, it's a reference to the 14 same U.S. legal treatise, the Fletcher Treatise and the 15 Encyclopedia Private Corporations in support of the same 16 legal proposition, but note the citation form again. 17 Meade, the Encyclopedia Private Corporations, Section 7122, 18 and exactly the same reference, exactly the same publisher, 19 exactly the same year, exactly the same section number in 20 both documents.

22 proposition, here supported in the Erion Memo by a 23 reference to the California Civil Code Section 3521. And what do we find in the Providencias on

And on Slide 298, you see again the same legal

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25 Zambrano's computer? We find the same legal proposition

03:41 1 frankly, what's far more plausible is that the Plaintiffs 2 themselves ghostwrote the Judgment using their own 3 documents which they had before them.

4 You have seen reference to the opinion of 5 Dr. Gerald McMenamin who found from the stylistic analysis of the Judgment, that it's highly probable that the Judgment had multiple Authors and that Zambrano himself had 8 very little to do with the writing of the Judgment.

9 Now, the timing of Zambrano's testimony in RICO is also highly suspect. I'm not going to spend much time on 11 this. My time, I think, is running very quickly, so I will hurry this along. But Zambrano was dismissed as a judge in February 2012 for "inexcusable judicial error" revealing "notorious ineptitude or carelessness" in the 15 administration of justice. He was suspected of accepting a

16 bribe in a drug trafficking case and releasing the drug 17 trafficker, but he was dismissed as a judge for this basis.

He was also dismissed as a judge as a second 18 19 sanction three months later, again finding him quilty of "inexcusable judicial error."

And we know that Zambrano had a history of people 21 22 accusing him of soliciting bribes. There are literally

dozens of people who had accused him of that, and we know 24 that the Napo Bar Association itself requested that the

25 Prosecutor General suspend him for soliciting bribes.

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03:39 1 supported by a reference to the California Code 2 Section 3521. It's exactly the same. And that Legal 3 Authority, again, is not in the record, and no one has 4 suggested that the Erion Memo is anywhere in the Court 5 Record.

So, is it plausible--is it plausible--that the 7 18-year old recent graduate, Ms. Calva, did legal research 8 in a foreign language, in a foreign legal system and just 9 happened to find exactly the same U.S. cases and Australian 10 cases that you find cited in the Plaintiffs' internal 11 memos, or is it far more likely that the Plaintiffs used 12 their own documents, which they had before them, to 13 qhostwrite the Judgment?

Now, what is Zambrano's explanation for this. He 15 has given an explanation of sorts in his RICO Declaration 16 at Section 16. And his explanation is: Well, the stork 17 just left these documents at the foot of his office door 18 overnight. I mentioned that the documents related to the 19 case that were not incorporated into the process were left 20 at the door of my Office of the Court. This was relevant 21 information that I realized could be of use in my Decision. 22 That's his explanation.

23 If that happened, it's a violation of Ecuadorian 24 law. It means that he used non-transparent documents never 25 filed in the Court Record to write the Judgment, but quite

03:42 1 But what happened is that, after he was dismissed 2 as a judge, he was unemployed for a year until he signed 3 his RICO Declaration, and then the very next month he 4 testifies he was invited to a judge as a legal adviser at 5 the refinery, which is majority owned and controlled by 6 Petroecuador.

But when he was asked in the RICO Case about his employment, he knew very little about his employer. He was, however, well paid. In fact, he's paid more as a legal advisor to the refinery than he was paid as a judge. 11 He was paid more than the General Counsel, and he was paid more than the position advertised.

13 So, is Zambrano's testimony in RICO credible? I won't go through the factors. I did this in the opening statement. His testimony clearly is incredible, and that's exactly the finding that was made by the only fact finder, the only decision-maker who saw him actually testify, and that was Judge Kaplan in the RICO Case. He found that Zambrano was unpersuasive for a host of reasons, including the many inconsistencies in his own testimony, and between 21 his testimony and other documents and between his testimony in the Hearing and his testimony in his deposition. He found Zambrano was a remarkably unpersuasive witness. And with that, I will conclude my presentation so

25 that hopefully I can keep us on time.

03:44 1 Thank you, Mr. President. PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think this is where you 3 suggested we take the mid-afternoon break. MR. BISHOP: It is. PRESIDENT VEEDER: We will do that. We will come 5 back at 4:00. Thank you. 7 (Brief recess.) 8 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 9 Before we start, we've received a draft, which 10 looks as though it's an agreed form of wording for our 11 order; is that correct? 12 We ask the Claimants first. MR. BISHOP: Yes, it is. 13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent? 14 15 MR. BLOOM: I can confirm that, yes. 16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you for that. 17 In the meantime, as you will probably see, we're 18 circulating the Draft Procedural Order except for the 19 security protocol, just to be initialed tonight. We'll 20 have a signing ceremony before 9:30 tomorrow where it will 21 be put to bed, signed, countersigned, whatever, and we can 22 then move on from the site--from the site order, but that's

04:04 1 declarations and the different types of declarations that 2 it seeks is because Ecuador will not remedy the wrongdoing 3 at its roots in Ecuador under Ecuadorian law. If Ecuador 4 would honor its international obligations and obey a 5 directive from this Tribunal to take all measures necessary 6 to wipe out the consequences of the Lago Agrio Judgment, 7 then some of these Declarations that Chevron seeks might 8 not be necessary, but that's not case, and I ask you to please keep this critically important fact in mind as you 10 listen to my remedies argument today and as you deliberate 11 on this important issue after we've all gone home. 12 In Request Number 1, Chevron asks for a declaration that, by issuing the Judgment, Ecuador has both 13 committed a denial of justice under customary international 15 law and also breached provisions of the Treaty. The 16 Tribunal may question whether it's necessary to declare a 17 denial of justice in addition to a treaty breach, and the 18 simple answer is, yes, gentlemen, it is necessary. If you find that a denial of justice has occurred, we ask that you declare it in order to award full reparation that 21 international law principle requires. In the Commercial Cases between Chevron and 23 Ecuador, the distinction was meaningless from a remedies

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24 perspective, so full reparation could be given without

25 deciding the question of denial of justice. But here the

04:02 1 expect to be able to present that to you tomorrow morning. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

24 Protocol, which I hope is going to be not a problem.

Please.

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MR. KEHOE: Thank you, Mr. President, Professor 5 Naón, Professor Lowe.

23 before 9:30 tomorrow, so don't forget to bring the Security

MS. RENFROE: We've made progress on that, and we

Chevron seeks combination of remedies with the 7 most important being declaratory relief which you see 8 listed first.

The specific Declarations that are needed to help 10 white out the consequences of Ecuador's wrongful acts are 11 enumerated in Claimants' submission of January 14, 2015, at 12 Paragraph 435, and I've copied them on to this slide for 13 you at 311.

14 The first four declarations focus on the 15 wrongfulness of Ecuador's acts under international law and 16 requests five through nine relate to the legal consequences 17 of that unlawful conduct under international law, and ten

18 relates to monetary damages. 19 I will provide an introductory overview right now 20 of Chevron's main points concerning remedies and then I'll 21 move to the main argument which addresses these issues in 22 more detail. I ask you to please stop me any time during my presentation with any questions that you may have.

As this Tribunal knows at this late stage in the 25 proceedings, the reason that Chevron requires the various 04:05 1 distinction is meaningful, potentially dispositively 2 meaningful to recognition and enforcement courts around the 3 world where this Judgment is being taken and will be taken 4 for recognition, enforcement, and execution, and I'll 5 expand on that shortly with examples of why this 6 distinction is meaningful.

The Second Declaration relates to the breach by 8 Ecuador of Settlement and Release Agreements, which the 9 Tribunal has deferred until after hearing the Track 2 evidence of fraud. Having heard the evidence over the past 11 three weeks and having heard Mr. Coriell's closing remarks today, this Declaration is now ripe and ready to be ruled 13 upon in Chevron's favor.

14 Declarations three and four are self-explanatory, 15 they also relate to declarations of the wrongfulness of the 16 conduct. Then we move down to the list, four through nine 17 on the list which are declarations that describe the consequences of Ecuador's illegal conduct under international law arising from the violations and the 20 breaches listed in one through four. 21 Now, this category of remedies five through nine

22 was the subject of a question from the Tribunal last 23 Friday. You asked whether or not the jurisdictional 24 authority to issue declarations of consequences of 25 Ecuador's conduct under international law was vested with 04:06 1 you, should you find that, indeed, they did commit the 2 wrongful acts found in one, two, three or four, and again, 3 the answer is yes, and I'm going to go through that in 4 great detail with you. And I would argue, sirs, that not 5 only are declarations four through nine well within your 6 jurisdictional authority to grant, but with due respect, 7 they are required under principles of international 8 reparations law to wipe out the consequences of Ecuador's 9 act. The reason that these declarations are especially 10 necessary in this case is not only because Ecuador has 11 unleashed this extraordinarily egregious \$9.5 million 12 Judgment out into the international system, but importantly 13 because Ecuador has stated unequivocally that it will not 14 take measures to wipe out the consequences of the Acts. 15 Ecuador will not take all measures necessary to nullify and 16 negate this Judgment at its roots, even if directed by this 17 Tribunal to do so.

Tribunal to do so.

In its Supplemental Rejoinder of March 17, 2015,

Ecuador states, "It is common ground that the Judgment is
enforceable under Ecuadorian law." And they go on to say,

"If the Tribunal were to order the Republic to nullify the
Lago Agrio Judgment, as the Claimants demand, Ecuador would
have to violate its human rights obligations, Constitution,
and procedural laws. And for this reason alone,

25 nullification by Ecuador is not an available remedy in the

04:09 1 successful breach in international law in a moment.

This Tribunal knows that if the Judgment is the product of a denial of justice under the Treaty, the Judgment has no legal effect under international law. Same result if it's a breach of denial of justice or the Treaty. There is no impediment whatsoever to declaring that in your Award. And Ecuador, for its part, shouldn't be heard to complain about these declarations because no one is allowed to take advantage in the law of their own wrongful act. As Ecuador seeks to do here, by opposing the declarations of nullification under international law, that its conduct has necessitated because it won't do it under its domestic law, which would be a better result, frankly.

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As to injunctive relief, Ecuador states in that
same Paragraph 417 of its Memorial, that because Ecuador
will disregard a directive from the Tribunal to nullify the
Judgment in Ecuador, an order directing it to do so is not
an available remedy to Ecuador in this case, and we
disagree. We believe that the injunctive requests that
Chevron has asked for is an available remedy, and Ecuador's
unilateral decision to preemptively breach such an order
does not make it any less available to Chevron. And we ask
that you do order Ecuador to take all measures necessary to
render the Judgment null and void within and without
Ecuador, even though we all know that Ecuador will ignore

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04:08 1 case."

So, while Ecuador superficially goes through the 3 motions of participating in these international arbitration 4 proceedings, it simultaneously makes a mockery of them by 5 stating in advance that it will not honor its international 6 obligation to eradicate the Judgment if the Tribunal orders 7 Ecuador to do so. So, this means that the Final Decision 8 maker concerning the validity of this Judgment is actually 9 not this Tribunal, which has been vested with the authority 10 and the jurisdiction to decide this dispute with finality, 11 but rather it is the trial court judges and the appellate 12 judges sitting in different courts around the world. As a 13 result of this unfortunate reality in which we find 14 ourselves, if the Tribunal determines that a denial of 15 justice and treaty breaches have occurred, the Tribunal 16 should issue declarations that state the legal consequences 17 of those findings under international law just as we have 18 requested in declarations numbers four through nine. If 19 the Tribunal does not issue these declarations, it becomes 20 more likely that the Lago Agrio Judgment will be recognized 21 and will be enforced. And in that eventuality, full 22 reparation required by international law clearly will not 23 have been afforded to Chevron. Ecuador will have succeeded 24 in successfully breaching its international law

25 obligations. And I'm going to come back to this point of

04:11 1 your Award because in order for this Tribunal in
2 combination with the Declarations that we seek collectively
3 and in combination may enable Chevron to resist recognition
4 and enforcement of this Judgment.

The third form of relief is monetary claims which 5 will be addressed in Track 3. Professor Paulsson will 7 follow me to address Ecuador's novel monetary setoff theory when I complete my presentation, so I won't spend any real time on it now, except to emphasize one particularly 10 important point that does tie into my argument, which is 11 that Ecuador's monetary setoff theory has no relevance or 12 relation to Chevron's request for declaratory and 13 injunctive relief. Setoff applies only to Chevron's 14 monetary claim for indemnification against Ecuador should the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs successfully execute upon the Judgment. It's an important fact, and it's important not to confuse and conflate the different forms of remedies that Chevron seeks as Ecuador has done in its written submissions and which it may do tomorrow in its Closing Argument, so I highlight that for the Tribunal. 20

Okay. Now, down to the basics, the fundamental principles of reparation, this Tribunal does not need to be told that under international law, reparation must, as far as possible, wipe out the consequences of the illegal act and re-establish the situation which, in all probability,

04:12 1 would have existed if the Act had not been committed. With 2 the goal and purpose from Chorzow Factory of reparations to 3 provide full reparation for the injury and to wipe out the 4 consequences of the illegal act to the extent possible, the 5 next step, of course, is to determine the forms of 6 reparation that are available to this Tribunal to 7 accomplish the result of full reparation.

8 We see in Article 4, forms of reparation. Full 9 reparation for the injury caused by the internationally 10 wrongful act shall take the form of restitution, 11 compensation, and satisfaction either singly or in 12 combination in accordance with the provisions of this 13 chapter.

The official Commentary notes there is--that
wiping out the consequences of the wrongful act may thus
require some or all forms of reparation to be provided,
depending on the type and the extent of the injury that has
been caused.

Now, this Tribunal has noted that Chevron's allegations against Ecuador are among the gravest accusations that one can advance against a modern State subject to the rule of law. You reiterated this sentiment at the end of the day last Friday. These are very serious allegations that we make, but we stand by them.

The evidentiary phase of this proceeding is now at

04:15 1 repeating here because declarations are critically
2 important to the analysis in these proceedings for both
3 Track 1 and Track 2, so he notes that the most usual remedy
4 for an international law violation is undoubtedly
5 declaratory relief. The emphasis was in his original. He
6 notes that a declaration may be the only remedy of relative
7 effectiveness which no judge or arbitrator can reasonably
8 withhold.

9 And he astutely observed that a declaration would 10 not only vindicate the innocent party in the eyes of the 11 world, but might also serve as a defense or as res judicata 12 in a proceeding or have some value for the victim. It's 13 almost as though Dr. Mann predicted the circumstances of 14 this case.

And this brings us to Chevron's request for both a declaration that Ecuador committed a denial of justice in violation of customary international law as well as a declaration that Ecuador breached the Bilateral Investment Treaty. This is request number one, and breached the Treaty in a number of ways breaching the Settlement and

Treaty in a number of ways breaching the Settlement and
Release Agreement, breaching the effective means provision,
breaching the fair and equal treatment provision, they're
all included within the Treaty breach category.

A declaration that Ecuador's conduct in the Lago Agrio Judgment litigation and Judgment as a matter of

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04:14 1 an end, and if Chevron has proven these grave and serious
2 allegations to you, then only an equally serious
3 combination of remedies will be capable of providing the
4 full reparation that is needed to wipe out the consequences
5 of Ecuador's conduct, not only because of its underlying
6 act of rendering the fraudulent judgment, but also because
7 it won't remedy the wrong itself, even if ordered to.
8 Now, while the character and the extent of

9 Ecuador's unlawful conduct both during and after the Lago
10 Agrio Litigation is uncommon, I daresay unprecedented, one
11 of the most common modalities to address wrongful conduct
12 is satisfaction, which is what we're asking for in the form
13 of a declaration of wrongfulness of the Act by the
14 competent court or tribunal. This would encompass both

denial of justice and treaty breaches.

And, of course, the Tribunal may render
declarations under its own authority, its own
jurisdictional authority, to determine the lawfulness of
the conduct in question and make legal findings as a
necessary part of the process of deciding the case, which
this Tribunal is well aware and, in fact, has done when
issuing your Interim Measures Award.

These excerpts from Dr. Francis Mann's seminal publication are familiar to you. I referenced some of them during the Track 1B argument on remedies, but they bear

04:16 1 customary international law and denial of justice is, of
2 course, different to some degree than a declaration that
3 Ecuador breached the effective means provision of the
4 Treaty. And the Tribunal may be tempted to decide this
5 case on the more narrow basis of only Treaty breach rather
6 than on both grounds if you perceive no meaningful
7 difference between the two; deciding on a narrower ground
8 is a wise thing sometimes, but only if it doesn't make a
9 difference. Here it makes a difference and, as I said,
10 potentially a dispositive one because recognition and
11 enforcement courts around a the world may perceive a
12 difference between the two.

In recognition and enforcement proceedings,

Chevron must convince a domestic court to give no legal

effect to a judgment that has been issued by the courts of

a sovereign nation, a judgment that has not only been

blessed by that State's entire relevant judiciary, but also

endorsed by the country's President and other government

officials who are lobbying consistently and earnestly for

its recognition and enforcement. Mr. Bishop described that

to you this morning.

22 Chevron, of course, will raise legal defenses in 23 these proceedings. The relative strength or weakness of 24 these defenses, the success of these defenses may very well 25 depend on the decisions that this Arbitration Tribunal

04:18 1 makes with respect to the remedies that you are going to 2 provide Chevron with respect to the declarations that 3 you're willing to issue. And on this important point, we 4 believe it's more likely that a foreign recognition and 5 enforcement court will refuse to recognize the fraudulent 6 Lago Agrio Judgment if this Tribunal declares a denial of 7 justice, the embodiment of a denial of justice, more so 8 than if this Tribunal finds a breach of a bilateral treaty 9 to which the enforcement State is not a party.

I'm going to provide just two examples where the 11 distinction of these two different types of declarations 12 that we seek may be meaningful to a foreign Court, and the 13 first arises under Article 16 of the ILC Draft Articles on 14 assisting, aiding and assisting the Commission of an 15 internationally wrongful act.

Now, this Tribunal need not decide this defense to 16 17 recognition and enforcement, of course. You have more than 18 enough to decide, but I am going through it to illustrate 19 why a declaration of denial of justice will be more 20 valuable to Chevron in enforcement proceedings than a 21 declaration that Ecuador has breached the Treaty.

Under Article 16 of the ILC Articles, a State that 23 aids or assists another State in the commission of an 24 internationally wrongful act is internationally responsible 25 for the consequences of such assistance if the State aids

04:21 1 If the Tribunal determines and declares in its 2 Award that the Lago Agrio Judgment is the embodiment of a 3 denial of justice under customary international law, then a 4 recognition and enforcement court presented with your Award 5 might conclude that both elements of Article 16 would be 6 satisfied. If the State, through its courts, were to 7 recognize and enforce the Lago Agrio Judgment so that the 8 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs and their funders could execute upon 9 it. Your first--your Award just walking through the tautology, would declare Ecuador's issuance of the Judgment 11 to be a denial of justice. Let's just suppose and, thus, an internationally wrongful act by Ecuador.

13 Second, Chevron would present your Award to a recognition and enforcement court so that the foreign State would have knowledge of the circumstances of Ecuador's internationally wrongful act that you declare.

17 And, finally, international law bars all States from committing denials of justice under customary international law, so that State's issuance or recognition and--no, issuance of the fraudulent judgment would be wrongful if that State were to have done it itself.

22 So, under a mature and moral conception of its own 23 international responsibility, a State is highly unlikely to 24 recognize a foreign Judgment in this case--the Lago Agrio

25 Judgment from Ecuador--that could cause a State to come

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04:19 1 and assists or assists with knowledge of the circumstances 2 of the internationally wrongful act, and the underlying act 3 would be wrongful if committed by the State. Under this 4 analysis, the assisting State obviously does not itself 5 engage in the underlying wrongful conduct in question. Its 6 responsibility arises simply from the fact that it

7 facilitates the wrongful act. Now, these principles of Article 16 are rules of 9 customary international law. The ICJ held this in the 10 Bosnia Genocide Case, which is a new legal authority 11 CLA-640. As an esteemed international law scholar and 12 Professor at Oxford University stated in a speech to the 13 Japanese Society of International Law in Kyoto on 14 October 13, 2001, just a month after the terrorist attack 15 on the World Trade Center, Article 16 represents a 16 significant development in what one might call the moral 17 sophistication of law. It is a decisive step in the 18 direction of a more mature, more moral conception of State 19 responsibility. And that is CLA-633. Hopefully we've 20 handed it out and you have these in front of you. PRESIDENT VEEDER: We have the English translation 22 but not the Japanese.

23 (Laughter.) MR. KEHOE: The first page was in Japanese, but I 25 think that it was just a placeholder. Thank you.

04:22 1 into breach of its own international law obligations under 2 Article 16. This same State may not reach the same 3 conclusion if the Tribunal declares only a breach of a 4 provision of a bilateral investment treaty to which the 5 State is not a party.

Now, we would argue that it should. We would 7 argue, of course, to the enforcement court that they should 8 find an Article 16 risk for enforcing your Award if you 9 declare only a breach of the Treaty and not customary 10 international law. But, frankly, that's a weaker argument 11 than the customary international law argument, and Chevron 12 should not be put in a position of having to advance a 13 weaker argument if you find that we have proven a denial of 14 justice. That's a principle of reparation, full 15 reparation, under international law.

A second example, a declaration of a denial of justice might also provide Chevron with a stronger public policy argument to resist recognition and enforcement of the Lago Agrio Judgment than a Declaration of Treaty 20 breach. As the Tribunal noted in the Worldwide Duty Free 21 versus Kenya Case, the concept of public policy, ordre 22 publique is rooted in most, if not all, legal systems. 23 Violation of the enforcing State's own domestic public 24 policy is grounds, of course, for refusing recognition or

25 enforcement of foreign Judgments or Awards. That's what

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2 State that observes the rule of law prohibits conduct that
3 constitutes a violation of customary international law.
4 Now, again, Chevron would likely make this same
5 public policy argument to an enforcement court if this
6 Tribunal stops short of declaring a denial of justice, and
7 hopefully it will carry the day if that is all you give
8 Chevron as reparation in the form of a declaration from

04:24 1 this Tribunal held. The domestic public policy of every

8 Chevron as reparation in the form of a declaration from 9 these proceedings. But with due respect, Members of the 10 Tribunal, again, if Chevron has proven a denial of justice 11 in these proceedings, you should declare it.

Under settled principles of awarding full reparation for an international wrong and Ecuador's refusal to wipe out the consequences of its act entitles Chevron to declarations both of denial of justice and Treaty breach if Chevron has proven them both. And we maintain that we have.

18 Let me stop there because I'm turning to another 19 topic and just ask if anyone has any questions.

Okay. I'm turning from Chevron's request.

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please continue.

22 MR. KEHOE: From Chevron's request for a

23 declaration of denial of justice and treaty breaches,

24 requests numbers one through four on Slide 311, to the

25 Declarations that state the consequences under

04:27 1 last Friday is why should the Tribunal take the extra step
2 of stating or declaring its Award that Ecuador's denial of
3 justice and/or treaty breaches cause the Lago Agrio
4 Judgment to be null and devoid of legal effect. And as I

5 mentioned earlier, the answer here follows on the same

6 theme that Chevron has been emphasizing forcefully in these 7 proceedings after Ecuador released this fraudulent judgment

8 into the international system. We request these additional

9 causation declarations because they will assist Chevron in

10 resisting recognition and enforcement of the fraudulent

11 judgment and because these declarations center on

12 international law issues, an area within this Tribunal's 13 jurisdiction and area of expertise. Local judges across

14 the globe undoubtedly will be assisted and quided by your

15 Award in their analysis of the Judgment and its

16 implications under international law.

17 You have the jurisdictional authority to make 18 these declarations stating the legal consequences including 19 nullification. Logic dictates that international tribunals

20 may make declarations of international law, and the weight 21 of authority supports your right to do so. Ecuador has not

22 pointed to a single case, a single authority, which

23 suggests that you don't.

Professor Paulsson, who wrote his authoritative work on denial of justice years before he became counsel in

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04:25 1 international law of those breaches.

And we see, for example, five, six, and seven. In request number five, Chevron asks for declarations that the Judgment is a nullity as a matter of international law. Request number 6, the Judgment is unlawful and consequently devoid of any legal effect, and we should have written, "under international law." That's what we mean by that. And the Judgment is a violation of Chevron's right under the BIT, and is not entitled to enforcement within or without Ecuador.

Now, these three declarations flow normally and
naturally under international law from a finding by you
that Ecuador has committed a denial of justice or treaty
breaches or both. Under settled international law, Members
of the Tribunal, a wrongful act cannot be allowed any
effect in the law. It would be odd if wrongful acts in the
law were to be treated as anything other than null and
void, and these are not my words. Dr. Mann made these
unremarkable observations more than 30 years ago, and Sir
Hersch Lauterpacht made a similar observation 30 years
before that when he noted that the absence of more direct
means of enforcement tend to endow the principles of
nullity of illegal acts with particular importance in the
international sphere.

So, the question the Tribunal seemed to be asking

04:28 1 this case, as he mentioned this morning, stated that an 2 obligation placed on a foreigner by a civil Judgment 3 vitiated by a denial of justice may simply be annulled by 4 the relevant international jurisdiction, as in the Martini 5 case.

Professor Crawford, as he was then, made this
important point during our Track 1 Hearing in London in
November 2012, when he said international law supports this
Tribunal's authority to nullify the Judgment as a matter of
international law and as in breach of Ecuador's treaty
obligations. You have the authority to wipe out the
consequences of unlawful acts by issuing factual and legal
findings that may prevent enforcement of the Judgment. As
always, I have discovered, Professor Crawford was
eloquently simple in reducing to just a few words a
complicated issue that this Tribunal faces.

17 International precedent for declaring Judgments to 18 be null and void exists. Other tribunals have done it.

9 They've issued declarations nullifying legal decisions 0 under international law. The Tribunal in the Idler versus

21 Venezuela case declared the proceedings that denied

22 Mr. Idler due process a nullity. In Barcelona Traction,

23 Judge Fitzmaurice had no trouble concluding the same in his

24 Concurring Opinion. And in the In Re: Martini case that

25 Professor Paulsson referenced in his book, the

04:30 1 international tribunal put a fine point on this issue when 2 it said that although the Martini company had not made 3 payment that was imposed upon it by the Venezuelan Court, 4 the obligation continued to exist in law. As a consequence 5 of the international tribunal's determination that the 6 payment obligations were imposed in violation of 7 international law, the Tribunal pronounced their annulment 8 emphasizing that an illegal act has been committed, and it 9 applied the principle that the consequences of an illegal 10 act must be effaced.

Now, more recently, in May 2010, we have an award 11 12 from an ICSID tribunal comprised of Professor Michael 13 Reisman, Professor Ahmed Al Kosheri and Yves Fortier as 14 President in the ATA Construction versus Jordan Case, 15 together with the clarifying decision on interpretation 16 dated March 7, 2011, which we have submitted as CLA-637 in 17 response to your question concerning your jurisdictional 18 authority to issue declarations nullifying the Lago Agrio 19 Judgment under international law. In that case brought 20 under the Jordan-Turkey BIT, the Tribunal found that the 21 retroactive application of a new Jordanian arbitration law 22 by the Jordanian Court of Appeals which had sought to 23 extinguish the arbitration clause in a contract between the 24 investor and the Jordanian State was unlawful. That was 25 their conclusion. The Tribunal went on to apply the

04:33 1 of equity to set aside fraudulently begotten judgments is
2 necessary to the integrity of the courts, for tampering
3 with the administration of justice in this matter involves
4 far more than an injury to a single litigant. It is a
5 wrong against the institutions set up to protect and
6 safequard the public.

Once again, the remarkable and unprecedented facts
of this case make the case for declarations of
nullification even more compelling because here the
institution itself, the Ecuadorian Court, participated in
the fraud. This wasn't a fraud on the Court that we're
used to seeing. This is a massive fraud with the Court
with its blessing, its active support, and its intimate
involvement.

The second form of relief that Chevron seeks is
restitution, which would come in the form of an affirmative
injunction or directive to Ecuador to take all measures
necessary to wipe out the consequences of its wrongful
conduct. I've listed them on Slide 335. They also appear
in our Track 2 Reply Memorial at Page 223. I won't go
through them. Various tribunals have taken this approach
as an alternative to declaring the underlying illegal act a
nullity.

And I reviewed these cases with the Tribunal in Track 1B, so I won't belabor them here again, but I would

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04:31 1 Chorzow Factory standard, just as we ask you to do here, 2 and that Tribunal wiped out the consequences of the 3 unlawful act by negating it as a matter of international 4 law.

The Tribunal went further and ordered the
Jordanian Court proceedings over the dispute to be
mmediately and unconditionally terminated with no
possibility to engage further in judicial proceedings in
Jordan or anywhere else on the substance of the dispute.
Obviously, the facts of the cases differ, but the point
that I'm making here, Members of the Tribunal, is that the
strong weight of authority supports your authority to
declare the nullity, the negation of the Lago Agrio
Judgment.

And on the point about facts being different in each case, while no legal act can be allowed any effect in the law, the case for clear declarations of negation and nullification is particularly compelling for a finding of fraud in a court judgment because this type of fraud is the antithesis of good faith, indeed of law itself.

antithesis of good faith, indeed of law itself.

Wiping out the consequences of a fraudulent
judgment is a universal principle, both internationally and
in countries that adhere to the rule of law. As we see
from the quoted language by the United States Supreme Court
in the Chambers versus NASCO Inc. case, the historic power

04:34 1 like to take a moment on the recent jurisdictional
2 immunities case, Germany versus Italy, because the ICJ
3 there not only declared the underlying acts of the Italian

4 courts to have violated international law when they 5 disregarded Germany's sovereign immunity, but they went on

6 to state that, for purposes of awarding remedies, the Court
7 was required to declare the consequences of its ruling.

8 That's the word they used. Germany asked the Court to

9 order Italy to take all steps to ensure that all of the

10 decisions of the Italian courts infringing on German 11 sovereignty would become unenforceable, and the Court

12 states that it understood that to mean that the relevant

13 decisions should cease to have effect. And the Court

14 agreed, saying it must uphold Germany's request in that

15 regard. The domestic court Judgments that were still in

16 force must cease to have effect, and the effect of those

17 decisions must be reversed in a way to re-establish the

18 situation that existed before the wrongful acts were

19 committed. Quintessential Chorzow Factory which we're

20 arguing. In this jurisdictional immunities case, the good

21 faith compliance by Italy to the award was assumed, and 22 that assumption was well-founded because Italy's courts

22 that assumption was well-lounded because Italy's could be the sum of th

24 consequences of what its courts had wrongfully done. But

25 in the case before this Tribunal, good-faith compliance by

04:36 1 Ecuador cannot be assumed. We start with Ecuador's past 2 conduct in these very proceedings.

In its second Interim Measures Award the Tribunal ordered Ecuador to take all measures necessary to prevent recognition and enforcement of the Judgment within and without Ecuador, including a specific directive that Ecuador refrain from issuing the certificate of enforceability.

9 A few months later, in May and June of 2012, the 10 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs instituted the enforcement 11 proceedings, as you will recall, and you'll hear from 12 Mr. Pate in Canada and Brazil.

In August 2012, rejecting this Tribunal's general
and specific directives, Ecuador went ahead and issued the
certificate making the Judgment final. Emboldened, the
Plaintiffs followed suit with a new filing in Argentina in
October 2012. The Tribunal, this Tribunal, convened an
emergency Hearing in London in November 2012; and, at that
Hearing, you invited Ecuador to intervene in the foreign
proceedings to prevent execution on the Lago Agrio Judgment
while this arbitration was pending. Ecuador asked to
respond to your invitation in writing, which it did two
months later after giving the issue some thought. And what
they said is this: "Under the domestic legal regime, there

25 is no conceivable basis for the Republic to interfere in

04:39 1 Again, Ecuador has no standing at this juncture to 2 challenge Chevron's requests for the Declarations that it 3 requires from this Tribunal under international law for 4 full reparation because Ecuador's recalcitrance has made 5 these declarations necessary. Ecuador can't take advantage 6 of its own wrongdoing. No one can be allowed to take 7 advantage of its own wrongdoing in the law.

I conclude my remarks this afternoon, Gentlemen,
with an observation of the importance of your decision on
remedies in this case. The form of reparation that you
award is important to Chevron for obvious reasons. The
harm to Chevron from the Lago Agrio Litigation and Judgment
cannot be overstated as this Tribunal noted in one of its
interim measures awards, but your decision may also be
important to the evolution of international law itself due
to the notoriety of this case and the esteemed tribunal
that is presiding over it.

Professor Paulsson put it well this morning when
he said that you cannot answer President Correa's rhetoric
and his attack on the international legal system in kind.
You can only answer in the voice of international law.
And Mr. Bishop noted this afternoon that the rule
of law is why we are all here. The rule of law is what
this case is about.
Sir Hersch Lauterpacht noted in his seminal work,

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04:37 1 private litigation either within Ecuador or in foreign 2 jurisdictions."

Now, Ecuador knew full well that it was obligated
under the Treaty, the UNCITRAL Rules, this Tribunal's
directives and orders themselves to honor the Tribunal's
order. Ecuador was simply refusing to do so, relying
nistead on a faulty and baseless argument that somehow its
domestic laws could prevent it from fulfilling its
international obligations.

Two weeks later, the Tribunal issued its
Fourth Interim Measures Award, February 9, stating neither
disagreement with the Tribunal's Orders or Awards nor
constraints under Ecuadorian law excuses Ecuador's failure
through any branches of its Government, its organs, to
fulfill its obligations under international law imposed by
the Treaty, the UNCITRAL Rules, or the Tribunal's Orders or
Awards.

The Tribunal went on to declare and confirm that
Ecuador remains legally obligated under international law
to ensure that its commitments are not rendered nugatory by
finalization, enforcement or execution of the Judgment.
The Tribunal's admonition in its Fourth Interim Measures
Award obviously fell on deaf ears. Ecuador holds its
defiant ground to this very day. We're back to

25 Paragraph 417 of its Rejoinder.

04:40 1 recognition in international law that the results of an 2 illegal act are a legal nullity, they are legally 3 non-existent. And in society in which enforcement of law 4 is precarious, there is a natural tendency to regard 5 successful breaches of law as a source of legal right. 6 Sir Lauterpacht's remarks about a successful breach, 7 although in a somewhat different context, but the same general point, should carry great weight with this Tribunal 9 when you consider the remedies to award Chevron in this 10 case. If the Tribunal determines that Ecuador has 11 committed a denial of justice under international law, you 12 should declare it. If you find that Ecuador has breached 13 the Treaty, including the Settlement and Release Agreement, 14 the effective means provision and the other provisions of 15 the Treaty, you should declare them all.

18 the results of these determinations under international
19 law, as I have demonstrated you do possess, then you should
20 issue those declarations as well. If this Tribunal does
21 not issue declarations that you determine international law
22 allows you to render--and we would argue requires you to
23 render under the principles of full reparation--then
24 Ecuador will have successfully breached the law, and that

jurisdictional authority to declare the consequences and

And finally, if you conclude that you have the

25 successful breach may transcend Chevron and have ripple

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04:42 1 effects through the international legal system in itself. And with that, Mr. President, if the Tribunal does 3 not have any questions for me, I'm going to pass the floor 4 to Professor Paulsson for the monetary set off theory. PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 6 Professor Paulsson. MR. PAULSSON: Thank you, Mr. President. Your 8 Tribunal is going to develop an admirable reputation for sitzfleisch. I hope I'm not pushing your patience too far. What consequence did the PCIJ have in mind? Wipe 10 11 out all the consequences of the illegal act. The obvious 12 consequence here is a judgment which shouldn't exist. It 13 must be wiped out entirely. The malfeasance here was 14 pervasive, and there is no possibility of a partial 15 nullity. What head of damage might conceivably have been 16 the product of a fair and impartial weighing of all 17 pertinent data unaffected by the malfeasance and 18 manufactured evidence? What portion of the Judgment didn't 19 the Plaintiffs have a hand in? Maybe the date line. 20 To address the Tribunal's question, there is no 21 principled basis on which to say that there was no denial 22 of justice with respect to some portion of the Judgment, be 23 it \$500 or 500 million or any other number pulled out of a 24 hat. Nullification does not require consideration of

04:45 1 conditions would have to be satisfied for there to be any 2 traction for this theory. The first condition is this:

3 The nature of the delict must allow the Tribunal 4 to engage in the but-for inquiry. That was not the 5 situation in Amco II, the case Ecuador claims that I have 6 disagreed with in my book when all I said is that I 7 regretted its lack of a fuller discussion of Chorzów. I 8 certainly have no quarrel with the outcome. The Amco II 9 Tribunal, presided by Rosalyn Higgins, the Tribunal was 10 told by Indonesia that Amco, a victim, held to have been a 11 victim of a denial of justice in a proceeding to revoke its 12 foreign investment license, would have lost its license, so 13 said Indonesia, even in a fair process.

You see, the license by its own terms was
conditional on Amco's having brought in a certain amount of
foreign capital during the first term of the license. So,
Indonesia submitted, to put the investor in the same
position it would have been in but for the breach is to
consider that although our revocation was improper, we can
still show, here and now, before you, the international
tribunal, that the license is after all properly revocable
for failure of that objective condition. No harm, no foul,
as they say in this country.

But the Tribunal was having none of this. It made clear that its sole function was to determine if

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04:44 1 tainted Judgment ever be deemed valid, and in any event--in 2 any event--you are a BIT Tribunal, and you have no 3 jurisdiction over the claim of the 47 Plaintiffs.

25 Chorzów's but-for test. Under no circumstance would the

As for the Claimants' request for an injunction to prevent enforcement of the fraudulent judgment, it's clearly nonsensical to think of a set off against an injunction. Rither it's merited or not

7 injunction. Either it's merited or not.
8 So, Ecuador's offset theory can relate only to the
9 Claimants' tertiary request for monetary damages. But
10 compensable injury arising from enforcement of the illicit
11 Judgment would never arise--would never arise--if Ecuador
12 had complied with the Claimants' prior request for
13 declaratory and injunctive relief. Ecuador's offset
14 argument is thus necessarily premised on its intent to

ignore any further instruction from this Tribunal not to allow enforcement, just as it has ignored your interim

17 measures awards. This is unbounded cynicism. An effort by

18 Ecuador to reduce damages that it is now in a position to

19 prevent and that it has no intention of paying in the

20 future. This should not delay the Tribunal's issuance of a 21 Track 2 Award. If the argument is pursued, it can be

22 addressed in Track 3.

So, for now, you really do not need to get to the substance of this theory for which Ecuador can cite no precedent, but so you understand our position: Three

04:47 1 Indonesia's acts were detrimental to the victim. In my
2 book, I regretted that the Award did not provide fuller
3 explanation why it rejected Indonesia's argument. In fact,
4 Judge Higgins, somewhat to my relief, wrote me a gracious
5 note from The Hague about my book and my comments about
6 which I will say nothing except that it caused me to read
7 the Award and the underlying pleadings again as a matter of
8 sheer academic interest. That was a decade ago, and memory
9 fades.

Now, the point comes up in this case. And so we look at Amco II again. We find two things. First of all, the circumstances are sharply distinguishable. In Amco II, just like the Commercial Cases presided by Professor Böckstiegel, the State responsible for the denial of justice was the very same party that was the victim's opponent in the underlying dispute. Otherwise, the whole setoff idea doesn't even get into the starting blocks, let alone out of them.

Secondly, even in the Indonesian situation where,
of course, the very State which was responsible for the
denial of justice was the one which was responsible for
assessing compliance with the terms of the license, the
Tribunal gave useful indications of why it wasn't going to
get into a retrial of the merits of the revocation. The
arbitrators found, and now I quote, that the "whole

04:48 1 approach to the issue of revocation of the license was 2 tainted by bad faith" on the part of the Government 3 officials. The arbitrators therefore refused to ask 4 whether, if Indonesia had acted fairly, harm might have 5 been attributed to Amco's own fault, failure of the 6 objective condition of investing.

Judge Higgins wrote, Professor as she then was, "this is both speculative and not the issue before us."

Amco II concerned monetary compensation and

9 Amco II concerned monetary compensation and 10 illustrates that where State conduct entails a measure of 11 bad faith, the Chorzów counterfactual analysis is simply 12 inappropriate. That conclusion follows a fortiori here, 13 whether it is not simply bad faith but substantive fraud.

This situation doesn't come up often, but as it happens, the U.S. Supreme Court once faced this very same problem in a case called Hazel Atlas, and it did exactly what Judge Higgins and her colleagues did. You may find its short Judgment very instructive, as a matter of

19 interest, at CLA-431. It has nothing to do with the 20 specifics of U.S. law and everything to do with the eternal 21 verities of the need to protect the fundamental interests 22 of justice.

The second point is that, even where it might be appropriate and conceptually possible to excise the denial of justice, which as I noted is not the case here, the

04:51 1 arbitrators were in no position to rule on the forfeiture
2 of the license without trying the case anew and
3 substituting themselves for the very national legal system
4 which had committed the positive denial of justice.

It is evident that these two first points
foreclose Ecuador's attempt at an offset in this case.
Fraud vitiates all, and the malfeasance here goes to the
core of the Plaintiffs' case. The Cabrera Report, for
example, was, according to the Expert Douglas Beltman,
myrobably the single most important technical document for
the case. This was at the inception of the plot to create
facts, as Donziger put it. Beltman was one of the Experts
who later recanted. Probably the single most important
technical document for the case.

If the Cabrera Report wasn't critical to their
case, Plaintiffs' representatives would not have spent the
money and borne the risk of this considerable and risky
machination. Recall the phrase "all of us might go to
jail". It is surely folly in these circumstances to speak
of salvaging a judgment unsullied by fraud. It cannot be
cleansed.

Ecuador understands that the Lago Agrio Record is past saving. Why else has it resorted to gathering new samples secretly outside of any proper process? Your Tribunal has no basis at all on which it could speculate,

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04:50 1 existing record before the international tribunal must be clean and contain everything needed to assess the proper outcome. That was the case for Professor Böckstiegel and his co-Arbitrators in the Commercial Cases arbitration. As you're aware, the Ecuadorian courts there had failed to decide cases in which the Claimants were the Plaintiffs in a remotely timely fashion. There was nothing to be declared null. It therefore fell to the Tribunal, which was applying the treaty standard of effective means, to determine the value of the Claimants' unadjudicated claims in the first instance.

As I observed on Page 227 of my book, the damages
to be awarded a Claimant who was prevented by a denial of
justice from having his grievance heard properly, should,
of course, not uncritically be deemed equal to be whatever
he had seen fit to ask initially. The task of Professor
Böckstiegel and his colleagues was relatively
straightforward, given the existence of a complete and
uncorrupted record in each of the underlying cases, which
allowed them to make their own assessment of the value of
the rights of which the Claimant had been deprived. The
only way to do it.

In Amco II, in contrast, where, as Judge Higgins wrote, the circumstances surrounding the Administrative Decision tainted the proceedings irrevocably. The

04:53 1 even if you were minded to do so, on how an Ecuadorian
2 Court might have decided if it were not politicized, if it
3 were not corrupt, and if the evidence were untainted.

Point 3, finally, is one to which I have already
alluded. It follows the observation that in Amco II and in
the Commercial Cases arbitration, the Parties were
dentical in both the underlying domestic proceeding and

8 the international arbitration. Here, to reduce Ecuador's

9 liability, you would have to speculate about the intention

10 of third parties with respect to whom you have no

11 jurisdiction, namely the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs, faced with

12 the collapse of their fraudulent evidence. Would they 13 really try again and go to the effort of mounting a serious

14 claim from scratch with honest Experts who are not

15 instructed to ignore critical factors such as the

16 proportion of harm caused by Petroecuador's ongoing

17 operations alone during a quarter of a century?

18 Fatally compounding these difficulties is the fact 19 that Ecuador is precluded by the settlement and releases 20 from litigating against the Claimants over environmental

21 conditions in the Oriente. If, as Mr. Coriell has shown,

22 the Lago Agrio action is diffuse, the Releases are an

23 obvious bar to any offset. But even assuming counter to 24 fact that there are individual claims not covered by the

25 1995 Agreement, Ecuador has already conceded in its Track 2

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04:54 1 Counter-Memorial Paragraph 516 that it cannot act as the 2 Plaintiffs' surrogate.

In sum, Amco II teaches that there is no second 4 chance in these circumstances, given Ecuador's complicity 5 in the fraud permeating this case, it is in no position to 6 request a do-over, which would have the unpalatable effect 7 of rendering denials of justice virtually costless. Have a 8 go. For their part, the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs have 9 knowingly ratified the illicit actions of their counsel, as 10 the RICO Court found, Exhibit C-2135 at Pages 338-339, and 11 they are actively seeking to profit from the enforcement of 12 the fraudulent judgment abroad. Both had the opportunity 13 to try this case in accordance with the rule of law. Their 14 choices cannot be undone.

And so, Members of the Tribunal, I come to my 16 final topic before Mr. Pate makes his concluding 17 observations.

I wish to reflect on Ecuador's attempt to put 18 19 forward before you two kinds of equitable considerations to 20 excuse its conduct. One, you heard it in the openings. 21 One had to do with what scoundrels oil companies are, ready 22 to despoil a pristine native human habitat and then to deny 23 that crude oil could possibly be toxic. The other had to 24 do with the "real victims," the indigenous populations 25 mentioned several times in Ecuador's oral opening arguments 04:58 1 want any oil, we want to leave our indigenous population in 2 their sylvan idyll.

B, we need money for development, and we need it 4 fast. We want maximal production at the lowest cost, whatever the consequences.

6 C, we do need money, but not at the cost of 7 disturbing the indigenous population. In their interest, 8 we require that operators spend whatever is necessary to 9 restore their sites to lush glades and crystalline streams, 10 even if that reduces our dividends, royalties and taxes. 11 It was the Government's choice; its actions, its responsibility.

Yet, Mr. Correa would now deny this. He portrays

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14 Ecuador as a helpless victim of oil companies who have 15 stolen vast riches from his country. Texaco has not been 16 his only scapegoat, as you will have seen, if you read the 17 findings of fact of ICSID tribunals which have dealt with the cases of Perenco, Occidental, Burlington. Mr. Correa's message is quoted in Paragraph 38 of the Decision on Liability in the Burlington Case, where he condemned, his words, "the opprobrious past" and decried oil companies

that give us a little piece and the rest they take away. 23 Now, Mr. Correa may describe himself as a 24 revolutionary, as he explicitly did in that very speech,

25 but he got a Ph.D. in economics from the University of

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04:56 1 with no little measure of sententiousness.

If Ecuador seriously wants to talk the talk of 3 equity in this denial-of-justice case, then by all means, 4 for a few moments let's talk of equity, but let us please 5 make it hard talk. We hear of a native population whose 6 life of traditional subsistence in harmonious symbiosis 7 with nature is sacrificed to the goal of economic 8 development, without so much as a by your leave, 9 irreversibly transforming their habitat and their way of 10 life, and giving back almost nothing in return. This 11 dislocation is undoubtedly real, and so is the deprivation. 12 It's a sad story. So who made the decisions that led to 13 these results? Who caused this outcome? Who is 14 accountable?

15 Ecuador, half a century ago, was an impoverished 16 country with a growing population. It found great natural 17 resources in the Oriente. The Government recognized what 18 it had and made deliberate choices. You can take with a 19 very large grain of salt any talk about oil companies 20 taking advantage of ignorant officials. The Ecuadorian 21 Governments knew how to negotiate, and they have known how 22 to negotiate since the beginning. I will get back to that.

23 Consider the infinite range of alternative 24 policies that Ecuador could have pursued. I'll just give 25 you two extremes and something in the middle. We don't

04:59 1 Illinois in 2001. He knew very well that what he was 2 saying was untrue. But, of course, he was speaking to the 3 masses, and the masses, not only in Ecuador, are often 4 ill-informed and can easily rush to poor judgment if they 5 are told by the highest official of the land that 6 foreigners have been running away with national treasures. 7 But we can all do the math, so let us check this assertion of foreigners "giving us a little piece."

In the Oxy Case, for example, it was estimated that after taxes and costs Occidental received 30 percent 11 of total net profits, that was in Paragraph 117 of that 12 Decision and apparently not contradicted by Ecuador, 13 RLA-587. From its share, Ecuador, of course, did not have 14 any taxes to deduct. Nor did it have any costs.

So, what about TexPet? Luis Alberto Aráuz, a very 15 senior Ecuadorian professor of Mining and Petroleum Law who has represented Ecuador in negotiations with oil companies, wrote a book famous in Ecuador which bears the title 19 "Ecuadorian Petroleum Law," derecho petrolero ecuatoriano,

20 616 pages long. Professor Aráuz went to New York in the

21 1970s to participate as a member of the Ecuadorian

22 delegation in the drafting of the U.N. Resolution of the 23 new world economic order. I think I need say nothing more

24 about his credentials as someone who does not lavish praise

25 on multi-national private corporations. In his book,

05:01 1 Professor Arauz calculated that what the Ecuadorian 2 Government received from the activities of TexPet in the 3 20-year period from 1972 to 1992 in the Oriente. His 4 bottom number, \$23.5 billion.

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In contrast, the corporate records available to 6 Chevron show that the cumulative income TexPet received over those years was less than half a billion, less than 8 \$500 million, in fact, \$480 million as set forth in the 9 Report of Brent Kaczmarek, Page 34.

Mr. Correa's depiction of the opprobrious past was 11 demagoguery pure and simple. The fact is that during the 12 five-year period in the 1970s, the Ecuadorian Government 13 pushed Texaco's tax rate from 44 percent to 87 percent. In 14 an interview, Professor Aráuz is quoted as saying, and I 15 quote him: "We dictated terms to Texaco, and the company 16 accepted." R-1202.

We couldn't be further away from the cartoonish 17 18 depiction of foreign investors as thieves who steal the 19 country's riches and leave just a little piece, as Correa 20 says.

In addition to negotiating lucrative concessions 21 22 for itself, Ecuador, beginning in 1963, also pursued a policy of colonizing the region, which was referred to as 24 "empty territory." Eventually, tens of thousands of poor 25 people from the highlands were offered free property if

05:04 1 serious scrutiny.

In 1990, Texaco did not leave Ecuador because it 3 wanted to, but because Petroecuador wanted to take over so 4 the State would have everything for itself. At that time, there were significant environmental impacts from the 6 Consortium. That's the inevitable reality at the end of any major oil operations, as your Tribunal recognized in your jurisdictional award.

After an open and transparent processes, as you were reminded again today by Ms. Renfroe, the Ecuadorian 11 regulators established specified remedial standards for the portion of sites assigned to TexPet. This resulted in the Settlement and Release Agreement. You will remember that 14 the Director of Ecuador's Environmental Ministry told 15 Ecuador's Congress three years after the Lago Agrio 16 Litigation was filed, that, and I quote, "Texaco completed 17 the remediation of the pits that were their responsibility" while Petroecuador had done, I quote, "absolutely nothing." 19 So, what did the Government do for the indigenous 20 population? Well, in 1996, while TexPet was in the process

21 of performing the agreed upon remediation, the Government

22 secretly concluded the "Waiver of Rights" with the

23 Plaintiffs' counsel, who agreed to surrender forever any 24 claims against Ecuador or Petroecuador. The Plaintiff's

25 lead lawyer at the time, Cristobal Bonifaz, later testified

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05:02 1 they would plant crops and raise cattle. No one seems to 2 dispute the simple fact that Government-sponsored 3 agricultural settlement resulted in vastly more

4 deforestation than did oil development. The indigenous population of Ecuador, less than 6 10 percent of the whole, looks different, speaks a 7 different idiom, struggles to maintain vestiges of their 8 original cultural. In the Oriente, their land has been 9 allocated to waves of settlers from the western part of the 10 country. And their subsoil, which they were told was not 11 theirs, but rather the property of the State, yielded and 12 continues to yield an abundance of hydrocarbons which fill 13 the coffers of the Government in Quito, across the Andes. 14 In a regulated private oil industry, the Government 15 assesses compliance with the standards set for those who produce and sell. But when the Government takes over in 17 the form of entities with names like Petroecuador, it

18 becomes its own judge, and the appetite for cash and for

19 its apportionment in accordance with political decisions in 20 which the indigenous populations often have very little to

21 say, seem to make them far worse polluters by far than any

22 foreign enterprise subject to proper regulation.

23 Today, in our new world, seven of the world's ten 24 largest oil companies are self-regulated and self-audited.

25 No private shareholders. They're not exposed to any

05:05 1 under oath, that's C-1220, that he signed the Agreement 2 because they knew that a suit against the Government would 3 be futile and the Government would never pay environmental 4 claims but Texaco would. He explained that the Plaintiffs' 5 counsel viewed the Agreement -- the Plaintiff's counsel 6 viewed the Agreement with the Government as a quid pro quo. 7 I think we all know what the quid was: Use your State powers to put the squeeze on Chevron.

9 The waiver of rights was not only a bad faith breach of Ecuador's obligations under the Settlement and Release Agreement, it was an abdication of Ecuador's duties to the indigenous population of the Oriente. It cannot be 13 disputed that every bit of contamination that has occurred 14 over the past 25 years in the zone you have been hearing about is that of Petroecuador and Petroecuador alone. The hard fact is that Texaco remediated its share as promised on time in a proper manner and certified as such by the appropriate public official. Ecuador did not. Petroecuador's belated remediation has been certified, and

20 the cost of that is 1 percent of that assessed against the 21 long-departed Texaco and now against Chevron by Zambrano. So, Ecuador's position before you is that the 22 23 foreigners, who had earned less than 10 percent of the

24 revenues during the long ago time when the Consortium was 25 operating and who have, of course, earned nothing at all

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05:07 1 since then should pay a multiple of more than 90 times the 2 remediation expenses of Petroecuador which had 90 percent 3 of the revenues while TexPet was around, and 100 percent of 4 the revenues ever since, and during which time Petroecuador 5 has been exclusively responsible for all pollution.

Petroecuador alone was responsible for spilling no less than 125,000 barrels of oil through 2009, according to the Ecuadorian Ministry of the Environment. Since 2009, the flow of information about Petroecuador's spills has dried up. What a surprise.

The native population of the Oriente may well have legitimate grievances against their Government in Quito, and attorneys purporting to act on their behalf, but these are complex issues that are not matters for Chevron or the Tribunal. What is at issue here is the Lago Agrio Judgment, in which there are 47 named Plaintiffs.

Mr. Bloom in the opening lamented that they have been seeking to have their day in Court for 22 years. But what are their claims and what are their rights?

20 If, on the one hand, they are acting as 21 representatives of the environment generally, their claim

22 is properly directed to Petroecuador. As you held in your 23 Track 1A Award, all diffuse environmental claims against

 ${\tt 24}\,{\tt TexPet}$ and Chevron arising from the Consortium have been

25 released. This is true irrespective of what specific code

05:10 1 currently seeking to enforce the fraudulent judgment, as 2 you know, in Argentina, Brazil and Canada.

Gentlemen, we can all unhesitatingly accept that
Chevron is not the only victim here, a supposedly
revolutionary Government has been in power in Ecuador for
the better part of a decade, yet instead of acting to

7 improve the lives and conditions of the entire indigenous 8 community, it has aided the fraud done in the name of only

9 47. I'm afraid it's business as usual. But let us not 10 have any more logic that insults the intelligence,

11 syllogisms like this: One, here is an ugly photograph of

12 unknown origin and unknown date said to be from somewhere 13 in the Oriente; two, TexPet was in the Oriente a quarter of

14 a century ago; three, Chevron is in the oil business and is 15 a big company; so, four, Chevron must pay. Let us not hear 16 any more fatuous talk of equity from this Respondent.

Gentlemen, I thank you for your patience, and I now invite you to listen to Mr. Pate for his concluding remarks.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: One moment.

21 We are sorry to hold you up, but we will have a

22 ten-minute break and then we will hear Mr. Pate.

23 (Brief recess.)

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Mr. Pate.

MR. PATE: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of

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05:09 1 provision they invoke in support of their diffuse claim, as 2 Mr. Coriell showed again today.

As a side note, if these 47 are barred from suing
Petroecuador in light of the waiver of rights given by
their counsel, there are any number of residents in the
Oriente who remain free to take up the mantle.

If, on the other hand, the 47 are suing for individual harms, they are necessarily acting only on behalf of themselves. Note well that Ecuador in its opening conceded that the 47 are not suing for individual harms, which confirms the consistent findings in all three Lago Agrio Decisions and the repeated admissions of Plaintiffs' counsel.

There, of course, might be others in the Oriente besides the 47 who have individual claims, but, if so, one would have expected them to have already brought them, given that a quarter of a century has passed since TexPet left Ecuador.

At any rate, any individual rights held by such non-parties would be unaffected by nullification of this Judgment. The key point is that the 47 Plaintiffs can have no legitimate claim to enforce a judgment issued in violation of customary international law. Yet, as recently

24 as January 2013, they have ratified the authority of

25 Fajardo and Donziger to act on their behalf and they are

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The Tribunal has now seen and heard the evidence.

You've heard argument about the legal significance of that
evidence. I'd like to now give you Chevron's perspective
as a company. I'd like to respond as best I can to the
Tribunal's questions about our RICO statute in the United
States, give you an update about the enforcement and some
of the other litigations that are part of this situation,
and then finally address the unique and important role of
this Tribunal.

Let me begin with the root of this matter: The
environmental facts on the ground in Ecuador. As it turned
out, the Tribunal's decision to spend time on the
environmental merits of this matter has proved both wise
and important. The Tribunal now understands the nature of
the RAP. It understands how responsibility was divided as
between TexPet and Petroecuador, how the TexPet remediation

18 work was done, the confirmation of the effectiveness of

19 that work by officials of Ecuador at that time and then 20 repeatedly thereafter. And I think understands the vast

21 gulf between the fraudulent and discriminatory Lago Agrio

22 Judgment and actual regulatory standards and remediation

23 costs. All of this is part of why Chevron feels so

24 strongly about the injustice of what Ecuador and its

05:24 1 Now, the RAP was the substantive basis of the 2 Contract, that issue in Track 1 of this case. As you have 3 already ruled in Track 1A, that Contract released all 4 collective or diffuse environmental claims. The Tribunal 5 rendered an interim decision on Track 1B, that it could not 6 decide whether a breach had occurred until hearing the 7 evidence with regard to the actual conduct of the Lago 8 Agrio Litigation. And it's now just done that during this 9 Track 2, and so the Tribunal knows that every statement of 10 the Plaintiffs themselves and every statement of every 11 level of the Ecuadorian Court system confirms that 12 collective or diffuse claims were the sole basis of the 13 sweeping liability that was imposed on Chevron. But, 14 having heard the environmental evidence, the Tribunal can 15 also now apply its common sense to the Contract issue. What is it that Ecuador asks the Tribunal to 16 17 believe Ecuador and TexPet agreed to? TexPet, you are 18 asked to believe, carefully negotiated the apportionment of 19 remedial assignments between TexPet and Ecuador in 52 20 interim Actas. It then performed the tasks that it was 21 assigned through international Contractors. TexPet then 22 participated in the extensive verification process required 23 to complete and obtain the elaborate signature blocks on 19 24 Approval Actas, and then on a Final Acta. But then, according to Ecuador, TexPet was

05:27 1 ghostwriting of the Judgment using their own unfiled 2 materials; fourth, the absurd and discriminatory fraudulent 3 judgment itself imposing enormous liability by ignoring the 4 environmental standards applicable to Petroecuador and other companies, and then manufacturing environmental costs 6 for remediation exponentially greater than those used anywhere else in the world.

8 Now, the fifth denial of justice is Ecuador's response to the exposure of the first four. This goes 10 directly to the question of when international liability 11 will attach for misconduct that began in a country's courts. In some cases that question is interesting. In some cases it is even a difficult question. Not so here where it has been resoundingly answered in three places: First, within Ecuador's own system; second, before this Tribunal; and, third, outside the Tribunal.

17 As to Ecuador's own system, ask yourself this: Have you seen any evidence that any organ of Ecuador's 19 Government has shown any good faith interest in investigating, much less remedying, the allegations of 21 misconduct here? No. Instead, we have attacks on Chevron 22 for exposing the corruption, and we have ever-shifting 23 fabrications about how the fraud might be corrected if 24 Chevron could just find the right procedural path. Of 25 course, no sooner does Ecuador recommend a path then it

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05:25 1 supposed to wake up the next morning and begin remediating 2 everything else, including every site that was assigned to 3 Ecuador, even those that were designated for no action 4 because Petroecuador was at that time operating them. 5 Really? This cannot be right.

Now, you've also seen, heard, and read about the 7 fraud evidence, with the exception of Judge Zambrano, whom 8 Ecuador elected not to bring to the Tribunal after his 9 appearance in New York made the truth so vivid to everyone 10 who saw him there. I will not revisit the evidence, not 11 even the Honey & Honey restaurant. I will observe that 12 this must be the most thorough documentary, video, and 13 testimonial proof of fraud ever put before an arbitral 14 tribunal. For Ecuador to suggest that Chevron should have 15 had more evidence when Ecuador's courts were part of a sham 16 litigation conducted by Pablo Fajardo in order to prevent 17 discovery of the further evidence that was located in 18 Ecuador is disingenuous at best.

19 Although you will review the scheme as a whole, 20 the evidence before the Tribunal demonstrates at least five 21 separate and independent denials of justice: First, the 22 Cabrera fraud, which the private and Government 23 conspirators never quite managed to cleanse.

25 behalf of the Plaintiffs; third, the Plaintiffs'

Second, the paid Guerra order ghostwriting on

05:29 1 declares that path invalid. No reasonable person believes 2 that Chevron can get a fair hearing on this case in 3 President Correa's Ecuador.

Now, before this Tribunal, Ecuador's responsibility is established by the very positions it has 5 taken before you. It has not sought to separate itself 7 from the corruption in its courts, but instead has repeatedly denied the undeniable. It claims to you that the \$9 billion Judgment was not ghostwritten. It denies to you that Guerra wrote the Orders in the Lago Agrio Case 11 which appear on his computer. It denies to you the 12 discussions of a \$500,000 bribe scheme which even Donziger 13 admits. It denies that it has anything to do with the 14 private litigation. The cynicism of these factual 15 presentations to this Tribunal is breathtaking. 16

Now, outside the Tribunal, and in this case, I mean literally right outside the Tribunal, right outside the World Bank building, where we have seen a daily circus 19 of Ecuador-sponsored, and, in fact, Ecuador-logo'd 20 slanderous communications all in daily violation of this 21 Tribunal's orders, we have Ecuador's promotion of the 22 fraudulent judgment.

23 I would ask you to compare some of the statements 24 in the pamphlets being passed out by Ecuador to what you 25 have heard on the record in this Tribunal. The only

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05:30 1 conclusion you'll be able to draw is that the presentations 2 are knowing falsehoods, and I would ask you to reflect on 3 how Ecuador repays a company that produced \$23 billion for 4 Ecuador, leaving aside the over \$50 billion produced in the 5 Concession since, during a time that Texaco made 6 \$500 million in profit, profit that has long since been swamped by the damage Ecuador has inflicted in this case. 8 Now, beyond this, Ecuador has publicly declared 9 Chevron witnesses in this Tribunal and its lawyers to be 10 traitors and sought to prosecute them. They justly fear 11 for their safety and for that of their families. The Head 12 of State himself continuously reviles Chevron and makes 13 international diplomatic visits specifically to promote the 14 fraudulent judgment, all in willful gratuitous violation of 15 the Tribunal's Awards, through devices such as its 16 insulting pamphlets and its malicious recusal motion, 17 Ecuador hopes that the Tribunal will be frightened from its 18 duty or at least that the Tribunal will delay carrying out 19 its duty. To be sure, investor-State arbitration is under 20 attack in some political quarters, and Ecuador is one of 21 the leading attackers, but policy issues about the proper 22 scope of investor-State arbitration have nothing to do with 23 defending and promoting a fraud like this one, unless the 24 point is that a sovereign should not be subject to any 25 international standard at all.

05:33 1 Several courts issued opinions, and the most significant 2 one came under the rubric of the crime-fraud exception to 3 attorney-client privilege in the United States. One of the 4 grounds on which attorney-client privilege can be breached in discovery orders is if it is found that that privilege 6 is being asserted in furtherance of a fraud, and a few examples I will leave with you here. The District Court 8 for the Western District of North Carolina, reviewing the evidence said, "While this Court is unfamiliar with the 10 practices of the Ecuadorian judicial system, the Court must 11 believe that the concept of fraud is universal, and that what has blatantly occurred in this matter would, in fact, be considered fraud by any court. If such conduct does not amount to fraud in a particular country, then that country has larger problems than an oil spill." 16

In New Mexico, the Court observed that the crude outtakes had sent shock waves through the nation's legal communities.

The District Court for the Southern District of California found, it said, ample evidence of the Cabrera scheme. That quote I suppose is irrelevant at this point since that's largely conceded by everyone.

More relevant to some of the evidence we spent a lot of time on, the District Court for the District of Maryland said, "Chevron has shown to anyone with common

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05:32 1 Now, the Tribunal has asked about the RICO case
2 and about the RICO statute. Perhaps the Tribunal is
3 interested in how the Tribunal's work fits into the many
4 other cases involved in this litigation. I'd like to try
5 to pause and give you a brief update before I conclude to
6 answer the questions you have on those matters.

I have two slides which I believe are going to be
handed up to you to try to set some context about the
different categories of litigation that have taken place.
We have the so-called 1782 actions in the United States,
and I'll tell you how some of the same evidence that you've
seen here came to be involved in those and what the issue
was and the conclusions were.

We'll talk about the RICO case currently on appeal to the Second Circuit. I'll give an update on the Canada, Argentina, and Brazil enforcement matters, and then conclude with brief mention of a currently pending litigation in the courts of Gibraltar.

Now, on the slide that I put up and that I believe you have, these constitute findings by the so-called "1782 courts" in the United States, 28 USC Section 1782 is a statute in the United States which allows discovery to be taken in aid of a foreign proceeding. During some stages, that proceeding was litigation in Ecuador, during some stages, litigation for discovery in aid of this proceeding.

05:35 1 sense that the insertion of the Fusión Memo text in the 2 Ecuadorian Judgment is a blatant cut-and-paste exercise."

And as to the cleansing effort with respect to the Cabrera fraud, the District Court for the District of Columbia found that the Weinberg Group's work--that was the group that had been hired to perform the cleansing--was part of a fraud upon the Ecuadorian Court.

8 So, those 1782 cases led up to the RICO action.
9 You will recall that initially RICO was not the primary
10 focus of that Southern District of New York Action. In
11 count nine of that case, using the Declaratory Judgments
12 Act, Chevron sought protection by preemptive application of
13 the New York Judgment Enforcement Statute to Prevent
14 Enforcement. One of the reasons for that was that the
15 reservation of rights by Chevron under the New York
16 Convention to defend against any Ecuadorian Judgment was
17 common ground among everyone in earlier stages of this
18 litigation.

The Southern District of New York granted an injunction. Under that count nine you will recall the Second Circuit vacated it, finding that the Declaratory Judgment Act was not available for that use of the New York Judgment enforcement statute, and also observed that it had difficulty with the comity effects of an injunction that prevented enforcement in numerous foreign countries. The

05:36 1 focus of that case then shifted to the American RICO 2 statute.

You observed in your questions that that is an 4 unusual statute. It is a statute that creates the ability 5 of private litigants to pursue civil litigation but 6 requires as a showing of what are called predicate acts, 7 violation of a number of listed criminal statutes: If that 8 predicate finding and certain other findings are made, it 9 allows a private party to seek damages relief or, as 10 Chevron sought to pursue, injunctive relief. In this case, 11 the Judge, Judge Kaplan, acted as the finder of fact 12 because the only relief Chevron sought was injunctive. He 13 issued, as you know, and I won't belabor this, lengthy 14 findings. The Parties to that case were Donziger and his 15 associates, were two of the 47 LAPs. Only two of the 47 16 decided to appear. The others defaulted. Pablo Fajardo, 17 Luis Yánza, the Amazon Defense Front, Selva Viva were also 18 defaulting Defendants. Originally Stratus Consulting, 19 Mr. Beltman, Ms. Maest, were defendants, they ultimately 20 settled the case, and then disavowed some of what they had

05:40 1 So, let me pause there and see if there are other 2 questions about RICO.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: No, thank you.

Please continue.

MR. PATE: Enforcement actions, the same three that I've told you about before, continue in Canada, which was the first filed enforcement action. You will recall the history was that initially the trial court, finding

that there was no basis to disregard the corporate

separateness between Chevron Canada, which is present in

11 Canada but has no connection whatsoever to the Ecuadorian

litigation, and Chevron Corporation, which is the Judgment debtor in the Ecuadorian litigation but has no operations

14 or presence in Canada. The Court found that lacking any

15 evidence that the standards under Canadian law for

16 disregarding that corporate separateness could be found,

17 the action should be stayed. The trial court had rejected Chevron's further contention that a jurisdictional showing

of presence on behalf of the Judgment debtor was required

at the outset.

And on appeal, the intermediate Court in Canada 21

22 reversed the stay finding that the trial court had made.

23 Argument has now been had in the Supreme Court of Canada.

24 The Court heard argument on December 11th on the

25 jurisdictional issue, the issue whether on the pleadings,

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05:38 1 obstruction of justice, witness tampering, violations of 2 the Travel Act and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

21 done. The Court as you know made findings, and the

22 applicable standard under that statute called for findings

23 under a standard of clear and convincing evidence. It

24 found by clear and convincing evidence that the evidence

25 had demonstrated extortion, wire fraud, money-laundering,

As an additional part of that case, Judge Kaplan 4 examined an independent cause of action, a common-law cause 5 of action for corruption of a judgment. That came up both 6 as an independent action and because evaluation of the 7 judgment was necessary to evaluate the res judicata or 8 collateral estoppel defense that the Defendants in the RICO 9 case, the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs, and Mr. Donziger had 10 asserted. And as you know, he found that the Lago Agrio 11 Judgment was obtained by corrupt means, and that for that 12 and other reasons it was not entitled to collateral 13 estoppel or other effect. And, indeed, was not a judgment

14 that was worthy of enforcement. That opinion, that judgment by Judge Kaplan is on 16 appeal to the Second Circuit. As you know, the day before 17 this proceeding commenced argument was heard. The 18 principal issue in that case is whether a private party may 19 obtain injunctive relief under the RICO statute or whether 20 that is only available to the U.S. Government. That is an 21 issue that's been open in American law for some time.

One thing I would note, though, is that in the 23 briefing of that entire case before the Second Circuit, no 24 alternative narrative or any significant challenge to the

25 factual findings of Judge Kaplan was made.

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05:41 1 if you will, some basis of jurisdiction over Chevron Corp 2 would be required. We expect a decision in that case could 3 come at any time. It's difficult to say, if the Supreme 4 Court finds that a jurisdictional finding was necessary, it 5 should end the case. If the Court does not, the next stage 6 may include a factual Hearing on the corporate separateness 7 issues as the next step. So, that's Canada.

In Brazil and Argentina, I don't have anything quite as specific as that to report. The case in Argentina 10 has been--excuse me, in Brazil has been moving forward to 11 the extent that the Reporting Judge has ordered that the 12 case file be made available to the Public Prosecutor for an 13 opinion to be rendered as is the practice in that system. 14 That case has been assigned to NPF prosecutor Nicolo

15 Aldino. That was done in February, the time for the NPF

opinion to have issued has run, but those time periods are

17 frequently extended. I can't give you any more prediction about when the case will move to the next stage, but I

quess I would say that it is poised, perhaps, to move to

20 further developments in the near future, but there is no

21 ability to predict when it might do so.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I interrupt you? You 22

23 referred to the Public Prosecutor. 24 MR. PATE: Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: This would be a civil

05:43 1 enforcement?

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MR. PATE: It is and I'm not an expert in 3 Brazilian law, but the public prosecutor, the Ministerial 4 Publica is under that system, often or in certain types of proceedings called upon to give opinions about what its 6 view is of the legal issues in the case.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think I'm told it's not--it 8 would not usually be a criminal proceeding.

MR. PATE: No, it's not a criminal proceeding, but 10 actually there may be any number of people who can correct 11 me about the fine points of Brazilian procedure, but it is 12 a Government attorney's office that would conduct the 13 review. The case is not criminal. It is a civil exequatur 14 Judgment recognition case.

Argentina, a number of defenses have been filed, a 16 number of briefs, some subsidiary motions have been argued, 17 but I think without detailing that, the shortest way to put 18 it is that that case remains pending but I don't have any 19 prediction of what the next major steps would be.

20 So, any questions on the three pending enforcement 21 cases? Of course, the constant threats of more enforcement 22 filings continue, but I have no information about that.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: No, thank you very much. We

24 have no questions.

MR. PATE: All right, finally then, I will mention

05:46 1 as the American system is often criticized by the 2 Plaintiffs as being somehow biased or untrustworthy as this 3 Tribunal is. This is a ruling from Gibraltar on that 4 topic, and a few of the comments made in denying that 5 Motion to Strike out include that "if the Appeal Court in 6 Ecuador had before it anything like the evidence which has 7 been put before me, it is, indeed, surprising on the face 8 of it that at least a rehearing was not ordered."

9 He went on actually to call into question and was 10 right to do so, whether the Ecuadorian appellate system had 11 actually done anything to address or to issue de novo 12 findings about or otherwise to treat with the fraud. He 13 said he was not convinced that it did. In fact, quoting 14 Justice Butler, it said specifically that it stayed out of 15 the accusations of fraud. But at the end of the day and in 16 this final bullet that I give you on this slide, Justice 17 Butler said, "it would be difficult to have confidence in an Appeal Court which made the findings which it did and upheld the First Instance Decision if the Claimants' allegations are correct." I think Justice Butler has a gift for understatement.

Are there any further questions about the context of the other litigations? If not, I will conclude.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just one question. The 25 reference to Annex P on your PowerPoint slide.

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05:44 1 Gibraltar and put up the second slide I have. In 2 Gibraltar, Chevron has had a litigation against certain of 3 the funders of the litigation scheme. Mr. De Leon, an 4 early funder, a later funder Woodsford Group, which 5 recently withdrew claims against some of the entities that 6 were set up to administer the funding waterfall that you

7 heard about earlier, Amazonia, Torvia are the names of some 8 of the companies that have been set up to distribute any

proceeds that this scheme might generate.

There was a hearing on a Motion to Strike out as 11 it's called in Gibraltar, and it's probably important for 12 the Tribunal to know that while here it has been depicted 13 that Chevron will, of course, have plenty of opportunities 14 to defend against any enforcement, so this Tribunal need 15 not be much concerned about doing anything. In the 16 enforcement actions and other actions, it has typically 17 been the position of the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs, Defendants 18 in Gibraltar, that the appellate process in Ecuador has 19 fully considered and ruled upon all of Chevron's fraud 20 allegations so that those rulings ought to be considered

21 issue preclusive of any further discussion of fraud, and

22 Chevron should not be able to present that defense.

23 I do think it's interesting to note that Justice 24 Butler in Gibraltar, in part it's interesting because this 25 is not for the pamphleteers in the room, an American Court, 05:47 1 MR. PATE: Those are citations in the Gibraltar 2 system. If you want to look in our record, it's C-2388. PRESIDENT VEEDER: That's what I thought, yes.

> 4 Can you just remind us what Torvia Limited is 5 doing as a second Defendant?

MR. PATE: Torvia Limited I quess I would say is the Gibraltar-based structure that is involved in the administration and distribution of proceeds from the Judgment, if ever there are any. It's not the only company that was set up to do that, but it's one of them.

And I guess I should note, Torvia has now settled 11 out. It was a company with specific connections to 13 De Leon, and when Mr. De Leon withdrew from the scheme, 14 that took Torvia with it.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, on the Judgment I'm 15 16 looking at, there are only two Defendants. If those two qo, who's left? 17

MR. PATE: There have been Parties added since the 18 document that you're looking at. Pablo Fajardo and Luis Yánza in addition to another of the corporate structures.

21 My recollection is they're meant to answer, and we will 22 learn whether they will actually appear or default, when,

in early June? Is that right? Early June.

24 So Amazonia Funding is the name of the other 25 structure, and then it's Fajardo and Yánza who are the

05:49 1 remaining Gibraltar Defendants.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Are you going to deal with the 3 situation in Ecuador as regards the Constitutional Court? MR. PATE: Well, Chevron's Constitutional Court 5 submissions remain pending. I certainly couldn't give you 6 any information about when the Constitutional Court is 7 likely to do anything.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And, lastly, just for the 9 record, we also have seen people outside, but you referred 10 to pamphlets. Those are not in the record, and we don't 11 propose to admit them into the record, and I think we can 12 leave it there.

Would you like to conclude? 13

14 MR. PATE: I will conclude, thank you.

15 One thing I hope you have been left with by my 16 summary is that Chevron was obliged by the rules of 17 sovereign immunity and jurisdiction to use multiple 18 proceedings to defend against this fraud. This Tribunal 19 uniquely is able to issue an opinion under international

20 law in a proceeding with Ecuador as a party. In fact, only 21 this Tribunal can provide vindication for Chevron's

22 contract rights. It can't be done anywhere else. Ecuador

23 cannot be made a party to U.S. litigation. It's also the

24 case that Donziger can't be made a party here.

So, therefore, only this Tribunal can hold Ecuador

05:52 1 overwhelming evidence, of the type you've heard here, that 2 an official Government policy of promoting a corrupt 3 judgment in defiance of lawful international injunctions is 4 simply beyond the power of international law to redress.

> I respectfully suggest to you that when history 6 assesses the work of this Tribunal, only one of those 7 messages can possibly be seen as consistent with upholding 8 the rule of law.

9 So, with that, subject to more questions, either 10 for me or other members of our team, with confidence in the 11 wisdom, integrity and courage of this Tribunal, I confide Chevron's claims into your hands.

Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

15 We had questions earlier, but they seem for the 16 moment to have been largely answered for which we thank you 17 very much. We don't exclude that there will be further questions, but they will not be for tonight. It's been a long day, and we would like to think about what we've heard, and also we would like to hear the Respondents 21 tomorrow.

22 I think unless there is some urgent housekeeping 23 matters now, it's been a very long day for our shorthand 24 writers, we will start with the Respondent at 9:00

25 tomorrow.

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05:51 1 accountable for its actions and it's uniquely important 2 that it do so.

> Chevron seeks an injunction against further 4 misconduct by Ecuador in support of this fraud. This 5 relief will have value, even though Ecuador will not obey 6 as it will further expose internationally that Ecuador's 7 conduct is in violation of international law.

Chevron, as you know, also believes that a strong 9 and clear declaratory award from this Tribunal will be 10 persuasive to enforcement courts. A refusal by those 11 courts to enforce the fraudulent judgment will obviously 12 protect Chevron but it will at the same time protect 13 Ecuador against responsibility and damages for the 14 potential greater liability that might arise from its 15 enforcement campaign.

And Chevron emphasizes again that if the Tribunal 16 17 hopes to achieve this ends, then it must act as soon as 18 possible on Track 1, on Track 2, or both.

19 So, let me end where I began three weeks ago, and 20 that's with what is at stake in the Tribunal's work, and in 21 the Judgment it will issue, and that is the message that's 22 going to be sent to investors and to host Governments. The 23 message will be either that there is a right to justice 24 guaranteed by international treaty and made effective by 25 neutral tribunals or, instead, that notwithstanding

05:53 1 MR. BLOOM: Just one request, and I have spoken to 2 counsel to Chevron about this, for personal reasons, 3 they've agreed, and I'm asking the Tribunal if it's

4 possible to begin 15 minutes earlier tomorrow at 8:45. 5

PRESIDENT VEEDER: 8:45. Does that mean you want 6 to finish 15 minutes earlier at 5:15?

MR. BLOOM: We will keep to our schedule, but it 8 gives a little bit more of a buffer in the event there are 9 questions from the Tribunal.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Fair enough. So, 8:45 11 tomorrow, but before that, at 8:44, we would like to put 12 the Site Visit Order to bed duly signed/countersigned, 13 because we're way beyond its anniversary.

14 (Whereupon, at 5:55 p.m., the hearing was adjourned until 8:45 a.m. the following day.) 15

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and

THE UNCITRAL ARBITRATION RULES 1976

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Between: :
CHEVRON CORPORATION (U.S.A.), :
TEXACO PETROLEUM COMPANY (U.S.A.), :

Claimants, : PCA Case No.

2009-23

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THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR,

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Respondent.

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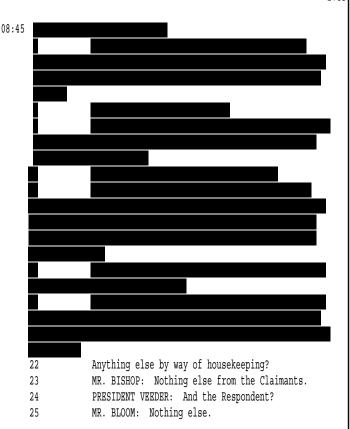
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08:48 1 agreement once the State-owned company was involved in the 2 Consortium in the 1970s. It is true that the Court 3 ultimately dismissed every single one of the Claims by 4 Chevron. This did not prevent Chevron for those years to publicly attack the Republic of Ecuador because of the alleged nonperformance of its contractual obligations. The Republic litigated before the courts and not 8 in the media. 9 Throughout the years, the Claimants changed their

tactics. It is well documented that the Chevron strategy 11 on October 14, did a 180-degree turn on October 14, 2008, when Sam Singer, the public relations adviser in a memo to the spokesperson of Chevron stated a very new strategy, 14 completely new strategy. The memorandum said that Chevron 15 had to create a new narrative, and I quote: "In order to 16 avoid discussion of the environmental and legal matters in 17 the case." And instead of that, he had to show and Ecuador and the left wing Government, newly elected, as a red Government and to describe the country as, "a new Cuban missile crisis country." This document is Claimants' 21 Exhibit 1206. 22 Likewise, the Claimants staged a new legal

strategy. While the Republic was not ready to pay its 24 Witnesses and it was not ready to enter into indemnity 25 clauses with them, Chevron decided to use its enormous

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                  PRESIDENT VEEDER: Then the Respondents have the
      2 floor for their closing oral submissions.
                  MR. BLOOM: If I may reintroduce the Attorney
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4 General of Ecuador.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Of course.

CLOSING ARGUMENT BY COUNSEL FOR RESPONDENT

7 ATTORNEY GENERAL GARCIA CARRION: Thank you very much, Mr. President.

Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, allow me 10 to introduce the closing statements by the Republic of 11 Ecuador. The lawyers defending the State are going to 12 address the factual issues and the evidence submitted to 13 this Tribunal, including the answers to the questions that 14 you have posed throughout this Hearing.

Before doing that, we have to briefly remember the 15 16 context in which this dispute has arisen when Chevron 17 included in its strategy the participation of the Republic 18 of Ecuador. From 2004 until 2009, the Republic of Ecuador

19 defended itself in the courts of New York against the 20 allegations by Chevron in the sense that the Republic had

21 violated its contracts with TexPet in connection with the

22 joint operation agreement dating back to 1965 that was 23 entered into between TexPet and Gulf Oil, the two partners

24 at the beginning of the Concession. Chevron alleged at the

25 time that the Republic was a member of the joint operation

08:50 1 resources to exert pressures on the Witnesses that were 2 adverse to their interest paying other witnesses enormous 3 amounts of money to obtain their unconditional assistance.

> The Tribunal may remember Diego Borja, the Contractor of Chevron's, that exchanged contaminated soil 5 samples for clean soil samples, and he received millionaire payments by the Claimants. This is R-184 and R-109. This behavior boldly continues up to this day, with the

9 financial assistance provided to buy the not-very-trustworthy testimony of Mr. Guerra.

were scared to provide their statements.

I wonder how has the strategy by Chevron affected the Republic? Claimants had made it almost--had made it 13 almost impossible for the Republic to obtain the 14 cooperation of witnesses that were intimidated not to take a position against Claimants. In spite of the seriousness of the accusations submitted by the Claimants, Ecuador was prevented from having access to potential witnesses who

19 Secondly, the public relations campaign by Chevron has been designed to harm the State not only in the eyes of 21 political leaders and the public opinion within and without 22 Ecuador, but also in the eyes of investors from all over

23 the world. For example, Chevron has spent enormous

24 financial resources to put an end to the preferences, to

25 the tariff preferences, given by the U.S. to Ecuador for

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08:51 1 millions of dollars, and this impaired jobs as well.

2 Also, Chevron has said that Ecuador is a country

3 that does not fulfill its international obligations. The

4 State of Ecuador has characterized itself for fulfilling

5 its operations under international law. Ecuador has met

6 the payment of the awards in the very few international

7 arbitrations where it was deemed liable. In the ICSID

8 arbitration by Duke Energy, the State paid in an opportune

10 Occidental I case under the VAT tax under UNCITRAL, the 11 State also paid the compensations ordered by the Tribunal. 12 The State also has won a number of cases that were

9 manner the compensation ordered in that case. In the

staged against it, for example, in the ICSID arbitrations
of M.C.I. and Murphy, both American companies, and one of
the members of this panel was an arbitrator in that case.

Fourth, Chevron tries to paint a picture that is completely distorted of the position that I have had to assume in connection with the strategies that I had to adopt in this arbitration.

It is true that we have not always agreed with the decisions made by this Tribunal and that I have had to make decisions that were sensitive in nature. The request for

 $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ the Members of the Tribunal to step down is an

 $24\,$ unprecedented decision that I have had to make in the

25 scores of arbitrations that I had to lead in this field,

08:55 1 any logical or time-related analysis. To seek that all the 2 governments of Ecuador in the past 20 years have colluded 3 against Chevron is something that is not believable, and it 4 cannot be proven by simple conjectures.

The video, for example, that was shown yesterday
that shows a number of statements by Ricardo Patiño, the
Ministry of Foreign Residence of Ecuador, shows that this
official is specifically making reference to the Chevron
Case and not to the Lago Agrio Litigation. The Chevron
case for the authorities of the National Government is this
arbitration and the other actions through which Chevron is
persecuting the Republic. Claimants must be assured that
the defense of the interests of Ecuador in this arbitration
is a national priority matter, and it answers a State
policy. We're going to continue to face their claims in
every fora where we're being attacked.

We are not looking to involve ourselves in this
controversy. Unlike what we've heard yesterday, this has
not and has never been our dispute. The acts of the State
are a response to the attacks by the company. Of course,
the Government and the President of the Republic have
stated their sympathies and their understanding of the
victims of contamination. That is what the citizens
expect. But Chevron has not acted as a great corporate
citizen that it says it is. When a contractor is changing

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08:53 1 and Ecuador has very few times recused an arbitrator. And
2 it hasn't been pleasant to use this kind of mechanism.
3 Such a mechanism must be used responsibly so that it is not
4 taken lightly or unfoundedly.

Notwithstanding the results obtained in this case
and the reservation of rights that are going to be
discussed in the annulment processes that have taken place
and that you know of, Ecuador has acted and continues to
act under the rules that govern these proceedings.

The qualifications that have been used by
Professor Paulsson and other Chevron's lawyers in their
allegations yesterday that were submitted in a defiant
manner and in an irrespectful manner go beyond the margins
of tolerance and the courtesy that one expects of these
individuals, so these are to be rejected by the Arbitration
Tribunal and also by the lawyers that I'm heading. I'm not
going to deal with those qualifications because this has
been an arbitration in which, apart from disagreements, we
have been able to treat each other with respect in spite of
the seriousness of the objections and the allegations put

21 forth by both Parties.
22 In the distortion of context line of the
23 Claimants, there were videos and statements attributed to
24 the highest authorities of the Executive branch in Ecuador.
25 This shows a false conspiracy theory that does not resist

08:57 1 contaminated samples for clean samples and it hides the
2 evidence of contamination or when it uses its enormous
3 resources to intimidate or keep witnesses. Throughout this
4 arbitration, I have appeared in my capacity as legal
5 representative of the State and as a lawyer. I don't have
6 a political function. I'm here representing my country,
7 and I am defending my country against the unfounded attacks
8 by Claimants. That is the extent of my appearance here,
9 and that must be respected by the opposing party.
10 To end, Members of the Tribunal, we expect with a

To end, Members of the Tribunal, we expect with a lot of expectation your visit to see the enormous environmental damage caused by Chevron in the Amazon area, and we would like your decisions not based on rhetorics or discourse, but only on the evidence stemming out of these proceedings.

Now, with your permission, Mr. President and Members of the Tribunal, Mr. Bloom is going to continue presenting the Closing Statements by the Republic of Ecuador.

20 Thank you very much.

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

22 Mr. Bloom.

MR. BLOOM: Thank you very much, Mr. President.

In about 15 minutes we will begin our response to

25 the Claimants' fraud allegations, and it will be detailed,

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08:58 1 it will be exhaustive, but before we get to that, a word 2 about yesterday, about the closing offered by the 3 Claimants. For those of us on this side of this room, it 4 was reminiscent of the drive-by shootings that one sees 5 occasionally in the news occasionally, but in this instance 6 there were many drive-bys, quick, rapid-fire accusations, some even personal.

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You were told that the only conclusion that could 9 be drawn was that the Republic's presentation in this 10 proceeding must constitute, "knowing falsehoods." That's 11 at Transcript 1742. Really? And you were told at 12 Transcript 2639, that I, "pushed to know where Mr. Guerra's 13 children and grandchildren lived." Apparently I'm part of 14 the conspiracy to punish Mr. Guerra by exacting some kind of punishment on his extended family.

Never mind that I was making the obvious point 16 17 that Mr. Guerra's bargain with Chevron fulfilled his every 18 hope of reuniting himself and his wife with his family in 19 the United States, and never mind that his son's decision 20 to move back to Ecuador, if that's what he did, belies 21 Mr. Guerra's contention that his son cannot return.

At Transcript 2557, Claimants proclaim that 23 Ecuador's Attorney General and we participate in these 24 proceedings, "to give the appearance that Ecuador cares 25 about international law," as cover of sorts while the State 09:01 1 period was lobbying successive governments of the Republic, 2 and the Republic, in fact, in that same year in 1996, in

3 fact, supported Texaco's position in Aguinda. Chevron, in

4 fact, prepared a draft--shall we say ghostwrote--a letter 5 for the then-Ambassador to the United States from Ecuador

6 that was forwarded to the U.S. State Department, and he

executed an affidavit supporting Texaco's position,

"requesting that this Court"--that's the Aguinda

9 Court--"decline to exercise jurisdiction," of the Aguinda

Case. Please look at C-289, R-27, and C-20.

Isn't it amazing that the 1996 so-called, "quid 11 pro quo agreement, " is described as borderline criminal, but it's perfectly okay when Texaco successfully lobbies the Republic?

Facts matter. Context matter.

16 What else? As I predicted in opening, Claimants 17 again deliberately conflate the Plaintiffs with the Republic, making repeated references to the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' relationship with Mr. Cabrera as if they--as if we were they and referencing e-mails referring to the cook and the messenger, et cetera, as if the Plaintiffs' conduct is the Republic's conduct. It is not. I do not represent the Plaintiffs. I represent the Republic of Ecuador.

They refer to the, "conclusive forensic evidence," 24 25 Transcript 2637, when, in fact, the forensic evidence

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09:00 1 actually seeks to go about to undermine international law. 2 That's why the Attorney General's Office has expended the 3 resources that it did on this case?

The drive-bys continued. Claimants again refer to 5 Judge Núñez, who they say was caught in a bribery scandal 6 all the while; and yet again, they deliberately failed to 7 respond to the Republic's multiple submissions on this 8 issue, most notably the finding of a U.S. judge who said 9 that he reviewed the tapes, and there was no bribery. 10

Or Mr. Borja's admission of the same.

11 Drive-bys don't stop. Mr. Paulsson made reference 12 to this nefarious, shady, underhanded quid pro quo between 13 Plaintiffs and the Republic in these documents. Please 14 look at these documents. They can be found at C-911 and

15 R-203. When were they dated? Would you be surprised to 16 learn it was 1996, more than a decade before President

17 Correa became President? This was sure some amazing

conspiracy; it lasted through several governments.

19 What was the quid for the pro? What was the quid 20 for the quo? The Government agreed to intervene in the 21 Aguinda action. That's all. That's it. Allow me to put

22 the exclamation point on it.

23 The next year, a successor Government reversed 24 course and chose not to intervene.

Note by the way that Texaco during the same time

09:03 1 overwhelmingly comports with Judge Zambrano's testimony

2 regarding the time he worked, the time he began working on 3 the document, how he worked on the document, the 400 Saves

4 of the document, and the eventual upload of the document.

5 Rather than providing conclusive evidence on their behalf,

6 it seems that the best that Claimants do is argue that

7 Judge Zambrano had the Microsoft Word application open, in their view, not long enough for the Sentencia to be typed.

And in so doing, they are ignoring Judge Zambrano's

extensive testimony regarding all the advance work that he

11 did in preparing his notes in such great detail

12 specifically so he could prepare the Sentencia in short

13 order. We will get to that in our presentation.

14 And in all candor, I seriously doubt I'm the only 15 person who has ever used one of these, the Dictaphone machine that my Secretary despises, as I used last night and about three hours off and on and over the weekend,

Saturday, last Saturday. She transcribed some 27 pages. 18

19 Who are the Claimants to say how Judge Zambrano 20 should or should not draft the Judgment or how he writes?

21 If it is the position of the Claimants that the

22 forensic evidence so conclusively establishes that the

Plaintiffs ghostwrote the Decision, then may I ask the

24 obvious question? Why are they fighting so hard to keep 25 this Tribunal from expanding the mandate of Ms. Catherine

09:05 1 Owen?

Before Mr. Bishop even had an opportunity to 3 present the Claimants' case on fraud in the afternoon, the 4 counsel who preceded him and later those who followed chose 5 to attack the President of Ecuador, State officials, and 6 relied on every sound bite they have accumulated in the 7 last several years. But again, can we just offer a little 8 bit of context? And you may remember this from our 9 April 2014 Hearing. I walked you through a series of the 10 Republic's applications to this Tribunal for Interim 11 Measures, asking you to impose Interim Measures to stop the 12 public relations campaign against the Republic. All that 13 time period, the State was sitting on its hands in terms of 14 public relations.

And you may recall that for a long period of time 16 it was reported--and I don't know what the situation is 17 now--that the Claimants, in fact, had retained seven public 18 relations firms as part of their public relations campaign 19 against the State.

20 You may also remember that we have long ago 21 submitted to this Tribunal an Interim Measures Request to 22 stop Chevron's lobbying campaign to terminate the United 23 States trade benefits costing many millions of dollars that 24 were intended to benefit Ecuadorian citizens. Yes, this 25 case has been politicized, but it became politicized

09:08 1 That's at R-537, or consider R-621, where he referred to 2 the BP oil spill flatly stating that he was talking to 3 experts for the purpose of knowing, "whose ass to kick." 4 That's the President of the United States. Are we to hold 5 the State of Ecuador to a different standard than we're holding the United States accountable for?

We also hear so much about the President and the 8 Foreign Minister "promoting" the Judgment abroad. There 9 was a great big slide on this, 40-some States in which 10 Ecuador is purportedly seeking to promote enforcement.

Of course, there are only three countries in which 11 12 enforcement actions have actually been brought, but that's a little detail--let put that aside. Is it really 14 Claimants' position that President Correa not only controls 15 the Ecuadorian courts, but the courts across the globe 16 including the domestic courts of Denmark, of Belgium, of 17 the United States, of Canada?

There's a difference between offering political 18 19 support, I submit, political support for its indigenous citizens and interfering with the legal proceedings, 21 speaking of which, they had 6.5 hours yesterday--6.5 hours.

22 And while they freely called the Government

23 "co-conspirators," at every moment made the Government

24 complicit in the alleged fraudulent scheme, they were stone

25 silent in respect to their star Witness's admission that

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09:07 1 because Claimants determined it was in their best interests 2 to politicize it.

You do not make friends by publicly attacking 4 them. You do not make friends by bringing a lawsuit 5 against the Republic in the United States in 2004, a 6 frivolous lawsuit thrown out by the U.S. District Court and 7 unanimously affirmed on appeal. You do not make friends 8 when you seek to cut off financial benefits for ordinary people who need the help. That some of the State's 10 officials should choose to react should not be surprising, 11 but you do not penalize the State for exercising its right 12 to respond, unless you at least first penalize the 13 instigator.

14 But maybe Claimants got what they wanted. They

15 got the sound bites after all, didn't they? 16 What is the alleged misconduct here beyond the 17 alleged ghostwriting which we will address? Is it that 18 Claimants are upset that the President and others have 19 reacted publicly to their many attacks? Are they seeking 20 to punish words rather than acts? Is it really a 21 cognizable international claim for a president to comment 22 on ongoing litigation against an oil company?

23 Let me remind you as I did last April 2014, as 24 some of President Obama's where he declared, "BP is

25 responsible for this leak. BP will be paying the bill."

09:10 1 the Government, in fact, never injected itself in the 2 decision-making process of the Lago Agrio Litigation.

3 Never. He said, "They never butted in. Never." The only

4 alleged effort of any official at any time to inject

5 himself in the process was three Attorneys General ago who 6 called on Chevron's behalf, not Plaintiffs', to shut down

7 the litigation. They never butted in. This is more than a

little admission by Mr. Guerra.

9 What it says is that the Claimants' allegations of 10 the last six years of this vast, incredible, pervasive 11 governmental conspiracy has been a fiction from the start. 12 Yes, both Parties can and should present evidence regarding 13 the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the Lago

14 Agrio Judgment, but I must say it really is time to discard

15 Claimants' conspiracy theories.

We hear about recantations of a dozen or so 16 people, recantations of the environmental science or of their participation in the case, and I submit to you that this speaks far more about Claimants' intimidation tactics 20 than it does about the merits of the case.

21 As I advised you, when we were together, I think 22 in this building on January 20, 2014, at Transcript 136 and

23 137, we had spoken to several of the Lago Agrio

24 Environmental Experts who were only too happy to sign

25 Witness Statements on our behalf reaffirming their Expert

09:12 1 conclusions in the Lago Agrio Case, and agreeing to 2 cross-examination by Chevron if requested. There was one 3 caveat. They wanted us to indemnify them in the event of a 4 retaliatory lawsuit by Chevron or in the event of a 1782 5 action by Chevron. They did not want to be paying lawyers' 6 fees. They did not even want to be paying copying costs. We have to put our kids through college, we were told. It is far, far cheaper, I must say, and easier to

9 roll over than to spend the kind of money that is necessary 10 to defend one's self against this juggernaut.

And I was surprised to see mention of the 11 12 Gibraltar case and reference to the settlement with Russell 13 De Leon, one of the funders of the Lago Agrio Litigation, 14 at least without mention that Chevron chose to settle only 15 after the Court there decided that it wanted to go to the 16 Oriente and see the environment for itself. And, of 17 course, Chevron got not one dollar in return.

And what of the U.S. cases finding fraud, these 18 19 discovery cases where that isn't even a finding to reach? 20 Well, what about all those that did not find it? And here 21 I'm referencing RLA-381 to 386. My understanding, 22 unfortunately, is that the others are not in the record.

And Claimants refer again to a 2005 e-mail from a 24 lawyer in the Attorney General's Office, 2005, again before 25 Mr. Correa assumed office. The Email notes that she was

09:15 1 we will close this morning's presentation with the 2 discussion of the Track 1B issues.

One guick preview on the environmental case. This 4 arbitration really is about a case--it really is a case within a case, and the underlying case, of course, is the 6 Lago Agrio Case. That case is between the Plaintiffs and 7 Chevron. This Tribunal has already held in its March 12 8 Track 1B Decision that the Plaintiffs brought individual 9 claims and that those claims were not released under the 10 1995 Settlement Agreement. As such, the indigenous 11 Plaintiffs had every right to seek to recover from any 12 tortfeasor so long as, Number 1, they could show 13 contamination; Number 2, that at least some of that 14 contamination is attributable to the Defendant; and, three, 15 if there was risk, risk of harm to the Plaintiffs. If proven, the tortfeasor is liable for the whole, subject to 17 his right to seek contribution.

With all due respect to Claimants, the issue of 18 apportionment, if at all, is not an issue for Track 2. 19

20 And note finally that we intend to ask for a morning break at about 10:45.

22 At this time, Mr. President, I wish to turn the floor over to my colleague, Mr. Goldstein, to start the discussion in response to the Claimants' fraud allegations. 25

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

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09:13 1 looking for ways, "to nullify the Settlement Agreement." 2 Again, let's please provide just a wee bit of context. The 3 lawyer, Marta Escobar, was one of the lawyers assigned to 4 assist outside counsel in Chevron's litigation brought 5 against Ecuador in New York. If outside counsel were to 6 have had an e-mail or a memo discussing among other things 7 our fraud in the inducement defense, which we did raise for 8 a time in that litigation, does that mean that outside 9 counsel was acting to breach the settlement?

Ms. Escobar is a lawyer considering legal 11 positions on behalf of the Republic and, frankly, doing 12 what lawyers are supposed to do. Please let's have a 13 discussion of the facts, and let's present the facts in 14 context, and let the issues please be joined on that level. 15 We do not need more drive-bys.

16 We were going to go directly to our fraud 17 discussion, but I believed it was necessary in light of 18 yesterday to make those opening remarks, so please, let's 19 turn to the presentation at this time. We include in our 20 slide deck at the front, and you have seen it, a table of 21 contents of sorts for you that I hope will quide you during 22 the course of today. For this morning we will discuss and 23 first confront Claimants' corruption claims for the better

24 part of the next couple of hours, to be followed by 25 discussion of the environmental and health case. And then 09:17 1 Mr. Goldstein.

MR. GOLDSTEIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

Three weeks ago, we suggested to you and indeed 4 for years we have maintained that the Claimants' case is 5 simply not what it purports to be. They make allegation 6 after allegation, running from one to the next before 7 either you or we have a chance to evaluate the supposed supporting evidence. And once we are able to demonstrate that the supposed supporting evidence, in fact, does not support a particular allegation, such as the alleged 11 bribery of Judge Núñez, Claimants drop the allegation, 12 leaving it behind but for drive-bys as if they had never 13 made it in the first place.

14 Over the next couple of hours we will recall the 15 testimony given during this Hearing and contrast it with Claimants' ghostwriting allegations. When we are done, we respectful submit you will agree that what we predicted is 17 18

19 Claimants' evidence simply cannot bear the weight 20 of their rhetoric, nor can this Tribunal rely on Guerra's 21 testimony to fill the evidential gaps. Throughout the 22 Republic's presentation, and, indeed, throughout your 23 deliberations, keep in mind Claimants' Expert Dr. Juola. 24 As Claimants tell it, they provided Dr. Juola with a 25 certified copy of the entire official Lago Agrio Court

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09:18 1 Record, which Dr. Juola scientifically reviewed, and
2 concluded that none of the Plaintiffs' allegedly unfiled
3 work product documents from which the Judgment contains
4 text is in that record. Dr. Juola's work and his
5 conclusion form the basis of the assumption made by
6 Dr. Leonard and Mr. Lynch that these same documents are not
7 in the record. Without that assumption, the mere fact that
8 the Judgment and the Plaintiffs' work product contain
9 overlapping text simply does not advance the Claimants'
10 case. It was entirely proper for the Judgment to rely on
11 and even to copy from documents lawfully submitted to it by
12 the Parties.

So, take a close look at Dr. Juola's work because
a significant portion of Claimants' ghostwriting case
through a discussion on Dr. Juola's methodology and his
conclusion in a little while. Anticipating some of that
discussion, however, I expect the Tribunal might have been
surprised to learn, as we were, that optical character
recognition or OCR software had been run on those pages
before Dr. Juola even received them. He didn't do that
himself, nor could he vouch for the quality control of that
effort.

24 Moreover, despite what his Reports led one to 25 understand, Dr. Juola's electronic scientific review of the 09:20 1 representation against at least the following questions: 2 To what extent was his testimony here inconsistent with 3 previous recorded statements made before Guerra began 4 training with Chevron's counsel; to what extent was his 5 testimony here inconsistent with previous sworn statements, 6 including his testimony in the RICO action; and, of course, perhaps most importantly, to what extent was his testimony here and elsewhere inconsistent with the physical evidence? 9 Without Dr. Juola's analysis and conclusions 10 regarding the Lago Agrio Record and without Guerra's 11 narrative connecting the disparate dots of the Claimants' story, Claimants are left with precious little to support their ghostwriting charge. Yet Claimants bear a 14 substantial burden here. I will defer to Professor Mayer to explore this in more detail later, but to prove their 16 ghostwriting allegations and establish a violation of 17 customary international law, Claimants must first overcome the presumption of judicial regularity and adduce clear and convincing proof of highly egregious conduct that can be imputed to the national judicial system as a whole. 21 Moreover, because Claimants' case is based on 22 circumstantial evidence, the Tribunal must, in the words of 23 the Bayindir Tribunal, "assess whether or not the evidence 24 produced by the Claimant is sufficient to exclude any

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25 reasonable doubt." That is CLA-81 at Paragraph 142.

09:19 1 record actually was quite limited. In the end, he claims
2 to have needed to review by hand essentially two-thirds of
3 the 216,000 pages Claimants provided to him. Yet he did so
4 not for all of the allegedly unfiled work product, nor even
5 for one entire document. He tried to match four isolated
6 word strings by looking for proper nouns like "TexPet y
7 Texaco." Nor did Dr. Juola's Reports disclose the extent
8 to which the OCR process resulted in blank or nearly blank
9 pages. What's more, we learned that Dr. Juola did not
10 include those blank pages as errors when concluding that
11 the overall quality of the OCR was excellent.
12 I would ask the Tribunal also to consider the fact

12 I would ask the Tribunal also to consider the fact
13 that 10,000 pages were missing from the hard drive of
14 documents that Claimants and Dr. Juola provided to the
15 Republic shortly before this Hearing. We did not receive
16 those missing pages until well after Dr. Juola had been
17 cross-examined. This is just the latest example of, in
18 Dr. Juola's own words, the "human error" that pervades the
19 record and any attempt to review it.

19 record and any attempt to review it.
20 Briefly, on Guerra. I will not weigh down this
21 introduction with the myriad ways Guerra contradicted
22 himself and the evidence during his testimony. We will get
23 to that later as well. As another guiding principle,
24 however, I would ask the Tribunal each time it considers

25 one of Guerra's representations to judge that

09:22 1 Some additional representative citations to 2 authority as well as to the Republic's pleadings are before 3 you on Slide 4.

Having begun to sketch the outlines of our presentation, let's start coloring in the picture. To that end, I would invite the Tribunal to ask Mr. Ewing to continue our presentation beginning with a discussion of the forensic evidence.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

10 Mr. Ewing

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MR. EWING: Good morning, Members of the Tribunal.

12 I will start this morning with the contemporaneous 13 evidence including the forensic evidence as we believe it 14 is by far the most important piece of evidence relating to

15 ghostwriting. This is why we think it is imperative that 16 this Tribunal understand the forensics, that it understand

17 what the forensics show and what is merely attorney

18 argument or non-expert analysis and, therefore, why

19 Ms. Owen's assistance would be immensely helpful to this
20 Tribunal.

As Mr. Goldstein just said, clear and convincing evidence must be found to find the Republic liable.

As Mr. Lynch and Mr. White repeatedly asked and answered questions about possibilities, but that is not

25 clear and convincing. So let's look first at what is clear

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09:23 1 and convincing.

Throughout his cross-examination, Mr. Lynch agreed with me. The fundamental points of the forensics are clear. A file was created on October 11th, 2010, on Mr. Zambrano's computer, and that file became the Final Judgment. It was created by a person using Mr. Zambrano's computer. Between October 11th, 2010, and December 21 2010, the Providencias document was Saved at least 286 times. On December 21st, the first snapshot we have of that document, 42 percent of the text was included and available.

Between December 21st and December 28th, the document was Saved an additional 29 more times, increasing incrementally, so that on December 28th, the document now contained 66 percent of the Judgment.

We don't know how many times it was Saved between
December 28th and December 21st, but we do know that from
the 21st of January until March 4th, it was Saved an
additional 124 times. And ultimately, we know that the
only significant difference--the only difference--between
the file in Mr. Zambrano's computer and the file that was
submitted and issued as that judgment is the header and the
signature. It is 100 percent substantively the same.

24 Mr. Zambrano's habit of working in a single file on 25 multiple Orders over time effectively removed historical 09:27 1 the Judgment up until the last minute. The forensics do
2 not support this story, where the Judgment appears only at
3 the last minute on Mr. Zambrano's computer in a complete
4 form like Mr. Guerra claims happened.

5 What else do we know? As we discussed in our 6 opening, while the forensics show that Mr. Zambrano was 7 working on the Judgment on his computer in his locked 8 office in Lago Agrio, the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs were in the 9 dark as to when that judgment would come, and I provided 10 here copies of references for that various contemporaneous 11 e-mails evidencing the lack of knowledge on behalf of the 12 Plaintiffs.

And I take you to this last e-mail. Claimants
allege that all of the other e-mails were just Lago Agrio
Flaintiffs, keeping everyone else in the dark by reference
to an e-mail by their intern Bryan. But this e-mail, one
that Claimants have always ignored, is between only the
inner circle. No U.S. counsel or junior members were
included, only individuals who would have been a part of
the conspiracy if it existed. The contemporaneous e-mails

also support our story of judicial regularity.

So, how do Claimants attempt to avoid the import of the forensic evidence? First, they point to the metadata that confirms that the Judgment was written on Zambrano's computer and say that Author name does not

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09:25 1 information about the file; and, as a result, when
2 Mr. Zambrano Saved the Amplification Order on March 4th, he
3 removed the file's earlier metadata that would have shown
4 the earlier activity.

But as Mr. Lynch admitted, he has examined no other computer that contained a draft of the Lago Agrio Judgment. Only Mr. Zambrano's computers contained such a draft.

9 We also know what we do not see. Claimants allege 10 that the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs wrote the Lago Agrio 11 Judgment, but there is no evidence that this happened. If 12 it had happened, as I will discuss in a moment, we would 13 expect to see evidence of that. We do not.

Yesterday, Claimants said that we do not have a coherent story, but I would posit that we, in fact, do, and it is driven by the objective forensic evidence. The file that became the Final Judgment was created on Mr. Zambrano's computer in October. 42 percent was

19 complete on December 21st. 66 percent was complete on 20 December 28th, and 100 percent of it was complete on

21 February 14th, when it was uploaded to the SATJE system and 22 distributed to the Parties.

Our story fits perfectly with the forensics. It is Claimants' story that does not. As Mr. Guerra said, the

25 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs, according to Claimants, worked in

109:29 1 actually indicate who created the document. The Tribunal will remember that Claimants pointed to an Excel document with my Author name in the Last Modified and the Author fields. It is not surprising that Mr. Racich's exhibits have my name in them, as I was the attorney responsible for taking Mr. Racich's exhibits and preparing them for submission to this Tribunal. But to Claimants, this indicates that Author name alone does not indicate who created the document.

10 First, we have never said that Author name alone
11 is the only metadata confirming Authorship. The Author
12 name in this case does indicate that the content was
13 created on Mr. Zambrano's computer, and then it was edited
14 on Mr. Zambrano's computer, and it was uploaded from
15 Mr. Zambrano's computer. Claimants allege, though, that
16 the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs must have provided the content to
17 Judge Zambrano intermittently.

And this leads to the second and maybe more important point. The metadata on Mr. Racich's exhibit demonstrates our point. If someone else had been involved in the contents' creation, even if only to intermittently provide or copy files for Mr. Zambrano, their metadata, like mine in Mr. Racich's exhibit, would be evident on Mr. Zambrano's computer, but there is no metadata on Mr. Zambrano's computer, even hinting at any of the Lago

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09:30 1 Agrio Plaintiffs' lawyers.

Second, Claimants allege that Microsoft Word was
not used enough. And as Mr. Bloom pointed out, the issue
is not whether it wasn't used long enough to have typed the
Judgment--Claimants admit that it was--but it is whether it
was used as much as Claimants would have liked it to have
been used. Mr. Lynch admitted that his analysis of
Microsoft Word usage did not include any time Mr. Zambrano

9 spent working from paper notes or drafting on paper.
10 Mr. Lynch also admitted that Mr. Zambrano may have
11 cut and pasted documents, numerous sections of text from
12 his own computer, thus increasing the volume of text almost
13 instantaneously. But let's take a look at how Microsoft
14 Word was actually used. I have taken the OSessions logs
15 that Mr. Lynch relies on, and I've graphed them here, so
16 you can see how many hours per day Mr. Zambrano's computers
17 were used over the relevant time period. According to the
18 Claimants, Lago Agrio Plaintiffs may have provided Mr.

19 Zambrano the entire piece of the Judgment at various times, 20 and he then typed those into his computer. If this

21 happened, we would expect to see either one large spike at

22 the end or maybe intermittent spikes followed by very

23 little activity. But instead, what we can see is that

24 Mr. Zambrano's computers were used consistently from

25 March--or October 2010 until March 2011.

09:34 1 none of the attorney argument or objections were translated 2 so that Mr. Zambrano had no idea what was going on.

The proceeding was highly contentious and aggressive, to the point where Chevron's counsel had to be told to calm down repeatedly.

Let's not forget that Mr. Zambrano--Claimants make
much of Mr. Zambrano's faulty memory about TPH, but let's
not forget that he recalled that it related to
hydrocarbons, but it is true he did not remember that the
individual letters in English what they stood for when he
may asked about them in a foreign language. I would bet
many attorneys in this room would have a hard time
remembering what C-I-A-D-I stands for under these

Moving away from Zambrano, Claimants-one moment--Claimants much make of Mr. Zambrano's testimony, but even the Special Master who was present recognized the little value that Chevron's memory test provided.

Moving away from Zambrano, though, Claimants also allege that Mr. Zambrano did not use Microsoft Excel enough, but here are the facts: The calculations that Claimants point to in the record were based on data that

23 was in the record since November 2006; and, as Mr. Lynch 24 admitted, he doesn't know who calculated the percentages.

25 It could very well have been a previous judge.

circumstances.

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09:32 1 Claimants also point to the fact that Mr. Zambrano
2 is not here. I would like to walk through some of his
3 testimony that supports and continues to support our story,
4 for he consistently described his authoring process. What
5 we see from Mr. Zambrano is that he primarily worked from
6 paper notes and only once his ideas were complete on paper
7 would he dictate the Judgment.

8 As he said, "I had my notes, and once I had 9 everything started working on what's already advanced as 10 far as the Judgment. I already had studied the process." 11 His work-gathering notes started in his first term. And by 12 the time he started dictating, he had already advanced very 13 far with the Judgment.

Ms. Calva's testimony also supports Mr. Zambrano's testimony. I won't go through it all, but I've collected here references for you in these slides.

16 here references for you in these slides.

17 I want to briefly discuss the environment in which
18 Mr. Zambrano provided his testimony during RICO. Claimants
19 have made much of seeming inconsistencies or incorrect
20 statements, and I think some background may be helpful.
21 First, he only met with the Plaintiffs' lawyers once before
22 he was deposed and he only met his personal attorney the
23 night before his deposition started. And as far as we
24 know, Mr. Zambrano does not speak English, but Mr. Zambrano
25 was kept in the dark without a translator. Specifically,

09:35 1 The Selva Viva Database had been produced by
2 Stratus Consulting, the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs'
3 Environmental Experts, at least as early as

4 October 5th 2010. As with the remainder of the allegedly 5 unfiled work product, it defies imagination to believe that

6 the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs simultaneously handed Chevron 7 documents, such as the Selva Viva Database, and then used

7 documents, such as the Selva Viva Database, and then used 8 those same documents to draft the Judgment.

9 But interestingly, Mr. Lynch was not provided a 10 copy of Chevron's own database of Lago Agrio Records. As 11 you heard yesterday, Claimants have repeatedly said that 12 the percentages in the Judgment were necessarily calculated

13 using the Lago Agrio Plaintiff's Selva Viva Database.

14 According to Claimants, they cannot be explained any other 15 way and that it took Mr. Lynch hours to calculate the

16 percentages even after he knew how to do it. Not only is

17 this not a forensic expert exercise, but in only a few

18 minutes this week I was able to calculate the same or

19 similar percentages using Chevron's database. For
20 instance, using Chevron's database, I calculated the same

21 10 percent of TPH results greater than 5,000 PPM TPH. Or,

22 as another example, I calculated the number of Plaintiff

23 samples below 1,000 TPH as 160. Unsurprisingly, the rest 24 of the percentages can likely be calculated as they're

25 simply based on the data submitted to the Lago Agrio Court

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09:37 1 during the Judicial Inspections.

Does this mean that Chevron ghostwrote the
Judgment? I don't think so, but it shows what should be an
obvious fact: The percentages can be calculated from the
data that both Parties believe was a part of the record.
Claimants allege that the Final Judgment relied on
the Cabrera Report's compilation of Concession Area pits.

8 Annex H-1 or the Stratus compilation, as Mr. Lynch calls
9 it. But as I demonstrated during the cross-examination of
10 Mr. Lynch, Mr. Lynch and Mr. Younger attempted to calculate
11 880 pits using the same database, but arbitrarily selected
12 to include and exclude pits in a different manner so that
13 they could both reach the same number.

14 Claimants have also placed significant emphasis on 15 the fact that Mr. Zambrano said he used the New Computer to 16 draft the Judgment, not the Old Computer. And in contrast 17 with his testimony, the Judgment was found on the Old 18 Computer.

But as this slide seeks to demonstrate, this is
not dispositive. We know the two computers were networked,
and we know that the Judgment was shared between them. We
know that the Judgment was Saved and not just revised like
Mr. Bishop mentioned yesterday. And what happens when one
shares a file like this between network computers is that
whichever computer Saves it last completely overwrites the

09:40 1 from the forensics is that Mr. Guerra had these drafts on 2 July 23rd, 2010, months after they were issued by 3 Mr. Zambrano.

And with that, I would hand the floor to Ms. Hooshmandnia to continue with our presentation.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

Please.

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MS. HOOSHMANDNIA: Thank you.

9 Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, as
10 Claimants stated in their Opening Argument with regard to
11 Mr. Guerra, the specific question for you to decide is
12 simply whether he's telling the truth about specific
13 matters related to this case. In our view, the cash
14 incentives by themselves render him inherently unreliable.
15 Simply, Mr. Guerra's paid for claims cannot and should not

serve as a predicate for any factual findings from this Tribunal.

Today I will spend 15 minutes evaluating
Mr. Guerra's testimony and illustrating why none of his
narrative can be credited by this Tribunal. And when
reflecting on this, I ask this Tribunal to remember what

 $\ensuremath{\text{22}}$ Mr. Guerra shared regarding his views on human instinct and

23 truth telling: "Perhaps it's a genetic thing in human

24 beings or perhaps amongst Ecuadorians to try to present a

25 better image than what we really are vis-à-vis individuals

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09:38 1 other computer's fingerprints. We have four snapshots out 2 of hundreds of the Lago Agrio Judgment's drafts. We just 3 happened to get the Old Computer snapshots.

Claimants also point to the fact that text was copied and pasted from documents. Mr. Lynch can't confirm where the text was copied from because that block of text doesn't appear in any other document. But Mr. Lynch admitted that his evidence points to as well that someone just selected a different font. He also recognized that any number of documents on Mr. Zambrano's computer could

have been the source for the cut and pasted documents.

I have one point before I close. Claimants have

pointed to the Lago Agrio Orders that were on Mr. Guerra's

computer as proof that Mr. Guerra drafted Orders in the

Lago Agrio action, but those Orders do not appear on

Mr. Guerra's computer until July 23rd, 2010. We have no

forensic evidence where there were, other than the fact

that they were on Mr. Zambrano's computer before that date.

And here is why this is important. Mr. Guerra was

And here is why this is important. Mr. Guerra was left alone in Mr. Zambrano's office repeatedly, and in 2010 specifically. We don't know what he did. We don't know what he did. And as Mr. Lynch recognized during his

23 cross-examination, we don't know who plugged the USB drives

24 in to whose computers. We don't know whether Mr. Guerra 25 plugged it in. At the end of the day, all that we know

09:42 1 that we're just meeting for the first time, and all the
2 more so if they have the possibility of helping us at some
3 point in time or benefit us in some way."

By now you're familiar with the profits Mr. Guerra
has obtained from Chevron, and I have listed them on
Slide 49 for the Tribunal's convenience. Certainly, aiding
Chevron with a multi-billion dollar liability has its
perks.

We know that Mr. Guerra was admittedly struggling financially. He had a \$20,000 construction debt. He needed another 20 to \$30,000 to complete a half renovated home, and he could not afford to visit two of his children in the United States.

14 For a man who didn't have more than a couple 15 hundred dollars to his name, this was the lifeboat he was 16 looking for and the boat was big enough for his entire 17 family.

Somehow Chevron managed to buy Mr. Guerra what
money typically cannot buy, the opportunity to reunite with
the children he had not seen for years, the chance to be
present in the lives of his grandchildren, and the peace of
mind that capable attorneys would ensure that his son will
not face deportation in light of his illegal status in the
U.S.

These benefits, which Chevron calls a corporate

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09:43 1 witness protection program did not come as a surprise to 2 Mr. Guerra. No, he knew that Chevron doles out these 3 packages. When Mr. Bloom asked him whether he read about 4 Mr. Diego Borja's financial benefits from Chevron, 5 Mr. Guerra stated, "it was said that the individual who 6 filmed these videos was taken out of Ecuador and got asylum 7 in the U.S., and, just like me, he lives in the U.S. and 8 his expenses are somehow covered by Chevron." To 9 Mr. Guerra's credit, these benefits were not easy to come 10 by. He had to hold his own with Chevron's investigators 11 and attorneys who sat at one side of the negotiating table 12 and Mr. Guerra on the other side. This was not someone 13 coming clean. This was a high stakes game of chess, and 14 Mr. Guerra had to make something out of nothing. In the summer of 2012, the negotiations began. 16 For its part, Chevron knew how to leverage its position: 17 the brute motivation of money. Before Chevron's 18 representatives even fully understood Mr. Guerra's story, 19 they had wads of cash in their briefcases. Indeed, as 20 Mr. Guerra confirmed, the Chevron representatives made it 21 clear to him that they hoped that they could get his 22 cooperation for money.

09:46 1 Mr. Rivero told Mr. Guerra, "I'm an attorney. I 2 don't mind setting a starting figure; right? Starting. 3 Understand?" And with that, Chevron put its first offer on 4 the table. Mr. Rivero led Mr. Guerra by the arm to an open

safe filled with cash. "Look, look, look what's down there. We have \$20,000 there".

Mr. Guerra asked for 50,000 and a few more zeros. 9 Starting figure, offer, counteroffer. Both sides knew how it worked. Mr. Rivero said "The Americans have a saying that I believe is good. They says money talks." Mr. Guerra retorted, quote, "there is a saying here, and I think it's worldwide. It says money talk, gold screams." And of course, the more evidence Mr. Guerra could

15 provide, the more cash he would get. When Chevron didn't 16 find the Judgment on Mr. Guerra's computer or flash drives, 17 Mr. Rivero told Mr. Guerra, "had we been able to find it, we would have been able to offer you a larger amount." But

"we have 18,000 for you, and we are going to take the computer with us."

Does that sound like a witness protection program 21 22 as Chevron claims in its opening or does it sound more like 23 an illicit smoky backroom deal? In all of this, Mr. Guerra

24 claims he's not a greedy man. He testified that he "wasn't

25 hoping to become a millionaire or anything like that." He

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09:45 1 chit-chat, jokes and laughter, Chevron made its Agenda 2 clear. Mr. Guerra testified that "the representatives of 3 Chevron expressly told me that once I was able to arrange a 4 meeting between them and Zambrano, then there was going to 5 be a little bit of money, additional money for me, some 6 additional financial benefit."

24 Chevron's attention by promising that he could serve 25 Judge Zambrano on a silver platter. And in between the

Mr. Guerra, with not much else to offer, got

After a couple months and no signs of 8 Judge Zambrano, Chevron began fearing the worst. Was 9 Mr. Guerra playing them? Mr. Rivero, Chevron's Miami-based 10 American lawyer, warns Mr. Guerra that Chevron is losing 11 patience and confidence. He said "so then Chevron starts 12 thinking, wrongly, that it's a ruse. Do you understand? 13 And so then Chevron asked, listen, could Alberto Guerra be 14 in on some ruse? They ask because they're sensible, too. 15 Andres, you have talked to Guerra face to face? What do 16 you think? What is he like? What are your thoughts? Is 17 it a ruse? No, not me, but I don't know."

And then they took a hard line. Chevron told 19 Mr. Guerra that he will be "left with nothing" if he could 20 not deliver Judge Zambrano to Chevron.

What was Mr. Guerra to do? Vying to stay relevant 22 and get some benefit, Mr. Guerra began mentioning the 23 various pieces of evidence that he had, most of which we

24 found out never existed, and Chevron was willing to take

25 what it could get, so the bidding began.

09:48 1 was just, "hoping to receive something, like a good set of 2 fees."

> But he did admit that after his 2010 and 2011 4 Chevron bribe solicitations, that he believed that Chevron 5 had more money that it could pay, and that he could get 6 paid more quickly than the Plaintiffs. Indeed, he wanted 7 to get as much money as he could. He never cared who 8 actually won the case in Lago Agrio; "the final outcome was 9 not something that concerned me."

10 And as to his 2012 dealings with Chevron, 11 Mr. Guerra sought to maximize his negotiating position. He 12 admits "the only thing I thought was to improve my position 13 vis-à-vis further benefits that I could receive down the 14 line." He did this by exaggerating or put more accurately, 15 by lying.

Mr. Guerra has no problem lying. He told us that. 16 During his testimony before you, he stated it was perfectly appropriate to lie. He said it was like saying in a job interview that you have ten years of experience when, in 20 fact, you have none. He saw nothing wrong with that. And 21 Mr. Bloom will go into the details of Mr. Guerra's 22 purported evidence, but let me remind you about the lies 23 that we know Mr. Guerra has told. He told Chevron's

24 attorney in Quito that he was receiving \$1,500 to \$2,000 a

25 month from Plaintiffs to move the case along during

09:50 1 Judge Zambrano's first term. We know that wasn't true. He
2 said the Plaintiffs had offered him \$300,000 for his role
3 in the alleged ghostwriting of the Judgment. They did not.
4 He said that he had an e-mail from Mr. Fajardo in
5 the weeks before the Judgment's issuance attaching the
6 Memory Aid. He lied. Mr. Guerra promised a copy of the
7 Judgment in draft form on his computer and flash drives.
8 He lied again.

9 As Claimants stated, the question for you, Members 10 of the Tribunal, is whether he's telling the truth about 11 specific matters related to this case. Let's keep that in 12 mind as we take a closer look at new contradictions and 13 lies in Mr. Guerra's testimony in this Hearing.

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We revisited with Mr. Guerra his many
inconsistencies, exaggerations and lies. Mr. Guerra's
first line of defense was to draw a sharp distinction
between the recorded conversations and his written and oral
testimony produced under oath: "Certainly, the recorded
conversations that I had initially with Chevron
representatives include some inconsistencies, but in the
sworn statements that I signed myself or ratified myself
with my signature, those statements do not include in it

23 any inconsistencies."

24 And to justify making a false assertion, he said:
25 "You also need to remember that, or take into account that

09:53 1 stated he was offered \$300,000 by Plaintiffs. He admitted
2 this in the RICO proceeding and he admitted it again in
3 this proceeding. When asked how he lied, specifically how
4 it improved his negotiating position, suddenly, it seemed
5 he hadn't lied at all. He had just spoken "carelessly,"
6 "lightly" and "without thinking". This was a lie.
7 Here is a second example: We also explored with

Here is a second example: We also explored with Mr. Guerra his representation that he had a draft of the Judgment on flash drives. Before you, he ratified his testimony in his May 2013 deposition that he had lied when he told Chevron he possessed a draft Judgment. Yet, minutes later, what he had twice admitted was a lie became instead a mis-remembrance. Again, another lie.

And here is the third example. Mr. Guerra had
previously said that he had "exaggerated" when he told the
Chevron representatives that he had day planners. In other
words, he knew he did not have such day planners, but he
said it--but he said he did. Yet, at this Hearing,
Mr. Guerra testified that he thought he had them at the
time, that he had misremembered.

In the wake of this testimony, it is impossible to know which representations are mere mis-remembrances, which are calculated exaggerations and which are outright lies. With the lines between these so blurred, I submit

25 respectfully that this Tribunal cannot credit his testimony

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09:51 1 those assertions were not said under oath. I did not swear 2 over the life of my mother that that was going to be the 3 case."

But two weeks ago, Mr. Guerra told you that he
lied under oath in the RICO proceeding. Mr. Bloom began by
asking Mr. Guerra about his testimony that Judge Zambrano
"assured" Mr. Guerra that he would receive 20 percent of
the \$500,000 that the Plaintiffs allegedly promised Judge
Zambrano. Mr. Guerra responded in this room: "I mentioned
percent when it wasn't true, and I think that, as a
gentlemen, I should say the truth, and we did not discuss
percent with Mr. Zambrano. He just said that he would
give me a share of what he would receive." Mr. Guerra
admitted that the very last time he was put under oath he
perjured himself.

Mr. Guerra has historically used two excuses for his inconsistencies. The first is that he misremembered, and second that he was merely exaggerating to get more money. But when Mr. Guerra sat in this hearing room, he misremembered his exaggerations and exaggerated his mis-remembrances. These produced more lies.

21 mis-remembrances. These produced more lies.
22 Mr. Guerra's testimony has provided more examples
23 than we have time to go over today, so I will just mention
24 three.

First, we know Mr. Guerra lied when he initially

09:54 1 when it's aligned with the interests of his benefactor,
2 which is also in every instance in his own financial best
3 interest.

And here is how Mr. Guerra further blurred those
lines. At this Hearing, Mr. Guerra equivocated on parts of
the story that he managed to keep consistent before. When
asked about exaggerations more generally, Mr. Guerra gave
an example of an exaggeration that he has never given
before. He said: "Exaggeration was like when I said I
received a thousand dollars from the Plaintiffs and
Mr. Zambrano." In so doing, Mr. Guerra provided yet
another example of a previous sworn statement that was not
true.

15 TAME airline tickets from August 2010 referenced in
16 Mr. Guerra's RICO Witness Statement, C-2358. The Tribunal
17 will recall that up until two weeks ago it was Mr. Guerra's
18 story that those trips were "specifically for the Chevron
19 Case." When Mr. Bloom asked again, he confirmed his
20 contention. Yet, seemingly in the stream of consciousness
21 of testifying before you, Mr. Guerra realized that
22 Mr. Zambrano was not even presiding over the Lago Agrio

Further, Mr. Bloom also asked Mr. Guerra about two

23 Case in August 2010. And, of course, if Mr. Guerra is 24 unable to admit that his son-in-law is named Nicolas, what

25 else is he willing to hide?

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09:56 1 Before I conclude my presentation, I'm going to 2 show you one final lie from Mr. Guerra's testimony. With 3 that, I give the floor to Mr. Bloom, who will discuss 4 Mr. Guerra's physical evidence.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

Mr. Bloom. 6

MR. BLOOM: Thank you, Mr. President. The Claimants recognize the difficulties 9 underlying Mr. Guerra's testimony, and they, therefore, 10 rely on what they characterize as an "ever-growing 11 mountain" of corroborative evidence. In their view, this 12 Tribunal can reach its findings without ever relying on 13 Mr. Guerra. But the evidence on which Claimants rely do 14 not make out Claimants' case. To the contrary.

And for the next 35 minutes or so I would like to 16 take you through the physical evidence on which Claimants 17 rely, discuss the relevance of each in light of the 18 testimony you heard, determine with you which evidence can 19 be disregarded and which evidence may be properly 20 considered, and then ask you to consider what the relevant 21 evidence actually proves.

Now, on this single slide, we have sought to 23 identify the so-called "mountain" of physical evidence 24 offered by Claimants in support of their allegations. This 25 slide also includes evidence that had been promised by

09:59 1 Mr. Fajardo. That evidence does not exist.

Mr. Guerra promised Chevron's representatives in 3 June of 2012 that he had calendars showing notes of 4 meetings with Steven Donziger, but he never produced those 5 either. Simply he offered no notes referencing meetings with Donziger at all. So, this evidence, too, does not exist and goes away.

Mr. Guerra promised that he had day planners

9 evidencing meetings with Mr. Fajardo and with Mr. Donziger. 10 He testified in this proceeding, however, that "when I was 11 trying to look for them, I had lost them. I wasn't able to 12 find them." Of course, during the New York RICO trial he 13 said something else. He didn't claim to have lost the day 14 planners. What was his answer under oath that day? "I 15 said many things to the gentlemen, to the representatives 16 from Chevron. On many of those, I was exaggerating. I 17 wanted to improve my position." But in this Hearing he says he lost them. In either event, the day planners don't 19 exist, and they go away.

20 We also know, because Mr. Guerra told us, that he 21 has no correspondence whether by e-mail or written 22 correspondence with Mr. Zambrano. To be sure, Mr. Guerra

23 provided Chevron's representatives access to his e-mail

24 account, including providing them with his e-mail password. 25 While Mr. Guerra purportedly had frequent e-mail contact

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09:57 1 Mr. Guerra, but which was never produced.

Among the evidence actually offered by Claimants 3 are e-mails, TAME shipping records, evidence of travel for 4 Mr. Guerra to and from Quito and Lago Agrio, deposit slips, 5 the nine alleged Draft Orders found on Mr. Guerra's hard 6 drives and more. Taken together, the Claimants tell us the 7 physical evidence is mutually reinforcing and categorically 8 proves that Judge Zambrano accepted a bribe. 9

But before we rush to judgment, let's actually 10 analyze and consider the evidence before us and the 11 evidence not before us, and gain an understanding of their 12 import, taken both separately and together.

According to Mr. Guerra, he does not have 13 14 cellphone records to confirm his alleged communications 15 with Mr. Fajardo: "My phone did not maintain those 16 records." That evidence does not exist.

After Mr. Guerra promised Chevron that he had and 17 18 he would produce to them calendars showing notes of 19 meetings with Mr. Fajardo, Chevron's Miami attorney Andres 20 Rivero and Chevron's investigator affirmed to him that 21 Chevron would consider the calendars "very valuable for

22 us," very valuable. And you may remember my colloquy with

23 Mr. Guerra. Notwithstanding Mr. Guerra's promises and the 24 reward that was being offered, Mr. Guerra did not produce

25 any such calendar showing notes of any such meetings with

10:01 1 with Mr. Fajardo, no e-mail from Mr. Fajardo was ever found 2 in Mr. Guerra's e-mail account. According to Mr. Guerra,

3 any such e-mails have been lost. That evidence goes away.

Claimants, as you will recall from the cross-examination I had with Mr. Guerra, have also relied on the TAME shipping records which they claim corroborate Mr. Guerra's testimony that he shipped Draft Orders to

Mr. Zambrano, and in this respect Claimants have pointed to

9 23 shipments from Mr. Guerra to the Oriente.

10 Let's evaluate the relevancy of these 23 11 shipments. Mr. Guerra provided evidence of exactly 11 12 shipments directly to Mr. Zambrano. While he never before 13 acknowledged this in all of his statements, notwithstanding I think we had 19 tabs of his statements, Mr. Guerra in cross-examination conceded that not one of these 11 shipments had anything to do with the Lago Agrio Case:

"OUESTION: You have confirmed that nine of them were made after the Sentencia was issued and had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case; isn't that correct?

"ANSWER: Yes, sir.

21 "QUESTION: And you testified that the 22 23 July 22, 2010, shipment had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case and that Judge Zambrano was not even Presiding Judge at that time?

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10:02 1 "ANSWER: Yes, that's correct. "QUESTION: And that the February 11 shipment of 2011 also had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case? "ANSWER: Yes, sir." 6 Evidence of these 11 shipments all go away. Claimants have identified 12 additional packages 8 from Mr. Guerra to people other than Judge Zambrano through 9 TAME. Mr. Guerra, however, confirmed that the three 10 packages sent to Coca, about a two hour car ride from Lago 11 Agrio, had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case, and he 12 specifically affirmed that the packages sent to Pedro 13 Moreira Colorado, Juan Jurado, and to Orlando Daza, had 14 nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case either. Evidence of 15 these shipments, therefore, also go away. 16

So, that leaves us with seven packages to Fernando 17 Albán and two to Narcisa Leon. The record makes clear, and 18 Mr. Guerra concedes, that the shipments to Fernando Albán 19 had nothing to do with the nine Orders found on his hard

20 drive. Nor could they, because the nine Orders had been 21 issued or were issued by Judge Zambrano at least nine

22 months before the first TAME shipment to Mr. Albán.

Now, I will note parenthetically that Mr. Guerra 24 contends that the shipments to Mr. Albán must have related 25 to other Orders other than these nine. Well, we know that

10:05 1 walk through this slide and the sequences, and then 2 represented, and I quote, "this pattern plays out nine 3 times."

> To be clear, however, it does not play out nine 5 times. There is evidence of 23 TAME shipments in all. 6 These are but two--there are but two instances in which 7 this pattern shows itself, and these are the two. Even a 8 broken clock is right twice a day.

9 So, in our analysis of the so-called 10 "corroborative" evidence, let's leave these two shipments 11 to Narcisa Leon in, as they at least fit into Chevron's 12 allegations. To be sure, however, we don't know the 13 contents of these packages, whether Mr. Guerra was 14 returning Court documents or books to Ms. Leon or whether 15 they were Court papers relating to cases he said that he 16 was handling as counsel. Nor has Ms. Leon ever offered a 17 witness statement corroborating Mr. Guerra's claim. But for purposes of the physical evidence, let's leave them in.

The 21 other shipments go away. 20 In his Declaration of November 2012, Mr. Guerra 21 identified travel to and from Lago Agrio as evidence that 22 he traveled back--between Lago Agrio and Quito. When 23 pointed out that his first cited travel occurred on August 24 4 through August 6, 2010, while Judge Ordoñez was the 25 Presiding Judge, he agreed and conceded for the first time

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10:04 1 the two gentlemen have had a friendship at least extending 2 years. We have some testimony that they were, indeed, 3 relatives, although he denied it.

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And we also know that they have published 5 together, and these shipments also could just as well have 6 been Court filings Mr. Guerra made in Lago Agrio on behalf 7 of his own clients since he was still representing clients 8 at that time.

And, of course, Mr. Albán is not here. He elected 10 not to stand behind his good friend Mr. Guerra. In fact, 11 no one has stepped forward to offer a witness statement to 12 corroborate Mr. Guerra's testimony. And there is quite 13 literally no physical evidence to support Mr. Guerra's 14 contention.

15 So, that brings me to the two final shipments to 16 Narcisa Leon. And in this respect I want to take you back 17 to one of Claimants' opening slides, it was Slide 45 in 18 their opening, they reintroduced it yesterday, and in the 19 far two right columns you will see here two examples where 20 Chevron identifies alleged Draft Orders saved on Guerra's 21 computer both followed by TAME shipments. One of these is 22 November 18, 2009, the other Draft Order was November 29,

23 2009, again, each followed by a TAME shipment, each 24 followed by Judge Zambrano's issuance of a Final Order.

At Page 59 of our Day 1 Transcripts, Claimants

10:07 1 since he executed his Declaration some two-and-a-half years 2 ago that this travel had nothing to do with the Chevron 3 Case. He admitted, "if I traveled during these dates, it 4 wasn't for me to provide assistance to the Chevron Case." 5 And similarly, when pointed out that his second cited travel about a week later also occurred during Judge Ordoñez's tenure, he again agreed, and again for the first

time, that the travel had nothing to do with the Lago Agrio Case. Evidence of this travel is therefore not relevant to the question here, and this evidence also goes away.

What other evidence is there?

Claimants cite to six alleged payments by Judge 12 13 Zambrano to Mr. Guerra: Three journal entries, two bank 14 statements and a deposit slip. Let's put aside the 15 question of whether the name Nicolas, referred a couple of 16 Mr. Guerra's notations, referred to Nicolas Zambrano, or 17 instead to his son-in-law, Nicolas, who Mr. Guerra now says he calls Nick. Let's put aside that we don't know whether Mr. Guerra actually wrote these notations or when he wrote

20 these notations. Let's put aside that there was no

21 evidence identifying what these payments were for.

22 Let's also put aside the fact that Mr. Guerra 23 produced no example of any payment at all of \$1,000 or even 24 anything close to \$1,000, and that he now admits that he

25 lied about the amount he said he was being paid.

10:09 1 Put all that aside, and let's instead focus on a 2 single sentence from Mr. Guerra's testimony, and I'll 3 quote: "The payments that I received from Mr. Zambrano 4 starting in April 2011 to February 2012," which all six of 5 those payments were, "had no connection with the Chevron 6 Case." In this one sentence, Mr. Guerra admits something 7 he had never admitted before: That each of the six 8 payments from Mr. Zambrano had nothing to do with this 9 case. And he, in fact, has no evidence of any payments 10 from Mr. Zambrano during the relevant time.

Claimants' reliance on Mr. Guerra's notations and 11 12 in other instances deposit slips for proof of payment from 13 Mr. Zambrano therefore go away.

What other evidence do Claimants rely on? Well, 15 there are two deposit slips purportedly signed by a woman 16 named Ximena Centeno, who was allegedly affiliated with the 17 Plaintiffs, and while I included two here, Mr. Bishop 18 identified other deposit slips not signed by Ms. Ximena, so 19 we want to be accurate--there are deposit slips we could 20 put in there.

We, of course, in her case, don't know who put her 22 name on the deposit slips, nor do we know what the payments 23 were for, whether it could be for a presentation on the 24 environmental case, lobbying in the public domain, but we 25 should and do include this evidence on the list of

10:12 1 view. Let's actually assume that each of these pieces of 2 evidence actually stands for the proposition for which they 3 are offered by Claimants, and let's see how far that gets 4 the Claimants.

> There are effectively three sets of tasks that were before Judge Zambrano in his two terms as Presiding Judge of the Lago Agrio Court:

8 First, he served as the Presiding Judge from 9 October 2009 to February of 2010 and issued during this time a number of Orders or Providencias.

Second, Judge Zambrano served a second term from 11 October 2010 to March 2011, during which time he again issued a number of Orders and Providencias.

And, third, and most importantly, he drafted and issued on February 14, 2011, the Sentencia or Judgment in 15 this case.

17 With this in mind and taking a look at what used to be the mountain of evidence and seeing what remains, let's actually identify which pieces of evidence relate to which of these three categories of responsibilities that Judge Zambrano had before him.

22 Most all of them drop in the first bucket. 23 Now, maybe this is where the rubber meets the 24 road, where both sides need to take a step back and need to 25 reassess. Might we, on this side, have overstated our case

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10:10 1 surviving evidence, at least potentially relevant to the 2 issue before this Tribunal.

> Let's also leave in as potentially relevant 4 evidence the nine purported Draft Orders on Mr. Guerra's 5 hard drive, notwithstanding that both Mr. Lynch and 6 Mr. Racich have both testified that they were created on 7 Mr. Guerra's hard drive after the respective Orders were issued and notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Guerra had the opportunity and access to copy drafts from Mr. Zambrano's computer, but we'll leave them in there.

And let's also include in this list the three 12 e-mails relied upon by Claimants in support of their case, 13 e-mails dated October 27, 2009, November 27, 2009, 14 September 5, 2010. I will address these shortly. And, finally, let's also include the so-called

15 16 "Memory Aid," even though Mr. Guerra said that it contained 17 absolutely no useful information in respect of the 18 Sentencia.

19 So, what evidence remains before this Tribunal? Well, the Parties disagree about the import of 20 21 these individual pieces of evidence before you, and I will 22 not belabor our respective points here. In fact, for

23 purposes of this next exercise, I actually want to do 24 something that I don't do very often. I want to actually 25 assume arguendo the worst case from the defense point of

10:14 1 by suggesting that there is no probative physical evidence 2 that would be consistent with at least one of Claimants' 3 allegations? Physical evidence regarding the first time 4 period of a possible agreement between Mr. Guerra and the 5 Plaintiffs in 2009?

> But have the Claimants overstated their case when 7 they claim that the evidence conclusively proves that Judge 8 Zambrano was bribed and that he let the Plaintiffs 9 qhostwrite the Judgment?

> > When one looks at the evidence through the prism

11 of this exercise, it is clear that at least as a general matter, the potentially relevant evidence is fairly well 13 congregated during that first term and focused more 14 particularly on Mr. Guerra rather than Judge Zambrano. So, is it possible that Judge Zambrano may have, in fact, relied on Mr. Guerra to help him draft certain Orders

during his first term? But if he did, not as part of a

criminal enterprise to do harm to Chevron or as part of a

19 bribery scheme, but instead to act in effect as a law clerk 20 to Mr. Zambrano? Orders that Mr. Zambrano would review,

21 edit and bless? If we were to accept that the nine Orders

22 found on Mr. Guerra's hard drive, even though created on

23 his computer well after they were issued, but if they were

24 drafts, we know for a certainty that they were at least

25 reviewed and blessed by Judge Zambrano because of what was

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10:15 1 found--because what was found on Mr. Guerra's computers 2 were not final Orders.

Is it possible that Mr. Guerra, acting on his own 4 and without knowledge of Judge Zambrano was pitching his 5 wares to both Chevron and Plaintiffs? We know he was 6 desperate for cash, he was in financial trouble. He was 7 confronting another 20 to \$30,000 of construction debt. He 8 was terminated as a judge and he was making 10 to 30 9 percent of his previous salary. And according to Chevron, 10 he twice solicited bribes from Chevron after which Chevron 11 decided to sit on its hands and do nothing.

Look at the nine Orders. They are overwhelmingly 13 procedural in nature and, by our analysis, Chevron won the 14 majority of those issues that were decided. The exhibit 15 numbers are provided on Slide 144, and I encourage you to 16 look at these at your convenience.

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17 Most importantly, Chevron has made no claim in 18 this arbitration that those nine Orders were incorrectly 19 decided. Even if we were to accept Mr. Guerra's 20 allegations with respect to this allegedly first agreement, 21 which we do not, his role would have been merely to "move 22 the case along." His words. Most of the time, the 23 Claimants have used the identical language in their written 24 submissions.

In other words, this hypothetical first agreement,

10:19 1 wanted. Instead, Mr. Guerra gave a very long answer 2 explaining the law. I think it was Mr. Kehoe's fourth try 3 that Mr. Guerra finally gave in and offered the 4 demanded-for response that yes, it was in part because of his agreement with the Plaintiffs to move the case along. To be clear, if the Plaintiffs in fact paid 7 Mr. Guerra any money during Mr. Zambrano's first term, 8 that's all it was for. It had nothing to do with the merits, and it was without any intent to prejudice either 10 Party's rights on the merits. Not even Mr. Guerra says 11 otherwise. Nor could it have been.

12 On Claimants' case, Mr. Guerra solicited Chevron 13 one year later, in October of 2011, and offered to fix the 14 Judgment in their favor. Not only is there no hint in any 15 of these nine Procedural Orders that they were incorrectly 16 decided or otherwise tainted the Sentencia, there is no 17 physical evidence--in fact, no evidence at all other than 18 Mr. Guerra's word--suggesting that Judge Zambrano would have been aware or was aware of any such agreement between Plaintiffs and Mr. Guerra. None. Indeed, when I asked 21 Mr. Guerra who was receiving the \$1,000 a month, he replied 22 that he was, and that Judge Zambrano was not receiving 23 anything to the best of his knowledge. Of course he

24 wasn't. It wasn't his deal, if there ever was a deal.

Let's address the October 27 and November 27, 2009

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10:17 1 according to both Mr. Guerra and Claimants, had nothing to 2 do with the merits of the case. Nothing. And for his 3 part, Mr. Guerra never claims to have drafted a Providencia 4 inconsistent with Ecuadorian law, which is, if his 5 testimony were to be credited, why Mr. Zambrano would have 6 blessed them.

On his redirect of Mr. Guerra, my friend Mr. Kehoe 8 asked Mr. Guerra why, in Paragraph 10 of the December 7, 9 2009 Order, which is Attachment R- to his November 17 10 Declaration, he allegedly wrote, "it is provided that 11 ordinary time frames may not exceed those given under 12 Article 288 of the Code of Civil Procedure. This is done 13 in accordance with the provisions of Articles 303 to 319 14 ibidem."

15 And how did Mr. Guerra respond? Well, three times 16 he was asked and three times he explained the legal 17 reasoning, and at no time did he suggest or hint that the 18 Decision, the Order of the Providencias, was incorrectly 19 decided.

20 Mr. Kehoe kept pressing the issue, fishing for the 21 needed answer, with the same leading guestion, asking time 22 and again whether he made this ruling, "at least in part 23 because of your agreement with the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs to 24 move the case along quickly".

Mr. Kehoe again did not get the answer that he

10:20 1 e-mails. And, again, we are focused here on the alleged 2 communications with Mr. Guerra during Mr. Zambrano's first 3 term. The first e-mail from Mr. Fajardo references the 4 puppeteer and the puppet. The second makes a reference to 5 the puppeteer.

Now, let's again assume for argument's sake the 7 Claimants' allegation is correct and that Mr. Guerra is the puppeteer. How far does that get the Claimants? In that 9 event, what are these e-mails saying? Only that Mr. Guerra 10 is representing that he will move the case along until he 11 gets paid. And then as to Mr. Guerra's implication as to 12 who the puppet is, well, that again is all coming from 13 whom? From Mr. Guerra.

14 It was always in his interest for years to portray 15 himself as influential, to show himself as close to 16 Mr. Zambrano, just as he would say that he had ten years' experience as a job applicant even if he had none. 17

The bottom line is there is no physical evidence to support the proposition that Judge Zambrano ever acted complicitly with Mr. Guerra. And isn't it strange that 21 there is nothing tying in Judge Zambrano to this alleged 22 agreement? No evidence by the way that he even received a dollar, ever.

But now let's turn to the physical evidence 25 relevant to Mr. Zambrano's second term. Where is the

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10:22 1 evidence that Mr. Guerra prepared even a single Providencia 2 during this time period, much less that he got paid for it 3 by Mr. Zambrano? Where is the evidence that the Plaintiffs 4 paid him even a dollar during this second tenure? There 5 are no Draft Orders in his possession. None found on his 6 hard drive. There is, instead, a total vacuum.

And again, where is the evidence that, even if there had been a hypothetical deal, that Judge Zambrano knew about it? There are no exchanges between Mr. Zambrano and Mr. Guerra.

10 and Mr. Guerra.

11 What you saw in Claimants' Slide 45 that I
12 previewed with you a moment ago connecting certain
13 Providencias with the TAME shipments are totally absent
14 during Judge Zambrano's second term. How on this record
15 could it be concluded that this evidence supports a finding
16 that Mr. Guerra prepared even one Providencia for
17 Mr. Zambrano's review during his second term, much less
18 that he was acting on behalf of the Plaintiffs, much less
19 with Judge Zambrano's knowledge and complicity? Again,
20 there is nothing but Guerra's word.

And, finally, let's turn to the physical evidence purporting to relate to the actual writing of the Sentencia. Now, putting aside all that doesn't make sense--and there is a lot: That Judge Zambrano should literally throw Plaintiffs' representatives out of his

10:25 1 don't have a draft Judgment on Mr. Guerra's hard drive. We 2 don't have TAME shipments linked in any way to the 3 Sentencia. We don't have diary notes, calendars, daily 4 planners. We have no witness corroboration. And the 5 forensics don't support it. 6 Claimants point to a September 5, 2010, e-mail.

There, Mr. Guerra in a single sentence of a longer e-mail
says he would quote-unquote "support the matter" of Pablo
Fajardo. We don't know what that matter was. Might this
have been in relation to a presentation he might give, an
article he might write on the case? Or is this a reference
to Mr. Guerra again puffing himself, trying to connect
himself with Mr. Zambrano?

And importantly, this was at a time before
Mr. Zambrano resumed as Presiding Judge. Whatever it was
about, there is nothing in here that shows this is anything
more than Mr. Guerra again promoting himself.

And finally, there is the so-called--PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm sorry to interrupt.

20 MR. BLOOM: Please.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Is that the right exhibit for the heading, Slide 156?

MR. BLOOM: I think this is one of the articles that was written, but I'll check on that at the break.

25 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Okay, thank you.

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10:24 1 office, as Mr. Guerra testified, only to later negotiate a 2 bribe with them.

Two, that Judge Zambrano should be so paranoid
about being watched and yet engage in illegal acts in the
Quito airport and invite Mr. Fajardo and Mr. Guerra into
his apartment to help revise the Judgment, knowing that
Chevron's out there with cameras.

8 Three, that Judge Zambrano should allow Mr. Guerra
9 to be the only person to receive any payments from the
10 Plaintiffs while he would have to wait one day, some day in
11 the future, maybe after the appeals and after the
12 enforcement actions, to receive even one dollar--of course,
13 with no ability of enforcing on such a deal if the
14 Plaintiffs should back out of such an alleged deal.

15 Four, that Mr. Guerra would be paid a hundred 16 thousand dollars, even though he contributed nothing of 17 value to the Sentencia since all of his suggestions were 18 rejected.

19 Five, that after making statements for three 20 years, Mr. Guerra for the first time in this proceeding 21 said his electronic exchanges were lost. That was a new 22 one.

But let's put all of this to the side. There is no exchange of money, none to Mr. Zambrano, none to Guerra. We don't have any e-mails between Zambrano and Guerra. We 10:27 1 MR. BLOOM: And finally, there was a so-called
2 "Memory Aid." As you will recall, however, we took
3 Mr. Guerra through that Memory Aid. It contains a
4 chronology that cuts off nearly two years before issuance
5 of the Sentencia. It does not make reference to the
6 controversies that arose in 2009 or more importantly to the
7 controversies that surrounded Mr. Cabrera in 2010 or the
8 decision of the Court to consider supplemental experts in
9 the fall of 2010.

Nor was this so-called Memory Aid usable for the purpose for which Mr. Guerra allegedly solicited it. Nor does the Memory Aid address any of the allegations made by Chevron in light of the evidence it accumulated in the 1782 actions in the United States during this time period, evidence that was provided to the Court.

Mr. Guerra conceded, as he had to, that he had written articles and made presentations related to the environmental conditions in Ecuador, and that he had written several essays on the subject.

The problem we submit is that this Memory Aid has relevance only if we were to credit Mr. Guerra's testimony.

22 On its face, the Memory Aid is not relevant to anything.

23 Not one sentence of the Memory Aid appears in the 24 Sentencia, and the nature and content of the Memory Aid,

25 frankly, contradict Guerra's claim that it was created and

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10:28 1 produced to him for the purpose of preparing or revising 2 the Sentencia.

> Now, Members of the Tribunal, I have taken you 4 through this lengthy exercise and I have sought to organize 5 the physical evidence one by one in a manner that I thought 6 was fair and made the most sense in part based on temporal 7 considerations.

This Tribunal may look at the evidence and 9 organize it differently, as it should. But the point of 10 this exercise is actually to take some care to review the 11 so-called "mountain" of evidence, and in the context of the 12 very specific and various and different allegations. We do 13 that because it's possible to find the evidence probative 14 as to one allegation but not others.

We submit that Claimants have been prone, 16 generously stated, to overstatement, and we have said many 17 times Claimants' cited evidence simply does not stand for 18 the propositions for which they are offered. And just like 19 Claimants cobbled together a large volume of document 20 excerpts to try and portray the Government as a 21 co-conspirator in a scheme to defraud Chevron, something 22 Mr. Guerra himself has conceded is untrue, so too Claimants 23 throw into your lap a lot of evidence and say that the 24 sheer volume of evidence overwhelmingly and conclusively

10:51 1 Protocol, and I'd like your permission to cross out draft. Claimants? 2

MR. BISHOP: Yes, you have our permission.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Respondent?

MR. BLOOM: Please.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: In light of that, we're going 7 to ask you to initial the Draft Security Protocol, which is 8 now called the Security Protocol, just to make sure there's no misunderstanding, but I think we can assume that we're 10 there, subject to making further original copies of this 11 site order. So, thank you all very much.

12 So, Procedural Order Number 36 will be now signed by the Tribunal. 13

Sorry to hold you up, but let's continue.

15 MR. BLOOM: To finish our morning session, we will 16 begin with Mr. Goldstein and myself as we will conclude our 17 discussion relating and responding to the allegations of fraud. We will then turn the floor over to Mr. Ewing and

to Ms. Silver to discuss the environmental and health

issues, and then we will close this morning's session with

21 Mr. Leonard's discussion regarding Track 1B. 22

MR. GOLDSTEIN: Thank you.

23 At this point, it may be helpful to ask what

24 remains of the Claimants' case in light of what you've

25 heard thus far from my colleagues. The forensic evidence

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10:30 1 Let me close my part of the discussion with this. 2 Notwithstanding his early promises of being able to produce 3 quote-unquote "everything necessary to prove a bribery 4 scheme," and notwithstanding his every incentive to provide 5 the Claimants the abundance of evidence they were so happy 6 to pay for, starting price of 20,000, grabbing him by the 7 arm, look, look, at that cash. Money talks. He got the 8 message. And yet even Mr. Guerra eventually had to concede 9 to Chevron at Slide 163 that what he had was "very weak." 10 This amounts to a very weak case.

25 proves their ghostwriting allegations.

Claimants cannot plausibly tell you now that the 12 case that Guerra himself conceded was very weak is, in 13 fact, now clear and convincing or conclusive or 14 overwhelming. It is not now, and it never was.

Members of the Tribunal, this would be a good time 15 16 for our morning break.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much. 17

18 We will take a break. We'll come back at quarter 19 to 11:00.

20 (Brief recess.)

21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

We won't delay the proceedings further in regard

23 to the signing of the Procedural Order for the site visit, 24 but there are two matters. One, we just noticed that Annex

25 B, the security protocol, is called the Draft Security

10:52 1 does not support that case. The contemporaneous e-mails 2 among the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' counsel in December 2010, 3 in January 2011, contradict that case. Guerra's testimony 4 is inherently unreliable, and the limited so-called 5 "corroborative physical evidence," does not support a

6 finding of ghostwriting. It is certainly not clear and

7 convincing evidence of it.

So, we come again to Claimants' allegation that 9 the Judgment copies text from the Claimants' allegedly unfiled work product. This allegation, in turn, hinges on 11 the documents in question never having been filed. If 12 those documents were lawfully before the Court, as I said 13 earlier, then their presence in the Judgment is entirely 14 proper, if not even expected.

Mr. Bloom and I have divided this discussion as 15 16 follows.

17 First, and primarily by reference to 18 contemporaneous evidence, I will show you that many of the 19 documents in question were almost definitely submitted 20 lawfully to the Court during judicial site inspections.

21 It's obvious that a small Court in the middle of the

22 rainforest simply was not prepared or capable of dealing

23 with a record of this size. That, however, cannot be a 24 denial of justice. Mr. Bloom will then address Claimants'

25 assertion that the official Lago Agrio Record is

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10:53 1 searchable. We believe that Dr. Juola demonstrated during 2 his testimony that it is anything but.

Let's begin with the Fusión Memo.

The Tribunal will recall that the Plaintiffs
presented oral argument at the Aguarico 2 Judicial
Inspection in June 2008 that precisely tracked the

7 structure of the Fusión Memo and that the Memo's exhibits

8 appear in the Court Record for the same day.

During our Opening Statement, and again during
Dr. Juola's cross-examination, we also reviewed a number of
errors in the Lago Agrio Record for that specific day,
including unnumbered pages and pages dramatically out of
order. Although errors such as this prevent determining
with certainty what other documents may have been filed
that day, it is logical to infer that the memo accompanied
its exhibits into the record.

20 But that is not the full extent of the evidence

21 here. In November of 2007, Mr. Sáenz e-mailed his 22 co-counsel explaining, "colleagues, here's the first

23 version of the famous merger memo." In response to Mr.

24 Donziger's question, "the idea is that this is the only

25 document we file?" Mr. Sáenz replies, "this document along

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That same intern then e-mailed Mr. Donziger after
the inspection confirming that, "Julio presented a
PowerPoint presentation about the merger to the Judge."

I.e., that the fusion discussion had occurred as planned.
At that point, having submitted the memo and its exhibits
to the Court, the Plaintiffs' legal team stopped discussing

17 it.

18 Next, let's consider the evidence with respect to
19 the Clapp Report. In 2006, the Plaintiffs asked Boston
20 University Professor Richard Clapp and his team of
21 researchers in the United States to draft a report
22 evalering the link between the release of ail contaminants

22 exploring the link between the release of oil contaminants

23 and adverse health effects. They did so for the express 24 purpose of submitting it to the Lago Agrio Court as a

25 health annex. On November 10, 2006, the Clapp Report was

10:56 1 substantively complete; and, as this e-mail demonstrates,
2 Mr. Donziger was intent on having Professor Clapp read and
3 sign it so the Plaintiffs could file it with the Court "on
4 Tuesday." The process of getting signatures caused a

5 delay, as evidenced by e-mails available at R-1010.

On November 28, 2006, one the authors e-mailed his signature pages to Mr. Donziger, who then asked an intern whether it might be possible to coordinate having all of the authors signing on the same page. As the intern's response on this slide indicates, at that point the Plaintiffs, "were in no rush since the translation hasn't

12 been finished and inspections"--that is, judicial 13 inspections--"won't be back on until next year."

Accordingly, that next year in early January 2007, 15 Mr. Donziger wrote to Mr. Clapp that, "For logistical

16 reasons, we still have not turned in the health annex to 17 the Court. There were some last-minute changes that

18 changed our certified translated copy which caused a ${\tt SNAFU}$

19 with the translator. We will turn it in at the next 20 inspection, which might be in a few weeks."

21 Accordingly, the Plaintiffs most likely submitted

22 the Clapp Report at one of the two next Judicial

 $\ensuremath{\text{23}}$ Inspections. Indeed, why ask for and obtain the signatures

24 of the three authors if the Report were not to be used as a

25 court submission?

10:57 1 Also, no e-mails countermand the Plaintiffs'
2 express intent to file the Clapp Report, yet Claimants
3 contend that the Plaintiffs changed their mind, and decided
4 instead of filing the report to copy part of it into Annex
5 K to the Cabrera Report. But the evidence doesn't support
6 that supposition. For one thing, in October 2007,
7 Mr. Donziger sent the Clapp Report to Doug Beltman and Ann
8 Maest at Stratus with the subject, FYI, health annex in
9 case, reflecting his understanding that the Clapp Report
10 was in the case, that it had been filed with the Court.
11 And the next month, in November, the Plaintiffs
12 included the Clapp Report with a mediation statement they

included the Clapp Report with a mediation statement they
submitted in their effort to settle the case. This is
significant because as the mediators' agenda indicates,
"Each side should assume that all others present and I are
familiar with the details of the Parties' litigation, as
well as with the mediation submissions that have been
submitted."

It makes no sense that the Plaintiffs would have cited to the Clapp Report and materials with which Chevron was presumed to be familiar if, in fact, they had decided not to file it, but instead to hold on to it for purposes of ghostwriting a Cabrera Report annex that itself would not be filed for another several months.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Sorry to interrupt you, if it's

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20 When considering this contemporaneous evidence 21 with respect to documents such as Fusión and Clapp, we must 22 reiterate that during the Lago Agrio Litigation, documents 23 were properly filed with the Court, but inadvertently not

24 logged into the official record including, and perhaps

25 particularly, at Judicial Inspections. As Mr. Guerra

11:02 1 for other documents that Claimants label as unfiled 2 Plaintiff work product. Consider the index summaries. 3 Claimants still have not demonstrated that the Plaintiffs 4 even created the index summaries in the first place. It's 5 undisputed that the Court maintained its own summaries of documents in the record--here is a court employee pointing to one such index on the Court computer.

Moreover, as is evident from this comparison of the so-called "January Index Summary" to the indexes found 10 on Zambrano's hard drive, the documents are substantively 11 identical; simply, one is printed with grid lines, the 12 other is not. Not only that, but the forensic evidence indicates that the index summaries were Court documents.

Table 2 of Mr. Lynch's August 2014 Report 15 demonstrates that the index summaries found on 16 Mr. Zambrano's computer have a create, date and time of 17 January 6, 2011, at 11:38 a.m., and Table 23 tells us that a USB drive was connected to Mr. Zambrano's computer one 19 minute before the index summaries were saved on to his hard 20 drive.

21 Additionally, we know that the USB drive with the 22 indexes, the serial number of which ends 16E3, has a volume 23 name of Mariela. That is most likely the Court Secretary, 24 Mariela Salazar, who quite properly would have been

25 providing Judge Zambrano with the Court's own docket

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11:00 1 confirmed, however, submitting evidence at Judicial 2 Inspections was entirely proper. He was asked, "and when 3 the Court is conducting a legal proceeding outside the 4 courthouse, may Parties submit documents to the Court at 5 that time?"

He responded, "If it is, for example, a Judicial 7 Inspection, it is acceptable to submit and receive by the Judge of the case."

9 Yesterday, Claimants mocked as, "an opportunistic 10 any port in the storm defense, "the Republic's explanation 11 that docketing errors and lost filings render it impossible 12 to know with certainty what documents were or were not 13 filed. That's at Transcript Page 2492. Claimants

14 wondered, "why Ecuador could possibly believe that's a 15 defense." Well, it happens to be the absolute defense of

16 truth. We know it, and Claimants know it.

For example, one of Chevron's experts, Dr. Kelsh, 17 18 had to rerecord his Lago Agrio testimony because Chevron 19 discovered that the Court had lost the first version after

20 it was submitted at a Judicial Inspection. As you can see

21 from Dr. Kelsh's deposition in his own words explaining why 22 he had to rerecord his testimony, he says, "It was my

23 understanding, I was informed by Chevron, that the Court

24 lost the first version."

And there is also evidence of legitimate sources

11:03 1 indexes. Mr. Lynch agreed that there is a strong inference 2 that she did so.

Even if the index summaries were not originally 4 Court documents, there is evidence that they were lawfully submitted to the Court. In his initial Declaration, 6 Dr. Juola concluded, "To a reasonable degree of scientific 7 probability, " that there was no evidence of the index 8 summaries in the record. Yet when he later searched CDs 9 that were part of the record, he, in fact, found, "ten 10 instances of overlap." He missed this evidence at first; 11 and as Mr. Bloom will explain later, his analysis suffered 12 from many additional flaws.

Let's turn next to the Selva Viva Database. There 13 14 are several explanations as to whether or how the data 15 reflected in that database may have formed the basis for calculations in the Judgment. For one thing, a number of 17 filings in the record contained data denoted with the infamous "sv" suffix. Here are some examples, and I will

19 represent to you that there are many more.

The Plaintiffs also provided data to Ecuador's 20 21 Ministry of the Environment as evidenced by this letter at

22 R-1526. And both the Parties and the Court requested and

received publicly available information from the Government 24 during the Lago Agrio Litigation.

R-1527, the document on the left, is a letter from

11:05 1 court-appointed expert Barros to then-Judge Núñez 2 requesting that an official letter seeking data be sent to 3 the National Hydrocarbons Directorate and to 4 Petroproducción. R-1528, the document on the right, 5 reflects the Ministry of the Environment providing data to 6 Judge Zambrano. Both of these documents were filed in Lago 7 Agrio.

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Additionally, Claimants submitted evidence 9 suggesting that Mr. Connor submitted data to the Lago Agrio 10 Court on CDs at Judicial Inspections, CDs that were later 11 damaged or otherwise rendered unreadable. We cannot know 12 whether the Plaintiffs also made similar submissions that 13 were lost or damaged.

Finally, as you heard not long ago, Mr. Ewing, an 15 internet cookie in his former life, successfully replicated 16 calculations made in the Judgment using Chevron's own data. 17 Mr. Lynch never attempted to do that. In light of these 18 various possible sources, Claimants cannot be credited with 19 having proven that the Lago Agrio Court relied on an

20 unfiled data compilation from the Plaintiffs. And I would also point out that we don't know how 22 many of Chevron's pleadings may have been copied into the 23 Judgment. Dr. Leonard did not perform any analysis to

24 determine whether the Sentencia included submissions or

25 excerpts of Chevron's filings, and thus does not know

11:07 1 would have ghostwritten the Judgment using documents they 2 knew were unfiled but that Chevron then possessed.

On the first day of this Hearing, at Page 156 of 4 the Transcript, Professor Paulsson stated that, "The 5 fraudulent judgment does not speak its name. The quilty 6 party doesn't produce evidence of the fraud because it 7 wants the fraud to be successful. The innocent party does 8 not produce it because the fraud is secret, and it is 9 ignorant of it."

10 Had the Plaintiffs indeed ghostwritten the 11 Judgment using documents they had already turned over to Chevron, then, in fact, their fraudulent judgment would be yelling from the rooftops. Anything but secret. Doing so 14 would have made no sense.

15 I raised this same disconnect in our Opening 16 Statement. Why would the Plaintiffs risk billions by 17 engaging in such self-defeating behavior? Claimants have 18 provided no answer. You did hear yesterday about Claimants' expert Gerald McMenamin, who purported to 20 conclude that the Judgment had multiple authors, of which 21 Judge Zambrano was not a significant one, based on an 22 analysis of so-called "style markers." As applied in this 23 case, however, Professor McMenamin's analysis is more 24 probative of multiple typists than of multiple content 25 generators. The style markers he chose to analyze,

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11:06 1 whether the Judgment also copies from them.

Similarly, unlike Chevron's success with 3 Section 1782 discovery actions aimed at Mr. Donziger and 4 others, the Republic does not have Chevron's internal 5 documents so we cannot, for example, check those against 6 Judge Zambrano's RICO testimony that he received documents 7 labeled, "courtesy of Chevron," nor can we check them 8 against the Judgment itself.

This is certainly not to suggest that Chevron 10 qhostwrote the Judgment, but rather to point out that both 11 Parties made voluminous submissions to the Court any of 12 which may well be incorporated into the Judgment but cannot 13 be located now in the record.

14 It's also worth returning to the fact that 15 Mr. Donziger was forced to turn over all of his electronic 16 media to Chevron well before the Judgment issued.

He provided two external hard drives, two laptop 17 18 computers, and a desktop computer which were forensically 19 imaged in September of 2010. He then provided additional 20 media which were imaged in January 2011, all of which is to 21 say that Chevron had Mr. Donziger's electronic media at 22 least one month and in large measure five months before the 23 Judgment issued. And, in fact, Claimants found the very

24 documents they claim were unfiled yet appear in the

25 Judgment on the Donziger media, which means the Plaintiffs

11:09 1 including spacing and punctuation placement, would rest 2 with the discretion of a typist and would not have been 3 conveyed in dictation.

Mr. Guerra himself provided an illustration of the 5 problem of the Lago Agrio Court being subjected to such a 6 huge record in his discussion of the stamps placed on 7 official copies of filed documents.

He says: "In the Oriente Region, different from 9 in the capital, we are talking about places that are not very sophisticated."

11 Eventually, with enough time, we may well find the 12 filed copies of each document Claimants contend was not 13 filed. At this point we can say with moral certainty that some of them were, but the fact that we have not yet found the rest is not evidence that they were not. With each 16 document we source, Claimants' hypothesis becomes less plausible. And with your permission I will now return the 18 floor to Mr. Bloom to explain why the Tribunal cannot rely 19 on Dr. Juola.

20 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Excuse me, 21 Mr. Goldstein.

22 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes.

23 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Could you go back,

24 please, to your Slide 165. You are there? On the

25 right-hand side there is this document, apparently it's a

11:10 1 notarized document concerning the submission of a certain 2 number of documents. I was looking at the document, 3 according to the reference R-530. I don't see anything 4 behind it. I only see the cover. And when I look at the 5 cover, English translation, it says, "Attachment 01 6 copies." So, could you explain us what does this document 7 mean?

8 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I'm told that this is the

8 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I'm told that this is the 9 notarized copy, but we have since updated the exhibit to 10 include--updated the R-530 exhibit to include the 11 underlying Fusión Memo exhibits that were also filed.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Apparently I have just been told that if you slide it sideways, you'll find some content, but I was doing it the other way, so this is a notarized copy; there is a stamp and there is a numbering on it. What does it mean? There is a stamp saying Corto de la Superior de Justicia, and there is a numbering that seems to be a pagination.

19 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Sure. The stamp is, as we
20 discussed with Dr. Juola, among others, essentially, the
21 certification that the document was filed in the Lago Agrio
22 Litigation and received officially by the Court, and I
23 presume you were referring to the handwritten numbers in

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Yes.

24 the upper right?

11:13 1 after tomorrow, it would take us a week.

MR. GOLDSTEIN: I'm at your disposal, Mr.
President. That's not a problem, and obviously neither
Dr. Naón nor I were cookies in our former lives.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Another non-cookie.

MR. BLOOM: While Mr. Goldstein focused on the
available contemporaneous evidence to show that the
Plaintiffs almost certainly filed openly and transparently
certain of their internal work product, including the
Fusión Memo, we believe, and the Clapp Memo, regardless of
whether they ever got logged into the official Court
Record, I want to spend the next few minutes addressing
Claimants' contention that the hard copy Lago Agrio Record

13 Claimants' contention that the hard copy Lago Agrio Rec 14 is searchable in the first instance. It is not.

Putting aside all of the data on CDs and DVDs, we are still talking about 217,000 pages that would stretch miles and miles and miles from here to almost Baltimore, and if the pages were merely stacked one on top of one other another, it would be close to seven stories high. In clear recognition of what is truly the impossible human

21 task to search the record, Claimants elected to retain the 22 services of Dr. Juola and asked him to analyze and

23 electronically search the OCR version of the record.

Now, his Report suggests that his was a systematic scientific approach not only capable of finding any passage

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11:12 1 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Those are the Foja numbers, the 2 page numbers of the Lago Agrio Record.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Sorry to belabor this point, but just to confirm, that that's the updated Spanish version of R-530, which was submitted in this arbitration,

7 it seems, on the 10th of April, 2015?

8 MR. GOLDSTEIN: That sounds right. We can 9 double-check, but that sounds correct, yes.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: But these are the Fusión Memo 11 exhibits?

12 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: They still don't include the fusion Memo itself that we have at C-2118?

15 MR. GOLDSTEIN: That is correct.

16 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: I understand from what 17 Mr. Doe is telling me that you found those exhibits, or 18 whatever exhibits there are in the Spanish original but not 19 in the English version; is that correct? Or vice versa?

So the cover are both in English and Spanish, but

21 the rest of the documents that would be attached to this 22 are only in the Spanish version. That's what I understand.

MR. GOLDSTEIN: That may well be correct. Yes.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Sorry for interrupting you, but 25 we can sort this out in a few minutes, but if we left it

11:15 1 in the record, but that it could do so with scientific
2 certainty. His words. And if you have as little
3 technological background as I do, you would have presumed

the correctness of his opinions upon reading them, but the reality has proven far different.

Mr. Juola's opinion and the opinions of Mr. Lynch and of Mr. Leonard, because they both relied on Mr. Juola, dependent on the OCR process and more particularly on the quality of the OCR images.

Claimants represented that the OCR quality of the record was excellent. That's their word from Dr. Juola's opening presentation. And in his direct examination,
Mr. Juola testified that, "the OCR was extremely high quality overall." He added that, "about 98.5 percent of those documents contained what we considered to be high quality Spanish."

In fact, you will recall that I showed him many,
many documents where the OCR was gibberish or as he called
them gobbledygook. We also found just as many documents
that turned out blank, only a subset of which did we offer
during his testimony, though the Tribunal can review R-1545
to see more.

More importantly, Dr. Juola is not--not--in a position to say that these were aberrations, and let me explain why.

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While Dr. Juola and Claimants fall back on
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      2 Dr. Juola's statistical analysis, and we heard this from
      3 Ms. Mouawad referring to these localized errors, for the
      4 conclusion that the OCR was of high quality, it is
      5 precisely his statistical analysis that I want to focus on
      6 because it proves that his analysis is, in fact, inherently
      7 unreliable and that the record is not searchable. I
      8 encourage you to read his Appendix A to his 2013 report.
      9 It makes clear what he did and what he did not do.
                  Most importantly, he did not compare the OCR
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     11 version with the original Lago Agrio Record:
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                        "OUESTION: You never determined the error
                  rate by directly comparing the OCR version to the
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                  original version; correct?
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                        "ANSWER: I did not.
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                        "QUESTION: You, instead, compared the OCR
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                  version to the Spanish corpus; correct?
                       "ANSWER: That is correct."
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                  What did he do instead?
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                        "QUESTION: You're looking to see whether the
                  letters follow one another in the same approximate
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                  percentage as the Spanish corpus?
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                        "ANSWER: That is correct.
                        "QUESTION: So, this exercise is premised on
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                  the assumption that statistically significant
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11:19 1 He tells us, though, that he also conducted a
2 hand-review. Yes, his scientific OCR review was so perfect
3 that he chose to hand-review some 150,000 pages of the
4 record.

Now, to be clear, he owned up to a hand-review of 100,000 pages in his testimony. His Appendix B shows that he actually tried to hand-review about 150,000 pages.

Let's discuss this hand-review.

9 By the way, I found out, it was interesting that
10 there was only one paragraph in his Report making allusion
11 to the hand-review because the very purpose of his Report
12 was to say we can scientifically determine that these
13 documents are not in the record. They recognized that this
14 is not truly searchable by a person by hand.

Mr. Juola did not hand-review the originals of most all of the blank documents. Why not? Because his statistical analysis did not consider the missing text that constitute errors for his purposes, as he conceded. The primary candidates for hand-review were not based on the extent of missing text, but instead it was based on a statistical analysis comparing documents to the Spanish corpus.

So, he reviewed those with the high volume of character errors, but did not generally review the originals of documents that did not come out at all in his

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11:18 1 differences between character strings in the OCR
2 version of the Lago Agrio Record and the Spanish
3 corpus might indicate a problem?
4 "ANSWER: That is correct."

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In light of this, and to achieve utter clarity on this point I asked him:

"When you referred to error rate right now, are you referring or including text that's missing entirely?"

"No, I was not," was his answer.

Now, at Paragraph 88 of his 2013 Report, which is
part of his Appendix A, he readily concedes that 10 percent
of the documents contained in the Court Record were
unusually difficult to analyze and are not reliable. But
that is only the starting point. We begin with 10 percent,
and if we do this in pages, and if the law of averages
work, he's referring to more than 21,000 pages. And again,
that's the starting point because the error rate was
entirely dependent on how well the non-missing OCR text

20 matched up to the Spanish corpus in terms of what letters 21 followed what letters. 22 He ignores for purposes of determining error rate

all of the blank documents. In his own words, he conducted a "frequency analysis," and that frequency analysis simply did not take into consideration the missing pages.

11:21 1 OCR analysis.

Now, keep in mind that we received his hard drive
only one week before his cross-examination. We didn't come
close to reviewing with the care we would have liked to
most of the OCR versions that he allegedly relied on. In a
quick scan of the last 10,000 pages that were provided to
us after he testified seems to show more of the same. When
pressed at the conclusion of his cross-examination, he
conceded he would not be surprised to learn that there were
many additional blank documents resulting from the OCR
process. Indeed, there are.

12 As to his hand-review and putting aside how
13 accurate any hand-review could be, he did not conduct a
14 hand-review for all of the so-called "plaintiffs' internal
15 documents." In cross-examination he testified that he
16 reviewed only four, all from the Fusión Memo, a document we
17 believe was filed at a judicial site visit. But Dr. Juola
18 did not look for any other passage or for any other
19 document.

20 What makes matters even worse is the lack of 21 clarity or reliability of how the process was even 22 conducted. He concedes that he's not an expert in OCR. He 23 has no idea what controls, if any, were placed before he 24 retained the documents, and he could only guess as to the 25 reasons for some of the errors that we all observed. He 11:23 1 attributed the blank documents, the gibberish, to low 2 quality copies. It doesn't matter that the Fusión Memo, 3 for example, was machine-printed. The question was what 4 kind of copy? Or what he refers to as salt and pepper on 5 the page or where the text was too light or too dark or 6 where there were Court Seals or handwriting. Some of the 7 copies that turned out blank were, at least to my naked 8 eye, fairly to moderate to high quality, and I refer you 9 only to his binder and assess for yourselves. And I will, 10 in fact, try to get glasses after this Hearing. But at 11 times he also referred to human error, perhaps in the 12 scanning process. 13

He also hypothesized in another instance that it 14 could also simply have been printed on a bad or old model printer that did not print very well.

Interestingly, he also acknowledged that storage 16 17 conditions can affect the OCR quality. Perhaps not 18 comprehending that the non-air-conditioned Lago Agrio 19 Courthouse where these documents were stored was in the 20 middle and sits in the middle of a rainforest, he offered, 21 if you're keeping it in an unair-conditioned room in a 22 humid climate, " he says that will be better than maintaining the documents in a shower. So, we are now one 24 step up from leaving documents in a shower.

Mr. Juola's bottom line is that "bad OCR will have

11:26 1 four motions, albeit grossly misplaced, at the start of 2 this Hearing. That it took them two and a half years with 3 their resources, notwithstanding the OCR capabilities, 4 notwithstanding hand-reviewers. I submit establishes that 5 the process of trying to locate documents is not possible and is not reliable.

Now, before we close this discussion, I wanted to 8 address one of the Tribunal's questions, namely that of 9 adverse inferences resulting from the Republic's alleged 10 failure to produce at this Hearing certain witnesses, including Judge Zambrano, Ms. Calva, Mr. Donziger and Mr. Fajardo, presumably among others over whom the State has no control. 13

14 Now, to be clear, Claimants cited to no BIT case, 15 and we have not discovered any, that has ever imposed adverse inferences on a party for failing to produce a 17 witness at an evidentiary Hearing. But, second, with respect to those common law jurisdictions that have applied the doctrine of adverse inferences, in each case, the Court or Tribunal or the Party through the Court or Tribunal, had

21 subpoena power to compel the Witness to attend. This

22 Tribunal does not have subpoena power. The Republic did 23 not have subpoena power. That is absent here. Ecuador had

24 no ability to subpoena or otherwise compel any witness to

25 participate against his or her wishes.

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11:24 1 an error rate of about 5 to 10 percent," and yet in the 2 short time we had together he acknowledged that there were 3 many, many documents with a substantially higher error rate 4 than his 5 to 10 percent.

And because his statistical analysis did not 6 consider missing pages as errors, and because he never 7 calculated the number of missing pages resulting from the 8 OCR process, we are left with no scientific or factual 9 basis on which to draw reliable conclusions from his work. 10 And again, I simply refer you to his Appendix A to draw 11 your own conclusions.

The fact that we received just last week nine, 13 10,000 additional pages that he purportedly reviewed is 14 more troubling. Each of these pages is a one-page TIFF 15 image. While that comports with what he said in his 16 Report, the other 200,000 or so pages from his original 17 hard drive were not, and that's inconsistent with his 18 Report. Let me just give you one example, I think it's a 19 very important example, of exactly how unreliable the OCR 20 process and hand-review have been in this case.

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21 You will recall that the Republic represented a 22 number of times that we did not believe that four of 23 Chevron's 39 motions filed on October 2010 were in the

24 record, clearly both Parties had been looking for them for 25 a very long time. You will recall that Chevron found these 11:28 1 Third, in those same jurisdictions, an Applicant 2 seeking adverse inferences, not only had to have the power 3 to compel the Witness to attend, but also had the burden of 4 showing substantial prejudice, something absent here 5 because the Claimants had the opportunity to depose Judge Zambrano for a couple of days in New York and call him for cross-examination for several days in New York, and I think they deposed, lest I remember, Mr. Donziger at 9 least 17 days. 10 We have--it is the Republic, I would submit, that

11 has been ultimately denied the opportunity to obtain evidence in response and will I also remind the Tribunal of 13 what I said earlier, that we had brought to this Tribunal's 14 attention last year that we were reaching out to the Plaintiffs' Expert Witnesses who were willing to provide Witness Statements, and they would not provide Witness 17 Statements only because we would not in return give them an indemnification agreements. Would anyone in his right mind

19 want to risk making itself an enemy of Chevron's war 20 machine? They squeezed Stratus writing letters seeking

21 debarment so that they might lose Government contracts.

They wrote letters to its clients. They helped put Patton

23 Boggs out of business. Who wants to take that on. Trust 24 me when I say we made efforts to reach out to people during

25 the course of the last couple of years, and too many times

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11:30 1 we were shut down, and too many times it was attributable 2 to the conduct of the Plaintiffs.

> Inferences made adverse to the Republic in 4 circumstances where the lack of cooperation is due to the 5 conduct of the other Party, I would suggest, would do no 6 equity. It would not be appropriate.

A few comments about Mr. Zambrano in particular, 8 Claimants suggest that we were ordered to produce him. Of 9 course, that's false. We agreed to convey the Tribunal's 10 invitation only, and Mr. President, you repeatedly 11 confirmed my understanding every time I corrected the 12 Claimants. Further, Claimants cite to no law for their 13 assertion that the Government somehow controls Mr. Zambrano 14 or any person merely because he works for a company in

15 which Petroecuador has a majority ownership interest. And finally, not only did we not have the power to 16 17 compel his presence, but frankly it would have been 18 inappropriate for the Government or any party to actually 19 bring pressure on any judge to appear or discuss his 20 decision-making process. He chose to do so in New York. 21 He chose not to do so here. But, frankly, it is not up to 22 the State to be twisting arms, most especially where, as

23 here, Claimants' principal allegation for years has been 24 that "Ecuador controls the judiciary."

Here is the reality that we find ourselves. We,

11:33 1 evidence in this record tends to show that the Judgment was 2 written by Judge Zambrano without the involvement of 3 Plaintiffs.

> And just for a moment, I want to return to 5 Mr. Guerra's testimony, and I wonder if anyone else caught 6 this in what surely appears to be the classical Freudian 7 slip. He says at Transcript 775, "Judge Zambrano, at a given point in time has stated that in the reasoning that he provided." Mr. Guerra at Transcript 775.

I will now turn the microphone over to Mr. Ewing 10 11 and then Ms. Silver, they're going to discuss the propriety of the Judgment on the merits, which belies Claimants' claims that the Court's conclusions of fact could have only 14 been the result of fraud. To the contrary, the record evidence makes clear that the Lago Agrio Court properly 16 found Chevron liable for the contamination and the risk to human health from that contamination.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Could you wait one minute. (Tribunal conferring.)

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: There is one question we've 21 raised now but you can come back to it later. You've dealt very thoroughly with Dr. Juola's written and oral evidence.

23 It would be useful if we could hear the Respondent's

24 submissions on the statement, I suppose, of Mr. Hernandez

25 of Morningside Translations. That was not developed, I

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11:31 1 like you, are playing detective. We have used the rights 2 under Section 1782 to try to discover evidence. We put 3 together timelines, we've conducted our own investigation. 4 But the idea of placing burdens on the State's 5 representatives, that are neither practical nor consistent 6 with the fundamental proposition of both judicial 7 independence and the independence of the State's citizens 8 to make their own choices, would itself constitute grave 9 error.

10 So, let me conclude this part of the presentation 11 with this: We all recognize the Claimants' high burden of proof, however it is articulated. This is not a case that 13 can or ought to be decided on people's testimony years 14 after the operative events. It really needs to be decided 15 on the physical and contemporaneous records. The forensics 16 evidence, we submit, is powerful evidence that 17 Judge Zambrano, in fact, wrote the Judgment. The

18 December 2010 and January 2011 contemporaneous e-mails 19 constitute powerful evidence that the Plaintiffs had no

20 involvement in the writing of the Sentencia. The

21 Plaintiffs' contemporaneous e-mails during the site visits

22 constitute critical evidence demonstrating their absolute 23 intent to submit much of the so-called "Plaintiffs'

24 internal work product."

Members of the Tribunal, the most probative

11:36 1 think, earlier at this Hearing, but it was referred to 2 yesterday by the Claimants as to what the effect of that 3 evidence would be on the submissions you made in regard to 4 Dr. Juola's testimony.

MR. BLOOM: I could give you a very quick response 5 now. The very reason, we submit, why Claimants brought in 7 Mr. Juola is that they understood that you could not do a thorough hand-review at all. So, that's Number 1.

9 And Number 2, even Morningside, even in their review, if you read it, they did look at a number and found a number of overlapping sentences, but I think that the primary point is that, I think we all--we certainly 13 recognize and we believe the retention of Dr. Juola

14 recognizes that you absolutely cannot do a hand-review and expect to do it with any level of confidence.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: So, why do you say it is so difficult, from your side? Because human beings can miss text or misunderstand text, or something more?

19 MR. BLOOM: Well, I think, if you're talking a 20 20-page document but not when you're talking a 217,000-page 21 document.

22 The other thing I think is interesting is the 23 reviewers were bilingual reviewers, and Mr. Juola, you may

24 recall, testified it's harder when you speak that language.

25 So, it even made it more difficult for those reviewers to

11:37 1 accomplish such a task, at least with any level of 2 confidence.

At the end of the day, we really have two 4 different issues. The first issue, Mr. President, is, we 5 believe that sloppiness by the Court is not a denial of 6 justice. We believe that there is substantial evidence, 7 especially at the site visit, that documents, CDs, taped 8 videos were provided to the Court openly and transparently 9 but never made part of the record. So, that's half of 10 this. I mean, you lose one CD, you don't know how many 11 documents you're losing on that one CD.

12 But the other part of it--and I am now referring 13 back to the four Chevron motions filed in October 2010: 14 Surely, they looked for it, we looked for them, they looked 15 for them. We looked for them by hand. We obviously didn't 16 find them in two-and-a-half years, and they certainly

17 didn't find them, whether by hand or by OCR. Yeah, humans have a lot of difficulty, I think, 18 19 especially--by the way, when you look at the number of passages. We tried this exercise internally, try to look 21 for X number of passages in the course of 217,000

22 documents, and I submit it's not very reliable at all.

So, there are two sides here, and we don't believe 24 that either of one of them is reliable.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

11:40 1 corrupt campaign of legally and factually baseless civil 2 litigation and bad faith criminal prosecution." Claimants 3 have based both their Treaty and denial-of-justice claims 4 on the conclusion that the Lago Agrio Judgment is "factually baseless" or, in their latest formulation, "a 6 factual absurdity." This is the first point of relevance. We have undertaken to show you that the Lago Agrio Judgment 8 is not a factual absurdity.

9 To the contrary, it is well-founded and reasonable and thus is not a basis for breach of the Treaty or of 11 customary international law.

12 Second, Claimants have accused the Republic of 13 launching a bad faith criminal investigation of nine individuals, including two Chevron attorneys. However, there is more than ample evidence suggesting that material misrepresentations to the Government had been made in 17 respect to the 1995 to 1998 remediation. While the criminal investigations were eventually dismissed, the Republic had the right in this proceeding to prove that those investigations were not initiated in bad faith or by collusion, but instead were based on information that the representations regarding remediation compliance may have 23 been falsified.

24 Third, the environmental case is relevant because 25 it allows the Tribunal insight into Chevron's litigation

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11:39 1 Mr. Ewing.

> MR. EWING: I want to start from this Tribunal's 3 question which boils down to: Why is the environmental 4 case relevant at all? First, for easy reference, I would 5 refer you to our several explanations of this question in 6 our submissions.

7 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It wasn't quite as blunt as that, please. You're simplifying.

9 MR. EWING: I recognize I'm definitely simplifying. 10

But let me take a few minutes to provide some 12 broader context, especially insofar as this may assist the 13 Tribunal as we prepare for the site visit in June and to 14 help you better understand the presentations that both 15 Parties have put on these last three weeks.

16 Yesterday, Professor Paulsson said that the single 17 purpose for the environmental case is to vindicate 18 Claimants' denial-of-justice claims. But I believe that is 19 not correct, and there are at least four primary reasons 20 why the environmental case is relevant. And I would like

21 to direct you to the first sentence of Claimants' first

22 Merits Memorial to show you why Professor Paulsson is

23 wrong.

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According to Claimants: "This singular investment

25 dispute arises from an unprecedented, fraudulent, and

11:42 1 practices and unclean hands. Chevron went to great lengths 2 to hide contamination from the Lago Agrio Court and the 3 world, and now they've extended that effort to this 4 Tribunal.

5 Fourth, even in the event that the Respondent were 6 responsible for an international wrong, no party can obtain 7 relief that would put it in a better position than it would have been in the absence of that wrong. In this regard, 9 Chevron cannot obtain a declaration of non-liability if it is actually liable.

My colleague, Mr. Bravin, will discuss this more this afternoon, but the bottom line is that any remedy for any international wrong must take into consideration the 14 extent of Chevron's actual liability.

Our case is very simple: Is there pollution in 15 the Oriente? Is some of that pollution attributable to 17 TexPet? And is the RAP a defense? And having found after that discussion that there is undoubtedly pollution in the 19 Oriente and that at least some of it is attributable to 20 TexPet, I will touch on the fact that TexPet can be held 21 liable for the whole subject to a right of contribution

under the principles of joint and several liability. 22

23 Next, Ms. Silver will address the health risks faced by the people of the Oriente.

And, finally, I will address the reasonableness of

11:44 1 the categories of damages awarded in the Judgment.

As you've heard over the course of these 3 proceedings, TexPet operated in the Oriente from 1972 to 4 1990, and continued as part of the Concession until 1992. 5 Yesterday, Claimants stated that it is "impossible to go 6 back and reconstruct what the conditions were in the 7 Oriente." I beg to differ. Immediately after TexPet's 8 departure, two audits were conducted. These audits, by HBT 9 Agra and Fugro-McClelland, mere months after TexPet's 10 departure from Ecuador, paint a stark picture of oil 11 seeping out of pits into streams, and oil overtopping pit 12 walls and migrating into the surrounding environment and 13 otherwise significantly impacting the environment.

You have heard from LBG this week of how they 15 still find TexPet-caused contamination, but we will address 16 that aspect of this case more during the site visits.

As a historical note, it was while these audits 17 18 were being conducted and completed that the Aquinda 19 Plaintiffs first filed their complaint in the U.S. Courts.

20 So, the question is: Does this contamination 21 still exist? Mr. Connor would like you to think no.

22 Mr. Connor visited Sacha 18 in 2004 and declared that

23 proper remediation by TexPet of Pit 2 was confirmed. But

24 Mr. Connor's superficial review then of the site was far

25 from accurate. When Chevron's secret sampling team came

11:48 1 shows, any recent spill by Petroecuador is just adding 2 insult to injury. Claimants' criticism are like many of 3 their criticisms. No scientist, except those who have 4 worked for Chevron for 30 plus years can ever get anything 5 right, but Dr. Garvey's estimate of the amount of oil in 6 and around TexPet pits is the same analysis that Dr. Garvey 7 has routinely performed for multiple U.S. agencies and 8 courts. As Dr. Garvey explained, he estimated the 9 inventory of toxic chemicals and sediment along 200 miles 10 of the Hudson River in New York, 16 years after his 11 estimate and more than a billion dollars later, remediation is just about to finish. His estimate, using the same techniques as brought to bear here, was off by only 10 percent.

So, if we give Claimants the benefit of the doubt 15 that they are right, we don't have the equivalent of six Exxon Valdezes, we have 5.4.

18 So, the next question: Is the RAP a defense? The simple answer is no. This Tribunal has already decided in 19 its Track 1B Decision that the RAP does not apply to 21 individual claims brought by the Plaintiffs as one 22 tortfeasor against the other. Despite the fact that this 23 guestion has already been answered, Claimants continue to 24 rely on the RAP. But the RAP did not address Plaintiffs'

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25 injuries for at least three reasons:

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11:46 1 back a year later to conduct more in-depth sampling, they 2 found liquid crude oil at depth in this RAP-remediated pit.



There are hundreds of other examples where we can 11 show you that TexPet-era contamination is still present in 12 the Oriente, and we will show you more of this during the 13 site visits in four weeks.

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You heard Dr. Garvey explain that the data shows 15 the contamination in the Oriente is massive. In reply, 16 Claimants point to samples taken at Sacha 13 and claim 17 they're from a recent Petroecuador spill and, therefore, 18 that Dr. Garvey's analysis must be wrong. As Dr. Garvey 19 tried to explain, that isn't how statistics work. But if 20 we engage the argument, we see that it suffers from factual

21 errors. 22 First, the samples Chevron points to are from at 23 least a meter below the surface, not surface samples evidencing a recent spill.

Moreover, as this list of spills from TexPet-era

11:50 1 First, the analytical results used during the RAP 2 to test remediation were fatally flawed. As Mr. Connor 3 testified, the weathered Crude tested during the RAP was 4 incapable of violating the TCLP standard. We know that the 5 TCLP test was not measuring actual conditions because TPH 6 tests conducted simultaneously showed significant 7 exceedances of any possible standard, the Judgment standard, current Ecuadorian standards, the later revised RAP TPH standard, and even Chevron's "international standard" they used during the Judicial Inspections. 11

Second, the RAP only included a small portion of 12 the impacts caused by TexPet's operations. As I've already 13 addressed, and Claimants have pointed out, numerous open 14 pits, including the open oilfield pit at Shushufindi 55, were left unaddressed by the RAP. 15

Additionally, there are numerous undocumented 16 pits, like the ones shown here at Lago Agrio 6, which was a RAP site. While the pits were evident in 1985 in the picture on the left, as you can see in this 1990 photo, the 20 pits are gone and were left undocumented by TexPet. And 21 only one pit was found and remediated during the RAP. 22 Therefore, because no one even knew that they were there, the rest of the pits were left unremediated. Examples like

24 this abound.

Third, the determination for when a closed pit

11:52 1 needed remediation was inadequate to address the pit's
2 condition. Dr. Hinchee testified that oil contamination is
3 not always visually observable at the surface, yet he
4 explained that RAP cleanup was required only if there is
5 visually observable contamination. This is the definition
6 of a superficial cleanup. And even in cases where more
7 than just visual observations were made, the analytical
8 data was often merely one sample in the pit with no
9 additional samples down-gradient to account for seepage out
10 of the pit. Therefore, it is clear that the RAP is not a
11 defense.
12 All of this evidence of contamination exists

All of this evidence of contamination exists
despite Chevron's attempts to conceal it from the Lago
Agrio Court. Mr. Connor testified in this proceeding that
he and the other Chevron Judicial Inspection Experts were,
mot assistants to the Judge" and "did not feel within a
directive of the Court or ethically an obligation to report
non-risk conditions."

However, Mr. Connor testified the opposite in a different matter. Under oath, he described himself as a "special assistant to the judge," even though he got paid by the Parties.

23 Similarly, in another proceeding, Mr. Connor 24 testified under oath that the JI objectives were to collect 25 samples to answer certain questions, and those questions 11:55 1 individual benefit from the "performance of all such works
2 needed to restore the natural characteristics and features
3 of the soil and surrounding lands prior to the damage in
4 the crude oil pits opened by Texaco."

In these proceedings, you have heard Claimants'
Experts and counsel opine on the regulation they believe
should apply to this case, yet Mr. Connor at least admitted
that he was not aware of what the laws were that surrounded
the Concession activities at that time. Instead, he made
his own determination of standard the Judge should have
applied and did not evaluate the law existing at the time
of the Concession.

For its part, the Court very reasonably addressed this issue, noting that the standards such as Decreto 1215 which Claimants point to now were not present at the time of the Concession. However, the Court made clear that lack of parameters would not exempt Texaco from its obligation to comply with the law requiring Texaco to avoid harm to the flora and fauna. The Court then applied the Plaintiffs' request in their complaint for the "removal of all the elements that can affect their health and their lives," and specified a 100-milligram per kilogram Cleanup

One point of clarification that should be made on this question of background in light of the Tribunal's

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23 Standard.

> 3 Mr. Connor described this complete 4 characterization as "investigating all components of the 5 site, which included whatever pits might be there."

But what we know now from the 1782 discovery
actions is that Chevron's Judicial Inspection Experts
intentionally omitted known TexPet features in their
Reports to the Court.

On the left in this slide, you can see Chevron's
Pre-Inspection map of the pits at Sacha 13. On the right,
you see the map they presented to the Lago Agrio Court.
They failed to disclose three of the pits that they knew
were there. This is not the complete characterization
Thus also happened repeatedly, and

mr. Connor described. This also happened repeatedly, and
we will also discuss it more during the site visit.
The Lago Agrio Court had before it years of
visual, testimonial, and analytical evidence. Using that
evidence, the Lago Agrio Court sought to calculate the
costs of remediation. As it asked the Settling Experts at
Sacha 53, the Court sought to know "the net benefit that
the persons possibly affected can gain from carrying out

23 any mitigation matters."

24 The Court asked this question to determine
25 whether, as the Plaintiffs requested, there could be

11:56 1 questions to LBG regarding the reasonableness of the
2 100-milligram per kilogram standard. It is the Republic's
3 position that 100 milligrams per kilogram is reasonable
4 based on two primary grounds:

First, the standard is certainly within the realm of the juridically possible. Several U.S. states had set a similar 100-milligram per kilogram standard for cleanup in the 1990s.

9 But this is not just an historical fact.
10 Chevron's headquarters in San Ramon currently enjoys the
11 protections of the same 100-milligram per kilogram
12 standard, and the Trecate cleanup achieved an even lower
13 50-milligram per kilogram standard.

Second, this standard is reasonable because it is approximately five times background. As Dr. Garvey explained, at 100 milligrams per kilogram, you can be sure that values above this are clearly impacted and clearly contaminated. Claimants pointed to Dr. Short's Report stating that the natural background of soil is 160 milligrams per kilogram. But as Dr. Short makes clear and Dr. Garvey explained to this Tribunal, this was just one of

22 three background measurements that Dr. Short reported, and

23 this one was done with the TEM method. Using Chevron's

24 preferred method, which LBG was referring to when assessing

25 the Judgment's reasonableness, Dr. Short agrees the

11:58 1 background is well below 100 milligrams per kilogram. But LBG is not alone. Mr. Connor calculated using 3 Chevron's data that background TPH is approximately 12 4 milligrams per kilogram. What is important to remember is 5 that all of the Experts--LBG, Dr. Short, and Chevron's 6 Experts--agree that 100 milligrams per kilogram is at least 7 five to ten times above background, and where exceeded, 8 therefore, reflects petroleum contamination.

To combat the overwhelming evidence of 10 contamination, Claimants and their Experts parade out 11 images and tales of alleged Petroecuador contamination as 12 though the Republic has denied all Petroecuador impacts. 13 This is simply not the case.

Neither did the Judgment, though, ignore the 15 activities of Petroecuador. Instead, the Court 16 specifically excluded, where possible, alleged harm caused 17 exclusively by TexPet or by Petroecuador but found that, 18 "the obligation of reparation imposed on the perpetrator of 19 a harm is not extinguished by existence of new harm 20 attributable to third parties."

In other words, even if Petroecuador had a recent 22 spill at Sacha 13, that injury is on top of the 25 years of 23 TexPet's insult. This basic principle of joint and several

24 liability applies here.

This was aptly demonstrated by Claimants' counsel

12:02 1 Inspections.

But as Mr. Connor admitted, the Lago Agrio Court 2 3 did not share that definition.

We also walked through with Mr. Connor how at 5 Sacha 6 Judicial Inspection, Chevron's counsel complained 6 that the Plaintiffs were performing soil drilling, using 7 drills or other mechanical means, and Mr. Connor agreed 8 with me, as he had to, that Chevron had done the same. 9

But there may be two more significant points.

First, despite the fact that Chevron had drilled 10 11 for samples at the site at least twice before the Sacha 6 Judicial Inspection, during the Judicial Inspection, 13 Chevron's counsel told the Court, "I categorically state 14 that no technical team from Chevron Texaco Corporation has 15 performed any secret tests here or used drills."

Second, when asked how Chevron proceeded from that 17 point forward, Mr. Connor assured this Tribunal that 18 Chevron followed the Court's instruction "not to alter the

sites," which, according to Chevron's counsel, included

using drills or other mechanical means. But what really 21 happened is that Chevron continued drilling at sites before

22 the Judicial Inspections for over two years, taking 1,493

23 Pre-Inspection samples at 78 different sites after the

24 Sacha 6 Judicial Inspection where this instruction was

25 allegedly given.

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12:00 1 with the presentation of evidence of the Sacha 86 well site 2 stream remediation. LBG showed the massive scale of a 3 stream remediation, and Claimants' response was to point to

4 a Petroecuador spill supposedly upstream. But what the

5 evidence shows and the Judgment understood is that

6 "contamination is undoubtedly a combination of impacts

7 because there is 25 or 30 years of legacy operations by 8 TexPet in this system. Successive tortfeasors polluting

9 the same stream, one after the other, are jointly and 10 severally liable."

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If Chevron wishes to concede contribution from 12 Petroecuador, it may do so in a separate contribution 13 action allowed for under Ecuadorian law, as Dr. Andrade 14 explained.

Before I hand the floor to Ms. Silver, I want to 15 16 briefly address Chevron's litigation tactics during the 17 Lago Agrio trial. LBG showed you on Monday how Chevron 18 used its Pre-Inspections to skew the Judicial Inspections, 19 and we will also talk about that more during the site 20 visits. But today I would like to focus back on the 21 Sacha 6 Judicial Inspection.

Last week, you heard me ask Mr. Connor a series of

23 questions about the Pre-Inspections. According to 24 Mr. Connor, the Pre-Inspections were a part of the Judicial

25 Inspections, according to his definition of Judicial

With that, I would like to hand the floor to 2 Ms. Silver to address the health risks faced by the people 3 of the Oriente and the health-related categories in the 4 Judgment. 5

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please.

MS. SILVER: You have just heard about the widespread contamination that TexPet left in the Concession Area, contamination that remains today and which places 9 those exposed to it at risk. Yet Claimants' counsel told you yesterday that there was no basis for the 11 health-related damages awarded in the Judgment.

I will spend the next 15 minutes recalling and 13 putting into context the health-related evidence put before 14 the Lago Agrio Court as well as that adduced in this arbitration. The latter reinforces the former and confirms that the Judgment's health-related damages are, in fact,

well supported. 17 18 Let us begin with my first topic, the Lago Agrio Court's Decision, which is Exhibit C-931, where the Court 20 at Page 170 expressly found that scientific studies and 21 testimonial evidence from affected citizens "satisfactorily

22 demonstrated that there are scientific bases for reasonably

23 linking the Claims concerning health made by the

24 inhabitants of the region with the oil contamination that

25 derives from TexPet's activities as the Consortium

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12:05 1 Operator."

Before I address some of that record evidence, I
would note here that the Judgment states--and I am again
quoting from Pages 170 and 171 of the Judgment--that "even
though none of these factors can be attributed with either
direct causation or exclusive responsibility, the evidence
shows a sufficient causal link for this Court to order
reparation of the harm caused."

9 The Court then goes on to state that the
10 Plaintiffs have "reasonably and sufficiently proven both
11 that an impact of public health exists and the fact that
12 this impact has a reasonable medical probability of being
13 caused by the exposure of the people living in the
14 Concession Area to the substances discharged by TexPet into
15 the ecosystem."

As you can see on these next slides, the Judgment cites numerous health studies that discuss the toxicity of crude oil and the association between risks of disease and exposure to oil. For example, the Judgment relies on the Yana Curi Report, which evaluated the impact of oil on human and animal health. It also relies on a study called Cancer in the Ecuadorian Amazon. That study found that there are significantly higher incidences of cancer in oil provinces as compared to non-oil provinces.

The Judgment also relied on witness testimony

12:08 1 Dr. McHugh put into the Lago Agrio Record. As a
2 preliminary matter, this Tribunal, as the Parties seem to
3 agree, is not a supra-national Court of Appeals.
4 But in any event, just how accurate is Claimants'

But in any event, just how accurate is Claimants so-called "scientific evidence"?

Over the past week, we've learned at least five important lessons:

8 First, Dr. McHugh's sample set was predominantly 9 composed of clean data. In his risk assessments, Dr.

10 McHugh used delineation samples, meaning that instead of

11 using samples from source areas, as EPA and ASTM guidance 12 requires, he assessed risk based on known clean samples

13 from areas outside the contaminated source. Dr. McHugh's

14 failure to use samples impacted by the source of

15 contamination is compounded by the fact that he made no

16 attempt to verify the location of his samples. Indeed, Dr.

17 McHugh did not map out, use a Conceptual Site Model, or 18 even visit the Concession Area to evaluate the specific

19 sites he was investigating. Ultimately, he failed to take

20 into account whether the specific pathways he was

21 evaluating were even plausible.
22 In the case of Guanta 6, for example, the specific

23 pathway he was evaluating was separated by the

24 pit--separated from the pit by a stream.

25 Second, Dr. McHugh's lack of knowledge of the way

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12:06 1 presented during the JIs. The Court accepted the testimony 2 of residents and considered significant their similar

3 medical diagnoses and symptoms. For example, at Yuca-2B,

4 the Court heard both from Mr. Albarracín, who lost his wife 5 from cancer allegedly caused by exposure to TexPet oil.

6 And from Mrs. Guarnan, who had recently been diagnosed with 7 leukemia allegedly due to pollution.

At Cononaco 6, the Court heard from Ms. Armijos, who lost her husband from cancer, allegedly due to oil exposure.

At the Sacha Sur Station, Mr. Ureña advised the Court that his father, aunt and nephew all died from various forms of cancer. His nephew died from leukemia at age 17.

And at Lago Agrio Norte, the Court heard from Mr. Celso, who testified that, after drinking the contaminated water, his pigs grew sick, and that when they gave birth, their uteruses were ejected along with their piglets.

These, of course, are just a few examples of the tragic stories that were echoed time and again by the affected residents.

Claimants have argued that the evidence I've just described and more like it cannot defeat the contrary expert testimony and scientific data that people like

12:09 1 people used the affected land caused him to make

2 unsupported assumptions about exposure pathways and future

3 land use. Contrary to regulatory guidance, he failed to

4 take into account future land use in assessing health

5 risks. For example, he assumed that people would not live

6 at sites where there were open pits. This might not be an

7 obvious error if made from the comfort of the United

8 States, but it does not reflect the ground-truth in the

9 Oriente. Many residents there do, in fact, live near open 10 pits.

And Dr. McHugh should have known this,

Similarly, Dr. McHugh improperly ignored exposure

14 pathways that residents have abandoned due to

15 contamination. Actual current use is not a proper

16 measurement for cleanup determinations under HHRAs, so Dr.

17 McHugh cannot say that people face no risk from such

18 sources.

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19 That people are not currently using a source like 20 the stream at Lago Agrio 2, a stream that runs right past

21 their home, does not mean that it is fine to exclude it for 22 purposes of assessing risk or that remediation or cleanup

23 is not required to alleviate that risk.

24 Third, Dr. McHugh ignored important exposure

25 pathways assessing risks only from ingestion. The Reports

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12:11 1 he submitted to the Lago Agrio Court ignored dermal 2 exposure, even though the regulations require considering 3 it, and even though it is clearly an actual exposure route 4 given the lifestyle of the Oriente residents.

Fourth, Dr. McHugh did not measure or take into 6 account TPH as a possible contaminant in his risk 7 calculations, even though he had the data available to him 8 and could have done so. Instead, he measured only about 30 9 individual components that are found in crude oil. What he 10 evaluated and based his risk assessments on was, in fact,

11 less than 1 percent of the toxic components in crude oil. Fifth and finally, to the extent that Dr. McHugh 13 evaluated drinking water samples that were not from 14 municipal water supply systems, he was not able to find any 15 health risks because he rejected key criteria in evaluating 16 the samples. Dr. McHugh determined that there could be no 17 risks associated with a drinking water sample if it did not 18 exceed the World Health Organization's numerical criteria 19 for the few chemicals and metals of concern he evaluated.

20 But this method does not protect health, nor does 21 it mean that the drinking water is not contaminated. As 22 the WHO explained, numerical criteria were never developed 23 for TPH because odor and taste were meant to deter people 24 from drinking water contaminated with oil. Odor and taste 25 were meant to be the canaries in the coal mine protecting

12:14 1 any award for healthcare-related damages would have been 2 excessive. This is not the case.

> This brings me to my second topic which is that 4 the Republic's health Experts in this arbitration have confirmed the reasonableness of the healthcare-related 6 damages awarded in the Judgment, including excess cancer. 7 Nothing that you have heard yesterday or during this Hearing has changed this fact. 8

9 First, Claimants have not challenged the well-established data and numerous epidemiological studies 11 that show that exposure to oil is associated with increased 12 risks of serious health problems. Nor does anything you have heard during these proceedings call into question the

conclusions of the Republic's health Experts, Drs. Grandjean and Laffon. Claimants did not want this

16 Tribunal to hear from them.

17 But in their Reports, both Experts demonstrated that the conclusions reached by Claimants' epidemiology Expert Dr. Moolgavkar are wrong. Exposure to oil in fact increases a person's risk of developing cancer and given 21 the intensity, duration and circumstances of the residents' 22 exposure, the studies performed to date likely

23 significantly underestimate the risks facing the Oriente 24 residents.

Second, Dr. Strauss found elevated risk of cancer

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12:12 1 people from the health risks associated with drinking crude 2 oil. These criteria should not have been ignored by Dr. 3 McHugh.

So, let me pause here to recount just how 5 scientifically unsound Dr. McHugh's risk assessments 6 actually are. Given the five major omissions I just 7 discussed, Dr. McHugh's human health-risk assessments 8 submitted to the Lago Agrio Court failed to properly 9 evaluate or assess potential risks to humans. Indeed, in 10 the end, Claimants' supposed evidence of no human health 11 risks in the Lago Agrio Record is no evidence at all. 12 There are health risks from exposure to crude oil in the 13 Oriente, and had Claimants actually applied the regulatory 14 standards they purported to follow, they would have found 15 them.

Based on the five omissions I walked you through, 17 Claimants were never going to find health risks sufficient 18 to warrant remediation. The deck was stacked. Claimants 19 were always going to win. Claimants should not be rewarded 20 for deliberately failing to find risk.

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21 Thus, the evidence in the Lago Agrio Record 22 demonstrates the damages awarded in respect of health were 23 reasonable and well-founded. Again, it is important to 24 remember that Claimants have not suggested that the damages 25 awarded in the Judgment were simply too high. They submit

12:15 1 at seven of the nine sites at which she performed a human 2 health-risk assessment. Next month, you will visit two 3 sites, Lago Agrio 2 and Aguarico 6, where Dr. Strauss has 4 concluded that immediate action is required to alleviate 5 the cancer risk.

Third, Dr. Strauss's risk assessments quantified 7 the minimum health risks that the Oriente residents face. 8 She did not calculate the worst-case scenario or use artificially inflated exposure factors, and she has not asked this Tribunal to consider pathways that she did not 11 evaluate due to time constraints such as ingesting contaminated crops or livestock.

13 The point is simple. Her conclusions almost 14 certainly underestimate risk.

Finally, nothing that Claimants or their Experts 15 16 have said over the course of this Hearing has changed much 17 less refuted Dr. Strauss's conclusions. Yesterday, 18 Claimants argued that the whole-mixtures approach, one of 19 the methods on which Dr. Strauss relies to evaluate 20 non-cancer health risks, is not an accepted method to 21 measure toxicity. But this is simply not the case. Where, as here, there are adequate toxicity data for crude oil,

the whole-mixtures approach is the preferred method,

according to EPA and ASTM guidance.

If Dr. Strauss's methodology is not widely used,

12:17 1 it is because adequate toxicity data are generally lacking. But even if this Tribunal were to discount the 3 whole-mixtures method, Dr. Strauss's HHRAs still show 4 sufficient non-cancer health risks to warrant further 5 investigation or cleanup at five of the nine sites. Rather 6 than rely on counsel's representations, we invite you to 7 review the data for yourselves.

Before I turn the floor back over to Mr. Ewing to 9 continue our discussion of the reasonableness of the 10 various categories of damages, a few words on the RAP. As 11 you have heard, the RAP is irrelevant here. Regardless of 12 whether the site or source was part of the RAP, individuals 13 were placed at risk and this Tribunal has found that they 14 had every right to bring claims to remedy the harms that 15 affect them.

My colleague, Mr. Leonard, will be addressing this 16 17 topic in detail, but it's important to note that even 18 though the Lago Agrio Judgment did not seek to address or 19 vindicate personal injury claims or harms specific to any 20 one person, the Claims at issue here do not fall under the 21 scope of the 1995 Settlement Agreement.

As the Republic has discussed in its prior Track 1 23 Memorials, nothing is more individual than the right to 24 health. That the Judgment frames its damages Award in 25 terms of public health does not morph the individual rights 12:20 1 Report provides extensive support for its cost figures. 2 Moreover, in the Court's analysis of groundwater, it 3 considered Judicial Inspection Reports by at least six 4 different experts, four of whom are Chevron's--at least 5 five different sites where groundwater was extensively 6 discussed.

> And I've added a citation to the chart. 8 Also during his presentation, Mr. Connor told you

9 that the Judgment has stated that TexPet is to pay 10 \$150 million to replace all of the potable water systems.

11 These systems do not need to be replaced, according to

Mr. Connor. And in his presentation, he told you that

there is no basis provided for this damage in the Judgment.

But neither of these statements is true.

15 Having found that the local people, their water 16 supplies are contaminated, the Court recognized that the people needed an alternative. Relying on the neutral court-appointed Expert Barros's Report, which itself cited to UNICEF, USAID and European agency estimations of the

cost of a water supply in the Oriente, the Court found that Chevron should pay for a potable water system for

the percent of the population not covered by the already

existing or planned projects.

The Judgment, as Claimants recognized in their 24 25 opening presentation, also provided for \$10 million per

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12:18 1 at issue here into the diffuse rights that Claimants allege 2 were settled under the 1995 Settlement Agreement. The 3 rights at issue stem from the subject harmed, not the Award 4 meant to cure it.

For the Tribunal's convenience, this last slide 6 contains citations to our previous Track 1 pleadings on 7 this subject.

8 Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

10 Mr. Ewing.

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11 MR. EWING: I would like now to turn to the final 12 four categories of damages in the Judgment. And I've put 13 on here the slide that Claimants have used throughout this 14 proceeding to represent the categories of the Judgment. 15 Ms. Silver has addressed the bottom three.

I would like to start with groundwater 16

17 remediation.

18 Mr. Connor claims that there is no basis for groundwater remediation in the Judgment. This is not true. 20 First, Judge Zambrano includes in groundwater damages both

21 underground water as well as sediments of the rivers,

22 estuaries and wetlands.

23 But more importantly, the Judgment cites to the 24 Lago Agrio Plaintiffs' Expert Report by Douglas Allen as 25 support for its determination of costs, and Mr. Allen's

12:21 1 year for 20 years for the recovery of native species flora 2 and fauna. Dr. Theriot, the Republic's ecology Expert,

3 whom Claimants did not call, conducted extensive analysis

4 of the data and Expert Reports in the Lago Agrio Record and

5 found that the Record showed extensive loss of diversity

due to TexPet's operations, and that in his opinion, the 7 Court's Judgment understates the magnitude of this direct

impact. And I've added a reference there. 9 Finally, the soil damages awarded by the Judgment

were reasonable and proper and based in fact. Dr. Hinchee used a calculation in his testimony which I have put on the screen now. Dr. Hinchee claimed that each piece of that

13 calculation fails the reasonableness test. The first

14 supposedly flawed element in the Judgment's soil damages

analysis is the cost per cubic meter. Dr. Hinchee states that such an amount is unreasonable. And yet the amount he

compares it to in order to make that determination is the

unrealistically low PEPDA estimate. PEPDA is a non-profit

project, and Dr. Hinchee acknowledges that it is able to do things far cheaper than other contractors in Ecuador. 20

21 Indeed, Mr. Connor, when estimating costs for

22 another oil company for a mediation in the Oriente

immediately next to the Concession Area came up with a

24 \$295-per-cubic-meter cost, four times that which Dr.

25 Hinchee says the Judgment should have relied on. And that

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12:23 1 is for a different standard than was applied in the 2 Judgment.

> 3 In determining the costs, the Court had a range of 4 estimates from experts from Chevron's O-dollar estimate to 5 the Plaintiffs' \$1,000-per-cubic-meter estimate. The 6 Court's determination is eminently reasonable when those 7 various options were placed in front of it.

The second element that fails according to Dr. 9 Hinchee is the soil volume per pit, but Dr. Hinchee admits 10 that the Court "relied on two TexPet documents for the soil 11 volumes." Based on Dr. Hinchee's own admission, the 12 Judgment reasonably assessed soil volume by looking to 13 TexPet historical documents.

And the final aspect is the number of pits. But 15 Dr. Hinchee admitted that he did not know the entire 16 universe of pits that TexPet created, nor was this 17 information in any of the documents he reviewed.

And Mr. Connor conceded that at least three pits 18 19 are necessary for the drilling of a well in the Oriente and 20 that TexPet drilled 322 wells. Putting aside the 21 Production Stations and all of the pits there, based on 22 Mr. Connor's estimate alone, there were, at a minimum, 966 23 TexPet pits in the Concession.

It is clear that the Judgment's assessment of soil 25 damages falls well within the juridically possible.

AFTERNOON SESSION PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

MR. BLOOM: Thank you, Mr. President.

We will now turn to Mr. Leonard, who will have two 5 parts. He will first address the Track 1B issues and then 6 will provide a response to parts of Claimants' legal absurdities argument.

8 We will then address the issues of jurisdiction, 9 followed by exhaustion, and at that point we will ask for 10 the afternoon break.

MR. LEONARD: Thank you, Mr. Bloom.

11 12 So, this, Mr. President, Members of the Tribunal, 13 this begins Part 4 of our presentation of today dealing 14 with the legal predicates of the Judgment, and as Mr. Bloom 15 indicated, my presentation is divided in three parts. The 16 first part will address the alleged legal absurdities as 17 they relate to the Track 1 issues. Parts 2 and 3 will

18 respond to the Tribunal's question concerning, number one, 19 the Court's decision to disregard the corporate

separateness between Chevron and Texaco, and Part 3 will 21 include just a few brief remarks addressing a question

22 regarding causation.

So, I'm going to begin the first segment of the 23 24 presentation with the following proposition: The Lago 25 Agrio Litigation is a continuation of Aguinda. This is a

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12:25 1 And with that, I'll leave you this slide with the 2 references for the bases in the Judgment for the various 3 categories of damages, and we will conclude our 4 presentation on the relevance and the import of the 5 environmental case.

Thank you.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

MR. BLOOM: Some people seem to be lobbying for 8 9 lunch. And if that's the consensus, we can break now.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think it's probably the 10 11 consensus. We will come back at half past 1:00, and in the 12 meantime, I hope all the other versions of the Site Visit 13 Order can be signed and initialed.

(Whereupon, at 12:26 p.m., the Hearing was

14 15 adjourned until 1:30 p.m., the same day.) 16 17 18 19

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25 Complaint.

01:34 1 matter of fact; the Lago Agrio Litigation is a continuation 2 of Aquinda, and this has been judicially determined between 3 the Parties by the Court with the regional jurisdiction 4 over this matter. I will be coming back to this notion at 5 different points during my submissions of today. So, let me take you to the Aquinda Case first. In 1993, about a year after Texaco had left 8 Ecuador, residents of Ecuador's Oriente Region sued Texaco 9 in the Southern District of New York, seeking extensive 10 relief for the vast devastation to that region caused by 11 decades of oil exploration and extraction activities. I'm 12 going to be quoting from Exhibit C-14--this is the Aguinda 13 Complaint. The Aquinda Plaintiffs, and I quote, alleged 14 that, "between 1964 and 1992, Texaco's oil operation 15 activities polluted the rainforests and rivers in Ecuador." The complaint alleged, for example, that 17 approximately eight groups of indigenous people lived in 18 the Oriente. These people had lived for centuries in the 19 rainforest and depended on them on their livelihoods and 20 their very existence. A general concern to everyone, 21 Texaco's destruction of the rainforests already has caused 22 physical injury to Plaintiffs and the class and continues 23 to threaten their health, way of life, and very survival as

24 a people. This is at Paragraph 38 of the Aguinda

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01:35 1 At Paragraph 44, the Complaint states: "The 2 defiling of the Oriente has had grave consequences for 3 Plaintiffs and the class. Again, the focus is on the 4 individuals, and this is Aguinda New York. The waste 5 products discharged in open pits typically contain such 6 toxins as arsenic, lead, mercury, benzene, naphthalene, and 7 other hydrocarbons. These substances are toxic to animals 8 and humans and are known or suspected carcinogens.

9 There is more. Defendant's breach of duty was 10 wanton, outrageous, reckless, and intentional. Defendant 11 made the decision for its own economic gain to dump 12 unprocessed oil into the environment, and thereby to expose 13 Plaintiffs and the class to toxic crude oil and other 14 elements I just mentioned, knowing that such substances

15 were toxic to humans.
16 This is at Paragraph 57 of the Complaint.

The next paragraph explains that: "As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's breaches of duty, Plaintiffs and the class have suffered injuries to their persons and property."

21 Two paragraphs later, under Count Two, styled 22 "Public Nuisance," the complaint states that: Defendant's

23 conduct and the resulting contamination of the Oriente

24 environment has created a public nuisance which endangers

25 and will continue for many years to endanger the safety,

01:38 1 culture, their diet, and other ancient traditions and way 2 of life." This is from Exhibit R-21.

Texaco's own submissions before the New York Court acknowledged the broad nature of the Plaintiffs' claims and their Requests for Relief.

Texaco, for example, asked the New York Court to dismiss Aguinda in part because an Ecuadorian could would be better positioned to, and I quote, "evaluate Plaintiffs' sociocultural claims of damage to their ancient traditions, culture, and way of life in Ecuador." Texaco's counsel observed that, and I quote, "We're talking about 25 years of land contamination across hundreds, if not thousands, of square miles impacting different people in different lands

in different ways and at different times.

In a 1998 brief to the Second Circuit, Texaco

16 affirmed that the Plaintiffs' demand--and I

17 quote--"Plaintiffs demand extraordinary equitable relief in 18 Ecuador. In support, Texaco cited Plaintiffs' documents

19 identifying the following types of equitable relief which

20 they seek, including these two, Number 1, an environmental

21 cleanup; Number 2, creation and maintenance of

22 environmental and medical monitoring funds. In other

23 District Court filings, Plaintiffs spelled out their

24 equitable relief demands as including remediation and

25 cleanup work at pools used for disposal of drilling mud,

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01:37 1 health, and comfort of a large number of persons.

I could go on. Under Count 5, for example, styled
Medical Monitoring, the Aguinda Plaintiffs assert that,
as a result of the Defendant's negligent and reckless
conduct, Plaintiffs and the class have been significantly
exposed to known hazardous substances.

7 The next paragraph: "As a result of such 8 exposure, Plaintiffs and the class are at an increased risk 9 of contracting latent diseases, including cancers."

10 Count 9 of the Complaint styled, "Equitable
11 Relief," includes the following language: "As a result of
12 Defendant's conduct, Plaintiffs' properties and environment

13 are highly contaminated with toxic substances. Plaintiffs'

14 drinking water supplies have been contaminated with

15 carcinogens, rendering them unsuitable for consumption."

16 The Aguinda Plaintiffs pled nine counts ranging

The Aguinda Plaintiffs pled nine counts ranging from negligence to public nuisance to international law claims under the U.S. Alien Tort Claims Act for destruction costs for the environment. Their relief includes the following language.

21 "In addition to monetary damages, Plaintiffs

22 demand extraordinary equitable relief in Ecuador including

23 remediation of Ecuador's land and environment,

24 modifications of Petroecuador's facilities, medical

25 monitoring and relief for alleged harm to Plaintiffs'

01:40 1 providing drinking water through construction and

2 distribution networks or deep wells with filtering system, 3 and cleaning up oil spills.

4 That provides enough of an overview of the case in 5 Aquinda.

6 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I stop you. The document 7 that you have just read, the Second Circuit extract, is 8 that R-247? What is the exhibit number?

Come back to it later.

10 MR. LEONARD: I will have to come back to you 11 later.

12 I'm told that it's CLA-435.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

MR. LEONARD: So, that provides enough of an overview of the case in Aguinda, and, Mr. President and

16 Members of the Tribunal, there is no dispute in these 17 proceedings that the Claims and rights asserted in Aquinda

18 were not covered by the 1995 Settlement Agreement.

19 The next document provides an account of what 20 later transpired in that case.

21 (Pause.)

22 MR. LEONARD: And this is CLA-435.

What is displayed on the screen is Page 7 of that 24 2011 decision by the United States Court of Appeals for the

25 Second Circuit in the matter Republic of Ecuador v. Chevron

01:42 1 Corporation, and again this is Exhibit CLA-435.

At the bottom of the first paragraph, Second 3 Circuit provides some of the background, and I quote, 4 "Texaco moved for dismissal on forum non conveniens and international comity grounds. This District Court granted Texaco's motion and dismissed Plaintiffs' action."

The Court goes on to explain, "On appeal, we held 8 that the District Court erred by dismissing Plaintiffs' 9 Complaint without first securing a commitment by Texaco to 10 submit to the jurisdiction of the Ecuadorian courts and 11 remanded for further proceedings."

12 The Court continues: On remand, Texaco provided 13 that commitment by "unambiguously agreeing in writing to be 14 sued in Ecuador, to accept service of process in Ecuador, 15 to waive any statute of limitations-based defenses that may 16 have matured since the filing of the Complaint. Texaco 17 also offered to satisfy any Judgments in Plaintiffs' favor, 18 reserving its right to contest their validity only in the 19 limited circumstances permitted by New York's recognition 20 of Foreign Country Money-Judgments Act."

Now, here is where I was getting. With those 22 concessions in mind, the District Court again dismissed 23 Plaintiffs' Complaint and the Second Circuit affirmed on 24 August 16, 2002.

And finally, the Court concludes its account of

01:45 1 the Tribunal's reference this is Exhibit C-071--the Lago 2 Agrio Plaintiffs alleged that, to date, there are still 3 pollutants released into the environment as a result of the 4 inappropriate and harmful practices employed by Texaco, which continue causing ecological, environmental, economic and personal damage.

At Page 10 of the Complaint, Plaintiffs state 8 that: As a consequence of this brutal environmental 9 deterioration, the health and life expectancy of the population was severely affected.

And further down in the same page, the Complaint 11 explains that: "The procedures described above contaminated the soil, the natural water streams, and the air; destroyed aquatic life, natural vegetation, and crops." 15

16 And it goes on at Page 11, the Complaint alleges: 17 "The consequences of the application of the methods and proceedings described above were particularly devastating for the five indigenous human groups of the area, who additionally suffered the violent destruction of their 21 natural habitat and, consequently, of their subsistence 22 means, their way of life and customs, and have even faced a 23 serious threat to their future and identity entity as a 24 people." 25

Mr. President, there can be no dispute that the

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01:43 1 the history of the case by noting that Plaintiffs responded 2 by refiling their claims in Lago Agrio, Ecuador, and the 3 resulting Ecuadorian litigation continues to this day. I 4 will come back to this last statement.

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So, after nine years of litigation, the U.S. Court 6 of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirmed the District 7 Court's decision to dismiss Aguinda on the grounds that 8 Ecuador offered a more convenient forum for the adjudication of the Claims asserted therein.

As the Second Circuit explains--and this is found 11 in the next page of the Decision--Texaco had been trying to convince the District Court that Ecuador would serve as an 13 adequate alternative forum for resolution of its dispute 14 with Plaintiffs.

15 The Aguinda Plaintiffs refiled their claims in 16 Lago Agrio May 7, 2003, almost nine months after the Second 17 Circuit's affirmance of the District Circuit's dismissal of 18 Aguinda. Let's take a quick look at the Lago Agrio 19 Complaint. In the interest of time, I will walk you 20 through some of the highlights so you can see that this

21 Complaint contains allegations that are almost identical to

22 those found in the Aquinda Complaint concerning the 23 devastation of the environment and impacts of such

24 devastation on the inhabitants of the former Concession.

For example, at Page 7 of the Complaint, and for

01:46 1 Lago Agrio Complaint is premised on the exact same factual 2 allegations contained in the Aguinda Complaint. These 3 allegations do, in fact, mirror those in the Aguinda 4 Complaint. 5

Back to the Lago Agrio Complaint, Section VI, contains a Prayer for Relief, and it is organized in two general sections. The first one requesting the removal and adequate treatment of the contaminating substances that still threaten the environment and the health of the 10 inhabitants. The second one requesting remediation of the 11 environmental damage. The requested relief includes, for example, the cleanup of the rivers, estuaries, lakes, 13 swamps, and the natural and artificial watercourses and the 14 adequate disposal of all waste materials.

15 Also, the cleanup of lands, fields, crops, streets, roads, and buildings where there may still be contaminated waste generated by the operations directed by Texaco. Also, the retention at the Defendant's expense of qualified personnel or firms to design and implement a plan aimed at improving and monitoring the health of the

21 inhabitants of the towns affected by the pollution. 22 Again, an almost identical parallel with the Aguinda Complaint and the relief requested therein. 23

24 And here I come back to the language in the Second 25 Circuit's decision of 2011. The Court noted in that

01:48 1 decision that Plaintiffs responded by refiling their claims 2 in Lago Agrio, Ecuador, and the resulting court litigation 3 continues to this day.

The Second Circuit went on to reject Chevron's 5 contention that the Lago Agrio Litigation is not the 6 refiled Aguinda action, and the Court rejected that 7 contention as meritless. As stated in the Decision, and I 8 quote, "The Lago Agrio Plaintiffs are substantially the 9 same as those who brought suit in the Southern District of 10 New York, and the Claims now being asserted in Lago Agrio 11 are the Ecuadorian equivalent of those dismissed on forum 12 non conveniens grounds."

I just quoted from Exhibit R-247. The Tribunal 13 14 noted this language in Paragraph 180 of its Track 1B 15 Decision, albeit with the apparent view that the Second 16 Circuit's determination may cover only certain of the 17 Claims pleaded in the Lago Agrio Complaint, but perhaps not 18 all of them. Assuming that I'm reading Paragraph 180 of 19 the Tribunal's decision correctly, I respectively submit to 20 you that there is no such qualification in the language of 21 the Second Circuit decision, but I don't need to convince 22 you that the Lago Agrio Litigation is a continuation of 23 Aquinda. Instead I would simply call your attention to 24 those elements of the requested relief in Lago Agrio that 25 mirror those raised in Aquinda, and I will choose and refer 01:51 1 represented to the courts in New York that Ecuador was a 2 more favorable forum to adjudicate those claims.

At the Hearing that took place in this same room, 4 I believe if memory serves, almost exactly a year ago, Professor Douglas expressed a sentiment of all of us on 6 this side of room when he congratulated Claimants' counsel 7 for having injected the concept of diffuse rights into this 8 arbitration. Professor Douglas called it ingenious, and, 9 indeed, it is. There is no mention of it in the four 10 corners of the 1995 Settlement Agreement or anywhere in the 11 contemporaneous doctrine or jurisprudence of Ecuador. The notion of diffuse rights is simply not a concept that could have been in the minds of the American lawyers who drafted

the Agreement. That, Mr. President, I submit to you, is a fact. 15

But Claimants' theory of diffuse rights is not 16 17 just only ingenious. I also find it incredibly cynical. Claimants obtained dismissal of the Aquinda claims in New York on the basis of those multiple unqualified representations that Ecuador provided a more adequate forum

21 to hear those claims, those exact claims--not just a subset 22 of those claims, those exact same claims. And as Claimants

represented to the United States courts, there was no bar

24 for the Aquinda Plaintiffs to refile those claims in

25 Ecuador.

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01:49 1 specifically to the following three categories of damages: First, the remediation of Ecuador's land and the 3 environment.

> Second, the creation and maintenance of 5 environmental and medical monitoring funds;

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And, third, relief for alleged harm to Plaintiffs' 7 culture, their diet, and other ancient traditions and way of life. I could also include a system for potable water.

Each of these three forms of relief were initially 10 requested in Aguinda and later sought in Lago Agrio in 11 substantially identical terms. And you probably see the predicament we find ourselves in by now. Chevron obtained

13 dismissal of Aguinda on the grounds that Ecuador offered a 14 more convenient forum for adjudication of those claims.

15 And Chevron did so on the basis of the following promises 16 and representations; first, a commitment to submit to the

17 jurisdiction of Ecuadorian courts in respect of those

18 claims; to accept service of process in Ecuador; and a

19 promise to satisfy any Judgment issued by the Ecuadorian

20 courts subject again to its rights under the New York's 21 recognition of Foreign Country Money-Judgments Act.

However, as it turns out, claims that were 22

23 otherwise viable in New York are barred in Ecuador because

24 they are diffuse claims and, therefore, covered by a

25 Release Agreement executed some seven years before Chevron

01:52 1 But once refiled in Ecuador, those claims suddenly 2 acquired all the elements of a diffuse claim and,

3 therefore, become barred by the 1995 Settlement Agreement.

4 The audacity of this argument is just remarkable.

5 Professor Douglas called it a hoax, a cruel hoax on the

6 Plaintiffs, who would see their claims remanded to a better 7 forum only to find in that forum they really don't have a

8 claim.

9 I prefer to use the term "fraud." This argument attempts to perpetrate a fraud on the United States courts, on the indigenous Plaintiffs, and a fraud on the system for the adjudication of international investment claims.

13 Mr. President and Members of the Tribunal, if Claimants, indeed, succeed with their diffuse claims argument, they will have succeeded also in turning these proceedings into their instrument to effect a historic and unprecedented fraud on the United States courts and against

the most basic notions of fairness and justice. And they effectively would have used this Tribunal to deprive the

indigenous Plaintiffs from their right to have their claims

21 heard by a court of law. That, Mr. President, is not the

purpose or the role of international system for

adjudication of investment claims.

So, I will submit to you that the inquiry should 25 stop here. Plaintiffs' request for remediation and other 01:54 1 equitable relief in the Lago Agrio action mirrors their
2 claims in Aguinda. As a matter of U.S. law, the Second
3 Circuit in New York would not and could not have granted
4 the requested dismissal on forum non conveniens if the same
5 claims could not be heard in adjudicated in Ecuador.
6 That's a fact. Semantics aside, no matter how one calls
7 them, those claims are not and could not be within the
8 scope of the Release.

Now, if you choose to continue the analysis beyond this point, what you have before you is a simple question, and the question is not whether the Claims at issue in Lago Agrio are individual or diffuse, but rather whether these claims fall within the scope of the Release. And I would submit as my first point that it is beyond dispute in these proceedings that not one of the claims raised in Aguinda is covered by the 1995 Settlement Agreement. And again, I would like to focus specifically on the three forms of relief that I discussed just a few minutes ago:
Remediation of the lands and water, medical monitoring, and relief for alleged harm to the Plaintiffs' culture and way of life.

None of these claims are said or could be said to have been settled in 1995, while the Aguinda Litigation had been pending for two years.

You may recall that in 2005, the United States

01:57 1 State or State entities.

And this takes me to a third point: Both the
Judgment and the Cassation Decision confirm that the
substantive basis for the relief sought and obtained in
Lago Agrio are long-standing Civil Code provisions
governing tort law in Ecuador since 1861. There is no
serious dispute that these rights are rights of third
parties and are not of the State.

9 Critically, even if the Government or State entity
10 could conceivably assert tort claims under either
11 Articles 2214, 2229 or 2236, there is no authority anywhere
12 in this record for the proposition that the State could
13 have disposed of the citizens' rights under the Civil Code.
14 In fact, if we could jump to Slide 29. Articles 2349, 2354
15 and 2336 express an unequivocal provisions in the Civil
16 Code preclude any possibility that anyone, including the
17 Government, may dispose by settlement of rights pertaining
18 to third parties.

Article 2349 mandates that the only person who can settle is the person who is able to dispose of the objects covered by the settlement.

22 Article 2354, settlement over the rights of others 23 or non-existent rights is invalid.

And 2336, the settlement shall only be effective as between the Parties, no ergo omnes effect.

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01:55 1 District Court for the Southern District of New York was 2 hearing the same breach-of-contract claims now before you 3 in the Track 1 phase of these proceedings. In commenting 4 on those claims, the Court recognized that it would have 5 been, and I quote, "highly unlikely that a settlement 6 entered into while Aguinda was pending would have neglected 7 to mention the third-party claims contemporaneously made in 8 Aguinda, if it had been intended to release those claims." 9 This is coming from Exhibit R-52.

My second point is that a release of these claims
is nowhere to be found within the four corners of the
Release. The Release covers claims by the Government and
Petroecuador, and here I took the liberty to use Claimants'
own slide, and took the further liberty to highlight in
pink--that was not my liberty--someone else's--portions of
this language that should have been highlighted. These are
not general claims. These are claims that the Government
or Petroecuador have or claims that the Government or

And while the Tribunal has determined that the
Government was entitled to assert and dispose by settlement
of the citizens' right to live in a clean environment, both
the language of the Release and the Tribunal's
determinations in these proceedings exclude claims by third

25 parties asserting rights other than rights vested with the

01:28 1 Claimants have been blowing hot and cold for far 2 too long. Their initial theory of the case was that the 3 State, and only the State, could assert the fundamental 4 right enshrined in Article 19.2 of the Constitution. This 5 notion was predicated on the contention that as of 1995, no 6 individual was entitled to assert a claim vindicating its 7 right to live in a clean environment. The circumstances of 8 the case changed following the National Court's Cassation 9 Decision. Claimants now assert that Article 2236 enforced 10 since, again, 1861 is in fact a mechanism designed for the 11 vindication of diffuse claims.

And I do not intend to delve into the merits of
this proposition. Instead, I will simply note that these
two premises cancel each other out. They cannot coexist.
Either the State had the monopoly of the citizens' right to
protect themselves, or it did not. If the second premise
on this slide, Article 2236 vindicates diffuse rights, if
that premise were valid, that would render the First
Partial Award a fallacy. If, however, we are to stand by
the First Partial Award and consider the first premise a
valid one, then Claimants' new contention that the
Plaintiffs brought claims under Article 2236 to assert
diffuse rights must be rejected.

But again, the question before you is not whether these claims are individual or diffuse. The question is 02:01 1 whether these claims are covered by the scope of the 2 Release.

To conclude, a final point: All roads lead to
Rome. I will not engage in a debate with Professor Oquendo
babout the corpus iuris, one of my favorite topics during my
days as a student of Roman law. I will simply suggest that
my colleague and Professor Oquendo have misconstrued the
context of that CODEX. If I can take you back to Slide 29,
the protections enshrined in those provisions of the Civil
Code--and again, Articles 2349, 2354, and 2336, admit no
exception and impose an absolute bar to the settlement of
rights of third parties. Any attempt to do so without a
valid Power of Attorney is null and void.

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Mr. President, I would like to turn to the second part of my presentation by addressing the following question. This is one of the questions that the Tribunal posed last week. Is it in evidence why Texaco and TexPet were not pursued by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs as Defendant Parties as distinct from Chevron in the Lago Agrio Litigation? And then the Tribunal clarified, and we say that in particular because we know that Texaco was named as a Defendant, Texaco, Inc., in the Lago Agrio Complaint.

So, I should start by making a rather important

24 clarification: Texaco, Inc. was not a named Defendant in 25 the Lago Agrio Complaint. The complaint was filed against

02:04 1 the merger, so what I would like to do is to go over the 2 timeline of the relevant events leading up to the 3 Claimants' filing of the Lago Agrio Complaint against, 4 again, ChevronTexaco Corporation.

As the Tribunal might recall, in the Year 2000,
Chevron and Texaco reached an agreement to combine the two
companies into an integrated global energy company, and
this is from Exhibit R-1299. The merger was completed on
October 9, 2001.

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I'm sorry to go back. You
11 cited a case from Page 14 as the Lago Agrio Judgment. We
12 can't find it. Can you just help us with the reference
13 again and the name.

 $\mbox{14}$ $\mbox{MR. LEONARD:}$ I will provide you the exhibit $\mbox{15}$ number for that case.

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: And is it the first such case 17 about eight lines down on Page 14 or is it the later cases? 18 Come back to it later, if you want to.

MR. LEONARD: Four lines from the top, I will come back to you with an exhibit number for that particular case which was referenced by Dr. Andrade in one of his Reports.

22 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: I'm sorry, since you are 23 there, you refer to Article 2336 of the Civil Code. That

24 would be related to settlements? I don't find--it seems to

25 refer to mortgages, so I don't know--I know that the

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02:03 1 ChevronTexaco Corporation. I will take you to the Lago 2 Agrio Complaint in just a few minutes but wanted to make 3 this clarification at the outset.

In response to the question, it is in evidence and
I intend to refer to that evidence while I take the
opportunity to address Claimant's reproach of the
Judgment's Decision to disregard the corporate separateness
of Chevron and Texaco as a legal absurdity.

9 I would also take the opportunity to address the 10 Tribunal's next question, and I quote: "Do we find in the 11 Lago Agrio Judgment or, indeed, in any allegation made by 12 the Parties before that Court, a statement that Chevron was 13 quilty of fraud or abuse in merging with Texaco?"

And here, another clarification is in order.

Under Ecuadorian law, the intent of a party at the time of
a merger is irrelevant to a court's assessment of whether
piercing of the corporate veil, separating two legal
entities is warranted under the circumstances of a

19 particular case, and I refer to a decision that is 20 referenced by the Lago Agrio Judgment at Page 14 of the

20 referenced by the Lago Agrio Judgment at Page 14 of the 21 Decision, so that's Exhibit C-931 at Page 14. The

22 reference to the case is the case that goes by the styled

23 Moran v. Onofre.

What was relevant for purposes of the Court's analysis in the Lago Agrio Case was a conduct subsequent to

02:06 1 numbering has changed. I checked both numbers, and I do
2 not know where we are. You may check that later and come
3 back.

4 MR. LEONARD: Let me give you the exhibit number 5 for the Civil Code version that provides that numbering.

ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: Thank you.

MR. LEONARD: It's RLA-163.

8 So, I was saying the merger was completed on 9 October 9, 2001, and on that date, the Shareholders of 10 Chevron and Texaco voted to approve the merger, and 11 ChevronTexaco Corporation began doing business that same 12 day. From that point on, Chevron and Texaco professed to

13 be one company.

14 In 2001, ChevronTexaco filed a brief before the 15 Second Circuit in New York, instructing the Court that, and 16 I quote, "as generally known, and thus this Court may take

17 judicial notice, Texaco merged with Chevron, Inc. on

18 October 9, 2001." Here is the language I am interested in,

19 "the resulting corporation ChevronTexaco, Inc. is

20 headquartered in San Francisco." In its brief,

21 ChevronTexaco further rejected Plaintiffs' argument that

22 the Aquinda lawsuit should proceed in New York because, and

23 I quote, "it is the home of Texaco, Inc." ChevronTexaco

24 rebuffed, "that is no longer true. ChevronTexaco is in the

25 process of closing down what remains of Texaco's former

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02:07 1 offices in White Plains, New York." And this is all coming 2 from Exhibit R-1280.

Following dismissal of the Aguinda Complaint,
ChevronTexaco issued a first release asserting the
following: "ChevronTexaco is pleased with the ruling of
the U.S. Court of Appeals affirming the lower court's
dismissal. This ruling vindicates ChevronTexaco's
long-standing position and arguments we have made to the
Court at the appropriate forum for this litigation is
Ecuador." This is from Exhibit R-41. It is manifest that
Chevron and Texaco presented themselves to the world as a
single company.

And so, the Aguinda Plaintiffs refiled their

claims in Lago Agrio, less than nine months later. Their

complaint was logged against, as I said, ChevronTexaco

Corporation. At Page 7 of the complaint, Plaintiffs make

the following statement: "On October 9, 2001, Texaco, Inc.

and Chevron merged, giving rise to a new legal entity known

as ChevronTexaco Corporation, which substituted the

foregoing companies in all other rights and obligations."

At Page 15, the Plaintiffs again expressed their

justified belief that ChevronTexaco was a new legal entity,

and the surviving product of a merger between Chevron and

Texaco. And I quote: "Since the acts and omissions

02:11 1 even changed its name back to Chevron Corporation. It 2 dropped Texaco from its corporate name.

That, Mr. President, is nothing but gamesmanship.

It's against a principle of good faith and it's a blatant

violation of the promises on the basis of which Chevron

successfully obtained the removal of the Aquinda Case to

Now, let's pause for a moment and think about what could have been going through the Plaintiffs' lawyers minds. Gosh, we have been deceived, Alberto sued the wrong

11 party, reference to Alberto Wray, but the Court would not 12 hear it. The principle of good faith would not allow it.

13 The Judgment devotes eight pages to the analysis of 14 Chevron's about face, and I refer the Tribunal to

15 Exhibit 931, Pages 8 through 16.

But Judge Zambrano was not alone. The Second

17 Circuit, same court that relied on Chevron for

18 presentations in granting a forum non conveniens

19 dismissal--

7 Ecuador.

20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I interrupt you? Are you 21 moving away from the complaint? The Lago Agrio Complaint 22 document?

23 MR. LEONARD: I'm moving out of that document.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Before you do that, just on the

25 described above are directly attributable to Texaco, Inc.'s 25 basic question, when you look at that complaint, who is the

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02:09 1 willful misconduct and negligence, Texaco, Inc. became
2 liable for the damage caused and, therefore, it was under
3 the obligation to remedy them. Such liability and
4 subsequent obligation passed to ChevronTexaco Corporation
5 by virtue of the merger mentioned in the background section
6 of this claim."

9 representations it made to the New York courts. And we 10 talked about those. ChevronTexaco provided an 11 unconditional promise to submit to the jurisdiction of 12 Ecuador's courts to be sued on the basis of those same 13 claims, and also promised to satisfy any Judgment that

8 Aguinda Complaint on the basis of the promises and

Now, ChevronTexaco had obtained dismissal of the

13 claims, and also promised to satisfy any Judgment that
14 might issue from the Court in Ecuador.
15 Now, contrast those undertakings with Chevron's
16 answer to the complaint in Lago Agric. And this is coming

Now, contrast those undertakings with Chevron's answer to the complaint in Lago Agrio. And this is coming from Exhibit C-072. This is a Conciliation Hearing at Page 3. In addition, ChevronTexaco Corporation was never an operator nor a party to the Concession Contract which had existed since 1973, nor replaced nor is a successor to Texaco, Inc. or Texaco Petroleum Company, TexPet.

22 Fast-forward a few sentences, therefore, I repeat

23 that ChevronTexaco Corporation is not under your 24 jurisdiction or competence, Mr. President, nor is a

25 legitimate Defendant Party in this lawsuit. ChevronTexaco

02:12 1 Defendant?

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MR. LEONARD: It's ChevronTexaco Corporation, and this is--this is from Page 17 what you have on the screen. It's Slide 28.

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5 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I would like you to look at

Frage 1, the first page.

MR. LEONARD: The first page.

You mean the cover page?PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

 $10\,$ MR. LEONARD: The cover page lists Texaco, Inc. as $11\,$ the Defendant Party.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: It does.

13 MR. LEONARD: There is no reference to

14 Texaco, Inc. throughout the complaint. The complaint

15 references ChevronTexaco Corporation, and the reason why I 16 wanted to walk you through some of those statements, the

17 relevant statements, precisely or especially the ones that

18 referenced the merger and--as a result of the merger, the

19 fact that in Plaintiffs' view, all liabilities and 20 obligations of Texaco, Inc. had transferred to

21 ChevronTexaco Corporation.

22 PRESIDENT VEEDER: But at the time of the

23 complaint, obviously there was an argument that

24 Texaco, Inc. had merged with Chevron, Inc. and the new

25 legal entity ChevronTexaco, Inc. was the Party that assumed

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02:13 1 the liability for Texaco, Inc., but if we're looking at the 2 title page, it says Texaco, Inc. rather than 3 ChevronTexaco, Inc. is that the mistake attributable to 4 Dr. Alberto Wray?

br. Alberto wray?

MR. LEONARD: No, and let me bifurcate the answer.

6 First of all, I have no explanation for the fact 7 that the cover page of the record lists Texaco, Inc. as a 8 Defendant party. It is not. All the Claims are asserted 9 against, and if we can go back to that language on Page 17 10 against ChevronTexaco.

The statement about Mr. Alberto Wray suing the
wrong party is because, after the fact, after filing the
complaint against ChevronTexaco, on the belief that
ChevronTexaco was a resulting surviving company of a merger
of two previous companies, and let me remind you, one of
the quotes that I referenced here, is ChevronTexaco's
representation to the Court of The Second Circuit, you can
take judicial notice of the merger, the resulting
corporation is ChevronTexaco. It's not Chevron, it's not
Texaco. There is no reference, no mention to the fact that
Chevron survived and Texaco survived, and that there was
something called a triangular, reverse triangular merger

It is a merger, but it's not one that results in the extinguished--in the extinction of the two initial

23 behind that transaction.

02:16 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

MR. LEONARD: Thank you.

So, I was saying, Judge Zambrano was not alone in
rejecting--dismissing Chevron's contentions. The Second
Circuit is the same Court that relied on those
representations in granting the forum non conveniens
dismissal rejecting Chevron's new position in the follows
terms: "Lawyers from ChevronTexaco appeared before it and

9 reaffirmed the concessions that Texaco had made in order to 10 secure dismissal of the Aguinda Plaintiffs' complaint. In 11 so doing, ChevronTexaco bound itself to those Concessions.

12 Chevron Corporation, therefore, remains accountable for the

13 promises upon which the Court of Appeals and the District 14 Court relied in dismissing Plaintiffs' action." I will

15 come back to you with a reference to the exhibit number

16 where this is coming from.

17 So, the Court went on to address Chevron's change 18 of its corporate name, an important fact. The Court says 19 "in 2005, ChevronTexaco dropped the name Texaco" and

20 reverted to its original name, Chevron Corporation. There 21 is no indication in the record before us that shortening

22 its name had any effect on ChevronTexaco's legal

23 obligations.

24 So, as I anticipated as to the question of whether 25 Plaintiffs' alleged fraud or abuse of the corporate form by

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02:15 1 companies and the creation of one new surviving company.
2 That's not the case. But nobody knew that. Not at that
3 time. At least not at the time Alberto Wray drafted the
4 complaint and filed it in Lago Agrio.

Now, the first time that ChevronTexaco comes
forward and says I am not the right Defendant Party here,
and neither is Chevron nor Texaco, those companies
survived, and I'm not a successor for Texaco, Inc.'s
liabilities. The first time that happens is in--at the
Conciliation Hearing, the Conciliation Hearing just as a
point of clarification is the way the Defendant answers the

12 complaint in oral summary proceedings. There is no written 13 submission. There is a Conciliation Hearing. There is 14 oral argument, that oral argument is transcribed and that 15 becomes parts of the record, and that contains the answer

15 becomes parts of the record, and that contains the answer 16 to the complaint.

17 That is the first time that this issue arises.

18 And the next question of the Tribunal is if 19 whether there is any evidence in the Lago Agrio Record as $\frac{1}{2}$

20 to any allegations of fraud that the Plaintiffs make

21 against Chevron, and there is, and I intend to get there in 22 a few minutes.

23 Does that answer your question?

24 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

MR. LEONARD: May I proceed?

02:18 1 Chevron, the answer is yes. That occurred in several 2 opportunities, different instances, the Lago Agrio

3 Plaintiffs alleged that ChevronTexaco was abusing of the

4 corporate form with the intention to avoid liability. The 5 reference to those sources is, first of all, the Alegato.

6 That's Exhibit R-195. The Alegatos are the final oral

7 submissions in the case.

8 R-926, Judicial Inspection Acta for Sacha Norte 2 9 at 33. Exhibit C-2007, Judicial Inspection Acta for 10 Guanta 06 at 2425; and finally Exhibit C-2008, Judicial 11 Inspection Acta for Yuca-02-B at 22.

Now, Mr. President, I addressed this Tribunal
three weeks ago on the merits of the Lago Agrio Court's
determination to pierce the corporate veil or in other
words disregard the corporate separateness between
ChevronTexaco and between Texaco and TexPet. I am
approaching dangerously the limits of my allotted time so,

18 I will not delve into those details again. I will 19 respectfully refer you to my submissions of last week.

20 But I would like to conclude this segment of my

21 presentation with reiterating respectfully the plea that I 22 made to you in opening, urging you to resist any temptation

23 to revisit these issues de novo. That is not the province

24 of investment tribunals. Investment tribunals are not

25 empowered to substitute their judgment for that of a

02:20 1 municipal court, absent clear and convincing evidence of 2 egregious procedural misconduct. And as I suggested to you 3 three weeks ago, this Tribunal can take comfort from the 4 fact that a Mississippi Court reached the same conclusion 5 on the basis of the same facts concerning the same 6 companies.

Just to conclude, some very brief remarks in 8 response to the Tribunal's question concerning Dr. Barros' 9 testimony on the issue of causation. Dr. Andrade dispelled 10 any doubts during Day 1 of his examination, and I refer you 11 to the Hearing Transcript of Day ten, Pages 2282 through 12 2283.

13 In a nutshell, as Dr. Andrade explained, 14 Dr. Barros based his testimony on two theories of 15 causation, necessary cost and proximate cost, that do not 16 apply in Ecuador. And it's the Delfina Torres Decision, 17 the Supreme Court rejected these theories and adopted, 18 instead, the theory of adequate cost as a more appropriate 19 one. And you will recall that the Judgment quotes extensively from the Delfina Torres Decision on causation. So, before I hand the floor to my colleague, I 22 would like to respectfully refer the Tribunal to the Republic's most comprehensive submission on the issue of

02:23 1 I will first explain once more why Chevron has no 2 investment agreement that could possibly generate 3 jurisdiction in the circumstances. Second, I will make it 4 clear, again, why Chevron has no investment relevant to the Lago Agrio Litigation and to its related denial-of-justice claim. 6

Beforehand, however, I shall make four preliminary 8 observations: First observation: Even though jurisdiction 9 is not commonly declined at this stage of an arbitral proceeding, you expressly reserved, Members of the 11 Tribunal, the possibility of doing so. The time that has lapsed due to Claimants' evolving case should be of no 13 concern to you.

Indeed, you had, and we still believe you have serious doubts as to whether there is jurisdiction over 15 16 Chevron's denial-of-justice claim. You decided to save, 17 and I quote, those issues relating to the jurisdictional objections raised against Chevron for the merits stage of these proceedings when you suggested in your decisions you could make an assessment, in light, you said, of the relevant facts.

22 And we submit, Members of the Tribunal, that the 23 relevant facts should lead you to now definitively 24 recognize that the Lago Agrio Litigation was not related to 25 any investment or Investment Agreement that Chevron had, so

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02:22 1 Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

24 causation, and this is the Respondent's Track 2 25 Supplemental Rejoinder, Paragraphs 107 through 114.

Please.

MR. SILVA ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. President, 5 Members of the Tribunal.

I will address the issue of jurisdiction once 7 more. In the end, this case, Members of the Tribunal, will 8 stand for or against the proposition that investment 9 tribunals have universal jurisdiction over claims by any 10 foreigner that he or she was somehow mistreated in 11 litigation. The Tribunal, we say, has the burden of not 12 permitting an extraordinary expansion of the scope of 13 arbitral jurisdiction in contravention of the limits of a

14 State's consent. This is, to use Chevron's mantra, the 15 first rule of law you have to look at and apply in this

16 case.

As held in the Plama Decision, and you know this 17 18 by heart, consent is the basic requirement for arbitration, 19 and such a prerequisite is plainly missing in this case. 20 In the interest of time, and to deal with the questions put 21 by the Tribunal on the very issue of jurisdiction, I will

22 address the Tribunal's lack of jurisdiction over Chevron's 23 claims only, and once more I refer the Tribunal to

24 Ecuador's written submissions for all other jurisdictional

25 arguments.

02:25 1 there can be no jurisdiction over its denial-of-justice 2 claims.

Second preliminary observation: Claimants have no 4 response to the basic facts presented by Ecuador in relation to its jurisdictional pleading. My friend, Professor Paulsson's Opening Statement was very telling in 7 this regard. He didn't address the issue that you deem 8 relevant or relevant enough to be settled at this merits stage of the proceedings. He said absolutely nothing of substance in support of the extraordinary assertion that 11 Chevron, which has never contributed any resources to Ecuador, may bring claims as a direct investor in the Lago 13 Agrio oil concession. And as you know, contribution is the 14 very first element of the definition of "investment."

15 He merely repeated arguments that the Tribunal already found insufficient to establish jurisdiction. He simply rephrased one expression by another. As summarized by the Tribunal, Chevron has said that Ecuador cannot have it both ways. Professor Paulsson simply said that Ecuador was blowing hot and cold. And as I am convinced Professor 21 Paulsson would put it himself, these shortcuts cannot 22 replace analysis and demonstration.

23 Third preliminary observation: Even more telling, 24 Members of the Tribunal, it's Professor Paulsson's reliance

25 on these purported considerations of fairness. We also

02:27 1 heard vesterday from my friend Mr. Weiss, a strong reliance 2 on the fact that it would be "fundamentally unfair for your 3 Tribunal not to exercise its jurisdiction in this case." 4 Even though it could be a ground for declining 5 jurisdiction, fairness cannot establish jurisdiction. Only 6 a State consent, as you know, do so.

As put by the Tribunal in the case Bureau Veritas, 8 it is not the function of arbitrators who are charged with 9 interpreting and applying a treaty to go beyond the limits 10 of what that Treaty allows them to do whether to do justice 11 or for any other reasons.

12 Even admitting arguendo that Claimants' case had 13 some merits, to paraphrase Professor Stern, there will be 14 no unfairness here if jurisdiction is declined as this is 15 purely a result of the limited jurisdiction of investment 16 tribunals. International investment tribunals are not here 17 to redress any torts worldwide. And as I will explain in a 18 moment, fairness actually militates against a Tribunal 19 accepting jurisdiction in this case.

20 My fourth and last preliminary observation 21 pertains to my friend Mr. Weiss's extraordinary argument, 22 which we heard yesterday, that the wording "related to" in 23 Article VI--"related to" in Article VI--of the Treaty would 24 somehow generate jurisdiction in this case. It obviously

25 does not. The boilerplate "related to" phrase doesn't

02:31 1 during my opening submissions.

Turning to my first proposition, Chevron, we say, 3 has no investment agreement. Yesterday, Chevron asserted 4 once again its argument that the 1995 Settlement Agreement 5 was somehow an investment agreement despite the Tribunal's 6 explicit decision that on its own, it is not. At this 7 point, Chevron stops talking about only itself and it 8 starts talking about Chevron and TexPet to somehow leverage 9 the fact that TexPet and TexPet alone had prior Concession 10 Agreements in Ecuador.

As we say in Spanish, however, Claimants cannot 11 12 hide the sun with their hands. Chevron was not a party to the prior Concession Agreements, and jurisdiction is 14 limited to investment agreements between the investor and 15 the State. There was no privity anywhere between Ecuador 16 and Chevron; and, as a result, there was no investment agreement, point final. 17

In fact, Members of the Tribunal, Chevron shows 18 19 again and again just how confused it is by these issues.

20 It supposes that a decision as to an investment agreement has some connection to Track 1 issues as we heard yesterday. It does not. There is no jurisdiction because 23 Chevron is not a party to an investment agreement, whether

24 or not Chevron has municipal law rights under the

25 Settlement Agreement. In fact, Claimants here completely

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02:29 1 magically generate an investment or an investment 2 agreement.

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First, the investor must be privy to an investment 4 agreement or have an investment.

Second, disputes relating to an investment 6 agreement or an investment may be submitted to arbitration. 7 It is not the other way around.

And as you know, the first prong of this 9 two-tiered test was left expressly unanswered in the Third 10 Interim Award on Jurisdiction.

To review, the Third Interim Award on Jurisdiction 12 explicitly excluded the Lago Agrio Litigation and related 13 denial-of-justice claims from the scope of its conclusion 14 about jurisdiction. However, this Award reserved for the

15 future any decision in regard to the Respondent's jurisdictional objection to Chevron's own claims as a

17 direct investor. This is Paragraph 4.27 of the Award. Similarly, even though the Tribunal subsequently

19 found that Chevron was a Releasee under Ecuadorian law, it 20 didn't decide whether Chevron had a covered investment

21 agreement that could support jurisdiction for its Lago 22 Agrio claims and related claims under the Treaty.

23 I will now clear away the remaining jurisdictional 24 doubts of the Tribunal through the same two propositions,

25 investment agreement and investment, that I described

02:33 1 ignore both the Tribunal's earlier finding and Ecuador's 2 opening.

> As I said at the beginning of this Hearing, the 4 Tribunal expressly noted in its recent decision on Track 1B 5 that, and I quote, "the Respondent strongly denies all claims for denial of justice on the merits, and also 7 disputes the Tribunal's jurisdiction to decide any such claims in this arbitration." And the Tribunal added: "Those parts of the Parties' dispute cannot be decided even indirectly by the Tribunal in this Track 1B."

11 Aside from having no investment agreement -- and I come here to my second proposition--Chevron has no relevant 13 investment. Members of the Tribunal, you have already 14 decided and, as my friend Mr. Weiss said it, this is res 15 judicata, that, and I quote, "Chevron made no investment 16 under any of TexPet's Concession Agreements; it was never a member of the Consortium; it was not a signatory or named party to the 1995 Settlement Agreement; and it first appears in this case chronology in 2001 following its 'merger' with Texaco." 20

21 Even though you also decided that Chevron had an 22 indirect investment, which is TexPet, you also decided to postpone until now the most important question regarding 24 jurisdiction, namely whether or not Chevron has a direct 25 investment.

02:35 1 Now, the only reason we say you didn't immediately 2 decline jurisdiction of a Chevron direct investment was 3 because of your preoccupation with the legal reasons why 4 Chevron is to be treated in the Lago Agrio Litigation as a 5 party succeeding to Texaco's liabilities. However, as I 6 will explain later, if the issue of Chevron's lack of a 7 direct investment in the Lago Agrio oil concession had been 8 moot, as Claimants desperately argued during the first 9 jurisdictional phase of this arbitration, the Tribunal 10 wouldn't have explicitly left it opened. 11

Simply put, Chevron's indirect investment, TexPet, 12 and TexPet's investment are not and cannot be the same 13 thing. The distinction between direct investment and 14 indirect investment made by the Tribunal in the Third 15 Interim Award on Jurisdiction is res judicata. It was not 16 reserved for this stage of the proceedings as Claimants 17 tried to reargue yesterday.

And please allow me to make three points at this 18 19 point. My first point is that bare legal rights are not 20 investments and cannot confer jurisdiction. My second 21 point is that any amalgamation that may have occurred in 22 the Lago Agrio Litigation is entirely irrelevant to 23 jurisdiction in this proceeding. And my third point is 24 that, regarding an indirect investment, the Tribunal has 25 jurisdiction only over those breaches of rights relating to 02:38 1 Likewise, my friend Mr. Weiss's reliance on 2 Article I of the Treaty and the list of manifestations of 3 investments therein is unavailing. Such list in Article I 4 of the Treaty is not enough to define the notion of "investment". Investment, Members of the Tribunal, is 6 above all the activity of investing.

Since Claimants pretend that this issue is 8 controversial, let me add that other cases like Romak and authors like my friend Mr. Bishop provide more detail. An 10 investment requires an economic contribution of resources 11 to the host State in its territory held for a certain 12 period of time that involves risk in anticipation of 13 economic benefit and that contributes to the development of 14 the host State. The fact that an investment requires as 15 its first foundational element a contribution is not 16 controversial. You perfectly know that, Members of the 17 Tribunal, and my friend Mr. Weiss's observations about 18 Salini are simply off point. 19

It is also telling that yesterday, when Claimants 20 got to the point of explaining how Chevron had made a 21 contribution to Ecuador, it has slipped once again from 22 talking solidly about Chevron to talking about Chevron and 23 TexPet. I guote, they said, "and TexPet and Chevron's 24 investment contributed, " they said, "23 billion to the 25 Ecuadorian Treasury and billions and billions more to the

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02:36 1 the claiming Parties' existing investment and no more. Let me explain these three propositions.

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I will begin with my first point that bare legal 4 rights are not investments.

Despite Chevron's propositions, there is no legal 6 authority for the view that a bare legal right can confer 7 jurisdiction of an investment tribunal. Quite the opposite is true. Liability releases, rights to limited liability and procedural rights are not investments, and investment treaty jurisdiction stands only to investments.

An investment treaty, Members of the Tribunal, is 12 not an insurance policy, but instead protects an investor 13 with an investment. Nor is it a property protection treaty 14 for foreigners, but an investment protection treaty. A 15 State consent to arbitration, again, extends only to 16 investments.

Now, what is an investment? The GEA Group Award 17 18 provides an important review of the decisions on point, and 19 adopts the dominant definition which requires, among other 20 things, an economic contribution of resources. In fact, 21 contrary to what my friend Mr. Weiss implied yesterday, 22 this decision indicates that investment treaties themselves 23 require an economic contribution to the host State for 24 there to be an investment, although it secondarily applies 25 the ICSID Convention to the same effect.

02:40 1 Ecuadorian economy."

This statement about whether or not TexPet 2 3 contributed to Ecuador is simply beside the point. 4 Chevron--Chevron--did not contribute to Ecuador. As a 5 matter of fact, you have already decided this point, 6 Members of the Tribunal, implicitly when you rejected the 7 proposition that the Settlement Agreement alone could be characterized as an investment agreement.

9 This brings me to my second point, which is that amalgamation in the Lago Agrio Litigation is irrelevant to 11 jurisdiction in this arbitration.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Can I stop you--

13 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Just to bring you back to the 14 15 GEA Group Case, in Slide 10. This is in our CLA-300, but 16 for some reason we don't have this particular passage. If we could have a fuller copy of that, and indeed the other legal materials you have requested, we can go through that 19 later.

MR. SILVA ROMERO: Absolutely.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: And secondly, if you look at 22 the citation you have given us on Slide 10, it's slightly 23 unusual, to my mind, because I had always been taught that

24 the ICSID arbitration test was twofold: You had to satisfy

25 the BIT and Article 25, and this citation, which I couldn't

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02:41 1 check, says "or," not "and."

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Now, in the light of the submissions yesterday, we 3 heard that this and other cases may be rather special in 4 that Article 25 of the Convention may be interpreted 5 differently from an Article in a Bilateral Investment 6 Treaty. But does that really "all"? Is that the right 7 citation?

8 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I take this is the correct 9 transcription.

If I may make a comment on the submission that was 11 made yesterday, the idea is that the notion of "investment" 12 will be different in ICSID cases. And it is Ecuador's 13 submission in this case that there is no difference in the 14 objective notion of "investment" depending on the

15 procedural rules that the investor ends up choosing. There is always an objective notion based on the 16 17 activity of investing, and this objective notion I believe 18 unanimously showed today is considered to be made at least 19 of three elements: The first element, which is the one at 20 stake here, contribution; the second, duration; and the 21 third, risk. There is, indeed, some discussion about the 22 fourth criterion in Salini, this development of the economy 23 of the State, but regarding the three first criteria, there 24 seems to be consensus.

I am corrected here. Paragraph 153 in the

02:45 1 principle somehow establishes the Tribunal's jurisdiction 2 over Chevron's denial-of-justice claim.

> This assertion begs for the application of a 4 fundamental principle of justice which I mentioned at the beginning of the Hearings, nemo auditur propriam turpitudinem allegans: No one may benefit from his or her own wrongdoing.

8 This principle, as you know, is widely accepted in 9 international law, such as by the Plama Tribunal, which applied it to reject a claim related to a fraudulently 11 acquired investment. Similarly, Chevron acted wrongly when it abused corporate form in the Lago Agrio Litigation. 13 Chevron's wrongdoing, the precise basis for piercing the 14 corporate veil, cannot give rise to jurisdiction over its 15 denial-of-justice claim. To paraphrase Professor 16 Paulsson's Opening Argument, Chevron cannot be permitted to 17 blow hot and cold.

But the analysis does not stop here. Even if nemo 18 19 auditur didn't block jurisdiction, there is no jurisdiction to block on the basis of amalgamation. Jurisdiction exists 21 to be blocked only on the basis of a State consent, which 22 must be strictly construed on the basis of clear and unambiquous language.

24 Ecuador consented to arbitrate only those claims 25 related to investments. The Tribunal must look only to the

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02:43 1 original Award says "and" and not "or." Apologies.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. MR. SILVA ROMERO: The amalgamation point I

4 mentioned is actually Claimants' sole argument to defend 5 their untenable position that Chevron has a direct 6 investment for the purposes of its denial-of-justice 7 claims. Here, as my friend Mr. Leonard did a moment ago, 8 it is worth reviewing the facts.

9 Following their so-called "merger" in 2001, 10 Chevron and Texaco portrayed themselves as a combined legal 11 entity. That supposedly combined entity promised the U.S. 12 courts that it would submit to Ecuadorian jurisdiction and 13 abide by any Judgment against it with only a reservation of

14 rights under the New York enforcement statute. It is undisputed that Texaco and TexPet left 15 16 Ecuador in 1992 and that TexPet had been effectively 17 Texaco's instrumentality in Ecuador. There is no evidence 18 that TexPet operates anywhere and that it has any assets in 19 Ecuador, nor is there any indication of separation between 20 Texaco and Chevron. For such reasons, the Lago Agrio Court 21 determined that it was a violation of the principle of good 22 faith for Chevron to present itself as having merged with 23 Texaco and to induce lawsuits against it and not directly

against Texaco or TexPet.

Now, Chevron has the audacity to assert that the

02:47 1 facts about the investment Chevron has held, and the 2 amalgamation didn't change or illuminate those facts.

The Lago Agrio Court's amalgamation for assigning 4 liability under municipal law demonstrates absolutely 5 nothing about whether Chevron ever had an investment of its 6 own within the scope of Ecuador's consent to arbitrate. 7 The veil-piercing of necessity regarded the corporate 8 relationship of Chevron, Texaco and TexPet following the 9 so-called "merger" in 2001. The Court concluded that it 10 was fair in the present to collect compensation from 11 Chevron for the conduct of TexPet, given that Chevron 12 abused the corporate form to make TexPet judgment-proof in

13 Ecuador. 14 This is not the relationship, Members of the 15 Tribunal, pertinent to the jurisdiction analysis. For jurisdiction, what matters is whether Chevron and TexPet 17 were in effect the same corporation during the existence of 18 the Lago Agrio oil concession. Only then would Chevron 19 have a collateral argument that it had a direct investment 20 in the oil concession. But the fact is that the oil 21 concession ended in 1992, and Chevron entered the picture only in 2001. There was no relationship at all between Chevron and TexPet at the relevant times. In short, the municipal law on amalgamation is, as 25 I said, entirely irrelevant to jurisdiction.

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02:49 1 My third and last point is that an indirect
2 investment confers jurisdiction only over breaches of
3 rights protecting that indirect investment. This
4 proposition is not novel. You have already accepted it,
5 Members of the Tribunal. In the Third Interim Award, you
6 concluded that you have jurisdiction over claims for an
7 alleged breach of any right conferred or created by the BIT
8 with respect to its indirect investment. This conclusion
9 is consistent with the approaches of tribunals which have
10 allowed indirect investors to assert claims only in its own
11 behalf; that is, for damages the investments suffered.

11 behalf; that is, for damages the investments suffered.
12 However, because TexPet was neither sued nor found
13 liable in the Lago Agrio Litigation, Chevron's
14 denial-of-justice claim has no relation to any treaty right
15 regarding TexPet, the indirect investment. The Tribunal
16 decided as much when it recognized its jurisdiction over
17 indirect claims concerning TexPet's treaty rights but
18 nevertheless held that no conclusion followed about its
19 jurisdiction over Chevron's denial-of-justice claim.

Now, my friend Mr. Weiss argued yesterday that
TexPet suffered harm as a result of the Lago Agrio
Litigation because its bank accounts were seized. However,
at best, this would confer jurisdiction to the Tribunal
over TexPet's claims of denial of justice and solely to the
extent of its harm. It is, however, of no assistance to

02:52 1 with an indirect investment--that is, TexPet--under the 2 BIT?

Now, as an indirect investor, if--and I emphasize,

"if"--TexPet had been sued and held liable in the Lago

Agrio Litigation, Chevron could bring a claim but only for
the harm its indirect investment suffered. As my friend

Mr. Weiss conceded yesterday, the most that an indirect
investor can claim is the loss of value of the company it
controls. In other words, under the scenario of the
Tribunal's questions, both TexPet and Chevron could bring
as a matter of jurisdiction claims for treaty breaches

However, even assuming arguendo that the treaty breaches occurred, both TexPet and Chevron would be entitled to be compensated only to the extent of their own loss. No award would be payable to Chevron in the circumstances.

against TexPet.

This doesn't mean, as the Duke Tribunal noted, and you can see it on the screen, that Chevron would be--wouldn't be compensated. Chevron would be made whole through its shareholding in TexPet, its indirect investment.

To conclude, Members of the Tribunal, I want to
emphasize once again that this Tribunal's Award will stand

25 for or against universal jurisdiction over claims by

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02:51 1 Chevron's denial-of-justice claim.

These principles and conclusions, Members of the Tribunal, helped me provide answers to the Tribunal's questions on jurisdiction.

The first question was: If TexPet had been sued as a named Defendant in the Lago Agrio Litigation and had been held liable as was Chevron under the Lago Agrio Judgment, does the Respondent dispute that TexPet could bring, as a matter of jurisdiction, a claim for denial of justice or breach of the effective-means obligation under the BIT?

This question assumes facts contrary to what
actually happened, since TexPet was not sued. However, it
seems to follow from the Tribunal's Third Interim Award
that if TexPet had been sued and held liable in the Lago
Agrio Litigation as a direct investor in the Lago Agrio oil
concession, always within the framework of the Award on
Jurisdiction by the Tribunal, TexPet could bring a claim
for denial of justice on its own behalf.

19 for denial of justice on its own behalf.
20 The Tribunal then added a second question: A
21 related question, you said, is the effect of the Tribunal's
22 Third Interim Award on Jurisdiction. We heard submissions
23 in opening on the status of Chevron as an investor with or
24 without a direct investment, but what is the effect of our
25 Jurisdiction Award on Chevron for its status as an investor

02:54 1 foreigners for denial of justice. On the one hand, the 2 Tribunal can find that it has jurisdiction based on

3 subjective fairness considerations, and despite the basic

4 fact that Chevron has never contributed anything of value

5 to Ecuador and has no direct investment. This conclusion,

6 as you know, is contrary to fundamental principles of 7 international law and international arbitration.

First, this conclusion would eliminate the sessential limitation of investment arbitration to investments and expanded to include any alleged injury to a

11 foreigner, even when the foreigner was never even in the 12 country.

Second, this conclusion would reject the fundamental principle that the scope of jurisdiction is defined by State consent, not by Claimant's scheming.

Third, this conclusion would constitute a radical departure from the uniform decisions that base jurisdiction on an investment of the investor made in the territory of the host State.

20 And fourth, this conclusion would disregard the 21 basic principle of fairness called nemo auditur.

22 On the other hand, Members of the Tribunal, this

23 Tribunal can defend these principles, the rule of law, and

24 find that it lacks jurisdiction over Chevron's

25 denial-of-justice claims.

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02:56 1 With that, Members of the Tribunal, I conclude my 2 submissions and, with your permission, I hand over the 3 floor to my former senior partner and however friend 4 Professor Mayer.
5 MR. BLOOM: Before we do that, would the 6 Tribunal--the next presentation, which will be done by

7 three speakers, would be about 50 minutes in length. Would 8 you rather take the afternoon break before or after this 9 next presentation?

10 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We shall ask our lords and 11 masters.

12 COURT REPORTER: Yes.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think the answer is always

 $14\,\,$ yes. We'll have a break now and come back at 3:15.

15 (Brief recess.)

16 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

17 We're sorry to keep you waiting a little bit

18 longer, Professor Mayer, because I think we have two

19 matters. First, we announce that we have now completed the

20 signing of the Site Visit Order as regards the Parties. We

21 have signed. Obviously there will have to be a signature

22 at the PCA by the Secretary-General of the PCA, but that is

23 a formality, so we can take it that that order is now in

24 full force and effect, and thank you all very much for the

25 enormous efforts that have been taken in producing that

03:17 1 brought its claim, that would be a clerical error that we
2 sure know that could not--never happened at the PCA. Thank
3 you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Go ahead.

5 ARBITRATOR GRIGERA NAÓN: I have a question for 6 Mr. Silva Romero regarding his submission. You referred to 7 enforcement proceedings of the Lago Agrio Award in respect 8 of bank accounts of TexPet. My understanding is that there 9 are other assets in Ecuador that are also being the subject 10 to enforcement proceedings. I remember a reference to 11 trademarks. I do not know if they are trademarks of

12 Chevron or of TexPet. Could you clarify that, please.
13 MR. SILVA ROMERO: I believe my friend Mr. Tomás
14 Leonard can explain better the question of this issue of
15 the trademarks. I believe he already explained it before,

16 so if I may defer that question, Professor Grigera Naón, to 17 my friend Tomás Leonard.

18 MR. LEONARD: Thank you, my friend. You caught me 19 off quard.

There is indeed an order of enforcement issued by the first-instance court in Lago Agrio, and that's a normal procedure when a judgment becomes enforceable; it goes back

23 to the Court of First Instance for enforcement. There is

 $\,$ 24 $\,$ an order of enforcement instructing the seizure of certain $\,$

25 assets, including trademarks, a large number of trademarks.

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03:15 1 document.

Secondly, you have the floor.

3 MR. LEONARD: Thank you, Mr. President.

Just two very quick corrections. As Professor Grigera Naón correctly noted, my reference in Slide 29 to Article 2336, is actually 2363. It's a problem of

7 dyslexia.

8 The second correction is a problem of poor 9 judgment. I was trying to operate out of memory right 10 after lunch, and I gave you the wrong name for a case, the 11 case cited at Page 14 of the Lago Agrio Judgment. The case 12 that I actually should have referred to is Angel Puma, and 13 that's Exhibit R-650.

Now, my colleague, Álvaro Galindo, would also like to make a brief clarification regarding the cover page of the Complaint.

MR. GALINDO: Mr. President, here in the back.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yes.

MR. GALINDO: Just by instruction of the Attorney
General, the cover page of the Lago Agrio Complaint is made

21 by the Law Clerk of the office of that Court. That's

22 nothing in which the Plaintiffs have any say, and you will 23 find the right party to as a Defendant on Page 17 of the

24 Complaint. It is basically as if the PCA will submit in

25 the cover page of this claim that Chevron is the Party who

03:19 1 We've addressed this issue in the show-cause proceedings,

2 explaining that those trademarks are subject to two

3 agreements with the company. If I recall correctly, it's

4 Swiss Oil, a company who acquired the ability to produce

5 lubricants under Chevron's trademarks in Ecuador. Those

6 trademarks are subject to two agreements, one of which is

7 royalty-free. This company doesn't pay royalties for the

8 use of those trademarks. The second agreement, and I

9 apologize, but I don't recall the technical names of the

10 Agreements--it's been a while since we briefed these

11 issues.

The second agreement is a licensing agreement, if
I recall correctly, and that is subject to certain payments
depending on the volume of sales of those products, and
those payments are capped, if I recall correctly, at

16 \$1.1 million a year. So, other than that cash flow, there 17 is no other economic impact or effect of that seizure.

18 These trademarks have essentially no economic value being

19 subject to a licensing agreement that is royalty-free. 20 One additional note is that, at least as we

21 understand it today, the property of those trademarks has

22 not been transferred to the Plaintiffs yet, and we don't
23 know whether the Plaintiffs are seeking to have those

 $24\,$ trademarks transferred to them. We just know that no steps

25 have been taken so far to effect the transfer of ownership

03:21 1 over those trademarks to the Plaintiffs.

2 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Professor Mayer.

PROFESSOR MAYER: Thank you, Mr. President. As I did in my part of the opening statement, I will answer essentially to Professor Paulsson on the issue of lack of exhaustion of local remedies by Chevron under international

8 My starting point will be a complete agreement 9 with what Jan Paulsson wrote on this topic in his excellent 10 book on denial of justice, which I had the pleasure of 11 reviewing for the "Revue de l'arbitrage". Two brief 12 quotations from that book:

13 First, "The obligation of the State is to
14 establish and maintain a system which does not deny
15 justice." That's at Page 108. And the consequence of that
16 follows at Page 111. "The very definition of the delict of
17 denial of justice encompasses the notion of exhaustion of
18 local remedies. There can be no denial before exhaustion."
19 The Ecuadorian judicial system has not yet arrived
20 at its decision on the Lago Agric Litigation. It has not

20 at its decision on the Lago Agrio Litigation. It has not 21 been given a chance to do so.

Chevron still had remedies available to it--has remedies available to it in Ecuador, and it had them when it filed its Request for Arbitration.

Now--and this is the core of the debate--are these

03:24 1 In fact, I leave aside the first one. The first 2 one was based on the non-vertical nature of a CPA action.
3 I had answered in the opening, and Jan Paulsson did not 4 insist in closing; therefore, I immediately come to the 5 second argument.

The second argument is that once the Judgment is renforceable, no recourse is capable of redressing the harm.

This is, in fact, a petitio principii without any basis in international law. There would be irreparable harm if the Judgment, supposing, of course, it had been obtained by fraud, had already been rn forced, and there would be no possibility of getting the money back; or, if it was certain or at least likely that it would be enforced before any remedy could prevent it, and there would be no possibility of getting the money back.

first-instance Judgment was rendered, it has not been enforced anywhere. An attempt in Argentina failed, and an attempt in Ecuador has just been mentioned. If Chevron had initiated a CPA action in the hope of obtaining a favorable decision, such decision would already have been rendered. And if it was in favor of Chevron, no possibility of enforcement abroad would exist in the future. The Judgment would have been nullified, and courts do not enforce

In our case, more than four years after the

25 foreign Judgments that have been nullified in their Country

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03:23 1 available remedies futile as Chevron contends?

As in my opening remarks, I feel no need to enter into the tedious debate between "obvious futility" or "no reasonable possibility of effective redress" as the appropriate standard for determining if an otherwise available recourse needs to be exercised prior to accusing a State of being guilty of denial of justice. I will consider the standard the Claimants themselves invoke: The "no reasonable possibility of effective redress" standard. It is a very high standard. And it implies that, if you have been ordered by a judgment to pay \$19 billion or \$9.5 billion, it would be unreasonable not to try even a

And in addition, you owe it to the State before accusing its whole judicial system of denial of justice.

As Professor Amerasinghe wrote, and I cannot resist the temptation of quoting him a second time because the sentence is both concise and profound, "The sovereignty of the Respondent State requires that it be given a fair opportunity of doing justice through its own system."

In the present case, are there good reasons to think that the still open recourses would still be futile?

23 Professor Paulsson has made and considering both his24 Opening Statement and his Closing Argument--four arguments.

25 Let me visit them.

13 small chance of success.

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2 Chevron cannot complain that there is now a risk 3 of actual enforcement precisely because it did not try a 4 recourse that was available to it.

Professor Paulsson said yesterday morning, and I quote: "The question of exhaustion must be answered objectively at the relevant time. It cannot rest on future possibilities and contingencies." But the relevant time is precisely now. There would be now no risk of enforcement if the recourse had been made and if it had proved successful. We know that it has not been made--one has not been made, one is still pending. We don't know if it would have proved successful, but it's simply because the recourse has not been made.

Ecuador is not, contrary to what Professor

Paulsson argued, "asking Chevron to spend years pursuing

relief and to come back in 2018 or 2019." Ecuador's

position is to say you, Chevron, should have exhausted

local remedies as soon as they were available, and we can

see now that you have not done it and that the delict of

denial of justice does not exist now, since the local

remedies have not been exhausted.

To that, Jan Paulsson objected that there are two successive appeals possible against a CPA judgment of first instance, appeals which, first, would have taken years and, Sheet 50 2969 2971

03:28 1 second, would have ended before the National Court of 2 Justice which allegedly has shown hostility towards 3 Chevron.

This is wrong on three counts:

First, once a court of appeal would have rendered its decision supposedly in favor of Chevron, the impugned judgment would have ceased to be enforceable.

8 Second, even before that, if the CPA Court of 9 First Instance had found in favor of Chevron--and that 10 would have taken on average one year and a half--any 11 possibility of enforcement abroad would, in practice, have 12 immediately ceased, and the enforcement actions in the 13 various countries would have been frozen everywhere.

Third, it is unfair to say that the National Court of Justice is systematically hostile to Chevron in the Lago Agrio Case. Let us remember that the National Court of Justice dismissed the criminal charges brought against two

18 of Claimants' attorneys. There was, therefore, a fair 19 chance, not a tiny chance. If a fraud, of course, was

20 established, then the CPA would have succeeded, and it

21 would have succeeded in time; that is, before any

22 enforcement occurred. Which, by the way, dispenses me,

23 also for the sake of time, to discuss the alternative

24 argument that I had made in opening based on the obligation

25 for the Trust to give back the money to Chevron if Chevron

03:32 1 word "consummated" has been used several times, and it's a
2 very practical word because it's extremely ambiguous. For
3 Jan Paulsson, the denial of justice was consummated when
4 the Court of Appeal affirmed the Zambrano Judgment and
5 certified that Judgment as enforceable. And then it would
6 "be preposterous" and "grotesque" for Ecuador to invoke the
7 existence of a remedy which should have been exhausted by
8 Chevron. And why? Because, I quote: "The refusal of the
9 higher court to consider evidence of fraud is in itself a
10 frustrating denial of justice."

There is clearly an error in the reasoning here.

It is one thing to say that not only the Zambrano Judgment,

but also the decisions of the Court of Appeal constitutes a

denial of justice because the latter did not consider the

alleged qhostwriting character of the former.

It is another thing to say that the State itself, not Judge Zambrano or the Court of Appeal, is guilty of an international delict of denial of justice which is the issue at stake here.

When Judgment has to be passed on the judicial system of the State, all possibilities of recourse offered by that system must be taken into consideration.

23 International law requires that the self-styled victim of a

24 denial of justice establishes two things: One, that a

25 certain judge or possibly several judges have denied him

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03:30 1 had been forced to pay it.

In addition, Chevron had the possibility of

obtaining a Stay of Enforcement by merely posting a bond

with the Court of Appeal. Chevron did not even ask the

Court to fix the amount of the Bond. But it has been

established in these proceedings that, in the practice of

Ecuadorian courts, bonds are fixed in the range of

percent to 5 percent of the amount of the Judgment under

papeal, contrary to 1.9 billion U.S. dollars, which

10 Professor Paulsson mentioned yesterday. I refer the 11 Tribunal to Dr. Andrade's Second Report, RE-20,

12 Paragraph 57, Note 84, which is extremely precise and

13 documented. In the Loewen Case, bond was fixed at

14 125 percent of the judgment, and Loewen was not able to

15 pay, and still the Tribunal found that Loewen had not

16 exhausted the local remedies before accepting a settlement.

17 That was, of course, an extreme case, and some commentators

18 have criticized the Award, no one more strongly than Jan

19 Paulsson yesterday. But in Chevron's case, the bond would

20 have been of a relatively, of course relatively, modest

21 amount, and Chevron would not have had any difficulty to

22 pay.

I come to Professor Paulsson's third argument. It is that the denial of justice in this case is so egregious

25 that it must be considered already consummated, and this

03:34 1 justice; two, that all available and effective remedies 2 have been exhausted.

Been assuming, which we deny, that an extremely serious denial of justice had occurred, materialized in the Lago Agrio Judgment and in the decision of the courts of appeal and in the issuance of a certification of enforceability, to conclude from that, as Professor Paulsson does, that the requirement of exhaustion does not apply, constitutes an intermingling of two distinct conditions and, in fact, suppresses the requirement of exhaustion.

13 that there is not even a tiny chance that an Ecuadorian
14 Court redresses the harm. Why? Because the whole
15 judiciary of Ecuador is, "weak, dependent, subjugated."
16 But it does not suffice to say that, and to repeat it
17 several times, one has to prove it, and the facts disprove
18 it. There have been numerous instances in which in
19 disputes between the Government and Texaco, Texaco won. I

Professor Paulsson's fourth and last argument is

20 mentioned earlier the dismissal by the National Court of

21 Justice of criminal charges against two of Chevron's

22 lawyers. I mentioned other decisions in my opening

23 remarks, Transcript Page 213.

So, why be so pessimistic? Of course, it's convenient for Claimants.

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03:36 1 Professor Paulsson insisted at length on President 2 Correa's alleged pressures on the judiciary, insisting that 3 he himself--President Correa--claims that he is the 4 judiciary. But the reality is different. Mr. Guerra, 5 Chevron's star fact witness, disavowed Claimants' 6 accusations. There was never any interference by the 7 Executive or anyone else, for that matter, in the Lago 8 Agrio Case.

There is also the accusation that President Correa 10 demanded that all those involved in the execution of the 11 1995 Settlement Agreement and the Final Acta be prosecuted. 12 There was, indeed, a preliminary investigation by the 13 Prosecutor, but he concluded that the evidence did not 14 warrant prosecution or even further investigation. 15 Therefore, either President Correa did not make that demand 16 and the accusation is slanderous, or he did, and that 17 proves the independence of the judiciary. And that is what 18 counts: the independence of the judiciary, not what the 19 President of the State did or did not do.

20 Now, it is true that Professor Paulsson goes so 21 far as to say that President Correa's actions constitute in 22 themselves a denial of justice. Quotation from the 23 opening: "Why is it not decisive that the Head of State 24 disaffirms any intention to countenance reconsideration?", 25 asked Professor Paulsson. It was, of course, a rhetorical

03:40 1 two guestions asked by the Tribunal concerning the burden 2 of proof. One can suppose that the interest of the 3 Tribunal in these questions is related to the alleged 4 qhostwriting of the Lago Agrio Judgment, but these questions are also relevant to the Claimants' accusation against the State that its whole judiciary is weak and dependent, and to the burden of proving that, which rests 8 upon them, the Claimants. We can keep both aspects in 9 mind.

The Arbitral Tribunal's first question is whether 10 11 under the lex arbitri, which is Dutch law, the UNCITRAL Rules or public international law the evidential burden can shift backwards and forwards.

The second question is whether the 15 balance-of-probabilities standard used in common law is also applied under Dutch law--lex arbitri, --the UNCITRAL Rules, international law, and if in these systems the standard changes when the allegations are, if not criminal, extremely serious. I take both questions together. 19 20 First, Dutch law. Dutch law on arbitration has no

answer to any of these questions. 21 22 Second, the UNCITRAL Rules. Article 24 of the UNCITRAL Rules is the only provision in those Rules that 24 addresses the issue of burden of proof, and all that it 25 says is--you see it on the slide--"Each party shall have

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03:38 1 question, but, in fact, it is a good question. Why is it 2 not decisive? It's not decisive because the head of the 3 State is not the judiciary.

In his closing remarks yesterday, Professor 5 Paulsson said even more explicitly that the Executive can 6 be quilty of a denial of justice, and the only authority 7 that Professor Paulsson cited was Professor Paulsson's 8 book, excellent book, on denial of justice. But even 9 assuming that his position corresponds to the state of 10 international law today, that does not tell us which action 11 by President Correa would constitute, in our case, a denial 12 of justice. Professor Paulsson mentioned several actions 13 which he criticized on the part of President Correa, but he 14 did not pinpoint which of these actions would constitute a 15 denial of justice.

And we were not told either why if a denial of 17 justice had been made by the Executive, the requirement of exhaustion of local remedies would not also apply.

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19 In conclusion, none of Claimants' attempts to 20 establish futility presented yesterday by Professor 21 Paulsson and more generally in the various presentations, 22 written or oral, by Chevron or by the Claimants is 23 convincing.

24 Convincing to the required level of conviction, 25 and I seize this opportunity before closing to answer the 03:42 1 the burden of proving the facts relied on to support his 2 claim or defense." This provision does not distinguish the 3 evidential burden from the legal burden, a distinction 4 which is not made everywhere. Even if it maybe should be. 5 And it does not address the issue of shifting of the 6 burden. It does not make distinctions between extremely 7 serious or less serious allegations. The burden of proof rests on the Party that makes the allegation, and that is all. And we know that on the issue of the alleged futility of a remedy, the burden of proving that futility rests on 11 the alleged victim.

12 I come to international law. On these issues, it 13 is not easy to describe. There are essentially 14 issues--these are essentially issues of judicial practice 15 from which a unanimous answer cannot easily emerge because a common law judge will have a different attitude from that

17 of a civil law judge. For instance, the

balance-of-probabilities standard does not exist in civil

law countries. In those countries, the Party which has the 20 burden of proof must establish reasonable certainty, which

21 is a much higher standard.

In the Bayindir Award, the standard was taken from 22

a famous decision of the International Court of Justice, 24 the Corfu Channel decision. You can see it on the slide.

25 The proof, says the Tribunal in Bayindir, but also the

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03:44 1 Corfu Channel Case, "proof may be drawn from inferences of 2 fact, provided that they leave no room for reasonable 3 doubt." No room for reasonable doubt. The standard is 4 very high. Of course, the issue was about inferences of 5 fact, but why should evidence based on inferences of fact 6 be subject to a higher standard than any other kind of 7 evidence? That one must be particularly cautious because 8 it is based on reasoning, yes, but that the standard be 9 higher, no reason for that.

And also the standard applies independently of the
more or less serious character of the allegation. But when
we come to particularly serious allegations such as
corruption, the standard is undoubtedly very high. Let us
look at the EDF versus Romania Award at the top, and a
Procedural Order in the same case. The Award reads:
"There is a general consensus among international tribunals
and commentators regarding the need for a high standard of
proof of corruption. The evidence before the Tribunal in
the instant case concerning the alleged solicitation of a
bribe is far from being clear and convincing."

And in the Procedural Order, the Tribunal had

22 said: "Proving corruption is a challenging task in the 23 absence of admission of liability by the accused person. 24 It is, therefore, required that every effort be made by the 25 party raising a charge of corruption to substantiate its 03:47 1 Constitution, an extraordinary action of protection is
2 available against Judgments of Final Orders by which
3 constitutional rights were violated by action or omission.
4 This action shall be brought before the Constitutional
5 Court.

If the Constitutional Court grants any of
Chevron's allegations of due-process violation, it has the
power to overturn, to invalidate the underlying decision on
the grounds that it infringes Chevron's constitutional
rights, and it may remand the case to the corresponding
Court to continue from the point where the violation
cocurred.

As demonstrated in this slide, Chevron's
accusations related to the violation of the constitutional
rights are precisely the kind of allegations that the
Constitutional Court is called to address and redress.
However, I am urged to clarify that the Constitutional
Court may not consider extrinsic evidence to prove the
alleged violation of a constitutional right as established
by judicial precedent where the Court ruled against the
Plaintiff because the existing record did not contain any
evidence of the alleged constitutional infirmity. As the
Tribunal is well aware, the extraordinary action for
protection filed by Chevron is still pending.
This takes me to the second point. Instead, the

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03:46 1 claim." And in this sentence, we can guess that there is
2 no shifting of the evidential burden since it's the person
3 accusing that must make every effort to substantiate its
4 claim.

With this, Mr. President and Members of the Tribunal, I close my part of our presentation, and I give the floor, with the Tribunal's permission, to Dra. Blanca Gómez de la Torre.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

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10 MS. GÓMEZ de la TORRE: Thank you, Mr. President, 11 Members of the Tribunal.

I will now address the arguments regarding the
exhaustion of local remedies with a special emphasis on the
Collusion Prosecution Act. Therefore, I will divide my
presentation in two parts: The Constitutional Court
provides effective means to redress Chevron's allegations
of due-process violations and other constitutional
guarantees. Two, Chevron has chosen not to exhaust local
remedies for the alleged judicial crime.

Regarding my first point, as mentioned in my
Opening Argument and ratified by the Republic's Expert
Dr. Andrade, it is undisputed that the extraordinary action
for protection provides Chevron the effective remedies
regarding violations of due process and other
constitutional quarantees. According to Ecuador's

03:49 1 CPA is the one that provides the exclusive mechanism to 2 address and effectively redress Chevron's allegations of 3 ghostwriting and fraud in the Lago Agrio Litigation. The 4 CPA action could afford Chevron and the Parties accused by 5 Chevron of fraud a full and actual opportunity to present 6 its claims to properly put forth its alleged evidence of 7 ghostwriting and fraud and to participate in a hearing on 8 its claims. And, if finally proven, the full nullification 9 of Judge Zambrano's Judgment as well as damages, 10 imprisonment, and disciplinary proceedings. It is 11 perfectly clear that the ultima ratio requirement is 12 satisfied since the CPA is the only available means to 13 address precisely the kind of infirmities that Chevron 14 alleged have tainted the Lago Agrio Judgment. This is also confirmed by the Judgment of the 15

16 Constitutional Court cited by Chevron's Expert in his
17 Expert Report, reference RLA-VI(6)(3). In this ruling it
18 was established that the allegations arising out of
19 Constitution wide violations, legal certainty right were
20 filed by the affected party with the Constitutional Court
21 while the allegations related to the procedural fraud were
22 filed following a different proceeding under the CPA.

Dr. Andrade was correct when asserting that the action under the CPA is a parallel action, it is not of a vertical nature.

As to Mr. Paulsson's contention that an effective 03:51 1 2 CPA action would require several layers of appeal, the 3 following observations are in order. First, the Tribunal 4 will recall that a judgment in a CPA action issues on 5 average 17 months after the filing of the complaint. You 6 may refer to R-1488, official letter of the Judicial 7 Council cited in the Respondent's Track 2 Supplemental 8 Rejoinder.

9 Claimants have wasted precious time, and continue 10 to do so.

Second consideration, a CPA Judgment will become 11 12 final and enforceable upon affirmance by the first instance Appellate Court. Mr. Paulsson's suggestion that several 14 layers of appeal will be required is just wrong.

Moreover, we also note that Appellate Decisions on 16 CPA actions have historically issued within approximately a 17 year-and-a-half from the date of the appeal. In fact, a 18 CPA first-instance Judgment declaring the underlying 19 Judgment null and void because it was procured by fraud 20 could effectively shut down and terminate any hope for 21 recognition of the Judgment in a foreign jurisdiction. Any

22 contention otherwise is simply fanciful. As you know, Chevron ignored this last remedy and

24 decided to bring an arbitration. Chevron's attorney for 25 their National Court Cassation Appeal knew this remedy very 03:55 1 Please.

> MR. UGARTE: Members of the Tribunal, I will 3 address why the treaty and denial-of-justice claims founded 4 on the purported ghostwriting scheme fail at outset due to international legal principles of exhaustion, in particular 6 I will briefly respond to the excuses offered by Claimants 7 during their Opening Statements for why they failed to invoke local remedies at the trial level concerning such 9 allegations.

Claimants have been gaming the system with respect 10 11 to the Aguinda claim since Day 1, to prevent adjudication 12 of their responsibility to the Plaintiffs. They burn 13 through nearly ten years of litigation proceedings in the 14 United States just to decide the proper forum to adjudicate 15 the Claims brought by Aguinda and now invoke a release that 16 supposedly bars these same claims. And now Chevron is 17 gaming the system once again, with respect to the so-called "qhostwriting allegations." And you can see that from the emphasis they placed on what they knew and when. And that emphasis is remarkably different, depending on the forum in which Claimants are in.

22 I want to run through a few slides that concern 23 Chevron's pre-Judgment allegations of ghostwriting and show 24 you the contrast of what Chevron told you during their 25 opening submissions and what they told Judge Kaplan.

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03:53 1 well. Santiago Andrade, one of its main counsels in 2 Ecuador and a former judge of the Supreme Court of Ecuador, 3 in one of his rulings recognized the effectiveness of the 4 CPA in nullifying decisions based on fraud. Chevron cannot 5 hide that.

Chevron's counsel should have known better. I 7 assume they were well aware that, under the applicable law, 8 the effective means to redress their claim was the CPA, but 9 yet, they simply decided not to choose this remedy. In the 10 same way they decided not to post a bond when they filed 11 the cassation appeal of the National Court to a stay

12 enforcement of the Judgment pursuant to Ecuadorian law.

In conclusion, it is actually quite simple. For 14 constitutional violations, the extraordinary action of 15 protection is the right course of action, and for the 16 alleged collusion, the CPA is the adequate venue. In both 17 cases, both means are effective and provide for an adequate 18 remedy, and they had not been exhausted yet. This Tribunal 19 is, therefore, under the duty to wait for these remedies to 20 be exhausted, which is to say that the Tribunal must 21 provide the Ecuadorian judiciary with an opportunity to 22 correct any mistake that could have been committed in the 23 administration of justice in the Lago Agrio Case.

24 Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you. 25

03:57 1 In the first slide, you see Chevron downplaying 2 what Guerra allegedly told Chevron in 2009. They tell you 3 that, in 2009, Guerra apparently told Chevron he was just 4 out to fix a motion. But to Judge Kaplan, they said, it was a massive fraud about fixing the entire case.

Then, as you can see in the next slide, Chevron told you during opening that Chevron was not even aware that Zambrano had purportedly struck a deal with the 9 Plaintiffs themselves but they told Judge Kaplan that they 10 had received reports which allegedly led Chevron's 11 attorneys to understand that Judge Zambrano was sure to 12 strike a deal with Plaintiffs.

13 Finally, Chevron tells you, well, it's not that we 14 didn't have a basis to invoke local remedies at the trial 15 level. We just didn't have a videotape. We didn't have objective evidence. Well, as you can see from the slide, 17 Claimants didn't have a videotape when they first told Judge Kaplan just one day after the Judgment was issued 19 that Judge Zambrano had allegedly received secret 20 assistance in drafting the Judgment.

21 Now, please recall that there is no reliable 22 evidence that any of the statements I'm referencing in the 23 slides during my presentation were made by Judge Zambrano. 24 He did not make any of these statements. All these

25 statements are supposedly coming to Chevron before the

03:58 1 issuance of the Judgment, either directly or indirectly from Mr. Guerra or others, but not a judge of the Court.

3 As my colleagues have demonstrated, the contents of

4 Mr. Guerra's statements are, indeed, bogus, but let me ask you, why are Claimants downplaying those allegations about the supposed statements made directly or indirectly to them by Judge Guerra before the Judgment was issued? Well, the answer is clear: Claimants know they cannot successfully bring a treaty or denial-of-justice claim based on the purported wrong-doings of a trial judge when they had a basis to object and recuse or remove that judge. I cited to all the relevant authority for this proposition during my opening.

my opening.

Now, during closing, Professor Paulsson said well,
you should not credit Chevron's own RICO affidavits about
the pre-Judgment events, and he focused on an affidavit
submitted by Mr. Carvajal. Chevron, according to
Professor Paulsson could never have used this affidavit to
recuse Zambrano. He called Mr. Carvajal's Affidavit double
hearsay. Well, I couldn't agree more, it is double
hearsay. The statements originating from Guerra and
Mr. Carvajal's Affidavit about a purported ghostwriting
scheme involving Judge Zambrano are, indeed, bogus and
unreliable hearsay, much like the other lies that Guerra
has made before this Tribunal. But that issue goes to the

04:01 1 forget about these affidavits, they can be ignored as 2 double hearsay. That is gaming the system, pure and 3 simple.

Yesterday it was--claimed that Chevron never would have sat on the information if it knew it would result in a multi-billion dollar Judgment. This proposition was insane. It's not insane from the perspective of RICO. A RICO Plaintiff very well may have no burden to exhaust local remedies to prevent a supposed pre-Judgment fraud before it can bring a RICO claim, but that is not the standard under international law, and Chevron has always said it has no intention of paying for any Judgment that comes out of the Ecuadorian courts.

So, it didn't matter what the Judgment said or didn't say. Indeed, if you look at the timeline, look at the they filed the RICO complaint. They filed it before the Lago Agrio Judgment was even issued, and yet in their RICO complaint, Chevron was already claiming that the Judgment was going to be fraudulent before the Judgment was even issued. Well, if they could claim that the Judgment was going to be fraudulent before the Judgment was issued, they clearly had grounds to invoke local remedies at the trial level to prevent the supposed fraud.

But let's put Chevron's motives aside. Chevron's motives and their deliberate strategic business and

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04:00 1 lack of the factual merits, but I'm speaking here about the 2 timing of these allegations, and the implications that this 3 has under international law.

And the legal point is simple: Whether this
Affidavit was based on double hearsay or not, if it was
good enough in Chevron's view to provide it to Judge Kaplan
and if it was good enough for Chevron to have a basis to
run into Judge Kaplan's arms to make the ghostwriting
allegations, a mere one day after the Judgment was issued,
then these pre-Judgment allegations surely were good enough
for Chevron to invoke local remedies at the trial level in
Ecuador.

But, of course, the double hearsay point is
irrelevant in any event for purposes of making out my
argument on the doctrine of exhaustion. And why is that?
Because Chevron claims that it had several direct
pre-Judgment contacts in 2009 with Mr. Guerra, where Guerra
boasts that he could influence the outcome of the Judgment.
And you see that from the timeline on the next slide.
Again, the red lines represent the fiction underlying the
ghostwriting claims, and the blue lines represent actual
events.

Now, Chevron cannot be so duplications as to say to Judge Kaplan that the RICO affidavits are persuasive evidence of ghostwriting and before this Tribunal say 04:02 1 litigation decisions are not Ecuador's responsibility under
2 international law. All you have to do is review the timing
3 of when the supposed ghostwriting allegations actually
4 begin.

And, lastly, I simply want to leave you with the slides that detail the numerous remedies available to Chevron to remove a trial judge for bias. And these are on the next four slides, and I won't take you through all of the slides. I do want to draw your attention to one remedy in particular.

Beyond the simple recusal motion for bias, Chevron also could have invoked Article 109 of the Organic Code of the Judiciary which had a lower standard. All Chevron had to do was offer evidence of a solicitation that would cast doubt on the Court's impartiality to obtain effective disciplinary relief.

In sum, Ecuador has disproven the bogus claims of ghostwriting, but if you give credence to these allegations, you must buy into the whole story. If the evidence was good enough for three Chevron attorneys to swear under oath, under penalty of perjury before a United States Court, then the evidence was good enough to trigger Chevron's duty to report such allegations to Ecuador's judicial authorities, which have, indeed, acted swiftly to

25 recuse judges as was the case with Judge Ordoñez.

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04:04 1 Now, Chevron's strategy paid off handsomely for 2 its RICO purposes, but the result under international law 3 has to be different. International law places the burden 4 of bringing such claims forward at the trial level. Under 5 the doctrine of exhaustion, Chevron had to help itself by 6 using the effective means it had at the domestic trial 7 court level to address the supposed ghostwriting 8 allegations. Their failure to do so is fatal as a matter 9 of law to all the denial of justice and treaty claims that 10 rely on these ghostwriting allegations. 11

Members of the Tribunal, with that, I will switch 12 to a discussion of the Treaty, but I will pause for your questions, if you have any.

ARBITRATOR LOWE: Could I ask if you have anything 15 to say about Article 113 on your last side, which says that 16 the disciplinary action shall be exercised sua sponte or 17 based on a complaint or claim. And does that indicate that 18 even if they had not raised the claim themselves, it could 19 have been raised by someone else?

20 MR. UGARTE: That would appear to be the case but 21 I would have to reserve the right to come back to you to 22 give you a definitive answer, if I could.

23 Thank you.

24 Members of the Tribunal, at this juncture of the 25 proceedings, I wish to take a step back by providing a

04:07 1 obligation exists under the Treaty. The terms "investor" 2 and "investment" simply cannot be used synonymously for 3 purposes of determining liability. Ecuador's treatment of 4 an investor may or may not be relevant but the treatment afforded by Ecuador towards the investment at issue is inevitably the key issue in determining liability here.

With that as a preliminary comment, Ecuador submits that, to establish liability, Chevron must prove 8 9 the following three elements.

10 First, Chevron must prove as a factual matter that 11 Ecuador engaged in the conduct of which Ecuador is accused. Second, Chevron must prove that Ecuador's conduct fell below the Treaty's substantive standards of treatment and, third, Chevron must prove that Ecuador's conduct harmed an investment that is owned or controlled by Chevron. And these elements are derived from a plain reading of each of 17 the substantive provisions of Article II of the Treaty that are at issue in this arbitration.

TexPet, for its part must also individually satisfy each of these three elements to establish Ecuador's 21 liability vis-à-vis TexPet. Now, Claimants come nowhere close to establishing all three elements for any of their Treaty claims or denial-of-justice claims for that matter.

In that regard, I want to comment on one of the 25 reasons why Claimants cannot establish the last element.

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04:05 1 roadmap of the basic elements that Claimants must satisfy 2 to establish liability under the Treaty.

As a prefatory matter, this Treaty requires 4 Ecuador to afford certain treatment towards investments, 5 not investors. For example, as you see in the slide before 6 you under Article II of the Treaty, Ecuador must afford 7 fair and equitable treatment to investments. There is no 8 reference to investors in the substantive provisions of the 9 Treaty. Thus, for Chevron to allege that Chevron itself 10 has suffered a purported violation of due process in the 11 abstract or some other injury at the hands of Ecuador, is 12 insufficient to establish liability under the Treaty. 13 Chevron nevertheless intermingles the concept of an 14 investment and an investor in its pleadings as if these 15 terms were synonymous, for example, in the slide before 16 you. Chevron alleges that the Treaty requires Ecuador to

18 Ecuador must supposedly give investors full protection and 19 security. Similarly, in the next slide, Claimants also 20 21 repeat this mistaken assumption elsewhere in their 22 pleadings by stating that Article II of the U.S.-Ecuador

17 treat foreign investors fairly and equitably and that

23 Treaty contains substantive protections that Ecuador must provide to a foreign investor.

Now, I think we can all agree that no such

04:08 1 This is the element that requires Chevron to show some 2 nexus between the purported misconduct and a harm to its 3 investment, and this is a key issue because if the 4 investment upon which Claimants' treaty claims are grounded 5 does not exist or was not harmed in the Lago Agrio 6 Litigation, then the Claimants' investment treaty claims 7 necessarily fail.

So, what is that investment? There is only one 8 9 investment that Claimants say was actually harmed by Ecuador. That investment is the bundle of contract rights 11 contained in various Settlement Agreements, particularly 12 the 1995 Settlement Agreement. Each and every treaty 13 breach pled by Claimants is grounded upon their claim that 14 Ecuador injured--somehow injured the Claimants' contractual rights under the Settlement Agreements. Take, for example, Paragraph 539 of their Merits Memorial, where Claimants refer to the very purpose of this arbitration as protecting the investment represented by the rights they say exist 19 under the Settlement Agreements.

20 What you will not see anywhere in Claimants' 21 Treaty breach discussion is a reference to the 1973 22 Agreement. Claimants discussed the 1973 Agreement in 23 relation to this Tribunal's purported jurisdiction, but 24 Claimants never discuss, much less establish, how their 25 supposed rights under the 1973 Agreement were breached or

04:10 1 harmed by Ecuador in relation to the Lago Agrio Litigation. 2 Indeed, not a single reference is made to the 1973 3 Agreement in Claimants' Request for Relief.

In sum, all of Claimants' treaty breaches are 5 grounded solely upon the investment represented by the 6 bundle of supposed contract rights that Claimants purport 7 to have under the Settlement Agreements. So, let's 8 identify the rights that actually exist under the 1995 9 Settlement Agreement based on the Tribunal's findings to 10 date.

When this arbitration began, Claimants had 11 12 asserted that the Settlement Agreements contained at least 13 four contractual rights. They claimed that under the 14 Settlement Agreements, Claimants had a contractual right to 15 be defended, to be held harmless, to be indemnified and to 16 be released by the Government of Ecuador in relation to the 17 Lago Agrio Claims. The Tribunal has since stated that the 18 first three of these contract rights simply do not exist. 19 The Tribunal found that there is no express contractual provision in the '95 Settlement Agreement that obligated 21 Ecuador to defend, indemnify or hold Claimants harmless 22 from any liability or obligation, period. As you can see 23 from Paragraph 79 of the First Partial Award.

Now, this finding is extremely significant. If

04:13 1 that they obtained. The doctrine of good faith does not 2 expand the actual rights contained in the Settlement 3 Agreement.

Clearly, the Government of Ecuador has not 4 5 breached the Release. The Government never sued Chevron 6 nor TexPet, nor can it be seriously maintained that simply 7 because an Ecuadorian court interprets the scope of the 8 Release at the request of Chevron and makes findings in that regard, that this somehow constitutes a breach of contract giving rise to an umbrella clause claim. A local court's interpretation of a contract governed by domestic law cannot be said to be a breach of that contract, much less a violation of an umbrella clause.

Finally, and most importantly, what standard of review is this Tribunal to use to evaluate the scope of the 15 Release with respect to the remaining treaty claims?

In reviewing the scope of the Release, of course, 17 this Tribunal does not sit here as a court of appeal, as everyone in this room has conceded. The Tribunal cannot substitute its Judgment for that of the Ecuadorian courts 21 on this local law issue. The issue before this Tribunal is 22 not whether the Ecuadorian courts interpreted the scope of 23 the Release correctly. Rather, this Tribunal must only

24 determine whether the Court's interpretation of the scope 25 and their finding that the Lago Agrio Claims and the Lago

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04:11 1 foundation of Claimants investment treaty claims do not 2 exist in the first place, the Treaty claims fall away on 3 their own terms.

25 the underlying contract rights that constitute the

Furthermore, this finding means that the last 5 remaining contract right whose purported breach or injury 6 gives rise to all of Claimants' treaty claims is the 7 Release contained in the Settlement Agreements. In other 8 words, Claimants' treaty claims are entirely dependent on 9 Claimants' showing that Ecuador somehow injured the 10 investment represented by the Release rights contained in 11 the Settlement Agreement. Whether the Release rights were 12 undermined, of course, depends on the scope of the Release, 13 and whether it is truly an ergo omnes supernatural release 14 broad enough to cover every man, woman, and child who 15 stands in harm's way as Claimants allege.

With that in mind, let me briefly comment on how 17 the Tribunal should assess the issue of the scope of the 18 Release. Before doing so, let me say that this Tribunal 19 should readily discard any claim that there has been an 20 actual breach of the '95 Settlement Agreement under 21 domestic law, much less a breach of the umbrella clause, 22 and this finding could be made irrespective of the scope of 23 the Release. This is because no matter the scope of the 24 Release, Claimants cannot establish that there has been any

25 conduct of the State of Ecuador which breached the Release

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04:14 1 Agrio Judgment were not barred thereby was an 2 interpretation that can be considered within the 3 juridically possible. Or, to use the words of the Mondev 4 Tribunal, this Tribunal should only review the decision of 5 the courts of Ecuador concerning the scope of the Release 6 to determine if their decision was clearly improper and 7 discreditable.

And, of course, the opinions of the higher courts 9 of Ecuador, particularly that of the National Court, on the scope of the Release was well within the bounds of the 11 juridically possible. It was far more than that. It was 12 the only correct finding. Far from being outside the 13 juridically possible, many of the findings of the National 14 Court in this respect are in sync with the Tribunal's own decision in Track 1B of March 2015 insofar as the Tribunal decided that the Lago Agrio Complaint included individual claims resting upon individual rights, that simply did not fall within the scope of the '95 Settlement Agreement as 19 invoked by Claimants.

20 Under these circumstances, the Ecuadorian court's 21 decision on the scope of the Release was clearly a decision within the bounds of the juridically possible under principles of international law, and that finding alone should end this Tribunal's task.

A finding binding by this Tribunal that the ruling

04:15 1 of the appellate or National Court on the scope of the 2 Release was proper under international law necessarily 3 means that the actual Release rights under the '95 4 Settlement Agreement were simply not implicated much less 5 harmed by the Lago Agrio Litigation. This finding would 6 remove the last pillar or the last investment propping up 7 all of Claimants' treaty claims. Without an injury to an 8 investment, there can be no breach of an investment treaty, 9 and the Tribunal need not convert itself into a forensic 10 task force to get to this conclusion.

Now, Ecuador has demonstrated that Claimants' 11 12 factual allegations have failed. There was no 13 ghostwriting. There was no due-process violations giving 14 rise to an international breach. And for this reason 15 Claimants' treaty claims also fail. But the Tribunal need 16 not start there. It may get to the same conclusion by 17 issuing a proper finding with respect to the scope of the 18 Release.

19 And I leave you with a few passages from the 20 National Court's decision that you can review at your 21 leisure where the National Court finds that the Release 22 could not have barred the Claims asserted by the Lago Agrio 23 Plaintiffs. And many of these findings concerning the 24 Release, of course, are also useful in debunking the 25 analysis presented by Claimants on the Track 1 issues.

04:18 1 provisions, and in relation to the specific treaty at issue 2 there is simply no evidence that the U.S. and Ecuador 3 intended to jettison well-established international 4 principles that have long been held to apply when evaluating the conduct of a State's judicial system such as the doctrine of exhaustion.

Numerous investment tribunals have found that the 8 denial of justice principles apply when evaluating 9 investment treaty claims that hinge on the conduct of a 10 State's judicial system, including Mondev, Loewen, Jan de 11 Nul, Pantechniki and others. And, of course, the Duke Energy Award where the Tribunal interpreted the very Treaty at issue here. 13

14 I will not repeat the holdings in those cases, but will simply leave you with the pertinent passages from the 15 Jan de Nul and Mondev Decisions, which address the Tribunal's questions here.

I will emphasize that the answer to the Tribunal's 18 question should not be influenced by the fact that the 19 terms "denial of justice" and "customary international law" are not expressly referenced in the present Treaty because investment treaties are not interpreted in a vacuum.

23 Indeed, both sides agree that the Vienna 24 Convention applies to the interpretation of the present 25 Treaty, and Article 31.3(c) of the Vienna Convention

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04:17 1 You will see in these slides examples of the 2 passages where the National Court drew a distinction 3 between diffuse rights and collective rights, and where the 4 National Court found that the object of and the Parties to 5 the 1995 Settlement Agreement were different than those 6 involved in the Lago Agrio Litigation.

Members of the Tribunal, I will now address the two questions raised by you at the end of last week that 9 concerned the scope of Ecuador's obligations under the 10 Treaty.

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The first of the these questions is whether the 12 Treaty's other standards of protection such as the 13 fair-and-equitable-treatment provision bring any relevant 14 additional protection to the Claimants' case on denial of 15 justice or should you be primarily focused on effective 16 means and denial-of-justice principles.

The first comment to make in addressing this 17 18 question of the Tribunal is that Claimants' entire case is, 19 in fact, inextricably predicated on the acts of the 20 judiciary of Ecuador as we have established during our 21 Opening Statement and in our written submissions. So, the 22 context in which the Tribunal's question arises is clearly 23 paramount.

Now, naturally, the Tribunal is bound to evaluate 25 Claimants' case by application of the governing treaty

04:20 1 requires a tribunal to consider "any relevant rules of 2 international law applicable in the relations between the 3 parties," which includes relevant rules of customary 4 international law as was found by the ICJ in the Oil Platforms Case.

That rules of customary international law are to 7 be used to interpret the scope of Ecuador's treaty obligations should reinforce the conclusion that the Treaty's other standards do not afford broader protections than a claim for denial of justice in light of the specific 11 claims pled here.

Indeed, the same essential view as expressed by 13 Professor Paulsson in his treatise on denial of justice 14 where he states: "The elements of the delict of denial of 15 justice tend to reappear as treaty provisions, for example when they proscribe 'discrimination' or when they require 'fair and equitable treatment.' Thus, a complainant before an international tribunal may allege that a treaty has been breached by reference to its terms without invoking the 20 doctrine of denial of justice by name. When the alleged 21 breach has been committed by a judicial body, however, an 22 assessment of discrimination or unfairness or protection immediately invites reference to the way such general 24 notions have been understood in the context of denial of

25 justice."

04:21 1 Turning to the second question posed by the
2 Tribunal last week, this question concerned whether the
3 effective means provision provides broader protection for
4 an investor than denial of justice. And you specifically
5 asked Respondent whether it was common ground between the
6 Parties that the requirement to exhaust local remedies is
7 the same--excuse me, and you specifically asked Respondent
8 whether it was common ground between the Parties that the
9 requirement to exhaust local remedies is the same in light
10 of the reference to the Commercial Cases Partial Award.

The short answer is that the protections afforded

The short answer is that the protections afforded under the effective means obligation under the Treaty and denial of justice are the same. And this was the sum and substance of the findings made, for example, by the Tribunal in Duke Energy versus Ecuador with respect to the very same treaty at issue here.

Now, it is true that the Tribunal in the
Commercial Cases Award interpreted the effective means
provision in this Treaty, and it professed that the
effective means provision may potentially offer slightly
broader protection than the protection afforded under
principles of denial of justice.

23 However, I would submit that the Commercial Cases 24 Decision has to be assessed on two levels. The first level 25 concerns the formulation of the effective means test as 04:24 1 the Tribunal between Article II(7) and denial-of-justice
2 principles appears to have been immaterial. Whatever space
3 it intended to create between the two standards cannot be
4 said to have been material. The investor still had to
5 exhaust all remedies. And Ecuador certainly agrees with
6 the Commercial Cases Award to the extent it held that the
7 investor was required to exhaust all available remedies
8 before a breach of Article II(7) could potentially arise.
9 Finally, I offer some observations on the comments

9 Finally, I offer some observations on the comments 10 made by Claimants yesterday in relation to the treaty 11 claims.

Yesterday, we saw Professor Paulsson backpedaling
to dissuade the Tribunal from relying on the highly
pertinent Loewen Case. Professor Paulsson now says the
Loewen Case is wrong and should be forgotten. But, Members
of the Tribunal, this case was introduced into this
arbitration by Claimants as legal authority CLA-44, and
indeed Professor Paulsson himself referenced the Loewen
opinion in his opening slides just two weeks ago at
Slide 173.

Despite Professor Paulsson's disavowal yesterday, the Loewen Decision is still very pertinent and highly instructive in this case. Of course, in his book on denial of justice at Page 107, Professor Paulsson professed that

25 the Loewen Tribunal was surely right insofar as exhaustion

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04:23 1 articulated by the Commercial Cases Tribunal. The
2 Commercial Cases Tribunal found that Article II(7)
3 constituted lex specialis. Ecuador disagrees that Article
4 II(7) is lex specialis.

Furthermore, to the extent that the Commercial
Cases Award intended to somehow suggest that the
requirement of exhaustion under denial of justice and the
effective means provision are different, Ecuador submits
that that finding must be wrong. That decision cuts
against many other decisions and authorities that hold that
investment treaty provisions apply denial-of-justice
principles when evaluating judicial conduct, and I refer
you to the authorities I cited during my opening
submissions and our discussion of Article II(7) in our
pleadings.

The second level of analysis of the Commercial
Cases Partial Award is what the Commercial Cases Tribunal,
in fact, actually required by way of exhaustion, and that
is all that matters here. Despite its unfounded
articulation of a qualified exhaustion requirement, in
practice, the Commercial Cases Tribunal nevertheless went
on to hold that the investor still had a duty under the
effective means provision to exhaust all available
remedies.

So, in the end, the apparent distinction drawn by

04:26 1 is required as an element to establish a breach of treaty
2 claims that hinge on judicial conduct, and I showed you
3 this quote in the slides displayed during our Opening
4 Statement.

So, let's examine why Claimants suddenly say that
Loewen belongs in the past and should be forgotten.
Professor Paulsson asks you to imagine what the Loewen
Tribunal would have done in the circumstances of this case.
Would it have required Chevron to exhaust further remedies?
And the answer is, of course, yes. Professor Paulsson
draws distinctions between the Loewen Case and the
case--or, should I say, the allegations of Chevron in this
case--but those distinctions don't withstand scrutiny.

For example, first, Professor Paulsson claimed
that the outrage at issue in Loewen was confined to the
lower court, but that's not true. Paragraph 6 of the
Loewen Decision indicates that after the trial court
affirmed the jury's verdict and denied Loewen's petition to
reduce the bond that would have stayed enforcement of that
verdict, the highest court of Mississippi, the Mississippi

21 Supreme Court, thereafter also refused to reduce the appeal 22 bond. Indeed, the Supreme Court of Mississippi even

23 dismissed Loewen's motion for stay of execution of the

24 Judgment without offering even a single reason for doing

25 so, as you can see from Paragraph 196 of the Loewen Award.

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04:27 1 In contrast here, you have Ecuador's highest court
2 reducing the Judgment and offering over 200 pages of
3 reasoned analysis. The Loewen--that Loewen based its
4 treaty claims on the conduct of both the trial court and
5 the Mississippi Supreme Court is also apparent from
6 Paragraph 52 of that award.

Indeed, the investor's situation in Loewen was far more precarious than what Chevron alleges here, because, in Loewen, the investor had significant in-State assets.

Loewen had assets in Mississippi and enforcement was imminent in Mississippi unless it could find a way to prevent immediate execution of the Judgment, such as by filing for reorganization under the U.S. bankruptcy laws.

Now, Professor Paulsson likes to refer to the notion that Ecuador's courts are powerless to prevent international enforcement, but that is a red herring under the present circumstances of this case. Chevron is crying wolf because of foreign enforcement proceedings that are now forestalled. But imagine what Chevron would be saying if it had significant assets in Ecuador where the Judgment could be enforced immediately by the very courts that Chevron so readily denigrates and claims as corrupt.

23 Chevron is essentially Judgment-proof in Ecuador. 24 It is hard to see how the vague risk that Chevron faces of 25 an international enforcement helps Chevron here, when the 04:30 1 were perhaps not qualified to comment on principles of
2 international law. Well, perhaps the arbitrators could be
3 excused for not realizing their own limitations because,
4 after all, they relied upon the opinions of Professor
5 Greenwood, whom they cited frequently in their Award. Nor
6 is the issue of purported obiter dicta relevant here.
7 Loewen is no more binding on this Tribunal than any other
8 investment Award, but the Loewen Decision as well as
9 Professor Greenwood's opinions are persuasive. Indeed, you
10 will find Professor Greenwood's opinions support each of
11 the points on exhaustion and denial of justice made by
12 Claimants during our opening submissions.

And, finally, needless to say, I confirm that Ecuador has no objection to the Tribunal's request to review Professor Greenwood's opinion and the other authorities' reference last Friday by the Tribunal that are not presently in the record. And with that I close my submissions.

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: We would like to chase you up 20 on the last comment. There was Professor Greenwood who 21 was--Sir Robert Jennings. What other Experts gave Expert 22 evidence in Loewen?

MR. UGARTE: I believe there was another Expert but those were the two you referenced, I believe, in your Friday--and there was--

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04:29 1 Loewen Tribunal found that even imminent in-State
2 enforcement by the Mississippi courts did not excuse
3 Loewen's duty to pursue other remedies. And I refer you to
4 Paragraph 208 of that decision, where the Tribunal makes
5 clear that Loewen had major concerns over the enforcement
6 of its in-State assets. Indeed, Loewen's situation was far
7 worse. So dire were the circumstances that Loewen was
8 considering filing for reorganization to forestall
9 immediate enforcement.
10 Chevron does not appear to be seeking bankruptcy

10 Chevron does not appear to be seeking bankruptcy 11 protection due to the risk of foreign enforcement.

Nor by relying on Loewen does Ecuador accept
Claimants' characterization of the Ecuadorian Judgment nor
Claimants' characterization of the behavior of the higher
courts of Ecuador nor Claimants' speculation that the

16 courts of Ecuador engaged in some massive conspiracy, 17 abiding by President Correa's every whims.

Despite the hyperbole offered by Claimants, in the end you will see that there is a large gap which exists between the speculation offered by Claimants and the lack of any evidence that Ecuador's judiciary actually received, much less heeded, the statements, the supposed statements, of President Correa.

24 Claimants yesterday also commented that a major 25 reason you should ignore Loewen is that the arbitrators 04:32 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Yeah, but it was dot-dot-dot 2 question. Was there another one?

MR. UGARTE: A dot-dot-dot question. There are
tothers, and I don't know them offhand, but I will--surely,
I think, we are referring to all the expert opinions in
Loewen. From Ecuador's perspective, those are certainly-PRESIDENT VEEDER: This applies, really, to both

sides. We are really asking you to check what other expert opinions were relevant to this issue generally. And we are also asking for copies, because we don't have a

11 photocopying machine in our little room to my right.

12 MR. UGARTE: Yes.

13 PRESIDENT VEEDER: But it doesn't have to be done 14 tonight.

 $\,$ MR. UGARTE: I'm sure we could coordinate with our $\,$ 16 $\,$ colleagues.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Also, do you remember you also,
I think on the Respondent's side, introduced Professor
Greenwood's article contribution, but we didn't have the
whole article. We asked you for the full copy.

21 MR. UGARTE: Duly noted. We'll also follow up on 22 that point as well.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Again, it doesn't have to be tonight, but we do need it.

MR. UGARTE: Thank you.

04:33 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

MR. UGARTE: Thank you.

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ARBITRATOR LOWE: I've got another question which 4 came out of your presentation, but is probably better addressed to Professor Mayer.

There is a constitutional right to due process, 7 and we have been pointed to the CPA and Article 109 of the Organic Code of the judiciary which Respondent says offer 9 the Claimants the opportunity of seeking a remedy.

My question is are there any circumstances in 10 11 which there is a duty on the State to take positive steps 12 to investigate allegations of fraud in the judiciary? And 13 is there any circumstance in which there is that positive 14 duty in addition to the availability or whatever legal 15 consequences flow from the availability of the remedy which 16 the Claimants could pursue?

17 PROFESSOR MAYER: Your question is not under 18 Ecuadorian law but under international law? ARBITRATOR LOWE: Yes. 19

20 I think it's a question of what is entailed by the 21 denial of justice, whether it's always sufficient to 22 provide the possibility of remedies that could be pursued 23 by an individual company which considers itself to have

24 been injured, or whether there are circumstances in which

25 the State is under a positive duty to take steps on its own

04:50 1 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Just to tell you that the full 2 version of the GEA Award is on record, and the reference 3 number is RLA-648.

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Bloom.

MR. BRAVIN: Mr. President, Members of the 5 6 Tribunal, we turn now to the Claimants' requested remedies. 7 We have shown in our written and oral submissions that

8 Claimants have failed to prove their allegations of the

denial of justice in a treaty breach, and we have shown

10 that the applicable international law, if correctly applied, will not sustain a decision that Ecuador is liable

to the Claimants in any respect. But for this discussion

let's assume arguendo that the Tribunal finds some basis for a finding of liability.

What then? Well, Claimants ask the Tribunal to grant three types of remedies. These include declaratory,

17 injunctive and monetary relief. Specifically ten separate Declarations, a half dozen injunctive orders, and monetary

compensation in an amount yet to be determined. Yesterday,

Mr. Kehoe indicated that Chevron's claim for monetary compensation is an issue for Track 3, and we agree.

Accordingly, I will limit my remarks to Claimants' requests

for declaratory and injunctive relief.

As indicated in the next slide, Claimants have 24 25 asked for ten different declarations, and there's

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04:34 1 initiative in order to maintain a fair system of justice.

PROFESSOR MAYER: Well, I'm not in a position to 3 make an answer that I would be certain that corresponds to 4 the truth in international law now. So, I suggest that we 5 answer your question in the framework of the Post-Hearing

6 Brief, if there are Post-Hearing Briefs.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Who is next?

MR. BLOOM: We're done down to our last 45 8

minutes. Shall we go until conclusion?

PRESIDENT VEEDER: I think we need a 10-minute 10

11 break.

MR. BLOOM: Okay. 12

13 (Brief recess.)

14 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume.

15 Mr. Bloom.

MR. BLOOM: I'm going to turn the floor over to 16

17 Mr. Silva Romero first, who's got a response or a

18 clarification for the Tribunal, and then I would ask him to

19 turn the floor over to my partner Mark Bravin for a

20 20-minute presentation on remedies, and then we'll turn to

21 the final tranche, which is answering the remaining

22 questions that the Tribunal had.

23 MR. SILVA ROMERO: Thank you, Mr. President. The

24 promotion was temporary, as you can see.

(Laughter.)

04:52 1 considerable overlap among the ten. I will just briefly 2 summarize a few of them.

> First, Chevron declares or asks for a declaration 4 that Ecuador has committed a denial of justice under

international law and has breached the provisions of the Treaty. If the Tribunal were to conclude that Claimants

7 have proved these alleged breaches of international law, a

declaration to that effect would be a logical and customary 9 part of the Tribunal's Award.

10 The second proposed Declaration merely repeats the 11 first, but only as to Treaty breach.

The third proposed Declaration is something 12 13 altogether different. Claimants ask the Tribunal to

declare that the Lago Agrio Court lacked jurisdiction to adjudicate the Claims of the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs. As we

explained this morning, that proposal is evidence of

Claimants' bad faith and, worse, of fraud on the courts of the United States. They procured the transfer of the case

from New York to Ecuador based on their promise not to

20 challenge jurisdiction, and yet here they are with a 21 scandalous proposal that should be rejected out of hand.

The fourth declaration merely restates the first 22

one, but this time as to denial of justice. And Items 5, 24 6, 7, and 9 on their list are different formulations of the

25 same proposed Declaration, but this time that the Lago

04:54 1 Agrio Judgment is a nullity and may not be enforced in the 2 courts of Ecuador or any nation. I'll come back to this 3 nullification remedy in a few moments.

> Item 8 on their list proposes that the Judgment be declared contrary to international public policy. It is subsumed in the first requested Declaration.

And then finally, Item 10 asks for a declaration 8 that Ecuador must indemnify Claimants for any amount 9 collected from them by the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs. And 10 again, I will come back to that in a bit.

For three separate reasons, the Tribunal should 11 12 reject Claimants' requests for the nullification remedy. 13 First, awarding such remedies would constitute an

14 unnecessary interference with Ecuador's sovereignty. It 15 would have far-reaching consequences for the Republic, for 16 its system of law, and for its national and international

17 legal obligations to its citizens. It's a little bit like 18 the Star Trek imperative not to interfere with a foreign

19 civilization at the risk of making one small change and 20 throwing the entire culture and system into havoc.

The Tribunal may declare that there has been a 22 breach of international law, leaving others to work out the 23 consequences of such a breach, and as the guestion from the

24 Tribunal posed on Friday, that is within the scope of the

25 Tribunal's mandate. It is within the scope of the Treaty,

04:58 1 without a sentiment of undue interference with its 2 sovereignty."

> The principle in play in the LG&E Case applies equally here, where we're talking about a judicial system, and the Claimants request that this Tribunal go beyond its 6 remit and impose obligations that have effects far beyond 7 what Claimants assert to be their rights in connection with their alleged claims of a denial of justice and a breach of 9 the Treaty.

Second, the requested remedies would 10 11 overcompensate Claimants. Claimants cite the correct principle of international law as expressed in Chorzów Factory Case; and as we have in the next slide, the quote 14 is, "Reparation must, as far as possible, wipe out all the 15 consequences of the illegal act and re-establish the 16 situation which would, in all probability, have existed if 17 that act had not been committed." There really is no genuine dispute about what the Court was talking about.

They were not talking about taking the Parties back to some time in history before the events occurred. They were

21 talking about compensation, reparation, taking the

situation as it was found, and making adjustments so that

the effects of the illegal act are wiped out, but not the

effects of the entire legal process. 25

The proposed nullification remedy simply goes too

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04:56 1 but the same cannot be said for declarations of nullity and 2 the injunctive relief that Claimants seek.

Indeed, in response to the Tribunal's invitation 4 on Friday, Claimants provided no precedent whatsoever for 5 the remedies in an investor-State arbitration that they 6 seek here. We have found none.

State Parties to bilateral investment treaties 8 consent to arbitrate claims of investors of the other State 9 Party when they assert breaches of treaty obligations, but 10 the consent is circumscribed. The jurisdiction conferred 11 by those treaties on a duly constituted arbitral tribunal 12 are similarly limited. The Tribunal should be wary of 13 Claimants' request that it boldly go where no arbitral

14 tribunal has gone before by granting remedies that 15 improperly interfere with Ecuador's sovereignty.

16 There is on the next slide a quote from the 17 decision in LG&E. Go back one, please. The Tribunal in 18 LG&E versus Argentina, RLA-Slide 103, Paragraph 87, states, 19 and I quote: "Likewise, if approached as restitution, the 20 Tribunal cannot go beyond its fiat in the Decision on 21 Liability. The judicial restitution required in this case 22 would imply modification of the current legal situation by

23 annulling or enacting legislative and administrative

24 measures that make over the effect of the legislation in

25 breach. The Tribunal cannot compel Argentina to do so

05:00 1 far. It would overcompensate the Claimants. In his book 2 on denial of justice, Professor Paulsson explained why that 3 is so.

On the next slide, please.

5 And I'm quoting: "The Tribunal must recognize that if the Complainant's case had been given a completely 7 fair hearing, its case may have been a one poor one in any event. Its defenses may have had little or no chance of complete success even in the absence of a denial of justice. That is a fair and accurate statement of the principle in play in this case."

But we heard from Professor Paulsson yesterday 13 that his clients should get a better result than what his 14 treatise explains is the appropriate remedy for a denial of justice. He asks this Tribunal to put aside the dictate of 16 the Chorzów Factory Case and to revise the applicable principle of international law so that his client escapes the legal consequences of their wrongful conduct for which 19 they are strictly liable under Ecuadorian law.

Mr. President, with due respect to Professor 20 21 Paulsson, both as a scholar and as an advocate, that 22 position is plainly wrong. If the Tribunal concludes that

the Lago Agrio Court Judgment is tainted by illegal acts, 24 it must not grant reparation that puts Chevron in a better

25 position than it would have been if there had been no

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05:01 1 illegal acts. It must reject Chevron's invitation to throw 2 out the baby with the bath water.

Third, Claimants' unclean hands in this 4 arbitration preclude or at least militates strongly against 5 the equitable relief they sake. The maxim of Roman law 6 cited by my colleague Eduardo Silva Romero is a ground for 7 dismissing Chevron's claims for lack of jurisdiction, but 8 that maxim also applies when the Tribunal is considering 9 what remedies to award. The fact that the Claimants come 10 before this Tribunal with unclean hands has been 11 demonstrated without doubt.

12 My colleague Mr. Leonard described how Chevron 13 perpetrated a fraud by procuring the transfer of the 14 Aguinda Case to Ecuador after ten years of hard-fought and 15 expensive litigation, based on a false promise to submit to 16 the jurisdiction of the Ecuadorian courts. And as I noted 17 a few moments ago, from Item 3 of the requested declaratory 18 relief, Chevron even now is continuing to perpetrate that 19 fraud by asking for a declaration by this Tribunal that the 20 Lago Agrio Court had no jurisdiction to decide the case. I 21 just wonder what Chevron would have to say to the Second 22 Circuit if it were to take this argument back to the Court 23 today, and I wonder what the Court would say in response. Mr. Ewing outlined Chevron's frauds in the Lago

05:05 1 And on our next slide we quote from RLA-549, which 2 is Professor Crawford's contribution, and Article 39 from 3 the International Law Commission's Articles on State 4 responsibility, and I quote: "In the determination of reparation, account shall be taken of the contribution to the injury by willful or negligent action or omission of the injured State or any person or entity in relation to 8 whom reparation is sought."

> 9 So the principles on which the Claimants would have this Tribunal impose sanctions and serious Awards on Ecuador actually apply to their own case. These are sources of applicable international law on which the Parties agree are applicable here.

As indicated in the next slide, taken from the Yukos Case: "In the view of the Tribunal, Claimants should 15 pay a price for their abuse, which contributed in a 17 material way to the prejudice which they subsequently suffered at the hands of the Russian Federation." The Yukos Claimants in that case sought compensation for the loss of their entire investment, and the Russian Government 21 came back and said, well, you are a contributing factor to

22 the loss of your investment. You manipulated the tax 23 system, you committed abuses, and for that we are going to

24 make a substantial reduction in the Award that you

25 otherwise have shown you would be entitled. And that

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05:03 1 contamination by misrepresenting evidence, by manipulating 2 the assignment of judges, and by taking every opportunity 3 to undermine the administration of justice by that Court. 4 In fact, the record indicates that that was Chevron's 5 strategy even before the case came to Ecuador. Literally 6 from Day 1 and from before Day 1, Chevron was hard at work 7 setting the stage for the arguments that are only now being played out in this arbitration.

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25 Agrio Court by hiding evidence of environmental

I'd like to refer to slides from Claimants' 10 Closing Argument which are directly on point in evaluating their requests for equitable relief.

Turning to Claimants' Slide 332, which is a 12 13 citation from the treatise, General Principles of Law as 14 Applied by International Courts and Tribunals, and I quote: 15 "Fraud is the antithesis of good faith and, indeed, of law, 16 and it would be self-contradictory to admit that the 17 effects of fraud could be recognized by law." And yet that 18 is what Chevron asks this Tribunal to do, to disregard its 19 fraud, to disregard the effects of that fraud, and to make 20 awards that are unjustified and unreasonable.

21 Turn next to Slide 345 from the Claimants' Closing 22 Argument, which is a citation to the Umpire in the Montijo 23 Case, where he says, no one can be allowed to take

24 advantage of his own wrong, and yet that is precisely what 25 Chevron is proposing to do here.

05:07 1 result plays out time and time again as courts, modern 2 Arbitration Tribunals and other bodies confront the 3 guestion of what to do when the Claimant has committed a 4 fraud or has contributed in an intentional or negligent way 5 to the very harm that it complains about. It's what we ask 6 of this Tribunal.

Now, the injunctive relief I won't go into in great detail, but I will simply ask that we turn to the slide which shows the extent to which Claimants have 10 overreached in asking this Tribunal to do something that it 11 cannot and should not as a matter of international law and 12 practice do, which is to order a sovereign State to take 13 acts within its own borders and around the world, not just 14 today but for an indefinite period of time, in order to 15 give effect to what Claimants believe or assert should be the result in the Final Award. It is simply too much. If 17 arbitral tribunals were able to as a regular course or regular practice build into their Award a recipe for how the Award will be implemented in the future, we'd see very 20 different Awards coming out of Treaty tribunals. It simply 21 isn't done. The Tribunal's remit ends upon the issuance of 22 its Award. The requests for injunctive relief are simply out of bounds and over-reaching and should be rejected.

At various times earlier in the proceedings,

25 Chevron asked the Tribunal to order Court Clerks to take

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05:09 1 action, to order the Lago Agrio Court not to allow its
2 Judgment to be enforced against Chevron pending the outcome
3 of this case, to prevent the Lago Agrio Plaintiffs from
4 taking steps in the courts of other countries. They wanted
5 this Tribunal to order that Chevron is exempt from bond
6 requirements, similar to the bond requirements that were in
7 play in the Loewen Case.

8 They wanted the Tribunal to order Ecuador to post 9 a bond on Chevron's behalf.

These are the kinds of over-reaching requests
that, even if there was some basis for finding liability,
and, as we have very clearly outlined, we don't believe
there are any reasons, these are the kinds of remedies that
this Tribunal should reject out of hand. Whatever the
result will be, it will be the administration of justice
based on principles of fairness. And the Final Award after
Track 3 will have to take into account not only whatever
delict the Tribunal finds, if it finds, was committed in
the course of the Lago Agrio Litigation, but it will have
to take into account the wrongs of Ecuador.--I'm sorry, the

21 wrongs of Chevron.
22 And so, in conclusion, I would like to say that,
23 on the issue of remedies, there is nothing for this
24 Tribunal to Award to the Claimants at the conclusion of
25 this chapter in the arbitration. At the end of Track 3, we

05:13 1 The first clarification or comment in respect of 2 this question is the interpretation of what the Tribunal 3 means by denial of justice per se, and one possible 4 interpretation could be kind of a strict liability standard 5 for denial of justice. And we are not aware of any 6 authority in public international law for that kind of 7 standard.

Now, removing the reference to per se or
interpreting the question as to whether the availability of
punitive damages in a given system of law could conceivably
serve as a basis for a finding of denial of justice, again
we found no authority for that proposition, and we believe
that would render, for example, the United States legal
system, one very much prone for findings of denial of
justice, given that it allows for punitive damages and even
treble damages. So the answer to that aspect of the
question is no.

In respect of punitive damages in this case, we
would like to clarify that our position is that the
punitive damages that were initially awarded by the
Zambrano Judgment are no longer on the table and no longer
relevant to this case because they were struck by the
National Court on Cassation. And that decision is a
product, a final product, of Ecuador system of justice, and

25 that process remedied itself to the extent that the finding

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05:11 1 will know much more than we do now about what Claimants
2 assert to have been their damages, at this point we have no
3 idea. And this idea of offset that the Tribunal asked
4 about last Friday is really a mechanism for contrasting on
5 the one hand the liability that Chevron should be held
6 accountable for, assuming a fair process, something that
7 this Tribunal can do, just as the Commercial Cases Tribunal
8 did, and contrasting that against the wrongs committed by
9 the Claimants in Ecuador.
10 So, with that, I will conclude my remarks and turn

So, with that, I will conclude my remarks and turn the table back to my colleagues.

12 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

13 Mr. Bloom.

MR. BLOOM: And now we're going to have a few additional answers to the Tribunal's questions of last Friday. I'll first turn the floor over to Mr. Leonard.

17 MR. LEONARD: Thank you.

18 If I could just have one minute.

19 (Pause.)

20 MR. LEONARD: I apologize.

So, with your indulgence, I would like to address the Tribunal's question which reads as follows: What is the position as a matter of public international law as

24 regards punitive or multiple damages amounting to a denial

25 of justice per se?

05:14 1 of punitive damages could be considered an anomaly in 2 Ecuadorian law.

Now, as to the interpretation of multiple damages,
I read that as a reference to excessive damages, and I
would like the--I would ask the Tribunal to correct me if
I'm wrong, but the answer or the research that we conducted
we conducted on the basis of interpreting the concept of
multiple damages as excessive damages. Now, again, there
is no authority for a strict liability standard. Excessive
damages cannot amount to a denial of justice per se.
Excessive damages understood as irrational damages, lacking
any basis in law or in fact, could hypothetically
conceivably under the circumstances of a given case, serve
as a basis for a finding of denial of justice. We submit
that that's not the case here.

Mr. Ewing, this morning, addressed the various bases for the Court's findings and determinations in terms of quantum of damages, in respect of each of the categories of damages requested and awarded in the Lago Agrio Judgment.

So, I'm afraid that I come empty-handed. Our research doesn't yield any results that, in my view, could assist the Tribunal in addressing this issue, and for that I apologize.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you nonetheless.

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05:16 1 MR. BLOOM: And I'm now going to turn the floor 2 over to one of my colleague from the Attorney General's 3 Office, Ms. Daniela Palacios.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please.

MS. PALACIOS: Thank you, Mr. President. Members 6 of the Tribunal, good afternoon.

I will be responding now to two of the Tribunal's 8 questions raised last Friday.

First, regarding the timing of the outstanding 10 action pending before the Constitutional Court and second, 11 about the current statutes of the enforcement actions filed 12 in Argentina, Brazil, and Canada.

Regarding the first question, in light of your 13 14 request, we've made inquiries with the Constitutional Court 15 to obtain official statistics regarding the average time 16 for extraordinary actions of protection to be heard and 17 decided. We are at this time still waiting for an answer. 18 Nevertheless, to respond to the Tribunal's concerns, we

19 have considered information available at the Constitutional 20 Court's official Web site.

But before we get to the numbers, allow me to 22 update the Tribunal on the current status of the action.

23 Chevron filed its extraordinary action of protection based

24 on alleged constitutional rights violations on

25 December 23rd, 2013. The action was filed against the

2 related to the current status of the actions filed in 3 Argentina, Brazil, and Canada. Simply the actions have not 4 moved forward. Now, Members of the Tribunal, one must keep in mind that the first step before enforcement is exequatur, 7 in all three enforcement actions we are only at this 8 preliminary stage. 9 Once a decision from the Ecuadorian court has been 10 nationalized, only then the execution proceedings can 11 commence. 12 But let's take each jurisdiction in turn. 13 First, Argentina. Our Expert haven't been able to 14 access the record. Nevertheless, all we know is that the exequatur request has been filed.

Moving on to the Tribunal's second guestion

Second, Brazil, according to the information 17 available, the last development took place more than two years ago on April 4th, 2013. This is consistent with the information we provided to the Tribunal through our

Brazilian Experts who found that the process of exequatur 21 and enforcement can take more than a decade. For the

22 record, this is Exhibit R-444, Paragraph 22.

As it was pointed out yesterday by Mr. Pate, 24 according to the Superior Tribunal of Justice official Web 25 site, the type of action is listed as Civil Liability and

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05:17 1 National Court's Judgment and Clarification Order dated

2 November 12th and 22nd, 2013 respectively.

According to the corresponding law, on 4 January 2nd, 2014, the Court that issued the Judgment--this 5 is the National Court--sent the file to the Constitutional 6 Court on January 14, 2014. The Constitutional Court

7 Secretariat confirmed that no other action based on the

8 same legal or factual argument is pending resolution by the 9 Constitutional Court.

Finally, on March 20th, 2014, the Constitutional 11 Court admitted the claim, and it's currently being 12 analyzed.

Now, back to the numbers. 13

14 We have looked at all the decisions issued by the 15 Constitutional Court since March 2014--that is over the 16 last 12 months--and calculated how long it took the Court 17 to decide extraordinary actions of protection. Some 18 actions have been decided in as few as five months. 19 Several have taken as long as 59 months. In our review of 20 the decided cases over the last year, we noted that many

21 were for actions commenced in 2010, 2011, and 2012. Very

22 few of the decisions were issued for cases commenced in

23 2013 and 2014. Of course, like many courts around the

24 world, we would not know when the decisions are issued

25 until it is actually issued.

05:21 1 Civil Law. What Mr. Pate didn't tell this Tribunal is that 2 the request made by the Court to the Brazilian Public 3 Ministry has been pending since 2013.

Last but not least, Canada. Our Expert, George 5 Pollock, has observed, and I quote: "The entire 6 recognition and enforcement process could take as many as 7 six years or even longer before it is completed." For the record, this is Exhibit R-443 at Paragraph 23.

9 As Mr. Pate noted yesterday as well, the Canadian courts are grappling right now with the threshold guestion 11 as to whether the Plaintiffs may even proceed in Canada. 12 If they are permitted to do so, the proceedings will begin 13 all over again at the first-instance court level.

14 Thank you.

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PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

MR. BLOOM: And I'm now going to turn to another 16 17 colleague from the Attorney General's office, Ms. Maria Teresa Borja. 18

19 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please.

20 MS. BORJA: Thank you, Mr. President, Members of 21 the Tribunal.

22 I would like to spend just a couple of minutes to 23 clarify the applicable Ecuadorian law relating to the 24 issues of whether Chevron could bring a third-party claim

25 against Petroecuador within the Lago Agrio proceedings or,

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05:22 1 in the alternative, whether Chevron could bring
2 Petroecuador as an additional Defendant in the Lago Agrio
3 proceedings.

Under Ecuadorian law, the Parties, as well as the Judges, can act only in accordance with what is expressly permitted and regulated by procedural provisions. As a general rule, in all Ecuadorian procedures, the Claimant, the Respondents, and the Judge are not allowed to assert or assign claims against a third party to an active process. There are exceptions, but such exceptions must be expressly provided by rule. Dr. Andrade has confirmed this in his Expert Reports--for the record, RE-20, Paragraph 25 and RE-27, Paragraphs 49 and 50.

Ecuadorian law does not regulate and therefore
does not permit the joining of a third party in summary
oral proceedings. Therefore, it is not possible to bring a
third party into these type of proceedings. The Experts of
both Parties have confirmed this. Even if one would assume
that the Lago Agrio Case would have been treated as an
ordinary proceeding rather than an oral summary proceeding,
something that would have not been possible under that EMA,
there is no legal provision under an ordinary proceeding
that allows a Party to bring a third party into this type
of process. Neither the Parties nor the Judge can make
such a request.

05:25 1 proceedings commenced by Claimants against Petroecuador
2 would not deal with Chevron and Petroecuador's liability
3 for environmental damage. The corresponding court would
4 instead assess the percentage of Petroecuador's liability
5 as a co-debtor.

Finally, Article 494 was incorporated into the
Ecuadorian legal system in order to allow third parties to
join an action if they voluntarily wished to do so due to a
direct injury to its interests.

Thank you.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you very much.

12 MR. BLOOM: Now, let me turn the floor over to yet 13 another colleague from the Attorney General's Office,

l4 Mr. Luis Felipe Aguilar.

PRESIDENT VEEDER: Please.

MR. AGUILAR: Thank you, Mr. President.

In response to your question about the status of pending prosecutions, investigations and/or disciplinary actions against specific individuals involved in the Lago Agrio Litigation, the Office of the Attorney General has made inquiries in the hopes of obtaining information responsive to your request.

23 However, the Criminal Code imposes rules of 24 confidentiality that prohibit the Prosecutor Office from 25 disclosing the requested information, even to the Office of

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05:24 1 At Paragraph 414 of Dr. Coronel's First Expert
2 Report, he wrongly concluded that it's possible to bring a
3 third party into an active ordinary proceeding based on
4 Articles 108, 109, 492 and 494 of the Ecuadorian Court of
5 Civil Procedure.

Dr. Coronel's affirmation is erroneous for three reasons. First, Article 108 and 109 of the Civil Procedure Code are applicable exclusively for cases in which two processes ought to be joined. This provision cannot be relied upon within a single case--that is, to bring a new Party into an existing action. Instead, these Articles could be invoked only if there were two parallel proceedings at the same time, in which case the two separate cases could be joined.

15 Here, Chevron never brought a separate action 16 against Petroecuador. Absent a parallel action, the rule 17 is inapplicable.

17 is inapplicable.

18 Second, Article 492 allows a third party to be
19 heard as long as one of its interests has been affected.

20 Nevertheless, this Article is applicable when the third

21 party wishes and requests to be heard.

22 Petroecuador has not been injured in the Lago 23 Agrio Case. Petroecuador may be held liable as a co-debtor

24 if Claimants decide to pursue a separate action as provided

25 by the Ecuadorian law. If that were to occur, the

1 the Attorney General. For this reason I cannot report on 2 any details except to say that it has been confirmed to us 3 that there are more than one investigations concerning the 4 Lago Agrio Case that are currently pending.

5 The details and scope of these investigations are 6 not known to the Attorney General's Office.

7 We're aware of the pending investigation involving 8 Mr. Guerra, but we learned of it only through this 9 proceeding. That is because Mr. Guerra, by law, had to be 10 notified of the investigation, and he presumably disclosed 11 it to the Claimants, who have, from time to time, updated 12 it to the Tribunal and us.

Of course, as noted on Thursday, the Office of the
Attorney General has not received a letter seeking
information from this arbitration related to that
investigation. But even with respect to this
investigation, and even though we have reason to believe

that multiple persons are being investigated, we do not how precisely whose conduct other than Mr. Guerra's is

20 under investigation, what charges are being considered or

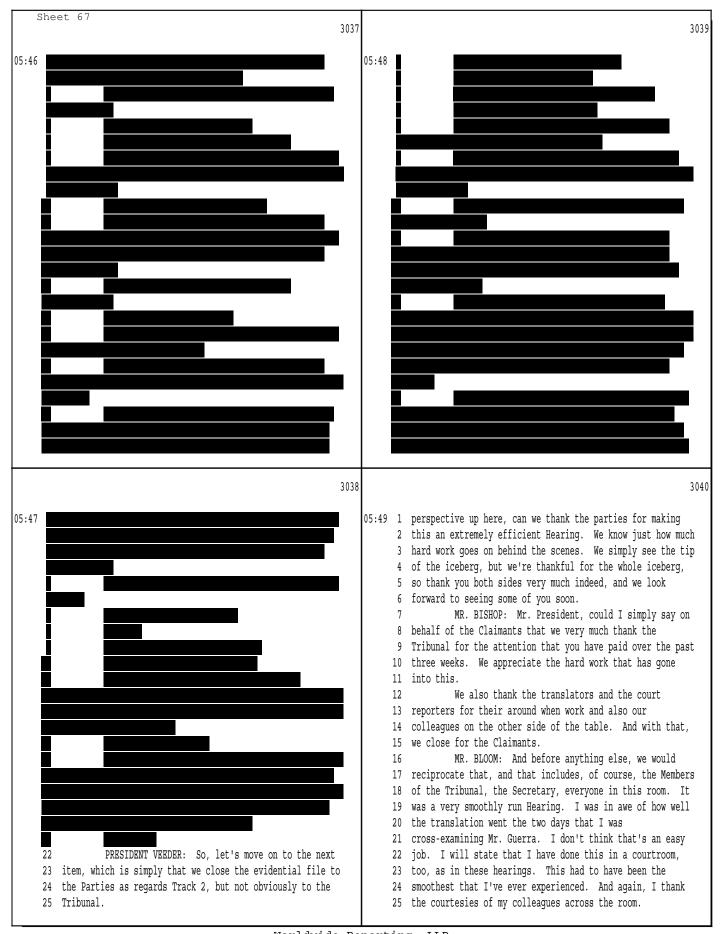
21 when the investigation will come to an end.

Thank you, Mr. President.
PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you.

MR. BLOOM: And finally, that brings this oral

25 submission back to me for the final two minutes.

Sheet 66 3033 3035 05:28 1 As I noted earlier today, this is a case about a 05:32 2 case. And at its heart that case is about contamination. 3 There are real victims, real Plaintiffs, and real claims. Recall that the Claimants did not want the United 5 States courts to hear this case. They no longer accept the 6 Judgment of Ecuador. And on April 20 of this year, the day 7 before this Hearing commenced, when pressed by the Second 8 Circuit Panel if they would agree to a retrial of the 9 Plaintiffs' claims in the United States courts, they 10 declined. And they told you yesterday that, in their view, 11 12 you do not even have the right to consider their actual 13 liabilities, assuming, of course, there are actual 14 liabilities. According to the Claimants, nobody--no court, 15 no forum, no Tribunal--can or should give the indigenous 16 Plaintiffs their day in court, and we are now at 22 years 17 and counting. To be clear, Claimants not only seek to avoid 18 19 their liabilities to the indigenous Plaintiffs, but they 20 seek to send a message to all those who would ever have the 21 audacity to bring suit against them. I refer you to the first 20 pages of our 23 November 7, 2014, submission in which we identified the 24 extraordinary lengths to which Claimants have gone in their 25 efforts to avoid any liabilities in connection for the 3034 3036 05:30 1 pollution in the Oriente. 05:33 They've spent hundreds of millions of dollars on 3 lawyers, public relations firms, and lobbyists. They have placed scientific articles so their 5 Experts could cite to them and lobbied editorial boards of 6 newspapers so that they could cite to them as well. They have used their war chest to scare off 8 witnesses, and they have used that same war chest to line 9 up witnesses. We are asking that you see through all the noise Is there anything you want to list for the Agenda? 11 and all the interference, and in all fairness, not only the 11 But we will develop it after the break. 12 noise generated by the Claimants. To be clear, it is not 12 We ask the Claimants first. 13 only Claimants who are seeking justice. We are seeking 13 MR. BISHOP: No. The Claimants have nothing 14 justice, justice for all the Parties before you, and 14 further, Mr. President. Thank you. 15 justice for those who are not. PRESIDENT VEEDER: And the Respondent? 15 We very much appreciate the time that you've 16 16 MR. BLOOM: Nor do we. 17 afforded the Parties over the last three weeks, and for 17 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's break for ten minutes and 18 your every courtesy. And with that, Mr. President and then we'll come back and conclude the Hearing. 18 19 Members of the Tribunal, that concludes our oral 19 (Brief recess.) 20 submission. 20 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Let's resume. 21 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Thank you for that.



Sheet 68 3041 05:50 1 PRESIDENT VEEDER: Well, thank you for all that, 2 and with that we close this Hearing. Have safe journeys (Whereupon, at 5:51 p.m., the Hearing was 5 concluded.) 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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