

Record of Tape Recorded Interview



Person Interviewed **MR CARL ADRIAN PAGE (CP)**

Exhibit No:
Number of pages:

Place of Interview **Hand Morgan & Owen
17 Martin Street
Stafford
ST16**

Signature of interviewing
officer producing exhibit

Date of Interview **23rd April 2003**

Time commenced **16:31 hours**

Time concluded **17:15 hours**

Duration of interview **46 minutes**

Tape reference no **058038**

Interviewing Officer(s) **Manish Patel (MP)**

Colin Price (Colin)

Other persons present **Mr Patrick Farrington (PF)**

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
00:10	MP	Okay, I'm resuming the interview the time is now 16:31 hours, we remain in the same room which is the offices of Hand Morgan & Owen, at 17 Martin Street in Stafford, my name is Manish Patel and my colleague
	Colin	Colin Price
	MP	Can I just go around the table and get everyone to introduce themselves, Carl
	CP	Carl Adrian Page
	MP	And
	PF	Patrick Farrington
00:34	MP	Carl I've got to remind you that you remain under Caution and that is you do not have to say anything but it may harm your defence if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in Court, anything you do say maybe given in evidence. Do you understand that
	CP	Yep
	MP	Are you happy with the full explanation I gave you before
	CP	Yes, no problem
	MP	Okay, just a couple of things, again you have the same legal rights as before and I'll use the form again here CS001 side B, I remind you that this is a voluntary interview and that you are not under arrest, again you

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		do not have to remain at this interview and if you do remain you have the right to legal representation
	CP	Yeah I've signed and agreed to that yeah
	MP	Obviously your solicitor is here and you can read the Police and Criminal Evidence Act, can I , this is the 2 nd part it's a continuation, if we put the, if you just put the time in there which is now 16:32 and the date
	CP	23 rd isn't it
	MP	Yeah, those parts there just says I confirm that I have
	CP	Sign there and date it yeah
	MP	Been reminded yeahand again here it says I wish to speak to a solicitor as soon as practical, if you want to sign there for me
	CP	Sign there and leave that blank
	MP	Yeah leave that blank and it says if you don't want to speak to a solicitor you know you can change your mind at any point
	CP	I put yes there okay
	MP	Please, okay happy with that
	CP	Thank you
	MP	Just one last point , the additional right to have a Post Office friend present, would you like anyone present
	CP	No, no
	MP	You sure
	CP	I've got my solicitor thank you
	MP	Okay, if that, if you should change your mind about that please let us know
	CP	I will do yeah
	MP	Right we were just moving onto, these are the, this is item number or exhibit number NJW/7
	CP	Um hah
	MP	These were a number of First Rate faxes which we re recovered from your office on the night of the 13 th
	CP	Yeah okay

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Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
03:50	MP	Okay, do you recognise them as the
	CP	Yes
	MP	Right okay, the top one on here is in relation to the 13 th of January 2003
	CP	Okay
	MP	Timed at 08:13 hours
	CP	Okay
	MP	Okay and if we just quickly look down at the euro values for notes euros on that day for under £5000 would have been 1.4583 yeah
	CP	Um hah
	MP	I'm not, there is a Thomas Cook figure there, I'm not too interested in that
	CP	Thomas Cook ?
	MP	Sorry erm Travellers cheques and then if we look along at the euros for buy backs the rate for buying them back was 1.6087
	CP	Okay
	MP	Yeah okay.....right now in relation to, in relation to this exhibit
		and as I say I'm going to go through some of the entries on here, not all of them
	CP	Um hah
	MP	But some of the entries okay and what I will do I'll show you, what I've done, what I've done, those till roles you obviously know what those till roles look like and I've got one here as an example
	CP	Okay yeah
	MP	They're not very friendly to work with, so therefore I've gone through them copied the entries
	CP	Okay
	MP	And we'll be discussing those copies okay
	CP	Okay
	MP	Now lets just have a quick look at the first erm, yeah lets have a look at the 8 th of May okay. 8 th of May on this schedule (MP/3) if we can find it there isn't an 8 th of May okay

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	CP	Um hah
	MP	As a buy back, there is a 7 th and there is a 9 th
	CP	Um hah
	MP	Yeah and if we go over to the 2 nd page
	CP	There's a 9 th there
	MP	There's a 9 th so there's two transactions which occurred on the 9 th
	CP	Um hah
	MP	And one occurred on the 7 th okay
	CP	Um hah, yeah
	MP	This is a portion of the till roll right, that's the portion of the till roll that we found okay
	CP	Um hah
	MP	And as you can see it's got 15:39 hours
	CP	Can I say something you said buy back, that's sell note
	MP	I know, sorry when did I say buy back
	CP	You just said buy back
	MP	Did I, I sorry I meant sell note, sell note
	CP	Okay yeah
	MP	This whole schedule
	CP	Okay, okay yeah
	MP	Is talking about selling notes okay, apologies for that, erm 15:39 hours 8 th May 2002 we've got sell note 36,000 euros at 1.69
	CP	Um hah
	MP	Okay and the sterling value for that is £21,301.79
	CP	Okay
	MP	Okay, now do you know why that transaction doesn't appear on this schedule
	CP	No
	MP	No, okay, it doesn't because having performed that well, would I be right in saying that that was a transaction done for Mr GRO
	CPit may have been yes

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Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
	MP	I mean he's the only one who buys the large values
	CP	Yeah
	MP	We're talking about
	CP	Yeah
	MP	Is there anyone else, any firms any
	CP	No
	MP	One else
	CP	No
	MP	That you're aware of, okay so it's probably Mr GRO who purchased that
	CP	He might have done yes
	MP	Okay
	CP	I can't think of why
	MP	Would he have come in on site to purchase those
	CP	I'd have thought so yes
	MP	Has there ever been an occasion where euros have been taken to him
	CP	No
	MP	No, but other people on occasions have come in collect them for him like his daughter did I think and his brother in Law
	CP	His daughter ? and he had a gentleman come in
	MP	Right but they always come in to purchase them
	CP	Yes
	MP	They've never been taken off site by either you, Margaret anyone else
	CP	Nop, I've done that in the past for maybe a few people but not Mr GRO and when I've done the past it might be an old lady who can't get down and
	MP	Right
	CP	Could be £100
	MP	But you're absolutely sure in your mind that you've never taken euros of the premises to hand to Mr GRO
	CP	Definitely not

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	MP	Okay, the reason it's not on that schedule is because on the early hours of the 9 th of May
	CP	Um hah
	MP	06:11 hours on the 9 th May we have here a reversal
	CP	Um hah
	MP	Right
	CP	Yep
	MP	Explain to us what a reversal is please
	CP	You're just reversing the transaction, that's all
	MP	Right, what would the reasons be for reversing it
	CP	Maybe I put it in twice or I'm showing a loss or gain, as I said I might have put it in twice by accident
	MP	Right
	CP	Or he might have phoned me up and say.....how much er are 36 euros what's the best rate and the way you have ? probably one point whatever it was
	MP	Right
	CP	And I give him that and come in next morning to balance of, is the 9 th of May a Wednesday or a Thursday morning
	MP	I think you'll find it's a Thursday
	CP	Well I come in to balance the till off on the Thursday morning and I've just reversed the cheque
	MP	Is it a Thursday
	Colin	Thursday yeah
07:20	MP	So okay, he bought, he bought 36 grand
	CP	He might have, I don't know I might have done, what times the transaction
	MP	Five, 15:39
	CP	He wouldn't have had it he wouldn't have, it's very rare that he comes in at that time, it would be first thing in the morning so
	MP	So he didn't perform that transaction

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	CP	No, I might have, he might have phoned me up, and asked me a question, how much is 36 euro how much would it cost
	MP	But this is a transaction which is put through
	CP	Yeah, but I've reversed it
	MP	It's been confirmed, yeah the following day
	CP	Yeah but that's a Wednesday
	MP	Yeah
	CP	That's a Thursday morning
	MP	Yeah
	CP	And I might have forgot to reverse it, cause you have to put it in the machine
	MP	So he sometimes rings up and asks you
	CP	No, maybe once or twice, that's about it, it's not a common occurrence no
	MP	No but, sorry I'm loosing the plot here, he must have rung up the office on the 8 th of May
	CP	He may have done yes
	MP	And said I want to buy 36,000 euros
	CP	Yeah, how much will that cost me Carl
	MP	So someone's put it in, tapped it into the machine
	CP	Yeah, I mean there's no other way you can do it is there
	MP	But they've gone ahead with it, you see that's a transaction which has gone through
	CP	Right
	MP	Isn't it
	CP	Yeah, I mean you can just cancel it as I said you can just reverse it, there's not a difference between cancel it there and
	MP	So he wasn't, he wasn't, he can't, he wasn't
	CP	He might not have been
	MP	In on that day
	CP	He might not have been, he might have been

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08:57	MP	Okay
	CP	It's very rare that he comes in at that time, that's all I can say
	MP	Right, okay
	Colin	If that was a Wednesday, the transaction was done
	CP	I'd have balance the till on the Thursday morning before everyone opened up
	Colin	Is that what you do
	CP	Yeah
	Colin	So that
	CP	It's the work loading
	Colin	Would have been done before you actually balanced
	CP	That's right yeah, see it would have made difference to the till
	Colin	Because you can't do reversals in different weeks can you
	CP	Well I haven't rolled over have I
	Colin	That's what I'm saying
	CP	I haven't rolled over the moneychanger
	Colin	Yeah
	CP	Do you know what I mean by that
	Colin	Yeah
	MP	Okay, lets move on
	CP	Has that transaction been duplicated earlier on the week
	MP	Duplicated on another week
	CP	No earlier on in the week
	MP	Earlier in the week no
	CP	No okay
	MP	No, lets move onto later in the day on the 9 th okay, so that was a reversal that you did
	CP	Yeah okay
	MP	That would have been you wouldn't it at 06:11, I mean
	CP	It would be 07:11 cause of the time
	MP	Because of the time yeah, well no actually it wouldn't in May because the

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		clocks have already gone forward again haven't they so that is the proper time
	CP	Okay
	MP	So at 06:11 Margaret wouldn't have been there would she
	CP	It would have been me
	MP	Right so you did the reversal, we can fairly
	CP	Cause on the Wednesday we do all, you know main majority of the balancing being the Postmaster yeah
	MP	Okay and you think the reversal probably would have been because
	CPthere'd be, there'd be a genuine reason for it is that you know I might not have cancelled it from the previous day or whatever
	MP	Right okay, lets move along to and as I say that was 06:11, lets move along to 09:07 on the same day then
	CP	Er yeah
	MP	09:07
	CP	Um hah
	MP	Right, 8 th of May
	CP	Is that for the same amount.
	MP	It is, we have sell note, 36,000 at 1.69, the amount being £21,301.78 exactly the same as
	CP	Yep.
	MP	As what we had earlier
	CP	Well as I said he might have phoned me up said I'm coming tomorrow, how much and that's it
	MP	Right, right
	CP	That's the only thing you can think of
	MP	Okay, so he made a telephone enquiry on the 8 th , Wednesday the 8 th albeit on the till rolls it appears that you did a transaction
	CP	He might have asked one of the ladies
	MP	Right
	CP	Or whatever, I mean I don't know

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