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1	MR. JAFFE: Will the record note Colonel
2	Kelly has already been sworn previously and this
3	is a continuation of his testimony?
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5	DAVID B. KELLY
6	recalled, duly previously sworn, testified further as
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8	BIRECT EXAMINATION
9	By Mr Jaffe:
10	Q Colonel, my recollection is we finished with the
11	question you were describing, a meeting in August, I chink
12	August 17, 1965, in Newark which begins the specific
13	preparation in your administration for civil disturbances
14	Could you tell us, please, what occurred at that meeting?
15	A The Governor called a meeting, and we met at the
16	Newarker Restaurant at the airport, and the reason for the
17	meeting was to coordinate the major cities with the State
18	Police and the National Guard At the meeting were the
19	Mayors of Newark, Camden, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Paterson
20	and Trenton.
21	Q Could you tell us, Colonel, in essence what the
22	discussion was about and what plans were made as a result?
23	A At that meeting the Governor, through our information
24	outlined the possibility of disorders in the state, and it

was agreed at that time that the policy by the Governor was

that the State Police would be the first state agency in to any municipality and the National Guard would be alerted and activated only at the request of the State Police

The policy was discussed with the mayors, and some of the mayors said that they would never need the State Police or National Guard, and others said that they did have things under control Others said they would call the State Police immediately At least they were set pretty firm on the policy that the Governor had decided upon.

Q Do you know whether or not there was any general order of the State Police or a memorandum from the Governor's Office confirming that procedure? Would you know that?

A No, there wasn't any order, but we have the minutes of that meeting, and I can give you those minutes. Q Do you have those minutes?

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Q May I have them, please?

A I think they are someplace in this correspondence I will give you the minutes. They are here someplace.

MR. JAFFE: Just note in the record that this will be Exhibit C-3 It will be a copy of the minutes of the meeting the Colonel referred to. (EXHIBIT NO. C-3 WAS RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE.) By Mr. Jaffe:

Q As a result of that meeting, could you tell me what were the next steps taken by the State Police in preparation for handling civil disturbances?

A Well, we immediately got working with the National Guard First we became familiar with the commanders in the National Guard.

Q Who was your liaison man with the National Guard? With whom did you work?

A I worked with General Cantwell, but Colonel Sharp was the liaison.

Q Is Colonel Sharp on General Cantwell's staff?A Right.

Q What is his title?

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: He is the Chief of Staff of the Department of Defense In the State of New Jersey we have a Department of Defense just as the national Department of Defense This is headed by Major General Cantwell. He would be the equivalent of the full-time adjutant in other states. His staff is headed by Colonel Sharp as opposed to, for example, the Fiftieth Armored Divisions headed by General Weyhenmeyer, whose ' Chief of Staff is Colonel Britt It is important to remember this because it will help you to define some of the things that happened in Newark and



Plainfield in terms of chain of command and control Tou must think of the Department of Defense as sitting in this corner and the Diffield Armored Division which supplied the troops headed by Ocheral Weyhenmeyer and his staff in this corner (indicating), General Cantwell's Chief of Staff over here, being Colonel Sharp, who is not the Chief of Staff normally

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BIGHOP DOUGHERTY: It seems to me we now have a Department of Defense, an Army, a National Guard, a State Police Am I correct?

VIEW CHAININ BROWN: No. It breaks down this way, Bishop: You have a Department of Defense. Under the Department of Defense are the Air National Guard people and our National Guard, which is called the Army National Guard, both at which administratively come under that corner

(indicating), General Cantwell and Colonel Sharp.

The operational units, the Air National Guard, which is commanded by a General and the main army force, which is the 50th armored division, plus non-divisional units, come under them but are not operational generally They are under them for

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and Colonel Sharp. You did not meet with Colonel Weyhenmeyer or Colonel Britt, the actual commanders of troops, with the administrative commanders?

EISHOP DOUGHERTY: General Cantwell testified in Washington this week.

THE WITNESS: Very critically.

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BISHOP DOUGHERTY: Is that relevant to our discussions at all?

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: It will be, and it is very relevant, particularly his criticisms of what the national body compared to this had said and done. Also I believe that you are in receipt of certain statements sent by General Cantwell.

MR. WACHENFELD: He is going to appear as a witness before us?

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yes. I think, Judge, before he comes, if you don't understand this structure, some of the very crucial arcas of control and administrative chain of command which Dave will testify to as being pertinent to control of specific troops, reaction of troops and the general demeanor will help you.

MR. WACHENFELD: I may not understand the structure, but you understand what he said That

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Ey Mr. Jaffe:

Q Colonel, could you tell us, then, what your conversations with the National Guard were and what kind of liaison you established? This is in the period of the fall of 1905, is that right?

A Right From that period on we had meetings with the Nitional Guard, first, to determine their structure as you received it here, the equipment, the availability of personnel and equipment, the State Police role and association, the missions that would be assigned and generally familiarization with their equipment and the use of their equipment and our equipment and familiarization with personnel commanders.

Q Did the National Guard set up a specific unit to handle civil disorders as a result of your conversations?

A The National Guard has an MP Company with the primary role for civil disorders. Their role was in this conventional type organization where the formation is in squads and platoons and the dispersing of people en masse and the use of gas and such things as this, but never in the use of firearms.

Q Was there an agreement made at this time as to the command structure that would result if a civil disturbance occurred and both the State Police and the National Guard

were in the same area?

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Q What was that?

A The command structure was this: That General Cantwell would react to any request I made of him for the National Guard and if I requested the National Guard ---

Q Excuse me by interrupting you. It would be your decision based on the Governor's decision, and you would implement the Governor's decision to bring the National Guard in? Is that the agreement?

A Let me go back. As you know, the legal structure of this is that if the mayor of the municipality requested assistance, the State Police would go first Our policy is that wherever there is a disturbance or a pending disturbance or a possible disturbance, we have observers there The observers and the State Police keep us constantly informed of the situation We in turn will keep the Governor informed. If the mayor requests assistance, it has to be from the mayor to the Governor; the Governor them asks me, "Is this request valid?" and I say yes or no.

On this I would say I need the National Guard. He in turn would accept this recommendation and activate the , National Guard.

Q That was the agreement you reached in the fall of 1965?

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Right Α When the National Guard would come into a particular Q. area, who would be the commander in charge? А The National Guard is commanded and would be commanded by National Guard officers as the State Police would be commanded by State Police officers. The liaison would be worked out between you and Q the National Guard? Right Λ Q As an overall responsibility? A Right At this time, Colonel, did you also work out the Q tactical aspects of a joint operation? A Right Could you tell what those were? Q VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Is it true that actually at the time of call you would work out with the National Guard the overall responsibility, or is it a fact that it was determined that you would have the overall responsibility? THE WITNESS: It was determined that I would have the overall responsibility VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: It was not to be worked out: this was predetermined that you as commander

of the State Police would have the overall

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Q Could you tell us the tactical -- by that I mean the radio communication, command structures and so forth that were worked out?

A If you are talking of 1905 --

Q Yes, 1 am talking 1965

At that time we were talking about conventional Λ 9 10 disturbances where we weren't involved in sniper fighting and shooting and this sype of thing At that time the 11 12 communications were tested, National Guard communications and our communications were tosted. No put in State Police 13 14 radios in the National Guard commanders' cars and General Cantwell has a State Police radio and his major commanders 15 16 do have State Police radios We tested their equipment. 17 When you say major commanders, how many people Q

would that be?

¹⁹ A Three brigade commanders, Colonel Sharp and General
 ²⁰ Cantwell.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: These three brigades
 are from the 50th Armored Division? They are the
 integral striking arms of the division, three
 brigades and an administration company which handles
 the administration aspects, including the chaplain,

the Adjutant General and so forth Then there is the staff or headquarters, which includes General Weyhenmeyer, Colonel Britt and his operational people, including the S-3 or operations officer

So in your plan they were not included? THE WITNESS: I can best describe it this way: That the radios were put in the command vehicles and they were state-owned cars. Whether General Weyhenmeyer has a state-owned car or not assigned to him I don't know, but General Cantwell does, Celonel Sharp does, and those people that had state-owned cars we put radios in there. Whether General Weyhenmeyer has one I don't know, and the brigades belong to him.

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Q What other actions did you take to integrate the forces?

A We had meetings within each troop and, as I said before, Troop A in the State Police is South Jersey; Troop
B is North Jersey and Troop C is Central Jersey. The brigades as such were married up to the particular troops.
They had meetings; they had CPX's, command post exercises. We had the M. P. company train State Police and the

State Police train the M. P companies. We had courses in legal procedures as to arrest procedures and as to

containment procedures and such as that

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Q Mat role during the fall of 1965 and the period thereafter did the State Police play with any of the local municipalities in the area of preparing for civil defense orders?

A Well, again, as I told you, we have observers, and there are many instances that come within the course of the year, strikes and so forth.

Q Did you make any surveys of the capabilities of any of the local municipalities?

A We made surveys, and I can give you copies.

Q Will you tell us generally and what cities?

A 5/8/65 The cities we have are Jersey City, Elizabeth, Newark, Paterson, Camden.

Q Could we have those surveys?

A Right.

MR. JAPPE: Will the record note that C-4 will be surveys prepared by the State Police of cities in 1965

(EXHIBIT NO. C-4 WAS RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE.)

By Mr Jaffe:

Q Toll us how the surveys were prepared and generally what they said.

A We made out a format and we went to the city and asked the cities to cooperate, and this is what it contains

the size, the population, the mayor, the police director, the chief, the location of their headquarters and their precincts, their manpower, their supervisors, the uniformed personnel, their plainclothes personnel, their emergency equipment to include ammunition, guns, gas masks, helmets, auxiliary lighting, portable barriers, photographic equipment, copies of local ordinances, transportation available, communications, their frequencies, the number of walkie-talkies, the number of public address system bull horns and the points of assembly that we would have, and the approach routes that we would have, the alternate approach routes

Q Do those reports show the names of individuals in the local municipalities with whom your people worked in preparing those reports?

A No, but I would assume it would have to be the responsibility of the chief

Q The chief of police in the municipality?

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Q Were the cities given copies of your reports? A Right Actually it came from the cities, but they have a copy of this survey.

Q Were those surveys also given to the National Guard? A Yes.

Q Did the State Police or the National Guard act on

those surveys in any manner?

A When you say act on them --

Q As a result of making a survey of a particular city would any organization in the state review the survey to ascertain whether or not the equipment, the manpower, the emergency procedures were adequate or inadequate?

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Q Who would do that?

A We did this and we found that one of the major problems we would have is gas. None of the police departments in the whole state had a gas mask that could contain CS gas, the new type gas It boiled down to the point if we did have to use gas, the only people that would be equipped would be the National Guard and the State Police Everybody else would have to get out of the area. Local police departments did not have the gas masks that could contain this new gas.

Q Was any effort made to apprise local municipalities of this type of efficiency?

A We told them. We had meetings with them, we informed them of the situation about the gas masks with the type of gas we used, and they were informed of this.

Q To your knowledge none of the local municipalities obtained the type of gas masks you are referring to?

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A They got some. In fact, there are many requests

of the National Guard for use of gas masks, use of helmets. They didn't have helmets and gas masks Were these requests in 1965 or were they post riot Q requests? These were in 1965. We told them about it. Α MR. LOFTON: Colonel, were all of the municipalities that were included in the capability survey found to be deficient as far as these gas masks are concerned? THE WITNESS: Yes. MR. LOFTON: All of them? THE WITNESS: I am talking about the six major cities This was a 1965 report, and Newark is one of them. MR. LOFTON: In terms of their reaction to your evaluation did all six make the requests for the gas masks? THE WITNESS: No. MR. LOFTON: Which ones did and which ones didn't? THE WITNESS: It was a local municipality, and it was up to them to purchase them and get them whatever way they could. I don't think they got They may have by now, but not until after them.

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By Mr Jaffe:

Q It would not be your function to supply them but to point out the deficiencies?

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Q What other deficiencies did you point out to the six municipalities as a result of your 1965 surveys?

A One of the dificiencies -- it really isn't a deficiency but an inadequacy -- we didn't have enough radio frequencies, or there were not common channels With the agencies involved there were not enough common frequencies that we could communicate with one another. This was a deficiency

Q Were there other inadequacies based on your review? A Yes. We found out that they didn't have any barrier equipment, stanchions

Q Describe that.

A Stanchions and rope and things like that to contain people in crowds if they did have something of this sort. We asked them if they would make a survey to determine whether it would be available by county or by any other agency that would have this type of equipment if they needed it We found out that they did have this problem.

Q What about transportation facilities in local municipalities, what was the status of those facilities? A Transportation facilities, if we are talking about

cars, it is contingent on the local agencies to determine whether they need cars for patrols or investigators or detectives If we are talking about cars for a type of ---

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Q Vehicles to handle disturbances, was that evaluated at that time?

A No, not as such. We told them of the type of mobile patrols that we would have, type and kind of patrols that we would have. Whether they could have enough to take care of this we didn't know.

Q Was there any attempt in this period of 1965 to request from the local municipalities a plan of riot control as to whether or not (a) they had one, or (b) they were working on one?

A On some municipalities we requested the State Police to give them training in the conventional book type riot control. We have a book, and I can give you a copy of it. It has been a long time that we have had it, but we have updated it It is on the formations, the type and kind of equipment to be used. We did provide most of the municipalities and requested it.

> MR. JAFFE: Could the record note that C-5 will be a munual of the State Police on riot training which we will get later? (EXHIBIT NO. C-5 WAS RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE.)

> > MR. GIBBONS: Which municipalities requested

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THE WITNESS: There are many of them, but I don't know specifically. I could find out, of course There are many smaller municipalities that requested it.

MR. CIBBONS: Did any of the major cities request it?

THE WITNESS: Yes. We gave Jersey City copies of it.

MR, WACHENFELD: Did Newark request it? THE WITNESS: I don't know.

By Mr Jaffe:

Q Could you check and let us know?

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Would you know about Plainfield, Englewood and Paterson? You have talked about the major cities. Would you list them? Perhaps they are not included in the ones we discussed. Six major cities I think you said.

THE WITNESS: It was Newark, Paterson, Jersey City, Elizabeth, Trenton and Camden. By Mr. Jaffe:

Q Colonel, besides the riot training manual of the State Police, did any of the municipalities indicate to you whether they had a plan of operation, a practical plan, if

that is the right phrase, as to how to contain and handle

such disturbances? 1 A We talked about Jersey City; we talked about 2 Newark. 3 Q Is this again in the period 1965? 4 A Yes. We are staying in that period. The municipal 5 police departments did have plans for disorder. 6 Q Which municipal departments? 7 8 Λ All of them had some sort of a plan that they would 9 put into effect Were those plans submitted to you for approval? \mathbf{Q} 10 Λ No. 11 12 Did any State Police official that you know review Q 13 those plans? 14 A No. 15 Did any National Guard official review those plans? Q We have no authority nor could we demand. No. A 16 17 Did any of the six largest municipalities in the Q state ask you to review the plans or ask the National Guard, 18 19 if you know? 20 No, not that I know of Α 21 MR. WACHENFELD: If you had received such a 22 request, would you have reviewed them and made 23 recommendations and suggestions? 24 Yes, sir. THE WITNESS: By Mr. Jaffe: 25

Q Colonel, before we leave this area, when you reviewed the city surveys and you found what in your opinion were inadequacies or deficiencies, were the municipalities notified by letter or by oral notification?

A The procedure is this: As we are broken down geographically, B Troop had the responsibility of contacting the particular police departments. B Troop had the major cities -- Jersey City, Newark, Paterson -- and the commander or his representative did visit the local police departments. The equipment status charts we got came from the local police department We informed them of what we thought were the inadequacies

Q So it was worked out through the relationship, through the local troop commanders and the municipalities?

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Q Colonel, after this period of initial city surveying and initial liaison with the National Guard, could you describe for us the next steps taken by the State Police in their role in preparation for civil disturbances?

A We continued our training We changed our tactics right after the Jersey City affair, and I guess Ray Brown could fill you in.

Q When was that?

A Three years ago.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: 1964.

THE WITNESS: Nineteen-sixty four Jersey City had a situation, and we were called as observers. The Governor sent me up

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Could I fill in here? I think what Dave is referring to is this: That in 1964, and I remember his meeting was August, 1965 when not even this preliminary work had been done, so there was no order precedent and, John Gibbons, no statute nor anything else which empowered anybody to enter any municipality except on the request of the municipality. In other words, if Newark or Jersey City blew up, they could technically stop the State Police at their borders, and in Jersey City that was not impossible to have happen.

MR. GIBBONS: Nor anyplace else I suppose

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: I suppose, but Jersey City has a certain tradition of isolation which is different But in the situation there the police were using tactics that anybody could see were not successful, particularly like myself being firebombed in the middle of the street. The police were led by Mr. Tumulty in a charge down the street in which the CORE aggitators and innocent people were clubbed, including several Catholic priests

Father Kennedy and I were clubbed and everybody else went up to the roofs and threw fire bombs on on them, and they became so disorganized that I called the Governor and said they better get somebody in.

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Colonel Kelley was the only man with the training and the only man with the state no doubt who could have the diplomacy and the ability at the same time. So I think unofficially he advised them, and they immediately began to use what were then rather effective tactics such as holding their people in reserve and picking up groups and doing selective work rather than just charging anybody in the middle of the street.

This, incidentally, brought it under control within about twenty-four hours, but Dave was in an untenable position. He wasn't asked; he wasn't commanded; he wasn't supposed to be around One of his chief problems was he couldn't get in touch with anybody at the Jersey City police because there was nobody at headquarters and nobody had any command sets, and he couldn't find the chief of police. But I think that it has this historical importance: That it led to the 1965 meeting, and the very simple thing, Justice, if you,

Bud McManimon, tried to get in touch with Bob Lilley now and he had no communications -- it just recommended itself to everybody This is the beginning of the pre-planning that resulted in August from the Jersey City experience By Mr Jaffe:

Q Could you continue for us as to what activities the State Police continued to engage in in preparation subsequent to 1965?

A Primarily updating the status charts, keeping in contact with the major municipalities. We had two incidents, if I can go off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

By Mr. Jaffe:

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Q Proceed, Colonel.

A In 1966 the State Police and the National Guard decided that a test vehicle would be the Bridgeton incident wherein the KKK was going to hold a rally, and it was decided then that we would use this incident or situation as a means of testing the liaison, cooperation and communication and equipment. It proved worthwhile to this extent: We found we needed some closer liaison; we needed more communications, and it was very helpful to us in our planning

Q Colonel, were there any tests between the

State Police and/or the National Guard with local municipali-! ties in that period? 2 Α No. 3 were any local municipalities involved in the Q 4 incident you just referred to? 5 Yes, one municipality, Bridgeton. A 6 But none of the six major municipalities had any Q 7 test runs with the State Police or National Guard? 8 Α No 9 MR. GIBBONS: With respect to Bridgeton, isn't 10 11 that the place where there is a City of Bridgeton and a Township of Bridgeton? 12 13 THE WITNESS: There is a City of Bridgeton, and the township -- I have forgotten the township. 14 15 You may be right MR. GIBBONS: Isn't the Township of Bridgeton 16 17 completely surrounding the City of Bridgeton? THE WITNESS: I don't think so, but I don't 18 know. That doesn't sound right to me 19 20 There is a small city and a MR. GIBBONS: 21 large township surrounding it? 22 Right. There are many smaller THE WITNESS: communities, but they are not part of Bridgeton. 23 24 MR. GIBBONS: Is this the incident that grew

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out of desegregation efforts in the City of Bridgeton?

THE WITNESS: Well, there were some internal problems in the City of Bridgeton. I guess it is segregation. I really don't remember the problem, but I knew the local residents had called the KKK, and they decided to hold a rally in Bridgeton.

MR. GIBBONS: I am trying to place that in context because I have recollection of a specific school desegregation problem.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Then it accelerated into a situation where there was supposedly police brutality. I think they inaugurated an official curfew, and I think Lillian Smith --

THL WITNESS: Irene Smith, who lives down there about a mile or two away in Pitman.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: They started picketing for school desegregation, and that is when the KKK was organized with the participation of the locals.

MR. GIBBONS: Off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

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Q In the period subsequent to 1965 were there any other city surveys run like the ones you ran in 1965? Did you update those in 1966 and 1967?

A Yes, they were updated.

Q When were they updated?

In 1966 and in 1967 we updated the major cities. A I don't have the 1967's with me MR. JAFFE: Will the record note that C-6 will be the surveys for 1966 and C-7 will be the surveys for 1967? (EXHIBITS NOS. C-6 AND C-7 WERE RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE.) By Mr Jaffe: When you reviewed the surveys for 1966, could you Q tell us to the best of your recollection what, if anything, you did with that information from the six major municipalities? We did nothing but file it This was for our A There was nothing we could do with it information. Were there any significant changes in some of the Q deficiencies pointed out in 1965? I don't know for a certainty, but I don't think so. Α What about in 1967, were those city surveys Q sufficiently different than the ones in 1965? I can't guarantee that, but I don't think so either. A I don't think there was any change You don't recall any significant action taken by Q the State Police as a result of the 1966 or 1967 surveys? Right. A Would that be a fair statement? Q It wouldn't be a fair statement in that we have no

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Q Let me rephrase that question. You don't iccall any significant action taken by the municipalities in the 1966 and 1967 surveys different than in the 1965 surveys?

A To my recollection, no.

Q Colonel, were there any other specifics in this area of preparation by the State Police prior to the summer of 1967 that you would like to discuss?

A I can say this to you: That one thing we did, we intensified our intelligence to the point that we had more of our investigators in the major towns. We had more intensified investigations in the area of disorder

Q Could you tell us when you began that program of intensifying your intelligence and how you did it?

A I will tell you what we did, not how we did it. All we did was go around and ask questions, meet people, and if you ask enough questions, you will finally find out something is going on From the reports that we got from other agencies this information was all correlated. This is how we did it really.

MR. GIBBONS: What other agencies? THE WITNESS: Federal agencies, Institutions , And Agencies, municipalities. By Mr Jaffe:

Q Were there any other meetings in the period between



A If you are talking of State Police and National Guard, we had many meetings, practically every quarter.

Q State Police, National Guard and municipalities?

A One of the major meetings we had was on June 1st when we met in Jersey City.

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A June 1, 1967.

Q Could you tell us who was there and what the purpose of the meeting was?

A I have the minutes, and I can give you the minutes.

Q Just give us a general resume

A Present at the meetings, inspectors from Jersey City, Captain Olaff at that time, Sergeant Halton and Detective Goch. Detective Goch is our man in civil disorders.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: That is your special man? THE WITNESS: He is. The meeting was arranged

to discuss the racial situation and possible disorder in Jersey City

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Q By whom was it called?

A Jersey City and the State Police

Q Did the officials of Jersey City request the meeting?

A I don't know whether they did or we did, but we had some information and they had some information.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

THE WITNESS: One of the things that brought this about was Hillside Metal Products, a large factory on Clay Street in Newark, and I am reading from the report now, with 1,560 employed in their plant, of which 1,300 are negroes. There are no negroes among the 50 office employees. Information from a negro told the plant president that there would be a picketing protesting employment practices for negroes and that July is the target date for trouble

A negro was also quoted as saying there will simultaneous picketing by negroes during the threeday period in July in "red hot Jersey City," bust out all over Trenton, Camden, Elizabeth, Edgewater and Perth Amboy. He hinted that there will be general havoc, rioting, bloodshed and picketing

with the labor movement.

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The dates of the picketing in July were undetermined. This plant will be closed during the first week in July for vacations He suggested that we contact the plant president for further information.

This is part of the report. Inspector McGee of Jersey City had informed that the Black Muslims were making plans to take over the Fourth and Fifth Precincts when the rioting started sometime in July. "The Muslims planned to station men in front of each officer's home to prevent him from getting to the scene of the disorder The scene of meetings was the temple at Kerney Street and Leslie's Barber Shop at Ocean Avenue. Meetings were recently held there. Chief Smith discussed the problem concerned; a Roman Catholic police was critical of the police and the civil rights in the city."

By Mr. Jaffe:

Was there any general discussion at that meeting Q on how to handle civil disturbances in Jersey City? "The purpose of the meeting is to discuss plans

for the added police protection in the downtown area. The chief stated that as many as 4,000 persons could be on hand

and picketing by civil rights groups is expected. Chief Smith stated that Mayor Thelan will call the State Police and militia without delay if anything erupted within the city He asked how long it would take The reply was two hundred men within two hours supplemented by three hundred additional men. Captain Olaff then answered the chief's inquiry concerning procedure in requesting State Police and National Guard assistance The discussion then centered on assembly points for the State Police, and it was the opinion that the Jersey City armory would be the first choice due to the location and facilities available."

The meeting was arranged with myself, Chief Smith and several other chiefs in the metropolitan area for Friday, June 2nd, in Chief Smith's office I at the time was on active duty at Fort Knox, and I flew home from Fort Knox on June 2nd and we had a meeting in the Jersey City Police Department headquarters on June 2nd. The meeting was attended by the New Jersey State Police, myself, Captain Olaff: Sergeant Halton of the Jersey City Police Department; the Newark Police Department, Chief Oliver Kelly; the Elizabeth Police Department; the Paterson Police Department; Perth Amboy Police; Bayonne; Hoboken; Secaucus; North Bergen; Guttenberg; Weehawkin; Hudson County Police; Union City; West New York and the New Jersey Department of Defense

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Q What was the general subject matter of that meeting?

A This meeting was called due to increase of activity in racial incidents that were reported to us and reported to the municipalities It was mentioned that the possibility of Stokley Carmichael being in Jersey City on June 1 should be considered and the Black Moslems plan in Jersey City was discussed.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: This was 1906?

THE MITNESS: Nineteen-sixty seven We discussed the Black Moslems' plan in Jersey City, among which would be attempts by them to obtain automatic weapons and conduct raids in white neighborhoods. Again I have the minutes of this meeting

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Q Did you at that meeting discuss the general plan as to how to handle civil disturbances, if any would occur?

A The State Police began active planning for civil disorders four years ago. Recently the State Police met with the National Guard officials to discuss plans in the event both organizations were called to quell a civil disorder Police departments must exchange information of a racial or subversive nature because incidents can happen anywhere. The problem was mutual We need a central clearing

agency to disseminate the information The state will have observers in troubled areas in the state We will go into an area upon receiving word from the Governor The National Guard will not be committed unless the State Police request it

This is a general statement I made to open the meeting

Q Did you at that meeting or as a result of that meeting coordinate with the local police forces who were there, coordinate matters such as tactics to be employed, assembly points, radio frequencies, communications and so forth?

A Captain Olaff discussed the regional meetings held with the State Police and National Guard, then he referred to the trouble in Cambridge, Maryland The problem arose among local and State Police and the National Guard concerning areas of responsibilities This is when we told them we needed maps, their road block plans and assembly plans

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A Right. We obtained them and explained the State Police communications capabilities, our man power and equipment assets to them.

Q Colonel, was there any follow-up meeting with Jersey City and/or Hudson County Police Chiefs? Was a liaison established that worked pretty closely?

1 Λ On June 7 a meeting was held in the office of the Police Chief, Oliver Kelly, Newark Police. The purpose was 2 to discuss plans in the event the State Police called for 3 assistance Present were troop commander of Troop B, Chief 4 5 Kelly, and again you can have this for the record unless you want me to read the names. 6 7 C Colonel, is this the first meeting you had in 1967 with the Neuark officials? 8 9 It is the first time A 10 Q Who called that meeting? 11 We did. Λ_{-} 12 Could you just briefly tell us what happened at the Q 13 Newark meeting 14 MR. WACHENFELD: And when it occurred. 15 THE MITNESS: On June 7 By Mr Jaffe: 16 17 Q 1967? 18 À Right 19 What happened there? Q I will read the minutes. "Chief Kelly of Newark 20 A 21 took into account the possibility of three forthcoming 22 meetings in Newark -- June 12, the Medical Center Site 23 hearing; June 27, the Board of Education hearing, and July 24 20 to 23. the National Conference of Black Power. He advised 25 that Deputy Chief Redden would be in charge of the uniformed

personnel during the street disorders. Chief Kelly questioned Captain McElroy on the State Police on the procedure in establishing requests for State Police assistance The State Police explained the governing body must make the request of the Governor The chief said that he didn't know what person in authority in his municipality should make the request He said the municipal attorney would

interpret 53:2-1 to decide "

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Q Were you at that meeting?

A No. That was Captain McElroy of B Troop. He discussed the background of State Police activities during disorders in Englewood and Faterson when troopers were mobilized. As a result, plans were drawn up for assembly points and plans were established for municipalities. We stated then that the National Guard Armory was preferred over the police station due to the facilities.

The State Police and Chief Kelly discussed the area of communication concerning a command post. We were told to contact a Captain Spiesak, Newark Police Department, to make arrangements for communication.

Q Was that done, do you know? Was that contact made? A Yes. We did that.

Q At that meeting was there a general exchange of information between the Newark Police Department and the State Police as to what their plans were for handling civil

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A Our captain introduced Detective Goch and requested intelligence information be forwarded to him on the Newark situation. We weren't getting too much out of Newark in terms of intelligence. Maybe we were getting all we had --I don't know -- but we were not getting too much.

Q What I am driving at, was there a discussion with the Newark authorities as to the plan they would use if a civil disturbance occurred?

A I don't think so because we never did have a plan for Newark as to the type and kind of formation. They did have the conventional organization for mass control, but I don't think any thought was given to anything other than that

Q As a result of that meeting in Chief Kelly's office were there any other meetings, follow-up meetings prior to the riots in Newark this summer, any other Newark meetings between State Police and the local police force?

A Not that I can recall. As I say now, the troop commander has the responsibility for close association and liaison with the municipality, and it is entirely possible. I know there were telephone conversations and communications back and forth.

Q What is the name of the troop commander? A Captain McElroy.

G Captain McElroy will be available to the committee? A Yes. I see we have here the minutes of the National Guard-State Police meetings, and we had them on the 17th, 18th and 19th of May.

Q Before we get back to that, I want to finish up the Newark relationship. Were there any other meetings between State Police and the Newark authorities between the period January 1, 1967 and up until the riot in July of 1967 other than the meeting referred to in your minutes, official meetings, to the best of your recollection?

A There were meetings on the lower echelon level, in the communications level and in the telephone level and in the armory level, but not on the major levels, not on command levels

Q What do you say, Colonel, was the major purpose of the June meeting you referred to between the Newark officials and the State Police?

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Q What was the major purpose of the meeting in June of 1967 between the Newark officials and the State Police? A To prepare primarily the State Police -- I am talking personally now -- prepare our organization in the event there was a disorder in Newark and what we could do because if something did happen, the State Police had the prime role of moving in first. We felt we should be

prepared. This is why we went to Newark. Prior to this 1 there was not too much communication between Newark and the 2 State Police. 3 4 were there discussions then or subsequent as to Ûthe type of radio frequencies you would use and the type 5 6 of communication facilities? Newark gave us their frequency and we, of course. 7 ٨ 8 gave Newark our frequencies. 9 QAt that point? 10 Yes. Of course, that is all on the survey, too. Α 11 We knew their frequencies. 12 what kind of concrete steps were taken to mesh the \mathbf{Q}^{-} 13 frequencies? 14 There isn't anything you can do about meshing <u>Â</u> 15 frequencies. You have them or you don't have them. 16 Let me ask you as a layman, Colonel on a State Q 17 Police frequency can you communicate with the Newark Police 18 on their frequency? 19 what we have to do is put a State Police A No. 20 radio in there and monitor it and they have to do that. 21 Fas this done in Newark? Here State Police Q 22 frequencies put in Newark police cars? 23 You can't do this. What we did, we tested all A 24 our radio and communications equipment and the National

Guard equipment from the Roseville Armory, and this is

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when we learned that our walkie-talkies needed a relay station We established a relay station in the Martlandt Medical Center

Q When was this done?

A This is the Communications Section report. At the request of Major Olaff recommendations were developed following meetings, studies and inspection of the facilities at Newark on June 27 through June 29 An inspection of the Roseville Armory established the authority as a location and command post. The armory has adequate facilities for quartering personnel over an extended period of time.

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This is a State Police report?

A This is our report

Q The purpose of that report is an inventory for

State Police purposes?

A We established telephone communications, and we had direct lines from the Roseville Armory We established a press line at the Roseville Armory, and we established a hot line direct from room 201 A of the Newark Police Department to our command post at the Roseville Armory.

These phones were installed on June 27 and were operational. For security purposes the phones have been placed in

a metal chest at the command post and locked. They are the pull-out type thing. The plugs are in. All we do is plug

them in we are in business.

We had to have direct hot lines, and we had to have outside lines.

A radio survey of the City of Newark disclosed that neither the police headquarters building nor the armory could receive handy walkie-talkie transmission from every point in the city.

Q It could not?

A No. It was necessary to establish a monitoring position from which transmission could be received from our walkie-talkies and radio contact could be maintained in the armory and with the Newark police. The monitoring position is located on the fourteenth floor of the Martlandt Hospital, 65 Bergen Street, Newark. Admission is gained by the elevator. The key is in our headquarters for this room. This location also serves as a monitoring position for the Newark Police Department radio and affords an excellent

view of the entire City of Newark. We established this. We found our walkie-talkies couldn't transmit throughout

the city without a high vantage point.

Q When you talk about transmitting on a walkie-talkie, would your walkie-talkies be able to be used by local police?

A No.

Q They would have to have the same type and kind of frequency before they could pick it up?

A Right. I don't know how many walkie-talkies they

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It is revealed in the survey We are on an internal have. We have a high frequency for our walkie-talkie frequency 2 and a low frequency for our cars. If you are going to get 3 technical, I can't answer you. 4 MR. GIBBONS: Is the technical information 5 on these frequencies contained in the volume of 6 the President's Commission On Crime in the 7 administration of justice dealing with technical 8 9 police problems? THE WITNESS: I don't know what you said. 10 11 There is one whole volume MR. GIBBONS: 12 dealing with technical devices. 13 VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: The difference is 14 their radio is on a different frequency and you 15 can't interchange, you can't call. 16 By Mr Jaffe: 17 That is the question I have. Q 18 Let me give you some lay language The problem A 19 in police work today is that there are too many frequencies, 20 too many municipalities having their own frequency. A little 21 town has two frequencies or three frequencies that they 22 don't even use. Newark is limited to one frequency and 23

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The frequency is tied up through some complicated RCC regulation wherein this is regulated by the spectrum

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which runs 44 to 60 megacycles as the spectrum for police and something else would be for commercial and something else for something else.

But we find there are not enough police frequencies We have five, which are not enough. We need at least ten, but we can't get them because they are controlled by the FCC. The smaller municipalities may have two and probably never use them, maybe make two transmissions in the course of a day. Newark needs more frequencies, I understand.

But we cannot communicate on the Newark frequency. We have our own frequencies

Q That is really the question I wanted to ask you. As a result of even after you put your transmitter up in Martlandt Medical Center, the purpose of that survey and improving your communications in Newark in June was to enable the State Police to more effectively function in Newark; it was not to establish an integrated communications facility between Newark and the State Police because that could not be done?

A No. The only way we did it, we had a Newark radio at our command post and he had to transmit to the Newark Cars.

Q Was that Newark radio at your command post to be operated by a State Policeman or a Newark Policeman? A Newark.

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Q So that would be the only way in which State Police command instructions could be gotten to the Newark Police, through the Newark operator in the Martlandt Center?

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A No. He had a relay station in the Martlandt Center and at our command post in the Roseville Armory and their police headquarters communications center We are talking about three physical communications there, but through their system.

Q In any of the six large municipalities in this State is there any integrated communications between the State Police and the local police?

A No Only right now there are three county systems, Union County being one, Monmouth County being one, and we can go through the county system and get to a municipality, but direct State Police to a municipality, no One of the reports at the Jersey City meeting shows this was one of things we mentioned. We wanted a centralization of communications so the state could communicate with all municipalities at one time if necessary.

Q Has that been done?

A No, but we have made a survey and we are working on this and we have recommendations made for this. Off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

MR. GIBBONS: The Colonel is indicating the

reasons, some of the reasons why they haven't been able to achieve an integrated statewide communications system, and I would like to have him explore that further.

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THE WITNESS: There seems to be a reluctance on the part of the municipality to relinquish the frequencies that they do have now in that they feel they should maintain their own sovereignty, integrity, there is a reluctance on their part to want to be part of the statewide system.

We have advocated this, and I have this recorded in the minutes in Jersey City, and we have made a survey in the State Police and we have made recommendations. We are going to go through and request funds for a communications system that will envelop the whole state

MR. GIBBONS: 'There is no legislative means now whereby the State Police could step in and regulate this?

THE WITNESS: No. To repeat what I said, the frequencies are controlled by the federal government, and no matter what legislation they did have in the state, they could not give us frequencies.

By Mr. Jaffe:

Q It seems to me, Colonel, one of the problems that 1 is developed as we listen to you testify is that fact that 2 the State Police has a very major responsibility pursuant 3 to the Governor's direction when a civil disturbance has 4 reached the proportions in which a local municipality 5 cannot handle it. In order to meet that responsibility is 6 it realistic for the State Police to not have an integrated 7 communications facility with the local municipality? Does 8 9 that hamper your work? A It certainly hampers our work. 10 11 Could you describe how it would hamper it, please? Q We need direct communications; we need on-the-ground A 12 13 communications with the municipality that we are working 14 We need person-to-person communications for with. 15 supervision, direction and control, and we must have this 16 type of communication. 17 Without that type of integrated communications Q 18 wouldn't you say the role of the State Police and the local municipality in coordinating and containing a civil 19 disturbance is much more difficult? 20 21 Oh, certainly. A VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: It goes further. 22 It is 23 almost impossible, isn't it? 24 THE WITNESS: Yes. 25 By Mr. Jaffe:

Q Mr Gibbons discussed a question of legislation. Couldn't it also be done physically by physically placing radios or some types of transmitters in there? Isn't there a means of doing it?

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A Physically this is what we did do. We established communications between the National Guard, the State Police and the Newark Police by physically locating individual radios, the Newark radio, the State Police radio and the National Guard radio. These three communicators sat next to one another in the operational control of this whole phase If something came in over the Newark network, it was conveyed to the National Guard and State Police.

Q Is there any way that could be done on a common frequency?

A Presently, no, and this is what we are advocating, that there should be some way and some common frequency throughout the state for all police agencies in the event there is anything of a disorder

Q How are you advocating it? Is there anything the Committee could do in that area?

A Get us money. That is all we need.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Some of these questions are loaded because you come under the jurisdiction of the Attorney General strictly, and many of these questions relate to legal and legislative problems

that really do not come within your purview, is that correct?

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THE WITNESS: I don't think it is a question of legislation; I think it is a question of, again, federal legislation on control of the frequency

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Suppose you had the frequency As the law presently reads and as the Attorney General's Office is organized, you couldn't move in there and put up a radio anyhow.

THE WITNESS: We couldn't demand a municipality to take upon itself the buying of the equipment or the radio

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Let's say tomorrow the FCC says okay and someone says, "Here is the money." You still couldn't do it?

THE WITNESS: We could get it, but we couldn't get the municipality to accept it.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Nor have you any authority for requiring that the local municipalities have equipment which could contain this because

there are dozens of radios?

THE WITNESS: With different agencies. We have RCA, Motorola, et cetera.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: In other words, the State Police can't say standardize or have one unit



for standardization, and "we now have the FCC permission We now have the money and we direct you to standardize," and the state contributes or you contribute part?

THE WITNESS: This would take legislation. By Mr Jaffe:

Q My question really was whether or not it was technically feasible to do it

A I have made surveys, and it is technically feasible to do it The surveys we had made are that we want to go video in addition to audio, and we have the capability within the state, that this would be on the microwave, and this has already been established for us by the Turnpike and Farkway systems This is entirely possible

We have had people in to conduct surveys in this area, and it could be a common frequency It could be an educational channel, 100.

> MR. GIBBONS: You mentioned earlier an exchange of intelligence between the municipalities and the State Police Is there a statewide telecommunications system between --

THE WITNESS: The State Police controls the , teletype system.

MR. CIBBONS: So you are into every police department?

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THE WITNESS: Into every police department that has a system. There are 467 municipalities but only 200 and some have a teletype system. Major municipalities do have the teletype system, but they do not have sending equipment. They only have receiving equipment. The only sending equipment they do have would be in Newark to transmit internally. When they receive a message from us, they would transmit to their precincts

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MR. GIBBONS: So there is no wire communication except phone, but no telesype communication to Newark from the State Police?

THE WITNESS: The telephone, and we put it on the toletype This we are trying to overcome, too. We are trying to overcome this whole system of communication I think we made some inroads indirectly with the uniform crime reporting system wherein all municipalities must report quarterly to the State Police on the activities. We developed the format, the forms, the whole bit

In addition to that, we have seven men who do nothing but visit municipalities and assist them , in making out these reports

MR. GIBBONS: Will that eventually lead to a wire reporting network statewide?

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THE WITNESS: Right It is up to us to give the information so that they can evaluate this information comparatively for their use in criminal work or any work. As of now the only central agency for intelligence since January of this year is in terms of uniform crime reporting, which is a quarterly report, but they do not submit them monthly

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MR. GIBBONS: But that is only on the incidents; it is not really intelligence of the type you want?

THE WITNESS: It is not the type of intelligence you are talking about It is things that happened, not things that are going to happen.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Let's take the mythical city of Bridgewater, and they have a riot situation and elect not to call the State Police no matter how serious it gets, for whatever internal reasons they have Could you move in?

THE WITNESS: By law, no

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: You could come up to the boundaries of the town and the mayor comes to the boundary and says, "Stop. We didn't send for you We don't want you." What will happen under the present law and under the present regulations? THE WITNESS: This now is one of those things

we kicked around many times in the legal opinion as to the real interpretation of Title 53, and the State Police is not to be used as a posse Whatever a posse means in legal terms, that is your problem. That is the language of the law

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Whatever language you use, could you come up to the boundaries of the city and the city officials say, "We don't want you in, but could you under the law say, "We have information this is out of hand and you can't control it We are moving in"?

THE WITNESS: Let me go around to the back door and answer you We have observers in Bridgewater whether they like us or not We would be there. We would send back information and in turn I would convey this to the Governor. I think in turn he would say yes or no, whether we could go in or not.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Let's forget the Governor He is the ultimate authority. Let's have a situation in this mythical town of Bridgewater and your observers tell you this is pretty serious and the forty-man police force can't handle it. The Bridgewater authorities say, "Stop." Could you within the framework of the Attorney General's

authority -- he is the cabinet officer, without relying on the overall emergency powers of the Governor -- could you and Attorney General Sills come up to the border and say, "You can't handle it We are moving in," without the Governor's order?

THE WITNESS: I doubt very much whether I would have the authority to mass troopers and move them in The troopers that were in the geographic location of that town that pass through there normally that do that type of work, I would assume they would take action

MR. WACHENFELD: Even if you did doubt your authority under those circumstances as related by Mr Brown, would you go in?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Let's take Bridgewater in a situation that has already happened there. The police don't want you in for reasons that may relate to the feeling that they don't want the common radio. They have certain situations they don't want you to know about.

THE WITNESS: This is not uncommon

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: This is why I am using a mythical city I think it happens in all of the

towns and borcughs They say the don't want you down on X Street because that is where the horse parlors are. What do you do then? You can't do a thing, can you?

THE WITNESS: No, sir. If you are talking about the criminal aspect, the prosecutor can request and we send them in. If you are talking disorders, this is something different

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: I am talking disorders.

MR. WACHENFELD: If you add to that a direction by the Governor, you would go in?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: I reálize he can over ride, but this creates some very serious political situations.

THE WITNESS: We know This is what happened in Detroit.

MR. WACHENFELD: If you had legislation, the only difference would be he could use his own discretion, but he could accomplish the same thing now and he says he would if he gets a direction from the Governor.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: I am talking about mythical Bridgewater, but we know what happened in Detroit. You went to Detroit Would you agree?

THE WITNESS: Right

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: I think you could state a similar Bridgewater situation happened there in Detroit It was a question of authority and who should move in. Would that be correct?

THE WITNESS: I don't think this is possible in the state now for a reason that the State Police are in there first Let me explain why We don't want the business; we don!t need this disorder business There are other jobs to do besides this. But the problem in Detroit, as I see it -- we have in the State of New Jersey centralization with intelligence and centralization of the command of the National Guard and State Police. This did not happen in Detroit In Detroit they had five separate commands They had three brigades of National Guard independently operating, the State Police of Michigan independently operating, and the city police independently operating. There was no centralization of command. Therefor, there was guidance or no guidance or misguidance, and operated independently on their own.

But the reason the State Police is first is within the framework of your organization in the National Guard you do not have the capability of

intelligence, police intelligence. This is not your makeup. We in the State Police are in the business of intelligence When the National Guard moved into Detroit, there was no intelligence for them. They didn't know what to do, where to go. This was established in the State of New Jersey I want this as an observation

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Is this established by any legislation?

THE WITNESS: This is established by the policy of the Governor that the State Police would go first

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Let's assume the Governor changes in 1968. Is there anything that would give a continuing body of law or direction to your successor, to his successor or to the National Guard, the Department of Defense? Is there anything which is in the law or in regulation which prescribes the kind of coordinated approach which you have said now exists by virtue of your conferences starting in 1965?

THE WITNESS: To my knowledge, no sir.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Let's assume Colonel Jaffe takes over in 1968 and says, "I am not going to follow that." What happens then? It is gone.

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Mhat we have here is really a liaison and cooperation, a pattern which you yourself have created by exercising your indirect supervision.

MC. WACHENFELD: You mean it is gone if a new administration doesn't endorse it?

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: That is what I mean. There is no law to require that such a thing happen There is no framework or regulation of law which requires and establishes the procedure such as you have outlined, and in Detroit you said it didn't exist but it could exist here if you had a change of personnel. If the Kellys go, the Governor goes, if Cantwell goes, you may have the same situation.

THE WITNESS: Could be Because of my military background I realize how inadequate the intelligence for the National Guard is in that you are not in the business.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: You hold a brigadier general's slot in the reserve?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: So if a man comes in who is not a brigadier general in the reserve, you may

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very well not have the understanding and cooperation with the military?

THE WITNESS: It is possible

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: What we had here was a brigadier and a major general of the Department of Defense working out a coordinated plan which in part was due to the fact of your military background.

THE WITNESS: This is possible

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: So if something happens to you, we don't even have this conceivably

> THE WITNESS: Right

MR. WACHENFELD: You mean look at the results we got under those favorable conditions. What might we get under unfavorable conditions?

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: God help us By Mr. Jaffe:

Were there any other meetings between the State Q Police and the local police force in Englewood in 1967 prior to the civil disturbances in July?

21 I don't have this, but the troop commander, again A McElroy, was in Englewood and we talked with the Englewood 22 Police Department and Paterson.

What about Plainfield? Were there meetings in Q Plainfield?

A No We had surveys but never had any meetings with the police officials as such. Maybe he was part of the meeting, but I don't think that specifically Plainfield was --

Q What about Camden or Atlantic City?

A Atlantic City is a continual thing We have been in there since 1964 since the convention

Q There has been a continuing liaison?

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Q And a continuing preparation for possible civil disturbances?

A Not only for civil disturbances. It seems since the 1964 convention the President has been in and out several times, and as such we have established relations with the local police department and with the communities. We are pretty well oriented in terms of communications.

Q What about Camden, did you have any prior preparation with the local officials in Camden in 1967?

A We had meetings where the troop commander went to Camden and established what they had through the survey, established some sort of rapport with these people. Again this is a major city, and we may or may not be accepted. We have plans for Camden. Whether they have plans or not I don't know.

similar in Camden to your meeting with Jersey City and Newark in June of 1967?

THE WITNESS: No. Only the troop commander, the same relationship in Camdent with the troop commander and with the commander in Englewood and Paterson. Although we are very suspicious of Camden all the time.

By Mr. Jaffe:

Q Would you characterize your prior riot preparation meetings by saying the meetings with the officials were the most in depth and most meaningful, or is that an unfair

characterization?

A If we are talking comparatively --

Q Compared to the meetings you have had with other local municipalities

A I think that was the most fruitful meeting, the one we had in Jersey City where we brought in the major municipalities

Q Is it really a very meaningful way of setting forth specific plans and meeting the problems logistics through these meetings? Has that accomplished the basic purpose of providing a smooth road ahead if the State Police have to

move in?

A Primarily this is what we did it for. We have to know what we are doing, and we wanted to find out what the

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physical facilities are or were in a particular municipality. We want to know what their communications are, who their commanders are Primarily we did this.

Remember, we have absolutely no control and we cannot dictate to a municipality. We can't tell a municipality to do anything. If we could say to Jersey City, "We want you to do this," and they say, "You get out of here," there is nothing we can do about this We can only suggest and recommend.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: We will take a tenminute recess and run until twelve-thirty. (Whereupon, a short recess was taken.)

By Mr. Jaffe:

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Q Colonel, one more question on the liaison I didn't put in. Could you tell us if you established any liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any other federal agencies in you pre-riot planning?

A Yes We have pretty good working relationships with the FBI now, and we did establish communications in the intelligence area. The federal agencies do not have a function in this particular area. As such there wasn't much they could do other than give us information on the criminal element concerned.

Q Would you say the primary role of the Bureau has been as a gathering source on intelligence which they

transmitted to you?

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A In the criminal field.

Q Not in the riot area?

A No.

Q Were there any other federal agencies that were active with you in the pre-riot planning?

A No, sir.

Q Did you do any work with the Community Relations Service of the United States Department of Justice?

A My relationship was on a personal relationship with the United States Attorney, and it is through his agency we would have communications

Q But none of this was prior riot planning? A No.

Q Colonel, bringing your testimony up until the riots in Nowark, you have described for us your June, 1967 meeting and the July 3, 1967 communications set up in Newark. Could you tell us the first indication you had as commander of the State Police of a possible disturbance in Newark in July of 1967?

A We had nothing firm on the City of Newark or any other city, but as the intelligence built up and the

incidents were accumulated we had the feeling of a disturbance or disorder.

Q When you say incidents, what do you mean by incidents?

Are you talking about incidents with civil rights overtones?

A Fight Aggressiveness on the part of police, civilians or both, reports of incidents where there were reports of police brutality and reports of aggressiveness on the people that were arrested. These things seemed to be building up in this Newark area. If we are talking about the Jersey City area, we had reports of the Moslem meetings and their aggressiveness, overtones in this direction. This gave us the feeling of possible disorder.

Q What period of time are we talking about?

A The period of June, 1967

Q Could you tell me what happened as this began to build up? What did you do and what then happened?

A I thought I went through that We updated all of our orders in State Police We then updated our mobilization on our alert plan on our recall system. We put the troops on a standby and we kept constant contact --

Q When were the troops put on standby, what date?

A The latter part of June. Our mobilization plan was tested. Our recall system was tested.

Q In the latter part of June?

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Q How did it work?

A We found that on our first test we had a 95 percent efficiency, which we felt was pretty good, contacting people,

getting people in telephone conversation and some reporting. We found that it was effective We realized we were not going to contact one hundred percent of the people, but we found it was ninety-five percent effective.

We maintained practically constant liaison in the City of Newark in that we had our investigators or observers in Newark with the Newark Police Department We worked with the captain of their Community Affairs Division in Newark. Our human relations people or community relations people on the State Police were in constant touch with the Newark Police Department

The information we had was we were getting the newsprints, periodicals, things like that that were coming up, how to make Molitov cocktails and such stuff as this. This kind of engendered a little excitement on our part as to possible disturbance. The reaction we got from the City of Newark was everything was under control and they could contain and handle any situation

Q When you say the reaction you got from the City of Newark, could you be specific as to what individuals you are referring to? A Yes. I spoke with the police director.

Q Who is that?

A Spina.

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Q What is his first name?

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Q Could you tell us when you spoke to him?

A This was not a formal meeting, but it was sometime in June, 1967 I met him and he said, "We have things under control."

Q What is it that you told him?

A I asked specifically if he expected any trouble during the summer, and he said if there was trouble, it would be under control and they could handle it. This was the impression from my observers up there, that the higher echelon of the government agencies was under the impression they could control this.

Q When you refer to the higher governmental echelon, you mean the mayor and his cabinet?

A I would assume. This is what my report was, people in authority

MR. LOFTON: Colonel, just so that I

understand the reaction you are indicating the police director gave to the information that you communicated to him about the possibility of disturbance erupting, were you suggesting to the police director that certain special kinds of procedures be inaugurated as a result of the intelligence information that you had that the police director did not feel was necessary because

he thought a civil disturbance would not break out? Is that what you are saying?

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THE WITNESS: I am saying in effect that I personally felt from my information that there could be or would be a disorder in Newark. He didn't seem to feel so, and as such there wasn't need for too much State Police cooperation in this particular area. This did not take place in the lower echelon with the chief and with the acting chief and other people

MR. LOFTON: But with the police director?

THE WITNESS: But with the police director

He felt he could contain or take care of the situation. The other people in the operational end, Chief Kelly, Redden, Foley, they were under the impression that there would be some problems and they were making plans for it and it was done on a cooperative basis. The only operational planning that we have with the City of Newark was done through the chief of police and that level

MR. LOFTON: There was during this period a constant feeding of intelligence information on the lower echelon into the Newark Police Department? THE WITNESS: Right.

MR. LOFTON: Could you tell me how the

picture then develops as we get into July from the State Police viewpoint, standpoint?

THE WITNESS: Do you want to take it up to Wednesday night before the incident? I refer now to the State Police logs. I will give you the logs we have with reference to the night of July 12, which is the night preceding the riot, wherein our observers were in Newark and sending back reports

MR. JAFFE: Just for the record Committee Exhibit 8 will be the logs of the State Police of July 12

(EXHIBIT NO C-8 WAS RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE.)

THE WITNESS: On July 12 our logs revealed that there was a situation created by an arrest of a taxicab driver wherein there was a disorder or a disturbance within the city and primarily within the area of the Fourth Precinct At that time our State Police reporters expected that there would be trouble, and there was trouble, but this was contained and the thing tapered off at about two-thirty in the morning There was no request for State Police at that time.

By Mr Jaffe:

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Q Were any of your observers present at the Fourth Precinct where the cab driver was taken?

68 I don't think so. I think our observers at that A time were in the police headquarters Police headquarters in Newark? Q Right A Q How many observers did you have? There are two on duty at all times A Could we have their names for the record? Q I will quote from our State Police log at Trenton, A the entry at 1:50 a.m. on 6/13: "Deputy Chief Redden of Newark P.D. contacted State Police, Morristown, reference looting, window breaking and use of Molotov cocktails in the Fourth Precinct and racial disturbance "1:57 a.m. a teletype message from Morristown. Trooper Longo of our turnpike called reference a disturbance in 15 the Fourth Precinct. Lieutenant Palacia, Newark Police Department, advised him it was under control and localized 16 by the Newark Police Department. The Newark P.D. was being 18recalled " The 2:45 entry reads: "Lieutenant Pepe, State Police. Morristown, states that he had been in contact with Chief Redden and the situation is simmering. Two plainclothes personnel, Investigator Debuist and Investigator Steckel in

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Newark as a surveillance team. Captain McElroy has assigned Lieutenant Mount to interview Acting Chief Foley in the A.M. No assistance requested at this time."

Q That is a log prepared by your two observers?

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A This is a log prepared at our police headquarters. The observers make reports of their own. This log is as it is reported to us by teletype or telephone to the duty officer in Trenton.

Q Would it be proper for your State Police observers to have gone to the Fourth Precinct Station House that night?

A Right They probably were, too, if I recall this

"3:55 a.m. phoned Deputy Chief Redden. He advised that a minor motor vehicle incident (cab following too close to a police car) and arrest was made Fight broke out about 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. at midnight a large group descended on the Fourth Precinct across from the Hayes project, stoned police cars, buildings and the police; looted stores along Belmont and Seventeenth and Springfield Avenue Cab drivers formed a motorcade and there were 30

or 40 cabs loaded with people, they drove to City Hall. Several arrests were made and the group disbursed. Several incidents occurred in the Fifth Precinct Things are quiet now."

Q Do you know at this point where your observers are?

A Four-ten our duty officer called Detective Trainor to report to Newark Police Department and met with two detectives, Debuist and Steckel, and opened the police

emergency room 201 A, which is the State Police room we established the week before.

Q Where is that room, in State Police headquarters? A No, in the Newark Police Department, in Newark

headquarters.

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"Trainor will meet with Deputy Chief Foley at Newark Police headquarters, Mulberry, Broad and McKinley Streets. Lieutenant Mount is assigned from Troop B headquarters to proceed to Newark.

"Seven-ten in the morning Trainor called and said fifteen arrests were made, ten at the Fourth Precinct, one at the First Precinct. Stores at Fifteenth and Belmont Avenue section all damaged and looted. Entire Fourth Precinct of 180 men on duty. Police car damaged True picture of damage to be made in the A.M."

Q Does that report indicate where your observers are?

A No, but his report would. This is only a log as he called in.

And that would be Detective Steckel?

A Steckel, Debuist, Trainor and Mount.

Q And it would indicate whether or not that report is based on their observations or whether it is based on

what the local police had told them?

A Right

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Develop the narrative as to what happens with the (\mathbf{i}) 1 State Police and how they get involved in Newark. 2 A We are now at 7:45 3 4 Q What day is this, July 13? July 13, A.M. Major Olaff called me and we A 5 6 instructed --Was this the first time you personally had been 7 Q 8 called? No. We are in continual contact I am sorry the Α 9 10 telephone company has a phone in my house 11 rings continually, I think. 11 12 Q At 7:36 you received a phone call from Major Olaff? 13 It was all night, regarding the situation, but he A 14 said he recalled Captain Gurkin, who was at that time 15 Communications Officer, and he sent up Palma and Ficke to 16 activate the armory post This was 7:45 a.m. that these 17 men were sent up. 18 If I might digress for a second, I want to inject this 19 into the record: Ficke and Palma are two men that we 20 trained to be communicators They are not technical men 21 but communicators. 22 What is the distinction? Q 23 The distinction is this: These men handle the A 24

radio and they must know the operational phase and they must have a true picture all of the time as to what is going

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To give an example, if a report came in from a car 1 on. that there was a sniper fire in X place, these communicators 2 3 were to establish, locate, record and control all communication in an emergency like this. They were trained, 4 their job was, as soon as one of these things would come in 5 -- "Okay, calm it. We will take it from here " They would 6 calm the whole situation locally This was their job and 7 8 no one else was permitted to do this, but these two people, 9 but they had to have operational knowledge of the whole situation. They had to know where the Newark police, 10 11 State Police and National Guard were. They operated from maps, and the maps I will show you. A report would come in 12 13 there is looting in such and such a place. He had to know what patrol was in that sector so he could send the patrol 14 15 to that sector. This was the training of these people 16 They as such are not technical men. They couldn't fix a 17 radio or tear it apart 18 Relate that back to the time. 0 19 These two men were sent at 7:45 to activate the A 20 post. 21 Who made that decision? Q 22 I did. A 23 Had there been a request by the Newark authorities Q 24 for State Police help?

A No.

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Had there been a decision by the Governor to send Q 1 the State Police? 2 3 Λ No. This was a decision that you made within your Q 4 5 discretion? Right, remembering we are now in an armory which 6 A 7 is state property and there is no infringement on the rights of the municipality at all. 8 9 My question is not meant to imply that You just Q 10 want to set the record straight? 11 A Right There are a lot of phone calls here. 12 sending people to different places. "8:15 a.m., teletype 13 alarm, State Police. To All Troops: Man on standby as of 14 now # 15 Who ordered that, you? Q 16 A Yes 17 That was eight o'clock in the morning? Q 18 Eight-fifteen. A 19 What is the next action you took? Q 20 Well, during the day, the rest of the day there A 21 wasn't much more action other than the reports we did get 22 back from our observers and with regard to the situation in 23 Newark and with regard to association with the Newark 24 police 25 That brings us up to the evening of July 13. What

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then happened?

2	A July 13, 8:35 p.m. This again is from the log.
3	"Acting Chief Foley, Newark, phones reference conditions in
4	Fourth Precinct, Seventeenth and Livingston Avenue, Newark;
5	indicates expected trouble "
6	MR. GIBBONS: What time was that?
7	THE WITNESS: 8:35 p.m.
8	MR. GIBBONS: This is a characterization by
9	Foley, or is this a characterization by the State
10	Police?
11	THE WITNESS: This is Foley. He called
12	reference conditions in the Fourth Precinct
13	MR. GIBBONS: Was that personal call to you?
14	THE WITNESS: This is to the State Police,
15	not to me This is the State Police duty officer
16	MR. GIBBONS: Then what happens?
17	THE WITNESS: At ten-thirty five we had in
18	turn alerted the National Guard that we were in
19	business in Newark.
20	MR. GIBBONS: You did that at 10:35 p.m.?
21	THE WITNESS: No, in the morning. The next
22	entry is 10:30, "Colonel Sharp, New Jersey National
23	Guard, phones from Sea Girt to advise that Colonels
24	Britt, McLean and Boyle of the New Jersey National
25	Guard have been activated and are en route to the

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MR. GIBBONS: Was this activation of the --

THE WITNESS: We notified them. They in turn sent their people up there to be available at the Roseville Armory

MR. GIBBONS: This was still done pursuant to your general discretion in this area? The Governor

at this point had not acted?

THE WITNESS: That's right

MR GIBBONS: Then what happened?

THE WITNESS: We were advised that General Cantwell would be available at a certain number in Sea Girt where he was Conversations between myself, Major Olaff and the Attorney General about the situation

MR. GIBBONS: Was the Attorney General in Trenton?

THE WITNESS: No, home-

MR. GIBEONS: Where were you, home or in State Police headquarters?

THE WITNESS: I was not at State Police headquarters. I left there about seven-thirty I don't know where I was. I was at Camp Kilmer, and I left there.

MR. GIBBONS: Major Olaff was in charge of

State Police headquarters?

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THE WITNESS: Yes, and he called me reference the Newark situation at ten-forty five. At ten-fifty two Acting Chief Foley called Major Olaff reference Newark situation. Area presently affected on Springfield Avenue between Tenth and Morris Avenue, ten to fifteen blocks affected. Looting and fires

MR. GIBBONS: As of 10:50 on the evening of July 13 had you been in communication with the Governor's office?

THE WITNESS: Yes, through the Attorney General. At 10:51 Attorney General Sills phoned and discussion had weighed the situation with Major Olaff

MR. GIBBONS: Had you been in communication with the Attorney General from the evening of July 12 through the morning of July 13 and through the day?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

MR. GIBBONS: You had not been in direct communication with the Governor?

THE WITNESS: No

MR. GIBBONS: Were you basically informing the Attorney General of the reports you received

from your observers?

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THE WITNESS: Right

MR. LOFTON: You indicated in the latter part of June you had a meeting with Director Spina?

THE WITNESS: It wasn't a meeting I met him somewhere It was not a formal meeting.

MR. LOFTON: But you had a discussion with him based on the intelligence information that you had that something may break out in Newark, and you related the substance of the director's reaction. After the incident of July 12, on that night when they arrested a cab driver when the situation intensified beyond the point where you had the discussion with the director, on July 12 did you at anytime communicate with your two observers who were in Newark?

THE WITNESS: Right

MR. LOFTON: Based on the information they gave you did you then in turn communicate with Director Spina to activate the kind of intensified coordination you had talked about before?

THE WITNESS: We had dealt with Acting Chief Foley at the time. I don't know whether the direct was available or not. We dealt with Acting Chief Foley who was in charge of the police department

By Mr. Jaffe:

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Q You didn't have any communication with the mayor of the City of Newark as of 10:50 that evening?

A No. There is a sequence I am up to 10:52 I gave you the area affected.

"Newark has 400 men committed to duty, of which 250 men are committed to the trouble area. Director Spina presently is in the Fourth Precinct, and there has been no mention of requesting State Police assistance Foley advises that the situation is ten blocks from Irvington and the Irvington P.D. has been notified."

"10:53: Division headquarter key personnel recalled to duty " These are the people in our division headquarters that activate the command post, the operational center and the communications That is Acting Chief Foley. "(continuing) and requests assistance from Major Olaff. Major Olaff advised Inspector Donnelly that the request will have to come from the governing body through the Governor."

Q Was this the first mention as far as you are concerned of a request by the local authorities for State Police activity?

A Yes, it was at 10:10

Q At ten-ten the night of July 13th, and it was a communication by --

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Q Of the Newark Police force, who called Major Olaff to find out the procedure for bringing the State Police in?

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Q Was it Major Olaff who handled the call, or was that communicated to you?

A He called me in the meantime He instructed Sergeant Bianchini to contact a command post at Newark and advise them to report progress every fifteen minutes. Our people have to send progress reports in.

"11:50 Attorney General Sills phones and is given the progress report Attorney General requests periodic progress. We will comply

"12:21, July 14: Lieutenant Mount (had been sent there the night before) phoned while Olaff talks with Attorney General Sills. Major Olaff carries on a dual conference with A.G. Sills and Lieutenant Mount relaying information directly to A.G. as received from Lieutenant Mount Presently bands of eight to fifteen people traveling on foot and in cars looting and starting first. Four Policemen injured, four new areas have broken out within the past fifteen minutes. There is still no organization within the Newark Folice Department."

I don't know whether I should say that, but this is the report in the law office.

Q What is meant by "organization"? No organization

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A Within the Newark Police Department I will have to just state that. "All available transportation now in use The Fourth Precinct appears to be running their own show There are no barricades No requests for State Police assistance from Director Spina. Lieutenant Mount now given instruction as to attempt to survey the area and report back immediately.

"12:30: Detective Palma phones to call there are seven drivers and six personnel carriers at the Roseville Armory from the National Guard.

"12:50: Lieutenant Mount phones and advises that Captain Graff and Detective Pollack, Newark Police Department, and Detective Walker and Skarzinski of our State Police are in the area using State Police Car No 488. Also Newark Police has a vehicle equipped with a public address system traveling through the area advising of a 1:00 a.m. curfew. Looting on South Orange Avenue. Fire on Princeton and Springfield Avenues and report of an alleged shooting involving a woman on Blum Street. Crowds gathering at Broad and Market Streets."

Q Were you at home at this point receiving this , information?

A Right.

Q Does this type of information continue through the

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A The next one is 1:21, and I will excerpt it. Lieutenant Mount is in charge of observation for the State Police in the City of Newark at this point. "Car No. 438 cannot get into the Pourth Precinct area. Vehicle is being stoned. Seven or eight large fires within the past half hour Some shooting near Sears & Roebuck. Car 438 reports looting; women and childred doing most of the looting Ninety-five percent of the stores on Springfield Avenue are out Cars are overturned on the street "Lieutenant Mount further advised that he has asked Acting Chief Poley reference any request for State Police assistance forthcoming from Newark officials and received

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a negative reply "

Q What time was this?

A One-twenty one

Q The morning of July 14, 1967?

A Right We are now receiving phone calls from people in Springfield Avenue requesting State Police assistance.

Q These were from citizens?

A Mrs. Ahern, Springfield Avenue phones her father's store broken into and looted; inquired why State Police had not come into the area. Advised Mrs. Ahern that request for State Police assistance must come from the city officials

through the Governor, and no request for assistance has been received from Newark at this time.

Q Was the Attorney General being constantly informed during this time?

A Right.

"1:37: Captain McElroy, troop commander, phoned reference receiving request for State Police assistance from Deputy Chief Redden, Newark; request Major Olaff called Deputy Chief Redden in Director Spina's office.

"1:40: Major Olaff phones Deputy Chief Redden Chief Redden apologizes to Major Olaff and recites request for assistance, advising that he had been overriden by the Mayor Newark Police Department had selected to ride out night without assistance."

Q Is this a conference that occurs between Major Olaff and Chief Redden?

A Yes.

Q As taken down and put in the log?

A Right.

"2:00: Lieutenant Mount phoned; no evidence of subsiding; widespread looting; looting on Broad and Market. Mob moving to Broad and Branford; could be curiosity seekers. "2:30: Attorney General Sills phones Olaff. Governor

has received a request from Mayor Addonizio for State Police assistance "

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Q Was that the first information that the State Police 1 had as to whether or not the mayor had been in communication 2 with the Governor? Had the mayor been in communication 3 4 with the Governor prior to that to your knowledge? Α Not to my knowledge. 5 To your knowledge had the mayor of the City of 6 Q Newark been in communication with any state officials 7 8 concerning the riot? Not that I know of Α 9 10 Your knowledge starts at 2:30 in the morning of Q 11 July 14? Attorney General phones that the Governor received A 12 13 request from Mayor Addonizio of Newark for State Police Instructed Major Olaff to have Colonel Kelly 14 assistance 15 call Mayor Addonizio at MArket 2-5055 and Olaff to call 16 Director Spina." 17 Did you make that call, Colonel? Q 18 Yes A Could you tell us what happened when you made the 19 Q 20 ca11? 21 I called and I spoke to the mayor and --Α 22 Would you tell us the substance of that call? Q 23 I told the mayor that I had people on duty in A 24 Newark and that until I got there I wished that he would 25 communicate directly with them and Lieutenant Mount. I

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asked him if he had a specific request or requirements 1 His 2 reply was that the whole city is gone. Q The mayor said that to you? 3 4 A Yes I said I would be there in a half hour and 5 that just about ended the conversation Q Did you discuss with the mayor in that short 6 7 conversation any question of command structure, responsibility? 8 No, no A 9 Anything of that nature? Q 10 Λ NO. 11 You have given us basically the substance of your Q 12 conversation? 13 I said I would be there within a half hour Α Right 14 Then what happened? Had Major Olaff meanwhile Q 15 communicated with Director Spina? 16 "2:37: Called Director Spina and line busy 2:39 А 17 Major Olaff calls Director Spina. He answered phone at 18 2:43. Arrangements completed to meet Director Spina at the 19 Roseville Armory to discuss the mission," he to discuss the 20 mission with him. 21 Do you know what the contents of that discussion Q 22 were? 23 I know generally Α No 24 Could you tell us generally to the best of your Q 25 recollection?

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A About our pre-arranged plans where the State Police assembly area would be, where we are going and we will be at the Roseville Armory, which was our assembly area No. 1, and we will be there to discuss further plans with Director Spina. Q After your conversation with the mayor, what did you do? A I got dressed and went to Newark. I got to

Newark approximately in a half hour by the turnpike.

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Q About three-thirty in the morning now?

A I think it was earlier than that. I have forgotten the time This is logged, too.

Q Somewhere around three in the morning?

A That is a good number. Probably around there I spoke with him and at four-twelve he was at the armory. I was at the police headquarters -- I don't know whether police headquarters or city hall, whether they are both the same or not.

MR. GIBBONS: City Hall is on Broad Street and the police department is immediately in back of it

THE WITNESS: I think I was immediately in back of it. It seems to me I was in Director Spina's office, but he wasn't there. The mayor was there and other people

ME GIBBONS: Who was with you?

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THE WITNESS: Just the driver, a lieutenant who lives only a block from me We met the mayor, and I asked him what the situation was. He said, "It is all gone, the whole town is gone." I asked his where the problem was. He said, "It is all over." I asked him if he bad any idea of the instigators or trouble makers or what we should look for He didn't know.

MR. GIBBONS: Who was with the mayor? Do you recall?

THE WITNESS: Melifonte. The other faces I don't know

MR. GIEBONS: Was Norman Schiff there, the grey haired city attorney?

THE WITNESS: I remember Melifonte because he was talking.

MR. GIBBONS: How long was your discussion with the mayor?

THE WITNESS: I would say ten minutes, fifteen minutes

MR. GIBBONS: Did the mayor have any instructions for you?

THE WITNESS: Nothing.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Did the mayor have any

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ı	specific idea of where the crucial areas were?
2	THE WITNESS: If he did, he didn't say it to
3	me
4	By Mr. Jaffe:
5	Q Did he have any specific request for the State
6	Police?
7	A No.
8	Q Did the mayor give you a general order?
9	A The mayor gave me nothing. He gave me nor orders
10	nor did I take any
11	Q Any requests?
12	A Nothing
13	Q What did you do after you left the mayor's armory?
14	A I went to the Roseville Armory.
15	Q Did you tell the mayor what you planned on doing?
16	A NO.
17	Q What did you do when you got to the armory?
18	A I waited for our people to come in and as they came
19	in at that time, they were coming in piecemeal and the
20	orders were to come in and bring as many cars as possible,
21	one-man, two-man to a car because we needed the transportation
22	As the cars were coming in, we met in the Roseville Armory
23	and as we got missions that came across, we sent them out.
24	Q What time had the orders gone out to your force
25	there had been a standby issued a few weeks before. What

time specifically was your force mobilized?

A Three-fifteen after our conversation with General Cantwell

Q Are you talking about the morning of July 14?

A July 14. At least 1,000 men would be available, two battalions to be activated immediately. The rendezvous set was for the Roseville Armory. This is our conversation with General Cantwell Three-thirty, Troop A.

Q Your phone call to General Cantwell is after the phone call you received from the Attorney General?

A Right.

Q Was it prior to the phone call to the mayor or subsequent to it?

A Two-thirty I called the mayor and Olaff called Spina.

Q The call to Cantwell was after that?

A Right, to discuss the mission. The National Guard was activated. This was the word at two-forty five. Olaff called Morven to give General Cantwell's phone number to the Governor, and the Governor then activated the National Guard personally at that time At three-fifteen he discussed the thousand men he would have available, two battalions. The State Police was activated immediately. Three-thirty Troop A, our farthest station, was activated and the teletype message went out simultaneously to all the troops.

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A Right

Q You arrived at the Roseville Armory approximately four or four-thirty?

A Right.

Q Was General Cantwell there yet?

A No

Q Who represented the National Guard?

A Colonel Sharp. "Three-thirty five a.m. Colonel Sharp, National Guard, phones and requests transportation for General Cantwell He is to arrive at Gate No. 7, Newark Airport, expected to arrive at four-twenty

Q Could you very briefly describe for us the physical setup that you established at the Roseville Armory when you moved in at four-thirty?

A This was pre-planned. The State Police had the Roseville Armory This is all diagramed in these reports. The Roseville Armory, all of the vehicles were inside. Arrangements were made for gasoline There was 7,000 gallons of gasoline Arrangements were made for messing The National Guard was fed. We had three hundred cots available that were in trucks in Trenton that we did not move at this time Every troop was assigned an office with a phone and their own radios, and as the troops reported,

they reported to their troop commander and given assignments.

Assignments and administrations were by troops

We immediately set up the divisional operational center, and we divided the area into sectors The sectors were established by the intelligence reports from our men and the Newark Police Department as the situation developed.

Q Just before we get to the sectors, up until this time had you or any member of your staff seen the police director of the City of Newark?

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Q Was Director Spina present at the Roseville Armory the morning of July 14th from four o'clock while you were going through the process of setting your command structure up?

A At 4:25 Mayor Addonizio; Paul Riley, Deputy Mayor; Norman Schiff; Dom Melifonte, Public Relations man; Lieutenant Ferrante, Newark Police Department, arrived at the CP.

BISHOP DOUGHERTY: Spina is not mentioned there?

THE WITNESS: No. Four-forty five Governor Hughes arrived at Newark CP. When I say CP, that is the armory. Four-fifty Director Spina, Deputy Chief Redden, Newark police officials arrived at the CP.

By Mr. Jaffe:

Q What was the role that the Newark police played in setting up the command at the armory?

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"Four-fifty one Governor Hughes, Mayor Addonizio, General Cantwell, Colonel Kelly and Newark personnel confer in the Essex Room. We met at four-fifty one...

Q You said the answer to my question was "nothing." Was that because you felt that this should be a State Police and National Guard CP headquarters, or was it because of the fact that the local police did not coordinate with you?

A For two reasons: It was our mission, our role, and we established this by sheer takeover. When I say sheer takeover, this is where we were This is our CP. We established this The Newark Police Department we have requested to bring a radio so that we could have communications They did this. They also assigned an inspector who was a liaison officer. I have forgotten his name in the record.

The Newark Police Department was established and located their liaison through a radio and their inspector. He in turn conveyed messages to his police department or directed his police department or cars, whichever, to give , assistance.

Q But that was the only participation at that time in the CP headquarters? -----

A At that time In fact, all of the time they had no other function Q Could you give instructions to the local police

through the inspector?

A Yes. This is how we did it. I did not tell the Newark Police Department, nor did I have authority or would I tell the Newark Police Department, what to do. I recommended and requested of the inspector they had there our desires and wants and such.

Q And he would communicate those to his headquarters where they may or may not have been acted upon?

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BISHOP TAYLOR: Is there a dual line of control in this case that the State Police has cortain authority and the City Police has certain authority?

THE WITNESS: I think we established this, Bishop, in this respect: We took over the critical area, tried to take it over as best we could. We outposted it, we contained it Newark or any city still has the normal police functions throughout. There are still going to be fights and children born and this type of thing What we tried to do was take over the critical area. We had this responsibility

One of the problems that we encountered, we had our communications, telephone-radio communications, but the municipality did not know State Police numbers. Consequently, all reports of looting, any damage, reports of anything were directed to the Newark Police Department because naturally they knew the number. As such the Newark Police Department would dispatch their patrols to take care of a situation that they heard over the telephone They in turn received a Newark patrol or two patrols moving through an area that eventually we had contained. What would happen is that we would move in and stop looting or whatever the situation may be

What we would have to do is follow them and just observe or stand outside just to protect them. At the end of the whole mission when it ended we had control over two-thirds of the city, approximately fourteen miles, and eventually we tried to let Newark phase out of the critical area so they could perform their normal functions throughout the city They had to function throughout the earlier phases of it because there was no communication to us

By Mr Jaffe:

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A They had a line they were calling their inspector on. This is why we had to have our communicators know the situation. I could probably show you better on the map.

Q We will get to that next week.

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A The citizens had a problem. There were two or three children that were born during the holidays. They needed ambulances, and they would call the police department. The police department would react to this and move this into the areas we had already posted National Guard in and the State Police were patrolling in. We had no way of knowing they received a phone call or where they were going or what they were doing All they were reacting to was a police service

Q There was no counter feedback from Newark Police headquarters to the CP?

A Not in areas like this. Later it was family established, but in the first two days, no.

Q Colonel, how long did it take for you to fully activate your troop and have the CP center operational on the morning of July 14?

A The CP was operational prior to this. We have a phasing in and a phasing-timing sequence that I will give you here.

Q Give us that for the record.

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A I will give you this in terms of logs as they reported in. I think it was around five-thirty that the first contingent from B Troop arrived. Again, they are arriving kind of piecemeal. They came in as transportation and travel would permit. We committed them piecemeal to the areas

> VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: But you first committed around five-thirty?

> > THE WITNESS: Right

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Was there any time when your command post at Roseville Armory was so set up that the Newark Police cooperated in terms of immediate advice and sharing of the command

exercise?

THE WITNESS: Through the inspector that they had assigned there as liaison.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: But Spina didn't come in; Foley didn't come in?

THE WITNESS: Periodically I would see the director

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: But you didn't have

erybody in authority above the director there to coordinate the command?

THE WITNESS: No The mayor would be in every now and then.

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: At anytime did the police authorities or the mayor defined the perimeter of the area over which you would exercise command as the riot area?

THE WITNESS: I don't think so. I think we found out

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Through trial and error?

The WITNESS: We found out from reports from their patrols that this would happen and that this incident took place So we finally defined it as you will see on the operational map we have here

VICE CHAIPMAN BROWN: But this was only after operational experience of two days?

THE WITNESS: No, that night, and it grew. We only had six sectors and then it grew to eight and then to twelve sectors we had.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Was this growing like, you will pardon the expression, Topsy or the question of the police saying to you that there is a definite area where certain things are happening? THE WITTNESS: It was growing for two reasons:

Because the Newark Police were eventually phasing out of the things, and it was growing because there were periodic and spasmatic incidents going on

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: But this was something as your experience indicated?

THE WITNESS: Right As our expectations happened, we said that we better lock off and contain these areas

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Was this as a result of any understanding you had with the police that it would mature in this way, or was it something of operational experience of the riot itself?

THE WITNESS: It was primarily a personal experience I had We met some resistance from the mayor and the police director, and I said the Springfield Avenue will be closed.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: What sort of resistance did you meet from them?

THE WITNESS: The resistance in terms of, "Well, you can't close Springfield Avenue. This is our main artery." I said, "Main artery or not, it is closed. Good bye Boom!"

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: What did they say to that if anything?

THE WITNESS: There was a little opposition, the Governor said, "Dave, do you want to close it?" "Yes, sir " That's it

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: From this did it evolve that you acted in support of the Newark Police, or did you supersede them in certain areas where there were defined perimeters as to the emergency? In other words, would the Newark Police say to you, "The emergency area of Springfield Avenue is in a certain perimeter and you will control this, and we will phase it out," or did you move and say, "We will define this as an area of Springfield Avenue where we must take over because it is out of control," and they more or less agreed to take over?

THE WITNESS: It was that type of thing

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: So you had no predetermined system of handling this?

THE WITNESS: No.

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Is there any predetermi () priority today in terms of perimeter you would take over leaving the baby services and the others?

THE WITNESS: There is, and there probably had been established some at that time, but one of the things in a phasing out period, they were

in there They just didn't abruptly move out because situations were occurring, incidents were occurring They were there They would get called and react accordingly

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: But you wouldn't know what they were doing?

THE WITNESS: No I don't know the telephone calls they received at police headquarters Many phone calls they reacted to we didn't know about. The same way with the fire companies There were telephone calls direct to the police department which, in turn, directed the fire company to the fire We didn't know anything about that

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: But your role was command of the perimeter area and the National Guard supported you and reacted to your command?

THE WITNESS: Right

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VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: I was trying to define the area so that we can take up next time It is now twelve-thirty, and I know you all have commitments, but I want to end at a point where we know we can resume

THE WITNESS: You want me to show the areas the next time?

VICE CHAIRMAN BROWN: Right, so that you can

know you are beginning from approximately five-thirty to develop a pattern of control and how it developed and how the role of the various agencies fitted in. I think this would be most useful to the committee in terms of any definition or recommendations

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