

INTERVIEW OF SEAN BLACK

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2 Upon commencing at 12:18 P.M.

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4 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Today is March 11th,

5 2005. The time is 11:36 a.m. and we are in

6 interview room number one of the Professional

7 Standards Unit Offices on the 10th floor of the

8 Confederation Building at 457 Main Street in

9 Winnipeg. My name is Detective Sergeant Roger

10 Girard, and also present is Sergeant Con Pearson.

11 For the purpose of voice recognition, Con, please

12 voice identify yourself by name?

13 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Con Pearson.

14 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** We are both members

15 of the Professional Standards Unit. This is an

16 interview of Constable Sean Black regarding

17 Professional Standards Unit file number 05-017.

18 For the purpose of voice recognition, can you

19 please identify yourself by full name and badge

20 number?

21 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Sean Black, 1758.

22 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** And I remind you,

23 Sean, that in accordance with service policy, our

24 conversation is being recorded and for that

25 purpose today we are using an Olympus DS4000

1 digital voice recorder.

2 You were contacted, I guess in a round
3 about way, by memo through your supervisors, or
4 ultimately through the divisional commander and
5 your supervisors, and requested to attend for an
6 interview with us. We have talked at least once
7 on the phone about setting up a date that was good
8 for everybody and we settled on today.

9 ***You arrived at our office, I'm not
10 sure exactly what time, but we got back here I
11 guess it would have been about maybe five or ten
12 minutes ago, and you were here waiting for us.
13 Came into the room, got you some water, and
14 explained to you how we got involved in this and a
15 little bit about the witness preamble and, of
16 course, this is to do with the incident involving
17 Constable Harvey-Zenk. And then you didn't have
18 any questions, so we started the recorder.

19 So is that an accurate account of what
20 has taken place prior to me turning the recorder
21 on?

22 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yes, it is, but I
23 probably will have questions. I just would have
24 preferred to have had it on record, that's all.

25 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Right, and you did

1 say that before I turned the recorder on. Okay.

2 Sorry about that.

3 It is our practice to ensure that
4 members understand their status when being
5 interviewed, and I want to remind you that you are
6 being interviewed as a witness in this matter.

7 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Right.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. This
9 statement may be used in any criminal, civil or
10 service proceeding, or it may not be used in any
11 proceeding at all.

12 Were any threats made to you, or were
13 any promises or hopes of reward offered to you in
14 relation to providing a statement?

15 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No.

16 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Was anything said to
17 you by anyone that would influence what you might
18 say to us in the statement?

19 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No.

20 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay. So we are
21 obviously here to discuss the overnight of
22 February 24th to 25th, in which a number of people
23 from your shift went to Branigan's, and then
24 subsequent to that apparently some people returned
25 back to your residence with you.

So, like I explained earlier before the recorder was on, we have been asked by the East St. Paul Police to assist in just determining where Constable Harvey-Zenk was prior to the accident and who he was with. So if you can let us know, relate to us what you know about this matter then?

CONSTABLE BLACK: The 24th would have been a Thursday, is that correct?

SERGEANT GIRARD: I believe so, yeah.
It says he does the overlap the next day.

CONSTABLE BLACK: So the 24th, I got off work, we were working evening shift and I got off work at approximately 11:30. And then I just had some cleanup stuff around the station to do and then it ended up there was a plan to go to, or a plan to go to Branigan's, and I probably got there about quarter to 12:00.

SERGEANT GIRARD: Okay.

CONSTABLE BLACK: And so basically we stayed there for a couple of hours, I guess, and socialized with some of the people there, and agreed to -- my wife and kids -- well, my wife was away, she was on a career development day out of town, and the kids were with family, so I was home

1 alone that night, and decided that if anybody
2 wanted to come back to my place that they are more
3 than welcome to. And so we did, we went back to
4 my place and basically socialized, talked. It was
5 very, like I say, it was just sort of a socialized
6 event where we sat around the kitchen basically
7 and talked about work. And then that was it
8 basically. Most everybody was, you know, left at
9 different times during the night. And I guess the
10 last person to leave was Derek and -- well, he was
11 not the last one to leave because Ken Azaransky
12 stayed, but that's basically it. You probably
13 have some more questions, obviously.

14 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. So at
15 Branigan's, who was all, when you arrived there,
16 who was all there, or who ended up showing up at
17 Branigan's?

18 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay. Well, just
19 how you pose it, like, who was all there? Like,
20 how do you want to ask that?

21 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** I guess my
22 understanding is a large number of your shift was
23 there, was present?

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Right.

25 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** And apparently some

1 people as well from division 11.

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yeah, yeah, that's
3 right.

4 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** So, I'm just
5 wondering if you recall the names of all of the
6 police officers that were there and sitting with
7 your group?

8 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay. The reason
9 why I just kind of wanted to make that clear is
10 just people arrived at different times.

11 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Right. And, again,
12 you know, it is as best as you can remember. I
13 understand that you may not see everybody coming
14 in.

15 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay. When I
16 arrived, basically I noticed that one side of the,
17 if you will, the south wall of the lounge area was
18 occupied by numerous people there. And again
19 there were people that I saw from my shift and
20 others that were outside of the shift. Who I
21 remember seeing was Dave Harding -- and that's
22 what you wanted to know again, right, those
23 things?

24 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Yes, please?

25 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Dave Harding,

1 Christian Guyot, Derek Harvey-Zenk, Ted Michalik,
2 Al Williams. Again, this is hard because people
3 are coming and going, and I don't remember if they
4 were there at the time that I arrived, but I do
5 recall seeing them there during the evening.

6 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

7 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Kelly McLure.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** And just so you
9 understand why I'm asking that question, it is
10 just because basically we want to talk to
11 everybody that was there, and in previous
12 interviews we have actually had some names come up
13 that we didn't realize were there.

14 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Sure, I understand.

15 Gord Schneider -- the reason why I'm having a hard
16 time with this is because I actually never sat at
17 that table.

18 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

19 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I came in and
20 noticed that a lot of the seats were being
21 occupied, and their table and chairs were
22 basically, if you are standing, were at waist
23 level or higher up, it is like at a bar setting,
24 bar stools and stuff. So where I sat was actually
25 on, it was almost like a love seat with a table

1 and chairs around that. So when I sat, I couldn't
2 see -- I was basically, you know, at the same
3 level as their knees.

4 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. And that
5 would have been like the area sort of on the east
6 wall, I guess, where they have like sort of
7 couches and that --

8 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Actually, no, that
9 was on the left side. Have you been inside?

10 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Yeah.
11 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Right by where the
12 fireplace is.

13 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.
14 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I was to the left,
15 sort of just to the northwest of where they were.

16 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay, I got you.
17 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** So I sat down,
18 because I knew my partner, Ken Azaransky, was
19 going to be right behind me, or was going to be
20 there before me, and we were relatively leaving at
21 the same time. Like I said, there was no room at
22 those tables and chairs, so I basically sat there
23 and within minutes others arrived. And then when
24 I sat down, Jay Nolet actually sat down with me.

25 I remember him saying something to the effect that

1 I was going to be sitting alone or whatever, so he
2 sat down beside me. Then Jim Anderson, Norbert
3 Bauer arrived, Chris Humniski. I don't remember
4 who exactly was sitting around there. I think
5 that was pretty much it. I might be missing a
6 couple of names there.

7 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

8 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** As the night
9 progressed, you know, people were coming and
10 going, but for the most part that was kind of our
11 nucleus that was sitting at that table.

12 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, where
13 was Derek Harvey-Zenk sitting in relation to where
14 you were?

15 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** When I first arrived
16 he would have been, he would have been actually on
17 the west side of that table somewhere. I think he
18 was looking towards the south.

19 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** On one of the taller
20 tables?

21 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yeah, yeah.

22 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

23 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I guess he would
24 have his back to me basically.

25 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right.

1 At any point did you notice what he was drinking
2 or eating?

3 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No. No, I was --
4 most of us go there for wings, so I would assume
5 he had probably been eating chicken wings. But,
6 drinking, no, no idea.

7 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, what
8 time did you leave Branigan's then?

9 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I think we left
10 there roughly between 2:00 and 2:30. It took a
11 while for the girl to ring up the bills but -- I
12 didn't notice on my watch by any means, but it
13 took until perhaps between 2:00 or maybe just
14 shortly before that, and 2:30. Like I said, she
15 took a long time ringing everyone's bills through
16 because there were still quite a few people there
17 at the end.

18 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, was
19 there a group tab going, or did everybody pay for
20 their own, or how did you pay for yours?

21 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** For mine I just paid
22 on my own.

23 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right.
24 And then at what point was the decision or the
25 invitation or whatever to your place, at what time

1 did that come out or how did it come out?

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Originally I talked
3 to my partner and discussed, you know, that he was
4 more than welcome to come by. I don't recall if I
5 invited other people, but it basically came
6 towards the end of the evening that it was
7 extended to the group.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right.

9 And so when you go to your residence, were you
10 traveling by yourself in your vehicle?

11 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** That's right.

12 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Do you have
13 any idea how other people got there or --

14 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Well, there was, I
15 guess there was a bit of a convoy, if you will,
16 that followed me, and it was evident that others
17 went on their own as well.

18 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Do you know
19 how Derek got there?

20 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No idea.

21 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. So then --

22 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Did you talk to
23 Derek when you left the bar?

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Did I talk to him
25 personally?

1 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Yes?

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I don't recall.

3 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** He just received
4 the invitation through word of mouth?

5 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I think he got it
6 through the word of mouth.

7 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Okay.

8 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I don't recall if I
9 spoke to people individually about the invite at
10 all. I know it was a blanket invite to everybody.

11 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Okay.

12 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Do you know what
13 time you guys arrived at your place?

14 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No, no, I don't.
15 Again, I really don't know. It would have been,
16 let's say 15, 20 minutes after we left there. And
17 again, I'm just giving the approximate time.

18 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Would it be
19 fair to say then somewhere between, let's say 20
20 after 2:00 and 25 to 3:00, 20 to 3:00, something
21 like that?

22 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** That I arrived at my
23 house?

24 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Yes, somewhere in
25 there, you know, give or take whatever, that's

1 fine.

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Honestly, I don't
3 know what time we left.

4 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Was it actually
5 closing time when you left?

6 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** It appeared that
7 way.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right.
9 Okay. How many people showed up at your place and
10 who?

11 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay. Let me try
12 and remember this. There was Ken Azaransky,
13 Norbert Bauer, Jay Nolet, Chris Humniski, Jim
14 Anderson, Derek Harvey-Zenk, Tracy Fudge, Kelly
15 McLure, TJ, a young guy or our shift, Dave
16 Harding. I am not sure if I missed anyone, if I
17 am missing more.

18 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Can you -- you were
19 writing the names. Would you mind repeating them?

20 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Azaransky, Bauer,
21 Nolet, Humniski, Anderson, Derek, Tracy Fudge,
22 McLure, TJ and Harding.

23 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Tracy Fudge you
24 said?

25 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Yep.

1 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I think that's who
3 went but like again --

4 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** That's fair. One
5 thing I meant to ask you, when you were leaving
6 Branigan's, did you notice if anyone that was in
7 the group I guess that evening, do you remember
8 anybody being visibly intoxicated?

9 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yeah, Dave Harding
10 was showing signs.

11 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right
12 then. So now back at your place, what was going
13 on, or what was everyone doing that arrived at
14 your place?

15 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Well, when I arrived
16 home there was people already there, waiting there
17 at my front door. I went inside my room by the
18 rear -- went through the garage. And basically I
19 ended up getting food ready for everybody. I
20 ended up bringing some liquor out as well, if they
21 wanted a drink. And I basically concentrated on
22 making popcorn and some tortilla chips and salsa
23 and stuff like that. And for whatever reason, my
24 popcorn maker wasn't working so I spent a lot of
25 time trying to get this thing going, and it just

1 wasn't working for me.

2 So after that basically people just
3 kind of, some people walked around and, you know,
4 kind of socializing with themselves from what I
5 gathered, and others for the most part mainly just
6 kind of concentrated in the kitchen area, and we
7 sat around and just talked.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. So you made
9 like some tortillas and some salsa and that?

10 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yes.

11 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** And was there any
12 other type of food put out? You mentioned popcorn
13 but then you said that you were having trouble--

14 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Well, I ended up
15 getting it going but, you know, I got some sauce,
16 taco sauce and tortilla chips and stuff.

17 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, you said
18 you put some liquor out?

19 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yeah.

20 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** What did you put
21 out?

22 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** There was a 26 of
23 rye, and basically a Baileys bottle.

24 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, how
25 much, if you can tell me, how much were people

1 consuming?

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I couldn't tell you.

3 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** What about as far as
4 what kind of, the amounts that were in the bottle
5 when you put it out as opposed to when you put it
6 away?

7 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Well, the bottle I
8 never did put away --

9 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

10 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** -- because it was
11 consumed, I noticed the next day.

12 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, at your
13 place when did people start leaving or if -- and
14 again, you know, if you can't remember the time,
15 maybe even just the order if you remember that?

16 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** That's going to be
17 very difficult because -- I do recall some people
18 leaving, would you prefer if I answer it that way?
19 I mean, I can't tell you, again --

20 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** However you remember
21 it.

22 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I do recall Chris
23 Humniski leaving, but I know he lives in the area.
24 I remember talking to him. TJ, the young guy on
25 the shift, he left pretty early himself. I do

1 recall the girls leaving and being concerned about
2 people driving. Obviously, at that point Dave
3 Harding was a concern. Originally, he was
4 taken -- I took him downstairs because he was
5 really showing signs, and I put him on the couch
6 and I said, you just stay here. And at one point
7 he came upstairs, he walked upstairs and I guess
8 he wanted to go. So the girls were going to take
9 care of him with Jim Anderson. So they all kind
10 of left together as a group. In terms of Jay
11 Nolet and Norbert Bauer, they left relatively at
12 the same time.

13 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** As --

14 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I'm not making this
15 very clear here. The girls and Jim Anderson, they
16 left, I don't know what time. Chris Humniski left
17 on his own. TJ, he left, I don't know what time,
18 I think he left on his own. In terms of Jay
19 Nolet, Norbert Bauer, I don't know what time but
20 they left relatively together, like I said, and
21 after the girls had left with Dave Harding.

22 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Okay. Now,
23 you said Ken stayed at your place?

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** That's right.

25 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, what

1 time did Derek leave, or again in the order --

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I do recall -- what
3 happened was, it was Norbert, myself, Ken, Jay
4 Nolet and Derek that were all left. We were
5 together in the kitchen.

6 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

7 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** And we socialized
8 together for some time there, talking back and
9 forth, exchanging stories. A couple of guys,
10 whether they phoned or whether they received
11 calls -- and I recall one of them saying around
12 6:30, it was around 6:30, and that's the time that
13 really only sticks out in my mind throughout the
14 evening, because I was -- because whatever,
15 someone says, it is getting late, it is 6:30. So,
16 yeah, it was basically us four or five, or
17 whatever it is, that were left there.

18 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now you
19 mentioned earlier that Dave Harding, in your
20 opinion, was showing signs?

21 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** That's right.

22 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** And he was taken
23 care of?

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Right.

25 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Was there anyone

1 else at your residence that, overnight or into the
2 early morning, that you observed signs or had
3 concerns about?

4 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No.

5 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. So, Norbert,
6 TJ, you and Ken and Derek were in the kitchen?

7 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No, TJ is not there.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. That's right,
9 he left earlier. Jay Nolet, is that the one?

10 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yes.

11 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. So Norbert
12 and Jay left at about the same time?

13 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** They did, yeah.

14 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. And Ken
15 stayed with you?

16 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yeah.

17 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Derek would have
18 been the last person to leave then?

19 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yes.

20 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. How much had
21 you had to drink as far as liquor, at your
22 residence?

23 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** At my place I had a
24 couple of drinks. Maybe -- I wasn't drinking
25 heavy, we had work the next day and we were coming

in to do an overlap, so I wasn't interested in drinking lots there.

SERGEANT GIRARD: Okay. Now, if you could just explain the circumstances surrounding like when Derek leaves?

CONSTABLE BLACK: Okay. Well

1 hallway of my home that I said to Derek that he is
2 more than welcome to stay. As I did that, I
3 actually went to the bathroom. The other side of
4 my house is my master bedroom where I have the
5 ensuite in. So I went to use the washroom, and
6 when I came back he was gone. I asked Ken about
7 it and he wasn't sure what happened there either.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. Now, when you
9 said that you extended that offer, was it out of
10 concern for anyone or was it just a blanket offer?

11 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** It was a blanket
12 offer that I made throughout the evening. It
13 wasn't concern for intoxication or anything, it
14 was basically extended to everyone because I knew
15 where I live, I live out of town, although it is
16 not a far place, we had all been kind of working
17 evening shift and a lot of people had long weeks
18 with overtime, so it was just a concern out of
19 fatigue.

20 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right.
21 Now, do you know how much Derek had to drink at
22 your residence?

23 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No.

24 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay. All right.

25 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** What did Derek look

1 like, his physical appearance when he left?

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** To mine?

3 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Yeah? Did he look
4 like he was fatigued? I understand there was a
5 lot of overtime --

6 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I think that's very
7 tough to ask, or tough to say. You know, he
8 wasn't sleeping by any -- or falling asleep or
9 anything. It wasn't that obvious.

10 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** How did you feel?

11 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** I was tired, yeah, I
12 was tired. I wanted to get to bed. I had to get
13 to work the next day. And in fact, before, when
14 it was just us guys sitting there, you know, I was
15 kind of cleaning up the kitchen, I was hoping that
16 guys would either stay, you know, like I really
17 wanted to end the night off basically, it was kind
18 of enough.

19 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Okay. So I guess
20 it is safe to assume that Derek was probably
21 feeling the same thing, you know, he had been up
22 all night too. He didn't sleep while he was at
23 your house?

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No, that's correct.
25 The only one that went down there, like I said, I

1 took Dave Harding down. He was lying on my couch,
2 I gave him a blanket, and I went back down there
3 at another point in time and saw him, and he
4 looked like he was actually sleeping. So if
5 anyone was sleeping, it just, it would have been
6 him, that I noticed.

7 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** I thought he was
8 taken home, he was driven home and so on?

9 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** That's what I was
10 told too.

11 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** I don't think I have
12 any more questions, Con.

13 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** When you came back
14 from the washroom and Derek was gone, was Ken
15 still up?

16 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Yeah, because I
17 asked him where Derek was.

18 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** And you didn't see
19 where Derek went?

20 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Pardon me?

21 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** You didn't see
22 where Derek had gone?

23 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No, he said that he
24 didn't know.

25 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** Okay. And when did

1 you last see Derek at the house?

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Right at -- like
3 basically, because my dining room and livingroom
4 are kind of joined, it would be right in the
5 hallway, it is not really a hallway but it is
6 right in the middle between there.

7 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** And in your view,
8 did it look like Derek was impaired?

9 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No.

10 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** I have no more
11 questions.

12 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** I think that pretty
13 much covered it. Do you have knowledge of any
14 other information that we haven't covered, maybe
15 something that we have overlooked that you think
16 might be important?

17 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No. You know,
18 certainly if I could turn back the clock, I
19 certainly would. And I just feel absolutely awful
20 that this occurred, you know, lost a lot of sleep,
21 but, you know, that is it I think, it is just a
22 terrible tragedy here.

23 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Agreed.

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** And like I said
25 that's -- I guess that's it.

1 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Okay.

2 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Just one question,
3 and this is something outside of the matter here,
4 but, like I'm being kind of brought here as a
5 police witness or as a witness?

6 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** As a witness.

7 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay.

8 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** Yeah.

9 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay.

10 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** We have been asked
11 by East St. Paul to conduct these inquiries on
12 their behalf.

13 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay.

14 **SERGEANT PEARSON:** So they will be
15 getting the information that we got.

16 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay.

17 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** And whether it is
18 just because of logistics, because they only have
19 seven people and there is basically three times
20 their staff to interview sort of.

21 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** Okay.

22 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** All right. Anything
23 else you want to say, Sean?

24 **CONSTABLE BLACK:** No, that's it.

25 **SERGEANT GIRARD:** All right. This

1 interview is concluded, the time is 12:05 p.m. and
2 the recorder is being turned off.
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