

Dialogue only

On February 13th, 1988,
Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Oregon, Rhode Island, West Virginia and the
district of Columbia held the first interstate lottery. It's scared the hell out
of me. For the next 30 years, I wrote and brought to life what I fear to be
one of the worst threats to our National Security

1957

PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

"Good Morning everyone, The reason for this early morning meeting is to weigh in on the scheduled January 5th, signing of The Eisenhower Doctrine. And what, we as a Nation, may encounter as a result of this comprehensive Order which will alter the allegiance of Middle Eastern Countries, and whether that allegiance will be with the United States of America or the Soviet Union."

MAJORITY LEADER LYNDON B. JOHNSON

"Once this doctrine is signed we have put into motion a deliberate alternative on the table for Middle Eastern countries, whether it will be the United States of America or the Soviet Union in whom they will depend on for military and economic aid. Iraq is calling us the aggressor. We must address the negative ramifications in the event the signing takes place."

STAFFER

"Mr. Johnson."

Secretary OF STATE JOHN FOSTER DULLES

"I must acknowledge my genuine concern on how the signing of the Eisenhower doctrine maybe rolling the dice. "Iraq has already decided to lean on Russia for their military and economic aid as opposed to the United States. The government of Iraq is overwhelming their people with negative U.S. propaganda. Theirs major protests, American flag burning and promised revenge. This could influence other major Middle Eastern Countries to follow".

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CHARLES ERWIN WILSON

"Let's clarify exactly what the message is we are sending to the Middle Eastern Countries and the rest of the world."

VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON

"This Doctrine is to encourage and give all Middle Eastern Countries a choice to lean on America for future economic and military support. and end the continued Soviet Union aggression. I don't see Iraq as influential enough to sway other Middle Eastern power players".

SECRETARY OF STATE JOHN FOSTER DULLES

"We must prepare and have a plan of action to rebound adversely on the originator in case we receive the opposite effect to what was intended."

President Dwight D. Eisenhower

"This doctrine will Authorize the United States to co-operate and assist any nations or group of nations in the general area of the Middle East in the development of economic strength dedicated to the maintenance of National Independence. In addition to military assistance and co-operation with any nation or group of nations which desire such aid. including the employment of armed forces of the United States to secure and protect the territorial integrity and political independence of such Nations requesting such aid against overt armed aggression from any nation controlled by international Communist.

FAYE

"Goo goo Daddy. Goo goo Daddy. Mark, Do you think Iraq will attack the U.S.?"

FAYE

"Honey, will you let Molly in?"

MOLLY

"Hello Mr. Eshleman, Are you going out for dinner?"

FAYE

"No, the 29th Academy Awards ceremony took place yesterday. The King & I, starring Yul Brynner, and took the Oscar for Best Picture. We're going to the Motion Picture Theater to see it. I love the butter they put on the popcorn."

MOLLY

"Our science teacher asked everyone in class who knows where the country of Iraq is located on the globe. No one in the class knew. Do you have any 2 aa batteries I can put in my radio? The radio is broadcasting our basketball game in 10 minutes. What time do you think you'll be back?"

MARK

"We'll be back before 11:00. And, as I was going to tell my wife, don't worry about Iraq, the United States of America rules the world."

FAYE

"I don't care what he says, It's always been said, nobody messes with Bagdad."

MOLLY

"I know. All I can think of is an angry huge powerful Jeanie with knives coming from his fingertips."

FAYE

"Molly, here is the phone number for the motion picture theater if there would be an emergency. Honey, did you turn the percolator off?"

MARK

"Yes."

MOLLY

"Have a good time."

FAYE

"See you."

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Aban yelling

"We don't need a Doctrine! We don't need America! We have put on are armor!"

Hakim yelling

"We smell blood! We'll cut their limbs off!"

ABDYLLIN

"You will move to the United States and your mission will be to live and take as many generations of our family and comrades necessary to destroy the United States, the enemy, at any level and their evil and vile ways. Even if it takes us to the next generation and a future grandchild becomes an American homegrown terrorist. They have made the Middle East their devils workshop. Keeping the enemy and traders armed in order for them to do their dirty work for them. The killing, With one goal, to get their hands on the oil rich fields.

AMIRA

"yes, yes, yes."

ABIDA

"Hakim, I am, and always will be your faithful wife and relish the role as the mother of your children. In 2 months, we will be hoping for a boy. He will be named Tawfeek."

HAKIM

"Father, we are soldiers, for our Country and Allah."

ABAN

"Father, you are Patriarch of the family and Lord of the village of Hilla and our comrades. We're listening and waiting."

ABDYLLIN

"Both you and Hakim go with Saab and Karim. You will become subordinates of our Iraqi Intelligence."

SAAB

"Karim and I are with the Iraqi Intelligence source you will be communicating with in the event you follow this mission. One our away, in the side of a mountain. You'll get to know the wheel."

Aban

"I look forward to transmission."

AMIRMOEZ

"I want to go home."

DARZI

"I want to be a soldier."

GABIR

"I pray for my husband Abdyllin, my sons Aban, Hakim and their families.

Oh, you who I believe,

I see patience and perseverance.

For you God.

Are with those who patiently persevere."

ABDYLLIN

"You will learn the English language. And the wives will learn the language as well but convince every American they meet they only speak Arabic. They will become flies in the enemy's ointment. The fly intended to spoil the otherwise civilized way of life in America, at any level."

CHARACTER A

"What do you make of the tension and building of military aggression that has been unfolding at a rapid rate in the Middle East?"

CHARACTER B

"Propaganda."

CHARACTER A

"Your right, Russia can have Iraq"

CHARACTER C

"They are burning American flags."

CHARACTER D "

"Yea well ."

CHARACTER A

"My daughters' boyfriend said we're just redneck hardworking beer drinking men, who go to the bar when the sun rises. He only knows 1 shift, 9 to 5. He hasn't a clue."

AMIROMOEZ

"Will we attend school when we move to America?"

AMIRA in a whisper

"Yes, Don't you ever listen. Don't ever say America. Ever."

EXTRA 1

"Good morning ladies."

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AMIRA

"Good Morning. Darzi and Amirmoez, your mother and I will see you when school finishes."

ABIDA

"Don't take any wooden nickels. We must go to the market immediately. We need to stock up on coriander and cress, lentils and courgetti. This last year has been a never ending, relentless effort by all to learn the new language, but has been a full-time job cooking for the brew. Abdyllin recruited a tutor, translator named Zaid. Did you meet him?"

AMIRA

"Yes, he is in his early twenties and very good looking. But don't tell Aban I said so. When aban and I met Ziad, I could tell Aban was jealous. It was in the air, but everything remained functional."

VENDER 3

"Give me offer on this swine"

EXTRA 1

"Good morning."

AMIRA

"Good morning to you as well."

AMIRA

"Are you sure that's dead?"

ABIDA

"Let's go, I want to go home. There's too many people here, I never know what our neighbors are thinking, I feel like they are watching us. What do they know?"

VENDER 4 LOUD

"Buy your chickens alive."

AMIRA

"Don't think that way, it's bad luck and your over suspicious. And it shows. And it's dangerous. Stop showing your lack of self-esteem."

ABIDA

"And you are the wife of Aban, the pretty one. You'll patronize for your own benefit, want your husband to be the Patriarch. Your far the most western cultured female in the family. I am scared. I am going home."

ZIAD

"Aban, what did you want to say?"

AMIRA

"Ziad, we are cooking another weekly dinner dedicated to studying the English language."

ABAN

"Amira, your place is here, beside me!"

AMIRA

"Ziad, you are very smart."

ABAN

"None of this makes sense. It's stupid just like the Americans. 2, too, 2, two, 2, to". Then "farm f-a r-m, Pharmacy, p-h-a-r".

Amira

"Ahhhhhhhhhhhh!"

Abida

"Are you O.K.?"

AMIRA whispers

"Yes, please stay with me in the kitchen"

ZIAD

"Darzi, are you able to explain the structure of this language to your father?"

Darzi

"T-O is a preposition which begins a prepositional phrase or an infinitive. T-O-O is an adverb meaning excessively or also. T-W-O is a number".

"The Romans translated Greek PH and pronounced closer to an F."

Zaid

"I will be giving a task to the children in order to help the others grasp a better understanding of this very difficult language. I would like to see the young tutoring the elders" While the others continue to study on their own."

DARZI

"A vowel is a syllabic speech sound pronounced without any structure in the vocal tract. Vowels are one of the two principal classes of speech sounds, the other being the consonant".

ABIDA

"I feel as if our lives have become more and more obscure and unclear. I still feel afraid and uncomfortable, and our future is unknown. Our neighbors don't visit, we don't hardly communicate much outside our family".

AMIRA

"My baby is being born right now!"

"Vowels vary in quality, in loudness and also in quantity. They are usually voiced and are closely involved in prosodic variation such as tone, intonation and stress."

MID-WIFE

"Meet your new son Tawfeek."

1959

ABAN

"Father, Hakim and I are ready to move to America for a one-month period. We will begin to plan our transition for our families to move, open dialogue with the wheel, and begin our new lives, and continue to the completion of our mission. No matter how many generations it takes. There is no deadline."

HAKIM

"It has been a very busy 3 years. All paperwork complete. Pain staking. And, the learning of that English language. We are on the same page as Saab and Karim . They have made arrangements so as soon as we set foot on American soil, we will be met by a gentleman named Ajam. He was born in Iraq. He is an attorney who has been living in America for over a decade. He has taken a Pro Bono roll in assisting Iraqi families through the transition of moving to America. America has tough restrictions of their own on travel and immigration. Ajam is obscure and unaware of our mission".

ABAN

"We are ready. We will be gone 27 days in order to take care of all preparations for our permanent move to America.

1960

HAKIM

"There were no goodbyes. It was as if we were going to work and just an average day. Abida had Darzi and Amirmoez off to school before I could say good-by. And, we were instructed not to phone home."

ABAN

"Mission obedience."

AJAM

"Greetings, my brothers. Welcome to America. If you will? Please follow me. Iraqi funds allow us to sublet a small office right here in LaGuardia. We celebrate the arrival of new Iraqi blood."

ABAN

"How convenient."

HAKIM

"Not even a waste can. Just a stack of ashtrays."

AJAM

"As unproductive as this office looks, is how productive it is. We don't use a trash can because we don't leave anything here. Not even a pencil. There is no need for desk drawers, we don't store anything. We take with us everything we came in with."

AJAM

"Let's get started, the northeastern and western parts of Pennsylvania are ripe with employment opportunities. Especially in the steel mills. I have connections with people here in the northeast who are presently looking for hard workers. And the work is hard. But it pays well and is secure with good insurance and benefits and a good pension to boot."

AJAM

"As I promised, you will be the guest of fellow Iraqi brothers, Kader and Nagi who are both 29. They will also be your transportation and guide. They received your generous gifts and thank you".

AJAM

"Here is all you'll need for employment. I have also included information on housing and the location of our local Mosques, including our Grand Mosque in Washington D.C. I have had the opportunity to have helped three of our Iraqi families move into the Steelton, Pennsylvania area and are doing very well. I hope you are pleased."

HAKIM

"We are ready and eager. We will be here for nearly a month and our goal is to return home with secure employment and hopefully good housing."

OPERATIONAL MANAGER

"Aban, you will be melting this fusible, ductile copper."

ABAN

"I've been told copper has been found to have good electrical and thermal conductivity."

OPERATIONAL MANAGER

"You have knowledge."

ABAN

"Yes, I like building with metals."

EXTRA 1

"They don't know good work when they see it."

EXTRA 2

"Good luck guys, We've been hired."

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PERSONNEL 3

"Our personal manager likes you both."

PERSONNEL 3

"Fill these out and Mr. Slate will talk with you."

PERSONNEL 3

"Aban, Hakim, Mr. Slate is waiting for you."

MR. SLATE

"Hello there, have a seat. Our operational manager was impressed. If you are both willing to work any of the three full-time shifts available and prove you have the strength and the ability to lift and learn, your hired."

MR. SLATE

I hope you work out. You will find a full description of your pay rate, insurance, retiring benefits schedule and job title here."

ABAN

"Nagi said to meet him at Joe's Bar a block down, on the left."

ABAN

"Good news! We both have been hired. Now, housing."

NAGI

"I have good news too. I have arranged for you to see a large 2 family four-bedroom row home in a small community in walking distance to the steel mill."

ABAN

"It seems the customers come in waves."

NAGI

"It's 3:00 and a work shift is ending. The bar will be fairly empty by 4:45. These men all have dinner with their family when possible. You know there's three shifts working overtime. It's sometimes hard for them to have a normal life. Joe's bar opens at 7:00 A.M.. And the ending third shift shuffles in. Up until before lunch. Now, let's get a roof over your head."

ABDYLLIN

"I have concerns. A lot of concerns. Beginning with the influence of the western style of life, the women wearing veils, the Catholic schooling, eating habits and your own religious worship, and the next generations worshipping."

ABAN

"Father, I have always had the utmost respect for you, as I do your concerns which I am prepared to address. This is not a debate. There should be no concern. The authority when we start our new lives in America, will be mine. With Nagi's help we found what he calls a large 2 family four-bedroom row home in a small community in walking distance to the steel mill. Our wives and daughters will wear veil cover during devotion and piety. And that veiling will be of their own choice. They

will honor their religious identity and self-expression. There will be no western influence. We have a mission, just that. Our children will keep their faith. Our decision to have our children attend St. Gertrude's Catholic School is to participate within a unified setting. We have a mission. We will change nothing regarding our religious culture. Our family will attend one of two Mosques; the local and a grand Mosque in Washington D. C."

1961

ABAN

"After nearly five years of planning we leave Iraq. Quietly."

HAKIM

"I am already looking forward to returning home to conduct business regarding our family and our mission."

ABAN

"We didn't even lift off. I miss home already. Our first scheduled return is early 1965. How do you think our families will be received in America?"

HAKIM

"Remember, the United States of America is only profiling blacks and women, we are squeaky clean due to the facts. I wonder if that will ever change? And, what those Americans are transfixed on right now?"

AMIRA

"West Side Story. Its production was one of the first to bring violence to the stage."

HAKIM

"Boy she has good ears."

ABIDA

"How did you know that?"

AMIRA

"Aban and Hakim have been receiving folders with current news of America, to better assist in the transition. After they're done reading each one, He gives them to me to burn. Of course, I read them myself first."

AMIRA

"This article says the American Government approved a pill called Obetrol. It is said to make you lose weight. I don't know much about it, and I am not asking Aban. He does not know I read all the folders. But, I want to lose weight."

ABIDA

"So, do I."

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KADER

"Let's grab their suitcases, idiot."

KADER

"Aban, Hakim, this beauty is yours. The V.W. bus has become very popular. Our doctor is making a peace mobile out of his. And we just received another generous gift from your family. Thank you from both of us."

ABAN

"Kader and Nagi, may I introduce my wife Amira, our son Tawfeek, Hakim's wife Abida and their two sons Darzi and Amirmoez."

AMIRA

"Kader, if you or Nagi need to talk to someone in any regards to our families, you talk to me."

KADER

"Yes, Amira. And if there is anything we can do for you and your family, we're here. Welcome to America!"

NAGI

"I wish you all the best."

1962

ABAN

"I want everyone to know I have made a decision. The steel mills will be temporary. I hope to eventually return our family to farming. I am hearing rumors the steel mills are beginning to close. It might be sooner than we think."

AMIRA

"I look at my husband, Aban, as our patriarch. And I want you to stop smoking."

ABIDA

"Today is Tawfeeks birthday. Will we celebrate. I am baking twisted birthday bread."

DARZI

"Tawfeek wants a birthday party."

ABIDA

"It's not part of our culture to fund an extra unnecessary occasion or festival. We will have cake with dinner. And I have a present for Tawfeek from all of us. Now, I am not complaining. I know there are no social ills in this tight knit community. It's a good climate. But why must our children attend Catholic School?"

AMIRA

"These family squabbles take place because of the power to make final decisions arise repeatedly. It is less important to identify these squabbles as it is to remember there is Aban, who will become the next patriarch."

ABAN

"We all know why our children attend a small Catholic School. It's a unified setting. It's two blocks from our home and one block from the steel foundry."

AMIRA

"We might be going shopping after school today. Darzi will, as always, cover for me and have everyone assume I do not speak the English language."

DARZI

"I want to go shopping again after school. Can we?"

ABIDA

"Did you hear Marilyn Monroe died?"

ABAN

"I don't want to hear about the tasteless American drama. We've got to go to work."
"What the hell happened? I can't see."

AMIRA

"They have never been late before."

ABIDA

"I'll get the twisted bread from the oven."

ABAN

"I'll be fine. It looks worse than it is. I can see. A lot of my face is badly burned. Malik and I will be switching to the 11-7 shift for a while operating a forklift. I can't get near that boiling heat."

AMIRA

"Aban, are you sure you will be O.K.?"

ABAN

"I received two 1-inch slices below my right eye. Like railroad tracks. I am going to my room and I insist that everyone enjoys Tawfeeks birthday party. I'll be back later."

AMIRA

"Today, while at school with the children, I overheard some of the adults talking about the parents of one of Darzi's classmates who had in an illicit affair that has engulfed their parish. And, that they just had a baby girl named Beth on May 12th. She is black. Mom and Dad are not. Even with that, there was not a negative tone or action from anyone. A nun who was listening reminded them, This parish and community stand tall when it comes to Love thy neighbor. I showed no sign of reaction. Darzi was not there to translate. Although I understood every word they said. And, you know what, on the bright side, this small knit community's drama of their own in turn has overshadowed our place in the community."

ABIDA

"Just today we received an invitation to baby Beth's christening."

DARZI

"Mother, what is a Nigger? I heard some classmates say that is what Beth is."

AMIRA

"It's a taunting word that is meant to be mean."

HAKIM

"Darzi, It's the same when some children taunt you for your Iraqi heritage. When it happens, you just walk away."

AMIRA

"Now, everyone, today Tawfeek turns 5!"

1963

AMIRA

"Tawfeek, you'll be 6 next year, I'll miss you when you go off to school."

ABIDA

"Amira, Amira. O my God. President Kennedy has been shot!"

ABIDA

"I have fallen in love with Norman Rockwell. I am beginning a collection with the little one's at the doctor's office and the barber shop."

AMIRA

"I want to go to the motion picture theatre to see Lawrence of Arabia. There was to be a special on the Oscar nominated feature film. Instead they have us watching a special report on killer Oswald being paraded out the Dallas Police Department. And I'll miss Julia Child. Again!"

ABIDA

"He just shot Jack Ruby!"

HAKIM

"They ain't seen nothing yet."

ABAN

"Today was a rough day. I am sore all over."

EXTRA 1

"Just be glad you are working. Three steel mills closed up north in just two years. Aban, your burns have healed well. Although, those tracks give you character."

ABAN

"Yep, I'll always have these railroad track scars under my right eye. Our family is thinking of going back to farming someday."

HAKIM

"There is no question farming is as big in Pennsylvania, if not, bigger than the steel mills."

EXTRA 5

"Aban, Hakim, regards to you and your family."

EXTRA 1

"Farming will completely take over the steel mill industry in this area one day."

EXTRA 2

"We all need to go home. Our families are waiting for us."

ABAN

"Ciao, everyone."

ABAN

"We will wait for Abido to return to talk."

HAKIM

"It's in the air, something bad has happened."

AMIRA

"Darzi, you and Amirmoez and Tawfeek go in the living room for a while."

DARZI

"Yes, mother."

ABAN

"Yes, Hakim. It is bad news. Our Father Abdyllin has passed."

AMIRA

"When will we leave to go home."

ABAN

"Only I will return. My stay will be short. And my time will be tight. I will utilize this opportunity to, for the first time, familiarize myself better with the operation of the wheel. Bringing everything up to date. Hakim, you will be in charge while I am gone."

ABIDA

"Our love goes with you."

ABAN

"All of us men must go to the Barber Shop before I leave."

Saab

"Welcome Aban, and again, our condolences. We always look forward to meeting with you. Follow me."

SAAB

"Aban, you remember Karim, and this is Ali, he is our technical support."

ABAN

"Gentleman, we have had a very fruitful few years. And, as always, our mission has no deadline. Our patience has allowed us to fit in. I have been told the wheel has been in existence for centuries."

ALI

"Yes, but only following an unsuccessful assassination attempt by the Ba'ath Party on Iraq's ruler Abdul Karim Qasim in October 1959, did the wheel become an extended limb of Jihaz al Khas Special Apparatus, codenamed Jihaz al-Haneen. And that, meaning Instrument of Yearning, the organization concentrates on security and intelligence work. Also, with that comes an entire new network with a wealth of knowledge."

ABAN

"I am very interested in technology. Could you share with me what is in use?"

ALI

"Aban, we have a Scott Terminal and Colerene Management Segment. We have reliable intelligence in America working for the United States government as well as in the private sector."

ABAN

"It's been said here by our comrades that the wheels intelligence source reveals significant happenings in America before their own people are told."

ALI

"Quite often, too. We were just informed a few days ago that United States President Johnson is soon to be announcing a new immigration policy that will lift much of their restrictions in order to allow all classes of Iraqis a fast track to immigrate. Our sources predict it will be signed into law sometime in the short future."

KARIM

"American people are ignorant and unaware of their own country's state of affairs through no fault of their own, and their government."

ABAN

"What do you know about manure being an explosive."

SAAB

"It's relatively new to the terror world. But it works, And we know it."

ABAN

"I understand."

ABAN

"Amira, our mother Gabir has just passed. Just weeks after our fathers passing. We will mourn here in America."

AMIRA

"When will we tell the family?"

HAKIM

"In the morning."

AMIRA

"We are a family in mourning. Amongst just ourselves."

ABAN

"Good evening."

"Won't you please come in."

ABAN

"Welcome and thank you."

ABAN

"Welcome."

EXTRA 1

"Losing one of your own has no boundaries."

TAWFEEK

"We're not amongst ourselves anymore."

ABIDA

"I can't understand most of what Father Michael is saying."

AMIRA

"Not me. I understand every word. And I know it's All Saints Day, too. That's why there's no school."

AMIRA

"She's precious."

TAWFEEK

"I love her."

BETH

"WHAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA"

ABIDA

"Bread will be finished in a few minutes."

ABAN

"Hakim and I will travel home for two weeks in early January."

AMIRA

"Aban, it was announced today that U.S. Surgeon General confirmed that cigarette smoking causes cancer. While back home, please try to quit. And when you get back, both you and Hakim are getting glasses."

ABAN

"I'll quit smoking when you stop watching that Peyton Place. Now, back to our visit. We will be staying in a billet within the wheel compound. We will have no contact with our family in America while we are gone."

AMIRA

"While you are gone, who is in charge."

ABIDA

"Amira, you, of course."

DARZI

"When can I go back home? I want to be a soldier too."

AMIRMOEZ

"I don't."

TAWFEEK

"Can we visit Beth? She's pretty."

1965

ABAN

"America is just now informing their people of an immigration change In August. It's now capturing our country's and the world's attention. And, you guys knew about it before the American people did."

SAAB

"And the American people don't have a clue what has been established by this signing. This policy will give you the opportunity to take advantage and obtain legal permanent residency in the United States in the next few years. It also will open the doors to the recruitment of future martyrs. The Act reform will allow a new wave of Arab States to immigrate, all three classes."

ABAN

"So, you already have knowledge of what's in the Act?"

EXTRA 1

"And more."

ABAN

"The manure and fertilizer?"

KARIM

"News about fertilizer manure is all over the headlines in the terroristic world as one of the newest tools. We have been experimenting on the compound grounds and have arranged a demonstration for you and your brother."

KARIM

"Aban, Hakim, meet Jaffar Dhia Jaffar. He is in the explosive weapons program."

JAFFAR

"Currently the recipe is all natural. Although this explosive is not widely used yet or not taken seriously, it works. And we know it."

ABAN

"This has grabbed our keen interest. Malik and I will spend our time while home here on the compound testing grounds. What else do you know about the methods?"

SAAB

"We create these small explosions naturally by placing the feces in a manure pit. Then capping it airtight to prevent the odor to abscond. At present, to the best of our knowledge, it is the odor alone that built up the explosive result. We will keep you updated. On your next visit, you'll meet Dr. Abd Rashad. He is testing several formulas, methods and techniques. He is a top biological scientist, and one of the best in his field."

AMIRA

"Aban, your new glasses cover most of your scar."

ABAN

"I have been out of touch with the average American news. What have we missed?"

AMIRA

"A Feminist Group has formed The National Organization for Women. They call it N.O.W. They published an employment guide geared for the professional woman. And there are several positions I think about."

ABAN

"What are your qualifications? A translator of the Iraqi language? We have convinced everyone it is a cultural choice for you not to learn the English language. And that choice was yours. Be more careful."

AMIRA

"I don't know much about this, but the news report talked about the United States government introducing a proposed bill called Medicare. Whatever it is, the critics say it will never last."

ABIDA

"The Sound of Music premieres this week. We should all go to see the feature film including the children."

DARZI

"I want to go see that new feature film called Star Trek."

ABIDA

"Darzi, I will take you and a friend to see Star Trick for your 16th birthday."

DARZI

"It's Star Trek. Not Star Trick."

ABIDA

"O.K. Star Trek."

TAWFEEK

"When are we going to baby sit Beth again. I miss her."

1976

HAKIM

"I have some news I plan to share with the family today. Abido is expecting. Her due date is the end of May. This was not planned."

ABAN

"Allah makes the plans. Congratulations."

HAKIM

"I am going to buy her a new book just released she really wants. It's called Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."

ABAN

"Snow White. Sounds interesting. Maybe they'll make a feature film on her."

AMIRMOEZ

"I hope it's a baby boy."

AMIRA

"Everyone, Abida delivered a healthy baby boy this morning. The same day as Tawfeeks birthday. Hakim and Abida named him Tony, a decision she made to be more welcomed in the western culture. His middle name is Abdyllin."

DARZI

"Hospitals make me tired. Good night everyone."

AMIRMOEZ

"Not me."

AMIRA

"I am so happy to be out of that hospital."

AMIRMOEZ

"I got lost in the hospital and a man wearing a mask and gloves told me to leave. He said I am on the floor of virus. Sounded scary."

HAKIM

"A lot of those patients have a virus with no cure, and their contagious." What diseases were there then?

AMIRMOEZ

"I read there they can re-connect a severed hand. And soon, even a leg one day."

AMIRA

"You go take a bath and relax. I'll watch after Tony Abdyllin."

ABIDA

"Thank you."

EXTRA 1

"God damn it. I told you they didn't care. They closed the steel mill."

ABAN

"Hakim, we'll be fine."

EXTRA 2

"We're in this together."

ABAN

"Like hell we are!"

HAKIM

"Aban, we're going to experience the downfall of the steel industry and lose our jobs just like everyone else employed by these steel mills across the Northeast United States. The difference lies in our next move. I want to get back to farming."

EXTRA 3

"Martin Luther King has been assassinated."

"Let's get out of here."

1969

ABAN

"These proud men living within the community have lost their jobs and are suddenly broke and without income. Our faith instructs, not to allow social ills amongst others to become social ills of our own. These steel mill closings have taken such a terrible toll on so many of these families. It opens the doors to vulnerability, irresponsibility, abuse, alcoholism, and divorce. Allah has us in his blessings."

AMIRA

"I believe it's already begun. Before the exodus of the steel mills these men went to local bars in the morning after work. For Allah's sake, when we take the children to school, we witnessed them going to the bar after they get out of bed."

HAKIM

"I've heard a few were hired for the construction of a plant that's going to produce electricity. They're calling it Three Mile Island. They say it will encompass a portion of the Harrisburg International Airport. Opposite it's runway. With a sign, No Planes. They start construction May 8th."

ABIDA

"Mary's getting a divorce. And I want to go home."

DARZI

"Father, I'd rather be farming than this steel crap."

ABAN

"Amira and Abida, I need you to leave the kitchen for a while, Malik and I must talk."

ABAN

"News from the wheel. After the Ba'ath Party seized power this past July, Saddam expanded the Special Apparatus and took control of the Amn which is the State Internal Security Department, making Iraqi National Intelligence one of the best in the world and puts our wheel in the driver's seat. We are told there will be additional attacks on American soil to come. Our mission stays the same. We will remain here as settled American citizens and wait. We're grass roots. No deadline."

JAKE

"Gentleman, I've gone over your work applications. Between both of your farming experience, willingness to work and being family men, I am hoping to hire you. My wife Amelia and I have three children of our own, Mark 1, Anna 2 and John 3. They're in the sitting room. Our farm stands at just under 100 acres. Although we are not of the Amish sect, we are nestled in an Amish community. I think you and your families will fit in. Our families produce corn, barley, wheat and have several hundred heads of livestock, cows, pigs and a small chicken production. We also supply fertilizer to farms and the private sector. Would either of you like a cup of Coffee?"

ABAN

"We hope to be better ready because of our own antiquated equipment back home in Iraq. The kind you feed."

HAKIM

"The mules had a tendency to be stubborn."

AMELIA

"Robert F. Kennedy has been shot!"

JAKE

"Look boys, you are hired. I am going to make this short. My family and I need to be alone to make sense of this tragedy. My wife needs me. You and your family arrive here Monday, June 10th. There will be generic housing for the brood. There is a small airport nearby housing anywhere from one, two or as many as 15 planes. They are looking for a part time grounds keeper. I am looking forward to an honest working relationship."

JAKE

"Welcome and thank you for being punctual. You have a very lovely family."

ABAN

"Jake, Amelia, this is my wife Amira, and Abida, Malik's wife. As in our religious culture and on their own behalf, our wives choose not to learn the English language. Of course, by now they do understand elementary words. My son Tawfeek, and Hakim's children Darzi, Amirmoez and Tony Abdyllin."

AMELIA

"Aban, may I ask you what happened under your eye."

ABAN

"A steel mill accident. Melted steel spit up at my face. Reminds me of a set of railroad tracks."

AMELIA

"Exactly."

ABAN

"Thought my glasses would cover them up better."

JAKE

"And I would like you to meet our three children. John, Anna and Mark. My wife Amelia will give your wives and children a walk-about of your new living quarters. In short, your home has five bedrooms a communal kitchen and family room with two bathrooms and a large wrap around porch. I'd like to give you what I call a circle tour of the farm. When we're finished, this is where we'll be standing. Starting with the freshly plowed fields you see. They are mostly corn for fertilizer."

DARZI

"I would like to go with. I never saw a circle tour."

DARZI

"What is that vile smell?"

HAKIM

"Darzi, don't you remember the odor from our farm back home?"

DARZI

"Never like this."

JAKE

"Darzi is most likely correct. One of our bumper crops is manure fertilizer. Last year we were the state's largest. This is what we call on the farm, stink week."

TAWFEEK

"I have my own bedroom. It's tiny. But it's the best bedroom I ever had. I am going to go there and write Beth a letter."

ABAN

"He thinks he has a girlfriend. He vowed to stay in touch."

HAKIM

"He says they are inseparable."

HAKIM

"I can't wait to see the look on Amirmoez's face when he is told, You own this horse. "

JAKE

"Does he have any idea?"

HAKIM

"No. Tawfeek, go fetch Amirmoez."

HAKIM

"Darzi, go in the barn and get the horse ready. When we open the barn doors, walk the horse out like I showed you."

JAKE

"I am going to invite Amirmoez to house his birthday present here. We keep it warm."

HAKIM

"Here they come."

HAKIM

"Happy birthday, Amirmoez. He is yours."

TAWFEEK

"What name are you going to give your horse?"

AMIRMOEZ

"Dr. Kildare."

JAKE

"Amirmoez, your birthday present from me is this nice stable for you for as long as Dr. Kildare needs it. From now on, this barn will be called Dr. Kildare's Barn. We'll erect a nice sign. All you have to do is break him in."

ABAN

"Jake, I've been hired part time at the St. Petersburg Airport. They told me you put in a good word for me. Thanks. My assigned project is to re-construct the grass runways which span over a half mile. The owner gave me his approval to order all fertilizers from our farm. This one is in bad shape."

OWNER

"Aban, I've owned this airport for 25 years. I did not think it could be done. And I have seen and done some damn unbelievable things. I am tempted to put an 18th hole at one end of the runway."

ABAN

"Thank you, Sir."

OWNER

"It's not Sir to you, Aban, it's Mel."

MEL

"Let me tell you something son. I would be honored for you to become a pilot and represent our St. Petersburg Airport. How would you like free flying lessons up to completion? You have earned to have your pilots license."

Aban

"Sure, why not. I'd love to take off and land and test the airfields capabilities."

MEL loud

"Come in."

MEL

"Aban, meet Wendel Bowman."

ABAN

"Hello Wendel."

WENDEL

"Whatever, Sir, your plane is fueled and ready."

MEL

"I am heading to a college football game up at State College. Would you be interested in joining me?"

ABAN

"I am grateful. But my family is waiting for me. It's dinner time."

MEL

"Before I go, I feel it necessary to explain Wendel Bowman and his rude behavior. Wendel is like a fifth column. He was blatantly clear from the get-go, he is against the establishment, his bosses, local, state and federal governments, his wife and his whole life in general. He feels he got the short end of the stick, people owe him, and he is a bully. But we deal with it. Wendel is just 19 years old, unhappily married with two children and one on the way. He needs the job. And I'll warn you now. It's evident Wendel holds a grudge. He is constantly reminding everyone of how he was taunted ever since grade school. Everyone called him Wendy Bowman. He talks to himself. You may hear him repeat, Wendy Bowman, Wendy Bowman. And, he's greedy. And be careful. Wendel has a way of sucking out a person's good energy. Don't let it happen to you."

ABAN

"Have a safe trip. I hope your team wins."

1970

JAKE

"Hakim, I asked you to stop by because I heard talk you may be looking for some part time work."

HAKIM

"We could use the extra money. With Darzi and Amirmoez staying on full time here at the farm, I thought now was a good time to pick up something on the farm part time."

JAKE

"Well, I can't guarantee anything, but Home Grown Produce Trucking Company, who distributes our fertilizers, are looking for part time drivers. I'll put in a good word. Aban, I heard a lot of talk about the new runway. I am planning on visiting Mel over the weekend and look forward to seeing it."

ABAN

"It was our fertilizer, Jake. And speaking of St. Petersburg, boy, did I meet a moron."

Jake
‘Wendel?’

Aban
“Yes.”

JAKE
“Amelia would just die if she heard me speak this way but, he is the town moron, a piece of shit. His quote in his senior yearbook read, I will sell my soul and or country for money. No more needs to be said.”

TONY ABDYLLIN
“What’s that.”

TAWFEEK
“A Walk Man, you listen to it.”

TAWFEEK
“Tony, do you think she’s pretty?”

TONY ABDYLLIN
“Yes.”

TAWFEEK
“I take the bus and visit her sometimes. Don’t tell anyone. She’ll be 11 now. I am writing her a Valentine. I love her.”

TONY ABDYLLIN
“I love you, Tawfeek.”

TAWFEEK
“We’re in this together. I don’t quite understand it all, but we’re in this together. Forever.”

1972

AMIRA
“Now that Aban and Hakim are working more than they are home, we haven’t had a family dinner lately. I miss them. I want to know more about the mission, the final days, and the likelihood of whether or not we’ll be here. And alive. Abido, do you even want to be alive?”

ABIDA
“That’s hard to answer. We’ve given as a country but lose as a family.”

AMIRA
“Our family gains. Have you no honor for our martyrs?”

HAKIM
Flint.

ABAN
“That stuff is fascinating. And one of the most complicated iron alloy. We’ve been experimenting with several degrees of composites in order to achieve the most extreme of explosions. There was a wealth of knowledge to be learned at the steel mill. And I took advantage of it. There is always available farm manure.”

DR. ABD AL-RASHAD

"Aban, Hakim, I am Dr. Abd Al-Rashid. It's nice to finally meet you. I am head of the fielding of explosive components here on the compound. Flint is pure chert from a rock., especially as flaked or ground in ancient times to form a tool or weapon. The weapon, when used with steel produced an igniting spark. It's a piece of an alloy. It works. And we know it. We'll talk more on that when we are on the field. But before we do, here is a list of components you will need in order to achieve a maximum explosion. They will be intermittently sent to you in a secure fashion, for you to engineer together. with the detonators being sent last."

KARIM

"From Iraqi Vice-President Saddam Hussein, shalom. Our intelligence has confirmed our country is about to sign a 15-year treaty of friendship and cooperation between Iraq and the Soviet Union."

ABAN

"Reminds me of 1957."

SAAB

"Aban, Hakim, I would like you to meet Asera, Malik and Reheem. All in their late teens. They have committed their lives to Allah and their country and will take part serving the mission and will be arriving in the United States within the next year. We hope to settle in Indiana. The three wear their country well. They have chosen three little pigs as their cipher name."

DR. ABD AL-RASHAD

"Aban, Hakim, I'd like you to join me up on the field. It surrounds the compound. You'll get to see a demonstration of what controlled explosive impacts are capable of destroying. You will see pieces of the puzzle come together over the years. This mission is extraordinarily unique. This coven will be carried out by Iraq American citizens and home-grown martyrs. Including the class of 1957. Settled, waiting and ready."

DR. ABD AL-RASHAD

"Flint!. Seem impossible? Don't bet on it."

DARZI

"When we we're younger, Amirmoes and I had a few insults hurled our way in the grade school playground because of our Iraqi heritage. Do you have many friends?"

TAWFEEK

"I am friends with everyone, especially Beth. She is 11 years old. I heard someone call Beth a nigger."

DARZI

"What did you do?"

TAWFEEK

"I told her I liked her. I didn't care if she was a nigger. Then Beth said, thank you. She asked me if I knew what that word nigger means? I said, kind of. Beth looked at me with a few tears rolling down her cheeks, looked me straight in my eyes and said, it's ignorance my mother told me. It is just that. And, you must understand that they don't know what their saying. That's what they hear at their dinner table. But the word nigger does fly around at times. And it always hurts."

AMIRMOES

"What did you say?"

TAWFEEK

"Nothing. I hugged her."

ABIDA

"When our fathers return, we will all meet Shada. She has been promised to become the wife of a son of our family."

AMIRA

"Everyone, meet..."

ABAN

"Let me do the introductions. Everyone, this is Shada. Her desire is to become the wife of one of our family's son."

SHADA

"I am honored."

HAKIM

"I hear Tawfeek is already spoken for."

TAWFEEK

"I don't know why you think it's so funny."

ABIDA

"Amirmoez, Would you like to show Shada where she will be sleeping?"

AMIRMOEZ

"Absolutely."

HAKIM

"Our comrades were impressed when I told them we are now working on a farm that directly manufactures manure."

ABAN

"Yea, I know. It's obvious they are investing a lot of stock in our families. They believe in us. Let's get back to work. Now, to have an explosion it will not be difficult, but the explosions would be very uncommon and would raise red flags and be questioned. We'll create these small explosions naturally by placing the feces in a manure pit. Up to ninety percent smaller than the farm operated ones."

HAKIM

"We got the capping airtight to prevent the odor to abscond. We also now know it's not the odor alone that builds up these explosive results. But, anyway, it's ready. Let's get out of here "

ABAN

"I need to understand methane, We were told back home it works well with a natural flint and will triple the explosion."

ABAN

"What the hell just happened?"

HAKIM

"Flint does work."

1974

ABIDA

"Happy birthday Darzi."

ABIDA

"Happy birthday Darzi, I hope you like what's in the box."

DARZI

" A Walkman. Got one."

TONY ABDYLLIN
 "Is that a Sony."

DARZI
 "Yes, It's yours. I have one.
 Here, happy birthday whenever."

AMIRA
 "Tawfeek, you'll be 16 on May 25th. Do you have a wish?"

TAWFEEK
 "My driver's license. Then I can visit Beth."

AMIRA
 "Forget Beth for now. I'll take you to the motion picture theater to see the Academy Award winning feature film "The God Father."

TAWFEEK
 "I won't forget Beth. Because I can't forget Beth."

ABAN
 "Hey everyone. I've been intently following the Watergate hearings. I want to show you what I have learned."

ABAN
 "I am not a crook; I am not a crook; I am President Richard Milhouse Nixon."

ABAN
 "Hakim let's go out to the kitchen. The wheel has been talking."

ABAN
 "Good news, the wheel has confirmed, The three little pigs will be arriving early January. Remember, we will not have any direct contact with them until it's time. The wheel will keep everyone in the loop. The rule being not to communicate or acknowledge the existence of fellow comrades and avoid any assumption of association by the United States Government." Aasera should be 21, and Rahim 22. They'll be settling in Indiana. They've gotten warehouse jobs. Driving trucks, loading trucks and unloading trucks. Learning the trucking ropes if you want to call it that. They pride themselves inside knowing their lives are secondary to the mission and their country, and most importantly, Allah. They will also obtain their pilots license in the coming years."

1978

ABIDA

"Amira, Tony Abdyllins is 10 now. He's having a rough time at school. He has become detached from the family and seems to be in a world of all his own. I'd rather not tell you who, but I've heard family members who accuse him of having gender bending body language. Which they say is not expected or accepted. We never see Tony without his Walkman radio. And has little interaction with any of our family. Your son Tawfeek seems to be the only family member who reaches out and tries to comfort Tony Abdyllin and encourages him to have more confidence in himself."

AMIRA
 "Don't worry, he'll be fine. I don't know if you heard, but Norman Rockwell died."

Abida

"Yes, I am afraid I have become addicted in collecting anything and everything from his collection. Hakim has been out working the plow for the last few hours. He might be angry when he returns and sees I've hung two more Norman Rockwell pictures in the living room while he was gone."

ABAN

"Well Hakim, The wheel was right on target. The Seminal Immigration and Nationality Act is working in our favor. A family with four boys will be departing Iraq in order be part of our mission in any capacity they are needed, including a commitment to no marriage, children, and the capacity of becoming a martyr for their country. They'll be arriving soon and settling in the Boston, Massachusetts area. Profiling Middle Easterners is on the rise and looks to continue. Their names are Jamal, Yusof, Raheem and Uda All 6 years old and under. Their parents, Mancha and Sabeen, in mid-20's, have offered their offspring to Allah and the love of their Country. They will be raised dedicated to putting their country above their lives. A new generation who may have to continue the mission. No deadline. It remains unsaid, but an indication is that our mission may end between 2022 -2025, maybe sooner."

HAKIM

"Anything else?"

ABAN

"Yes, the wheel has confirmed that Anwar al Sadat will be the 1978 Nobel Peace Prize for his contribution to the two frame agreements on Peace in the Middle East between Egypt and Israeli. The news will be revealed to the rest of the world when it's announced tomorrow."

HAKIM

"You wonder what's next."

ABAN

"I'm not done. We are told that Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini will take control of Iraq as a result of the departure of the Shaw of Iran. And the Communist Regime in Vietnam is behind a mass exodus of Vietnamese who are fleeing and arriving on American soil. They are calling them Boat People."

ABAN sarcasm

"Do you think they might know who is going to win the Kentucky Derby?"

ABAN

"Enough Norman Rockwell! And what the hell is this?"

ABIDA

"It's a Norman Rockwell pencil sharpener."

AMIRA

"We have more important things to be concerned about. I am worried sick about why Tawfeek wants us to be here when he gets home. He told me he prays. He is afraid we may take the news to be tragic. He's afraid he says. Where is he?"

TONY ABDYLLIN

"I already know what he wants to tell you. He made me promise to let him do the talking."

HAKIM

"Turn on the television set! Reactors at Three Mile Island lost their coolant which caused overheating and partial meltdown of their uranium cores. The Governor has called a State of Emergency and asking for a voluntary evacuation of nearly 400,000 people."

ABIDA

"We gotta get out of here."

ABAN

"No, We aren't going anywhere. This is just a dress rehearsal for what Iraq has in store for America."

AMIRA

"O my heavens, Beth, I haven't seen you since you were 8. You're beautiful."

BETH

"Wow, you speak good English."

TAWFEEK

"Beth and I have been seeing each other without anyone's knowledge ever since I received my driver's license, and before. I visit Beth when I can. We mostly go to a Drive-in movie theater near Steelton. I love Beth."

BETH

"And, I love Tawfeek."

AMIRA

"Beth, are you with child."

BETH

"Yes."

AMIRA

"Beth, look at me."

"Father, You have made a decision to be quiet."

ABAN

"Tawfeek, Beth, there is no discussion. There is no choice. Your baby's blood is family blood. And there is no exception. The only exception is that Beth is black and beautiful, inside and out. Beth, you must contact your mother. Tell her the truth about everything. And, you cannot go back to the Steelton area with child right now. It's too dangerous. There is radiation in the air. For the safety of my unplanned grandchild, you will for now, move in with Hakim and his family."

"I would like everyone to meet my Mother Angela, and my brothers, Joseph and Paul who will be giving me away and my younger brother Frank.

TONY ABDYLLIN

"I'm going to stand beside Tawfeek when he gets married."

HAKIM

"Abida, What are you doing in the kitchen? Come into your son."

ABIDA

"What's wrong with you Hakim? Tony Abdyllin is your son too. "

AMIRA

"O my God, it's Tawfeek and the new baby."

TAWFEEK

"Hello everyone. Look, my son Ali Jarred looks like me. He has my dark skin."

AMIRA

"Tawfeek, Your son Ali Jarred has his mother's dark skin. And her eyes. Ali Jarred looks just like his beautiful mother, Beth."

BETH

"I think Ali Jarred looks like us both."

SHADA

"I hope to have several children."

AMIRMOEZ

"I hope to have four or five."

ALI JARRED

"Whaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!"

1979

HAKIM

"Darzi, go tell your mother exactly what I told you to."

DARZI

"Mamma, Mamma, Tony Abdyllin hung himself! Mamma, Mamma, help, Tony Abdyllin is dead. He hung himself!"

HAKIM

"I forgive you, my son."

ABIDA

"He was only 12."

ABIDA

"Oh, Allah! If in Your knowledge, this matter is good for my religion, my livelihood and my affairs, immediate and in the future, then ordain it for me, make it easy for me, and bless it for me. And if in Your knowledge, this matter is bad for my religion, my livelihood and my affairs, immediate and in the future, then turn it away from me, and turn me away from it. And ordain for me the good wherever it may be and make me content with it."

TAWFEEK

"I am heartbroken. I fear this was an "Honor Killing", the killing of a relative perceived to have brought dishonor on the family. Our son Ali Jared will never know Tony Abdyllin."

BETH

"We must attend to Abida. She was planning on celebrating her 50th birthday today."

AMIRA

"A peaceful meal. An evening with no out-side interference. This is a rare and priceless moment. We've earned this evening meal."

ABIDA

"I am ashamed of Iraq. We all know we are using chemical weapons against our neighbors".

AMIRA

"We demand an apology for you are being blasphemous."

ABIDA

"You all know I'm right. You all know it is wrong. And you all know it could be our own babies."

1981

ABIDA

"Beth, the Cosby Show debuts tonight."

BETH

"What, I can't hear you."

HAKIM

"Wait a minute, I can't hear a thing."

HAKIM

"Darzi, turn that damn heathen music down!"

DARZI

"I can't believe you don't like anthrax!"

TAWFEEK

"Darzi has always been a huge fan of the Western Culture Heavy Metal bands. Metallica, Megadeath and Slayer to name a few. His favorite Heavy Metal Band is Anthrax! It's very dark. His friends are always high on something. "

1984

ABAN

"Hakim, Abida was correct. I am not sure how I feel about it, but we're being told Iraq is beginning to obtain much of its anthrax supply from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC). And, attacking civilians with chemical warfare. The attacks have taken place within miles of our neighbors south of Hilla. Iraqi intelligence has passed on the following information. They have obtained at least 21 strains of anthrax from the ATCC and about 15 other Class III pathogens. They say that's the exact bacteria that pose extreme risk to human health. The communication emphasized these occurrences are being heard loud within the cells of world terrorists. And the western world is nervous. They also informed us Dr. Rihab Taha al Azawi, who is Iraq's top biologist, has gone to work for Iraq's germ warfare program."

HAKIM

"I am sorry, but that's too close to home. It scares me."

ABAN

"Hakim, do you think he heard anything?"

HAKIM

"Not funny."

1988

ABIDA

"Hakim, What's wrong? Where were you? It's two in the morning!"

ABIDA

"Hakim, what's wrong?"

HAKIM

"I have been with Shada. Our son, Amirmoez, has died of a cocaine overdose."

ABIDA

"I want to go home."

HAKIM

"Your family is here."

1990

ABAN

"Hakim, I finished lining the airport runway early. Let's go for some lunch. And when are you going to retire?"

HAKIM

"Can't, we need to work thru lunch today. Too many deadlines. And, I don't plan on retiring. I am only 52."

ABAN

"Your 53."

EXTRA 2

"Aban, what do you think of Iraq President Ayatollah Khomeini declaring author Salmon Rushdies book, *The Satanic Verses*, offensive and sentenced him to death and Islamic Militants' putting a price on the publisher's head."

ABAN

"I'd cut him up."

EXTRA 2

"No mercy."

HAKIM

"Aban, Shada has decided to return home to Iraq. I would like you and Amira to be there for support. Abida is weak. And, We were told Dr. Kildare must be euthanized. I am told he is dying of a broken heart. The death of Amirmoez is slowly killing Kildare. I didn't tell Abida yet. She visits the barn every morning. Please, dinner tonight?"

ABAN

"We'll be there."

1991

ABAN

"Just after we received intelligence about Bush arriving in Kuwait to be honored for his victory in the Persian Gulf War, and told, on that day, he would die on our soil, we've been informed that just today, one day before that bastard Bush was to arrive, a Toyota Landcruiser which contained between 80 and 90 kilograms of plastic explosives connected to a detonator, and ten cube plastic explosive devices connected to another detonator, was found in Kuwait. Bush's assassination attempt was exposed. The media is just now beginning to report on it."

HAKIM

"We won't miss!"

TAWFEEK

"What the hell are you talking about?
And, murder is murder."

HAKIM

"We'll talk soon. Don't ask any more questions."

1992

DARZI

"Father, I cannot believe what our country has gone through, beginning six weeks ago. They said America and friends began a serial bombardment on Bagdad. They called it Desert Storm. A couple weeks later, they said Kuwait is liberated. Are we really?"

HAKIM

"They don't have a clue. We're not liberated. If we were, Iraq would not have been forced to accept terms of a cease fire."

DARZI

"I am always trying to know and learn about our country and the real body and mind of our corporeal soldier's. How do you know so much? You know more about what's going on back home than anyone. And sometimes before I read about the event in the paper. Please tell me everything you know."

HAKIM

"I am proud of you son. I am going to share some undisclosed Iraqi intelligence reports with you. Iraqi has been bestowed the opportunity to work with one of the world's top microbiologist. And it's a woman. Her name is Rihab Rashid Taha al-Azawi. She has been dubbed Dr. Germ by the United Nations weapons inspectors. She has become chief production officer of in al-Hakam, Iraq's top-secret biological-warfare facility. Taha has become a household word in the world of terrorists. Another piece of classified information is that she's getting married next month to British educated General Dr. Amir Mohammad Rashid alUbaidi, the former Iraqi Oil Minister and director of Iraq's Military Industrials Cooperative. She will then be known as Dr. Rihab Rashid Taha al Azawi. Rihab Taha's team has been ordered to set up a program to weaponize their biological agents. To date, a team of 100 scientists and support staff filled nearly 200 bombs and 16 missile war heads of botulin toxin. And that's just a brief."

DARZI

"I'll bet you know when Dr. Rihab was born."

HAKIM

"November 12th, 1957. The same year America began their manipulating moves in the hopes they would gain a significant bargaining power as the Gatekeeper of the Middle East oil. It's the year of events that brought our families to America. I'll ask you not to question anything with a promise to indoctrinate you to a real soldiers world. And who is your friend Sandy?"

DARZI

"I promise. And Sandy is just my friend."

1993

ABAN

"Hakim sit down. I have good news. As we were told, Iraq has announced they will not let the United Nation Inspectors in to inspect military records held in the Iraqi Agricultural Ministry Building."

ABAN

"Here's Bush live. Let's see what he has to say."

PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH SR.

"Fellow Americans, this morning we accomplished our goal and received confirmation from the Iraqi officials to back down from their effort to refuse inspection of military records held in the Iraqi Agricultural Ministry Buildings. "Iraqi's belated announcement that it will allow the United Nations Special Commission Inspectors to carry out an inspection of the Agricultural Ministry building, does not alter the facts that for the last three weeks Saddam Hussein has flagrantly violated the United Nations Security Council's Resolution #687. Nor does this announcement change the fact that Iraq purposely and callously harassed and abused the United Nations inspectors?"

"O BOY!"

BETH

"Is anything wrong?"

TAWFEEK

"This piece of paper."

TAWFEEK

"You should've seen Aban's reaction after reading it ten minutes ago. It is written in Iraqi. I took it off the desk beside the paper shredder before he noticed. Let me read it to you. First, turn off your music and turn on the T.V. News."

TAWFEEK

"Between 1AM and 2AM local time last night, 23 Tomahawk cruise missiles were launched by two US Navy warships into downtown Baghdad. They heavily damaged our Iraqi Intelligence headquarters. We're told it was in retaliation for the attempted assassination attempt on President George Bush. Saab and Karim were one of the few who survived the late evening attack."

BETH

"Did they want President Bush, Sr., assassinated?"

TAWFEEK

"According to Aban's response, yes, they want him assassinated. But what really scares the hell out of me is how in God's name did they have this information when they're just announcing it live?"

1994

ABAN

"It's Memorial day, and the children are on their summer break. The entire family will travel back home to Iraq together. It's been a long time. 1960 for some. It will be short. We will be home during the end of Ramadan. I am looking forward to the food, which includes cabals, Amira's favorite. It saddens me to tell you, Shada will not return."

SHADA

"I am sorry."

DARZI

"Sandy, I'll miss you."

AMIRA

"One whole chicken. The freshest you have."

VENDER

"If this pleases you, come back in ten minutes. I'll have it prepared."

AMIRA

"Yes, yes. Get that thing away from me!"

ABIDA

"Don't worry about them. I tried to share a few American recipes I thought they'd like. One said, We don't need the recipes to your western treats. Don't waste your time. We're dealing with village idiots."

AMIRA

"For once, I fully agree with you."

AMIRA

"Now that we're alone, before we left America I heard Aban tell Hakim something's not right in Indiana. He saw me and stopped talking. Let's keep shopping."

AMIRA

"I'll be cooking for 20 or so, family and friends, to celebrate the end of Ramadan. You get the nutmeg, cumin, coriander and paprika. And I'll get the whole lamb stuffed with rice, almonds, cinnamon and cloves."

MALIK

"Aasera, that was too close."

RAHEEM

"We'll be hearing from home. The wheel will be reassured to know it's over. What time is it?"

MALIK

"10:45 A.M."

FRANK GAGE

"What the hell is wrong with our system? And you two. I can't wrap my head around it. After only a three-week investigation into the actions of Iraqi born Aasera, Malik, and Raheem, who were overheard by two fellow employees saying what they believed to be a terrorist attack against America, you light weights fucking clear them. You guys consistently abused the real meaning of first amendment rights. You were way over the top with your God damn dangerous liberal ideals and treated these three suspects with kid gloves. Who are you afraid of? You turned your heads to their secluded lifestyles with no spouse or significant other, their application for their pilot license, and the fact that all three have been cited by their own trucking company, one of the largest in the State of Indiana, for habitual violations including keeping company trucks over the weekends. But most importantly, their reluctance to come clean when investigated. And their stories didn't match. But you bastards cleared them. Get the fuck out of my office before I puke!"

ABAN

"I am glad to hear you survived America's recent attack on or Intelligence H.Q. And, what is going on in Indiana with Aasera, Malik and Raheem? We received information there was trouble. No details."

SAAB

"This year almost brought for the first time a collapse of the mission. Apparently our three Indiana comrades were overheard talking about the mission by two fellow workers who were always suspicious of them in the first place, and raised red flags that brought in America's F.B.I. Just three days ago they were cleared. We make sure we have everything in order. And have friends within the American Government. They have a strong will as comrades and are aware of the fact that there is no turning back. This incident scared the hell out of them. And us, too. In the coming years they will completely accept their mission and become resigned to the facts. They're dependent on each other and the Wheel. We must arrange a face to face meeting with all comrades and you in the next few years. We're hoping to begin a count down.

KARIM

"And our Boston patriots, Jamel 20, Yusof 21, Raheem 22 and Uda 23 all work in the capacity of warehouse loading and trucking. They're always winning employee of the month and other accolades. Their mother and father are still alive, retired and keeping house. They frequently travel home for the benefit of everyone involved. Jamal still lives at home with his parents. Yusof and Raheem share an apartment. Uda is on his own in an upscale high rise. He has been known to be impressed with the Boston elite. He's even been accused of becoming too liberal and western by his brothers."

SAAB

Also, we've been cleared to school you with the in-depth workings of the Wheel. It's old school. And the Wheel that has been in espionage mode since practically the beginning of time here in Iraq. Its operational responsibilities have been passed on through generations. The Wheel has always been operated by manpower, and only manpower by close, loyal committed martyrs."

KARIM

"And, as in any operation like this, comes the normal day to day drama. In this case, it's Amjad 25 and Bousaid, 27.

They have turned out to be somewhat of a novelty among our fellow operators who are churning this Iraqi intelligence Wheel. They are younger and think they know it all and drip with the western cultural aura. They aspire to become top operators of the Wheel and we fear will open all the doors to unbridled jealousy and competition. They both show signs of disloyalty. Amjad and Bousaid are cutthroat. In short, these two morons are getting on everyone's nerves. It has been decided by the command, with calculation, to have both Amjad and Bousaid's mental values and self-identity be decimated, and then ordered to move to America to the Indiana area. With hundreds of miles separating them from Jamel Yusof and Raheem and Uda."

SAAB

"They won't last a month."

KARIM

"You two are on your way to America"

AMJAD

"I always wanted to get a tattoo."

1995

EXTRA 1

"O my god."

EXTRA 5

"Terrorists!"

EXTRA 2

"I'll bet it's the Uni bomber again."

Extra 8

"I can't stand to watch this anymore. O God, please help us."

ABAN

"Let's get away from here. What you will see is the results of methane . Unchartered."

HAKIM

"Darzi, what the hell are you doing here?"

ABAN

"Don't worry about Darzi, we'll talk later. Darzi, run! "

HAKIM

"We based that explosion at less than 50% of the actual volatile device. Let's get the hell out of here."

JAKE

"What in God's name was that noise?"

""Pyrotechnics, Darzi bought a shit load of fireworks, m-80's and other high component explosives. We do not allow that. We just detonated them all at once."

DARZI

"I've never seen my father so angry before."

JAKE

"Boy, you must have bought the store out. Just so everyone is safe."

1996

EXTRA 1

"I hear you are visiting from Iraq."

AJAM

"This ain't no visit we're staying."

BOUSAID

"Till the mission is complete."

EXTRA 2

"You're on a mission?"

AJAM

"Bousaid did I say mission? O.K., We're on a mission."

BOSAID

"We won't be here to tell you about it. But it will be heard loud around the world. Boom!"

EXTRA 2

"They transcend a dark side you can't miss, a frightening something. Blood chilling. I am alerting the Federal government."

EXTRA 3

"We've completed a primary investigation on Amjad and Bousaid. There's too many red flags. We called in our former State Director, Agent Frank Gage. He's dealt with more than a few similar situations like this before. He's now out in the field for the Pentagon."

EXTRA 1

"Send Gage in."

EXTRA 1

"Sit down Frank. Welcome aboard. Have you read the report?"

GAGE

"I will personally be taking this to the front door of Amjad and Bousaid. Period, Lieutenant. There will not be another far cry from justice. This baby's mine!"

ALI JARRED

"Diana and I are dating."

DIANA

"And in love."

ALI JARRED

"Diana is not of the Muslim faith. She is an exchange student from Australia."

TAWFEEK

"Ali Jarrad, your mother is Roman Catholic and hails from New Jersey. I respect you and give you and Diana my blessing. There is much discord in our family. We never talked about it before, but Tony Abdyllin's death was a turning point. Your mother and I do recognize his death as a mercy killing. You were only one."

BETH

"Your father forgot to tell you; I am black, too."

TAWFEEK

"I unconditionally love my family. But have distanced myself when my family's actions are indefensible. There has been dissociation and detachment. Now, let's join the family for Christmas worship. And remember. It's not our birthday."

FRANK

"Your friend Amjad?"

BOSAID

"Yes, sir. It was nice to meet you."

FRANK

"We began this investigation two weeks ago to the day. We have definitely associated Amjad and Bousaid with several reasons of suspicion connecting them to terrorism. This time I am determined to break them down and be relentlessly patient in collecting all the information they know. Arrest warrants will be issued on Sunday, December 29th for both men. I have decided to release them both following their booking. We need to keep track of every

move they make. Their communications will be exposed. They don't drive unless it's a company truck. They walk to work. Their phones are monitored. I am determined to break their contact link by letting them tell the story. They know a lot. I want someone on the 24/7. Starting yesterday."

ABAN

"The Wheel has sent out an alert. Amjad and Bousaid have become cancer to our cell. They're beginning to unravel. And, they are careless. It's become a major concern. It has been confirmed Amjad and Bousaid are being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Apparently they fueled their suspicion after making a few careless remarks in regard to the mission while inebriated at a local bar in Indiana called The Papadopoulos. This, just a few years after Asera, Malik and Raheem were vindicated of any suspicion of terrorism. We're told Amjad and Bousaid are living their lives more and more like the role of some dice. They immediately set off alarms. They want to be socialites, talk too much, are seen too much and want to be big shots. They crossed the line when they personally tried to contact fellow martyrs of the mission living on American soil. Instead of going through the very Wheel back in Iraq in which they operated for years. Amjad and Bousaid have not only become a threat to themselves, but, a threat to Iraq. The Wheel has gone into motion and will eliminate the threat."

"Darzi, we'll talk real soon."

DARZI

"I'll be prepared."

EXTRA 1

"What's going on over their?"

EXTRA 1

"Frank, it's 9:40. There not coming out. And there's something alarming about those who are. Somethings wrong."

FRANK

"We're going in."

Extra 2

"Where is Jamal?"

FRANK GAGE

"Only God knows where they threw him."

2000

HAKIM

"It looks like the United States Government was forced to come clean with the American people and acknowledge the details with graphic photos of American soldiers abusing and sexually humiliating our brothers at Abu Ghraib."

ABAN

"The Wheel has been very reliable uncovering and informing us to the United States actions well before the American public are informed."

HAKIM

"Wendel, What the hell do you want, we're busy."

WENDEL

"Hey, had a health scare last month and missed work. Can you"

ABAN

"Wendel, you have approached me several times for loans. The answer is always no. You're in your 50's and it's well known you have heavy gambling debts and an addiction to the seedy side of life. You're broke and all you have left is

your job here at the airport. And that's all you will possess until the day you die. This time though, I might consider it. In return, I want you to complete the paperwork in order to allow three of my close friends Aasera, Malik and Raheem from Indiana to receive approved clearance to call St. Petersburg Airport their home field in addition to their Indiana airfield."

WENDEL
"Will do."

HAKIM
"Two hundred dollars. Leave us alone."

HAKIM
"Darzi, Tawfeek, for the first time we must come entirely clean regarding a mission you both knew was coming and be complete in your lifetime. We will expose an allegiance of loyalty we have pledged to Allah and our country."

DARZI
"Put me in a better place."

TAWFEEK
"I have always tried to treat this knowledge of what I thought may be taking place like a story book fantasy. But now it is real. Not just make believe. I'm scared as hell."

ABIDA
"What's wrong Hakim?"

HAKIM
"Tawfeek will be returning home if the mission is complete while still alive, as will Amira, and you, Abida. And of course, Darzi is a comrade." "I have never fully recovered from losing my son Tony Abdyllin to what was called suicide or my other beloved son Amirmoez to a drug overdose. Now, to hear my only son has pledged to die. And for what?"

HAKIM
"You were not heard."

TAWFEEK
"Ali Jared and Diana will be going their own way."

ABAN
"Jake is dead. His sons Mark and John now own the farm and already transitioned. Nothing is changing."

HAKIM
"How old are they?"

ABAN
"Their young 30's. Mark told me their mother, Emilia, is moving in with him. He offered the main farmhouse for our families to live. We want to increase our farm productivity and want your family to be comfortable. I accepted. We're moving in a month."

DARZI
"I am going out for a cigarette. Call me if the other tower falls."

2003
ABAN
"Get in here right now!"

2005
ABAN
"There was a suicide bombing yesterday at the Police Force Recruiting Building in the center of our home village of

Hilla. We're told 27 were killed. That was followed by the recent stampede on al Aaimmah Bridge in Bagdad that killed over eleven hundred people. These deaths include some of our family members and friends. El-Amin, Saqqaf and Nagi, who were former neighbors of ours, born and raised in the same town of Hilla, are dead. The Iraqi carnage has hit the core of our family. Amira, Abida and Darzi will travel home to mourn. Hakim, you hold the fort down. Amira and Abida will cover the mourning, Darzi, as a comrade and I, as your Patriarch."

HAKIM

"Meet my son Darzi."

SAAB

"Darzi, Do you have any questions?"

DARZI

"Yes, just one. Is there any intelligence not yet passed on to us living on American soil?"

KARIM

"Yes, welcome to the inner workings of Iraqi intelligence Wheel. We are in the process of confirming and communicating to our Iraqi comrades living on American soil of a planned assassination attempt to kill Ayad Allawi. Allawi is the newly appointed Iraqi Prime Minister who has been a long-time anti Saddam Hussein exile. He is a traitor. We're waiting for confirmation needed. But, it's real."

DARZI

"I am confident our mission has no deadline. And a generation may pass the torch. I clamor to be a player. How long? "

SAAB

"2022-2024. You will be a major player. Darzi, do you smell blood?"

DARZI

"I taste it."

2008

HAKIM

"Hey, that's my shoe."

2011

AMIRA

"Before we pay homage to Allah and thank him for this gathering, today, January 1st, Abida and I are setting in stone a New Year's resolution that we, as a family will follow. The month of January will be dedicated to "Family". We all know the mission will never be put on the back burner but, we will turn the burner down this month. We will be as much of a family that's left, before it's too late. As a family we will spend more time together at the dinner table this month. We miss conversations about our life back in Iraq before we ever moved to this God forsaken place. Allah, receive us after our passing from this world."

2013

HAKIM

"Abida, why are you crying?"

ABIDA

"Last week in Southern Kirkuk , less than 150 miles from Hilla, extremists of Islamic State (ISIS) executed a young Iraqi man by throwing him from the top of a building on charges of being gay, activists report. The radical group arrested the man in southern Kirkuk under the presumption he was homosexual. The militants called on the people to stone him. He was already dead. Not much has changed. It's in the air, shame. My son Tony Abdyllin's death is a story that will never be told."

2018

ABAN

"Our age and health has made it clear it's time to take an unannounced visit home. I am assuming this may be my last. Darzi and Hakim will accompany me. While there, we will do whatever our plan calls for in the event we pass the torch to the next generation in order to complete the mission. Anything can happen."

SAAB

"It's been a long day, We lost Karim last night due to a long undiagnosed illness. He tried to be here today, but his strength just gave out. We will do what he would wish for and stay on course. There will be a final new wave of three young martyrs who pledge their lives to Allah and our country to complete the mission."

ABAN

"A lot has changed since our last visit."

SAAB

"جهاز المخابرات الوطني العراقي You ain't got a clue. Let me update you. the Iraqi National Intelligence Service has begun to transport and relocate their advanced intelligence network to this location. The Wheel is now one of only two intelligence headquarters run by the Iraqi Government. INIS authorized the Iraqi Governing Council to create such an agency. Its director is Mohammed Abdullah al-Shahwani and it has being funded from secret funds set aside within the Iraq appropriation approved by the US Congress. These secret funds, totaling \$3 billion over the last three years. In addition, I'd like you to meet three of our highly regarded young Iraqi martyrs. We believe they will be the final piece of the puzzle."

SAAB

Hakim, Aban, meet Ahamed 22, Albaf 22 and Alfars 24. They have all previously visited the United States and have a lifetime of farming experience. And, their Visas are in hand. We are expecting them to land on American soil shortly. In case of any unexpected delays, Karimi, Zaman, Samara and Nejem who are in their teens will land on American soil in the future. Hakim, Aban, you have delivered with success the elements and fundamentally laid the groundwork enabling this mission to be carried out on or about 2023. Everything is in place. The hard cash? It's being funneled as we speak."

HAKIM

"We'll pass the torch to the final generation to complete this mission, if necessary. I say if necessary because I feel Allah in the air. I feel it, like never before. It gives me a sense of calm, and I will be alive and well when it's time."

SAAB

"Do you want to know where Bousaid was thrown?"

"No!"

DARZI

"Who is Bousaid?"

HAKIM

"A complete waste of time."

ABAN

"What is todays date?"

HAKIM

"What's wrong with you. You look terrible."

ABAN

"I asked you a question. What is todays date?"

HAKIM

"Thursday, November 15th."

Message:

I just won \$1.5 Billion!

HAKIM

"All you need is a van."

HAKIM

"Where is that piece of shit?"

ABAN

"He's here, I can hear him, that's his cough."

ABAN

"Wendel, I want you to wake up and listen to me."

ABAN

"I won 1.5 billion dollars. If I claim the win, our families will be kidnaped back home in Iraq. Are you ready to work for a wealth of money? You'll be very well taken care of."

WENDELL

"I am listening."

ABAN

"You'll claim the winning ticket as yours. Our families will stay safe back home. You known for gambling. The story goes like this. You gave me fifty dollars to pick up a few tickets from your Nation's Capital during my layover at J.F.K. Airport. I didn't know it was a winner until you told me. You'll buy the farm from Mark and John. We'll give them an offer they can't refuse. There's gonna be a national spotlight on you, you just won 1.5 billion dollars. The spotlight will be short-lived though. You never had any friends and didn't want any. You'll be free to seclude yourself on the farm and travel to the big city for your fun and games until your hands and dick fall off. I don't care what you do. You can treat yourself like a Roman King and do as the Romans do. Now! Go home and sleep. Don't drink tomorrow."

HAKIM

"Do you believe our families would be kidnapped?"

ABAN

"Hell no. But the rat does."

2019

WENDEL

"It's my farm. This is now my address. Where do you want me?"

ABAN

"Sit down. Our wives will help you move in later."

WENDEL

I went to the Home Grown Produce Company where Hakim used to work and rented two trucks to make the move."

ABAN

"Hakim still works there part time. I want you to buy the Home Grown Produce Trucking Company. We'll give them an offer they can't refuse. Hakim will stay on as personal manager."

WENDEL

"Your wish is my command. I bought a new car. I am heading out to the casino tonight."

HAKIM

"Okay, whatever, we got it. Get the trucking company!"

ABIDA

"Ali Jared and Diana left sometime yesterday. They said good-bye. Forever."

AMIRA

"Aban, two months after your win. What's left of what was once a family, has been destroyed. we will never return to America or see you again. And I am ready to go."

ABAN

"Amira, February 14th, 2019."

AMIRA

"This is real."

TAWFEEK

"We are ready."

ABAN

"I want everyone here, now."

UDA

"What's going on?"

ABAN

"Sit and relax."

ABAN

"We have a mission to complete. We will begin this year as our last. We will celebrate with piety for the last time together all our religious holidays. This is not a dress rehearsal. It's countdown to February 14th, 2020. On paper you will be employed by one of our toughest challenges, Wendel Bowman. By no fault of his own, Wendel holds the purse strings. He has been receiving a generous allowance to keep him our dishonest banker. Wendel likes casinos, alcohol and call girls. Wendel is a pig and always will be. Wendel was thrown out of a casino last night. He is nothing but a red flag, train wreck just waiting to happen. We fear that he will just fuck-up one time and speak carelessly. I am calling on the troops. Wendel needs a chaperone. We need to keep an eye on him. Treat Wendel with care.

OWNER

"Wendel, you, probably more than anyone, know The St. Petersburg Airport is one of the smaller airports that survived the changing times. It's still home to up to eight planes. And we take pride in the fact that two out of three of our airfields are still grass runways. And, of course, you know they need a lot of work. Also, we're understaffed. You have the financial ability to preserve those grass runways. The ground is fertile. You have worked at this airport for fifty years. I was only seven years old when my father hired you. It is no surprise you want to own it."

WENDEL

"Yes, Mr....."

MEL JR.

"Wendel, call me Mel. What are your plans for our St. Petersburg Airport?"

WENDEL

"Aban, who has turned these grass airfields around more than once, is recruiting two close friends, Malik and Raheem, from Indiana. They'll re-locate here and begin working on a major landscaping project. Which Aban will oversee. They both have their pilots licenses and have a love for flying and farming the land. They'll be arriving in the next two weeks. I am hoping to increase farm production and purchasing a new fleet of trucks for produce delivery with five additional hard-working friends and family members of Aban's. And the community seems to embrace the newcomers. I guess it helps that I'll be gifting \$500,000.00 for a new library."

OWNER

"Well, Wendel, you have given me an offer I cannot refuse. And your work force. If they're anything like Aban, the job will get done. I believe you are spending your money wisely. I'll get my attorneys on it."

COUNCIL PRESEDENT BELL

"I'd like to call our December 2017 Council meeting to order. Before we dive back into the budget, ladies and

gentlemen, our communities only billionaire, Wendel Bowman. Wendel, the floor is yours."

WENDEL

"I am pleased to be given the opportunity to gift the City \$500,000.00 for a new library to be completed in late November, early December. I look forward to attending the opening."

WENDEL

"Mr. Olson, you have been the Library Director as long as I can remember. Keep up the good work."

LIBRARY DIRECTER OLSON

"Wendel, Thank you."

WENDEL

"Thank you. Now, as strange as this may seem, with the approval of City officials, I have decided to sign my will in this venue. Before I do, I want to tell you a story. "

WENDEL

"After my win, I purchased a large farm from brothers Mark and John. They are both here today and will be witness to the signing. With them is their sister Anna. They have been there whenever we needed advice. Thank you."

WENDEL

"We plan on doubling our farm production with the help of Aban, an old farm hand of thirty years. He has recruited a few family members to become hard working farm hands from his hometown of Hilla, Iraq. I was not only impressed by their farming skills, but the way the community embraced the three brothers. not to mention the positive effect it will have on the economy. I then decided to buy the Home Grown Produce Company and add a fleet of seven new trucks. We plan on being busy. Aban's brother, Hakim, worked there for nearly 40 years and agreed to train what I call migrant workers from Aban an Hakims family. I am told they work like oxen. Watching these family members unite is priceless. As is their dedication to their work. Their family members are inherently settled in Iraq, with plans to travel to America when the men are more established. Finally, I fulfilled my dream and I bought St. Petersburg Airport. Aban is designing a new runway. His third in as many decades."

WENDEL

"You all know my attorney, Deirdre Ehrgood, and my ex-wife, Samantha my sons, Wendel and Marlin, and daughter, Amy. John, Mark, If you would?" And Deirdre?" Aban and his family have allowed me to employ honest, hardworking men to manage my airport, farm and produce company with success. And, Darzi, son of Hakim will be the major benefactor and executor of my will. And there will be no questions asked. "

ABAN

"Wendel, nice article in today's paper. It looks like you read what I gave you word for word. You did a damn good job. Now get out of here."

WENDEL

"I'll be at the casino."

ABAN

"I felt the earth move when you said, I feel Allah in the air. I am calling it a night."

ABAN

"Good evening, Amira, I miss you."

AMIRA

"I miss you, too. Are both Hakim and Darzi in the room?"

ABAN

"Yes."

AMIRA

"Put me on speaker phone."

AMIRA

"Aban, our family here in Iraq yearn for our Patriarch to touch our homeland and our hearts. To be our diviner one more time. We need closure. Your visit would be short."

ABAN

"We will discuss it. Please be safe."

HAKIM

"It's too dangerous."

ABAN

"Tell me..."

DARZI

"We have been warned to be careful. We witnessed President Trump kicking off his Presidency by creating a Muslim profiling frenzy. Trump's actions have elevated America's fear of Muslims to its highest level in history. That moron changes his immigration policies like we change our socks.. This year alone, starting with this executive order that suspended entry for citizens of seven Muslim countries for 90 days, including ours. On September 24TH, the executive order was repudiated by President Trump. On October 25TH, President Trump, again, changed his immigration policy by altering eleven high risk nations, including Iraq again with "No entry". On June 26TH, President Trumps travel ban was deemed unconstitutional. And, on March 6TH, President Trump signed a revised executive order, excluding Iraq from the list of "No entry". What next? We cannot go home! In your own words, this month marks the beginning of our last before we are in a better place Allah has waiting. We yearn to be in a better place. There should be no more discussion."

JAMAL

"That frickin slug in there makes me want to puke. I am tired of waiting until he gets off."

REHEEM

"It's all about Wendel getting loose-lipped. And our job is to make sure it does not happen. I hear he has full knowledge of our plan and was told by Aban he has created such a money trail that he has become a homegrown terrorist, and there's no turning back. And, if we go down, he's going down with us. He's been promised a one-way ticket to paradise with millions in cash that Wendel himself transferred to his promised land."

CALL GIRL 2

"The dude wanted change, yea, right."

REHEEM

"Get fuckin dressed."

WENDEL

"I want to go to the Casino. I won't stay long."

JAMAL

"I thought you were thrown out."

WENDEL

"Money talks, loud."

ABAN

"Eid Al Adha begins Today. It is the "Feast of Sacrifice". These three days commemorate the willingness of Abraham to obey God by sacrificing his son."

ABAN

"As homage to Abraham, tomorrow will mark the first and last dry run of our mission. We will, in our own way,

prepare to sacrifice our lives for Allah and our country. This will be the last time I will speak these words. Albof, Alfars, Raheem and Uda, Leave the farm at 6:00 AM. Sharp. Drive your truck filled with produce into Jersey City, New Jersey. Check into your individual hotels at 3:00 PM. Sharp. Leave your hotels the next morning at 3:45 A.M. Sharp. Proceed to your targets which are both less than one mile. Our trucks have been through those tunnels thousands of times with produce during the last 30 years."

UDA

"They wave at us."

ABAN

This February 14th, 2020 plan of attack has been un-sealed and supported by our Iraqi intelligence. They have a ready dossier on each of your locations which include all coordinates. Albof, you'll be first into the Lincoln Tunnel, as you approach the exit on this future infamous day of February 14th, 2020. Stop, exit the truck and start running toward Alfars. Alfars, you'll follow through and try to penetrate to the middle. Reheem, you're first in the Holland Tunnel. Uda follow through. Yusof, you're on the same time schedule with your target being the Marcellus Shale gas wells and storage tanks located in Tioga County, Pennsylvania. Leave the farm with a full truck of produce at 6:00 A.M. Sharp. Check into your hotel at 3:00 PM. Sharp. Leave your hotel at 3:45 AM. Sharp. Yusof's, your target is 0.8 miles from your hotel. Jamal, same routine. You'll be staying in the Philadelphia market area surrounded by other produce trucks. Check-in 3:00. Sharp. Leave hotel 3:45 A.M. Sharp. Independence hall is one mile away.

ABAN

"Here are your individual hotel reservations. The reservations are under Wendel Bowman with each of you listed as a guest confirmed to be given a key. Reheem, , your first dry run will begin with departing from the St. Petersburg Airport, flying round trip to and from your target while logging the time in order to co-ordinate a 4:00 AM delivery on Thursday, February 14th, 2020 to the Cooper Nuclear Power Plant with four reactors located in New England. Aham, the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant with three reactors located in Ohio is yours. Milik, the Braidwood Nuclear Power Plant with three reactors located in Illinois is your destination. Hakim and Darzi will be spending the last seconds of their lives here on this earth in New York City, landing on top of the Twin Tower Memorial. Me, in the middle of Time Square. We've been there and back more than enough times. We'll all meet back here Friday morning at 5:30 A.M. That day will mark the last time we ever discuss any part of the mission. You all know what you should do and should not do. Be safe."

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REHEEM

"If I wanted too, I could have landed on the Cooper Nuclear grounds and hardly been noticed. Their security is as weak as Three Mile Island, who's property line meets Harrisburg's international major airport. Most likely that was an original target. You practically have to fly into a reactor to land."

UDA

"What the fuck were they thinking?"

ALBAF

"We had no problem entering the entrance of the two tunnels and penetrate enough to do the job with no resistance

ALFARS

"They still wave."

YUSOF

"The Wheel was right on target with the Marcellus dossier. . You'd think they were the contractors that drew up these blueprints and intentionally constructed the most combustible gas wells to line the perimeter. I think their check point waved at me, too. This is too much. But, Reheem, did the guards wave at your plane?"

ABAN

"We just received the last incendiary devices from home. We're completely assembled. I'd like to get everyone familiar with what we'll be working with."

ABAN

"Even though we lost DR. ABD AL-RASHAD in an explosion, the deliveries went like clockwork.

Hakim

"An explosion? DR. Abd AL-Rashad, Go figure."

ABAN

"Just last week we received aluminum sheets, cast iron wire and detonators. The operation could not have been more clandestine. From Iraq's chicken and lamb produce to Home Grown Produce."

DARZI

"There was a seven-year period America deemed Iraq as their enemy and temporarily stopped the operation."

YUSOF

"Good Evening, we're waiting for the guest in Room 22. What's wrong?"

OFFICER 1

"We got a call from a woman who said she was being assaulted in Room 22."

YUSOF

"Damn him. The pig should be in a pen."

MILIK

"Can't kill the virus yet."

CALL GIRL 3

"Help me!"

POLICE 2

"Were coming in Bowman."

POLICE 1

"You two wait out here."

JAMEL
 "Obviously they know who their dealing with."

YUSOF
 "What should we do?"

JAMAL
 "Wait."

POLICE 1
 "He's paying her off. She ain't pressing charges. A hundred and thirty thousand dollars. That's a lot of money."

CALL GIRL 3
 "He's just like clockwork. It was worth it."

POLICE 2
 "We know who and what Wendel is. But, it is what it is. He's free to go. Good luck."

JAMAL
 "Patience."

HAKIM
 "Today we observe The Islamic New Year. It's also the anniversary of the Twin Towers attack. I can't think of a better way to celebrate Allah's New Year."

ABAN
 "We better be quiet. Our hooting and hollering just might be heard by President Trump."

ABAN
 "As this evening unravels, I believe we're going to see the other side to these humans no one could have imagined."

HAKIM
 "All except Wendel. That piece of shit has only one side to him. And it screams, "What's in it for me!"

MALIK
 "Ya know what, Uda, I believe we're the only two who never consumed liquor in their lives."

UDA
 "Well, Raheem told me he was a heavy drinker, but when his brother Aasera died of a cocaine overdose in 2009 he went sober."

JAMAL
 "I am celebrating my passage to Allah."

YUSOF
 "I, too, in song."

UDA
 "Jamal and Yusaf will be heard through the night singing old time Iraqi songs."

ABAN
 "I am 89. You are 87, and I have a taste for araq, our Country's alcoholic beverage. Araq meaning perspiration. And here is the ice, as in tradition, these strains of anise must be poured over the ice slowly."

HAKIM
 "The reality is, it's like a crash landing with no notice. It all had to do with some numbers on a little piece of fucking paper. Lottery turns out to be one of America's worst threats to their national security. And, we'll be in a better place."

ABAN
 "Aham only 22, Albof 21, and Alfars 24, they'll sleep under the stars. These young martyrs are from a different generation. Alcohol is not their choice. They enjoy their own incense."

DARZI
 "Alfars, Let's get a fire going."

RAHEEM
 "It's time for me to get off the wagon. Give me some incense."

YUSOF

"The hills are alive, with the sound of music..."

MALIK

"Well Uda, That's enough for me. They don't need a chaperone. I am going to bed."

UDA

"That's a side of him them I never expected."

HAKIM

"They danced, they sang, some cried, some laughed."

ABAN

"Let's call it a night."

HAKIM,

"We haven't slept in the same room since we were kids in bunk beds."

ABAN

"it reminds me for the first time in memory I felt a real and complete calm. Our life has come full circle."

HAKIM

"Do you remember what I called you back then?"

Hakim

"Yes, Bako Mako. Are you going to the Bowman Library opening next week?"

ABAN

"Yes, and so should you."

LIBRARY DIRECTOR OLSON

"The Wendel Bowman Community Library is open."

MAYOR CAPELLO

"Mel, The community who at one time had no time for Wendel, honor him at the opening of the new Wendel Bowman County Library. What do you make of that?"

MEL JR.

"Money."

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HAKIM

"Turn on the television. America just launched an attack on Iraqi soil early this morning. Major General Qasem Soleimani and other diplomats were killed in the airstrike that took place on Iraqi soil on the Bagdad Airport runway. Trump's claiming the attack was in order to protect U.S. personnel abroad. He'll learn very shortly he can't even protect them on their own soil. He's claiming Qasem Soleimani had plans to launch additional attacks on the American Embassy in Bagdad. Who rebuilds the airport?"

ABAN

According to our Intelligence, in this case, the soviet Union has already sent military aid to assist Iraq. The U.S. Government will again keep the American People ignorant to these affairs. We're back in "1957".

HAKIM

"Quite, Trumps got something to say."

President Trump

"In 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the Eisenhower Doctrine.

This doctrine authorizes the United States to cooperate and assist any nations or group of nations in the general area of the Middle East . including the employment of armed forces of the United States to secure and protect the territorial integrity and political independence

of nations which desire such aid. Justifying U.S. attacks on Iraqi soil when we deem necessary."

ABAN
"Turn it off."

HAKIM
"Aban, here comes a virus. And one we don't need."

WENDEL
"Well thank you."

HAKIM
"Boy you look happy. And you look like you even got up and took a bath today."

WENDEL
"I'll be leaving Sunday."

ABAN
"Wendel, here, sit in my chair."

ABAN
"Wendel, here's your one-way ticket out of here.
You have your new identity."

WENDEL
"And the cash. I took it out of the bank like you told me. It's not leaving my hands. Five million to the penny."

WENDEL
"Do you want to see the statement?"

HAKIM
"No, we have your back."

MALIK
"Wendel, You wanna keep everyone off your trail? Write a suicide note and leave it for the morons to find. Let them under the impression that, you, Wendel, may already be dead."

ABAN
"Wendel, you're on your way to a better place. They'll be looking for your DNA in the carnage."

WENDEL
"I have too much information on you!"

ABAN
"Yea, and they'll start looking for your D.N.A. in the manure pit

HAKIM
"Wendel, You can let that box of cash leave your hands now. You won't be needing it where you're going. Now who's the moron."

WENDEL
"Please! No! Stop! Aaaaaaa!"

HAKIM
"It's a shame Dr. Kildare is not here to watch."

HAKIM
"I can't help but remember Abida, and the lachrymose look on her face of total discomposing and surrender at the image of our own son Tony Abdyllin hanging. Even though that was 38 years ago, it will always feel like It was yesterday to me."

ABAN
"You'll be with Tony Abdyllin soon."

ABAN
"I guess he took his last breath."

HAKIM
"What a show. There is no virus."

ABAN
"He bought the farm twice."

ABAN

"I don't want anyone to leave a trace of our human side, and as little proof of our existence as possible. Destroy everything you can. I'd burn the farmhouse down, But I won't for John, Mark and Anna."

REHEEM

"Let's get the rest. Putting every last piece of hay under that fire really worked. We left the Dr. Kildare Barn empty and spotless."

REHEEM

"Everybody back up. There might be a round or two in one of these pieces."

ABAN

"I sure as hell hope it's not that launcher."

Reheem

"Never worked. I bought it at an army and navy store 5 years ago. They won't know that when the get to the remnants."

ABAN

"Jamal, Where are the rounds of ammunition?"

JAMAL

"Arghahaha Arhahara! We buried it in a manure pit. They'll have to dig through fifteen feet of shit to find anything."

ABAN

"That's where Wendel belongs."

ALFARS

"So, what do you think is up with Wendel? Haven't seen him for a couple of days."

AHAM

"No one really cares. Wendel will never be missed. He's been known to binge drink and disappear for a week at times. No one keeps track. Don't say his name in the same space as this retched smell. It's too close. Now, let's get back to carefully preparing more than enough lethal explosive materials to go around."

AHAM

"I don't even know what to say."

ALBAF

"I do. Ten days."

RAHEEM

"It's a shame we won't see the look on the neighboring eyes after they realize all the labor going into these grass runways was in preparation for the delivery of all these high-density explosive materials. And it was accomplished right under them their eyes."

YUSOF

"Not a clue."

Jamal

"This is fun."

ALBAF

"Not that I care, but Wendel is hiding out longer than usual. Four days is a long time for him to be held up in his room on another drinking binge."

UDA

"No one is missing Wendel."

ABAN

"Other farm hands acknowledged they haven't seen him in a few days."

ALFARS

"We found Wendel. The bum hung himself. That's what the sickening smell in the barn was. Hakim is calling the proper authorities. They found a suicide note."

YOSOF

"It smelled like a cellar full of dead rats. I know that smell. Losing a matching sock is worse than loosing Wendel."

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ABAN

"What is important? Wendel's companies, the airport, Home Grown Produce and the farm will notably operate as normal for the time being. It's in his will. I know, I wrote it. I plan on doing my best to have Wendel's wake scheduled for February 14th. Of course, that would be up to Darzi. I named you the executor."

DARZI

"Sounds like a master plan."

CORORNER

"I never saw anything like it."

HAKIM

"Take this, Wendel left it. And his suicide note."

CORORNOR

"I'll make arrangements for Wendel to be cremated within the hour. Cause of death will be suicide by hanging"

MALIK

"Aban, follow me outside."

HAKIM

"Our coroner labeled the cause of death suicide by hanging. He'll be cremated within the hour. I gave him Wendel's box of cash, and his suicide note. No one needs to know."

INVESTEGATER 1

"How long did you live in Indiana?"

RAHEEM

"Nearly 40 years."

INVESTEGATER 2

"You only had a small amount of cocaine. Make it easy on yourself and cooperate."

CHIEF BREINER

"Yo chump, your bail is paid. Your free to go. The magistrate will give you your conditions of release."

INVESTERGATER 2

"There's more to this guy than the cocaine. He claims to have lived in Indiana nearly 40 years. We're contacting a former colleague and partner of mine while assigned in Indiana, Frank Gage. He's now with the Federal Field Office. I am afraid there is a lot more to this guy than the cocaine. I smell a rat. A terroristic rat."

GAG!

"That's him. His name is Raheem. You can't forget that face. Turn around. We need highly Mobil units to calculate capturing everyone alive. I want everyone on this farm alive. I can promise you these people here possess a mountain of untapped information. I am not a conspiracy theorist. But, these terrorists are settled. They've been here for a long time. I can't believe it's him."

GAGE

"Thank you for arriving so quickly. And, Hanford who flew in from Singapore. We do have a problem on the farm."

AGENT 2

"We've been given a thumbs up to execute anything we deem necessary."

HANFORD

"We have a unit from the F.B.I. and Homeland Security that have deployed and will arrive shortly. We're going in with an early morning raid. 4:00 A.M. Sharp. We want them sleeping. We will do what's necessary. Nobody leave the building. We'll all be briefed shortly."

ABAN

"Wendel's wake begins in about 6 hours."

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HAKIM

"Can't make it."

GAGE

"Strike 3, you're out!"

EXTRA 1

"I can't wrap my head around today's terror attack. I still have nightmares of 9/11."

EXTRA 2

"I pray there are no home-grown terrorists involved."

Extra 1

"That's later. It's Wendel's wake. Respect."

CALL GIRL 1

"I wonder where the pig is now. Burn baby burn.""

Call Girl 2

"He always tipped good."

CALL GIRL 3

"That's the only thing he did good."

MEL JR. Yells

"It's those bastards Wendel hired! The terror attack!"

MAYOR CAPELLO

"He's right. Wendel's farm. His farm hands, where in the hell are they?"

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