IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. CROIX

WALEED HAMED, as the Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,	
Plaintiff/Counterclaim Deft.,	
VS.	Case No. SX-2012-CV-370
FATHI YUSUF and UNITED CORPORATION,	
Defendants/Counterclaimants,	
VS.	
WALEED HAMED, WAHEED HAMED, MUFEED HAMED, HISHAM HAMED, and PLESSEN ENTERPRISES, INC.,	
Counterclaim Defendants. WALEED HAMED, as Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,	
Plaintiff,)) Consolidated with
VS.	Case No. SX-2014-CV-287
UNITED CORPORATION,	
Defendant.	
WALEED HAMED, as Executor of the Estate of MOHAMMAD HAMED,	
Plaintiff,	
VS.	Consolidated with Case No. SX-2014-CV-278
FATHI YUSUF,	
Defendant.))

VIDEOTAPED ORAL DEPOSITION OF WALEED "WALLY" HAMED

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MARKED QUESTIONS

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Q. Okay. And it's my understanding that your prior testimony has been that you agreed that the 1.6 had, in fact, been removed, correct?

MR. HARTMANN: Object. This is a matter that's been determined by the Court. I'll direct the witness not to answer. The \$1.6 million has been adjudicated.

MS. PERRELL: Okay. It's been adjudicated that it was previous and that when the acknowledgment took place was not at a period of time later.

I'm not asking him about the timing of it. I just want to know -- and I'm not going to be using it for that -- I just want to know that he does agree that there was a \$1.6 million that the parties had agreed and it was in various testimony before.

MR. HARTMANN: The 1.6 has been adjudicated.

MS. PERRELL: So you're not going to allow

him to answer that question?

MR. HARTMANN: No.

MS. PERRELL: All right. I'd like to certify

that question, okay?

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2	Hamed versus Fathi Yusuf and United Corp., in the Superior
3	Court of the Virgin Islands, Division of St. Croix, Civil
4	Action Number SX-2012-CV-370.
5	My name is Michael Gelardi. I am the
6	videographer for today's proceedings. Our court reporter is
7	Susan Nissman. Today's date is January 21st, 2019. The
8	deponent is Waleed Hamed. The time is 9:10.
9	MS. PERRELL: Good morning, everyone. My
10	name is Charlotte Perrell. I'm one of the attorneys
11	representing Fathi Yusuf and the United Corporation.
12	I also just wanted to state for the record,
13	and, Carl, I believe that we're in agreement with this,
14	although this is related to the 370 case, a number of the
15	claims between the parties have been consolidated and so we
16	understand that although this deposition has been limited as
17	to the various topics that we've agreed to address, that the
18	testimony can be utilized for any and all of those
19	consolidated cases. Agreed?
20	MR. HARTMANN: That's correct. And also that
21	the deposition is being held pursuant to a joint notice of
22	January 7th, 2019, which sets forth as Attachment Exhibit 1,
23	the agreed topics.
24	MS. PERRELL: And just to add one more point,
25	as to the agreed topics. later in the week last week. we

1	agreed to remove from the agreed topics Y-4 and I'm
2	sorry, not Y-4, Y-12, which relates to foreign accounts and
3	Jordanian properties; is that correct?
4	MR. HARTMANN: That's correct. And Hamad
5	Hamed has agreed to file the joint stipulation with the
6	Court to that effect.
7	MS. PERRELL: All right. All right. With
8	those preliminaries, if you could swear in the witness?
9	Thank you.
10	WALEED "WALLY" HAMED,
11	called as a witness, having been first duly sworn,
12	testified on his oath as follows:
13	DIRECT EXAMINATION
14	BY MS. PERRELL:
15	Q. All right. Good morning,
16	A. Good morning.
17	Q Mr. Hamed. My name is Charlotte Perrell. I
18	represent the Yusufs and United in the various cases that
19	are pending right now that have all been consolidated and
20	are right now in front of the Special Master Ross. I don't
21	know, I think we've met before, but just in case we have
22	not.
23	We've limited the topics today to various
24	items on the list.
25	Have you had an opportunity to review those

items that are on the list?

A. Yes.

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Q. Okay. And so I'm going to be asking you questions about those topics in particular. To the extent that you need to fully respond and provide some additional background or additional information that might stretch into the other topics, just go ahead and give me the full explanation, and then if we need to, you know, limit it later, we can -- we can do that, but that is what I would ask of you, is to not limit your responses. I will try to limit my question so that it will only incapsulate those topics that we've agreed to.

Is that fair? All right.

As the court reporter mentioned before, I will do my best to try to let you give your answer before I give my response, but there are times, sometimes when I try to jump in, so I'll do my best not to. And if you and I can have an agreement to -- to do the same so that everything gets clear. Obviously, as you know, these depositions will be used for other purposes as the case continues and so we need to have a clear record of my question, your response to the extent you need clarification and so forth, we just have it nice and clear on the record, okay?

- A. Understood.
- Q. Okay. All right. The first topic I'd like to

1	address is the rent due to United for Bays 5 and 8.
2	In a declaration that you have provided
3	previously, you indicated that it was your understanding
4	that Bays 5 and 8 were to be provided by United to the
5	partnership rent-free; is that correct?
6	A. That's correct.
7	Q. Okay. And you had no communications with
8	Mr. Yusuf in this regard; is that correct?
9	A. That's correct.
LO	Q. Okay. So it is your belief that it was rent-free,
L1	despite not having any conversations with Mr. Yusuf about
L2	that?
L3	A. That is correct.
L 4	Q. Okay. Isn't it true that United utilized the
L5	space at Bay 5 and 8 at points in time from 1994 through
L 6	2012?
L7	A. Yes, they did.
L8	Q. Okay. Just so that we're all clear, let me hand
L 9	you what's been marked as Exhibit 1.
20	(Deposition Exhibit No. 1 was
21	marked for identification.)
22	Exhibit 1 is, in essence, a site plan of the
23	United Shopping Center.
24	Is that what it appears to be to you?
25	A. Yes.

1	Q. All right. Just so that we're clear for the
2	record, if you could indicate via circle where Bay 5 is
3	located with the pen?
4	A. (Witness complies.) Do you want an X or do you
5	want a mark or just
6	Q. Just circle.
7	A circle?
8	Q. Yeah. Okay.
9	A. Oops, did I mark 6? I did mark 6, yeah.
10	Q. All right. So let's go back.
11	A. Yeah.
12	Q. Okay. Put an arrow to the one that's Bay 5.
13	A. (Witness complies.)
14	Q. All right. Can you also mark where Bay 8 is
15	located?
16	A. Yes.
17	Q. Okay. Put an arrow next to where Bay 8 is
18	located. All right.
19	A. (Witness complies.)
20	$oldsymbol{Q}$. So with regard to Bays 5 and 8, do you recall a
21	scenario in which after the store reopened following the
22	fire, that you and Mike broke through the wall between Plaza
23	Extra Supermarket and Bay 5?
24	A. Yes.
25	$oldsymbol{Q}$. Okay. And do you recall that that happened in the

1	May or spring of 2004?
2	A. I'm not quite sure what year it was, but it was
3	done.
4	Q. Okay. Do you recall whether it was in the period
5	of time in the mid-'90s?
6	A. Possibly, yeah.
7	Q. Okay. And if Mike Yusuf were to testify that it
8	was in the spring of 1994, you cannot dispute that, correct?
9	A. I can't say for sure, but I guess what he says, he
10	says. I don't recall exactly what year or what date or what
11	month.
12	Q. Okay. You do recall breaking through the wall,
13	however, and then utilizing it for storage space, correct?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. Okay. And wasn't it primarily used for the
16	storage of sodas?
17	A. Among other things. There was different things
18	that we used it for.
19	Q. All right. And the space that you broke through
20	was large enough for a what is the thing that goes
21	through?
22	MR. HARTMANN: Forklift.
23	Q. (Ms. Perrell) forklift to go through?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. All right. And you never had a discussion with

1 Mr. Yusuf about breaking the wall; isn't that correct? 2 Α. I'm not too sure if that's quite clear, but maybe at one time or another. I mean, it's been so long, I don't 3 really recall if we did or we didn't. 4 5 Q. Okay. Do you recall Mr. Yusuf being upset that 6 the wall had been broken through? 7 Don't recall that. Α. 8 Okay. But you wouldn't dispute it if Mr. Yusuf Q. 9 said that he was upset and he discussed it with you? 10 Well, if he said so. I don't really recall that. 11 Okay. All right. So you're not disputing that 0. 12 Plaza Extra used the store -- I'm sorry, used Bay 5 for 13 storage at various points in time since 1994, correct? 14 Correct. Α. 15 0. All right. And did you keep any record as to when Plaza Extra used the store for storage? 16 Α. 17 No. 18 **Q**. All right. Would you agree with me that Plaza Extra had unfettered access to Bay 5 at any time that it 19 20 needed? 21 Α. I would say so, yes. 22 Q. Okay. And was there a period of time that you 23 recall when Bay 5 was rented to another third party? 2.4 Α. At one time, we did.

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was utilized on an intermittent basis, I believe you stated in some of your discovery responses, on a given week -well, let me ask you this: On a given month, was the store -- was the space completely utilized by Plaza Extra? Α. Could you repeat the question again? Yeah. Let me -- let me make it a little bit 0. better. Other than the time that Bay 5 was rented to another third party when United -- or excuse me, when Plaza Extra had full access to it, was there any particular day when it was never utilized at all? Α. Well, we used it while it was being used. I don't recall exactly what days, what months, or what weeks it was used or not in use. 0. Okay. So you used it when you needed it? Α. Yes. Q. Okay. Let me ask you about Bay 8. Bay 8 is a larger space or would be called a double bay; is that correct? Α. It's a larger space. Q. Okay. It's twice the space of Bay 5, correct? Α. Appears to be, yes. Okay. And it's in the corner of the shopping **Q**.

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That's correct.

	WALEED "WALLY" HAMED DIRECT
1	Q. Okay. And isn't it true that Bay 8 has a fairly
2	large roll-down door in the back of it near the loading
3	dock?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Okay. And isn't it also true that Plaza Extra
6	utilized Bay 8 since 1994 on an as-needed basis?
7	A. I'm not too sure if it's from 1994 or not, but we
8	did use it, yes.
9	Q. Okay. And the same question before, if Mike Yusuf
10	or Fathi Yusuf testifies that it that Plaza Extra began
11	using it sometime in May or the spring of 1994, you can't
12	dispute that, correct?
13	A. I can't agree to it, because I really don't recall
14	exactly what those were, those days were.
15	Q. Okay. I'm not asking you to agree; I'm asking if
16	you can dispute it. You cannot dispute that?
17	A. We used it on and off, and I'm not too sure what
18	the years are or the months are.
19	Q. Okay. And you used it as needed?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. Okay. And over the course of the time that it was
22	utilized, would you say that there was ever a day when Bay 8
23	was not utilized, other than when it was rented to another
24	tenant?

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That's correct.

1	Q. Okay. All right. Your belief that Bays 5 and 8
2	are free is contrary to any conversations that you ever had
3	with Mr. Yusuf about rent, correct?
4	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Asked and answered.
5	Q. (Ms. Perrell) Okay. When you
6	MR. HARTMANN: Just for you, I'll say the
7	word "objection" for a variety of reasons. You're still
8	required to answer her question.
9	A. Oh, okay. Could you repeat the question again,
10	please?
11	MS. PERRELL: I can't. Can you repeat the
12	question for me?
13	THE COURT REPORTER: "Q. Okay. All right.
14	Your belief that Bays 5 and 8 are free is contrary to any
15	conversations that you ever had with Mr. Yusuf about rent,
16	correct?"
17	A. I'm not too sure how to answer that. Still don't
18	understand the question as far as
19	Q. (Ms. Perrell) All right. Let me rephrase then.
20	You would agree that there was an agreement
21	to pay rent for Bay 1, correct?
22	A. There's an agreement to pay rent for Plaza Extra
23	Supermarket occupation for, I guess, referred to Bay 1,
24	yeah.
25	Q. Okay. But yet there was, in your opinion, no

1 agreement to pay rent for Bays 5 and 8? 2 Α. None whatsoever. 3 Okay. And that's based on no -- you have no 4 conversation with Mr. Yusuf one way or the other about 5 5 and 8; is that your testimony? 6 We probably had conversations. We probably 7 talked, but I don't really recall for certain that we did. 8 Okay. So you didn't -- you don't have -- you Q. 9 don't have anything in writing from Mr. Yusuf that says, I'm 10 going to let Plaza Extra utilize Bay 5 and 8 for free with 11 no charge? 12 Α. No. Okay. When the -- you recall a period of time in 13 Ο. 14 which United -- I'm sorry, when the rent for the period of time, 2004 through 2011, was paid for Bay 1, correct? 15 16 I think so. Α. 17 Q. Okay. Do you recall providing a check or allowing a check to be provided for \$5,408,806.74? 18 19 Α. Yes. 20 Q. Okay. And that was done in February 7th of 2012, 21 correct? 22 Α. If it says so, yes. 23 Okay. All right. And during your discussions Q. 2.4 relating to this check, is it your position that this check

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also covered 5 and 8?

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1	A. Covered everything that Plaza Extra occupied.
2	Q. Okay. But if 5 and 8 was free, why would this
3	check be necessary to cover 5 and 8?
4	A. Because that's what we agreed on. I mean, it says
5	for everything that Plaza Extra occupied in Sion Farm.
6	Q. Okay. But you're aware of the order that the
7	judge issued relating to the rent, are you not, Judge Brady?
8	A. When one are you talking about?
9	Q. There's an order that Judge Brady issued, I want
10	to say it was in 2015, Feb I'm sorry, April of 2015, in
11	which he awarded rent for the period 1994 through 2004 for
12	Bay 1.
13	Do you recall that?
14	A. There was something like that, yeah.
15	Q. Okay. And you gave an affidavit or a declaration
16	in opposition to our efforts to try to recover that rent.
17	Do you recall that?
18	A. I believe there is something like that, yes.
19	Q. Okay. All right. And you made the same argument
20	that the check, the \$5,408,000 check, covered all of the
21	rent that was ever due from Plaza Extra to United.
22	Do you recall that?
23	A. Don't recall it, but if it did, yes.
24	Q. Okay. And the Court actually found that that
25	wasn't correct. That there was, in fact, additional rent

1 due for the period of 1994 and 2004, correct? 2 Α. If it did, yes. Okay. So it's true that the \$5,408,000 check did 3 4 not cover all of the rent for Plaza Extra due to United? 5 Α. For the time period. 6 0. From any time from 1994 through 2012, correct? 7 I'm not sure I understand. Could you repeat that? Α. 8 Isn't it true that based upon the Court's finding Q. 9 that the \$5,408,806 check did not cover all of the rent for 10 Plaza Extra owed to United for any of the periods between 11 1994 and 2012? It was only a partial payment, correct? 12 Α. Yes. 1.3 Ο. Okay. 14 (Respite.) 15 Handing you what's been marked Exhibit 2. 16 (Deposition Exhibit No. 2 was marked for identification.) 17 18 Have you seen this document before? 19 Don't recall. Α. 20 Okay. You didn't review this document in Q. 21 preparation of giving the deposition today? 22 Α. No, ma'am. 23 0. Okay. Before you go through, do you know who 2.4 Thomas Luff is? 25 I believe he was United Corporation Shopping Α.

1	Center manager.
2	Q. Okay.
3	THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry, what type of
4	manager?
5	A. Shopping center manager.
6	Q. (Ms. Perrell) All right. But you say you've never
7	seen this document?
8	A. I don't recall, no.
9	Q. Okay. And you didn't review it in preparation for
10	your deposition today?
11	A. No, ma'am.
12	Q. Okay. Would you have ever had an occasion to
13	review any documents relating to tenant dealings at United?
14	A. No, ma'am.
15	Q. Okay. And where was Mr. Luff's office located?
16	A. Well, upstairs in the office that we occupied.
17	Q. Okay. Would you have had access to his office at
18	given points in time?
19	A. Not necessarily. I had no business going in his
20	office.
21	Q. And I understand you don't have any business going
22	in there, but my question is, is I've been up to the office,
23	so I know generally what the configuration is.
24	Where was your office in the upstairs space?
25	A. At different times, it was in different places.

- 1 Q. Okay. Where was Mr. Luff's office, as you recall? 2 As you go up the door to the office or the steps to the office, it's right there in front of you. 3 4 Ο. It's the first one? 5 Α. Yes. 6 Okay. All right. And is that the only space he 0. 7 ever occupied? 8 Α. I believe so. 9 Okay. You said you moved around, so I wasn't sure Ο. 10 if he ever moved. 11 Α. Um-hum. Yeah. 12 Ο. Did he move around? 13 I -- I don't recall exactly, but I think it was 14 mainly there. All right. And is there -- is there a lock on 15 that particular door? 16 17 I assume there is, yes. 18 Ο. Okay. Well, you were the manager at the Plaza Extra East store for a number of years, correct? 19 20 That's correct. Α. 21 Q. Okay. Do you know if any of the offices had locks 22 on them? 23 Α. They had the general, you know, locks, I guess you
 - want to call them, yeah.

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Q. Did -- were they ever locked? In other words, was

1 there ever any need to get into or unlock any of the 2 offices? 3 Α. I'm not sure. 4 Q. Okay. 5 Α. I'm not sure for his purposes. Never tried to do 6 that, so I don't know if it was locked, unlocked, or not. 7 Okay. All right. So there would never be an 8 occasion for this particular document to be anywhere that 9 you would have access to? 10 When I say "this document," I'm talking about 11 Exhibit 2. 12 Α. That's correct. 1.3 Okay. All right. Are you disputing at all -- I Ο. 14 understand that you're disputing that the rent for 5 and 8 is due, but are you disputing at all the size and the square 15 footage that we are contending is the size of Bay 8? 16 17 Α. I have no idea what the square footage is for 5 18 and 8. Okay. All right. Do you have any knowledge or 19 Ο. 20 information as to the rent that was charged for Bays 5 and 8 21 to other third-party tenants? 22 Α. I have no idea. Okay. In March of 2013, Mr. Yusuf's attorney, 23 Ο. 2.4 Nizar DeWood, sent a letter outlining rent, additional rent,

for Bay 1 for the period 1994 through 2004, and then also

1 rent for Bays 5 and 8. Do you recall reviewing any letter 2 to that effect? 3 I don't recall that one, no. 4 Ο. Okay. I'm just going to hand him something to 5 refresh your recollection. I'm not necessarily going to 6 introduce this. 7 Let me show you what is Bates Number FY 8 004004, and see if that refreshes your recollection. This 9 was the letter I was discussing a minute ago. 10 Have you ever seen that before? 11 MR. HARTMANN: What's the date, please? (Ms. Perrell) I'm sorry. It's dated May 17th, 12 Q. 2013. 1.3 Not really. I mean, there was so many documents, 14 15 so many things going back and forth. 16 Q. Okay. 17 MR. HARTMANN: We'll stipulate that the letter was sent and received. 18 (Ms. Perrell) Okay. In response to that letter, 19 Ο. 20 isn't it true that you, and on behalf of the Hamed --21 Mr. Hamed, Mohammed Hamed, and his part of the partnership, 22 disputed that rents 5 and 8 were due in response to that 23 letter in 2013? 2.4 If the letter says that, I guess it does. I don't 25 really recall exactly.

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1	Q. Okay. But you are disputing that Bays 5 and 8
2	rent is due, correct?
3	A. That is true.
4	Q. Okay. All right. Isn't it also true that
5	Mr. Yusuf was really the individual who was in charge of
6	coordinating for the rent that was used and that would be
7	due from Plaza Extra to United?
8	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Can you give a time
9	frame?
10	Q. (Ms. Perrell) Sure. I will say throughout the
11	entire course of the partnership, that Mrs. Yusuf was in
12	charge of determining the rent and also when rent was to be
13	collected for rent that was due as a result of the use of
14	space by Plaza Extra East?
15	A. I mean, he my understanding over the years, and
16	my recollection might be a little spotty, but I know he had
17	an agreement with my dad for the rent due or for the rent
18	for the Plaza Extra at the Sion Farm location. To the
19	extent that when it happened, how it happened, I
20	really, it's years. It's been years.
21	Q. Okay. So you're not really sure?

- Okay. So you're not really sure?
- Α. No.

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All right. At one point in time in your Q. affidavit -- I'm sorry, I keep calling it affidavit, declaration, you indicated that at certain points in time,

1	rent was paid in cash.
2	Do you recall making that statement?
3	A. I don't recall.
4	Q. All right. I'll have this marked as an exhibit.
5	I'm going to hand you what's Exhibit 3. This is 3.
6	(Deposition Exhibit No. 3 was
7	marked for identification.)
8	I call your attention do you recognize
9	Exhibit 3?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Okay. Is that the declaration that you executed,
12	I believe it was in August 24th, 2014?
13	A. I believe so, yes.
14	Q. Okay. I can turn the page, but if you could I
15	can direct your attention to Paragraph 8.
16	And the second sentence says, "In fact, rent
17	was paid in cash (so United would not have to report it as
18	income) whenever United needed money without having to wait
19	on any partnership accounting."
20	Do you see that?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. All right. So does this help refresh your
23	recollection that you were making a statement under oath
24	that rent was paid in cash? Do you recall that now?
25	A. Yeah, for maybe probably to from maybe a period

before 1992. I'm not too sure exactly what, but at one time or another.

- Q. Okay. So is it your testimony that after, we'll just say the fire, okay? After the fire --
 - A. Um-hum.

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- Q. -- that rent -- are you making any statements that rent was ever paid in cash after 1994?
- A. I don't really recall exactly if it was or if it wasn't. 2004.
 - Q. 1994, I'm sorry.
- A. Oh. 1994, possibly. I'm not sure. I really -- I don't really recall.
- Q. Okay. Well, we do know that there was the \$5 million check that we talked about that was paid in February of 2012, correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And then we know that the court ordered payment to be made for the period of 1994 through 2004, correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And -- and I believe it also covered a little bit of the latter part of the rent that was post the check and brought as current until the point in time where the parties split, correct?
 - A. From, I think 2012 and on, yes.

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1	Q. And so based on all of that, is it your belief
2	that there was any cash payments for rent for the use of
3	space by Plaza Extra East to United from 1994 to the time of
4	the split?
5	A. I think everything was from 1994, that was paid
6	by check.
7	Q. Okay.
8	A. Okay.
9	(Respite.)
10	Q. Let me ask you about the storage space at Plaza
11	Extra East before the reopening.
12	Would you agree with me that before the
13	reopening in May of 1994, that the storage system that was
14	utilized by Plaza Extra East was a series of containers
15	stacked upon each other in the back of the shopping center?
16	A. That's correct.
17	Q. Okay. As I understand it, there were four
18	containers on the bottom, four on the top, and that was
19	primarily used for the storage?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. Okay. Would you agree with me also that that
22	particular system of storage was a bit cumbersome?
23	A. Yes.
24	Q. Okay. Would you also agree with me that

oftentimes when the stores were all three operating

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1	together, that a lot of the inventory that came was bought
2	and warehoused together?
3	A. You're talking after 2000, that's when the stores
4	were, but what do you mean by they all operated, or, I mean,
5	out of
6	Q. Well, I mean
7	A what locations are you talking about?
8	Q. I'm just saying, if a trailer load of, let's say,
9	paper products came in, isn't it true that the housing of
LO	that particular load of paper products might be at one
L1	location, but ultimately used by different locations?
L2	A. That's not necessarily true. I mean, every store
L3	really ordered for themselves. There might be certain items
L 4	that were bought that were stored at one location, which we
L5	mainly used the West store for sort of the distribution.
L 6	Q. Okay. But it's not uncommon that there would have
L7	been, at times, shared storage?
L8	A. I possible, but not very frequent.
L9	Q. Okay. All right. All right. Let me ask you
20	about the \$2.7 million that was removed in 2012.
21	Are you familiar with that?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. Okay. At the time that the \$2.7 million was
Э Д	removed there was Mr Vusuf sent you a letter explaining

that he was going to be removing it, correct?

A.	Yes

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- Q. Okay. And so he didn't -- you didn't find out about it by happening to check the bank account; Mr. Yusuf brought you the letter and showed you that he was going to be removing these funds, correct?
- A. Yeah, he send me the letter, but he already removed the funds.
 - Q. Okay.
- A. The funds were already moved after he sent the letter.
- Q. Okay. The letter breaks down exactly what the 2.7 is. It's an accounting as to the basis for the removal of that 2.7, correct?
 - A. According to him.
- Q. Okay. And -- but I don't want to get too far afield, because I know there's already been some rulings on this, but I just want to, for clarity sake, there was one amount that was \$1.6 million that Mr. Yusuf was claiming was owed to the Yusufs following a partial accounting that you had shortly before the FBI raid.

Do you recall that?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And it's my understanding that your prior testimony has been that you agreed that the 1.6 had, in fact, been removed, correct?

1	MR. HARTMANN: Object. This is a matter
2	that's been determined by the Court. I'll direct the
3	witness not to answer. The \$1.6 million has been
4	adjudicated.
5	MS. PERRELL: Okay. It's been adjudicated
6	that it was previous and that when the acknowledgment took
7	place was not at a period of time later.
8	I'm not asking him about the timing of it. I
9	just want to know and I'm not going to be using it for
10	that I just want to know that he does agree that there
11	was a \$1.6 million that the parties had agreed and it was in
12	various testimony before.
13	MR. HARTMANN: The 1.6 has been adjudicated.
14	MS. PERRELL: So you're not going to allow
15	him to answer that question?
16	MR. HARTMANN: No.
17	MS. PERRELL: All right. I'd like to certify
18	that question, okay?
19	Q. (Ms. Perrell) All right. There were two accounts
20	that were also noted on there that had been closed. And the
21	two accounts were from and I'm pronouncing it
22	incorrectly, but Commercial Francias' bank in St. Martin.
23	Do you recall that?
24	A. Yes.
2.5	O. Okay. And those two accounts were in your name.

1	correct?
2	A. Yes.
3	Q. All right. And it's true that you closed those
4	two accounts and took the funds from those two accounts,
5	correct?
6	A. Yes.
7	Q. All right. And the total amount in each
8	account well, let me just say, for one of the accounts,
9	it was approximately \$88,000, correct?
10	A. Possibly, yes.
11	Q. Okay. And then the other account was a Cairo
12	Amman account, and it was also closed, and it was in your
13	name, and it also had approximately 88,000, correct?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. Okay. All right. And you recall that that was
16	listed on the letter as something that needed to be shored
17	up and trued up as part of his removal of those funds?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. Okay. But you you've never paid the
20	partnership back the 88,000 that you took from those two
21	accounts, correct?
22	A. That's correct.
23	Q. Okay. So if we were to make those amounts, and to
24	make Mr. Yusuf whole for those two amounts, since the Hameds
25	have already received the 88,000 from the St. Martin

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account, then Mr. Yusuf should receive 88,000 as well, correct?

- A. If that's what's decided, yes.
- Q. Okay. Well, I mean, just as amongst those accounts, if 88,000 -- you closed the St. Martin bank account for 88,000 and you have the full 88,000, in order for Mr. Yusuf to receive the same amount, because it's a 50/50 partnership, he should then receive, from the partnership, the same 88,000, correct?
 - A. He has 2 point --

MR. HARTMANN: Objection. Object. Asked and answered. Go ahead.

- A. He has 2.7 million. 2.7 million that he already took. Why would I give anything back?
- Q. (Ms. Perrell) Okay. Let me -- let me clarify my question, 'cause I'm not -- I understand that he's taken the 2.7 million, okay? And I understand that now we're going to have to account as to how much of that is offset and so forth. I'm not disputing that.

What I'm just asking you about is the two accounts, the St. Martin account that you've said that you closed and that the Hamed side retained the full 88,000 for, okay?

- A. Um-hum.
- Q. So since it's a 50/50 partnership, if that was a

partnership account and partnership funds, then isn't it true that Mr. Yusuf should receive, from the partnership, 88,000, so that you two, at least as to that account, would be equal?

A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Same logic with regard to the Cairo Amman account that's listed in that letter, if the Hameds have already received the full 88,000 for the Cairo Amman account, then, so as to even up just as to that account, Mr. Yusuf should receive 88,000 for the Cairo Amman account that was closed, correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. With regard to -- there was additional receipts listed. I'm going to actually hand you -- this is the -- I brought the original one. We can substitute out the -- we can substitute out the copies later. Let me go ahead and mark it. Mark this as exhibit -- let me ask you this before I mark it: With regard to the letter that was sent, there was an item listed for one million nine -- \$1,095,381.75 that says "additional withdrawals per the attached receipts."

Do you recall that in the letter?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And did you have an opportunity to review those various receipts?

A. Those receipts were incomplete. We were never
provided with those receipts. When we had multiple times
sitting down negotiating back probably February, March, or
May or June, they said this is the receipts. This is the
money. We never received those things. And those
whatever that's attached that subsequently was provided,
that never came up to 1.9. And at the same time, he only
provided stuff for us, but he never provided stuff for him.
Q. What do you mean when you say that, "only stuff
for us and not stuff for him"?
A. Well, the receipts that he claim of 1 point nine
1.05.
Q. Nine five.
A. Nine five. He never provided anything else. It's
only a one-way road with Fathi.
Q. Okay.
A. Which is
Q. So your point was is that you did have
let me let me back this up.
When you received the letter, you did receive
the receipts when you got the letter, correct?
A. I don't know. No, I don't think so.
Q. Okay. Because I understood you to say, and
perhaps I misunderstood, I understood you to say that you

hadn't gotten those receipts before, dispute all the various

1 conversations, and that those receipts showed up when the 2 letter was sent; is that correct? 3 I'm not quite sure if it's when the letter was 4 sent. I -- I don't believe it was when the letter was sent, 5 but I think subsequently, I think the attorneys or somebody 6 eventually got some receipts that would -- didn't even add 7 up to one point zero five nine or nine five. 8 Okay. All right. Q. 9 So never agreed to that amount. Α. 10 Okay. And would you agree with me that if the Q. 11 receipts -- you would agree with me if it was -- are you 12 saying that those receipts at all were duplicative of any of 1.3 the receipts you guys had reconciled before? 14 I'm not -- I don't recall exactly. Α. 15 Q. Okay. 16 There's so many receipts. So many paperwork. Α. 17 There's so many filings, I really don't recall exactly. Okay. If the receipt -- withdraw that. 18 Ο. 19 Let me hand you what's been marked as 20 Exhibit 4. 21 (Deposition Exhibit No. 4 was 22 marked for identification.) 23 Do you recognize that? 2.4 Α. Yes. 25 Exhibit 4 has Bates Numbers 002143. Q. Okay.

1	What is that?
2	A. It's a bank statement, I guess, or a sheet of
3	paper from Cairo Amman Bank.
4	Q. Okay. And when we were discussing a few minutes
5	earlier regarding the account that was closed for the
6	approximately 88-89,000, does this document accurately
7	reflect the balance in that account as that amount?
8	A. Yes.
9	Q. Okay. All right. When was was
LO	MR. HARTMANN: Excuse me, what's the date of
L1	the document? Do you have a copy for counsel?
L2	MS. PERRELL: I don't have. This is it is
L3	attached. It's 002143.
L 4	MR. HARTMANN: Okay.
L5	Q. (Ms. Perrell) The date of the document is
L6	December 31st, 2010.
L7	This is an account in your name, correct?
L8	A. Yes.
L9	Q. Okay. And this is one of those two accounts that
20	we were talking about a minute ago with the 88,000, correct?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. Okay. And when did you close this account?
23	A. Probably
24	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Counsel, this is
25	going into a topic that we specifically said we weren't

1	going to examine today.
2	MS. PERRELL: The only reason I'm examining,
3	only reason, is because it's part of 2.7. That's the only
4	reason. It is one of those 2.7s. It's the only one.
5	MR. HARTMANN: So I'll be able to examine
6	Mr. Yusuf on on his Jordanian accounts as well?
7	MS. PERRELL: No, no, I'm not getting into
8	all the Jordanian accounts.
9	MR. HARTMANN: I'm simply saying, will I be
10	able to examine him on his Jordanian accounts as well, if
11	it's peripheral to one of my issues?
12	MS. PERRELL: If it's peripheral, yeah. I'm
13	not going into all of the claim and back and forth on that.
14	MR. HARTMANN: I will ask him questions about
15	the Jordanian accounts if I feel it's appropriate.
16	MS. PERRELL: If it if it comes up as part
17	of the this was an attachment to the 2.7. The 2.7 is one
18	of the one of the issues here.
19	MR. HARTMANN: That's fine, but one of the
20	arguments is that there's an offset
21	MS. PERRELL: I understand.
22	MR. HARTMANN: between all these accounts,
23	so I will ask him today to list all of those accounts and
24	all of the amounts in those accounts.
25	MS. PERRELL: Okay, but we're not going to go

That was the -- I'm just asking when did he close 1 there. 2 this one, because it was part of this, for the 2.7. 3 MR. HARTMANN: What I'm saying is, that account and amounts in that account are offset by other 4 accounts that Mr. Yusuf has. 5 6 MS. PERRELL: Well, all of this is offset. 7 MR. HARTMANN: Exactly. So you're just --8 you're picking one out and saying, Let's talk about this as 9 though this is a legitimate amount that's owed from us to 10 you. And I'm simply going to say to him, Is it not true 11 that all these accounts exist and these are legitimate 12 offsets to the \$2.7 million as well. 1.3 MS. PERRELL: Okay. Let me -- let me 14 rephrase it. 15 MR. HARTMANN: I will stipulate --16 MS. PERRELL: That this was part of this set? 17 That's what I'm trying to get to. 18 MR. HARTMANN: That's right. 19 MS. PERRELL: That's all. 20 MR. HARTMANN: We will stipulate that it's 21 part of that set and that no other testimony is necessary 22 with regard to it. 23 MS. PERRELL: Okay. Other than it's been 2.4 closed? Well, he's already testified that it's been closed, 25 so, okay. That's fine.

1	MR. HARTMANN: And then I this afternoon,
2	I will ask Mr. Yusuf the status of all of the Jordanian
3	accounts, the amount that was in them, and whether they're
4	open or closed.
5	MS. PERRELL: Okay. Well, I think that goes
6	beyond
7	MR. HARTMANN: Okay.
8	MS. PERRELL: and so I will make that
9	objection, because I'm trying to accommodate and stick by
10	what our agreement was. The only reason that was got into
11	was because it was part of the 2.7 and the basis for the
12	2.7.
13	MR. HARTMANN: And how is its status of being
14	open or closed relevant to that?
15	MS. PERRELL: Simply because when he closed
16	it, that was the that was part of the basis for
17	Mr. Yusuf's letter, that it had been closed and the money
18	had already been received and had taken, been taken out.
19	That was the issue.
20	MR. HARTMANN: Okay.
21	MS. PERRELL: So, that's all
22	MR. HARTMANN: Okay.
23	MS. PERRELL: that we're that we're
24	arguing. All right.
25	Q. (Ms. Perrell) All right. Let me ask you about

1	the, what we're calling the Dorthea property.
2	Are you familiar with the Dorthea condo?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. Okay. When was the transaction for the Dorthea
5	condo well, let me ask you this: What was your
6	involvement relating to the sale of the Dorthea condo?
7	A. Not much.
8	Q. Okay. So is your knowledge of the sale and the
9	transaction firsthand?
10	A. No.
11	Q. Okay. So all you know about the Dorthea condo
12	sale and the transfer of Y & S well, let me ask you this:
13	Do you know anything about the transfer of Y & S stock?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. And do you know and is your knowledge about
16	that firsthand?
17	A. Secondhand through Fathi Yusuf.
18	Q. Okay. All right. Did you have any ownership
19	interest in Y & S?
20	A. No.
21	Q. I believe there was another company called R & H.
22	Did you have any ownership interest in R & H?
23	A. I don't recall exactly the corporate structure or
24	the owners of that. It's been a while.
25	Q. Okay. And so with regard to the Dorthea condo, do

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you have any knowledge about payments and information from a source, other than Mr. Yusuf, Mr. Fathi Yusuf?

- A. Could you repeat that? I don't quite understand what you mean by that.
 - Q. I'm just trying --
 - A. In relation to what?
- Q. Okay. With regard to -- you're aware that the -- and I'm going to call it the Dorthea condo, all right?

 Which we know was the sale of stock, you know, that was an ownership interest in this Dorthea condo.

Do you know anything about that, other than what Mr. Fathi Yusuf has told you about it?

- A. No.
- Q. Okay. What has Fathi Yusuf told you about the Dorthea condo sale?
- A. Fathi Yusuf came in with -- with a document to the office one day. I'm not sure exactly what. And hand me a document that states -- told me that we sold the property. That says what was listed on the document and handwriting and that he owed me 800 -- not owed me, but owed my dad or the Hamed family, \$802,000.
 - Q. Okay.
- A. And he wanted Shawn to go ahead and sign a document that he brought over from him -- with him from St. Thomas.

1	Q. Okay. And why was he telling you this, do you
2	know?
3	A. 'Cause we communicate with that kind of stuff.
4	Fathi Yusuf always had a thing that he always talked about.
5	He always shared what was going on.
6	Q. Okay. All right. And this particular document,
7	was there any amount that you recall being sent over to pay
8	for the batch concrete batch plant?
9	A. I really don't recall that. And this is just news
LO	to me right now.
L1	Q. This is the first you've heard of that?
L2	A. I've heard of it, I think, with some of the
L3	answers about something about one seventy-five, but I
L 4	haven't really heard anything about that prior to that.
L5	Q. Okay. So in your conversation with Fathi when he
L 6	brought you this handwritten document, you don't have any
L7	recollection of him stating that out of the Hamed portion, a
L8	hundred and fifty was sent to the batch plant?
L9	A. He said a hundred and seventy-five, right?
20	Q. I said a hundred and fifty.
21	A. A hundred and fifty.
22	I know the document says what it says, and
23	I'm not too sure how is the 75, or how is the one
24	seventy-five, one fifty, but at the end of the day, the

document says -- he said that he owes us \$802,000 and he

needed Shawn to go ahead and sign that document and he'll pay us our half.

- Q. Okay. And if you -- Mr. Yusuf brought this to you, though, correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. You don't have any independent knowledge of what the appropriate calculations are, correct?
 - A. He brought it over.
 - Q. Okay. And if you --

MR. HARTMANN: Excuse me, at this point, I'm going to object on the following basis -- you can continue to answer -- in the most recent motion order pursuant to the motion to compel, the judge made certain finding of facts of record and it states unequivocally that the \$802,000 is owed. That Mr. Yusuf has the million five that constitutes the portion of the 802,000, and that that's due to the Hameds.

The only -- the only issue left open after that order was simply the question of the statute of limitations timing. Subject to that objection, if you'll allow me to make that as a continuing objection to any of these questions, I'm fine with you asking him anything you want. And if you'd like to go off record and review the factual findings of the judge, I'd be more than happy to do so.

1	A. Excuse me, can I get some water?
2	MS. PERRELL: Yeah. You want to take a quick
3	break?
4	MR. HARTMANN: Sure.
5	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off record. The
6	time is 12 or 10:03.
7	(Short recess taken.)
8	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going back on record. The
9	time is 10:04.
10	Q. (Ms. Perrell) All right. Back on the record.
11	Just to clarify, these conversations that you
12	had with Mr. Yusuf when he brought in this particular
13	paperwork, do you recall when those occurred?
14	A. Sometime in 2012.
15	Q. Okay. Do you recall whether that was in
16	St. Thomas or whether or not that was in St. Croix?
17	A. St. Croix for sure.
18	Q. Okay. And do you recall any other conversations,
19	any other parts of the conversation, besides what you've
20	already testified to?
21	A. What I recall right now is just basically that,
22	yes.
23	Q. Okay. All right. What other family member from
24	the Hameds would have greater knowledge of the Dorthea
25	transaction?

1	A. My brother, Willie, and my brother, Shawn.
2	Q. Okay. One of the issues that's on the topic of
3	the agenda for today is checks that were provided to Nejeh
4	Yusuf.
5	Did you have any knowledge of well, let me
6	ask you this: Did he review any of the information relating
7	to that claim?
8	A. No, ma'am.
9	Q. Okay. So you don't have any information relating
10	to that?
11	A. No.
12	Q. All right. Do you have any information relating
13	to any withdrawals of cash by Nejeh from the safe?
14	A. No.
15	Q. Do you have any information regarding any alleged
16	use by Nejeh of by Nejeh partnership resources for any
17	private businesses that he's operating on St. Thomas?
18	A. No.
19	Q. Who, in your family, would have knowledge of that?
20	A. Willie.
21	Q. Okay. And with regard to the checks, the same?
22	A. Yes, ma'am.
23	Q. Okay. And with regard to any cash withdrawals,
24	would it also be Willie?
25	A. Yes.

1 Q. There's a claim that's been made with regard to 2 expired or spoiled inventory. 3 Are you familiar with that claim? 4 Α. Somewhat. 5 Q. What is it that is the -- the nature of 6 this claim? And are you the one that is the appropriate 7 person to -- to provide the information regarding this? 8 I might not be the appropriate, but I know 9 something about it. 10 Okay. What is the nature of the claim? 0. 11 Well, after the split in whatever month it was, but there were -- we went through the store and we went 12 1.3 through the inventory, there was a lot of damaged goods that 14 were left behind. And subsequently, I think the accountant, their accountant, or so-called our accountant as well, 15 Mr. -- what's his name? Gaffney? 16 17 Ο. Um-hum. And what they did is they gave themselves credit 18 Α. 19 for the spoiled products that were left in East, but they 20 never gave us the credit for the stuff that was in West. And that's the nature of that claim. 21 22 0. Okay. When you say "they gave us credit," or they 23 gave East credit, in what form? 2.4 Α. In -- in the accounting that Gaffney was doing

Exactly how it was happening, I don't know.

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they actually gave themselves credit, but they refused to give us credit for that.

- Q. What is it that -- how -- how would you -- how would West have received credit for it?
- A. Like I told you, I really don't know much about what's the dynamics of it, but we didn't get -- we didn't receive credit as far as when they were doing the balancing between the inventory and the value of the inventory versus -- East versus West.
 - Q. Okay. Did you raise the issue to Mr. Gaffney?
 - A. My attorneys probably did, and my accountants did.
- Q. Okay. So you -- that wasn't something that you communicated with Gaffney directly?
 - A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And, again, would you have been the person that would have raised it, or was it another member of your family?
- A. I think it was really handled more -- 'cause we really never had any direct communication with Gaffney, because Gaffney was so-called the Yusuf's accountant. And you have to understand that Fathi Yusuf and everybody else put us, and is claiming that we don't want anything out of the Plaza Extra. They instructed customers. They instructed vendors. They've instructed all kind of people that we don't want anything. That we have no say

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1	whatsoever. We're not supposed to talk to this. We're not
2	supposed to do this. They pull us out of the accounts. So
3	really they put us in a box and we were just there at their
4	mercy.
5	Q. Okay. I'm going to object that that was
6	nonresponsive, but let me just ask you. I think I think
7	we can get to the small part of this is, you didn't
8	communicate with directly Fathi Yusuf I'm sorry, with
9	John Gaffney regarding the spoiled inventory issue; is that
10	correct?
11	A. I didn't, no.
12	Q. Okay. It's correct, yes?
13	A. It's correct.
14	Q. Okay. All right. And
15	MR. HARTMANN: I'm sorry, did you say you
16	objected to his answer?
17	MS. PERRELL: His original answer was, I
18	thought, nonresponsive.
19	MR. HARTMANN: But you can follow it up.
20	MS. PERRELL: Well, I think I did with the
21	second question.
22	MR. HARTMANN: I just mean you can't object
23	to an answer that the witness gives.
24	MS. PERRELL: Well, I think it is

nonresponsive, and I can continue and then ask -- I did. I

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1	felt like I followed up already.
2	MR. HARTMANN: I just I wasn't used to
3	people objecting to the witness' answer.
4	MS. PERRELL: I think it's unresponsive, but
5	the second answer I think is responsive, he said he didn't
6	speak to Mr. Gaffney about it directly.
7	Q. (Ms. Perrell) All right. There is a claim that's
8	being made regarding to the rent for the, I think it's the
9	Triumphant church for some land in St. Thomas.
10	Do you have any knowledge relating to that?
11	A. No, ma'am.
12	Q. Do you know which of your family members does have
13	knowledge relating to this?
14	A. Willie.
15	Q. Okay. All right. Let me ask you regarding
16	United's corporate franchise taxes and annual franchise
17	fees.
18	Do you have any information relating to that
19	issue?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. Okay. All right. This claim appears to be quite
22	small. The claim that you are making is for \$2,300.
23	What is the nature of the claim?
24	A. United Corporation was paying franchise taxes, I
25	think, and the corporate filing through Plaza Extra

1 accounts, if I'm correct. 2 Okay. And you're saying that that's not something 3 that should have been charged to the partnership? 4 Α. Correct. 5 Q. And this is the extent of that claim, \$2,300? 6 I assume, yes. Α. 7 Okay. Was there anybody else besides you that Ο. 8 would have any information about this claim? I doubt. 9 Α. 10 Okay. All right. You have another claim for 11 partnership funds used to pay the shopping center's property 12 insurance. 1.3 Do you have any information about that claim? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Okav. What's the nature of that claim? Q. 16 Well, United Corporation, United Shopping Plaza Α. 17 was getting the benefit out of the property insurance that Plaza Extra partnership paid for. 18 All right. Don't you agree that the shopping --19 Ο. that the Plaza -- the -- the space utilized by the Plaza 20 21 Extra stores, store, and Plaza Extra East, that the 22 partnership was required to pay for that insurance? 23 The location where Plaza Extra Sion Farm location 2.4 is, right?

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Q.

Yes.

1	A. As far as is it property insurance or is it
2	property insurance you're talking about?
3	Q. Correct.
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. So the partnership would be responsible for that?
6	A. For the property insurance. For the property
7	insurance that is being occupied by Plaza Extra Sion Farm.
8	Q. Okay.
9	A. Not the whole shopping center.
10	Q. Okay. So that's the dispute?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. Okay. Do you know the amount of the dispute?
13	A. No, not offhand.
14	MS. PERRELL: Okay. All right. I just need
15	2 minutes to chat with my clients, so if we do that. Make
16	sure I haven't missed anything.
17	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off record. The
18	time is 10:15.
19	(Short recess taken.)
20	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going back on record. The
21	time is 10:21.
22	MS. PERRELL: Okay. Back on the record. I
23	don't have anymore questions for this witness, subject to
24	any rebuttal.
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1	CROSS-EXAMINATION
2	BY MR. HARTMANN:
3	Q. Okay. I have several cross-examination questions.
4	You testified in answer to counsel's question
5	that you broke through the wall in '94; is that correct? In
6	Bay 5?
7	A. Probably, yeah.
8	Q. About?
9	A. About that time, yes.
10	Q. And after you broke through the wall, was the
11	property rented to other people, other than the supermarket?
12	A. Yes.
13	Q. Plaza Extra Supermarket?
14	A. Yes.
15	MS. PERRELL: Objection. Objection. The
16	property?
17	MR. HARTMANN: Bay 5.
18	MS. PERRELL: Okay.
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) And and what happened to the
21	the Plaza Extra materials that were stored in there when
22	other tenants took over that property?
23	A. Fits right in the store. In the warehouse.
24	Q. Okay. Did did United need that space?
25	A. I'm sorry?

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1	Q. Bay 5?
2	A. Bay 5, yes.
3	Q. Okay.
4	A. Any time they needed any space, they take it.
5	They take it back, or they utilize it, they rent it out,
6	whatever they do.
7	Q. And did they come to you and discuss that
8	arrangement with you, as though you were a tenant?
9	A. It's not it's not they didn't come to me to
10	arrange it or anything like that. So if it's rented, we get
11	our stuff out and excuse me, and put it in the warehouse.
12	Q. Okay. And how many times did that happen,
13	approximately?
14	A. Several times.
15	Q. Okay. Now, counsel asked you a question as to
16	whether whenever there wasn't a tenant in the premises,
17	did you always use it every day otherwise?
18	A. No, sir.
19	Q. Okay. So how much of the when there were other
20	tenants in there, how much of the time did it just stay
21	empty?
22	A. Different times. I mean, I really can't put a
23	number on it, but on and off over the years. It's just
24	different times, different days. Any time they needed it,

they wanted to rent it out, whatever, our stuff comes out.

WALEED "WALLY" HAMED -- CROSS 1 Q. Okay. I'm going to pick a date at random, simply 2 because it happens to match up with the document that 3 counsel handed you. 4 In July and August of 2001, do you remember 5 whether the Plaza Extra Supermarket materials were in Bay 5 6 at that date? 7 Α. I'm not quite sure of that. Q. 8 Why not? 9 I don't recall. I think it was -- probably was Α. 10 rented, maybe not. Maybe, maybe it is, because we really 11 never used things always. It was in and out and they had 12 different tenants in there. 1.3 But -- but what I'm asking you is they presented Ο. 14 you with a document. Could you look at that document, please? The document that counsel gave you. She asked you 15 16 if you'd ever seen this document and you said you hadn't. This was Exhibit 2. 17 18 Α. Oh, she asked me not to go through it. 19 Ο. She asked you not to go through it?

- A. It's just the first page. Asked me not to go through it. If you guys go back. I didn't flip through it, so I don't know what's in here.
 - Q. So would you take a look through it now?
 - A. Sure.

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MS. PERRELL: I would object that he can't

1	testify as to any information relating to this document,
2	because he said he had never seen it before.
3	MR. HARTMANN: Well, he's never seen this
4	document.
5	MS. PERRELL: So he has knowledge of this
6	document.
7	MR. HARTMANN: That's right, but he may have
8	seen documents inside. You didn't show him anything inside.
9	MS. PERRELL: Oh, well.
10	A. What page?
11	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) I just asked you to look it over
12	and tell me if you've seen any of the documents inside of
13	this.
14	A. If if I have seen them?
15	Q. Yeah. I direct your attention to the document
16	that's labeled FBIX 237825 at the lower left-hand corner.
17	And it says "Tenant List" at the top in handwriting.
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. Okay. First of all, do you know whose handwriting
20	that is?
21	MS. PERRELL: Okay. First of all, objection.
22	The question was, has he ever seen this document before?
23	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) Yes. Have you ever seen this
24	document before?
25	A. Yes.

1	Q. Okay. Do you know whose handwriting that is at
2	the top?
3	A. No.
4	Q. Okay. Do you know who the handwriting is on the
5	sides?
6	A. No.
7	Q. Do you know what date this document was written?
8	A. It says 7-27, 2001.
9	Q. Well, I understand that, but do you know
10	A. No.
11	Q what date it was done on?
12	Okay. Do you know who would know what date
13	it was done on?
14	A. Mike Yusuf, Fathi Yusuf. I guess the manager at
15	the time that works for United Shopping Center.
16	Q. Was that Mr. Gill?
17	A. Not too sure who it was at that time.
18	Q. Okay. And if you look down on the left side of
19	the document, it says Bay 2. And then it says, "U-Rental &
20	Sales." Then it says Bay 3, "American Beeper." Then it
21	says Bay 4, "Vacant." Then it says Bay 5, "plaza
22	extra-Vacant," okay?
23	So using this document to refresh your
24	recollection as to the status of Bay 5 on July 27th, '01,
25	can you tell me whether that part that bay was occupied

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1	in July of 2001?
2	A. No, it says vacant.
3	Q. Okay. But but do you have any personal
4	knowledge?
5	A. No.
6	Q. Okay. Who would have that personal knowledge?
7	A. Fathi Yusuf, Mike Yusuf, or the property manager.
8	Q. Okay. So so they might be able to tell you
9	whether it was vacant or not; is that correct?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Okay. And did they do you know were you
12	involved in the rental of these properties?
13	A. No, sir.
14	Q. Why not?
15	A. It's not my job. That's not we don't have no
16	interest in it.
17	Q. Okay. So you didn't have any interest?
18	A. Absolutely.
19	Q. Okay. So you were asked if you had gone into
20	Mr. Gill's office, or could have gone into Mr. Gill's
21	office.
22	Did you go into Mr. Gill's office to get this
23	document?
24	A. Absolutely not.
25	Q. Okay. Or Mr. Luff. I'm sorry.

1	And and and do you know where
2	you did get this document or where your counsel got it?
3	A. I guess from their attorneys or from their
4	accountants.
5	Q. Okay. I'll ident I'll direct your attention to
6	the Bates number at the bottom of this document.
7	MS. PERRELL: I would object. The Bates
8	number at the bottom of the document is your internal
9	notification. It is not part of the original document. So
10	it is not an indicator as to what and where the document
11	came from, other than it's your representation of it. So I
12	would object that it would have any information that he
13	would be able to utilize.
14	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) Okay. You can answer the question.
15	Do you see the Bates number at the lower
16	left-hand corner?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. And what is the Bates number?
19	A. You're referring to the 825, right?
20	Q. Yeah. Read the whole number, please.
21	A. FBIX 237825.
22	Q. Okay. And do you know what the internal
23	designation of the Hamed documents of FBI means?
24	MS. PERRELL: Same objection. This is your
25	internal. This is not necessarily his knowledge, and it was

1	not part of the original document.
2	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) You can answer the question.
3	A. I'm not quite sure. I think these may be
4	documents that were in the database that the FBI took or
5	something like that, but that's
6	Q. Okay. And just briefly explain what the database
7	was that the what you mean when you say "the database
8	that the FBI took."
9	A. When the FBI, or whomever. I mean, when the
10	government raided the Plaza Extra stores and raided the Sion
11	Farm location, they basically took almost all the documents
12	from the store.
13	Q. Okay. And at some point later, did they give you
14	back or you or your counsel back those documents?
15	A. Yes, they did.
16	Q. In what form?
17	A. CD form or computer-generated form.
18	Q. Okay. And so if this document had been supplied
19	to your counsel by the FBI, that would be on that CD?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. Okay. And did the FBI later supply additional
22	documents to your counsel?
23	A. I assume so, yes.
24	Q. Okay. And do you know if a repository was set up

on St. Thomas between Dudley, Topper and Feuerzeig and the

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Τ	Law Office of Joel Holt for the holding of such documents?
2	A. Yes, sir.
3	Q. Okay. And do you, on a monthly basis, receive a
4	bill for that facility?
5	A. We've seen bills and we've paid the bill, yes.
6	Q. And and do you pay those bills?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Okay. And and in that facility, among other
9	things, are documents supplied by the FBI?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Okay. I'd ask you to flip over two pages from
12	where you are now. Oh, I'm sorry. Excuse me.
13	Before you flip over, still on Bates Number
14	825, would you look down to Bay 8?
15	A. Yes.
16	Q. And what does that say?
17	A. "Vacant." "Plaza extra-Vacant."
18	Q. And do you, of your personal knowledge, know
19	whether Bay 8 was vacant on 7-27 of '01?
20	A. It could be, could not be. It's possible.
21	Q. Well, I notice that some of these things say Plaza
22	Extra vacant, like 5, 7, 8, and some of them just say
23	vacant.
24	Do you have any knowledge what that means?
25	A. No.

1	Q. Okay. Okay. I'd ask you to flip over two pages
2	to the document that ends in Bates number that is
3	Document HAMD669274 (sic).
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. And it's titled "Accounts Receivable Current
6	Month." And does there appear a date on that document?
7	A. Appears to be a date of August 22nd, 2001.
8	Q. Okay. Now, do you, of your own personal
9	knowledge, know whether this document was created on that
10	date?
11	A. No.
12	Q. Do you know if any of the information on it is
13	correct?
14	A. No.
15	Q. Okay. I'd ask you to look at the entry for Bay 2.
16	Excuse me, Bay 5.
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. And does it does it state whether it was vacant
19	or not?
20	A. Yes, says "plaza extra-Vacant."
21	Q. Okay. And I'd also ask you to look at the one for
22	8.
23	A. Same thing.
24	Q. Vacant as well.
25	A. Yes, sir.

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                     MS. PERRELL:
                                    Objection. It doesn't say
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               It says, "plaza extra-Vacant," correct?
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                Yes.
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                     MR. HARTMANN: Counsel, you can object.
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                     MS. PERRELL: Well, he's not reading it
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      correctly.
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                     MR. HARTMANN:
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                     MS. PERRELL: So objection.
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                (Mr. Hartmann) So the objection is that he didn't
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                Says "plaza extra-Vacant."
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      2004, were you being provided with copies of -- of these
      materials?
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                Absolutely not.
                Okay. Okay. Now, you were asked some questions
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      by counsel about Judge Brady's rent order and what it did or
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                     You said that -- in response to her request,
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      that you felt that you were paying rent on the entire --
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      anything that was being used by the supermarket; is that
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      correct?
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1	Q. Okay. And what makes you think that? Why did you
2	think you were paying the rent on 5 and 8, as well as
3	anything else at Sion Farm?
4	A. 'Cause the agreement and the discussions and the
5	final payment never stated whether it was by square footage
6	or not. Everything that was occupied by Plaza Extra Sion
7	Farm location. We agreed on the rent for everything that
8	Plaza Extra Sion Farm used.
9	Q. What do you what do you what do you mean by
10	that?
11	A. There was no square footage discussed. There was
12	no
13	Q. Discussed when?
14	A. At one time or another, we discussed it with
15	Fathi.
16	Q. Okay. So what you're saying, if I understand you,
17	is that rent was paid for the entire enterprise of Plaza
18	Extra, regardless of which facilities?
19	A. Yes, at the Sion Farm location.
20	Q. And counsel showed you a check. Did she show you
21	the check, or did she just testify about it?
22	A. I didn't no, she didn't present me the check,
23	but she testified about it.
24	Q. Okay. Do you recall that check?
25	A. Yes.

1	Q. And do you recall what the check stated in terms
2	of what it was for?
3	A. It was for Plaza Extra Sion Farm location.
4	$oldsymbol{Q}$. Okay. And and was that paid at the end of
5	the of a negotiation with Fathi Yusuf?
6	A. Yes.
7	Q. Could I have the exhibit stickers? What number
8	are we on?
9	MS. PERRELL: Five.
10	(Deposition Exhibit No. 5 was
11	marked for identification.)
12	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) I'm going to show you I'm going
13	to show you what has been cross-marked. Has two different
14	numbers on it. It has Exhibit 5, which is continuous of
15	the the exhibits that counsel has been showing you this
16	morning, but I'll also be using it later today in the
17	deposition of Mr. Yusuf, so it's marked Claim Y-2 Exhibit 3,
18	and ask you if can identify what that document is?
19	Okay. Can you identify what that document
20	is?
21	A. Yes, it's a check dated February 7th, 2012 in the
22	amount of 5,408,806.74 cents made out to United Shopping
23	Plaza, out of the Plaza Extra operation account. "Memo:
24	PLAZA EXTRA (SION FARM) RENT."
25	Q. Okay. And was that is that the check that you

1 were referring to when you were examined by counsel? 2 Α. Yes. 3 Okay. And now that you've seen that check, do you 4 recall how that number was arrived at? 5 Α. Yes. 6 Okay. And how was that? Ο. 7 Well, Fathi Yusuf came up with a -- a typed-out 8 paper. Discussed what the Plaza Tutu was paying and how the 9 rent was going. And he always said, Well, based on what was 10 going on at the time, Plaza Tutu was really doing a lot much 11 better business in St. Thomas than St. Croix. And now it's 12 reversed, where Plaza Sion Farm is doing much more business than the Plaza Tutu, so, therefore, it's going to be based 13 14 on percentage of sales, and we went through the calculation and came up with the number for the entire rent for Plaza 15 16 Extra Sion Farm of five million four -0- eight. 17 Q. Okay. And I'm now going to show you a document that's been cross-labeled Exhibit 6 for the purpose of this 18 deposition, but which I'll be using this afternoon as 19 20 Exhibit Claim Y-2, Exhibit 2. 21 (Deposition Exhibit No. 6 was 22 marked for identification.) 23 Could you tell me what that document is? 2.4 That's the calculation that Fathi came up with. Α.

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That he presented to me.

1 Q. And could you show me where, on that document, it 2 denotes which square footage is being charged for? 3 Α. None. Ο. What do you mean, "none"? 4 5 Α. There's no square footage here. 6 What do you mean by that? 0. 7 Α. There's no square footage for Plaza Tutu or -- I'm 8 sorry, for Plaza Sion Farm. 9 Well, how did you know what you were paying for? Ο. 10 We based it on -- we based it on sales. Α. 11 Sales of what? Ο. 12 Α. Sales of the store. Of the Plaza Extra Sion Farm 1.3 store. So you were paying rent for anything that Plaza 14 Ο. Extra Sion Farm store was using? 15 16 Α. It was allocated as that, yes. 17 Ο. How do I know that? 18 Α. Well, that's what it says. I mean, it's right 19 there. Percentage that we ended up with was total -- paid 20 as a percentage of sales, okay, which comes up to 2.33 percent of sales. Over a period of -- from 2004 to 21 22 2011, you have \$273 million in sales. 23 0. So what you're saying is that when you and Mr. --2.4 who did these negotiations? Was this Mr. Yusuf and yourself

or Mr. Yusuf and your father? Who did this?

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1	A. Me and Mr. Yusuf.
2	Q. Okay. So when you negotiated for the this
3	\$504,000 \$5,400,000, you're saying that Mr. Yusuf was
4	charging the overall entity, the grocery store, for whatever
5	it was using at Sion Farm based on sales, not square
6	footage; is that correct?
7	A. That is correct, sir.
8	$oldsymbol{Q}$. Okay. And and I would ask you to look at the
9	very last line of that. And if you would read the whole
10	line, both the written and the the amount?
11	A. I'm not sure I followed you. Where is that?
12	Q. The final line starting with the word
13	"calculated," if you could read that into the record?
14	A. "Calculated Rent
15	Q. Uh-huh.
16	A as a % of Sales Sion Farm 5,408,806.74."
17	Q. So that says "Sion Farm."
18	Could you tell me what Sion Farm is?
19	A. Sion Farm is Plaza Extra, referred to as Plaza
20	Extra East, in the United Shopping Plaza.
21	Q. And so pursuant to these negotiations, did you and
22	Mr. Yusuf do do any writing which was signed?
23	A. No, sir.
24	Q. Okay. But pursuant to these, you did do a check

which was signed, which we already looked at, which was

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1 Exhibit 5? 2 Α. Yes, sir. 3 Okay. And that's why, at the bottom of that 4 document, it says rent for Sion Farm, not rent for a 5 particular square footage, or a particular bay, or a 6 particular storage area, or anything else; is that correct? 7 That's correct. Α. 8 (Respite.) And counsel read you -- or told you what was in 9 Ο. 10 Judge Brady's order. 11 Do you know, either as you were answering her 12 questions or as you sit here today, what was actually in that order? 1.3 14 Not offhand, no. Α. Okay. So if she told you it said something, do 15 Q. you know if it said that? 16 17 Α. No. 18 Q. Okay. 19 I would have to see the document. Α. 20 Do you know if -- if, for instance, Judge Brady's Q. order said how the rent for 5 and 8 should be dealt with? 21 22 Α. I don't recall, no. 23 Do you recall that -- Judge Brady's order that Ο. 2.4 said 5 and 8 should be dealt with separately and was not 25

covered in his order?

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1	A. No, I don't recall.
2	Q. Okay. Do you know if Judge Brady's order said
3	anything at all about Bays 5 and 8?
4	A. I'm sorry?
5	Q. Did his order say anything about the rent in 5 and
6	8?
7	A. No.
8	Q. Do you know if Fathi Yusuf has previously tried to
9	get the rent for 5 and 8?
10	A. Yeah, he tried.
11	Q. And do you know what Judge Brady said about that?
12	A. Don't recall exactly, sir, no.
13	Q. Okay. So the truth of the matter is you don't
14	really have any idea whatsoever about what Judge Brady has
15	really said or not said, do you?
16	A. I don't recall right now.
17	Q. Okay. And when counsel testified about what was
18	in that order, then asked you questions about it, you were
19	simply responding to what she said was in the order?
20	A. Yes. I mean, there's so many documents, so many
21	orders, so many things, I'm sorry.
22	Q. But if she misled you as to what was in the order,
23	your answers wouldn't mean anything, would they?
24	A. That's true.

Q. Do you know if -- you said that the property

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1 owners -- the property managers, excuse me, were -- worked 2 at the facility, at the Sion Farm store, what we call the 3 East store; is that correct? 4 Α. Yes. 5 Okay. Do you know whether they were employees of 6 United or whether they were employees of a separate company? 7 They were employees, I believe, of United 8 Corporation. They represented United Corporation Shopping 9 Center. 10 So you think that -- you think that Mr. Luff 11 worked for Mr. Yusuf? 12 Α. Yes. 1.3 Okay. And so where would Mr. Luff's, or any of Ο. 14 the other property manager's, records be? 15 Α. I assume in that -- in the office. 16 Q. Okay. And do you have any of those records? 17 Α. No, sir. And do you know if your counsel has tried to get 18 0. those records from Mr. Yusuf? 19 20 Α. I believe they tried, yes. 21 Q. And do you know if Mr. Yusuf has ever produced 22 them? 23 Α. Entirely, I don't -- I don't think so. I don't 2.4 think he ever did.

Okay. Do you know if, in fact, Special Master

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1	Ross, who's issued an order compelling Mr. Yusuf to supply
2	those records?
3	A. I believe he did.
4	Q. Do you know if Mr. Yusuf has presented any of
5	those records pursuant to that order?
6	A. I'm not sure if he did. I don't think he did.
7	Q. Okay. But you've never seen any such records
8	produced by Mr. Yusuf pursuant to Judge Ross's order, have
9	you?
10	A. No, sir.
11	MS. PERRELL: I would object, your Honor.
12	Your Honor. I would object. There were documents that were
13	produced pursuant to the order.
14	MR. HARTMANN: I'm asking about these
15	records.
16	MS. PERRELL: Okay. That's different.
17	MR. HARTMANN: The property management
18	records.
19	MS. PERRELL: Okay. Different. The way that
20	the question came out, it seemed like you were saying
21	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) I'm sorry. Let me strike the
22	question. Let me rephrase it.
23	We've looked at the July 2001 and the
24	August 2001 property management records that were created by
25	a United employee and provided to United.

1	Do you remember looking at those two?
2	MS. PERRELL: I would object. That misstates
3	the testimony. He does not know, because he said he was not
4	familiar with those records and who produced them.
5	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) Okay. Have you seen any records
6	that look like those documents?
7	A. Recently, yes.
8	Q. I mean, aside from
9	A. Yes.
10	Q aside from this deposition?
11	A. Well, no, yes. No, I haven't.
12	Q. Okay. And and would you have normally received
13	them in the course?
14	A. Absolutely not.
15	Q. Okay. And who was in charge of property
16	management, if you know, for United Corporation?
17	A. Who was in charge of sorry. Could you repeat
18	the question?
19	Q. In other words, who would Mr. Luff have reported
20	to?
21	A. Fathi Yusuf and Maher Yusuf.
22	Q. Okay. I'd like to turn to counsel's questions
23	regarding the balance of the \$2.7 million.
24	Did Mr. Yusuf and his son remove \$2.7 million
25	from a Plaza Extra operating account?

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1	A. Yes.
2	Q. Okay. Did Mike Yusuf eventually testify at a
3	hearing as to what was done with that money?
4	A. Yeah, I think first day, he stated one thing and
5	the following day, he stated a different thing.
6	Q. And what what was his final answer?
7	A. His final answer, that he used it for property, I
8	believe, or a mattress company.
9	Q. Okay. But he used it for some enterprise
10	unrelated to the supermarket?
11	A. Totally unrelated to the supermarket.
12	Q. And while going while that was going on, did
13	you were you informed that the 2.7 million was going to
14	be withdrawn from the account?
15	A. Could you repeat the question, please?
16	Q. Were you informed in advance that they were
17	that Fathi and Mike Yusuf were going to withdraw the 2.7
18	million from the account to use to purchase other
19	businesses?
20	A. I was informed by a letter, but not prior to it
21	being removed. It was removed, then I was supplied with the
22	letter.
23	Q. Okay. And and when you were supplied with the
24	letter, were you told either in that letter or any other

time that -- did Mr. Yusuf ever say to you, Look, I need

1	\$2.7 million to invest in some other businesses?
2	A. No.
3	Q. Okay. And when you found out that he had taken
4	the \$2.7 million, did you say to him, Hey, wait a second,
5	I've got other claims besides your 800 your \$80,000
6	claim?
7	A. Yes, we did send a letter back and we told him
8	that.
9	Q. And did you have lots of claims back and forth
10	with him?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. Okay. And did he list any of those?
13	A. No.
14	Q. So how would I'm perplexed. How did Mr. Yusuf
15	know that you owed him \$2.7 million if there were, say these
16	claims that counsel went into, at a foreign bank and other
17	claims if he didn't calculate both sides of the ledger?
18	A. I'm the same way as you are, perplexed.
19	Q. You were perplexed?
20	A. Yeah.
21	Q. Yeah, but what I'm saying is, how would he know
22	how would you know or how would he know what the true tally
23	was between the parties?
24	A. Really don't.
25	Q. And did you list when you wrote back to him, or

WALEED "WALLY" HAMED -- CROSS your counsel wrote back to him, did you say, Wait a second, it's not just this 1.6 million and this \$80,000 and this other money, there's a whole bunch of other stuff between us? Α. Yes. Okay. And was one of the things that you mentioned, for instance, that he owed you \$802,000 for Dorthea? Yes, that he promised to pay us as soon as we signed that release. Okay. So both sides had a lot of claims back and Ο. forth, right? Α. Yes. And how were those claims being handled? Ο. What you mean, as far as back then, now, or --Α. Q. Now. Α. Now it's being done through the attorneys and accountants. Ο. Through an accounting process? Α. Yes. And -- and does -- does the \$2.7 million have Q.

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- Q. And -- and does -- does the \$2.7 million have anything whatsoever to do with the money that counsel is discussing with you in those banks, anymore than, say the 802,000 for Dorthea does, or any other amounts?
 - A. No, I don't -- I'm sorry, I don't understand the

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1	question.
2	Q. It was a poorly-worded question.
3	He took \$2.7 million out of a partnership
4	account, right?
5	A. Yes.
6	Q. And he said you weren't really a partner?
7	A. That's correct.
8	Q. Okay. And he threw you out of the stores?
9	A. Yes.
10	Q. Tried to throw you out of the stores. He called
11	the police, correct?
12	A. Yes.
13	MS. PERRELL: I would object that this is
14	going far afield of what the issues are. We're not
15	disputing the partnership issue now. The reason for getting
16	into the various numbers is those were the justifications
17	provided for the removal of the 2.7.
18	MR. HARTMANN: Okay.
19	MS. PERRELL: So to go back into the whole
20	partnership issue, there was an accounting provided in 2012
21	as to the reasoning for the taking of the 2.7. So I would
22	object that your question misstates testimony and goes far
23	afield of the amounts and the topics that we had agreed to
24	address.
25	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) Okay. So when the letter was sent

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- to you about the 2.7, you said, Hey, wait a bunch (sic). We got a bunch of claims, too?

 A. That's correct, yes.
 - Q. And all of those independent claims totally unrelated to the 2.7 are now being handled as separate individual claims; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Why does the -- why does the -- the amount of money in the Jordanian bank relate to the 2.7 any more than the 802,000 for Dorthea does?
 - A. Really don't know why.
- Q. Okay. So -- so there's nothing that relates the 1.6 and other things listed in that letter to the 2.7 any more than any other claims, is there?
 - A. No.
- Q. Okay. And has -- have you repeatedly tried to get the 2.7 from Mr. Yusuf?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And has Mr. Yusuf, in fact, said that he would pay the 2.7?
 - A. I'm not too sure if I recall that, but --
- Q. Okay. Okay. You were asked with regard to

 Dorthea, whether you had firsthand knowledge. That's a

 pretty loose term, so I'm going to go back and ask you what

 you actually did and didn't do and said and didn't say, as

1	opposed to generally inquiring to the concept of firsthand
2	knowledge, okay? Okay.
3	So back in 1994, you knew that the Y & S
4	Corporation was formed?
5	A. Yes, sir.
6	$oldsymbol{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}$ Okay. And you knew that a contract was formed to
7	sell Y & S's assets, including the Dorthea condos to to a
8	third party; is that correct?
9	A. Yes, sir.
LO	Q. And knew that the third party was Salem?
L1	A. Yes.
L2	Q. Okay. And tell me, if you will, counsel asked you
L3	questions about what happened in January of 2012 with regard
L 4	to Mr. Yusuf coming to you. Tell me exactly what happened
L5	in that conversation.
L6	MS. PERRELL: I would object. I believe that
L7	that misstates the testimony. A particular month was not
L8	testified to.
L9	Q. (Mr. Hartmann) Okay. You testified that in 2012,
20	Mr. Yusuf came to you and wanted Shawn to sign a document;
21	is that correct?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. Okay. And that if Shawn signed the document,
24	you'd get \$802,000; is that correct?

A. That is correct.

1	Q. Okay. And do you know what capacity Mr. Yusuf was
2	coming to you? Do you know what his role was with regard to
3	that contract?
4	A. I believe he was what you call a nominee.
5	$oldsymbol{Q}.$ And and what was your understanding of what a
6	nominee is?
7	A. That he would finish the transaction. That he
8	would supply Attorney King with the documents necessary and
9	receive the money and subsequently would give us our half.
10	Q. Okay. So he came with a document that he wanted
11	Shawn to sign to release the shares of Y & S Corporation; is
12	that correct?
13	A. Yes.
14	Q. And in return, he showed you a sheet that said you
15	would receive \$802,000; is that correct?
16	A. Yes.
17	$oldsymbol{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}$ Okay. And how do you know that that was at the
18	same time that the document to release the shares was was
19	given to you?
20	A. 'Cause he came to us with that
21	Q. Okay.
22	A at the time.
23	Q. And why didn't he just give you the money?
24	A. He needed the document to get the money.

Okay. So, in other words, what was Mr. Yusuf

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going to do with the document he got from Shawn? He was going to give it to Attorney, I believe, King, and then Attorney King would process the transaction, and Mr. Salem would pay Fathi for the funds and then we'd split it. Okay. And do you know if Mr. -- do you, personally, know of your own knowledge, whether Mr. Yusuf did receive the funds then? Did he ever -- did he ever personally tell you? Did you ever see a bank account? Do you have any personal knowledge? Α. I've never seen a bank account, but I know he did receive the money. He told us so. Q. Okay. He told you, at that time, that he received the money? Α. Yes. Okay. Did he tell you what he did with the money? Q. Α. He probably --Q. No. Just yes-or-no question. Α. Yes. Q. He told you he did receive the money then? Α. Yes. Q. Okay. MS. PERRELL: Objection. That misstates testimony. "Then."

(Mr. Hartmann) I just asked him the question, did

1 he say he received the money then? 2 Α. Yes. 3 MS. PERRELL: I'd still object that that's 4 He received -- are you -- are you asking then when 5 he had the conversation or that he received the money then 6 previously? It's unclear. 7 (Mr. Hartmann) You testified earlier, did you not, 8 that the reason he couldn't give you the money at the time 9 he was asking for the document to release the shares, was 10 that he had to release the shares first to get the money; is 11 that correct? 12 Α. Yes, sir. 13 Okay. So he didn't give you the money at the time Ο. 14 he came to you with the written document and asked for the release of the money? 15 16 That's correct. Α. 17 Q. Okay. At some time after that, after you had signed the document, that Shawn had signed the document, did 18 Mr. Hamed -- Mr. Yusuf tell you that -- that thereafter, 19 20 after he had supplied the shares, or simultaneously was 21 buying the shares, he received consideration from Mr. Salem? 22 Α. Yes. 23 Q. And did he tell you what form that was in? 2.4 This is a yes-or-no question.

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1	Q. Okay. And do you know if the stock was released?
2	A. Yes.
3	Q. Okay. And was it your understanding that when
4	Mr. Yusuf was doing all this, he was not just acting as some
5	busybody, correct?
6	A. That's correct.
7	Q. He was not just acting as as the father of
8	of Nejeh, was he?
9	A. No.
10	Q. He was not acting as, for instance, the president
11	of Y & S, because he was no longer president of Y & S, was
12	he?
13	A. No. He wasn't the president, no.
14	Q. Okay. In fact, he quit on the day that he became
15	the nominee he quit as the president to become the
16	nominee, didn't he?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. Okay. And so he took over the role of the person
19	who collected the money and then supplied the release
20	documents to Attorney King; is that correct?
21	A. Yes, sir.
22	Q. And he was doing that under the contract?
23	A. Yes.
24	Q. And he did that in 2012?
25	A. Yes.

1	MR. HARTMANN: Thank you. I have no further
2	questions.
3	REDIRECT EXAMINATION
4	BY MS. PERRELL:
5	Q. Okay. I got a couple follow-up questions. Let's
6	start with the Dorthea property.
7	Your testimony previously is that the only
8	way you have any information relating to the Dorthea sale
9	was that you had received that from Mr. Yusuf, correct?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Okay. So all of these questions that have just
12	been posed to you, your testimony is now that you received
13	that information directly from Mr. Yusuf?
14	A. That's the only communication I had, Mr. Yusuf.
15	Q. Okay. So you're saying Mr. Yusuf told you that
16	upon receipt of that, that he would then get the money?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. You don't know whether
19	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Mischaracterizes. He
20	didn't say money, he said compensation. I was very careful
21	to do that.
22	And counsel has an agreement not to say what
23	form it was really received in, but I asked him, Did you
24	receive compensation at that point, and he said, Yes.
25	MS. PERRELL: Okay. I'm I'm here to

1	clarify.
2	MR. HARTMANN: That's fine.
3	Q. (Ms. Perrell) So my question to you is, is it your
4	understanding, that upon the execution of the stock release,
5	that Mr. Yusuf, upon receiving, would then receive the
6	compensation for the sale from the seller?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Okay. You didn't have any understanding as to
9	whether or not the compensation had already been received,
10	which is why he was then asking for the release?
11	A. That was never said, no.
12	$oldsymbol{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}$ Okay. So you think the release was signed and
13	then the compensation from the purchaser was to be paid?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. Okay. And you say you get that directly from
16	Mr. Yusuf?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. Okay. All right. With regard to the let's go
19	back to the 2.7 million that was removed.
20	There was you had discussions with
21	Mr. Yusuf relating to the \$2.7 million when it was removed,
22	correct?
23	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Asked and answered.
24	He said it was removed before there were any discussions.
25	Q. (Ms. Perrell) You can still

1	MR. HARTMANN: You can still answer.
2	A. Could you repeat the question?
3	Q. (Ms. Perrell) When you received the letter from
4	Mr. Yusuf
5	A. Um-hum.
6	$\mathbf{Q}.$ relating to the withdrawal of the 2.7, you had
7	a discussion with him, correct?
8	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Mischaracterizes his
9	prior testimony. He said his counsel did.
LO	A. We received a letter where he removed where he
L1	said he's going to remove the money, but the money was
L2	already removed
L3	Q. (Ms. Perrell) Okay.
L 4	A and we objected to it.
L5	Q. Okay. Did you have any conversations with
L 6	Mr. Yusuf about his removal of the 2.7?
L7	A. We didn't I didn't have direct conversation
L8	with Mr. Yusuf, or my counsel did through letters or through
L9	whatever, through the attorneys.
20	Q. Okay. And did you understand that when Mr. Yusuf
21	removed the \$2.7 million, that he was doing so and providing
22	you the reasoning that he had behind the removal of the 2.7?
23	MR. HARTMANN: Object. Once again,
24	mischaracterizes. He knew nothing when Mr. Yusuf removed
25	the funds.

Q. (Ms. Perrell) When you received the letter with a
copy of the \$2.7 million check attached, and all of the
receipts and all of the letter itself, you understood that
the letter was an attempt to explain why it was 2.7?

- A. The letter is the letter. I don't remember receiving any receipts or anything attached to that letter. There was only a copy of the check and the letter stating what he intended or did or whatever it is --
 - Q. Okay.

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- A. -- at the time.
- Q. Okay. So it wasn't just, I'm taking -- Mr. Yusuf didn't just simply say, I'm taking 2.7 and I have no basis for the 2.7?
- A. The letter is the letter. I mean, it states what it says. I mean, that's what it says.
- Q. Okay. So he didn't say, I believe that I am owed 2.7, but I'm going to take \$3 million, correct? He said, I believe I'm owed 2.7. Here's the reason I believe it's 2.7, and that's why I took 2.7; is that correct?
- A. Well, that's what the letter says and that's exactly what it says.
- Q. Okay. All right. And isn't it true that prior to that, there had been points in time where the Hameds and the Yusuf had done partial reconciliations?
 - A. There might have been at one time or another with

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- Q. Okay. But wasn't there points in time where you guys did partial reconciliations?
 - A. At one time or another, yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. All right. You testified earlier that with regard to Bays 5 and 8, that when you were utilizing them, that you were utilizing them as you needed them, and that it was continuous, correct?
 - A. It's not continuous. It's on and off.
- Q. Okay. When I say on and off, when another tenant was in there, obviously you were not using them when another tenant was in there, correct?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. All right. But when another tenant was not in there, you were using them during that time?
 - A. On and off.
- Q. Okay. And I asked you previously as to whether there was any particular day where you didn't have any materials in there, and you said, No, correct?
- A. Repeat -- repeat the question. I'm just kind of confused.
- Q. I asked you whether or not, during the periods that you were using it, meaning during the time frames when it was not occupied by a third-party tenant, that there were not any particular days where you were not using it and that

there were no materials in there, and you said that's
correct?
MR. HARTMANN: Object. Compound.
Q. (Ms. Perrell) Is that correct?
A. There would be times being used and there's times
it wasn't being used.
Q. Okay. And at the times that it wasn't being used,
is that when there were third-party tenants in there?
A. Probably, yes. Probably, no. I'm not I'm not
quite sure.
Q. So you're telling me that over the course of the
period between 1994 and just a minute, between 1994 and
July 31st of 2001, for Bay 5, that there were certain
periods that you did not utilize Bay 5?
A. It's possible. I I really don't recall exactly
any time period. I I really don't. It could be, could
be not. I don't recall.
Q. Okay. So it's possible that, in fact, Plaza Extra
utilized that space the entire time between May of 1994
through July 31st of 2001 for Bay 5?
A. It could be, but I'm not too sure if it's in 1994
that we actually started using it or not.
Q. Okay. All right. Let's say from 1995. From 1995
to 2001, when Plaza Extra East was utilizing Bay 5, you

can't say that there was any point in which it was not being

fully utilized?

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- A. I believe we had the containers, the eight containers in the back after we opened, we reopened after the fire. I don't think we were using Bay 5 at that time. I mean, if my recollection serves me right, we had the containers in the back, so, therefore, we didn't need to use Bay 5 --
 - Q. Then why would you break --
 - A. -- in that time period.
- Q. Okay. Then why would you break through the concrete wall?
- A. But it depends on what year we broke through the concrete. I really don't recall exactly when it was, but we had containers in the back that I had no use to -- for the -- for the Bay 5.
- Q. Okay. But if Mr. Yusuf testifies, or if Mr. Mike Yusuf testifies that, in fact, you broke through the wall in spring of 1994, you testified earlier that you could not dispute that, correct?
 - A. It's possible, because I don't recall exactly --
 - Q. Okay.
- A. -- but we had containers in the back. We were utilizing eight containers in the back for storage. So why would I need that additional space when I had space in the back?

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Q.	Okay. Well, I mean, you're the ones that broke
through t	he concrete wall. So obviously you broke through
the concr	ete wall because you were going to use the space,
correct?	
A.	I not me only.
Q.	Okay. But you did
A.	They had full knowledge of it. They're the ones

- who said so. But you broke through the wall because you were Q.
- Yes, but what year I have -- I don't recall exactly, but I don't think it was early on like you stated.
- Q. Okay. And your -- just to clarify, you cannot dispute if Mike or another person on the United side can testify as to when that use started? You cannot dispute that, correct?
- My recollection doesn't serve me right now, to be honest with you.
 - Q. Okay.
 - Don't recall. Α.

using the space, correct?

- Q. All right. And the same would be true for Bay 8, correct? You do not know exactly when you started -- when Plaza Extra East started using Bay 8?
- I don't exactly know the year, but we've used it Α. on and off.

Q. Okay.

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- A. And whenever there was a tenant or anything, we would definitely just give it up.
 - Q. Okay.
 - A. Move our merchandise out of there.
- Q. I understand when there was a tenant. But when there was not a tenant, you used it that period of time when you were -- when there was not a tenant, correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. With regard to the check, Exhibit 5, it simply says "PLAZA EXTRA (SION FARM) RENT" in the memo, correct?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. And my questions to you previously were you recall -- let me back up a little bit.
- You recall that Mr. Yusuf had made a motion to receive rent for Bay 5 and 8, as well as for Bay 1, for the period 1991 through 1994. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And do you recall that the judge issued an order relating to Bay 1, stating that Bay 1 rent is due from 1994 through 2004?
- A. If that's what it states, yes, we did pay rent for that, because there was an order in place, yes.
 - Q. Okay. So this rent check did not cover all of the

1	rent for the space utilized by Plaza Extra from 1994 through
2	2012, it only covered a portion, correct?
3	A. Only covered a portion yeah, portion of the
4	years, yes.
5	MS. PERRELL: Okay. All right. All right.
6	I got no more questions. All right.
7	MR. HARTMANN: Okay. One final recross.
8	MS. PERRELL: Okay. First of all, recross?
9	This would be redirect, okay?
LO	MR. HARTMANN: Whose?
L1	MS. PERRELL: This would be redirect, not
L2	recross.
L3	MR. HARTMANN: You're the taking the
L 4	direct.
L5	MS. PERRELL: I know, but you also are
L6	sitting here. He's your witness.
L7	MR. HARTMANN: I'm cross-examining him on
L8	your
L9	MS. PERRELL: Okay. However you want to call
20	it, but it really should be redirect for you. I'm
21	cross-examining him as a witness.
22	MR. HARTMANN: No, he's your witness. That's
23	the direct. You're directly examining a witness.
24	MS. PERRELL: Go ahead.
25	MR. HARTMANN: And I'm crossing your direct

1	witness.
2	MS. PERRELL: Go ahead.
3	RECROSS-EXAMINATION
4	BY MR. HARTMANN:
5	Q. Okay. Forget all the discussion about when you
6	did and didn't start using Bays 5 and 8, okay?
7	Here's the question: There were there
8	were periods when there were not tenants in there?
9	A. That's correct.
_0	Q. Okay. And every day that there was not a tenant
1	in 5 and 8, were you using 5 and 8?
2	A. No.
_3	Q. Okay. So when you said sometimes you were using
4	it and sometimes you weren't, what did you mean by that?
.5	A. We had containers in the back.
6	Q. Right.
_7	A. We were using containers. If, at one time, we
8_	needed additional space to put additional merchandise, we'd
9	use it. Sometimes we didn't need to.
20	Q. Okay. So if if if the thing was not being
21	occupied by a tenant, on any other day that I went in that
22	there was no tenant in there, would I every day find Plaza
23	Extra material in there?
24	A. You might.
25	Q. Every day that for all those years?

1	A. I'm not quite sure. I don't remember exactly, but
2	it's possible.
3	Q. It's possible?
4	A. Yes.
5	MR. HARTMANN: Okay. All right.
6	REDIRECT EXAMINATION
7	BY MS. PERRELL:
8	Q. Last question, you would agree that your Plaza
9	Extra East had full access to those Bays 8 and 5 when there
LO	was not when they were not otherwise rented to a tenant?
L1	A. Yeah. We used them. We utilized them, yes.
L2	MS. PERRELL: Okay. No further questions.
L3	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the conclusion?
L 4	MS. PERRELL: Yes.
L5	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the conclusion of
-6	the deposition. The time is 11:15.
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21	(Whereupon the deposition concluded
22	at 11:15 a.m.)
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I, SUSAN C. NISSMAN, a Registered Merit Reporter and Notary Public for the U.S. Virgin Islands,
Christiansted, St. Croix, do hereby certify that the above and named witness, WALEED "WALLY" HAMED, was first duly sworn to testify the truth; that said witness did thereupon testify as is set forth; that the answers of said witness to the oral interrogatories propounded by counsel were taken by me in stenotype and thereafter reduced to typewriting under my personal direction and supervision.

I further certify that the facts stated in the caption hereto are true; and that all of the proceedings in the course of the hearing of said deposition are correctly and accurately set forth herein.

I further certify that I am not counsel, attorney or relative of either party, nor financially or otherwise interested in the event of this suit.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as such Registered Merit Reporter on this the 4th day of February, 2019, at Christiansted, St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands.

My Commission Expires: July 18, 2019

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