

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CITY

STATE OF MARYLAND

v.

\* CASE NOS. 199103041-46

ADNAN MASUD SYED,

Defendant

( TRIAL ON THE MERITS )

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2000

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

BEFORE:

THE HONORABLE WANDA KEYES HEARD, ASSOCIATE JUDGE (And a Jury)

APPEARANCES:

For the State:

KEVIN URICK, ESQUIRE KATHLEEN C. MURPHY, ESQUIRE

For the Defendant:

\*CRISTINA GUTIERREZ, ESQUIRE

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- 1 the record. 2 THE WITNESS: Y-a-s-e-r, A-l-i. 3 THE CLERK: And state your address for the 4 record. 5 THE WITNESS: 3509 Char Lil Court, Ellicott City, 6 Maryland 21042. 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. URICK: 8 9 Good afternoon, Mr. Ali. Q Good afternoon. 10 A Do you know the defendant? 11 Q 12 Α Yes. How long have you known him? 13 Q 14 A Seven or eight years. 15 Q How would you describe your relationship with the defendant? 16 17 A He's a best friend. 18 MR. URICK: If I may approach the witness at this 19 time? 20 THE COURT: Yes, you may. 21 (State's Exhibit Number 34, listing of 22 calls, marked for identification).
- BY MR. URICK:
- Q Mr. Ali, I am now going to show you a copy of what's been marked for identification purposes as State's

- 1 Exhibit 34. Would you ever communicate with the defendant?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q What sort of phones did he have, if you know?
- 4 A What sort of phones?
- 5 O Yes.
- 6 A He had a cellphone.
- 7 Q Do you remember its number?
- 8 A Not now, but at the time I'm sure I did know the
- 9 number.
- 10 Q Now, I'd like you to look at the top of this
- 11 sheet. Do you see name of the service user --
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q -- for this cellphone number? Now, if you would,
- starting at the top and going down, look at line 13.
- 15 A Uh-huh.
- 16 Q Have you found line 13?
- 17 A Yeah.
- 18 Q And there's a number beside, in the every next
- 19 row after the call, Number 13. Can you identify that
- 20 number?
- 21 A That number is my number.
- 22 Q And when you say your number, is it a residence
- 23 number or a cellphone number?
- 24 A My cellphone number.
- Q Would you read that for the record, please?

- 1 A Sure. Number 13, 410-340-7374, call --
- 2 Q Did the -- I'm sorry. Did I cut you off? Were
- 3 you saying something else?
- 4 A I was going to read the call time.
- 5 Q Okay. The time of the call was?
- 6 A 6:59 p.m.
- 7 Q And the duration?
- 8 A 27 seconds.
- 9 Q Do you see above, it says that these are the
- 10 calls made on January 13th of 1999. Do you have any
- independent recollection of receiving a call on your
- 12 cellphone at 6:50 --
- 13 A 9.
- 14 Q -- 9 on January 13th?
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q Do you have any independent recollection of where
- you might have been at that time on January 13th?
- 18 A Yeah. Either home, either sleeping or doing
- 19 homework, or I could have been at the Mosque, going to the
- 20 Mosque.
- 21 Q What, if anything, would have been going on at
- the Mosque at that time?
- 23 A There would be tarawee prayers.
- 24 Q And those are?
- 25 A And those are prayers that you do at the month of

- 1 Ramadan.
- MR. URICK: With the court's permission, at this
- 3 time on Line 13 in the blank space, I'm going to write in
- 4 Yaser Ali's cellphone.
- 5 THE COURT: Any objection, M's Gutierrez?
- 6 MR. GUTIERREZ: No, Your Honor.
- 7 BY MR. URICK:
- 8 Q What were the dates of Ramadan back in '98 and
- 9 '99 if you remember?
- 10 A It was during the winter, somewhere in December
- 11 and January.
- 12 Q Does it have a set number of days each year?
- 13 A 29 to 31 days.
- 14 Q Now, if you would, look at line 3.
- 15 A Uh-huh. Yes.
- 16 Q Have you found line 3?
- 17 A Yeah.
- 18 Q Do you recognize that number?
- 19 A Yeah, that's my number.
- Q And will you read it for the record, again?
- 21 A 410-340-7374. Call time?
- Q And what -- yes. What time did it occur?
- 23 A 10:00, what time -- yeah, 10:00 o'clock to 10:02,
- 24 44 seconds, and call duration was six seconds.
- MR. URICK: At this time, with the court's