



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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On September 25, 2019 at approximately 1130 hours, the undersigned, along with Special Agent [REDACTED] of the Office of the Inspector General, Special Agent [REDACTED] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Assistant United States Attorneys for the Southern District of New York [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] did interview Federal Bureau of Prisons correction guard [REDACTED], date of birth [REDACTED], at the Southern District of NY. This interview was conducted in the presence of [REDACTED] attorney.

[REDACTED] informed that he has been a guard with the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) for approximately three (3) years, all of which have been at the Metropolitan Correctional Center (MCC). [REDACTED] informed that he has completed all the basic and required training for being a guard in the BOP and that he is currently the senior officer in the Special Housing Unit (SHU).

When asked about his activities for August 9, 2019, [REDACTED] replied "I assume that's EPSTEIN day". [REDACTED] informed that as far as he can recall he worked a 2pm x 10 pm shift and did not see EPSTEIN for the majority of his shift because EPSTEIN was with his lawyers all day. [REDACTED] first recalls seeing EPSTEIN at approximately 8 pm and at that time [REDACTED] informed BOP guard [REDACTED] that EPSTEIN needed to make a call. [REDACTED] informed that he made the decision to have EPSTEIN call from the G tier shower to make the call and believes guards NOEL and [REDACTED] were present as well. [REDACTED] informed that [REDACTED] dialed the number for EPSTEIN. [REDACTED] further informed that he did not overhear the conversation and that [REDACTED] was present for the call initially and then left before the call ended. [REDACTED] says during the EPSTEIN call another inmate, [REDACTED], was claiming to want to commit

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suicide so that diverted some guards from EPSTEIN. After the all the guards dealt with inmate [REDACTED], EPSTEIN needed to be placed back in his cell. [REDACTED] recalls no other guard getting up to move EPSTEIN so he made the move at approximately 9:30 pm. [REDACTED] recalls guard NOEL filling out the 30 minute round paperwork while he did some administrative computer stuff. [REDACTED] informed that before he left he conducted a round and spoke to EPSTEIN and asked "are you good" to which EPSTEIN gave a thumbs up response. [REDACTED] said that before he left he went back to guards NOEL and [REDACTED] and make sure you watch him (referring to EPSTEIN) he's your priority. [REDACTED] stated that EPSTEIN seemed normal and was just sitting there.

[REDACTED] explained the 30 minute rounds and when asked about the paperwork stated that the exact times are probably off because they are estimates. When told that there is video of the SHU area [REDACTED] stated that he would be surprised to see video of the rounds not being conducted. When asked about the round sheets and the sign-off procedures [REDACTED] could not clearly remember who did what rounds exactly or what if any rounds he did, only that he would not have signed off on the rounds had they not been conducted. When asked about the count number in the SHU for that date and the number matching the MCC master number [REDACTED] stated "this would be a mistake on my part", he probably just used the numbers off the master sheet, and that there was probably signing off done in response to pressure and having the count cleared.

[REDACTED] was asked several questions about EPSTEIN and specifically if guard [REDACTED] advised about EPSTEIN needing a cellmate to which [REDACTED] responded "No".

When questioned further about the last visit [REDACTED] conducted before leaving for the shift, [REDACTED] gave inconsistent answers. The interview was concluded at 1311 hours.

Further details of the interview and statements made by [REDACTED] are recorded on the interview notes which are attached to this report.

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