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JUAN ALESSI, was interviewed at [REDACTED]. Present for the interview were AUSA [REDACTED], Task Force Officer Detective [REDACTED] and Special Agent [REDACTED]. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, JUAN ALESSI provided the following information:

It has been over 17 years since JUAN ALESSI stopped working for EPSTEIN. Prior to working for EPSTEIN, JUAN ALESSI was a repairman for millionaires throughout Palm Beach. JUAN ALESSI had about 20-30 customers, one of which was LESLIE WEXNER. It is through WEXNER, that EPSTEIN learns of JUAN ALESSI. EPSTEIN reached out to JUAN ALESSI around 1989 and asked him to come work at his house. JUAN ALESSI agreed to work for him as a part time contractor which lasted for about a year and a half. Around 1990, EPSTEIN asked JUAN ALESSI to come work at his house full time which he agreed. JUAN ALESSI was paid about \$45,000 a year at this time. Between 1990-1992/1993 JUAN ALESSI's primary duties were maintaining the exterior of the house and it's property. Around 1992/1993 JUAN ALESSI became the estate manager and his primary duties moved inside the house. His job then changed from a simple maintenance job to cleaning and taking care of everything. There was a Jamaican girl who worked as a chef at that time, who had quit. JUAN ALESSI's responsibilities then expanded further so he requested that his wife (MARIA ALESSI) come to work at this house. EPSTEIN agreed to hire her and her responsibilities would be shopping and taking care of the girls who come to clean the house. She would buy books, magazines, tickets for shows and do shopping for the house. JUAN ALESSI had a cleaning crew, gardener and pool service that he was in charge of managing. It was important that EPSTEIN's house had to run like a 5-star hotel.

JUAN ALESSI recalled EPSTEIN having a girlfriend around this time named EVA ANDERSON. Around 1993, GHISLAINE MAXWELL came to the house and she took over, becoming in charge of the whole house. "She was a bitch" and was on

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top of them day and night. JUAN ALESSI called it "slavery" and when EPSTEIN was in town they worked from 5am-10pm. EPSTEIN was typically in town for about 3-4 days a week. MAXWELL also took over all of EPSTEIN's residences at that time including New York, New Mexico, [REDACTED] and Ohio. JUAN ALESSI was then told by EPSTEIN to go to MAXWELL for his orders.

Around the year 2000, JUAN ALESSI started to notice things changing. He often fought with EPSTEIN. JUAN ALESSI stated EPSTEIN was very nasty with them, which he had previously never been. All of the blame for things that went wrong was put on JUAN ALESSI. JUAN ALESSI was made to take on more responsibilities like cooking if the chef wasn't around. EPSTEIN did not want to see workers in the same room that he was in. If JUAN ALESSI was working in a room, and EPSTEIN walked in, then they would have to leave. EPSTEIN would call MAXWELL and have her call JUAN ALESSI to have workers leave. EPSTEIN would get very upset over little things like if a bedroom did not have a new toothbrush in it. MAXWELL would tell JUAN ALESSI that he is not to look EPSTEIN in the eyes.

JUAN ALESSI and his wife had an apartment inside of the house which they would stay in whenever EPSTEIN was in town. Sometime later, a separate building off of the house was built, which were the staff quarters, where JUAN ALESSI and his wife would stay. JUAN ALESSI and his wife stopped working for EPSTEIN December 31 of 2002.

EPSTEIN would always arrive at the house with people, lots of girls and his assistants. [REDACTED] was an assistant who would come to the house. [REDACTED] was another assistant who would regularly come to the house. JUAN ALESSI stated that [REDACTED] was not a nice girl; she was nasty to him. [REDACTED] never spoke to JUAN ALESSI and she took over the job of scheduling the massages. JUAN ALESSI recalls her and his wife quitting about 2 weeks after [REDACTED] started there. Prior to quitting JUAN ALESSI noticed EPSTEIN was receiving about 3 massages a day. JUAN ALESSI believes many of these were from regular massage therapists from around Palm Beach. Sometimes they would massage EPSTEIN's guests, business partners and various prominent people.

JUAN ALESSI recalled being in his office one day and MAXWELL requested he compile a list of all the best local spas and hotels. After compiling the list, she had JUAN ALESSI drive her to all the local spas. JUAN ALESSI would

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wait outside at each location, while MAXWELL would then go inside for sometime, each time exiting with massage therapists' business cards. Around August or September of 2002, JUAN ALESSI was made to drive MAXWELL to Mar-a-Lago so she could get a massage. While there, JUAN ALESSI was made to wait in the car until she was done. He recalled it was a very hot day; he was very uncomfortable as he was made to wait in a parking lot in a convertible car. After about an hour and a half of waiting, MAXWELL exited and got back into the car. As they were exiting the property MAXWELL noticed a girl in a white uniform dress. MAXWELL told JUAN ALESSI to stop, and she gets out of the car to approach this girl. JUAN ALESSI did not hear their conversation but saw MAXWELL speak with her for about 20-25 minutes. JUAN ALESSI believed she was a very young girl, about 15-16 years old. MAXWELL then got back into the vehicle and they drove back to EPSTEIN's house. Later that day, the girl MAXWELL was just talking to is observed coming into EPSTEIN's house. JUAN ALESSI eventually learned her name was [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] ended up becoming a regular at EPSTEIN's house, and JUAN ALESSI would always observe her whenever either EPSTEIN or MAXWELL was there. JUAN ALESSI believed [REDACTED] was living with her boyfriend at the time. They started to treat [REDACTED] as a massage therapist. [REDACTED] then started traveling with EPSTEIN to New York, Virginia and England. JUAN ALESSI knew this because when EPSTEIN would travel, JUAN ALESSI would drive him and everyone traveling with him to the plane.

JUAN ALESSI recalled a girl named [REDACTED] coming to the house. She was a beautiful girl, [REDACTED]. She often came to the house with her mother to meet EPSTEIN. They would all have dinner together. Sometimes [REDACTED] would come by herself. On occasion, JUAN ALESSI would drive her to school or his wife would pick her up. Sometimes, JUAN ALESSI would pick her up from her home. [REDACTED] may have traveled with EPSTEIN once. [REDACTED]. JUAN ALESSI believed she was a friend of EPSTEIN's. JUAN ALESSI had observed EPSTEIN kiss her on the cheek and pat her on her butt. He would observe EPSTEIN do this with other girls as well.

JUAN ALESSI has seen hundreds of girls come to EPSTEIN's house but believed the majority were in their 20's. Towards the end of his employment with EPSTEIN (last 4-5 months) JUAN ALESSI started seeing younger girls coming. [REDACTED] would bring girls. Employees were not to engage in

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conversation with any of the guests or ask them any questions. This was an instruction given by MAXWELL who stated they are not supposed to ask ages or talk to them. MAXWELL would hire younger girls to come to the house. JUAN ALESSI recalled two girls coming that were in high school. Some girls were in their 20's but he recalled it being difficult to judge their age because they were all tall and beautiful. JUAN ALESSI believed many of these women were professional masseuses. They would come in through the kitchen, or through the front door. They would go up the stairwell. The left door at the top of the stairs was supposed to be closed as it was a guest room. Another door on this floor would lead to EPSTEIN's massage room. JUAN ALESSI was sometimes told to set up the massage table inside of this room. Sometimes, he would take the girl up into this room and have her wait for EPSTEIN. As JUAN ALESSI would leave the massage room, he was made to close all of the doors behind him so he never observed what actually happened inside of this room. After the massage was done, JUAN ALESSI would sometimes clean up inside the room. He would put the table away, pick up the towels and often remake the bed inside the bedroom that was connected to the massage room. Sometimes JUAN ALESSI would clean up sex toys/ dildos inside of the massage room. JUAN ALESSI recalled washing a double dildo in the sink. Inside of MAXWELL's room was a basket filled with toys. MAXWELL was going out and looking for girls for EPSTEIN. MAXWELL would be in the massage room with these girls on occasion and she would go upstairs with the underage girls.

JUAN ALESSI observed, on one occasion, [REDACTED] bringing a girl that was the same age and same size as her into the massage room. They went through the kitchen and up the stairs.

Naked and topless women were often observed by the pool. If they were ever to come inside the house this is where JUAN ALESSI would draw the line, and request they put a towel on. Some of these girls were European. This was around the time he and EPSTEIN were fighting, and believed EPSTEIN wanted him to leave. JAUN ALESSI believed they wanted him out. JUAN ALESSI was receiving faxes in his office of people sending job applications, and requesting interviews for his position. They wanted younger people to take his job and recalled that being a requirement. JUAN ALESSI never met the person who took over his job, but believed his name was HERNANDEZ or RODRIGUEZ. This person called JUAN ALESSI sometime later asking him how he

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survived working inside this house. Around this time, JUAN ALESSI believed the people caring for EPSTEIN's New York residence was JOJO and LYNN FONTANELLO or FONTANELLI.

JUAN ALESSI and his wife received a \$50,000 severance payment when they left. Everyone had to sign an employment agreement to work for EPSTEIN. This gave JUAN ALESSI the impression that he could never say what happened inside of the house. When leaving, EPSTEIN stated to JUAN ALESSI "Juan, I hope you never open your mouth, because you can get in trouble".

JUAN ALESSI recalled having a conversation with EPSTEIN in which EPSTEIN stated he was not feeling well. JUAN ALESSI told EPSTEIN that he needed to slow down. He told EPSTEIN, "One of these girls are gonna get you in trouble". EPSTEIN responded by stating, "Juan they only want money". After this conversation, JUAN ALESSI was cut off from talking to EPSTEIN directly.

When Palm Beach Police Department initially started investigating EPSTEIN, JUAN ALESSI was given a subpoena to talk with police. At this time JUAN ALESSI was not working for EPSTEIN and was scared. He called EPSTEIN's office in New York and asked to talk to EPSTEIN. He asked EPSTEIN about what was going on. EPSTEIN told JUAN ALESSI that there was an investigation going on into himself that does not concern JUAN ALESSI, and then EPSTEIN hung up. JUAN ALESSI was questioned by private investigators that he believed worked for EPSTEIN.

About 7 years ago, someone from England offered JUAN ALESSI \$200,000 to play the part of himself and a movie they were producing about EPSTEIN. JUAN ALESSI told them he was not interested.

JUAN ALESSI was willing and open to speaking further.