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AVA KAY AVALOS was interviewed at the Portland office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) from October 7-21, 1985, on an intermittent basis. She was interviewed pursuant to alleged criminal activity which had occurred at Rajneeshpuram, Oregon, and was interviewed based upon an immunity agreement arranged between her attorney, TOMMY HAWK, and numerous District Attorneys, the Attorney General of the State of Oregon, and the United States (U.S.) Attorney for the District of Oregon. Present during the interview were Special Agents PAUL H. HUDSON and H. HADLEY MC CANN of the Portland Division; MARLEN HEIN, Oregon State Police; Investigator ROBERT GREENE, Department of Justice; and her attorney, TOMMY HAWK. After AVALOS was apprised of the identities of the above individuals, she provided the following background information:

Alias	MA AVA
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	San Diego, California
Husband From Whom Now Separated	GLEN FRANCIS Alias - SWAMI PREM VIJEN
Father	FRED AVALOS Construction worker
Mother	ANTONIA AVALOS 6136 Rancho Hills Drive San Diego, California
Sister	[REDACTED] FREDIA CdeBACA 4629 Hamilton San Diego, California
Education	[REDACTED] Graduate, Marian High School (1978) Imperial Beach, California
Major	Attended University of California Berkeley, California (1978-1979) Women Studies

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AVA first became aware of Rajneesh at the age of 15½ years. In September of 1979, she travelled to Poona, India. On December 7, 1979, AVA meet BHAGWAN personally and became a Sannyasin. AVA returned to the University of California, Berkeley, during the spring of 1980 where she attended one additional quarter. During that period of time, she was employed as a secretary by an architectural firm in San Francisco. In March or April of 1981, AVA moved to southern California and became involved with Utsava Rajneesh Meditation Center in Laguna Beach, California. Approximately 16 months later, she attended the festival of Rajneeshpuram and was invited to stay at the ranch. From the time of the festival in July of 1982, to November of 1982, AVA was a guest at the ranch. In November of 1982, she became a full commune member. Her first six months at the ranch, she was assigned to work as a typist. In late November, the commune asked for volunteers to rotate into Portland to run a disco that would be opening in December. AVA volunteered, and began working as a cook and then bartender at the Portland disco. "Portland rotators" usually spend three to four weeks in Portland and then returned to the ranch for two weeks. In June of 1983, she took a post at Hotel Rajneesh in Portland as Manager. In July of 1983, the hotel suffered a bomb explosion, and as a result, security at the hotel was drastically increased. AVA indicated that people were searched routinely, and that she was personally responsible for organizing a good deal of security at the hotel. AVA indicated that at that time MA YOGA VIDYA, President of Rajneesh Neo-Sannyas International Commune, was her Coordinator (or Supervisor). Attention was drawn to AVA and the work she had accomplished. It was during this period that AVA first became personally acquainted with the top ranch administrators.

As a result of AVA's work in organizing responsibilities at the hotel, she was asked by MA YOGA VIDYA and MA ANAND SHEELA to work in the commune's Administration Department, known as Ramakrishna Temple. AVA assumed responsibilities similar to that of a personnel director in Ramakrishna for three months, still rotating to Portland to manage the hotel every few weeks. This department had a bad reputation among commune members, as it represented "authority" on the ranch. People would be called or sent there to be "cleaned up" (referring to straightening themselves up), and most people were afraid of VIDYA and the women that worked with her.

In February of 1984, AVA was assigned by the commune to work at Rajneesh Medical Corporation (RMC) as MA ANAND PUJA's assistant. AVA soon replaced MA MAHIMO, who, at the time, was having personal conflicts with PUJA. AVA observed that PUJA was feared and disliked by personnel at RMC, which included the physicians. PUJA behaved as a tyrant. The medical center was a very serious and unhappy place to work according to AVA. She indicated that she talked to VIDYA about the conditions at RMC, and that people feared and disliked PUJA. As a result of AVA's conversation, VIDYA addressed the RMC staff and told them to get along with PUJA and to "drop" being afraid of her. After lengthy discussions, everyone at the clinic agreed to try to get along with PUJA. AVA commented that PUJA's power over the doctors was significant, and that her decisions (even medical diagnosis) were final.

In late February of 1984, during one of AVA's rotations as Manager in Portland, she was contacted by MA BARKHA. BARKHA discussed a meeting she had attended, which had been called by SHEELA. BARKHA explained that a special security team was being formed to increase protection for BHAGWAN. The meeting was attended by 24 ranch coordinators, who SHEELA felt were "ready to give their lives in order to protect BHAGWAN." This special security force was set up and received special training in various weapons. The weapons training was given by Security Consultant HARRY HAWKINS and other trained security personnel. A security schedule was set up on a 24 hour basis with two hour rotating shifts for the 24 members of the special security force. The 24 members grew to 38 over a few months. AVA recalls SHEELA commenting that the special security team "had to be ready to take the law into their own hands to protect BHAGWAN." It was shortly after this security team was formed that AVA was asked to purchase an Uzi from USIA Weapons in Portland. She indicated that she used her legal name and paid approximately \$300 for the weapon.

AVA stated that very soon after she joined the RMC staff, she realized that there was a significant power struggle that existed between PUJA and SHEELA on one hand, and SWAMI DEVARAJ on the other. AVA believed that the power struggle began in India where DEVARAJ was BHAGWAN's personal physician, a position which PUJA coveted. A review of everything that DEVARAJ ordered medically for BHAGWAN had to be passed through RMC and get PUJA's approval. In this way, PUJA and SHEELA followed BHAGWAN's medical treatments which was a very sensitive

and secretive subject. No matter how simple or straight forward DEVARAJ's purchases or requests might be, PUJA questioned everything that DEVARAJ did. This would irate DEVARAJ, and the gap that existed between the two groups continued to widen. When AVA mentioned to SHEELA that she felt this situation should be sorted out, SHEELA explained that actually DEVARAJ was experimenting with BHAGWAN's body without BHAGWAN's knowledge. SHEELA expressed her frustration over the situation, and that BHAGWAN trusted DEVARAJ and wanted him to remain his physician, while DEVARAJ continued to experiment with, and jeopardize, BHAGWAN's health.

AVA advised that there was a power struggle between Jesus Grove (a residential area in Rajneeshpuram) and Lao Tzu Mohamed Grove. Lao Tzu is the residence of BHAGWAN and his personal staff. Mohamed Grove is a residential area where a group commonly referred to as "The Hollywood Gang" lived. The residents of Lao Tzu and Mohamed were friendly toward each other, however, neither of these two groups got along with the people at Jesus Grove. AVA indicated that RMC became a tool used against the residents of Lao Tzu and Mohamed in this power struggle. AVA indicated that normally anyone becoming ill and needing to rest was sent to Koran Grove. Those persons were to spend a period of time at Koran Grove, in isolation, until they were well enough to return to work. Koran Grove discouraged anyone from taking time off from work due to illness. However, PUJA personally cared for, and looked after the residents of Jesus Grove, dispensing her own medications and drugs to those patients and rarely sent them to Koran Grove to be treated like everyone else. In the spring of 1984, MA PREM HASYA (DEVARAJ's wife) suffered a neck injury which DEVARAJ treated. DEVARAJ contacted a chiropractor at RMC and asked for a neck brace for HASYA. PUJA found out about DEVARAJ's request and demanded that HASYA go to Koran Grove. It angered HASYA that she had to go to Koran Grove, but she did comply. AVA pointed out that HASYA is an extremely wealthy person, and that for her to go to Koran Grove would be a very demeaning experience for her and, more importantly, it was medically unnecessary.

This episode forced AVA to again ask SHEELA what could be done about these factions that existed on the ranch. AVA commented to SHEELA that she did not know if she would be

any different than the Lao Tzu people if she were to have the power they possessed. SHEELA told AVA that the people at Lao Tzu, HASYA and her friends, could not be trusted. SHEELA presented arguments to establish that and convinced AVA. SHEELA also played a tape of a conversation between DEVARAJ and his wife, HASYA, in which they discussed the Jesus Grove people. HASYA was mad at the time about having to go to Koran Grove. AVA stated that because of this tape, and SHEELA's arguments, she was completely won over to the side of SHEELA and Jesus Grove. AVA stated that she did not realize at the time that the conversation between DEVARAJ and HASYA had been obtained through wiretapping (telephonic), but she added that this would have been the first indication that she had that wiretapping was occurring at the ranch. AVA commented that while HASYA was in Koran Grove, she developed conjunctivitis and was placed in isolation. PUJA immediately called for all of the Lao Tzu residents to be tested and set the protocol so stiff that most of the people from Lao Tzu were put into isolation. Because of the protocol, many people from Jesus Grove were also put into isolation. AVA commented that it was almost humorous in a way because these two groups were put into the same small trailer, and right away arguments raged over who could better take care of BHAGWAN. AVA remembered writing a letter to BHAGWAN about these arguments, and when SHEELA read the letter, she refused to take it into him.

During the spring of 1984, a plan was contrived by SHEELA to remove DEVARAJ as BHAGWAN's physician. The plan was to make DEVARAJ sick so that he would have to be hospitalized long enough to allow SHEELA to replace him with a physician of her choosing as BHAGWAN's doctor. AVA indicated that there was no specific meeting in which this plan was discussed but rather just a general acceptance. AVA stated that the plan was initiated when DEVARAJ came to Koran Grove, and someone (believed to be PUJA) put Dulcolax into his coffee (Dulcolax is a strong laxative and, as with any laxative, causes abdominal pain and diarrhea.). AVA stated that DEVARAJ may have had other beverages in other locations contaminated during the same period of time. DEVARAJ became ill, and everyone began to comment on how sick he looked. A couple of days after drinking the contaminated coffee at Koran Grove, DEVARAJ entered Koran Grove as a patient. Very early on during DEVARAJ's stay at

Koran Grove, PUJA handed AVA a small envelope containing what she believed to be crushed Dulcolax pill(s) making a yellow powder. PUJA told AVA to put the yellow powder into DEVARAJ's breakfast. AVA was the Coordinator for RMC at the time and had free access to the kitchen area. AVA went to the kitchen and put the powder into DEVARAJ's oatmeal. AVA did not know who delivered the oatmeal to DEVARAJ or if he ate it. PUJA had DEVARAJ administered an I.V. due to his dehydrated condition. AVA did not know what the IV contained.

AVA stated that the day after putting the yellow powder into DEVARAJ's oatmeal, she entered Koran Grove during the morning and found that DEVARAJ had become very ill and had been coded (emergency life saving treatment). AVA observed that PUJA was frantically trying to help DEVARAJ, and that Doctor SHUNYO had "freaked out," and that the emergency crash cart had been called. AVA stated that DEVARAJ's blood pressure was very low. Sometime after DEVARAJ's recovery from this emergency situation, AVA was told by PUJA that she (PUJA) had injected contaminated water into DEVARAJ's I.V. PUJA told AVA that she used "flower water." AVA thought that PUJA meant that she obtained the water from a flower vase. PUJA told AVA that she simply wanted to make DEVARAJ sick and cause an infection. The thought behind causing an infection was that if a person is infectious, they could not be near the BHAGWAN. AVA stated it was not PUJA's intent to kill DEVARAJ but rather just to make him sick. DEVARAJ recovered from the incident and was released from Koran Grove.

AVA stated that in August of 1984, around the time of the third festival, she was assigned to assist Doctor DEVAM (a psychiatrist at RMC) with mentally unstable persons attending the festival. At the end of the festival, AVA had occasion to be in PUJA's room when SHEELA passed by and asked them (AVA and PUJA) if they could think of any way to win the election (referring to the November, 1984, election in The Dalles). AVA stated that a short time after that question was asked by SHEELA, the Share-A-Home Program started in September of 1984. AVA commented that it was never said that the Share-A-Home people were actually being brought in to register to vote to win the election, but it was obvious to persons close to SHEELA (the inner-circle) that this was the purpose. AVA

commented that the interest of the commune did not include humanitarian interests, and that no one had ever heard BHAGWAN indicate he had any desire to take care of the poor. AVA commented that the first two busloads of "derelicts" arrived from New York. She recalls that aboard the bus she encountered one case of AIDS, bronchitis, rashes, venereal disease, mental problems, and other diseases. She stated that buses kept coming, and that some of the men arriving were violent. AVA indicated that the medical problems that were encountered because of the influx of "street people" were overwhelming. AVA commented that the commune's medical facilities were not capable of caring for the numbers of medical problems that were arriving on a daily basis. AVA was coordinating the medical clinic at this time and rarely received help from PUJA who was continually with SHEELA in meetings of one kind or another.

AVA used as an example, an incident involving a street person by the name of DEREK. DEREK was an individual who was extremely violent and mentally ill. At one time, DEREK punched out a window in the dorm he was staying at. DEREK was liked by VIDYA, and she had him brought to the medical clinic. While at the clinic, DEREK started to break up furniture and get extremely violent. VIDYA had to come to the clinic to calm DEREK down, and DEREK asked to see SHEELA. SHEELA spoke to DEREK on the phone, and after the conversation, ordered AVA to put DEREK on the RMC staff and rehabilitate him. AVA commented that this was not a realistic order. Sometime later, DEREK was in the area between Jesus Grove and Nagarjuna. AVA received a phone call saying DEREK had tore off a phone from a wall and was harassing people in the area. AVA responded to take care of DEREK. Upon arrival, she observed DEREK swinging a chair. AVA managed to calm DEREK down and sat with him on a bench engaging him in conversation. During the conversation, AVA mentioned the term "police," and DEREK went "crazy," throwing rocks and screaming at AVA. He then started to stop traffic in the area, pulling people out of cars and throwing them on the ground. The armed Peace Force arrived but could do little to control DEREK who was like a maniac. AVA went to Nagarjuna, and DEREK followed her in, threatening to hit her with a rock he had in his other hand. DEREK was demanding to see VIDYA. SHEELA arrived instead and asked DEREK what was wrong. At that point, DEREK started to strangle SHEELA. MA ANAND SAGUN was punched in the stomach and knocked down during

DEREK's struggle with SHEELA. AVA commented that more violent scenes went on for hours, before PUJA convinced DEREK to drink some water. AVA stated PUJA had spiked the water, and DEREK was sedated enough to be put on a bus going out of the ranch. Later, AVA was made to believe by VIDYA and SHEELA that she was responsible for the incident with DEREK because she did not keep him under control. This bothered AVA a great deal, and she was extremely frustrated by these situations.

AVA stated that RMC was overwhelmed by the number of sick people coming onto the ranch. She commented about one evening when she observed a woman that had breast cancer laying across her bed hardly breathing. The woman, who was turning blue, had no one to take care of her the way she needed. She was sent to a hospital in Madras and later returned to Chicago where she died. That same evening there was a man who had liver damage and was in a condition where the liver was to the point of exploding. He was also sent to Madras and later recovered. AVA used these as examples of many cases in which persons should not have been at the ranch. She also commented that it was customary that if a person was ill and needed medical treatment, they were given a return ticket to their place of origin and sent back.

AVA stated she was extremely upset over the frustrations of attempting to treat the overpowering number of sick persons and having received the criticism of SHEELA and VIDYA and no help from PUJA. AVA described herself as an emotional wreck.

During the same period of time, PUJA conducted a meeting of the RMC staff (including physicians) in which she instructed them to cut costs in treating the street people. As a result, drugs that normally would be prescribed were not and less expensive substitutes were used.

Towards the end of September, 1984, PUJA started ordering large quantities of Haldol. PUJA ordered the Haldol from different places, including chemical firms back East. AVA stated that the Haldol was kept in PUJA's room in Jesus Grove. AVA stated that it was SHEELA and PUJA who decided to put the Haldol into the Share-A-Home participants beer. AVA stated that PUJA explained that the reason Haldol was used was because it had no taste. When AVA heard of the idea to put Haldol into the beer, she objected and told SHEELA and PUJA, in conversation, that she did not feel everyone should be

tranquilized. SHEELA reminded AVA that she had used poor judgment in handling DEREK and said "Look what happened when we tried to do things your way." AVA stated PUJA was primarily responsible for dispensing the Haldol into the Share-A-Home beer. AVA commented that she, herself, dispensed the Haldol into the beer on a couple of occasions. AVA stated a syringe was used to introduce the Haldol into the beer kegs. The top of the keg was opened, and Haldol injected into it. AVA indicated from one to one-half bottles were put into each keg. AVA recalls commune members being told not to drink beer at Hassid Cafeteria. The commune members were not told why. AVA stated that Haldol was given to violent persons in their tea. AVA, herself, gave a person named ST. JAMES Haldol in tea to sedate him. AVA commented that in addition to the primary supply of Haldol kept in PUJA's room at Jesus Grove, she (AVA) had a small supply of Haldol at RMC.

The large use of Haldol became known to the news media from a leak made by an employee of a Haldol distributor. Questions were raised about the use of Haldol, not only by the press, but also the State Board of Pharmacy. The State Board of Pharmacy required that RMC provide records on the use of the Haldol. AVA commented that because PUJA had ordered the Haldol herself, the ranch pharmacy was not even aware of the existence of the large amount of Haldol on the ranch. AVA stated that PUJA created false medical records to justify the amount of Haldol used at the commune. PUJA created these records with the assistance of Doctor DEVAM. According to AVA, PUJA and DEVAM sat up all night fabricating the records. DEVAM objected to doing this, but PUJA and AVA convinced him that the Haldol had been used in order to maintain control of very violent situations. DEVAM did not know the Haldol had been used in the beer. The records did not give names and only indicated false physical descriptions, false illnesses, and false doses of Haldol being administered. These fabricated records were later sent to the State Board of Pharmacy. AVA stated that PUJA was supposed to do the back-up information on records sent to the State Board of Pharmacy. She failed to do this, and after an amount of time passed, the need for that back-up information occurred. VIDYA found out that PUJA did not take the steps to create the back-up information and got extremely upset and angry at PUJA. VIDYA told AVA to get the back-up information and to assemble records that would justify the records sent to the State Board of Pharmacy. AVA was instructed

by VIDYA to go to MA PREM MANOHAR, who kept the files of the Rajneesh Humanity Trust, to assist in that research. As far as AVA knew, MANOHAR had no knowledge of why these records were being created. MANOHAR assisted AVA in picking out files of persons which matched the descriptions created by PUJA and DEVAM. The names of the persons matching the descriptions were used, but other identifiers such as Social Security numbers and dates of birth were changed to prevent later contact with those persons by authorities.

* AVA stated she gave ^a the file (to possibly) PRAGITAM ^(that could have contained forged records) and instructed him to give it to MANOHAR. AVA has since contacted MANOHAR this last weekend (October 5 or 6, 1985) to determine if she still had the file. MANOHAR told AVA that she still had the file at her residence and asked AVA what she should do with it. AVA instructed her just to simply hold on to it. AVA indicated that technically the file belongs to RMC.

AVA stated that during the Share-A-Home Program, an incident occurred in October of 1984, involving a person by the name of FELTON WALKER. AVA stated that she was contacted by PUJA in the evening and told to clear Pythagoras of any people by about 7:00 p.m., which AVA did. Soon after 7:00 p.m., PUJA arrived and told AVA to go to SU's A-frame at Jesus Grove and pick up two men (AVA believes one of these men was SWAMI DIPAK, the other she does not remember.) and to go to Walt Whitman and pick up FELTON WALKER. The three arrived at WALKER's A-frame, and AVA explained to WALKER and his roommate that their third roommate had tested positive for tuberculosis, and that they both had to come to Pythagoras immediately to get tested. The two agreed and were driven to Pythagoras. AVA stated that the men were taken to PUJA. PUJA examined WALKER's roommate and then dismissed him. WALKER was then examined by PUJA and given an injection which put him to sleep. About this same time, the following people arrived at Pythagoras: SHEELA, JULIAN, DIPO, K.D., GATHA, SAVITA, ANUGITEN, and VIDYA. While WALKER was asleep, GATHA (a licensed physician in the State of Washington) injected WALKER with Sodium Pentathol (truth serum). The group gathered around WALKER on the examination table. WALKER was then slapped on the face to wake him up by ANUGITEN with K.D. assisting. In his delirious state, WALKER was played a tape recording of a telephone conversation between WALKER and someone in Seattle, Washington (WALKER had placed a

call from a pay phone at the ranch.). The tape recording indicated that WALKER had talked of a plan to kill BHAGWAN and referred to the person who he was talking to in Seattle as "father." AVA commented that WALKER and "father" talked in code. AVA stated that the WALKER tape was played for the 38 members of the special security force at a later date, probably within the month. ANUGITEN and K.D. continued to wake WALKER up and interrogate him about who "father" was and about the plot to kill BHAGWAN. WALKER was allowed to sleep and then awakened repeatedly and re-questioned. AVA stated that this continued on through the night until approximately 3:00 a.m. AVA stated that nothing was learned from WALKER during this interrogation.

SHEELA and PUJA told AVA that WALKER was to be her responsibility. PUJA had WALKER put into the clinic and prescribed a massive dose of Valium to be given intravenously. AVA stated WALKER was kept drugged for three days. After the first day, AVA stated she contacted SHEELA and asked her what she wanted done with WALKER, pointing out to her that he was being kept drugged. AVA stated SHEELA wanted him kept that way. AVA kept coming back to SHEELA and, finally on the third day, SHEELA gave permission to revive and release WALKER. PUJA created a fake file for WALKER which indicated that he was treated for a heart condition (AVA recalled it involving migrating platlets). Doctor DEVAM signed a letter (medical records) indicating that WALKER was treated for a heart disease. AVA commented that Doctor DEVAM has since left the ranch and is believed to be residing in the Santa Rosa, California area. AVA felt DEVAM's departure was due to his having made *to make* false entries on medical records.

AVA also mentioned another street person by the name of WILLIAM ALLEN. AVA commented that this was the street person that was found dead in the area of Government Camp and died of exposure and drug overdose. AVA stated that she was familiar with ALLEN, and that ALLEN was a "psycho" but non-violent. She stated that his death occurred sometime between September and October of 1984. AVALOS commented that ALLEN would pretend to be smoking or drinking, and that he had a condition which she described as a split with reality. She considered him extremely mentally ill. AVALOS recalls being called to Desiderada and being told that someone was "freaking out." AVALOS believes, although not certain, that she was accompanied by Doctor SHUNYO, Doctor MEGHA, and DOCTOR PRAGITAN. AVALOS stated that ALLEN was inside the tent carrying on and yelling but was not violent. ALLEN was carried to a medical trailer and given anti-depressant

medication. The following night, AVALOS went to see ALLEN, and he appeared to be in good health but did not want to take his medication. AVALOS commented that the next thing she heard about ALLEN (within a day or two of visiting him) is that he had been given a bus ticket back to where he came from. AVALOS commented that because of the expense and overcrowding at RMC, it was a general rule that if any of the street people were really sick, they would get a ticket back to where they came from. AVALOS heard that ALLEN was found dead in Government Camp and died of exposure and drug overdose. She commented that this would have occurred within a day or two of her last visit with him. AVALOS also commented that it was customary to give anyone being sent back who was sick, a three-day supply of their medication. In a later conversation with the ranch pharmacist, MADHUNAD, AVALOS learned that ALLEN had overdosed once already at the ranch, and, because of this, MADHUNAD had not given him the three-day supply of medication.

AVALOS advised that this period of October and November, 1984, when the Share-A-Home Program was happening, it was a very volatile time at the ranch. She stated that during this time period, PARAMBOHDI, the laboratory technician at RMC who was a good friend of hers, was asked by PUJA if he could culture Salmonella. AVALOS stated that PARAMBOHDI informed PUJA that this would be very dangerous, but she (PUJA) informed him that she wanted to develop cultures of both Salmonella and Typhus.

AVA advised that the main emphasis of SHEELA and her group was winning the election in The Dalles. They generally considered people from Wasco County, and in particular The Dalles, as very backward and stupid. SHEELA stated one day to a group that worked closely with her, "If there is a choice of saving one thousand unenlightened people or one enlightened master, you should always choose the enlightened master."

AVA advised that it was a few days after SHEELA made this statement that SHEELA and PUJA told her that they wished to do an experiment in The Dalles which would make people sick so they could not vote. AVA was told by SHEELA and PUJA to take Salmonella poison and go with BODHI (full name - SWAMI SATYAM BODHIDHARMA) and place the Salmonella in as many places as possible in The Dalles. AVA advised that she and BODHI changed into regular street clothes (not Sannyas colored) in PUJA's room and went to The Dalles, taking with them five or six vials which they were told contained Salmonella culture. AVA stated that the substance believed to be Salmonella culture was brownish in color and had a terrible smell to it. AVA advised that she was afraid to use very much of the substance for fear that someone would smell it when they started to use the substance in which she placed it.

AVALOS advised that she and BODHI went to three restaurants in The Dalles and placed small amounts of the substance in coffee creamers in two of the restaurants and a salad bar in the third restaurant. She stated that both she and BODHI had made trips to the salad bar in a restaurant she believed to be Arby's. She stated that the substance was placed in what she recalled to be the bleu cheese salad dressing at the salad bar at the restaurant. On October 21, 1985, AVA identified the restaurants in The Dalles as being Johnny's Cafe, 408 East Second Street; The Wagon, 209 East Second Street; and a restaurant at 215 East Third, which is now called Lacy's, but was previously called Arlo's. AVALOS advised that Arlo's was the one she had thought was Arby's previously.

AVALOS further advised that she knew from conversations and meetings that had taken place that both PUJA and YOGINI had gone to The Dalles, and that she had heard PUJA make the statement that she had placed Salmonella in "lots of places." AVALOS advised that she believed the poisonings in restaurants in The Dalles went on for an extended period of time. She stated that she had heard YOGINI make the statement that she would place Salmonella poisoning on her hands and shake people's hands, and that also she believed she had placed some at the Tapadaro (PHONETIC) in The Dalles. She further advised that YOGINI indicated that she had placed the Salmonella culture into a school in The Dalles, but she had no information as to which school it was. She stated that YOGINI was a nutritionalist and could have gone to a school

in The Dalles under the pretext of being interested in nutrition.

AVALOS advised that she had actually seen the location where the Salmonella culture was being cultivated, and it was located in a laboratory which PUJA had at the Chinese laundry, which is near Jesus Grove. She stated that PUJA had a large freeze dryer with tubes and other equipment and an incubator. She described the incubator as being green in color and stated that it was about the size of a small apartment-type refrigerator. When asked, she advised that JAGRUDI and SAMADHI may have been involved in the placing of Salmonella culture, but she does not recall or know specifically what part they played in the distribution. AVALOS advised that all of the people at the ranch were told, during this time period, not to eat any meals outside of the ranch, and she stated later this was expanded to include anywhere in Oregon.

AVALOS advised that based on meetings and conversations, the following individuals had direct knowledge of the poisoning attempts:

SHEELA
PUJA
JULIAN
VIDYA
BODHI
YOGINI
SU
KRISHNA DEVA (known as K.D.)
SAVITA

AVALOS advised that PUJA was doing numerous things with experimentation of drugs, and she (AVALOS) was not aware of all of them. AVALOS was specifically asked about possible Salmonella poisonings in Cottage Grove, Oregon, and at the Marriott Hotel in Portland. She advised that she did not know about those, but that based on the orders to individuals at the ranch not to eat at any restaurants in Oregon, outside the ranch, she would not be surprised if other possible poisonings did occur.

AVALOS advised that she had previously had the combination to the lock of the laboratory at the Chinese laundry, and she recalled the number to this lock

as being 2-12-30. She believed she had observed Salmonella culture in the incubator and stated that it was in Petrie Dishes. She advised that the lab was later moved from the Chinese laundry and put into an A frame at Alan Watts.

AVA indicated that she had only a limited amount of knowledge concerning the poisoning of the water system in The Dalles. AVA stated this would have occurred around the same time as the Salmonella poisonings. Two days after SHEELA left for Europe, SAVITA told AVALOS to go to the airport in Portland, pick up a specified car (believed to be a blue Buick), and wash it clean inside and out. AVALOS understood this to mean to eliminate any fingerprints that might be present. AVALOS was then instructed to park the vehicle in downtown Portland (in a parking lot across from Director's). AVALOS complied with this with the aid of BOHDI and left the keys in the vehicle. It is AVALOS' belief that the vehicle was used by ANUGITEN and JULIAN when they poured something into the water tanks of The Dalles. AVALOS does not know what was put into the water but recalls PUJA contacting DEBAL (Resource Manager at the ranch) and telling her to bring some raw sewage to her. AVALOS also speculates that rats may have been put into the tanks because of empty cages at the "Chinese lab." AVALOS also recalls that there was something mentioned about ANUGITEN and JULIAN possibly losing a flashlight when they poured whatever they poured in The Dalles water tanks. AVALOS became aware that The Dalles water tanks were poisoned while in SHEELA's room during a conversation (before the event) between SHEELA, JULIAN, ANUGITEN, and possibly K.D. AVALOS commented that K.D. was in and out of the room and was sometimes forced to be involved in the conversations by SHEELA. There was a comment made by SHEELA that she wanted to be in Europe when the poisoning of The Dalles water tanks occurred. AVALOS recalls JULIAN asking SHEELA if other people could help, and SHEELA telling him that the plan was to stay as it was and not to ask again. AVALOS recalled SAVITA saying she had waited all night for ANUGITEN and JULIAN to call. AVALOS stated there was a general consensus of opinion after this particular operation that JULIAN was not to be taken on any further operations because he "freaks out."

AVALOS stated that she had direct knowledge and involvement in the poisoning of Wasco County Judge WILLIAM HULSE. AVALOS recalls this incident occurring during the Share-A-Home Program. AVALOS received a telephone call from

PUJA instructing her to come to Jesus Grove. AVALOS met with PUJA and SHEELA in PUJA's room. SHEELA advised that Judge HULSE was coming to the ranch with a couple of other county commissioners. AVALOS commented that HULSE was known to be an official of the Wasco County government that was not friendly towards the ranch. SHEELA instructed AVALOS to go to Antelope where HULSE was either eating or to be eating and see if she could put something in his food. SHEELA described HULSE to AVALOS and also described Commissioner VERGIL ELLET. SHEELA told AVALOS to be sure and not put anything into ELLET's food because he was perceived to be a friend. AVALOS stated the intent of putting something into HULSE's food was to make him sick enough to no longer be concerned with his business at the ranch and leave. AVALOS was given a vial similar to the one involved in the Salmonella poisonings in The Dalles by PUJA. AVALOS commented that PUJA was experimenting in Hepatitis cultures at the time. AVALOS did not know what was in the vial but stated it had the same "murky water" (light yellow/brown in color) and had the same foul odor as the Salmonella vials she had used in The Dalles. AVALOS went to the Zorba the Buddha Restaurant in Antelope and stated that it was easy to identify HULSE from the description given by SHEELA. AVALOS walked behind the counter, and as she did so, was asked by HULSE for a glass of water. AVALOS saw this as an opportunity to put the contents of PUJA's vial into HULSE's water. AVALOS recalls being concerned that the murky color and odor of the vial contents might alert HULSE to the contamination. She poured a couple of drops into HULSE's water and felt that the odor and color might readily be recognized by HULSE. She poured some of the water out and added additional clear water. AVALOS then gave the water glass to HULSE. AVALOS commented that HULSE suspected nothing and drank the water. AVALOS stated a short time after this, HULSE and the others left for the ranch. AVALOS indicated there were three men, HULSE, VERGIL (ELLET), and one other (MATTHEWS).

Later in the day, AVALOS heard that someone had flattened HULSE's tire at the ranch. AVALOS did not know who caused HULSE's tire to be flattened but speculated that SU had something to do with it because she was in charge of the garage. AVALOS stated that while changing the tire (It was a hot day.), PUJA offered water to HULSE which she had contaminated. AVALOS commented she had knowledge of this because of a conversation with PUJA. AVALOS did not know if PUJA had given water to

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the other commissioners. AVALOS was asked by investigators if ISABEL had been involved in HULSE's poisoning. AVALOS stated ISABEL was not involved in anything. ISABEL was kept in the dark as to the activities of SHEELA's inner-circle security people. AVALOS later read in the newspaper that HULSE thought someone at RMC had poisoned him. AVALOS commented that HULSE did not get sick until after leaving the ranch.

AVALOS expressed knowledge of the abuse of drugs by SHEELA and VIDYA. In November of 1984, AVA went to VIDYA to complain about people at RMC not being able to get along with PUJA. AVALOS was told by VIDYA that she and the others would have to work with PUJA. AVALOS commented that VIDYA always backed PUJA. A short time later, AVALOS wanted to see SHEELA about the problems with PUJA at RMC. AVALOS was given a ride to Jesus Grove by PUJA. PUJA was aware that AVALOS was going to SHEELA and was about to complain about her (PUJA). PUJA drove very slow and tried to talk AVALOS out of seeing SHEELA. AVALOS did contact SHEELA, and SHEELA backed PUJA in the same manner in which VIDYA had. AVALOS was told that she and the others would have to get along with PUJA.

SHEELA had advised AVALOS that she did not know anything about medicine and should not question PUJA's knowledge. AVALOS then told SHEELA it was not the medicine that she was concerned about, but the poor record keeping, and that the system in general was being ineffectively operated. In December of 1984, AVALOS again contacted VIDYA to tell her of the continuing problems with PUJA at RMC. Again VIDYA backed PUJA and told AVALOS that PUJA was the best doctor they had at the ranch. AVALOS pointed out to investigators that PUJA was not a doctor but just a nurse. AVALOS commented that PUJA was SHEELA's private nurse, and that PUJA kept SHEELA supplied with Valium, Percodan, Demarol, and even Morphine. AVALOS stated SHEELA had overdosed on a couple of occasions, and almost stopped breathing. GATHA was called to care for SHEELA on those occasions because of her knowledge of anesthesiology and that PUJA also kept VIDYA supplied with large quantities of Valium and Percodan.

When PUJA would be absent from the commune, other doctors would occasionally care for VIDYA and SHEELA and would become very upset with the amounts and mixtures of drugs being prescribed to them. Doctor INDIVAR refused to even treat VIDYA due to the types and amounts of drugs prescribed by PUJA to VIDYA.

Sometime shortly after her last contact with VIDYA, AVA was told in passing (at the mall of the ranch) that she was being transferred to the RNSIC offices, and that she was being replaced by MA ANAND DURGA. AVA was surprised to find that she was being transferred rather than PUJA since it was PUJA that was causing so many problems at RMC. AVA stated that DURGA was a nurse and was very competent and easy to get along with. AVA then became a Financial Administrator and Assistant to MA SAT PRABODHI, who was the Treasurer of RNSIC. Prior to taking her new post, AVA got sick and was treated by PUJA. PUJA's diagnosis placed AVA in isolation for over two weeks. AVA did not assume her new post of Financial Administrator until January, 1985. The financial aspects of RNSIC were managed by PRABODHI and many other corporations received their financial advice from MA PREM SAVITS. There was an ongoing personal conflict between PRABODHI and SAVITA.

AVA stated to investigators that she had direct knowledge and involvement in the arson of Wasco County Planning Commissioner DAN DUROW's office in The Dalles. AVA stated that SAVITA had asked AVA if she would like to assist ANURAG in setting up an apartment in Portland, shortly before the burning of DUROW's office. SAVITA made reference to SAMADHI and JAGRUTI having the need to do commune business in non-Sannyas clothes without being questioned about what they were doing. ANURAG rented the apartment in Portland in the name of ANTHONY BURKHARDT. The address of the apartment was:

The May Apartments
1410 S.W. Taylor, Apartment 406
Portland, Oregon

AVALOS stated a telephone calling card was used by ANURAG, and that she recalls the number being (503) 226-2348-2891. ANURAG and another commune member named SWAMI DEVA ALLEN were the people who purchased vehicles for secret operations away from the ranch. AVA believed that neither ALLEN or ANURAG were ever aware of what the vehicles were actually used for.

Items were purchased or rented in such a way that authorities would be unable to trace them back to the ranch. SAVITA advised AVA of the names of persons and their jobs that were utilized in supporting and setting up secret operations. This was done so that AVA could take SAVITA's place in her absence.

During the Share-A-Home Program, September/October/November, 1984, AVALOS met with SHEELA, PUJA, JULIAN, and possibly K.D. SHEELA talked about harassing DUROW and asked the others present if they could think of a way to destroy DUROW's office. One suggestion was to put termites in the building. A short time after this meeting, AVALOS was called by VIDYA for a second meeting. SHEELA, VIDYA, SU, and PUJA were all present at that meeting. AVALOS was told to go to DUROW's office and harass him over the situation about the medical and hospital permits. AVALOS and another commune member by the name of SWAMI WADUD went to DUROW's office. AVALOS explained that DUROW is vocally anti-Rajneesh and gets extremely mad at the sight of a Sannyassin. AVALOS stated that WADUD and DUROW engaged in a very heated argument. Months later, AVALOS was at the restaurant at the ranch when SHEELA, SAVITA, and several others came up to her. The group was holding a conversation, and they overheard SHEELA ask if it was a good time to go. Someone in the group commented that it was. SHEELA then asked AVALOS if she was up for an adventure. AVALOS indicated that she was, and SHEELA told her to come to Jesus Grove. AVALOS went to SAVITA's room, and present in the room were SHEELA, YOGINI, ANUGITEN, SAVITA, and JAYANADA (JAYANADA may have been in and out of the room). AVALOS observed a book of plans that included photographs of DUROW's office and floor plans which AVA recalls being on SAVITA's bed. AVALOS advised that the plan was SHEELA's, and that SHEELA, SAVITA, and possibly SU had been working on it for some time. This was the first time AVALOS was aware of a serious plan to actually destroy DUROW's office. A discussion was held among those present concerning the plan to destroy DUROW's office. Ideas were being bounced off SAVITA. At some point in the discussion, AVA was advised by SAVITA that she was going to be driving YOGINI and ANUGITEN to The Dalles. AVA indicated the plan developed was quite complicated and, with but a few deviations, was carried out as planned. This meeting occurred one or two days prior to the arson of DUROW's office. During the morning

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of the day DUROW's office was destroyed, AVALOS, ANURAG, and JAYANADA drove to Portland from the ranch in a van carrying furniture for the Portland apartment. On the way, AVALOS stated they stopped in Gresham, and she purchased two quart cans of "Wizzard" lighter fluid (the type to light barbecues) which was to be used in setting fire to DUROW's office in The Dalles. AVALOS believed that JAYANADA went into the store with her, but he was not present when she purchased the lighter fluid. During the day, AVALOS and ANURAG cleaned the apartment and arranged furniture. That evening, ANUGITEN and YOGINI arrived, and ANURAG left. ANUGITEN was experimenting with the candles to be used as part of a device to set off a fire in DUROW's office. AVALOS commented that ANUGITEN had cut out squares of cardboard with X's cut out in the middle through which the candles were placed. At one point during the evening, the lights went out in the apartment, and AVALOS recalls ANUGITEN commenting that it did not matter that the lights were out, and that it was good practice for him to experiment in the dark because it was those conditions he would be working in at DUROW's office. AVA recalls that ANUGITEN had a backpack, lighters, cardboard, candles, and a flashlight. Sometime prior to midnight, JAYANADA dropped AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI off at the Portland International Airport. At the airport, AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI attempted to locate the vehicle purchased by ANURAG in the airport parking lot. They did finally locate the vehicle but found it was in "ridiculous condition." AVALOS noted that the vehicle had a flat tire. AVALOS stated they had knowledge of a second car which had been purchased by ALLEN and used on another mission which was also parked at the airport (AVALOS stated the vehicle had been used by YOGINI to surveill Oregon Attorney General DAVE FROHNMEYER's residence. PUJA was said to have actually walked up to the house ~~and spoken to someone~~). The second vehicle (described by AVALOS as a brown Buick-type) had a broken headlamp or taillight which was repaired at the Chevron station at the airport. From the airport, AVALOS drove ANUGITEN and YOGINI to The Dalles. Upon arrival in The Dalles, they drove by DUROW's office and determined that it was all dark inside. AVALOS dropped ANUGITEN and YOGINI off a short distance from DUROW's and parked approximately two blocks down the street. AVALOS stated she waited approximately one hour after which ANUGITEN and YOGINI got back to the car. AVALOS then drove back to the Portland apartment. AVALOS stated YOGINI had injured her leg climbing through DUROW's window and complained of the injury. On the way back to Portland, YOGINI and ANUGITEN took off their clothes and put others on. AVALOS commented that their clothes smelled like lighter fluid, and while en route back to Portland (after just leaving The Dalles) on Interstate 84, they threw them out the window of the vehicle. They also threw out

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a lighter and a screwdriver. The clothes worn by YOGINI and ANUGITEN were dark in color (AVALOS was unaware of any hats worn by the pair.), and they were wearing gloves. During the trip back to Portland, there was little discussion in the vehicle about what was done. AVALOS commented that ANUGITEN is a very discreet, secretive person. JAYANADA was at the apartment when they arrived. There was comment made ~~that~~ they should call SAVITA and advise her of the status of their mission. This was to be done by making the call to SAVITA, letting it ring once, and then hanging up. It was understood that this would mean ~~that DUROW's office had been burned, and that~~ they were all right (This call was not made until AVALOS, ANUGITEN, YOGINI, and ALLEN were en route to San Francisco.) JAYANADA thought at the time that they were referring to another commune member by the name of SAVITA. It was obvious to AVALOS that JAYANADA was distrubed and incapable of helping in the plan. AVALOS stated that the original plan was to take the car back to the airport and leave it. Because they used a different car, the plan had changed. AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI then drove to a phone booth near the Rajneesh Hotel in Portland and called ALLEN (It was part of the plan that ALLEN would be waiting for a phone call from them.). When ALLEN came to the phone, AVALOS simply said "ALLEN, Hi.", and hung up. ALLEN then came out of the hotel and met AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI on 12th Avenue. From Portland, they drove to San Francisco where they stayed at the Colombus Inn in North Beach. AVALOS stated that they spent approximately two days at the inn. She advised that ANUGITEN registered in his real name, RICHARD KEVIN LANGFORD, and that she (AVALOS) registered as TINA something (She could not recall the last name.). AVALOS stated that two rooms were rented. ALLEN left San Francisco in the vehicle used in the DUROW arson the next day to go to Nevada where it was to be sold. AVALOS commented that she lived in San Francisco at one time and showed YOGINI around the city. ANUGITEN stayed in the room while they did this. AVALOS commented that she even met with her father for a couple of hours while in San Francisco. AVALOS advised that when they left San Francisco (ANUGITEN had purchased airline tickets, but AVA was unaware of how he purchased them.), they quite by accident ran into ALLEN at the San Francisco Airport who was also en route back to Oregon. They were all on the same flight, but AVA could not recall what airlines they flew. AVA recalls that their flight left San Francisco during the evening hours. Because of the weather conditions, the plane they were on had to fly into Seattle. In Seattle, a call was placed to SU or SAVITA, and arrangements were made for them to fly back to the ranch on a Rajneesh plane. They had to wait in Seattle approximately one

hour for the Rajneesh plane. SAVITA and SU picked up AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI at the ranch airport and drove them back to SHEELA's room. SHEELA was in Europe (by pre-arrangement) to avoid being suspect in DUROW's office fire. A meeting was held in SHEELA's room, and the details of what happened were discussed with SU and SAVITA. ANUGITEN told them that he and YOGINI had climbed through DUROW's window, spread DUROW's files out on the floor, and poured the lighter fluid (purchased by AVALOS in Gresham) over the files and over a computer terminal. They then put a couple of candles on the floor, lit them, and then left.

AVALOS stated DUROW was targeted because he was the "prime asshole" in Wasco County, and all of the plans for the building on the ranch were kept in his office. AVALOS stated it was a great place to hit since ~~they had filed to become a city, and~~ information which could negatively effect ~~that~~ *construction on the ranch* filing was contained within the office. In addition to these other aspects, DUROW was refusing to give the ranch a building permit involving RMC and was instrumental in causing the removal order of tents at the ranch.

AVALOS advised that she was knowledgeable and directly involved in an attempted burglary of "The Oregonian" newspaper building in Portland. The purpose of the intrusion into "The Oregonian" building was the destruction of "The Oregonian" files pertaining to Rajneeshpuram and the Rajneesh commune in general. AVALOS stated that in March or April of 1985, she was called into VIDYA's room in Jesus Grove and told by VIDYA that she had a job for her. AVALOS was told that JULIAN had come up with a way to destroy computer files. VIDYA told AVALOS that she wanted her to break into "The Oregonian" newspaper building in Portland and get to their computer room and destroy their files. AVALOS commented that LES ZAITZ was doing a series of articles on the Rajneesh commune at that time, and it was felt that by destroying the computer file, that the story could be prevented from being printed. It was indicated to AVALOS that the assignment could take a couple of months. AVALOS rented an apartment with ANURAG in Portland. AVALOS registered under the name STELLA LARSON, and ANURAG registered under the name GREG KLINE. The name of the apartments was St. Francis Apartments, and the Manager's name was LEONA. The address of the apartment was 526 N.E. 21st Street, Number 25, Portland, Oregon. Additionally, AVALOS was assigned to find out where BERNIE SMITH (Wasco County District Attorney) lived,

as well as other public officials, and gather intelligence information about them while staying at the apartment in Portland (AVALOS commented that photos were taken of SMITH's residence in The Dalles).

AVALOS needed false identification with which she could apply for work in Portland and went to VIDYA for advice. VIDYA told AVALOS to talk to JULIAN about the fake identification because he had done research and was knowledgeable in that area. AVALOS stated JULIAN had a library of books on how to kill, weapons (including converting semi-automatic to full automatic weapons), and other JAMES BOND-type stuff. AVALOS commented that the book obtained from JULIAN's library on fake identifications was not useful to her. AVALOS stated that her fake identification problems were solved one day in Portland at John's Landing. She stated that while at a pay phone, she put her hand down the found out that someone had forgotten their wallet. AVALOS stated the picture on the identification looked like her, and that the person's name was LORNA LYNN BUCKLES. It was AVALOS' recollection that BUCKLES had an address in Beaverton. Identification in the wallet included an Oregon driver's license, Social Security Card, library card, "Wildlife" membership card, and a picture of a "kid." AVALOS applied for employment at "The Oregonian" under that name, but there were no positions available at the time. AVALOS also applied for a position with Service Master under the name BUCKLES, hoping to be assigned a janitorial job cleaning "The Oregonian" building. AVALOS got the job and was assigned to clean medical offices in the Portland area. Her Supervisor's name was ADDIE. Due to her plan not working out as far as being at "The Oregonian" building, AVA contrived the idea to steal a cleaning cart from Service Master and use it to simulate being a cleaning person at "The Oregonian." AVALOS made arrangements for ANGUITEN to meet her outside the medical offices where she was working, and he would assist her in putting the cart in his car. AVALOS stated she took the cleaning cart outside, but ANGUITEN was not there. AVALOS struggled to put the cart into her car, after which ANUGITEN finally showed up.

AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI went to "The Oregonian" building and contacted security to find out what time the janitorial people came to work. AVA used the pretext of wanting to meet with a friend. The security person AVA was talking to pointed out that the janitorial supervisor was standing right behind her. AVA made contact with the janitorial supervisor, whose name was BRENDA, and determined the time at which the janitorial staff starts to clean "The Oregonian" building. It was determined that the time was 5:00 p.m.

The machine developed by JULIAN was named "Thumper" because when in operation it made a thumping sound. "Thumper" was to be used to destroy "The Oregonian's" computer files in bulk. It was supposed to generate an electric field that would fog the computer discs. "Thumper" was heavy and quite noisy, according to AVALOS. To overcome the noise, "Thumper" was put into a "ghetto Blaster." When AVALOS, ANUGITAN, and YOGINI went to "The Oregonian," their plan changed, and they decided not to take "Thumper" along. "Thumper" was too heavy. Their alternate plan was to enter ZAITZ's office and grab whatever they could from his desk. AVA and YOGINI entered "The Oregonian" building, went to the fourth floor, and were immediately met by BRENDA. BRENDA recognized AVALOS, even though she had a wig on with different color hair. AVALOS and YOGINI managed to confuse BRENDA enough to convince her that they were in the wrong building by mistake and actually wanted the building across the street (YOGINI spoke Spanish to confuse the situation even more.). In addition to other discrepancies in their presence at "The Oregonian," AVALOS and YOGINI were wearing Service Master uniforms which were of a different color than those used by the janitorial staff at "The Oregonian." AVALOS stated that she and YOGINI were able to get out of the building without any problem. The cart which was never used was taken with them and was later dismantled at the ranch by ANUGITEN. AVALOS stated that they were unable to locate "The Oregonian" computer room or ZAITZ's office, but that they terminated their efforts to destroy "The Oregonian" files on the Rajneesh. After returning to the ranch, ANUGITEN reported to SHEELA that AVALOS was not taking the assignments given to her seriously. It was commented that AVALOS was a failure because of this.

AVALOS stated to investigators that she had knowledge and involvement in an attempted murder plot of a woman by the name of HELEN BYRON. HELEN BYRON was an ex-commune member that had supposedly loaned SHEELA a large sum of money. SHEELA refused to pay the money back to BYRON, and BYRON filed a civil suit in Federal court. SHEELA fought the civil suit saying that the money was a gift and not a loan. Just prior to SHEELA leaving for the BYRON trial in Portland, AVALOS stopped by SHEELA's room to ask her some questions about unrelated matters. SHEELA started a conversation about BYRON and invited AVALOS to come along. AVALOS accepted the invitation and went to the ranch airport with SHEELA. Sometime during this

contact, SHEELA instructed AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI to follow BYRON at the trial and look for an opportunity to "do BYRON in." AVALOS clarified this comment for investigators even further by indicating the intent was to look for an opportunity to kill BYRON. AVALOS stated this is the first time there had ever been any instructions to kill someone. In the past, it was simply to make them sick. SHEELA instructed them to contact PUJA, and PUJA would give them what they needed to "do BYRON in." PUJA had been experimenting with high potency Potassium poisons and Adrenaline. PUJA gave YOGINI a kit (small zippered travel bag) containing small syringes, Haldol in eye-dropper bottles, and pills separated by dividers. PUJA described what these drugs were, how they were to be used, and what they were to be used for. She also discussed the effects of each of them with AVALOS, YOGINI, and ANUGITEN. AVALOS stated on May 21 and 22 (1985), during the BYRON trial, ANUBHAVO used his credit card to rent rooms at the Marriott Hotel for ANUGITEN and AVALOS. The reason for them staying at the Marriott Hotel is that BYRON was also staying there during the trial. At one point, AVALOS stated she was in the elevator with BYRON and even complimented BYRON on her shoes. Attempts were made to locate BYRON's room, but the hotel would not give out that information. YOGINI tried to obtain employment in the kitchen due to her background in nutrition. While in the kitchen area, she observed a security room containing security monitors. She observed ANUGITEN on one of the monitors, and one of the security personnel following him. ANUGITEN normally has long, red hair and a beard, but on this occasion (because he could easily be recognized), he used a wig to disguise himself. AVALOS, ANUGITEN, and YOGINI were extremely upset and paranoid about the elaborate security precautions present at the Marriott Hotel. AVALOS called VIDYA and told her that the situation at the hotel did not feel right. She pointed out to VIDYA that there was a great deal of security, and that ANUGITEN had become very serious. AVALOS stated that they finally calmed down, and the three of them checked out of the hotel and went to the Rajneesh Hotel for the remainder of the BYRON trial. By the time AVALOS, YOGINI, and ANUGITEN got back to the Rajneesh Hotel, BYRON had won the trial, and SHEELA was very depressed. AVALOS, YOGINI, and ANUGITEN returned to the Marriott Hotel once again to see if they kill BYRON. AVALOS used the term "bumping her off" to describe the intent of the trio in going back to the hotel. AVALOS and the others had dinner at a table next to BYRON and her party. AVALOS commented

that there was no opportunity to poison BYRON due to the number of people around her and those coming up to congratulate her on the trial. AVALOS stated even LES ZAITZ of "The Oregonian" was among those congratulating her. AVALOS commented that during the trial, the judge spoke harshly to Rajneesh attorney SWAMI SUBHAN. AVALOS and the others returned to the ranch with the feeling that the Rajneesh could never get a fair trial in Oregon. It seemed clear that drastic measures were needed in order to survive, and AVALOS and YOGINI expressed that to SHEELA in the hotel.

AVALOS advised that after everyone returned to the ranch, it was apparent that SHEELA had gotten very serious after the HELEN BYRON trial. She stated that a series of meetings were held, and the tenure of the meeting was that "This is it." SHEELA advised all of those present that morals did not work anymore, and anyone who had morals should not attend the meetings that she would be having. She told them that they had to drop any morality that they might have because of the situation which occurred. AVALOS advised that SHEELA was using rhetoric in the meetings, and that she would describe the meetings as very intense. She advised that not everyone in attendance at the meeting went along with SHEELA. She stated that PATIPADA was one who said that she could not kill people and was very upset at SHEELA's remarks. AVALOS advised that during one of these meetings, SHEELA again made the statement about having to chose between one enlightened master and one thousand unenlightened, then the master must be chosen. SHEELA indicated that if necessary, the one thousand people would have to be killed. AVALOS further advised that during these meetings SHEELA held up AVALOS, YOGINI, and ANUGITEN as examples of those who had been doing good work, people who were "strong."

AVALOS advised that those in attendance all agreed that they would be doing it on their own, and they would not be forced into doing anything. SHEELA informed them that BHAGWAN was not to know what was going on, and that if BHAGWAN were to ask them about anything that would occur, they would have to lie to BHAGWAN. She stated that in one of the meetings, SHEELA quoted BHAGWAN as saying that HITLER was a good person, and that it was necessary to get SHEELA's people strong to that point.

AVALOS advised that others in the meetings also disagreed with the way things were going, and this included KRISHNA DEVA PADMA, JAYANADA, and BODHI. AVALOS recalled that on one occasion when JAYANADA left the room, SHEELA made the statement that one day she would have to kill JAY. She stated that at that point, the group realized that SHEELA might kill them all if they disagreed with her.

AVALOS advised that this series of meetings were normally attended by SHEELA, SAVITA, PUJA, RIKTA, KRISHNA DEVA, SAGUN, JAYANADA, SHANTI BHADRA, VIDYA, SAMADHI, YOGINI, ANUGITEN, SU, ANUBHAVO, RAJAN, JULIAN, PADMA, and AVALOS. and possibly AVALOS advised that JAYANADA and BODHI were sent away and told to go to Europe. She advised that VIDYA, who is BODHI's girlfriend, became very upset at this and really started to deteriorate at that time and continued to deteriorate until her departure from the ranch in mid-September, 1985. AVALOS advised that KRISHNA DEVA also objected, but he could not be sent away so SHEELA kept him in line by embarrassing and humiliating him in the meetings. This also happened to PADMA, who was psychologically abused by SHEELA regularly.

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SHEELA advised the group that in order for the commune to survive, certain people would have to be killed. During subsequent meetings, the following individuals were targeted as those who would have to be done away with:

VIVEK
DEVARAJ
CHARLES TURNER
HASYA
JOHN
SU SHILA
DAVID FROHNMEYER
HELEN BYRON
HELEN BYRON's daughter, MAKIMA
LAXMI
LES ZAITZ

AVALOS recalled that at one time in the restaurant, SHEELA had actually written this list down on a napkin.

SHEELA advised at one meeting that she was appointing a group which would be used as the assassination team. She stated that she wanted this group to drop all other responsibilities and train someone to replace them in their normal duties. She wanted them to devote full time to the hit team and told them she would take care of them in whatever way they needed. She stated that she would provide money, airline tickets, and arrangements in the event they had to leave the country for any other center to take care of them. She told this group that they should always be ready to travel and always be packed and have their passports ready. AVALOS advised that this team

consisted of SHANTI BHADRA, AVALOS, YOGINI, ANUGITEN, and SU. AVALOS advised that during this period of time she was in some trouble because people felt that she was not serious enough and that she had failed on one or two occasions. She was told to get it together. During this time, SHEELA also admonished PUJA for having plans and poisoning materials that did not work. AVALOS advised that SHEELA was always playing one person against another to get them involved in the operations.

AVALOS advised that she had once been assigned to monitor a speech given by Oregon Attorney General DAVE FROHNMEYER, and she recalled that this was a speech to educators. She was assigned specifically to determine if he had any security with him when he travelled, and she stated that during this speech, she noted a number of persons around him but no one she could identify as a "bodyguard." After FROHNMEYER had completed his speech, AVALOS followed him and observed him to enter a blue van, possibly a Volkswagen. She noted the license number of the vehicle and made a written record of it. AVA knew of no serious plans to harm FROHNMEYER.

It was shortly after these meetings that SHEELA decided the group would have to obtain guns and obtain them under false identification for the assassinations they were planning. SHANTI BHADRA was very devoted to SHEELA, and SHANTI BHADRA would do anything that SHEELA wanted her to do. She stated also that SHANTI BHADRA was a very good shot with a handgun. AVALOS advised that SHEELA instructed SHANTI BHADRA to go with RIKTA and obtain the guns. AVALOS stated that RIKTA had recently gotten involved in the group, and her first involvement was putting something in food which was being provided to JOHN and HASYA.

AVALOS stated that RIKTA was selected for this assignment since she was originally from Texas, and they thought Texas would be a place to obtain guns. AVALOS advised that she later learned that RIKTA and SHANTI BHADRA travelled to Chicago with SHEELA and were used in Chicago to obtain information regarding SHEELA's brother, BIPPIN. AVALOS stated that BIPPIN owns a trucking company in Chicago, and she believed him to be involved with the Chicago mafia. AVALOS

advised that SHEELA was concerned that BIPPIN was going to draw her into some of his tax problems, and she used SHANTI BHADRA and RIKTA to go into BIPPIN's house when he was not home, and to go through some papers that he kept there. AVALOS advised that she was also aware that SHEELA went on to New York for a television show, and she believes that SHANTI BHADRA and RIKTA went to New York to obtain false identification. AVALOS provided, on October 7, 1985, a New York State Identification Card which displayed a photograph of SHANTI BHADRA, but it was in the name of CINDY M. LINDQUIST, 83 Barrow Street, Number 1K, New York, New York. At the time AVALOS provided the identification card, she stated she believed this was used in some way in the purchase of the handguns. She believed that after they obtained the false identification in New York, they travelled to Texas, possibly Amarillo, Texas, and were able to obtain five handguns which were referred to as "five easy pieces." She believed this would have been in early June of 1985. AVALOS advised that the guns were stored in an A-frame at Alan Watts when they first arrived at the ranch. AVALOS advised that she later heard that RIKTA had flown back to the ranch, but SHANTI BHADRA had taken the bus in order that the guns would not be detected.

AVALOS also advised that ANUGITEN had been given the assignment to make silencers for the guns, but to her knowledge he had failed. She stated that SHANTI BHADRA and ANUGITEN had actually test-fired through one of the silencers, but it did not work. SHEELA had informed the group not to shoot the guns at the ranch, but she was aware that they had actually done some target practice with the guns on the ranch (using the silencers). AVALOS stated they started attempting to find silencers through other sources, and that SU had given her, AVALOS, a catalog of a place to buy silencers in Idaho. AVALOS advised that she was not aware of any silencers which had been obtained for the handguns. She stated that she had observed the handguns which had been purchased, and she described them as all revolvers, one being small, one having a very long barrel, and three others being normal sized revolvers with wooden handles. AVALOS advised that she knew that SHANTI BHADRA and ANUGITEN had taken the revolvers out, and that SHANTI BHADRA had actually been the one who test-fired the revolvers because she was the best shot.

AVALOS advised that prior to the HELEN BYRON trial, ANUGITEN had been assigned by SHEELA or VIDYA to obtain materials to make bombs. She stated that ANUGITEN had

obtained and read books on bombs, and that he had made several trips, sometimes with AVALOS, to laboratories in the Portland area to get materials. She advised that she was also aware that YOGINI and ANUBHAVO had made a trip to California to obtain materials for this purpose. She stated they first went to San Francisco but had no luck finding a place there, so they went to Los Angeles. She stated she later heard that they had found a place in the dingy part of Los Angeles where they were able to buy everything that they had needed. She stated that this included all kinds of chemicals, and some that she could recall were Sulfuric Acid, Potassium Chloride, Arsenic, and Formaldehyde. She stated that they packed the car with these materials. She believed that the car was a rented vehicle, but she was not aware of where it had been rented.

She was aware that it had been rented by ANUBHAVO. AVALOS advised that she was told by VIDYA to go to Flight Craft in Portland and pick up the materials from the rental car. She stated that she flew with VEETRAG, who is a pilot, and met ANUBHAVO and YOGINI. She stated that they packed the plane almost full of materials and had to separate some of the materials because if they had been packed together, they would be very volatile. She stated that they flew the materials to the ranch first and placed them in the lab at the Chinese Laundry, but ANUGITEN did not like it there, so it was moved to Alan Watts (possibly F13 or F14). She stated that ANUGITEN had set up in one side of the A-frame at Alan Watts, and PUJA used the other side. AVALOS advised that she possessed a key to this A-frame, but she can never recall going into the A-frame after PUJA had taken one-half of it. She stated she was aware that PUJA had taken pills, syringes, containers, and other medical supplies to the A-frame at Alan Watts.

AVALOS advised that two of the places where she had actually gone to obtain some of these materials were Nurnberg and another place on Marine Drive near the Portland Airport. She described this location as a chemical supply house. She stated that PUJA had informed these people that she was from a medical laboratory, and that she had purchased some chemicals under assumed names.

AVALOS advised that to her knowledge, none of the bombing plans came to fruition because it was so dangerous and time consuming. She stated that she and SU had been assigned to look at the Wasco County Courthouse as a bomb target, but that she had informed them that it would be practically impossible. She stated that the bombs would cause very little damage in her opinion due to the construction of the building. AVALOS advised that the money for the bombing materials came from SAVITA. AVALOS stated SAVITA always had money and gave it to the people when they needed it for an assignment. She stated that some of the materials were also purchased through Edison Temple. AVALOS advised that JULIAN had been removed from the Edison Temple, and that GHAVANI had taken over as Coordinator of Edison Temple. She stated that any purchase orders signed by JULIAN and her (AVA) would probably be used for illegal activities, and any signed by GHAVANI and AVALOS would probably be for legitimate Edison Temple functions.

AVALOS advised investigators that she had personal knowledge and involvement in a conspiracy to murder a resident of The Dalles by the name of ED COMINI. AVALOS advised that COMINI owned a liquor store in The Dalles and was a City Councilman. COMINI was also an outspoken critic of the Rajneesh and a fundamentalist Christian. Sometime shortly after the HELEN BYRON trial in May of 1985, SHEELA discussed putting a bomb in COMINI's liquor store. AVALOS, YOGINI, and ANUGITEN were sent by SHEELA to COMINI's liquor store to take a look at it and determine the feasibility of setting a bomb at that location. AVALOS stated that this did not occur. COMINI was hospitalized at St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland for an ear operation. A decision was made (possibly by SAVITA, SHEELA, or VIDYA) to poison COMINI at the hospital by injecting the poison into his I.V. AVALOS stated that PUJA had been doing experiments with high-potency Potassium and Adrenaline, and she speculated that it is one of those substances which PUJA planned to inject into COMINI's I.V.

Sometime around the first week of June, 1985, PUJA, YOGINI, and AVALOS went to their safe house (the St. Francis Apartments in Portland) to prepare for the operation involving the poisoning of COMINI at St. Vincent's Hospital. AVALOS and ANURAG had previously travelled to Tacoma, Washington, and purchased a vehicle. AVALOS recalls the name of the car lot where the vehicle was purchased as being Allan's Motors. AVALOS described the vehicle purchased as being a green Maverick. The vehicle was purchased in the name of STELLA LARSON. Due to a complication in preparation of the registration for the vehicle, the dealer required AVALOS to make application for registration

to the Washington Department of Motor Vehicles. AVALOS telephoned the Washington Department of Motor Vehicles and had the registration sent to STELLA LARSON, in care of ANTHONY BURKHARDT at the Portland safe house location. AVALOS indicated that subsequent to the COMINI operation, this vehicle was used in a number of other secret operations. She also commented that the vehicle may still be parked at the Portland Airport in the Economy Section.

After obtaining the vehicle, AVALOS, YOGINI, and PUJA went to St. Vincent's Hospital with the intent of killing COMINI. After arriving at the hospital, PUJA went up to COMINI's room to administer the lethal injection of a substance into his I.V. AVALOS did not recall the exact floor that COMINI was on but stated that the eighth floor sticks out in her mind. AVALOS did not know what PUJA took up with her to COMINI's room, but assumes it was a syringe with the poison in it. AVALOS stated that PUJA discovered that COMINI did not have an I.V. and aborted her attempt of killing him. Due to this situation, AVALOS, YOGINI, and PUJA left the hospital and made no further attempts at killing COMINI. AVALOS commented that when they prepared to leave the hospital, they found the vehicle (the green Maverick) had a dead battery.

AVALOS advised investigators that she had personal knowledge and involvement in a conspiracy to murder VIVEK on or about June 12, 1985. AVALOS stated that SHEELA and VIVEK became enemies early on in the establishment of the Rajneesh commune in Poona, India. VIVEK is BHAGWAN's caretaker. According to AVALOS, SHEELA was jealous of VIVEK's closeness to BHAGWAN and the influence which she exerted over him. AVALOS stated that SHEELA convinced her followers that VIVEK was conspiring with DEVARAJ to kill BHAGWAN. During one meeting in which she was supporting this contention, she ~~played a tape~~ ^{read a transcript of a tape} (wiretap) that involved a conversation in which DEVARAJ was speaking to BHAGWAN about how he will put BHAGWAN to sleep through administering a series of lethal injections. During a subsequent meeting held by SHEELA at Jesus Grove (at approximately 11:00 a.m.), a decision was made by SHEELA to kill VIVEK, and a plan formulated to accomplish that killing. Persons in attendance at that meeting were SHEELA, PUJA, JULIAN, AVALOS, SHANTI BHADRA, SU, ANUGITAN, K.D., ANUBHAVO, SAVITA, VIDYA, YOGINI, JAYANADA, and PADIPATA. During the meeting, PUJA presented a plan in which a lethal injection would be given to VIVEK

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while she was sleeping. Also while VIVEK was sleeping, an anesthetic (Ether or Catomine) would be placed over her face to further immobilize her. The lethal injection would then be administered. PUJA told the group that Potassium and Adrenaline would stop VIVEK's heart, but she was unable to indicate what type of symptoms VIVEK would exhibit. PUJA did comment that Potassium would cause a great deal of pain and discomfort whereas Adrenaline would not. The plan was formulated to kill VIVEK that night in her room at Lao Tzu. To accomplish this assassination, it was necessary to rearrange the security guard schedule for Lao Tzu. VIDYA and SU rearranged that schedule so that persons assigned to kill VIVEK could get to Lao Tzu. AVALOS stated there were two guard posts manned by two security people in each. VIDYA assigned conspirators to those posts which AVALOS believes to have been PADIPATA, SAVITA, SHANTI BHADRA, and ANUBHAVO. AVALOS, JULIAN, and SU were assigned the task of killing VIVEK by SHEELA. AVALOS stated that sometime between 11:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. (on the same day the plan was formulated), it was decided to make an attempt on VIVEK's life. PUJA gave the Ether/Catomine to SU and a syringe containing the poison substance to AVALOS. JULIAN carried a Motorola handset to maintain communications with the guard posts. His assignment was to go along and keep his eyes open. A master key had been obtained from DOLMA (Coordinator of the Commune Construction Company/Chuangtzu) for Lao Tzu. According to AVALOS, DOLMA was probably unaware of the plot to kill VIVEK, and the request for the key was not unusual. AVALOS stated that she, SU, and JULIAN drove to Lao Tzu and walked up to the porch where the door to VIVEK's room was located. In a grove of trees just prior to reaching the porch, the Ether was poured into a rag which was contained in a rubber anesthesiologist's mask. AVALOS and SU then went to the door and attempted to open it with a key. According to AVALOS, the key did not work, and they could not get the door open. Because of this, they aborted their plan and returned to Jesus Grove. AVALOS commented that because they were exposed to the odor of the Ether/Catomine, both she and SU became ill. They contacted SHEELA at Jesus Grove, and SHEELA became angry at their failure to kill VIVEK. She questioned their dedication and added that if BHAGWAN was killed by DEVARAJ or VIVEK, it would be their fault.

AVALOS commented that there was a standing order from that time on that if VIVEK were to go to a restaurant or any other place where she would be consuming food or

beverage, an alert was to be given to PUJA so that she could respond and put something in her food.

The day following the attempt on VIVEK's life, a similar attempt was made on the life of DEVARAJ. AVALOS advised that she had personal knowledge and involvement in this attempt on DEVARAJ's life. AVALOS commented that the motivation for killing DEVARAJ was a carry-over from the same reasons VIVEK had been targeted. In addition to this, SHEELA expressed a fear that DEVARAJ would "sink the ship" (referring to the commune) with regard to a Federal Grand Jury convened by the Department of Immigration. SHEELA implicated DEVARAJ as being responsible for unaccounted drugs at Lao Tzu and widespread drug use at that location.

On or about June 12, 1985, DEVARAJ's coffee was contaminated with a substance while he was at Jesus Grove. DEVARAJ was at Jesus Grove being interviewed by a tribunal in preparation for his testimony at the grand jury. AVALOS commented that the contamination of DEVARAJ's coffee was not an isolated thing, but occurred whenever there was an opportunity. Within days of DEVARAJ drinking the coffee at Jesus Grove, he became obviously sick, and Doctor SHUNYO advised him that he needed to go to bed. DEVARAJ was then sent to Koran Grove and placed in isolation. SAGUN, one of the conspirators, was also sick at the time and was purposely put in a room next to DEVARAJ to monitor him for SHEELA. AVALOS explained that SHEELA had no one to take care of DEVARAJ due to PUJA being removed (for disciplinary reasons) as Head of RMC. AVALOS contacted DURGA (PUJA's replacement as Head of RMC) and advised her of DEVARAJ's attempt to kill BHAGWAN and SHEELA's plan for DEVARAJ. DURGA agreed to this since it was presented in a manner which allowed for the saving of BHAGWAN's life. It was from this point forward that DURGA began to have contact with SHEELA.

After this attempt

Subsequent to DEVARAJ being placed in Koran Grove, a meeting was held in the Conference Room of Jesus Grove. During that meeting, the details of the plan to kill DEVARAJ were formulated. The meeting was headed by SHEELA and attended by JULIAN, AVALOS, SHANTI BHADRA, ANUGITEN, K.D., ANUBHAVO, PUJA, SAVITA, VIDYA, JAYANADA, SAGUN, YOGINI, BODHI, and possibly HOMA, JAYAMALA, and RIKTA. It was stated this meeting was held late in the evening, after 11:00 .m. PUGA suggested using Ether (or Catomine) which would be placed over DEVARAJ's face to immobilize him after which he would be given a lethal in-

jection of concentrated Potassium or Adrenaline. SHEELA emphasized during the meeting the need to kill DEVARAJ, and that if it was not accomplished, she would have to leave the ranch. According to AVALOS, it was during the meeting that SAGUN appeared in her pajamas. She had come from Koran Grove and was extremely nervous and upset about her assignment (monitoring DEVARAJ). SHEELA assigned JULIAN, AVALOS, SHANTI BHADRA, ANUGITEN, K.D., and ANUBHAVO to go to Koran Grove and kill DEVARAJ. PUJA gave the Ether/Catomine to JULIAN and a syringe to AVALOS and a syringe to SHANTI BHADRA. AVALOS indicated they were a little more careful with the Ether/Catomine and poured it onto a rag which was contained in a plastic bag to prevent the fumes from effecting the person carrying it. Prior to the actual attempt on DEVARAJ's life, AVALOS and one or two others went to Koran Grove to check things out. AVALOS commented that they did not observe DEVARAJ and returned to Jesus Grove. Approximately one hour later, the persons assigned by SHEELA to kill DEVARAJ went to Koran Grove. Their expectation was that DEVARAJ would be sleeping. PUJA had indicated to them that she had removed the contents of Benedryl capsules which DEVARAJ was supposed to be getting and replaced the contents with a strong sedative. It was expected that DEVARAJ would be sedate when the attempt to kill him was made. ANUBHAVO stayed outside while the others entered Koran Grove. AVALOS indicated K.D. made a great deal of noise slamming doors and opening closets. AVALOS stated JULIAN opened DEVARAJ's door and looked in while the others waited out of sight in the hallway. The plan was for JULIAN to enter the room and place the rag containing Ether/Catomine over DEVARAJ's face to immobilize him. AVALOS and SHANTI BHADRA were then to enter the room and administer the lethal injections with the syringes they had provided by PUJA. DEVARAJ was awake, however, and JULIAN left the door. As a result of this unexpected circumstance (DEVARAJ being awake), the attempt to kill him was aborted. AVALOS stated that she and the others then left Koran Grove and returned to Jesus Grove. AVALOS commented that SHEELA was angry and disappointed with them for failing to kill DEVARAJ which was compounded by the fact they had failed to accomplish the killing of VIVEK the night prior. Once again SHEELA told these people that it would be their fault if BHAGWAN dies, and due to their failure, she would have to leave the ranch.

Towards the end of June, 1985, VIVEK was at Jesus Grove. AVALOS advised that she saw VIVEK in SHEELA's arms with SHEELA trying to comfort her. AVALOS stated that someone (believed to be PUJA) had put something into VIVEK's drink to make heart beat faster. SHEELA appeared to be very concerned and assisted in getting VIVEK back to Lao Tzu. Also, toward the end of June, 1985, DEVARAJ had occasion to be at the ranch pharmacy reviewing perscription records. While at the pharmacy, DEVARAJ was contacted by DURGA and RIKTA and invited to have coffee at the mall restaurant. AVALOS stated that either DURGA or RIKTA put something in DEVARAJ's coffee. AVALOS used this as an example of the continuing contamination of food and beverage of DEVARAJ. Due to this constant contamination of his food, DEVARAJ exhibited physical signs and irrational actions.

AVALOS advised that during the period of mid-June, 1985, the decision was made that although DEVARAJ and VIVEK would be poisoned, the guns which had been purchased would be used against CHARLES TURNER, the United States Attorney for the District of Oregon. The motive given for his assassination was that it was felt the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) grand jury would be slowed down considerably if something were to happen to TURNER. AVALOS advised that the test-firing of the weapons and the attempt to obtain a silencer was all in preparation of the assassination of TURNER.

AVALOS advised that in approximately mid-June, 1985, she was approached by SAMADHI, and SAMADHI informed her (AVALOS) that SHEELA wanted AVALOS to come to Portland with SAMADHI to get information on CHARLES TURNER. AVALOS advised that she was both surprised and hurt that SHEELA had not told her directly, and that she (AVALOS) went to SHEELA and asked her about this assignment. SHEELA informed AVALOS that SAMADHI knows the whole story, and that AVALOS should go with SAMADHI and handle the assignment. AVALOS advised that she felt like she was being "gotten rid of" and felt very mad that she had to go to Portland.

AVALOS advised that she did come to Portland with SAMADHI and determined that SAMADHI had done a considerable amount of background investigation. She stated that SAMADHI had found out that TURNER actually lived in Sherwood, Oregon, and that also when on a trip to Washington, D. C., she had obtained some information, including the college that TURNER had attended. She stated that SAMADHI had also obtained the

yearbook of that college and had obtained two pictures of TURNER from that yearbook. She recalled that one of these pictures showed two individuals, one standing and one seated. AVALOS advised that she and SAMADHI went to Sherwood, Oregon, and checked at the Voter Registration files and were able to find the name CHARLES TURNER. She stated that the Voter Registration rolls contained his route and box number, but that they had no idea where this might be located. She advised that they went to the post office, but they were unable to get the information from the post office as to exactly where the residence was located. She stated they also went to the Portland Public Library, but they were unable to find any information of value there. She stated that they then decided to drive around Sherwood and look at the different mailboxes in an attempt to find the address. She stated they spent all afternoon doing this and eventually did find three mailboxes, one which had the same box and route number as they had obtained for TURNER.

She stated they later went back and located the same three mailboxes and turned right, down a road, at the mailboxes. She stated that after they turned right at the mailboxes, they passed a red house, a green house, a blue house, and then the next house was a green housing belonging to TURNER. She stated that his residence was off the main road and down a small one lane road. AVALOS advised that if you passed TURNER's house, the road would lead to a large white house. She advised that they knew this was TURNER's residence because it had a sign with TURNER written on it in the front. She stated that they again went back to the TURNER residence at approximately midnight to conduct a surveillance and then returned to the Portland apartment where they were staying during this assignment. She stated that this was the 21st Avenue apartment. AVALOS advised that she had indicated to SAMADHI that she did not feel that anything would be accomplished in relation to the INS grand jury by killing TURNER, and that the investigation would continue. SAMADHI relayed to her that she felt the main purpose was to delay the INS investigation and the grand jury investigation.

AVALOS advised the following day after they had located TURNER's house, VIDYA arrived in Portland, and she was informed that they had found the TURNER residence. They

asked if VIDYA wished to see the residence, and she informed them she did. AVALOS and SAMADHI took VIDYA and showed her the house and discussed the planning of the assassination plot. AVALOS advised that YOGINI also arrived at the apartment on this particular day, and that she had come to Portland on a communal plane with HASYA. The purpose given for YOGINI flying with HASYA was to attempt to poison her en route to Portland. AVALOS stated that she was made aware that HASYA continued on to Los Angeles, and that YOGINI was unsuccessful in her attempt to poison HASYA.

AVALOS advised that AVALOS, SAMADHI, YOGINI, and VIDYA all went to the TURNER residence to come up with a plan to assassinate TURNER. She stated that the plan discussed most prevalently was a plan where they would pretend to have car trouble near TURNER's residence, and when he stopped his car to assist them, he would be shot. Another plan discussed involved the parking lot where he parked his vehicle when he came to work at the Federal Courthouse.

AVALOS advised that she later learned that the surveillance had been successful in locating the office where TURNER worked and also where he parked his vehicle. She also heard that it had been determined that he did not use the same door as the general public but used a side door.

AVALOS advised that the surveillance on TURNER was done primarily in two vehicles, a green Maverick and a white Toyota.

AVALOS advised that during the surveillance, she decided that she wanted to go back to the ranch, and that YOGINI stayed in Portland with SAMADHI. Later on, SHANTI BHADRA came to stay with SAMADHI, and YOGINI was relieved. AVALOS advised that she did not know if SHANTI BHADRA had any weapons when she was surveilling TURNER. AVALOS advised that she was under the impression that SHANTI BHADRA stayed in Portland until it was time to return to the ranch for the festival. She stated that SAMADHI indicated that she had wanted to stay in Portland to continue to work on CHARLES TURNER, but that she was told to return to

the ranch for the festival.

AVALOS provided information to investigators concerning an attempt to DEVARAJ's life at the festival held at Rajneeshpuram during the first week of July, 1985. AVALOS stated she was assigned by SHEELA to help register the expected 10,000 guests at the ranch for the festival. Three days into the festival, SAVITA asked AVALOS if she would like to learn about the corporate structure of the Rajneesh commune. SAVITA took AVALOS aside and began to teach her the intricacies of corporate organization. AVALOS was previously working for PROBHODI (the commune Treasurer), and to work directly for SAVITA was somewhat of a promotion for AVALOS. Just prior to the festival, VIDYA began to "go down the tubes" emotionally due to her boyfriend, BOHDI, being sent to Europe by SHEELA. VIDYA was also concerned about immigration problems because she held an Irish and German passport (Additional information indicates she also holds a South African passport.). VIDYA's job was to straighten people out who were having adjustment problems to the standards and rules of the commune. AVALOS commented that VIDYA (during this time period) was a nervous wreck and was in much more need herself. SHEELA told VIDYA she was only upset because she thought they (SHEELA and her group) were going to kill BOHDI. SHEELA told VIDYA to get rid of that relationship and forget it. SHEELA commented to PROBHODI that she was the same way and put her man (SIDDDHA, a psychiatrist working for PUJA at RMC) on a pedestal (It should be noted that after the festival, PROBHODI and SIDDDHA stole a car from the ranch and drove to the Seattle Airport where they abandoned it. They then sent the keys to that vehicle and letters of resignation to the commune.).

Just prior to the festival, SAMADHI asked AVALOS what she thought of the idea of injecting DEVARAJ with something during the festival. AVALOS stated she told SAMADHI that she thought it was a stupid idea, and that nothing should be done to spoil the festival. SAMADHI told SHEELA of this idea, and according to AVALOS, SHEELA felt that it was a great idea to kill DEVARAJ during the festival. SHEELA called a meeting to discuss the plan. The following persons were in attendance at that meeting:

* JAYANADA *Jayanada*
DOLMA
PADMA
AVALOS
SAMADHI
JULIAN

SHANTI BHADRA
 PUJA
 SAVITA
 VIDYA
 SU
 SAGUN
 possibly K.D.

Yogini
Piktu
Homa
Durga

Anubhavo

and possibly Rajan

* When the idea to kill DEVARAJ during the festival, was presented by SHEELA at the meeting, JAYANADA, DOLMA, PADMA, and AVALOS threw a fit at the idea of doing something during the festival. These objections were overruled by SHEELA, and those persons were told to "shut up." The remaining persons at the meeting then assembled around SHEELA, essentially turning their backs on those objecting to killing DEVARAJ at the festival. The detailed plans to kill DEVARAJ included having SHANTI BHADRA inject him with a highly concentrated amount of Adrenaline using a syringe. AVALOS commented that it was PUJA's decision to use the Adrenaline injection because it causes heart failure. AVALOS commented that she did not remember PUJA at the meeting, but adds that she was there in the background somewhere. In addition to SHANTI BHADRA injecting DEVARAJ, SAMADHI, JULIAN, and YOGINI were also to be around in case needed. The plan was to inject DEVARAJ towards the end of Satsang.

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* Satsang occurred on July 6, 1985. DEVARAJ originally was seated in the musicians' stand and gave his reading at Satsang from that location. After completing his reading, he was asked by AVALOS to leave the musicians' stand because there was not enough room for her to waive her arms and jump around. DEVARAJ moved to the left of the musicians' stand (facing BHAGWAN). AVALOS was aware that the injection of DEVARAJ was to occur, but she did not know exactly when and attempted to maintain visual contact of him out of the corner of her eye. She observed DEVARAJ jump up, but it was unknown if this was when he was injected. Shortly thereafter, someone told AVALOS that DEVARAJ was sick and was outside on the lawn. AVALOS went outside and observed DEVARAJ rolling around on the lawn with his eyes looking as though they were coming out of his head. AVALOS stated that arrangements had been made for the ambulance to arrive late. The ambulance did finally arrive and took DEVARAJ to Pythagoras Clinic. PUJA was at the clinic, and according to what AVALOS was told by Doctor SHUNYO, she (PUJA) was interfering with attempts to aid DEVARAJ. AVALOS also was at Pythagoras and

conducting the musicians

observed that Doctor SHUNYO was debating whether to send DEVARAJ to St. Charles Hospital. AVALOS recommended to SHUNYO that if there was any doubt, DEVARAJ should be sent immediately to St. Charles. Doctor SHUNYO agreed, and AVALOS contacted SU to make the flight arrangements. AVALOS does not recall if the flight was delayed by SU because she was busy trying to help DEVARAJ. AVALOS, DURGA, Doctor INDIVAR, GATHA, and the pilot, SWAMI HASYA, were on the plane with DEVARAJ en route to St. Charles. Prior to leaving the ranch, AVALOS was told by HARADASI that DEVARAJ had said to her that he was injected. While en route on the plane to St. Charles, AVALOS told DEVARAJ that she had been told by HARADASI that he had said he was injected. DEVARAJ told AVALOS not to worry about it, and that he would be taking care of it himself.

The day after DEVARAJ's injection, SHANTI BHADRA told AVALOS that when she injected DEVARAJ, he grabbed her hand with the syringe in it and said "Oh, so this is what it's come to has it?" SHANTI BHADRA then told AVALOS that she threw the syringe down, and it is believed that either SAGUN or JULIAN picked it up and disposed of it. AVALOS stated that everyone (that had attended the meeting) knew that SHANTI BHADRA had injected DEVARAJ. Sometime after DEVARAJ was taken to St. Charles, a safety pin was found in a piece of clothing that had been taken off of DEVARAJ at RMC (the type of pin used to check articles of clothing at Rajneesh Mandir - commonly called a "check-tag"). It was decided by SHEELA that this could be used to prove that DEVARAJ was crazy about the attempted murder. DURGA was to find the safety pin and DURGA was supposed to tell DEVAGEET. DEVAGEET was an uninvolved person, and it would sound more credible with her presenting the finding of the safety pin. The safety pin was supposed to account for the injection would on DEVARAJ's body. According to AVALOS, SU became over anxious and told GATHA first, jeopardizing the plan. However, as a result of the safety pin becoming common knowledge, it left members of the commune with the impression that DEVARAJ had simply imagined himself being injected. AVALOS advised that DEVARAJ also sent a message to BHAGWAN, and that BHAGWAN had asked SHEELA what SHANTI BHADRA had done to DEVARAJ. AVALOS did not comment on what SHEELA's reply was to BHAGWAN, but it is believed the safety pin was used as an explanation.

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Shortly after DEVARAJ's injection, PUJA asked AVALOS to help her move all of the drugs that she had stored in her room. In addition to the drugs, there were books on poison, pill crushers, syringes, and other medically-oriented equipment. PUJA wanted these articles moved to an A-frame in Alan Watts. AVALOS stated that PADMA was with PUJA at the time. PUJA and AVALOS had an argument in PUJA's room, and DOLMA (who was passing by at the time) tried to "smooth the waters." AVALOS stated she became very upset and left the room crying. PUJA, with the assistance of PADMA, loaded her car with the articles from her room and took them to the A-frame in Alan Watts.

AVALOS stated that sometime around August, 1985, SHEELA was under investigation for some tax violations by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). She had retained Chicago attorney MARVIN KAMINSKY to represent her. KAMINSKY flew to the ranch to examine SHEELA's papers. SHEELA feared that KAMINSKY would find out that she committed bigamy by marrying SWAMI DHYAN DIPO (alias URS BIRNSTIEL) and JAYANADA. SHEELA was married to JAYANADA when she traveled to Mexico City with DIPO and married him. This occurred in December of 1984, and involved SHEELA, DIPO, YOGINI, and ANUGITAN going to Mexico City. Sometime after May 17, 1985 (when SHEELA returned from a trip to Australia), she returned to Mexico City accompanied by VIDYA, YOGINI, and ANUGITAN. They flew to San Diego and then drove across the border because VIDYA would have had trouble with her passport. They simply claimed that she was an American at the border, and they entered the country. They flew from Tijuana to Mexico City to look for a judge to backdate a divorce from JAYANADA so that the marriage to DIPO would be legal. According to AVALOS, the attempt to obtain a backdated divorce was unsuccessful. AVALOS commented that SHEELA made a second attempt at obtaining a pre-dated divorce from JAYANADA by traveling to Nepal with SU. AVALOS believed that this time SHEELA did obtain the pre-dated divorce, and that it will become final soon.

AVALOS advised that she could provide information regarding another incident which involved a person she believed to be KAREN BLACK, but who turned out to be KAREN GREEN. It had been determined that KAREN GREEN is an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Oregon. AVALOS advised that this would have been approximately the same time frame as the HELEN BYRON trial, and there was a lot of activity going on in Portland at Hotel Rajneesh. She stated that she knew that on one occasion

SU, DOLMA, and PADMA went to the trial which involved the commune and the State of Oregon and was referred to as the "Electric Trial." She stated that later on she heard that the trial was cancelled because one of the attorneys went into a seizure, and when the symptoms were described to her, she recognized them as being symptoms of having had Haldol introduced into the body. AVALOS advised that she believes that PADMA or SU had actually given GREEN the Haldol. She stated that later on everyone knew that GREEN had been given Haldol, and that PADMA and DOLMA were very scared.

AVALOS advised that another incident she could recall involved her bringing someone into the United States illégally from Canada. She remembers being called into SHEELA's room and everyone was looking at maps. She advised that she recalls SHEELA, VIDYA, SU, and CLIFF were in the room. AVALOS stated that when she entered, she recalled SHEELA saying "How about AVA?" AVALOS indicated that she said "Sure," and they informed her they wanted her to go to Canada. She was told to fly to Vancouver and pick up KEERTI and then she was to fly from Vancouver to Castlegard and then drive to an airport in Trail. She stated that at Castlegard she rented a car and took KEERTI to an airport approximately 45 minutes out of Castlegard. She stated that she waited a long time for the ranch plane to arrive, and when it did arrive, VIDYA, PUJA, and possibly SAGUN and CLIFF were in the plane. She stated that KEERTI left in the plane, and she (AVA) went back to Castlegard, returned to Vancouver, and finally returned to Oregon. She stated that KEERTI changed his name to SURAJO while he was at the ranch, and she believes that he has since returned to India. She stated that she only knew that KEERTI had been a sweeper in Poona, India, and she did not know why they were bringing him to Oregon. She stated she also knew that he had been in Medina, England, prior to coming to Vancouver.

AVALOS advised that she would now provide all information she had regarding illegal wiretapping which had occurred at Rajneeshpuram. She stated that she had first become aware that recordings were being made when the HAYSA-DEVARAJ tape was played for her by SHEELA. She was next made aware of it when the Felton WALKER tape was played. She stated that sometime during the Share-A-Home Program, which occurred in September, 1984, ANUBHAVO had come to her and told her that

he could use her help in Socrates. AVALOS stated Socrates was the building where telephone equipment was operated at that time. She stated she was aware that a special room existed in Socrates, and that a listening post was involved in this room. She stated that she knew during this time period that JULIAN, ANUBHAVO, and SAMADHI were involved in listening at Socrates, but she is not sure how she received that information. She stated that during this particular time period of Share-A-Home, she was too busy to actually help out in Socrates.

AVALOS advised that later, sometime around the arson in The Dalles, she was again told by ANUBHAVO that she was being put on a schedule to listen to the phones. She stated that she began to monitor the phones at Socrates, and at that time, there were three tables in the room which contained six recorders each. She stated there was one recorder for each pay phone, and that at that particular time the person in the room started a tape whenever a light came on indicating that a phone was in service. She stated that the operator was instructed that if she heard anything threatening or that sounded funny, she should beep SU, and SU would send someone to the phone booth to take a picture of the caller. She advised that SU was helping with the security detail at that particular time. She stated that she worked a schedule in Socrates, and as the time passed, the equipment became more sophisticated. She stated that towards the end, there were three cabinets with 12 recorders each in the room, and they were all voice-activated. She stated that during this time period that everyone who worked at Socrates knew that if word was received that the phone company was coming to the ranch, that RAJENDRA, RAJESH, or MICHEL should be called immediately.

AVALOS advised that she was also aware that the residence of JOHN and HASYA had been bugged in addition to the bugging which had been placed at Lao Tzu. AVALOS stated that the listening post from Lao Tzu to Jesus Grove was at KRISHNA DEVA's room in the beginning, but that after the festival, this had been moved to another listening room at Jesus Grove. AVALOS advised that the only time she had ever listened to the live recordings from Lao Tzu was the last night SAVITA was at the ranch when SAVITA went in to tell BHAGWAN that she and group would be leaving.

AVALOS advised that she was aware also that LAXMI had been drugged when she came to the festival in 1985. She stated that LAXMI had brought a black woman named DASSANO to the ranch with her, and that they had recorded the conversations

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 that DASSANO had with LAXMI. AVALOS stated that RAJESH would bring her (AVALOS) transcripts of tapes, and these would show that DASSANO was asking numerous questions of LAXMI about the ranch. She stated that some people thought that DASSANO would be an informant for the government. AVALOS further advised that she and RAJESH also went into LAXMI's room when she was not present and obtained information about DASSANO and looked at LAXMI's passport.

and Samadhi
 AVALOS advised that she had also been made aware that the hotel was wiretapped, and that JULIAN had, in fact, given her a list of rooms that had been bugged. She recalled that 15 to 20 rooms were on this list, and she recalls that when MARVIN KAMINSKY came to the ranch, SAVITA had told them to put him in one of JULIAN's rooms. She stated that when people talked about listening to the wiretapping tapes, they referred to them as "listening to music."

She also advised that there were instances where JULIAN provided surreptitious recorders for recording of individuals at meetings and other occasions. She advised that she had observed recorders placed in purses and had actually taken a recorder to one meeting and recorded the speaker.

AVALOS advised that very few people knew that BHAGWAN's room had been bugged until approximately the time of the festival, 1985. She stated that SHEELA then informed the group that she was so concerned about BHAGWAN's security that she had been forced to bug his room to take care of him.

AVALOS advised that JULIAN had been in charge of almost all of the wiretapping equipment, and that she was aware that he had obtained at least part of this equipment through Europe. She stated that she found DIPO was in Europe and had the same position in the European commune as SAVITA held at Rajneeshpuram. She stated that DIPO and JULIAN spent lots of time together, and that she knew that DIPO sent lots of equipment to JULIAN which included small cameras, small tape recorders, and other equipment. She was also aware that DIPO brought packages from Europe to JULIAN at the ranch.

AVALOS advised that she would have been made aware that Mohamed (the residence of JOHN and HASYA) had been bugged because when they (JOHN and HASYA) tried to move from Alan Watts to Mohamed, SU made them wait. She was able to accomplish this because of her position with the Rajneesh Investment Corporation. She stated that she heard later that JULIAN did, in fact, obtain

the floor plans for the trailer, and that JULIAN and ANUGITEN bugged the residence where JOHN and HASYA would be living. SHEELA asked AVALOS later if JULIAN had actually done Mohamed (referring to the bugging operation), and AVALOS stated that she had actually heard reports from JOHN and HASYA's conversations.

AVALOS advised that the following individuals were involved in the matter indicated:

1. Persons to whom monitors were to report any valuable information:

SHEELA
VIDYA
SAVITA
SU

2. Monitors at Socrates:

PUJA
KOMALA
SANDEHA
YOGINI
JAGRUTI
KRANTO
GEETA
LOLITA
SAGUN
ANUGITAN
RIKTA
PATIPADA
PADMA
KAVIDO
J. K. (JIVAN KAVYA)
RAJAN
ANUBHAVO
JULIAN
UPCHARA

3. Persons who had knowledge of illegal wiretapping:

HOMA
DOLMA

ISABEL (?)
 PRABODHI
 SHANTI BHADRA

4. Persons who monitored the wiretap of Lao Tzu:

ANUBHAVO
 JULIAN
 RAJAN
 K. D.
 SAMADHI
 SHANTI BHADRA
 PUJA
 KUTEER (1)
 DIPO

5. Installers and technical persons at Socrates:

JULIAN
 RAJESH
 MICHEL
 RAJENDRA

AVALOS prepared a calendar from memory of approximate dates and events to assist investigators in understanding the chronological order of information provided by her. The approximate dates and events provided are as follows:

- End of January, 1985: AVA found out about Socrates.
- Mid January, 1985: Arson of the Planning Office at The Dalles, Oregon.
- March-April, 1985: "The Oregonian" attempt. SHEELA to Australia.
- May 17, 1985: SHEELA from Australia.
- May 28, 29, 30, 1985: Intense meetings.
- June 1, 1985: Federal Grand Jury. Craziess begins.
- June 12, 1985: DEVARAJ made sick.
- June 19, 1985: First find TURNER's residence.
- June 21, 1985: YOGINI arrives in Portland. AVA returns to ranch.
- June 21, 22, 23, 1985: YOGINI with SAMADHI in Portland.
- June 21, 24, 25, 1985: SHANTI BHADRA with SAMADHI in Portland.

June 27, 1985: VIVEK sick with coffee.

August 28, 29, 1985: SHEELA to Nepal.

September 11, 1985: SHEELA returns.

September 12, 1985: SHEELA letter to BHAGWAN.

September 13, 1985: SHEELA began packing.

September 14, 1985: SAVITA goes to BHAGWAN. AVA listens with SAMADHI, YOGINI, K.D., and SAGUN to conversation

AVALOS advised the investigators that she had knowledge of fraud involved in the November, 1984, elections held in Wasco County. AVALOS recalled that just prior to September of 1984, SHEELA had asked her how she thought that they (the commune) could win the election. Shortly thereafter, the Share-A-Home Program was introduced at the commune. AVALOS indicated it was common knowledge among the people in SHEELA's inner-circle that the purpose of bringing the street people to the ranch was to register them to vote. AVALOS also commented that the Salmonella poisoning in The Dalles was simply an experiment through which SHEELA and her associates could assess whether or not they could incapacitate the voting population in The Dalles at the time of voting. AVALOS also recalled that SHEELA had SAMADHI and JAGRUTI living in The Dalles and infiltrating that community. AVALOS stated that they were dressed in "street clothes" and involved in some operation for the ranch. AVALOS commented that SAMADHI was SHEELA's "detective."

~~AVALOS commented that as for winning the election (on behalf of the commune), JAGRUTI, also known as BONNIE BARLOW, was a candidate for public office in The Dalles.~~ AVALOS recalls reading about an incident involving BONNIE BARLOW and allegations that she was a member of the commune. AVALOS stated she put tow and tow together and came to the realization that BARLOW was actually JAGRUTI. AVALOS stated that SAMADHI terminated her association with JAGRUTI in The Dalles, and her part in the operation, because of a disagreement with JAGRUTI. AVALOS commented that JAGRUTI was very difficult to get along with. AVALOS was aware that SAMADHI and JAGRUTI had a great deal of past involvement in secret operations away from the ranch. *terminated*

AVALOS also recalled some mention of a candidate for the County Commission by the name of MARY CRAWFORD. AVALOS stated that CRAWFORD was a Rajneesh sympathizer, and at the time she was submitting her petition for her name to be placed on the ballot, it was found that she did not have enough signatures. AVALOS stated that a number of commune members circulated CRAWFORD's petitions and obtained signatures for her. AVALOS had no additional information concerning that election.

As a matter of information, AVALOS advised the investigators that in mid-April to mid-May, 1985, SHEELA, YOGINI, RAJAN, SAVITA, and PADMA went to Australia. The purpose of the trip to Australia was to look into an invention that had been developed at the commune there. A Sannyassin by the name of SWAMI JAYDEN (JAY HARMAN) had developed technology to make neon lights more energy efficient. It was said that the technology would require one-tenth of the energy needed normally to illuminate the neon lights. According to AVALOS, there was a great deal of interest in this development, and a patent had been taken out and investors committed themselves to the development of this technology. A corporation was formed named Energy Research Group which was a multi-million dollar proposition. It was anticipated that this technological development could raise millions of dollars for the commune. SHEELA had found out about the development and had gone to Australia to take charge of it. SWAMI JAYDEN was the boyfriend of SUSHILA. SUSHILA and SHEELA have had problems in the past, and SUSHILA had left the ranch due to them. SHEELA tried to take over the product administration, and one of her first acts was to oust SUSHILA and turn JAYDEN against her. AVALOS stated there was a great deal of media coverage, and SHEELA (in much the same way as she did in Wasco County) offended the local Australians. AVALOS stated that the Sannyassins "freaked out," and investors were extremely hesitant about continuing to invest in the project. It was SHEELA's intention to take over the entire operation and company. AVALOS stated a power struggle occurred between SHEELA and other people in Australia. At that point, people started to get poisoned and wiretapping occurred much the same as it had at Rajneeshpuram. One of the persons poisoned in Australia, an accountant by the name of SVARGA, has since relocated to Rajneeshpuram. AVALOS indicated that PADMA could relate the details of what occurred in Australia much better

coordinators to her room to tell them she was leaving and informed them that she had been thinking about it for one and one-half years. AVALOS stated that ANUBHAVO made arrangements for airline tickets for the group that wished to leave. AVALOS asked on more than one occasion where the finances would come from for the travel and to set up a business in a foreign country, and she now speculates that funds had been embezzled from the ranch. She stated that SAVITA had held a very responsible financial position at the ranch and would know about any such embezzlement.

AVALOS advised that SHEELA left on the ranch plane with PUJA, RAJAN, and VIDYA, and there was a group at the airport to see them off. AVALOS stated that she later learned that this group had flown to Zurich. She stated that on the same night, at approximately midnight, SHANTI BHADRA left with her daughter and drove to Portland where they then flew to Zurich. She stated that SAVITA then called a meeting the next morning of everyone else who was scheduled to leave and told them to pack. AVALOS stated that during this time period, they were destroying anything they considered to be of evidentiary value, and that she (AVALOS) had gotten rid of papers relating to transcripts of LAXMI's room, pictures of LAXMI's material, the identification in the name of LORNA LYNN BUCKLES, all papers relating to the apartments in Portland, small cameras, the catalog regarding silencers from Idaho, the notes made by Rikta on obtaining false identification, keys to the apartments, and cars. She stated that all of this was in a locked closet at Nagarjuna. AVALOS advised that most of the material she had torn up and stuffed in different trash cans at the ranch. She stated that she was very paranoid and thought sure that all of the materials would be found. She stated that she then returned to her residence, and DURGA was there with lots of pills and wanted to know what to do with them. AVALOS stated that she told her to flush the pills, and then she saw that ANUGITAN had a number of books. She stated that she later found out ANUGITAN had put these books in the Weapons Room at Jesus Grove.

AVALOS stated that she had also had RAJESH beeped and asked RAJESH if he would get rid of the transcripts from LAXMI's room by destroying them. She stated that RAJESH had refused and stated that he would not participate in anything further. She stated that she believed at about six o'clock,

three vans of individuals departed, and they drove to Mirdad where they had to wait for JULIAN. She stated that while they were waiting for JULIAN, she heard a conversation as to what had happened to the "five easy pieces" (the handguns purchased in Texas), and she heard that the weapons had been tossed into the middle of a lake, believed to be Patenjali. She stated that they then drove to Portland and spent the night at the Flamingo Hotel in Portland. AVALOS advised that she was extremely upset and distraught during this time and almost felt like she was having a nervous breakdown. She stated that she was finally given a sleeping pill to go to sleep, and that when she awakened the next morning, she decided that she would not go with the rest of the group. She stated that YOGINI had told her that a telephone call had been received from SHEELA, and SHEELA indicated that she wanted the group to come, and that they would purchase a disco in Freiburg. She stated that KRISHNA DEVA and SAGUN had gone straight to the airport and flown to California so AVA did not remember seeing them at the Flamingo Hotel. AVALOS advised that when she awoke the next morning, she decided that it was not a good idea, and she did not like the idea that SHEELA was making decisions for the entire group, and that was part of the reason for her deciding not to go. AVALOS advised that she had made the contacts to return to the ranch, and she was aware that the remainder of the group had eventually arrived in Europe.

AVALOS advised that she had seen a film from Germany, and that the following people were present with SHEELA in the film:

SAVITA
SHANTI BHADRA
SU and her children
SAMIR
YOGINI
RIKTA
ANUGITEN
DURGA and her kids
HOMA
VIDYA
SAMADHI
PUJA
DIPO

She stated that in addition to those she had observed on the tape, she had also heard that JULIAN, BHAGWATI, and BODHI had joined SHEELA in Europe.

AVA indicated there was a second group which went to Seattle to renew their passports. That group included YOGINI, SAMIR (SU's boyfriend), SU's two children, DURGA, DURGA's child, RIKTA, SAMADHI, BIPPIN (SHEELA's brother), PRATEESHA (SHEELA's sister), NIPU (PRATEESHA's child), and ANUBHAVO. According to AVALOS, ANUBHAVO was paying for all of the hotels, flights, and everything else required by those leaving with SHEELA and travelling to Europe.

At sometime during the exodus of the people names above, AVALOS had a telephone conversation with SHANTI BHADRA in which she (AVALOS) told SHANTI BHADRA that she wanted to go back to the ranch. SHANTI BHADRA then told AVALOS that she should go back to the ranch. AVALOS was appreciative of the support that SHANTI BHADRA gave her at that point. AVALOS called (or attempted to call) ANURAHDA at the ranch. AVALOS recalls talking to GEETA and expressing to her that she wanted to come back to the ranch. GEETA advised that it was all right and instructed AVALOS to drive the van to the Portland hotel. AVALOS then returned to the ranch and contacted her father in San Diego.