

1 SEBASTIAN: On the evening of the 4th, around approximately
2 9:30 maybe, I got a text message saying that all SWAT
3 members are to muster at the Framingham Police Department
4 at approximately 11:00. Um, we got there. I got all my
5 gear together and it took a little while for the Deputy
6 Davis and Sergeant Stuart, Lieutenant Downing, to come
7 downstairs and tell us what our mission was going to be for
8 the night. I think it happened around quarter of 11 -- I'm
9 sorry, quarter of 12, 12:00, and my job that night was to
10 drive the SWAT vehicle from the station to Fountain Street
11 and my orders were to stop approximately 30 yards before
12 the target house, turn my lights off when I got on to
13 Fountain Street and park right next to the gas station
14 [inaudible]. At that time, um, my job was to be assigned
15 with Officer Duncan and Sergeant Stuart. Officer Duncan's
16 responsibility was to reach the door -- do you want me to -
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18 FOSTER: Yeah, we're going to give you -- you got a picture of
19 the house there? Oh, we don't have all those?

20 Q2; Yeah, we do.

21 FOSTER: I think we've got everything. What do you need first?

22 SEBASTIAN: Just to show you how I walked into the house.

1 FOSTER: All right. Do you have the front door? All right.

2 Just a second. We're going to be needing more of those

3 probably. You want the outside?

4 SEBASTIAN: No, I can do just the door going in so I can tell

5 you.

6 FOSTER: [Inaudible; overlapping dialogue] feel better if I

7 gave you the outside of the house, if that's all right, OK?

8 And you can just explain. You've got a pen there.

9 SEBASTIAN: I don't think we had any other doors.

10 FOSTER: We need to get more stuff. Is that good enough for

11 your purposes right now?

12 SEBASTIAN: Yeah. All right, as they approached the house,

13 there was a black female exiting. I don't know who she

14 was. She was in crawl position right here.

15 FOSTER: What do you mean crawl? She had already been secured

16 by?

17 SEBASTIAN: I'm not sure if she was secured or not. She was

18 right here laying down and this window was breached and I

19 know that from obviously the pre-briefing of the

20 lieutenant. So I went in through the door and there was a

21 door right here.

22 FOSTER: So you made entry?

23 SEBASTIAN: Mm-hmm.

1 FOSTER: All right. Can you just tell me like were you one of
2 the first ones or --?

3 SEBASTIAN: No I wasn't. I was -- I think I was the last
4 one, but so Officer Duncan was to breach the door inside.
5 So if you have a picture of the hallway.

6 Q2: We don't. I don't think so.

7 FOSTER: Yup. I don't know if we have one on that.

8 SEBASTIAN: So this -- right to the right of this door --

9 FOSTER: There's a room. I know that there's like a stairway
10 and then the rooms, OK.

11 SEBASTIAN: That door Officer Duncan breached. After he
12 breached it, he went through.

13 FOSTER: I'm sorry. When you say breached -- the front door or
14 the door to the bedroom?

15 SEBASTIAN: The door of the bedroom. See this room right
16 here?

17 FOSTER: Yeah, OK there was a door that he -- OK. All right.

18 SEBASTIAN: So the door was breached. Officer Duncan and
19 Sergeant Stuart went in. I followed. Um, there was nobody
20 in there. The room kind of led around and I saw like a
21 black blanket that was shaped up on the ceiling or I don't
22 know how it was secured and that's where Officer Duncan and
23 Sergeant Stuart were. At that time I came back around

1 through the door and up the hallway into the kitchen right
2 here. To my left was Lieutenant Downing and --

3 FOSTER: Can we just stop for one second there. Before when
4 you, um, when you were the last one in, so were you
5 actually in the truck when everybody started going in?

6 SEBASTIAN: To get out of the truck is kind of a pain in the
7 neck because it's not easy to get out because you have to
8 find the latch. Everything's dark. It's kind of an older
9 vehicle.

10 FOSTER: Yup. So was the entry already made by the time you
11 got over there? Did they already knock and announce? Did
12 you hear any of that?

13 SEBASTIAN: Sergeant Stuart, he announced Framingham Police
14 and then the simultaneous bangs went into the house. I was
15 the last one in, though.

16 FOSTER: OK, all right, all right.

17 SEBASTIAN: I'm 99% sure. So if you're looking at this
18 picture right here, this is the room I was in.

19 FOSTER: I know where you're talking about.

20 SEBASTIAN: So I came around and when I came here, all right,
21 Lieutenant Downing was standing right --

22 FOSTER: Why don't you X like where you were when you came in
23 here. What was there?

1 SEBASTIAN: I was right here.

2 FOSTER: OK.

3 SEBASTIAN: So do you want me to right Lieutenant Downing?

4 FOSTER: Yeah and your name too, where you were. This was
5 after you had already came in, went into that room and then
6 went back around into the hallway?

7 SEBASTIAN: Yeah.

8 FOSTER: OK.

9 SEBASTIAN: They seemed to be jammed up at that area right
10 here. They like -- I'm not sure if they were pulling that
11 blanket down or what or going behind it, but I knew that
12 they were --

13 Q2: By they, you mean?

14 SEBASTIAN: I'm sorry. Sergeant Stuart and Lieutenant -- I'm
15 sorry. Sergeant Stuart and Officer Downing.

16 Q2: Officer Duncan?

17 SEBASTIAN: Officer Duncan, yeah, sorry.

18 FOSTER: Oh, you mean when you went into that other room,
19 Sergeant Downing and Officer Duncan were in that room?

20 SEBASTIAN: Officer Duncan and Sergeant Stuart.

21 FOSTER: Sergeant Stuart.

22 SEBASTIAN: I followed them in. I apologize.

23 FOSTER: That's all right.

1 SEBASTIAN: I said the wrong names. So I came back around
2 and Lieutenant Downing was right here and I was right
3 there.

4 FOSTER: And when you came back around, those other two
5 officers stayed in that room, as far as you know?

6 SEBASTIAN: Um, I'm not sure. I think what they were doing
7 is they were meeting up with the other officers. They had
8 already come through here. So everybody had met up. So I
9 came back around and I believe Sergeant Louis was here
10 holding this stairwell up here because we just didn't want
11 anything to come down on the scene. So he's not a SWAT
12 member. He was a midnight sergeant that assisted. Right
13 at this particular time, Lieutenant Downing, when he came
14 around, said we need to clear the cellar.

15 FOSTER: OK.

16 SEBASTIAN: All right and Officer Riley was right here. Um,
17 it was at that point where I heard a loud bang and uh I
18 flinched when I heard the bang because it was very loud and
19 Lieutenant Downing opens the door this way and Officer
20 Riley and I both said we've got to get down there and clear
21 the cellar, obviously, for safety reasons and to see if
22 anyone else was down there. I went down the stairs with
23 Officer Riley and was followed by Sergeant Stuart and um

1 Officer Casey. We cleared the cellar. There was a lot of
2 -- I don't know if you've been down in the cellar -- but
3 there was a lot of junk.

4 FOSTER: [Inaudible; overlapping dialogue]

5 SEBASTIAN: There was a lot of junk around there and there
6 was a lot of nooks and crannies. So I was down there for
7 approximately three minutes, two to three minutes. When I
8 came back up I knew something had happened in this area
9 right here. I didn't see anything happen.

10 FOSTER: Why don't you just --

11 SEBASTIAN: It's actually, it's not in the picture, but it
12 would be -- if this picture were bigger -- it would be
13 right around this area right here. This kitchen squared
14 out into a little hallway area.

15 FOSTER: To a little hallway area.

16 SEBASTIAN: That also, I think, had another blanket hanging.
17 I'm not sure. I thought I may have seen it. It was dark
18 in there, though. It was very dark. So when I came up the
19 stairs, I peeled this way and walked out and was met by
20 Deputy Chief Davis and he asked, "What happened?" I said,
21 "I really don't know what happened." I didn't -- I did. I
22 think before I went down they called for the medics because
23 they were calling for a medic and I was the closest one

1 here to the yellow sign and the ambulance had pulled right
2 up to the front. So when I came out, the medics were
3 coming in with the stretcher. Everything is -- it just
4 seemed like everything was in the way, like the guys that
5 were wearing those SWAT outfits, it's difficult to move
6 around. So they were having a little bit of trouble
7 getting everything, all their equipment in. When I peeled
8 back out, um, I was probably outside for a minute and the
9 medics had the victim, I guess, come through the door and
10 they were having a lot of problems with him because he was
11 so large and he wasn't -- they were having a hard time just
12 balancing him on the stretcher. So I walked over to the
13 ambulance and they asked for a little bit of help. I had
14 all my gear on, plus my weapons on the side, so I really
15 couldn't help them out, but I um --

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