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Schlimme: Alexander's restaurant?

Frazier: Yeah. I, I think that's what it's called.

Schlimme: Okay. Uh, who sat at your table, Pavlov?

Frazier: Uh, see there was like a whole, yeah, it was, it was Pavlov, maybe, I think he sat across from me. ... so bear with me.

Schlimme: Okay.

Frazier: I think he sat I can't remember who was sitting beside him or across from me. But, I mean, there were more EG&G people and DOE people there than there were the four Russians.

Schlimme: Okay.

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Schlimme: Yeah, they do. Ross Adams is the Counterintelligence ... --

Frazier: It was Ross.

Schlimme: Okay. Um, what was his role, do you recall anything about his role in the negotiations, the visit, the --

Frazier: No.

Schlimme: Okay. Did he ask any, uh, since you, you may have had dinner with him or sat a -- sat opposite, did he ask you any questions that you recall?

Frazier: Nothing that seemed out of the ordinary.

Schlimme: Uh.

Frazier: I, I don't recall any specific questions, but I would have, I would have thought if, if he would have asked something inappropriate, I would have .... He was very cordial, uh, not to mention that he was, see, his English was fairly good, I think, but so was Chernychev's. Chernychev's English was good too.

Schlimme: Did Chernychev and Pavlov, did they both kind of act as interpreters for the group or --

Schlimme: -- struck you as, as funny or, or you didn't have an explanation for?

Frazier: They took us on a pretty good, uh, tour of their facilities. They had a lot of, a lot of work going on, a lot of shipping containers stacked around. It was, it was clear that they were a busy place. I mean, but nothing really curious, nothing out of the ordinary.

Schlimme: Prior to your going ever on this first trip, had you received any type of, uh, counterintelligence briefing about what to expect there, or what to look out for.

Frazier: Uh, sure.

Schlimme: Do you recall the details, though? Who may have given you that?

Frazier: No, I, I'm not sure I recall the details, but, uh, I'm sure it would have been the same EG&G person that probably did the debrief after we ....

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Schlimme: Okay. Okay. And the answer to the other part of the question is to whether or not there was yourself or anyone else in the group ever became inebriated during the course of any of the trips over there is?

Frazier: Well, what's your definition of inebriated?

Schlimme: Uh --

Frazier: I mean, I would say no. I mean if it's what you --

Frazier: I, I think it still developing. I haven't been involved much in it.

Schlimme: It's still developing. I mean, it's in the middle or something?

Frazier: Yeah, I think, uh, I think he's still interested. Well, he conveyed at the symposium, you know, about this nuclear space empower --

Schlimme: In Albuquerque?

Frazier: -- nuclear space power proportions ... --

Schlimme: Yeah.

Frazier: Um, they, they came over and he and Chad and I were involved in a discussion with him about how he could get over here.

Schlimme: What did you conclude?

Frazier: Um, I concluded I was staying out of it. They wanted to, uh, pursue, uh, if, if I could help 'em ... somehow, I didn't mind helping, because, uh, Chikshov's, uh, a very good guy, but, uh --

Schlimme: Is, is his primary, is, is his primary contact then Chad, I guess, about, uh, getting the job, or obtain it, or is there someone else involved?

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Frazier: Yeah, I'm --

Schlimme: -- a little bit on the --

Frazier: -- sorry about that.

Schlimme: -- on the, no, I thought we should have followed that up, we were talking about chik -- Chishov. Um, okay, so you stayed at Hotel --

Frazier: Euro.

Schlimme: -- Euro's Hotel, or a Hotel Euro. Um, any social events during this particular trip, only again we're talking about the second trip, November, December of '92.

Frazier: Yeah, I'm sure there was the same, is there a weekend in between there? How many ....

Schlimme: Uh, it looks like ten days. Probably would be, certainly --

Frazier: Yeah.

Scott: Okay. Um, that's all that I have. Do you have any questions?

Frazier: What, what is the issue, if I can ask, is, has some of the information been compromised? It's kind of a blunt question and I guess you won't tell me --

Schlimme: Yeah.

Frazier: -- even if you know. And if it has, I would just offer my help that to even if, if the guys that went on this trip would have known that. Maybe you already know who they are. But you realize on the Heat Source ... that we operate under there isn't anything classified.

Schlimme: The issue is more, uh, more of what I, I stated initially. And that is, that there was a counterintelligence concern because if, if our people went over and they behaved in an improper manner, they drank too much, they, uh, womanized too much, and they could have been compromised.

Frazier: I see.

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Schlimme: What happened, what didn't happen. Not so much the compromise the information as to whether or not there was a concern for other people, which spilled over into a personnel security concern.

Frazier: Sure. I understand.

Schlimme: So, that, that was the issue.

Frazier: Uh --

Schlimme: And that's why I, I, I've, I've tried to exhaust as we go through your trips individually and what took place and as you, as you mentioned to me what, what did take place and what didn't take place.

Frazier: Oh, and your questions are result of this for --

Scott: Yes.

Frazier: Part of the continuing, uh, QSP process.