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1 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: I was actually on the
2 phone with Yousef Al Otaiba, the UAE Ambassador.

3 MR. NIELS TROOST: Uh-huh.

4 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: He -- he is the adopted
5 son of MB Zed. He's very -- he talked about so many
6 different things. He talked about -- you know, he heard
7 about what I am doing and about this concept and he said --
8 he said the UAE (inaudible) is a natural ally. He wants to
9 work with us. I mean, he knows me because I was a fucking
10 pain for him. I got them -- you know, and when the whole
11 thing happened when they were doing counterespionage here,
12 my relationship went very bad with him, so (inaudible).

13 MR. NIELS TROOST: What happened?

14 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: Remember the story when
15 UAE was doing espionage here in the U.S. and would --
16 during the Trump Administration and they had to (inaudible)
17 Rashid al-Malik.

18 MR. NIELS TROOST: I don't remember. Mmm, I don't
19 think you told me this, no? Maybe. I don't remember.

20 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: Anyway, yeah, so there is
21 -- I sent you a story from the Intercept. It was from
22 Rashid al-Malik, the guy -- the UAE Emirati who was spying
23 on the White House. He was spying on the White House,
24 etcetera, etcetera.

25 MR. NIELS TROOST: Really?

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1 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: And out of LA.

2 MR. NIELS TROOST: No shit.

3 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: Yeah. Yeah, so I'll say,
4 anyway, so my relationships were very bad at that time
5 because it caused -- it came to a point where the Bureau
6 had raided the -- whatever places they were staying at they
7 had gotten diplomatic permission, which they were not
8 granted to expel the embassy. (Inaudible) very down --

9 MR. NIELS TROOST: Wow.

10 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: -- (inaudible).

11 MR. NIELS TROOST: Wow.

12 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: So he reached out and
13 said -- he said, "Look, I don't really want to get in a
14 position where I want to (inaudible) know what you're
15 doing. I have written," -- he said, "I know," -- he said,
16 "We have -- we have a tremendous amount of pressure." He
17 said "G." I -- he said, "We've been," -- he said, "I have
18 seen what you can do. I want to -- I don't want to get on
19 this side again." I said, "What do you mean?" He said, "G
20 -- I really mean this. Let's try to make this work this
21 time and don't become a pain."

22 MR. NIELS TROOST: Because --

23 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: So --

24 MR. NIELS TROOST: Because last time, you screwed
25 them or --

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1 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: Fucked them completely.

2 MR. NIELS TROOST: (Laughter). What did you do?

3 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: Everything. The company
4 -- the programs were cancelled. Keep in mind, they haven't
5 -- none of their sales of weapons have been approved since
6 the -- since that time. Until today, it's blocked.

7 MR. NIELS TROOST: And you can unblock that for
8 them?

9 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: Yeah, of course. It will
10 take a couple calls, as well. Of course. It can happen
11 and I will do it. I will speak to Yousef; I will do it. I
12 will reach out to them.

13 MR. NIELS TROOST: Mmm.

14 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: I will call to them.

15 MR. NIELS TROOST: Okay.

16 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: It's important, man.
17 They -- they -- I have only -- I literally have only one
18 interest and I've never had -- I literally care -- like,
19 single interest. Like, I don't want anybody to fuck with
20 this country and if -- I don't mind working with the UAE, I
21 don't mind working with anybody, including China or Russia.
22 But just play by our rules, that's all.

23 MR. NIELS TROOST: Mmm.

24 MR. GAURAV SRIVASTAVA: It's pretty
25 straightforward. So anyway, he was -- he was -- he was

1 just talking to me and I was telling him about, you know,
2 the, you know, what Paramount is doing there and all that
3 stuff. He said, "Yeah, that's good." He said, "I just
4 want you to tell me what you -- what you're trying to do
5 there," because Yousef, one time, he's very, very powerful.
6 Very powerful in the UAE.

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