

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY- BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (Law Enforcement)

1. INVESTIGATION IS
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2. TO:
 Special Agent in Charge
 Boston District Office

3. MONITORED INVESTIGATION INFORMATION (Number and Branch)
 CIP: BOSTON DISTRICT FY-92
 EXPLOSIVES VIOLATIONS
 REPORT

4. TITLE OF INVESTIGATION
 Roslindale Bombing

5. INVESTIGATION No. (Include Suspect No.)
 63212-92-2008-C

6. TYPE OF REPORT (Check applicable boxes)			7. BUREAU PROGRAM		8. PROJECT(S)	
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9. DETAILS:

REPORT OF INTERVIEW

With Russell J. Bonanno, on January 22, 1992, at 3:10 PM., at The University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Campus, 285 Old Westport Road Dartmouth, Massachusetts, by Assistant United States Attorney Paul Kelley and Special Agent Jeff S. Kerr of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. Mr. Bonanno stated as follows:

Mr. Bonanno stated that his date of birth is May 4, 1954, his social security number is 016 and that he resides in a university owned house which is located on campus and is not assigned a registered address.

Mr. Bonanno stated that he is employed by the university as an Area Coordinator for the Cedardale West Student Housing Complex and that he has been so employed for approximately three (3) years. He stated that his responsibilities as an Area Coordinator include counseling, disciplining and assisting students that reside within the complex.

Bonanno stated that he was previously employed by the Town of Belmont as a "special status" Ambulance E.M.T and Dispatcher. He stated that he has received training from the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Counsel and that he is a certified suicide prevention specialist.

Mr. Bonanno stated that he first became acquainted with Thomas A. Shay in early to mid September, 1991 when Shay attended a "BIGALA" (Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Alliance) meeting at the university. Bonanno stated that Shay was brought to the meeting by group members, Scott Stanley and Shane Cassidy. Bonanno stated that Cassidy and Stanley, a one time security

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16. APPROVED BY (Name) Terence J. McArdle	17. TITLE AND OFFICE Special Agent in Charge	18. DATE

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officer at the university, resided together. He stated that Cassidy made acquaintance with Shay and subsequently brought Shay home to Stanley's and Cassidy's residence. Stanley, after a couple of days, contacted Bonanno and explained to Bonanno that there wasn't enough room for three persons at his and Cassidy's residence and asked if Bonanno would offer Shay a room at his (Bonanno's) home for approximately two (2) weeks. Bonanno stated he agreed to help and that Shay moved into his home and resided there until the end of September, 1991.

Bonanno stated that Shay told him that he worked for Brewster Ambulance Company and that he was on a two week vacation. He stated that Shay offered to assist him with the cost of him staying in his (Bonanno's) home when he (Shay) received his pay check. Bonanno stated that this alleged pay check never materialized. Bonanno stated that Shay would sleep until noontime and watch television the remainder of the day. He stated that he did not have a physical relationship with Shay but that Shay had made overtures in that direction on a number of occasions. He stated that via telephone he introduced Shay to a 16 year old boy named David Hanbury from Needham, Massachusetts. He stated that he (Bonanno) had met Hanbury through computer mail. He stated that Hanbury is gay and was requesting information on an organization calling itself B.A.G.L.Y. He stated that B.A.G.L.Y. is a gay youth organization and that Shay possessed information about B.A.G.L.Y. and had expressed his willingness to discuss the organization with Hanbury. He stated that Shay and Hanbury arranged to meet at Bonanno's residence on or about September 28, 1991.

Bonanno stated that on or about September 22, 1991, Shay had worn out his welcome and that he kicked Shay out of his apartment. He stated that later that week Shay telephoned him to apologize for not being able to assist financially and for any burden he had caused and asked if he could see him to apologize. Bonanno, not wanting to jeopardize Dave Hanbury's chance to meet with Shay and discuss B.A.G.L.Y., agreed to pick Shay up at his (Shay's) mother's apartment in Quincy, Massachusetts.

Bonanno stated that on or about September 28, 1991 he picked up Shay and Hanbury and transported them back to his (Bonanno's) residence. He stated that later that night he became angry at Shay for telling Hanbury some lies and that he became engaged in an argument with Shay. He stated that during the early morning hours of September 29, he drove both boys home.

Bonanno stated that on October 14, 1991 he was admitted to St. Luke's Hospital. On or about October 16, 1991, Shay entered St. Luke's telling hospital personnel that he was Lieutenant or Captain Thomas Shay. He apologized for what had happened between himself and Bonanno and then departed telling Bonanno that he was going to hitch hike to Providence, Rhode Island.

Bonanno stated that on October 29, 1991 Shay had attempted to contact him

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by telephone at his office but that he (Bonanno) would not return his calls. He stated that Shay finally reached him at his home telephone that same evening. He stated that Shay asked him numerous questions, relating to his (Bonanno's) awareness of what had transpired at his (Shay's) fathers house.

Bonanno stated that Shay said that the police had informed him and his family that the bomb could have been meant for anyone of the family and that the family should all "lay low" for a while. Bonanno stated that he told Shay that he could stay with him for a while. He stated that Shay arrived at his home that same night. He stated that Shay had received a ride from a friend of his (Shay's), Chris "LNU" who lives in Taunton, Massachusetts. He stated that when Shay arrived his (Shay's) emotions ranged from fear, to anger about not speaking with his father, to pride at being interviewed.

Bonanno stated that when Shay entered the house he (Shay) immediately told Bonanno that they had to watch and video tape the news because he (Shay) had been interviewed by the media. He stated that Shay told him that during the interview, he had defended his father against accusations that his father was involved in the bombing. Bonanno stated that subsequent to watching the interview Shay became very upset. Shay felt that the interview had been edited improperly and made him look foolish.

Bonanno further stated that while at the house that evening, Shay told him that his (Shay's) father had discovered an object in the father's driveway. He stated that Shay said that his father first moved the object into the garage but then had second thoughts as to what the object was, retrieved the object from the garage and moved it to the garbage located at the side of the house. Bonanno stated that Shay said his father telephoned the Boston Police Department on a few occasions to report a suspicious object and when he received no response his father traveled to the police station to get assistance and returned back to his residence with officers.

Bonanno stated that the following evening, October 30, 1991, Shay was upset that he was unable to find anything on the television about himself. He stated that Shay told him that he wanted to conduct a press conference. He stated that Shay kept saying that the police were making too much out of the whole incident and that if the police officers had been wearing their vests they would not of been injured. He stated that he told Shay that was ridiculous and that it wasn't the police officers fault, it was the fault of the individual who made the bomb. Bonanno stated that he asked Shay if any person would want to harm him (Shay) and that Shay told him about a man named Ralph Pace who was connected to organized crime and whom he (Shay) owed money to as a result of destroying his (Pace's) automobile.

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Bonanno stated that on October 31, 1991 Shay telephoned him at his (Bonanno's) office and asked if they could talk. He stated that he (Bonanno) went back to the house and Shay told him that the "Feds" wanted to speak with him (Shay). He stated that his friend Chris had given the police his (Bonanno's) address and telephone number. He stated that Shay said that he had called an individual, (unable to recall name) and that this person wanted him back in Boston to conduct a news conference and serve as the bait in drawing out the person/persons who were responsible for this crime.

He stated that Shay asked for a ride to the bus terminal in New Bedford. He stated that Shay was disturbed when he (Shay) discovered that the buses to Boston which depart from the New Bedford Terminal arrive in Boston at the South Station Terminal rather than the St. James Avenue Terminals. He stated that Shay informed him that he (Shay) was expected at the St. James Terminals and requested Bonanno drive him to the bus terminals in Providence, Rhode Island. He stated that Shay explained to him that buses departing from the Providence terminal arrive in Boston at the St. James Terminals. Bonanno stated that he refused this request and left Shay at the New Bedford terminal.

Bonanno stated that while at his residence Shay had cut all available articles about the bombing and himself out of the papers and taped them on a message board. Bonanno likened this to keeping a scrap book. He stated that Shay took all of the clippings with him when he (Shay) left for Boston.

Bonanno stated that at on November 1, 1991 at approximately 2:30 AM. he received a telephone call from Shay who was at the Boston Police Department. He stated that later that same day he telephoned the Boston Police Department and spoke with a Boston Police Detective. He stated that this was the last day he spoke with Shay.

Bonanno stated that during the course of his relationship with Shay, Shay had relayed to him that he (Shay) had been sexually abused by his (Shay's) father. He stated that Shay told him that his father hated him and that his father didn't want him to live at his home in Roslindale. He stated that on occasion Shay did speak with his father by telephone.

Bonanno stated that on one occasion he had given Shay a ride to his (Shay's) mother's home so that he (Shay) would be sure to be present at a deposition in behalf of a law suit which his father had filed against the ex-landlords of his fathers auto body shop. He stated that his father stood to make approximately five-hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) and that his father had promised him a large sum of money if the case was decided in his father's favor. He stated that Shay was very confident that his father would win the suit.

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Bonanno stated that during the period which Shay was living at his (Bonanno's) home, Shay continued to attend BIGALA, meetings at 7:00 PM., on Wednesday nights on the main campus. He stated that on one occasion Shay returned to his (Bonanno's) residence with some BIGALA members.

Bonanno stated that Shay denied having any history of criminal activity including prostitution and drug use.

Bonanno stated that Shay claimed that he could attend an under twenty-one (21) gay bar every night of the week when he was in the Boston area. He stated that Shay often mentioned , Campus, a bar located in Cambridge as well as The Ramrod, Buddies and Luthers. He stated that Shay had once called him to tell him that he had been hired by Campus.

Bonanno stated that Shay denied having any type of psychiatric treatment background but that Shay did acknowledge this at some time later in their relationship. He stated that on one occasion he drove Shay to his mother's residence in Quincy, Massachusetts and that Shay asked him to wait for one minute. He stated that Shay returned to the vehicle and asked for a ride to the New England Medical Center because he felt like he wanted to kill himself. Bonanno stated that once at the hospital Shay said he changed his mind. He stated that Shay always carried a beeper on his waist but that the beeper didn't work by Shay's own admission.

Bonanno stated that Shay had told him of living in New York and of a young boy in New York whom had developed an attachment to him. He stated that Shay said the boy tried to commit suicide when he (Shay) left.

Bonanno stated that on two occasions he met Shay's maternal mother, and on one occasion a sister and Shay's mother's boyfriend. He stated that Shay rarely spoke about his mother. He stated that Shay introduced him as Russ, the man he was staying with.

Bonanno stated that he is aware that Shay wrote David Hanbury as well as himself letters while he (Shay) was recently incarcerated for making telephonic bomb threats. He stated that Shay has attempted to contact him by telephone at his (Bonanno's) father's residence. He stated that he was aware that Shay had on several occasions attempted to call David Hanbury.