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REPORT OF INTERVIEW

With Nancy E. Shay, 200 "The Falls", Apt. 107D, Quincy, MA., on January 31, 1991, at 7:00 p.m., by Special Agents Karen Carney and Sandra LaCourse, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Nancy Shay stated the following:

Nancy Shay stated that her date of birth is 10/18/44 and that her social security number is 034-32-0910. She stated that she works part time at Accessory Express, a jewelry store, in South Station, Boston, MA. She stated that after the bombing incident, she was laid off until the busy Christmas season when she was asked to return to work. She stated that her work hours are 10a.m.-7p.m.

She stated that her children were the following: Jean Shay, DOB: 10/18/44, Amy Shay, DOB: 01/03/65, Nancy Shay, DOB: 01/07/67, Paula Shay, DOB: 12/13/69, and Thomas Shay, DOB: 11/03/71. She stated that her two oldest daughter were fathered by her first husband, Jerry Cargle, who she married at the age of 17. She stated that she was married to him for three years and that she hasn't seen him in years. She stated that the two oldest daughters were married and living in Quincy. She stated that Jean worked for the MBTA as a train driver. She also stated that Jean thought Tommy was a problem kid.

She stated that she married Thomas L. Shay in 1966 and that she has been separated from him for approximately 15 years. She stated that Thomas L. Shay was a good father but a bad husband due to physical abuse. She

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13. REVIEWED BY (Name) Victor D. Palaza	14. TITLE AND OFFICE Group Supervisor, Boston, MA.	15. DATE ██████████
16. APPROVED BY (Name) Terence J. McArdle	17. TITLE AND OFFICE Special Agent in Charge	18. DATE ██████████

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stated that he used to punch and hit her and that she had taken him to court a couple of times due to the abuse. She stated that Thomas L. Shay never abused any of the children. She stated that a few of her children, including Thomas A. Shay, had emotional problems because they had to witness the abuse between her and her exhusband. She stated that her and her exhusband have a better relationship now than when they were married. She stated that they keep in touch and that he is nicer and maturer than when they were married. She stated that Thomas L. Shay has a real good relationship with Mary Flanagan. She stated that she believed he has been with Mary Flanagan for the past 13 years. She also stated that they have a six year old daughter named Kristen.

She stated that she has been living at "The Falls" for the past four years with her boyfriend, David Shilalis. She stated that her daughter Paula and her boyfriend Jimmy are also currently living with them. She stated that Jimmy was the guy who was sleeping on the floor when the above named agents, along with S/A Tom Wlodyka, visited her home in the morning of the above date. She stated that paula has two children which were taken from her by DSS due to Paula's drug problem. She stated that her daughter Nancy was a lesbian who was recently beat up by her gay lover with a baseball bat. She stated that Nancy was temporarily visiting until her gay lover had calmed down. She stated that Nancy has an apartment with her gay lover in Somerville.

She stated that she has not heard from her son since he was released from Bridgewater. She further stated that he has not been at the her address since his release and that she does not know his whereabouts. She stated that her son had a good relationship with his father while he was growing up which, she added, was difficult to maintain because her son was always away at different schools. She stated that Tommy loves his father and that there was never any kind of conflict between the two. She stated that Tommy was never violent and that he is a good kid. She stated that he has a lot of friends and that his friends have never said anything bad about him. She stated that all his friends were mad at him because the police had questioned them regarding the bombing. She stated that her son was not mentally disturbed and that his emotional problems stemmed from the fact that he had witnessed the abuse his father had inflicted upon her during their marriage. She stated that she believed Tommy was not "all gay". When asked to explain what she meant by "all gay", she stated that Tommy liked gay men because they were nicer to him than straight guys and understood him better. She stated that she didn't think her son got sexually involved with his gay men friends. She also stated that he thought her son had a girlfriend for six months when he was in Washington. She stated that noone knows her son better than her. She stated that she knew there were a few of Tommy's gay men friends who were cops and well known, famous people who were nervous that the investigation may have disclosed who they were. She stated that Tommy got along well with his sisters when they were growing up. She stated that Tommy's father

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accepted the fact that Tommy was gay and that he didn't seem resentful. She stated that he accepted Nancy's (the daughter) homosexuality more than Tommy's though. She stated that Tommy got along good with her boyfriend.

Nancy Shay stated that her exhusband (Thomas L. Shay) was angry at her for making Thomas A. Shay see professional help after he had set the fire in Alston at the age of five. She stated that he (Thomas Sr.) didn't think he (Thomas Jr.) needed professional help for an accidental fire. Thomas Sr. thought that was the start of all of Thomas A. Shay's problems. She stated that when Tommy was in the different schools, she and Thomas Sr. visited with him and the counselors.

Nancy Shay stated that Tommy moved from New York to live with her at the time he gave the deposition for his father's lawsuit against the Dedham Service Center. She stated Tommy wanted to do his father a favor by giving the deposition. He stated that Tommy didn't talk much about it, either before or after the deposition. She stated that Tommy wasn't nervous about giving the deposition. She stated that Tommy didn't mention any kind of a cash reward for giving the deposition if his father won the lawsuit.

In regards to the Roslindale bombing, Nancy Shay stated that Tommy didn't have the brain to build a bomb. She stated that Tommy had nothing to do with the bombing. She stated that the police officers should have been wearing their protective gear. She also stated that the police had no evidence against her son and inquired as to what we (the police, ATF) had. She also asked, "why are they after Tommy?"

Nancy Shay stated that on the day of the bombing, her son was at her apartment and that he found out about the bombing on the 6:00 news. She stated that on Sunday night, the night before the bombing, Tommy had gone out, she thinks to see Scott, his newest friend. She stated that Tommy had returned that same night and ended up sleeping at her apartment for the night. She stated that Scott was the only one of Tommy's friends that she remembered. She stated that she had never heard of the name Al Trenkler. She stated that she was at work at the time she heard about the bombing and that her boss let her leave work early.

Nancy Shay stated that she put the idea into his head to call a press conference because she had asked him if he had any enemies. She stated that the question caused him to think about who would have been mad enough to have him killed. She stated that Ralph Pace was the only name that came to his mind and that he thought that was enough good information to call a press conference. She stated that her son likes seeking attention.

Nancy Shay stated that Tommy wrote her a letter before he was sent to Dedham HC and Bridgwater State Hospital. She stated that Tommy told her in the letter that he loved her and to apologize for all the trouble he

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had caused her. When this reporting agent asked to see the letter, she replied that she would have to look for it and wasn't sure if she still had it. During the interview, the above reporting agents were invited into Nancy Shay's apartment so that she could look for the letter. At this time, a cursory look at magazines, newspapers and book didn't reveal any that pertained to body building. Nancy Shay stated that she would have to look longer for the letter at another time.

Nancy Shay stated that Tommy told her that the guards at Bridgewater called him a cop killer. She stated that while Tommy was at Bridgewater, both she and her exhusband (Thomas L. Shay) visited him.

She stated that she didn't feel her son was a criminal person. When asked if she thought her son could have wanted to see his father killed, she replied, "no, never, he always loved his father". She stated that there hadn't been a fallen out between the two just prior to the bombing. Nancy Shay continued to state that her son had nothing to do with the bombing.

When asked as to who she thought might have wanted her exhusband blown up, she replied that she thought the Jewish guy might have had something to do with it but didn't specify why she thought that. She also stated that the bomb was meant for her exhusband and that maybe one of the guys from the South End did it over the fire. She stated "whoever did the car was mad at him".

Nancy Shay stated that her boyfriend didn't belong to a gym and sometimes had gone to the Y. She stated that her boyfriend wasn't a bodybuilder and was unemployed. She stated that she didn't subscribe to any magazines. She stated that Tommy didn't read muscle magazines and hardly read anything at all.

Nancy Shay stated that Thomas Sr. didn't gamble and didn't play cards for money. She stated that he was a social drinker and didn't drink to get drunk. She stated that Thomas Sr.'s father was an alcoholic but that he (Thomas Sr.) wasn't. She stated that he was a homebody, an Archie Bunker type. She stated that he liked to go to the Waltham Tap. She stated that didn't get involved with people who did drugs. She stated that Thomas Sr. wasn't homosexual or bisexual. She stated that she didn't know much about what Thomas Sr. did for work after he left the Dedham Service Center. She stated that she didn't think he worked after he left the shop.