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1 million of financial support in order to proceed with
2 this project. And their own -- their own analyses, to my
3 mind, supported that view. I'll pause there.

4 Q. You would have had -- you described Curragh as being
5 a tough, I think, negotiator?

6 A. Hum.

7 Q. Well, I'll leave that. In the course of my
8 interview with you, you made a comment that I wanted to
9 follow up on a little bit more, that the position that
10 you first adopted in relation to this application was
11 having to see if you could bargain a better deal, I
12 guess, putting it globally, and that that was done on
13 direction from Cabinet. That was the answer you gave me
14 in your interview. Do you recall that?

15 A. Yes, uh-huh.

16 Q. What did you mean by that? What direction had you
17 gotten from Cabinet and what sources, if you can tell me?

18 A. As I mentioned at the beginning of my testimony, you
19 have to take a case to -- for Ministers to review as to
20 what is requested and what are all the issues. And there
21 were numerous issues, including the level of requested
22 financial support.

23 And what you are required to do is to then take the
24 decisions made on the issues that you have put forth and
25 resolve them.