

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 complained over and over and over and over again to me  
2 that the officials I had negotiating the deal were far  
3 too tough. And I'd just point them back to the room and  
4 tell them that's who they had to deal with. So they must  
5 have been pressed on a number of times for them to  
6 complain to me over and over and over again.

7 Q. Yes, and no doubt you can be pressed on the terms of  
8 loans. I'm talking about the basic commitment for the 12  
9 million. Let me ask this. How much time elapsed from  
10 when the company first comes and says to you or to your  
11 Department, we need \$12 million, and when the commitment  
12 was made them to them that, subject to the lawyers  
13 working out the paperwork, you've got 12 million?

14 A. Well, not a long time but, of course, they knew then  
15 that the conditions would take months to do and it did.

16 Q. But how long would have elapsed between when they  
17 told you they needed the commitment and you gave them the  
18 commitment?

19 A. I can't tell.

20 Q. Weeks? Days?

21 A. I really can't say. I can't speculate on that.

22 Q. Just give me a second, I may --

23 A. That's why I think it would have been so useful, Mr.  
24 Merrick, if you provided those other financing deals with  
25 the companies around that time. I think you would have