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1 Chavez. The examiner concludes that Mr. Wanta  
2 currently understands the nature of the proceedings  
3 against him and is, for lack of a better way to  
4 phrase it, somewhat ambivalent with respect to his  
5 ability to assist counsel in his defense.

6 And I guess I would read the last  
7 paragraph for the record. It says: It is my  
8 opinion to a reasonable degree of medical certainty  
9 that Mr. Wanta currently understands the nature of  
10 the charges pending against him. His ability to  
11 work with his attorney hangs to a certain extent on  
12 whether or not he is telling a true story about the  
13 circumstances of his present charges. I am not  
14 able to gauge the truthfulness of that story.  
15 Further information may come to the Court that  
16 would shed light on this problem, but at the  
17 present time I am able to evaluate Mr. Wanta's  
18 competence within the above limitations.

19 The earlier paragraph, two paragraphs,  
20 embellish on that a little bit. I don't see much  
21 point in, since counsel have a copy of that,  
22 reading that into the record.

23 We are then at the stage of the statutory  
24 proceedings which is 971.14(4). Copies have been  
25 furnished to the parties and counsel. And the

1 question then arises under that section of the  
2 statute as to whether the State wishes to produce  
3 any evidence on the issue of competency.

4 MR. HAAG: Your Honor, the State is  
5 prepared to introduce evidence on the issue of  
6 competency. As you know, exactly what my position  
7 is going to be is dictated precisely by what Mr.  
8 Wanta's personal position is.

9 THE COURT: I understand.

10 MR. HAAG: And if -- And then I would ask  
11 that you inquire of Mr. Wanta whether he believes  
12 himself to be competent or incompetent. If Mr.  
13 Wanta responds he believes himself to be competent,  
14 as he did the last time this issue came up, then it  
15 would be the burden -- my burden, the State of  
16 Wisconsin's burden, to prove by clear and  
17 convincing evidence that he's incompetent. And I  
18 think that I have a duty on the basis of what Your  
19 Honor has pointed out in this report to bring some  
20 more concrete testimony to the fore so the Court  
21 can ultimately determine whether or not Mr. Wanta  
22 is competent.

23 In other words, I am prepared -- if Mr.  
24 Wanta claims to be competent, I am prepared to put  
25 on testimony that I hope will assist the Court in

1 determining whether or not that's true.

2 THE COURT: Mr. Chavez, same question  
3 that I will ultimately ask Mr. Chavez or Mr. Wanta  
4 what his position with respect to the issue of  
5 competency is.

6 MR. CHAVEZ: You want my personal opinion  
7 as to whether Mr. Wanta is competent to proceed?

8 THE COURT: I think it has to be his  
9 position, quite frankly.

10 MR. CHAVEZ: Correct. I'm going to let  
11 Mr. Wanta answer that.

12 THE COURT: Mr. Wanta?

13 THE DEFENDANT: Your Honor, if I can  
14 indulge in the Court, I am competent and I am  
15 innocent of all the false allegations as of the  
16 July 7, 1993 false arrest in Switzerland, and I  
17 continue to state this Court has no jurisdiction to  
18 keep me from the Swiss environment and territories.  
19 Thank you, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: That puts the State in a  
21 position that if they are maintaining something  
22 other than competency to present on the issue and

23 --

24 MR. HAAG: I've never before, Judge, been  
25 in this unusual situation and I suspect that the

1 Court may not have seen this situation arise very  
2 often either. I just think as an officer of the  
3 court I should follow the statute and the statutory  
4 procedure and I should provide this court with an  
5 -- an opinion of Dr. Mays which is based upon  
6 additional evidence that he did not have at the  
7 time. It seems pretty clear to me that Dr. Mays is  
8 in his report asking to be provided with more  
9 evidence and I think that I interpret it that way.  
10 I think Your Honor probably interpreted it that  
11 way. This is how I'd propose to proceed, Judge.

12 THE COURT: All right. I think that's  
13 what the statute provides. At least it says that  
14 if the defendant stands mute or claims to be  
15 incompetent, the defendant shall be found  
16 incompetent unless the State proves by the greater  
17 weight of the credible evidence that the defendant  
18 is competent. If the defendant claims to be  
19 competent, the defendant shall be found competent  
20 unless the State proves by evidence that is clear  
21 and convincing that the defendant is incompetent.  
22 And then goes on. It's up to you, Mr. Haag. Go  
23 ahead.

24 MR. HAAG: I think that there are several  
25 ways to, pardon the expression, skin this cat,

1 Judge, but I think the way I'd proceed is to put a  
2 witness on the stand, Special Tax Agent Ullman, and  
3 adduce some testimony from him with regard to  
4 certain matters that have been alleged on the  
5 record in open court by Mr. Wanta. And then  
6 proceed to call Dr. Mays to see --

7 THE COURT: I guess my point is you  
8 proceed however you want to. You don't need to  
9 tell me how you're going to do it.

10 MR. HAAG: All right. I'll call Dennis  
11 Ullman.

12 (DENNIS ULLMAN, having been called as a  
13 witness on behalf of the State, was duly sworn,  
14 examined, and testified under oath as follows:)

15 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. HAAG:

16 Q Would you state your full name and spell your last  
17 name for the reporter?

18 A Dennis Ullman, U-l-l-m-a-n.

19 Q And what's your occupation?

20 A I'm a special tax agent for the Wisconsin  
21 Department of Revenue.

22 Q And have you been assigned by your department to  
23 investigate the matter that is before this court,  
24 the matter of State of Wisconsin vs. Leo Wanta?

25 A Yes.

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1 Q And how long been conducting that investigation,  
2 sir, approximately?

3 A Since 1991.

4 Q Did you have occasion to interview Mr. Wanta in  
5 1991?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And did you have occasion to testify about that  
8 interview in the preliminary examination in this  
9 case?

10 A Yes.

11 Q I'd like to ask you some questions about that  
12 interview. During the course of the interview Mr.  
13 Wanta made numerous assertions to you about himself  
14 being an operative of the CIA, having contact with  
15 the leadership of the CIA, having contact, in fact,  
16 with the leadership of this country, the office of  
17 the presidency, and numerous other accounts given  
18 to you which placed Mr. Wanta, by his own  
19 statements, as some kind of an undercover agent or  
20 operative of the CIA as well as other branches of  
21 the federal government. Is that a fair  
22 summarization?

23 A Yes, it is.

24 Q Did you have occasion during that interview to ask  
25 Mr. Wanta whether or not he would be able to have



1           some confirmation of that fact through contacts  
2           made to you by federal authorities?

3       A       Yes.

4       Q       And I put it a little awkwardly.  Would you tell  
5           the Court what you told him on several occasions?

6       A       Okay.  During the interview he kept insisting that  
7           I call George Bush or Colin Powell or I think it  
8           was Bob Gates to verify that he was who he was and  
9           that he was an operative of the U.S. Government.  
10          And I told him since he maintains that he  
11          personally knows George Bush and Colin Powell and  
12          those other individuals, that he should make the  
13          contact and he should have them then contact me and  
14          tell me whatever it was that he wanted them to tell  
15          me.  And I never received any contact from anyone  
16          representing that they were part of the federal  
17          government, no contact whatsoever, right up to this  
18          date.

19      Q       Are you aware of what agency made the arrest of Mr.  
20           Wanta in New York City in November?

21      A       Yes.  That was the FBI.

22      Q       And are you aware of why that arrest was made, what  
23           the underlying warrant was and who issued that  
24           warrant?

25      A       Yes.  There was an unlawful flight to avoid

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1 prosecution warrant. It was a federal warrant.  
2 Q So the federal government issued a warrant for his  
3 arrest and, in fact, federal agents consummated  
4 that arrest?  
5 A Yes.  
6 Q And that was to assist the state of Wisconsin in  
7 bringing Mr. Wanta back here to face these charges,  
8 is that correct?  
9 A Yes.  
10 Q Did you have occasion when you first interviewed  
11 Mr. Wanta to have him tell you that he had some law  
12 enforcement position in the state of Wisconsin?  
13 A Yes. He indicated that he was employed by the --  
14 as a deputy sheriff of the Waukesha County  
15 Sheriff's Department.  
16 Q And did you -- It may be a little easier to contact  
17 the Waukesha County Sheriff than it would be George  
18 Bush. Did you make an attempt yourself to contact  
19 the sheriff's department?  
20 A Yes, I did. I called Sheriff Raymond Klink  
21 (phonetic) and asked him about Mr. Wanta, if he  
22 knew him and if he had been employed by the  
23 Waukesha County Sheriff's Department. And he  
24 indicated that yes, he had personally met Mr. Wanta  
25 and he related that it was during the time that

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Wanta owned and operated a business in Menomonee Falls by the name of Falls Vending. And he said Wanta had came to their office and had wanted to become a special deputy which would authorize him to carry a concealed weapon because he maintained he had large amounts of cash as a result of the vending machine business and he wanted to carry a weapon and the sheriff indicated that he refused to allow him to do that.

I then asked him if he had ever been employed by the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department and he checked their employment records and got back to me like a day or two later and indicated that he never been employed by the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department.

Q Mr. Ullman, did you receive a letter from Mr. Wanta dated, I think, 4 June '94?

A Yes, I did.

MR. HAAG: With the Court's permission, I would refer to this as Exhibit 1 from the hearing of 6-24-94.

THE COURT: All right.

BY MR. HAAG:

Q Mr. Ullman, I show you what has been marked for identification, it was received in evidence, as a

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1 matter of fact, as Exhibit 1 on June 24th, 1994, a  
2 letter directed to the Wisconsin Department of  
3 Revenue dated 4 June '94. Do you recognize that?

4 A Yes, I do.

5 Q And in that letter was there an assertion by Mr.  
6 Wanta that he had been an agent of U.S. Customs?

7 THE COURT: Since this -- Since the  
8 document's in the record already, why don't we let  
9 it speak for itself. It's 20 pages long.

10 BY THE WITNESS:

11 A I remember that it is. I'm looking for the exact  
12 line but I do recall there is a representation that  
13 he was working for U.S. Customs as Frank B. Ingram.

14 Q Did he name a specific individual that you could  
15 contact to verify that fact?

16 A Well, he says: Now that Supervisor Ron Nowling of  
17 the U.S. Department of Treasury, U.S. Customs has  
18 contacted you -- Now, let me just explain. This  
19 letter is dated June 4th but I received it on June  
20 7th, okay? On June 6th, the day before I got this  
21 letter, I received a telephone call from a man who  
22 identified himself as Ron Nowling and he related  
23 that he was calling me at the request of Mr. Wanta  
24 and --

25 Q Did he inform you of who he was?

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1 A Yes.  
2 Q Or who he claimed to be?  
3 A Yes. He said that at the same time he was  
4 operating a small used car lot. He said he met Mr.  
5 Wanta back in 1986 or '87 and he met him during the  
6 course of Mr. Nowling's employment with a business  
7 known as Ramo Manufacturing in Nashville,  
8 Tennessee, and he explained that he was really  
9 employed by another corporation called Catarack  
10 Incorporated and this Ramo was a subsidiary of  
11 Catarack. He said his job in 1986 was a turnaround  
12 specialist for Catarack Incorporated and at the  
13 time Ramo was doing badly financially and his job  
14 was to go in there, examine their operations and  
15 make whatever changes it would take to make this  
16 business a profitable company.  
17 Q What did he say about whether or not he was then or  
18 ever had been a supervisor for the Department of  
19 Treasury, U.S. Customs?  
20 A He said he had never been employed by U.S. Customs.  
21 At this point I didn't know that there was any  
22 indication of him being connected with U.S.  
23 Customs. Like I said --  
24 Q I understand you hadn't received the letter.  
25 A -- he called me on June 6th, I got the letter on

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1 June 7th, then as a follow-up I called him back on  
2 June 8th and asked him. This was first I had known  
3 about that.

4 Q Why did Mr. Nowling indicate that he was calling  
5 you on June 6th?

6 A He said that Leo Wanta had contacted him and asked  
7 him to telephone me and tell me whatever it was  
8 that I needed to know and so he went on with his  
9 story which --

10 Q Okay.

11 THE COURT: Excuse me.

12 BY MR. HAAG:

13 Q Can you summarize --

14 THE COURT: Let me ask a question. You  
15 said -- You doubled up the "he's," at least from my  
16 standpoint. You said he said that he was never.  
17 Now, which he's are you talking about?.

18 THE WITNESS: Nowling, Ron Nowling.

19 THE COURT: Said that he, Nowling, was  
20 never?

21 THE WITNESS: That he, Nowling, was never  
22 an employee of U.S. Customs. He also said -- Ron  
23 Nowling said the next day when I called him back  
24 that to his knowledge Leo Wanta was never employed  
25 by U.S. Customs and now he explained how they got

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1 in contact with U.S. Customs. Okay, Ramo  
2 Manufacturing was in the business of manufacturing  
3 .50 caliber machine guns and he said during the  
4 course of their business they do from time to time  
5 have contact from illegitimate sources that want to  
6 purchase these .50 caliber machine guns, and he  
7 said their practice as a matter of course was to  
8 take that information over to U.S. Customs.

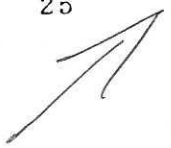
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9 So he said they did act, both he, Ron  
10 Nowling, and Leo Wanta, as citizen informants for  
11 U.S. Customs when these occasions took place.  
12 Someone would attempt to buy .50 caliber machine  
13 guns who were not authorized to purchase those .50  
14 caliber machine guns. He said Customs would then,  
15 you know, ask him for additional information or to  
16 get additional information. So he said they did  
17 act in the capacity as a citizen informant for  
18 Customs but he never personally got paid anything.

19 Q Who's he?

20 A Nowling, Ron Nowling, never got paid personally  
21 from Customs for information he gave to him, and to  
22 his knowledge, Leo Wanta never got paid anything  
23 with regard to information he gave to Customs in  
24 the course of their employment. And he, Ron  
25 Nowling, explained that Wanta's association with

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1 the company Ramo Manufacturing was that Nowling  
2 hired him as a manufacturer's rep and that he was  
3 to be paid on a commission basis only. And during  
4 the time that Nowling was at Ramo, Leo Wanta never  
5 made one single sale and never was paid any  
6 commission at all, but that was his purpose, a  
7 commission manufacturer's rep for Ramo  
8 Manufacturing.

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9 Q Did you then follow up with further contacts with  
10 U.S. Customs to verify the information?

11 A Yes. I then telephoned U.S. Customs in Nashville,  
12 Tennessee and I spoke with a Mr. Ed Walker who is  
13 the resident agent in charge of that office, and he  
14 indicated he's been in charge, I think, for the  
15 past three years. He said they knew of Mr. Leo  
16 Wanta and he said that yes, he had come to their  
17 office, according to his information, personally  
18 came there on one occasion with information. He  
19 had -- He, being Mr. Leo Wanta, had faxed and  
20 telephoned information on numerous occasions after  
21 that.

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22 But based on the information that Mr. Leo  
23 Wanta was claiming to Customs, he indicated that  
24 they flew him to their Alabama office from Appleton  
25 for the purpose of a polygraph test to determine if



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1 they could rely on the information he was giving  
2 him and he said that he failed the polygraph, and  
3 after that they classified him as unreliable and  
4 did not attempt to use him any more for  
5 information. He did indicate that this didn't stop  
6 Mr. Wanta from continuing to fax material to their  
7 office, but he said since the time of failing the  
8 polygraph, they've classified him as unreliable and  
9 did not attempt to use him for information.

10 MR. HAAG: Your Honor, I think that this  
11 is -- the reference to polygraph would not be  
12 prohibited in the context that it's made here, but  
13 if there's a shadow of a doubt about whether or not  
14 we can even refer to the use of a polygraph, I'd  
15 move to strike this portion of the testimony.

16 THE COURT: Well, there's always a shadow  
17 of a doubt in anything that I've heard of so we'll  
18 strike it.

19 Let me just interrupt for a minute if I  
20 can. I'm not trying to either tell counsel where  
21 to go with any of this by way of presentation, by  
22 way of cross, but I think it's fair to tell  
23 everybody ahead of time that I reviewed the file in  
24 this matter to some extent. I have not reread the  
25 preliminary examination. I have read the various

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1           communications that are in the file from Mr. Wanta  
2           directed, a number of them, to myself, a number of  
3           them to Judge Nowakowski. A number of them are  
4           apparently copies of documents sent to other people  
5           that were provided primarily to Judge Nowakowski at  
6           an earlier time. And they make an awful lot of  
7           references, those communications, to a variety of  
8           people and a variety of activities that Mr. Wanta  
9           asserts that he has been engaged in.

10                   I'm not so sure that -- And again, this  
11           is where I say I'm not trying to preclude counsel  
12           from proceeding in a direction. I'm not so sure  
13           that I want to spend or that it is appropriate to  
14           spend an awful lot of time litigating the issues of  
15           who Mr. Wanta has been employed with in the past or  
16           who he hasn't been employed with in the past, what  
17           contacts he has, whether that's false information  
18           or whether that's accurate information.

19                   The issue before me, as I think I related  
20           it and tried precisely to relate it last -- the  
21           24th, I think it was, is whether or not Mr. Wanta  
22           lacks substantial mental capacity to understand the  
23           proceedings. Dr. Mays has said he feels that that  
24           is true. I don't know. The State may dispute that  
25           too. Or assist in his own defense, may be tried,

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I'm not making this as a conclusion but I'm saying, assuming that Mr. Wanta is delusional, assuming that all this is a figment of some imagination, that does not necessarily mean that he cannot assist counsel in defending against substantial charges. It means that he may be delusional, it means that he may have different ideas about what he's done in the past or what his current status is, but it doesn't mean that he can't tell his attorney, as he seems to say in these letters, because in one or two of them is an answer to the complaint effectually, that he wasn't a resident, he's paid all of his taxes and he owes no taxes.

He raises other issues of jurisdiction of the Court, as he did this morning, in his statement with regard to competency of the Court to proceed, the jurisdiction of the Court to proceed by reason of what I gather he considers to be either false execution of warrants or execution or arrests contrary to law or whatever. That's raisable in some other way, I suspect, and it is, I would assume to some degree, ascertainable by counsel, the jurisdictional issues.

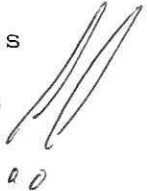


1                    But the question that's before me is  
2                    whether or not he can discuss what his defense is  
3                    with his attorney and deal with that in a  
4                    presentation to the Court or to a jury, however the  
5                    matter's tried, and that's basically, does he owe  
6                    the taxes. Has he filed a false return is the  
7                    first two charges. The second four charges, I  
8                    believe, is failing to report taxable, assessable  
9                    personal property. And he either did this or  
10                   didn't do it and he was either obligated to do it  
11                   or wasn't obligated to do it. And the question is  
12                   can he discuss those issues and his positions on  
13                   those issues with his counsel.

14                   So I say all that not trying to direct  
15                   counsel, but trying to say I don't really care in a  
16                   sense except when it relates to Mr. Wanta's ability  
17                   to communicate with counsel as to these two  
18                   charges, two and four. I don't want to deal with  
19                   whether he's an agent of the CIA. I don't want to  
20                   deal with whether he's an ambassador of Canada. If  
21                   he can discuss these offenses with counsel, whether  
22                   he can do it and whether that's -- some of this  
23                   other stuff seems to me to be totally irrelevant.  
24                   I don't care whether he's a CIA agent or not unless  
25                   it somehow affects his ability to communicate with

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1 counsel.

2 So given my statement in that regard, I  
3 don't -- my point is, I'm not going to spend  
4 another six hours having litigated whether he's an  
5 ambassador from Somalia to Canada and whether he's  
6 got diplomatic immunity. I don't care. For this  
7 purpose I don't care. 

8 MR. HAAG: Judge, let me make this point.  
9 I understand precisely what you're saying.

10 THE COURT: Good.

11 MR. HAAG: It is -- I might as well put  
12 the cart before the horse here so you understand  
13 why I think this testimony is relevant, and the  
14 only other thing we're going to go into with Mr.  
15 Ullman is the Somalian ambassadorship, which I  
16 think we can deal with in about a minute and a  
17 half.

18 THE COURT: You don't need to tell me  
19 ahead of time. I see six people in the courtroom  
20 and I'm wondering about how many witnesses we're  
21 going to have.

22 MR. HAAG: This is it and then Dr. Mays,  
23 and I'm using this testimony for Dr. Mays to add to  
24 his data base to see if this influences him. But  
25 let me also explain, if I may, and I don't want to

1 make my argument at this point, but you hit the  
2 nail on the head, because my argument is going to  
3 be, I think, on the basis of what I hear from Dr.  
4 Mays that, in fact, Mr. Wanta is not able to assist  
5 in his own defense because of the fact that counsel  
6 is going to be placed in an absolutely untenable  
7 situation and that is to put on perjured testified.

8 THE COURT: That may be.

9 MR. HAAG: And I would like to introduce  
10 one item because I think it goes exactly to the  
11 point you're raising, Judge, whether or not this is  
12 relevant to as a defense.

13 THE COURT: In my comments I was not  
14 trying to prejudge this, I just wanted to make sure  
15 you understood what I was thinking the issue was.

16 MR. HAAG: I understand exactly and I  
17 don't blame you for making that point.

18 BY MR. HAAG:

19 Q Mr. Ullman, I show you what has been marked for  
20 identification as Exhibit 1 for this particular  
21 hearing and ask if you can identify it for us,  
22 please?

23 A Well, it's a letter dated June 11th, 1994 to  
24 President William Jefferson Clinton, General Janet  
25 Reno and Attorney General James Doyle and it's

1 signed by ambassador Leo Emil Wanta.

2 Q Is it -- To expedite things a little bit, is it a  
3 fair representation of what this letter stands for,  
4 that Mr. Wanta is indicating here that the \$500,000  
5 in U.S. currency, which one must presume to be the  
6 \$500,000 which underlies the charges in this  
7 particular case, was, in fact, expended for about  
8 31 different federal projects and --

9 A Yeah, that's what it indicated. I am listing the  
10 authorized expenditures from the five hundred  
11 thousand and then here's a list and it's numbered 1  
12 through 31.

13 Q And did your investigation, by the way, reveal that  
14 any such expenses were paid by the \$500,000?

15 A There is a reference in here to No. 1, CIA agent  
16 Scott Partridge, and he's got Miama slash Wien.

17 Q W-i-e-n?

18 A W-i-e-n. There was a check drawn on the account  
19 where this money went into -- paid to Scott \* C.I.A.  
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20 Partridge and I contacted him and he's not a CIA  
21 agent, he was a commodities type broker. And as I  
22 recall, he said Wanta had contacted him by phone  
23 and evidently got his number through this brokerage  
24 exchange network or whatever and indicated he had  
25 some deal to sell something and I think he said

Along with JOHN TAYLOR

State Witnesses  
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