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Tell me where you went?---Um, just, I don't know anywhere, in any, I don't know where um, honest to God, I can't recall um, I, I just can't recall, I- - -

So yesterday was Sunday. You have four children. Is that right?---Yes.

A new baby?---Yes.

How old is your baby?---Ah, 12 December born.

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So just five months, four months?---Yes.

And how old are the other children?---Um, Connor is um, 6, 5, Sorcha 3, 3 and, and (not transcribable) is 2.

And the baby?---And the baby, yeah.

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That's a handful. So do you remember being at home with the kids yesterday, with your, with your wife and the kids?---What day was yesterday?

Sunday?---I think so, yeah.

And did you see Mr Cresnar yesterday?---(No Audible Reply)

While you were at home with your wife and your kids?---I'll be truthful. I met him but I don't know what day it was.

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What day do you think it was?---I don't know.

Did he come to your house?---Um, did he? Um, let me think. I don't think so, no. Where did - I don't think so, no.

So if you think you met him but you can't remember exactly when, where did you meet him?---Where did I meet him? Please, I don't know, lad, but I did, I remember meeting him but I don't know where.

Did you meet him at a pub?---I did obviously, yes.

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So you think it was at a pub?---Yes.

Near your house or down in Sydney?---I think in Sydney, yes.

So you came down to Sydney?---I think so, yeah.

How did you get down?---Drove.

You drove down?---I think, yeah.

So you remember driving down?---I think so, lad, I think so.

What pub was it?---Sorry?

What pub?---I don't, let me think, I don't know what pub it was, lad.

So you think this was Saturday. Is that right?---It could have been, yes.

10 Well, Friday was a workday?---Or was it Friday? Um, I don't know, it's one of the days, so I don't know what day it was, lad.

So are you telling me that you now remember that you have met him in the last couple of days?---I have, but I don't know what day it was, yes, I - - -

But you think it was in the last couple of days. Is that right?---Yes, yes.

And you're pretty sure it was at a pub?---Yes.

20 In Sydney?---Yes.

How did the meeting get arranged?---I don't know, I, I, I, I don't know.

Did you ring him and say let's meet for a drink?---I think so, yes.

You rang him?---I think so, yes.

And do you know why you did that?---Because just meet for a drink.

30 So you came all the way down from Jiliby- - -?---Yes.

- - -just to have a drink with Phil?---Yes.

Is it coming back to you when that might have been?---I can't, I just can't remember, lad.

And if you rang him to organise to have a drink you must have organised where to meet?---Well, did he ring, I don't know, like, it's just vague, lad, I just swear to God it's just vague, lad.

40 So you've rung to organise to have a drink with him. So where did you tell him to meet you?---I honestly don't know, lad, I honestly don't know.

Was it all organised by phone, were there text messages?---Just phone I'd say, yes, phone.

Any text messages?---I don't think so, no.

Sorry?---I don't think so being honest.

What did you talk about?---About why I'm brought in here.

You asked him why you were brought in here?---Why, what's this all about.

What did he say?---He didn't know.

He didn't know. You knew there had been a search warrant at your house?

10 ---Yes.

Why do you think there was a search warrant at your house?---I don't know.

Did he tell you what his position was at work now?---His position at work?

Yes. Did he tell you what was happening with him at work?---Now?

No?---Well, he said that he was on leave or something or- - -

20 So he did talk about work, he told you he was on leave?---Brief, lad, brief.

Sorry?---Brief. I just, I just can't, just, yes, I- - -

Well, I'm happy to stop asking those questions if you would just give me an account of the meeting, please?---I, I, I, yes, he said, he said he was leave and I said, "What's this all about?" And he didn't know he says.

So was that the first conversation you'd had with him since the search warrant?---I think it was, lad.

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I mean the search warrant was on Tuesday. Didn't that prompt you to ask some questions?---I went straight home. I went straight home.

Yes. And the fact that your house was searched, did that prompt you to ask Mr Cresnar some questions?---Yes, I didn't know what was being searched for, like.

And did you ask him on Tuesday?---No, no.

40 So you had no contact with him on the day of the search warrant?---I can't recall. I don't think so, no, I can't recall.

You, did you call him?---Oh, jeez um, I, I honestly (not transcribable)

I mean it's a fairly important date?---I know, yes, I, I know it is a very important date with my family and kids. I can't remember that.

I mean a very important thing happened on that date?---For sure it did.