

party. So if it should appear in some future—from whatever the source—that you always provided security for Dr. King, that would also be erroneous, would it not?

Mr. REDDITT. Right.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Now, if the witness would like to review the second three pages on Martin Luther King F-184.

[Brief pause in proceedings as witness reviews said pages.]

Mr. SMOTHERS. Mr. Congressman, we are ready.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Mr. Redditt, I would like to draw your attention to lines 13 through 17 and 19 through 23 on the first page of the exhibit. In essence what you stated was that there could have been another security guard at the airport but that you might not have seen him, is that not paraphrasing your remarks pretty accurately? So you really only remember walking down the hallway with Richmond, but you state quite clearly that it is a possibility they could have been in another exit, been up front, been elsewhere else?

Mr. REDDITT. That's correct.

Mr. MCKINNEY. So that there may have been other security at the airport?

Mr. REDDITT. Correct.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Mr. Redditt, I refer you to page 2, line 11, through 3, line 3, which was your closing statement. You may either read this into the record, or you may paraphrase it for me in any way, whichever you would like to do.

Mr. SMOTHERS. Is that a question or a request that the witness read from the previous statement?

Mr. MCKINNEY. It is a request that he either paraphrase his remarks or that he read those remarks.

Mr. SMOTHERS. Beginning at which line, please?

Mr. MCKINNEY. Line 11, through line 3 on page 3.

Mr. REDDITT. I'll read it:

Again, I want to apologize or whatever for again maybe my misinterpretations or my stating and causing people to have another connotation of whatever, how do you withdraw this or how do you rectify this. I can think of several ways to do it, whether there is permission granted or not, but most of all is that if I have—and I have said it earlier—mised someone with the statements of security surveillance or surveillance security and persons interpreting it like they want to interpret or putting it the way they want to put it, it is very difficult, even in an explanation of that nature, that is explaining 100 feet away, and as Mr. Fithian has put it, there is no way that you can offer that security. It can only still be observation and surveillance.

So those persons who are much smarter than I, who can write books overnight can take most anything out and put it like they want it, turn your words around or cause you to turn your words around how they want it, something I want to apologize.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Detective Redditt, you appeared on television with various authors; is that correct?

Mr. REDDITT. Yes, sir.

Mr. MCKINNEY. You have also been interviewed in connection with their books; is that correct?

Mr. REDDITT. Not interviewed for their books; no, sir.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Have you been interviewed by author Mark Lane?

Mr. REDDITT. It was in conversation and that he was in the room with me while I talked to Abby Mann who was to do the picture; and in that conversation, he asked permission, was it OK to start a

tape. And in conversation, when conversation made accusations, forth; of this nature.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Have you read

Mr. REDDITT. No, sir.

Mr. MCKINNEY. Will the clerk Code Name "Zorro", marked MI Chairman STOKES. Without objection.

[A copy of Mr. Lane's book, (the committee's files.)

Mr. MCKINNEY. It might be known that in this book, your name I won't even bother to put them in, but I would ask that this be put in the record, also.

Chairman STOKES. Without objection. [The information follows:]

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Mr. McKINNEY. Have you read Mr. Lane's book?

Mr. REDDITT. No, sir.

Mr. McKINNEY. Will the clerk please give the witness a copy of
Code Name "Zorro", marked MLK exhibit F-185.

Chairman STOKES. Without objection it may be entered at this
point

[A copy of Mr. Lane's book, Code Name "Zorro", is retained in
the committee's files.]

Mr. McKINNEY. It might be interesting for you, Mr. Redditt, to
know that in this book, your name is mentioned on so many pages,
I won't even bother to put them into the record. The list is exten-
sive, but I would ask that this be given a number, F-185A, and be
put in the record, also.

Chairman STOKES. Without objection, so ordered.

[The information follows:]