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CHAIRPERSON: Yes, okay and what did you make of his offer to you, Mr Agrizzi, to say if you lose your employment I will pay you? I will pay you the amount that you referred to earlier per month.

MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER: I accepted it at the time.

CHAIRPERSON: You accepted that it was a genuine offer?

MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON: Yes and did he indicate how long he would continue paying you a monthly salary of that amount?

MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER: Chair he also explained to me on a few
10 occasions and that will come out a little bit later that the three gentlemen, we might be running a little bit ahead here now. That the three gentlemen who walked away from the company being Mr Andries van Tonder, Mr Leon van Tonder and Frans Vorster, Mr Agrizzi a week or two later from the meeting at his house wanted to negotiate an exit package on their behalf and they wanted to take over the DCS Contract, the Department of Correctional Services Contract and that is how he explained how he would sustain paying, you know, sustaining in paying the salary.

CHAIRPERSON: Yes. So your understanding was that it would be for how long?

MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER: For as long Chair, I mean.

CHAIRPERSON: Those details were not, you did not apply your mind to them?

20 **MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER:** They were not disclosed, but.

CHAIRPERSON: Ja.

MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER: It would carry on for a long time.

CHAIRPERSON: But you felt comfortable with that offer?

MR PETRUS STEPHANUS VENTER: Ja. When he mentioned that because that was a big concern.