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1	APPEARANCES	-	1	(The Deposition commenced at 1.33 p m.)
2 3	For the Plaintiffs (via telephone): ROCHE CYRULNIK FREEDMAN LLP		2	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now on the
	200 S Biscayne Blvd, Suite 5500		3	record. This begins media number one in the
4	Miami, Florida 33131 Telephone: (305) 357-3861		4	deposition of Dr. Craig Wright, in the matter of
5	Email: Vel@rcfllp com		5	Ira Kleiman et al v Craig Wright in the United
6 7	By: Velvel (Devin) Freedman, Esq		6	States District Court of Florida. Case Number
8	ROCHE CYRULNIK FREEDMAN LLP 99 Park Avenue, Suite 1910			
	New York City, NY 10016		7	918-CV-80176BB/BR. Today is March 16, 2020. The
9	Email: Kyle@rcfllp com Email: Jdelich@rcfllp com		8	time on the video monitor is 1.33 pm. This
10			_	deposition is being taken at Boies Schiller
11	By: Kyle W Roche, Esq Joseph M Delich, Esq		10	Flexner LLP, 5 New Street Square, London EC4A 3BF,
12	BOIES SCHILLER FLEXNER LLP		11	United Kingdom. The Videographer is Linda Fleet
13	100 SE 2nd Street, Suite 2800		12	of Magna Legal Services. The Court Reporter is
14	Miami, Florida 33131 Tel 305-539-8400		13	Amy Coley. Will counsel and all parties present
	Email: Abrenner@bsfllp com		14	state their appearances and who they represent.
15	By: Andrew S Brenner, Esq		15	MR. FREEDMAN: This is Velvel
16 17	For the Defendants (via telephone):		16	Freedman for the Plaintiff.
18	RIVERO MESTRE LLP		17	MR. BRENNER: Andrew Brenner for
19	2525 Ponce de Leon Boulevard, Suite 1000 Miami, Florida 33134		18	the plaintiff.
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20 21	E-mail: Arivero@riveromestre com By: Andrés Rivero, Esq		20	plaintiff.
22	Julio Paez, Esq		21	MR. ROCHE: Mr. Roche for the
	Also present:		22	plaintiff.
23	Judge Reinhardt (via telephone) Simon Cohen, Esq. (SCA Ontier UK) (in person)		23	MR. RIVERO: Andreas Rivero for
24	Amy Coley (Court Reporter on behalf of Magna Legal		24	Dr. Wright and Julio, Paez, also representing
25	Services) Linda Fleet (Videographer on behalf of Magna Legal		25	Dr. Wright.
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1	INDEV		1	MR. COHEN: Simon Cohen from SCA
2	INDEX		2	Ontier also representing Dr. Wright for the
3	Exhibit No Page		3	purposes of this deposition.
4	1 Photo of Dr Wright 15 2 Art by Dr Wright 17		4	DR. WRIGHT, Sworn
5	3 Post about Bitcoin 19 DEF 52139 29		5	MR. RIVERO: Correction of the
6	DEF 52143 36 DEF 52146 37		6	spelling of Mr. Paez.
7	DEF 52148 39 DEF 172557 41		7	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
8	DEF 52372 44		8	Q. Good afternoon, Dr. Wright.
	DEF 722110 46 DEF 1729562 52		9	A. Good afternoon where I am at the
9	DEF 172753 59 DEF 172509 65		10	moment, and good morning for you.
10	DEF 172510 66 DEF 172523 69		11	Q. You have had your deposition taken
11	DEF 172528 70 DEF 115950 127		12	before; isn't that right?
12	CONTROL1268220 134 CONTROL1277609 134		13	A. Yes.
13	KLEIMAN 4288 141 KLEIMAN 8178 144		14	Q. Do you remember the rules of the
14	AUS81546 158		15	deposition, so to speak, where I need you to
15	DEFAUS115950 161,179		16	
16	BITCOIN P2PE 167 DEFAUS112712 168		17	answer audibly any questions that I ask you?
17	KLEIMAN0385767 170 DEF 13694 173		l .	A. I do.
18	DEF 65750 195 Z10 200		18 19	Q. To the extent that you do not
19	DEFAUS550141 208 DEF 1597497 213		l .	understand a question I need you to let me know
20	DEF 167470 217 DEF 167260 217 DEF 01097415 228		20	that you do not understand that question, is that
	DEF 01597484 233		21	fair?
21	DEF 1597598 238 DEFAUS516701 242		22	A. Yes, I will ask you the question
	DEFAUS115519 245		. , ,	again and ack you to explain it I do not
22	DEF 52514 246		23	again and ask you to explain if I do not
22 23 24 25			24 25	understand. Q. If you do not ask me to repeat it,



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1	I will assume that you understood the question and	1	any knowledge of who the other person is, and not
2	I will rely on it; right?	2	that it is a contract, such as Blackstone would
3	A. I understand that.	3	say "without recording identity", for instance it
4	Q. You understand that your testimony	4	is a small transaction where a mere receipt is
5	is being taken via video and via a court reporter	5	sufficient.
6	and it may be shown at some point to a jury or a	6	Q. Do you have a Twitter account with
7	judge?	7	the username "Dr Craig S Wright"?
8	A. I understand that. I understand	8	A. No, I do not.
9	the magistrate is listening in. I can see the	9	Q. Let me rephrase that there is
10	camera in front of me and the court reporter as	10	some terrible feedback coming through the line.
11	well.	11	A. Many years ago I had an account of
12	Q. If at any time you need a break,	12	that name, but that was hacked and taken over.
13	Dr. Wright, just let us know and we will take a	13	The last person I know who was running it was Uyen
14	break and use the restroom if that is necessary?	14	Nguyen.
15	A. Certainly and thank you.	15	Q. When was it hacked?
16	Q. Finally, before we get started, are	16	A. Back in 2015
17	you on any medications today that will affect your	17	THE COURT REPORTER: Sorry.
18	ability to testify?	18	Q. Before that you were controlling
19	A. Not that will affect my ability to	19	that Twitter account?
20	testify.	20	A. No, it was only partly under my
21	Q. Are you on any medications that	21	control. I had staff members running much of my
22	would affect your ability to recall certain facts?	22	social media.
23	A. No, I am not.	23	Q. Did you have a Twitter account with
24	Q. Okay. Dr. Wright, do you mind	24	the name "A Prof. Faustus"?
25	saying your name and date of birth for the record?	25	A. Yes, I did.
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1	A. Dr. Craig Steven Wright, 23	1	Q. When I speak I here a feedback
2	October 1970.	2	through the line. Perhaps something is the are
3	Q. Dr. Wright, can participants in	3	the IT folks in the room? We will carry on.
4	Bitcoin be anonymous?	4	Did you write the tweets that came
5	A. It depends on what you term	5	from that Prof. Faustus or did you have other
6	"anonymous". If you are talking about Black's Law	6	
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Page 10 Page 12 I am seeking a publisher for what will be my book. Q. Dr. Wright, Satoshi's Vision 1 2 book -- sorry, but the echo is back. 2 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 3 3 (Off the record at 1.56 p.m.) Q. Have you gone around signing copies 4 (On the record at 1.58 p.m.) 4 of that book? 5 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 5 A. I have signed copies of that book 6 6 Satoshi's Vision book that you Q. for people, yes. Q. Have you read that book? 7 published ---7 8 8 I have read the blogs that made A. I did not publish it. A. 9 O. Right. Let me rephrase that. The 9 that book. I wrote the blogs that made that book. book was taken from various blogs and other things 10 Q. Have you allowed the book to be 10 that you had written; is that correct? 11 marketed under your name? 11 Α. That is correct. 12 A. I do not know what you mean by 12 "marketed under my name". There are people 13 It was edited into that book; did 13 Q. 14 you have an editor do that for you? 14 selling it, yes. Am I getting paid for it? No. The cover of the book says 15 No. I did not. Another person 15 asked if they could use my blogs and create the 16 "Satoshi's Vision, the art of Bitcoin". Right 16 17 book using those. I said yes. 17 underneath in big white block letters it says "Craig Wright". Did you authorize the use of your 18 Q. Does the sum and substance of the 18 19 book reflect your intent? 19 name on this book? 20 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 20 Yes, I did. As I said, it is my A. 21 21 blog posts, taken and edited into something else. You may answer. 22 Very mildly. It has been difficult 22 Dr. Wright are you familiar with the website called "Craigwright.net"? 23 to try to explain things to the average person. 23 Bitcoin should not be a difficult topic, it is not 24 24 A. Yes. 25 magic internet money like some people say. It is 25 Did you write the contents in those O. Page 11 Page 13 basically a very simple system with an evidentiary audibles or did you pay someone to ghost write 1 2 2 trail attached. But getting that through everything for you? 3 explanations without trying to use legal terms 3 A. No, I write the content in those 4 like following through mixtures or tracing or 4 articles. They come from my medium blog and then 5 5 anything like this, in trying to get it to get loaded formally into that blog. 6 something that I can have understood by the 6 Are you an administrator in a slot 7 7 channel called Metanet ICU? general populous has proven difficult for for me. 8 JUDGE REINHARDT: I noted that 8 Α. No. 9 Mr. Rivero objected on form and there was a pause, 9 O. Under the ---10 I do not know if you were waiting me to rule. Let 10 THE COURT REPORTER: Repeat the 11 me just make clear on the record, I will not be 11 question. 12 ruling on form objection, I will only rule on 12 BY MR. FREEDMAN: objections based upon relevance, scope or 13 13 Q. Are you an administrator in a slot 14 privilege. So we are clear, if there is a form 14 channel called Metanet ICU under the screening 15 objection, continue as you ordinarily would. 15 CSW? 16 MR. RIVERO: Thank you, your Honor. 16 A. No. 17 Had you completed your questions, Mr. Freedman? 17 Are you an administrator in a slot O. BY MR. FREEDMAN: channel called Metanet ICU? 18 18 19 Thank you, your Honor. No, I was 19 MR. RIVERO: I do not know what going to go back and look at what it was. 20 equipment you are using, but sometimes I do not 20 Dr. Wright, do you consider it to be your book? know if it is diction or the transmission, it is a 21 21 22 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 22 little bit hard to understand. I am reading the 23 A. No, I do not consider it to be my 23 transcript, the transcript says "slot channel". book. As I said, a third party edited blog pages 24 Slack channel. 24 A. MR. RIVERO: Could you enunciate 25 that I had written into that book. At present, 25



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1	clearly, if you can?	1	admin" under your picture?
2	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	2	A. I do.
3	Q. Are you an administrator in a slack	3	Q. Are you an administrator of the
4	channel called Metanet ICU?	4	slack channel ICU?
5	A. No, I am not an administrator in	5	A. No, I am not, it is a work space.
6	any slack channel.	6	I do not manage people, I do not run the system,
7	MR. RIVERO: Objection. I do not	7	etc.
8	know if you said "slag" or "slack" channel but I	8	Q. Do you have other people comment
9	am watching the live feed and it says "slack	9	under your name in Metanet ICU?
10	channel". I need to make sure these questions are	10	A. No, I do not.
11	understood and I am not hearing you well. I do	11	Q. Only you comment as "CSW"?
12	not know if you can speak slower and more clearly,	12	A. To the best of my knowledge, yes.
13	I think that would help.	13	Q. Dr. Wright, I am going to upload
14	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	14	another document to the share file here. It is a
15	Q. I can try, there are limitations	15	copy of an article that you wrote called "the
16	doing this via video, I am still hearing myself	16	story of Bitcoin continued" which you published on
17	echoing back, we are all trying to do our best,	17	your blog Craigwright.net in February 2019. When
18	Mr. Rivero.	18	this populates, can you tell me if you recognize
19	Dr. Wright, are you a member of the	19	that article?
20	slack channel called Metanet ICU?	20	(Exhibit 2 marked for identification)
21	A. Yes.	21	A. Yes, I recognize that.
22	Q. Do you use the screen name "CSW"?	22	Q. In the final paragraph of that
23	A. I am not sure what my screen name	23	story, you say
24	is, but everyone knows who I am in the slack	24	A. It is at the final paragraph.
25	there.	25	Q. In the final paragraph you say:
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1	Q. Okay. Dr. Wright, I am going to	1	"I am the issuer for Bitcoin"; do you see that?
2	hand you we will get uploaded on to the	2	A. Yes, it is correct.
3	computer there what I am going to call exhibit	3	Q. What does that mean "I am the
4	1. For purposes the of the deposition, if a	4	issuer for Bitcoin"?
5	document has a Bates label I will identify it by	5	A. It means under the terms of law
6	the Bates label because I think getting everything	6	with issuance all Bitcoin were issued as of the
7	to be kept track of is going to be very difficult.	7	launch of the system in January 9, 2009, I am the
8	If it does not have a Bates label then I will give	8	sole issuer. All tokens, all 21 million times 100
9	it an exhibit number.	9	million individual tokens that existed, existed as
10	Dr. Wright, if you can take a look	10	of that date. Bitcoin is not minted; Bitcoin is
11	at plaintiff's exhibit 1, on the share file?	11	not recreated. So there is one individual, not
12	(Exhibit 1 marked for identification)	12	minus, not nodes as people call them, that created
13	Q. Are you able to bring that up?	13	Bitcoins, that issued Bitcoins. That is myself,
14	A. I am not but I believe people are	14	with all of the legal ramifications that being an
15	doing it for me, yes.	15	issuer of a source of money comes with.
16	Q. Do you have that in front of you?	16	Q. Some might argue with you and say
17	A. Yes.	17	that coins are issued by the majority; do you not
18	MR. RIVERO: I want to make sure,	18	agree with that statement?
19	does this have a photograph of Dr. Wright.	19	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
20	MR. FREEDMAN: It does.	20	A. No, that would be basically false.
21	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	21	The code itself has all of the coins issued. If
22	Q. Is this the profile that you used	22	you read my original website that was issued back
23	in Metanet ICU?	23	in January, or actually a little earlier, 2009,
24	A. Used no; use yes.	24	and the White Paper and the source code, you will
25	Q. You say that it says "work space	25	see that coins are distributed. The reason that



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- 21 million Bitcoin, with all the associated token 1
- 2 distribution, is set in stone, that cannot be
- 3 changed is because the actual tokens are
- 4 completely issued. There is no way to change that
- 5 without making a new system copying Bitcoin,
- 6 copying the database and passing off as if it is a
- 7 Bitcoin on a completely alternate system. So, no,
- there is only one way to look at it. If anyone 8
- 9 tells you that it has been issued at each block,
- 10 then they are either ignorant of the way Bitcoin works, or disingenuous and lying for an agenda, as 11

12 many do, seeking to say that Bitcoin is about an antigovernment system. Bitcoin was never 13

14 antigovernment.

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The reason they want this is because Bitcoin can be seized by government, not because of private keys. Once a judge knows public keys, a judge can order anything they want to happen to those and the nodes will follow. BY MR. FREEDMAN:

Dr. Wright, there are some pretty knowledgeable people about Bitcoin that disagree with you and say that coins are issued by the majority?

MR. RIVERO: Pause for a moment to

1 happens if I go to prison for ten years? Will the

- 2 government be able to seize my Bitcoin? Will they
- 3 be able to take it? Since 2012 when that happened
- 4 there has been a constant attack on what Bitcoin
- is seeking to change it into liberty reserve,
- 6 E-gold and other criminal sources so that the
- 7 American government, the British government, the
- European governments and others under FATF Rules
- 9 cannot seize criminal proceeds, so, no, none of
- 10 those people are knowledgeable and, if they are, 11 they are disingenuous.

## BY MR. FREEDMAN:

- I asked if you try to keep answers in response to the question. I know that you did touch on my question in that answer but there was a lot in there that was not necessarily responsive. We have a lot to get through. It would help both of us if you try to move it along.
- Sorry, but I do not agree that that was not necessary. I believe it was cogent and related.
- OK. People say the coins issued by Q. the majority falls into this category of the individuals you have just described?

THE COURT REPORTER: Repeat the

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let me state an objection. Object to the form. Go ahead and answer.

No, there are not some pretty knowledgeable about Bitcoin. There are people like Erik Voorhees who was a convicted money launderer and securities fraudster, who was fined around \$50,000 by the SEC for millions of dollars worth of profit. Of course if you make millions of dollars worth of profit the last thing you will ever decide to do is quit because you get a \$50,000 fine. There are people who seek to facilitate crime, there are people who are funded by criminals, there are people running Ponzis and bucket shops. There are people who seek to have a money that cannot be seized by the US government, by FATF Rules. There are people who seek something, for instance the recent Irish case of €56 million that is being sought to be frozen on

19 exchanges under proceeds of crime to not be 20 seizable. All of this happened, including people

21 like Mr. Antonopoulos in 2011/2012 when they

22 fought things like the alert key that I

23 implemented to be able to freeze Bitcoin and

fought to have it changed. This came about after 24 25 a person involved with Silk Road announced what

question please. 1 2

Never mind, strike the question. I am going to hand you what I am going to be marking as exhibit 3. You forgot to label the previous blog exhibit 2. This I am handing you what has been marked about exhibit 3?

(Exhibit 3 marked for identification)

- Do you have that on the screen? Q.
  - A.
- Do you know what this is? O.
  - Yes, I know what it is. A.
- What is it? O.

Α. It is a post about Bitcoin. It was made in February 2009, shortly after I launched the platform. The bit I would suspect that you are going to bring down is where I mentioned anonymity where I said people could be anonymous in that page. In that I had just completed a law degree and believed that the meaning of "anonymous" was very simple which is "without name publicly".

MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman has asked you that you address his question, and I would ask the same just to move this along.

A. My apologies.

Page 22 Page 24 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 1 with Gavin Andresen, do you recall that? 1 2 2 I met with him then, yes. Q. Let me break that down. This is a A. 3 post on the P2P Foundation; is that correct? 3 Do you recall that during that 4 meeting you were able to satisfy him that you were That is correct. 4 5 It is a post by Satoshi Nakamoto; 5 in fact Satoshi Nakamoto? Q. 6 6 is that correct? A. No. 7 That is correct, which is me. 7 O. You do not recall that? Α. 8 Is it only you? 8 Q. A. I had already satisfied him that I was a Satoshi Nakamoto before we had the meeting. 9 Yes, it is only me. 9 A. I ask if you could scroll down to 10 He came out because I had satisfied him. 10 page 5 of 8, but actually if you could just go to 11 One way or the other you were able 11 4 of 8 and look at the top of page 5 of 8. This 12 to convince Gavin that you were Satoshi Nakamoto; 12 is a post by Satoshi. If you take a look at the 13 13 is that correct? 14 second line from the top of that page, can you 14 A. That is correct. read me what Satoshi Nakamoto wrote? 15 15 Dr. Wright, that meeting with Gavin O. Yes. "You could say coins are 16 Andresen was part of a broader effort of you 16 coming out publicly as Satoshi Nakamoto, is that 17 issued by the majority. They are issued in a 17 limited, predetermined amount." In that I made an 18 18 fair? error and people misunderstood me, which is not 19 19 No, that is not fair. A. 20 20 Why did you meet with Gavin uncommon. Q. O. Dr. Wright, you just said that you 21 21 Andresen? posted coins are issued by the majority. Is that 22 22 I wanted to meet Gavin Andresen A. 23 23 because Gavin had taken over and run the project not right? for a time after I was off trying to experiment 24 24 Α. Yes. At times I say things that 25 25 and ensure that I was correct in my assertions are not clear. Page 23 Page 25 Q. Are you ignorant, Dr. Wright, as 1 1 about Bitcoin. 2 2 you describe --Was there a time in early 2016 when 3 3 MR. RIVERO: Objection to the form. you were preparing to come out publicly as Satoshi 4 No, I am autistic, I have Nakamoto? 4 5 Asperger's and I am very much someone who does not 5 A. No, other people wanted me to come 6 6 clarify what I say. out as Satoshi Nakamoto, I did not. 7 7 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Q. I did not ask if you wanted to do this, I just asked if there was a time when you 8 Are you disingenuous? 8 O. No, and that would not be 9 were preparing to come out publicly as Satoshi 9 A. 10 10 Nakamoto? disingenuous. 11 A moment ago you told me that if 11 MR. RIVERO: Objection asked and Q. somebody says coins are issued by the majority 12 answered you may answer. 12 they are either disingenuous or ignorant? 13 A. Again you asked me if I was 13 14 No, that is not what I said. And 14 preparing and that would imply that I am seeking 15 what the comment said is that they are issued in a 15 something. My seeking something means that I am 16 predefined or predetermined amount. If they are 16 actively going out there and doing and if I am not 17 predetermined that means it has already happened. 17 preparing, if I do not want to do it, if I am not Was this Dave posting this? 18 Q. 18 seeking to do something then I am not, by 19 No, this was not Dave posting this. 19 definition, preparing. If other people are A. Dave never posted a Satoshi. Dave never had the 20 20 seeking to have me come out and I am seeking not account, he never had the e-mail and he never had to be then I am not, by definition of the word 21 21 22 anything to do with this. Dave would not be 22 preparing, preparing. 23 possible to post as this, as Dave was actually in 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: hospital at the time this was posted. 24 Q. Did you participate in meetings 24 Dr. Wright, in early 2016 you met 25 25 toward you coming out as Satoshi Nakamoto?



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MR. RIVERO: We have stipulated

Case 9:18-cv-80176-BB Document 550-4 Entered on FLSD Docket 06/01/2020 Page 8 of 294 Page 26 Page 28 A. I was in meetings where other Mr. Matthews in 2016. Next question, please. 1 people wanted to promote me as Satoshi Nakamoto. 2 MR. FREEDMAN: Mr. Rivero, I would Who were those people? 3 ask that you do not do that. This is a Q. I have been in thousands of 4 deposition. meetings, I have meetings every week, we currently 5 MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, he has have around 200 staff. At the time we were 6 just answered the question. I am trying to move setting up a new London office. Who was in 7 this along. We will stipulate that as a fact. meetings? I am sorry, without any particular 8 For the record, please ask the next question. notes, I am not able to answer you. 9 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Let me be a little more precise. 10 Q. Did Stefan Matthews want you to Who were the people that wanted you or the primary 11 come out as Satoshi Nakamoto in early 2016? -- let me phrase it this way because I know you 12 To my knowledge, no. are a very particular person with your words: who 13 Were you in touch with Calvin Ayre Q. were the primary people that were behind this 14 in early 2016? effort to have you come out publicly as Satoshi 15 Calvin Ayre was my mentor but, no, Nakamoto? 16 I was not in talks in that manner with Calvin Ayre Α. There were multiple things trying 17 about this. to get me out as Satoshi Nakamoto. The first one 18 I did not add the words, I know you I know about was something called Project 19 are very precise with words so I am going to ask Prometheus, Uyen Nguyen, Ian Greig and others. 20 my question again, were you in touch with Calvin Q. Dr. Wright, let me be careful about 21 Ayre in early 2016? my timeframe, I am talking about in early 2016. 22 Yes, again, yes, Calvin was my A. We were discussing people in early 2016. My 23 mentor. question to you is: in early 2016 who are the 24 O. And did Calvin want you to come out primary people that arranged these meetings that 25 as Satoshi Nakamoto in early 2016? Page 27 Page 29 you attended, who were the ones that wanted you to 1 No. A. 2 come out as Satoshi Nakamoto? Q. Were you in touch with Robert 3 McGregor in early 2016? You are again asking me who wanted me to come out. There were multiple people, A. Yes. 4 multiple things happening. All of this happened 5 Q. Did Robert McGregor want you to 6 because of things in 2015 and 2016. Mr. Greig and come out as Satoshi Nakamoto? others in 2016 were arranging things. Uyen Nguyen 7 Unfortunately, yes. A. Did Robert McGregor make in 2016 were arranging things. If you let me 8 O. finish, I will say the different groups; would you 9 arrangements for that to happen? like me to continue? 10 A. Yes. Q. I really just want you to answer 11 Did Robert McGregor hire PR O. that one little question. I am having difficulty 12 consultants to help co-ordinate precedents to in understanding where the disconnect between you 13 facilitate you coming out as Satoshi Nakamoto? and I is because I think it is a simple question. 14 Α. Let me try to be more precise. In early 2016, you 15 Do you recall whether you retained were in correspondence with a gentleman called 16 an organization called the "Outside Organization"? Stefan Matthews; is that correct? I do not know if it was him or a 17 Α. group he was associated with. I am in correspondence with him 18



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Page 34 Page 36 1 Hmm hmm. 1 I can see that. 2 You were talking about involving 2 Q. O. It starts at the bottom of the Nick Szabo in your coming out as Satoshi Nakamoto, 3 e-mail chain with an e-mail from you that 4 were vou not? discusses leaks. It relates to a thread about 4 A. No, I was not, nor does that say 5 5 Craig Wright being a Nigerian prince; do you see б that I was, that is Stefan talking to other 6 that? 7 people. 7 A. I see that. 8 Q. And you are responding to that, is 8 Alan Edwards from the Outside O. Organization responds to that e-mail that this 9 that not right? 9 10 10 kind of docket(?) is not helpful; do you see that? That is me, on receiving it, saying 11 I do not want anything to do with Nick Szabo. 11 Yes, we had another hack in the Q. You involve Mr. Caley in these 12 12 organization and I responded saying that I did not 13 communications? 13 want -- again, documents were being hacked and 14 A. Sorry, I did not hear the question. 14 leaked in our organization, and I sent it round MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. for someone to do something. 15 15 MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, it is BY MR. FREEDMAN: 16 16 17 Q. You involved Mr. Caley in these 17 not an issue, I do not really care, if you are 18 communications; is that fair? 18 going to rely on links, which I do not think you are doing here, for the future please make sure 19 A. I hit "reply all", I have no idea 19 20 who Mr. Caley is. 20 that we are able to access the link. I do not MR. RIVERO: Sorry, I want to make 21 21 want to interfere; just keep going. sure there was an objection that I stated before MR. FREEDMAN: Then Dr. Wright you 22 22 respond saying "yes, but this is more than 23 that question. I know that there was some 23 over-talk, sorry about that. 24 24 gossip". 25 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 25 Yes, there are leaks. There are Page 35 Page 37 1 Q. I am going to hand you -- upload people actually putting out internal documentation 2 into the share file what you produced in this 2 from the organization and posting it on "read it"; 3 litigation as defense 52143; please take a look at 3 that is not a leak -- that is not gossip, that is that e-mail when it populates. 4 4 a leak. 5 5 (Exhibit marked for identification) Then Mr. Matthews responds saying 6 6 Is it zoomed in for you? that it might be involving Uyen Nguyen, is that Q. 7 7 A. Yes, it is. fair? 8 Is it fair to say this is another 8 That is what he said, yes. A. 9 e-mail from you with a CC to Nick Caley? 9 Then your wife, Ramona Watts, responds saying that: "Staff do not know what we 10 A. Again, it is a "reply all". 10 11 Again you are discussing no to 11 discussed in our media meetings." Addressed Nick, no to Maxwell, no to any of the people Craig, "you think Nick is a concern, approach and 12 12 working for firms that are opposed to do what "we 13 knowledge of the company...(reads to the 13 words)...related." Do you see that in the e-mail? 14 are doing"? 14 15 A. Yes, as I said, what I was saying 15 A. I can see that in the e-mail. 16 is there is no way on earth I wanted to have 16 Q. Do you see that Ms Watts CC's Nick anything to do with Nick Szabo or Greg Maxwell or 17 Caley again in what was a concern that you had 17 Vitalik Buterin, or any of these people who seek about coming out as Satoshi Nakamoto? 18 18 19 to have a version of Bitcoin that acts outside of 19 A. I see once again someone who I do 20 20 government control, so correct. not know CCed on a general CC. Q. Dr. Wright, I am going to upload 21 Dr. Wright, I am going to upload 21 22 into the share file what you produced as the 22 what you produce in this litigation as defense defense 52146. 23 23 52148? (Exhibit Defense 52146 marked for 24 (Exhibit Defense 52148 marked for 24 25 25 identification) identification)

Page 40 Page 38 That is on the screen. 1 words)...against us." 1 2 2 Yes, this is not a media plan, this Q. Do you recognize there is an e-mail 3 3 is a corporate plan. You are confounding the two. from you? 4 4 Rob wanted a media plan, where he would quickly Α. 5 5 sell off nChain, I, on the other hand, as I am Again, do you see to Nick Caley? Q. 6 6 doing now, to build over decades intellectual Again, it is once again just a 7 7 general expanded group. property and systems and slowly, profitably build a company so we had a distinct difference in 8 8 And this is a discussion you had 9 about whether or not to involve certain 9 plans, leading to Rob's leaving the organization. 10 10 individuals in your plan, is that fair? Let me show you what you produce in A. No, that is not fair. 11 this litigation as defense 172557? 11 12 12 (Exhibit Defense 72557 marked for What is it then? O. 13 13 identification) MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 14 Two points. (1) You said "this is 14 A. Yes, I can see that now. my plan". As stated, I had no plan to come out 15 15 This is, if you go to the bottom, and I had actually been fighting this. And (2) 16 the first e-mail is an April 1st e-mail from Nick 16 you are looking at something where I am not 17 17 Caley talking about the Financial Times story 18 18 entitled "Craig Wright Upcoming Big Reveal", not a talking about a plan, I am talking about saying 19 19 Financial Times story, a story entitled "Craig I will not deal with these other people that Rob 20 20 Wright Upcoming Big Reveal -had as a plan. On both points, I disagree. 21 21 BY MR. FREEDMAN: MR. RIVERO: I am needing to read 22 This involves you coming out as 22 the e-mail -- one moment, please. The sound 23 23 quality is poor. I need to read the question. Is Satoshi, not your plan, is that fair? 24 24 This involves what other people had the sound quality on the other lines the same or 25 25 sought to do with the company. poor? Page 39 Page 41 Do you see the paragraph where you 1 The quality here is fine. 1 Q. 2 MR. RIVERO: Thanks, I will do my 2 say ---3 3 MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, I am best. 4 4 sorry, the sound quality just suddenly BY MR. FREEDMAN: 5 deteriorated over the last question and answer to 5 Q. Do you see where it says at the 6 6 the point I cannot understand. I am not sure what bottom there is an e-mail from Nick Caley, 7 is going on. 7 referencing a story at the Alpha Mill blog 8 MR. FREEDMAN: Is it better now? 8 entitled "Craig Wright Upcoming Big Reveal." 9 9 MR. RIVERO: I did not hear Yes, I see where Nick was talking 10 anything of the last question, it is fine right 10 to people and I see that they were trying to 11 11 manage me. As you have guessed, I am not always 12 12 BY MR. FREEDMAN: the calmest person in all situations. 13 13 Q. Do you see in the paragraph that Stefan Matthews responds to Nick says: "We addressed talking to Nick Szabo"; do 14 14 about that, right? 15 you see that paragraph? 15 That is what it appears to be. Yes, which is where basically I am 16 16 I can't read Stefan's thing there, I am assuming using "we" in the royal we, where I am telling 17 17 that is Stefan@ 18 people: I told you basically I am not dealing 18 Nick responds back to Stefan, 19 with Nick Szabo. "We addressed" is my talking to 19 right? 20 20 you and my saying I am not dealing with Nick Szabo A. Is that above? Can you scroll up, please? Yes, he responds without my being on the 21 or Gregory Maxwell. 21 22 Do you see in the second line of 22 communication chain, that is correct. 23 23 that paragraph the sentence that begins: "Our Then Robert McGregor forwards that plan should involve how we ensure that these 24 to you and your wife, Ms Watts, and Stefan 24 25 25 people in these companies do not...(reads to the Matthews and asks for a quick call in 90 minutes,

Page 42 Page 44 Dr. Wright, all I asked you is that is that fair? 1 1 2 2 this appears to be the plan Robert McGregor wanted A. He forwarded it, I do not know if I 3 saw it, I do not see everything on my phone. The 3 you to follow out to come out as Satoshi Nakamoto. way Google works is that it does not scroll down 4 No, that is not what you asked me. 4 5 all the other things, so all I would have seen is 5 MR. RIVERO: Object, misstates the 6 that there would have been a response from another 6 question previously stated. Mr. Freedman, I suggest that you 7 e-mail. So, what I can say is Robert McGregor 7 8 forwarded me an e-mail saying he wanted a quick 8 ask another question. 9 call in 90 minutes. 9 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 10 10 Thank you for that suggestion. Dr. Wright, all I asked you is: did Robert McGregor forward that to you? I know you 11 Dr. Wright, let me rephrase the question that I 11 just asked you again. Does this appear to be the are very precise with words, so I am being just as 12 12 plan that Robert McGregor wanted you to follow to precise with the questions I am asking you. It is 13 13 14 a true statement that Robert McGregor forwarded 14 come out as Satoshi Nakamoto? 15 15 this e-mail to you? I cannot answer that because I was A. Yes, it is a true statement that 16 not involved in the plan that Mr. McGregor wanted 16 17 that top section there, with the comment about a 17 me to do. If I am not involved in the plan, 18 quick call, was forwarded to me. 18 I cannot say that this is the plan. 19 O. Thank you, Dr. Wright. I am 19 O. Does this lay out a series of 20 handing you, or uploading into the share file what 20 interviews that you were intended by some people has been Bates labeled and produced by you as 21 21 to attend? 22 Defense 52372? 22 I cannot speak for the intentions A. 23 (Exhibit Defense 52372 marked for 23 of other people. 24 24 Q. You did not have any conversations identification) 25 25 with Robert McGregor about what he wanted you to Yes, I see that. Page 43 Page 45 Can you scroll down with me to the 1 do? 1 2 2 first e-mail in the chain down the bottom of the I did. I told Robert to stick it A. 3 3 first page from Victoria Brookes on April 29, up his arse, to quote fairly correctly. 4 2016, let me know when you see that? Q. During that conversation when you 4 5 5 A. The Victoria "hi all" you mean? told Robert McGregor that did he not express what 6 6 he wanted you to do? Yes, if you just take a moment to 7 scan that e-mail so you are familiar with it. 7 Robert and I yelled at each other Α. 8 MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, are you 8 for quite some time. referring to a multipage e-mail that starts 57372 9 9 Is this the schedule of interviews 10 at the bottom saying "Hi all". 10 of you by various media? 11 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 11 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. Yes. This appears to layout a Media interviews were put together, 12 12 schedule of interviews where you would be 13 which I was led to believe would be for a 13 fulfilling Robert McGregor's plan for you to come 14 14 different purpose. 15 out as Satoshi Nakamoto; is that fair? 15 This is a list of some of those interviews that were put together? 16 16 A. No, that is not fair. This is a list of interviews 17 What was it you were supposed to do 17 Α. at 7.30 a.m. in London on 2 May 2016? 18 18 I attended. 19 You are assuming that I had been 19 Okay. Above that do you see Ms told all of what they had planned to happened, 20 Watts responds to Ms Brookes? 20

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Yes.

She says: "Thanks for this, it all

wider media will be appearing on Monday, as well

reads really well ...(reads to the words)...the

as the actual articles". Does this describe the

that is not the case. What was happening under

what Rob was planning and putting together and

what actually I was told, they thought they could

manage me and have me do what they wanted. That

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did not work out.

Page 46 Page 48 press release that we have been discussing of you 1 So, she is saying if any press 1 2 coming out as Satoshi Nakamoto, is that fair? 2 release, yes, after we have arrived in London and 3 3 Again, that is not fair. You are the children are safe and we have discussed it, so 4 4 mischaracterizing the situation. 5 What press release is Ms Watts 5 So she is asking about whether or 6 6 referring to? not the press release can be delayed, is that 7 7 fair? Α. We had been given information that 8 was not the same as what we were given. Both 8 I would have to talk to her, but 9 Ramona and I were not in London when all this was 9 that is what it would appear to be me. being decided. As you will see from her e-mail we 10 10 Q. Nick Caley responds, right? were traveling back from overseas with our 11 A. Assuming this is correct, I have 11 12 not seen this e-mail before, so I am assuming it 12 children. 13 13 Q. Who responds to -- strike that. Ms is valid. 14 Watts is concerned about the public nature of the 14 It was sent to you via CC, it says 15 15 press release while you are traveling, is that Craig; you did not read it you are saying? 16 I did not read it, no. 16 fair? A. 17 I do not know if I would use the 17 He says he understands her concern 18 word "fair". Do you want me to say "is it 18 and that they really do not want to delay the 19 press release, is that an accurate and fair 19 accurate"? 20 20 characterization of the e-mail? Q. Sure, accurate is okay; is it 21 21 accurate? I will just read it, sorry. It 22 22 would seem that he was not going to delay a press A. Yes. 23 23 Q. You were planning, this was going release, even though we did not want the press 24 to be a pretty big news, right? 24 release to go ahead. 25 That is not what it says. Again, 25 Okay. He was not going to go over Page 47 Page 49 1 you are mischaracterizing. That not saying ---1 the press release. Dr. Wright, you produced in 2 2 this litigation defense 52372? Let me clarify the question. Was 3 3 this going to be big news? (Exhibit Defense 722110 marked for 4 A. It ended up as big news, that is 4 identification) not what I was led to believe it was. 5 5 Q. Sorry, we had that already, 6 Why was Ms Watts concerned about 6 722110. 7 the thing that would not be big news coming out? 7 MR. COHEN: We have been going for 8 Because we had lots of things going 8 almost two hours, albeit with some technical Α. 9 9 issues. I wonder whether, at the end of this on at the time. 10 10 exhibit, which you are about to show, that would Ms Watts says that she is concerned 11 that issuing a very public press release like that 11 be an opportune time to take a recess. 12 12 may be an issue with parents. What is the very Q. Yes, if Dr. Wright is able, public press release that would cause an issue of 13 I have two more exhibits then we can take a break, 13 14 parents? 14 but if he needs one now I am happy to stop now. 15 15 Are you able to carry on? If we are going on about my 16 involvement with Bitcoin, which most people at the 16 A. I am able, unless anyone wants to time basically tagged together with Silk Road, we 17 stop. We will do the extra two exhibits. 17 18 had children in private schools in the UK. We did 18 Do you have defense 722110 in front 19 not want parents thinking my children were 19 of you? 20 20 associated with drug money or anything like this. That is an issue. Any press release in the UK 21 21 This is an e-mail from Robert O. 22 22 would thus be an issue. McGregor to Ramona Watts and Stefan Matthews and yourself, Craig@ 23 23 So would it be accurate to say Ms Watts is asking whether or not this press release 24 24 It is to Craig@ 25 can be delayed slightly? 25 although the name is wrong.

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1	Q. He is forwarding you feedback about	1	MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, I am
2	a story that is being run, is that fair?	2	going to restate my objection with more
3	A. Again, I would not characterize	3	specificity, this is not a complete document as
4	that as being fair. The word is not fair.	4	produced. I object to its use in this form.
5	Q. Accurate?	5	Please proceed.
6	A. Thank you.	6	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
7	Q. Is it accurate?	7	Q. And there is an attachment to this
8	A. That is an accurate portrayal of	8	e-mail listed right below the subject, right?
9	what is said in the e-mail, yes.	9	A. There is a comment saying that
10	Q. I am now going to upload defense	10	there is an attachment, I do not know if there is
11	172559	11	an attachment.
12	(Exhibit Defense 172559 marked for	12	Q. The comments of the attachment is
13	identification)	13	called "Inventor of Bitcoin goes public as Dr.
14	Q. Do you have that?	14	Craig Wright", is that fair?
15	A. I am just waiting, sorry.	15	A. No, because I do not have the
16	Technology! If you could zoom in please. Thank	16	attachment.
17	you. I have that.	17	Q. Accurate. I am not asking you
18	Q. Do you have that in front of you?	18	about the attachment, asking whether the e-mail
19	A. I have that in front of me.	19	has an indication on it that there was an
20	Q. This is an e-mail from Stefan	20	attachment entitled "Inventor of Bitcoin goes
21	Matthews to you CCed to Ms Watts, do you see that?	21	public as Dr. Craig Wright." Is that an accurate
22	A. I see that.	22	representation of what you are looking at?
23	Q. It is a copy of a press release?	23	A. No.
24	A. It is not	24	Q. What is inaccurate about it?
25	Q. Is that accurate?	25	A. It is file name, that is not what
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1	A. No.	1	the title of the document may necessarily be. You
2	Q. Take a look at the e-mail below,	2	would have to open the document to see the title,
3	e-mail forwarded from Nick Caley?	3	so, no, that is a file name called that doc.x.
4	MR. RIVERO: I have an objection to	4	Q. Stefan Matthews forwarded you an
5	this document as incomplete because the	5	e-mail which has the file name "Inventor of
6	attachments I do not see the attachments. Go	6	Bitcoin goes public as Dr. Craig Wright"; is that
7	ahead.	7	fair accurate?
8	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	8	MR. RIVERO: Object to all
9	Q. He was not produced it with an	9	questions on this document based on the rule of
10	attachment, it was produced in litigation?	10	completeness.
11	MR. RIVERO: I still have the same	11	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
12	objection.	12	Q. Your objection is noted for the
13	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	13	third time now, Mr. Rivero.
14	Q. Do you see that this is an e-mail	14	MR. RIVERO: I wanted to make sure.
15	from Nick Caley and it says "thanks for your	15	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
16	feedback, please find updated release with the	16	Q. Dr. Wright, you may answer the
17	changes we discussed."	17	question.
18	A. I see that Stefan has responded to	18	A. Again without seeing the actual
19	an e-mail from Nick Caley, that I will assume is	19	file, I cannot say whether that is even just
20	what he responded to.	20	something typed saying "attachments". It is
21	Q. He actually forwarded right, would	21	possible to type attachments in that name.
22	that be accurate?	22	Q. Dr. Wright, do you have reason to
23	A. A forward is a form of response,	23	believe that Stefan Matthews would type an
24	yes, I did not say reply.	24	attachment that was not really on the e-mail?
25	Q. He forward	25	A. He has done it before, yes.

Page 54 Page 56 with the subject "forward updated press release"; Stefan Matthews sent you an e-mail 1 1 2 that appears to indicate that there is a file 2 is that accurate? attached with the name "Inventor of Bitcoin goes 3 3 Again, I cannot say whether that is 4 public as Dr. Craig Wright"; is that accurate? 4 true. I do not have the original e-mail so 5 A. That appears to be that as 5 I cannot respond on that. 6 6 Q. You produce this to us with this displayed on screen, yes. 7 He says to you: "Hi mate, ponder 7 e-mail having that attachment; have you any reason this and we can discuss and submit changes on 8 8 to doubt that? 9 Sunday"; is that accurate? 9 A. I did not produce it, it was a 10 A. Is that a question? If so, yes. 10 forensic copy of machines from various areas that Q. Dr. Wright, let us upload the 11 were given to my lawyers; my lawyers produced it. 11 attachment to the share file that was attached to Where you are saying I produced, I have not 12 12 13 that e-mail. I think that is defense 172560? 13 produced anything. My lawyers have worked with 14 MR. RIVERO: The very next Bates 14 forensic experts to capture all of the machines 15 15 that are owned by myself, by many of my staff and number, yes. others and then have submitted documents based on (Exhibit Defense 1729560 marked for 16 16 17 identification) 17 that 18 MR. RIVERO: For the record, this 18 So you do not know whether this is a press release or not? 19 was produced incomplete as a new exhibit. 19 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 20 20 A. I do not know of that alone whether 21 Q. We are trying to get it up. The 21 this is a press release or not. technology is not co-operating. Shall we take the 22 22 Q. Okay, I am --23 MR. RIVERO: Just to make sure the 23 24 24 record is clear because I objected previously. We (A short recess from 3.03 p.m. to 3.16 25 25 produced in consecutive order these ending in 59 p.m.) Page 57 Page 55 and 60 and they speak for themselves. 1 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 2 2 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Q. Before the break we were looking at 3 3 an e-mail that had been forwarded to you by Stefan Q. Dr. Wright, I am uploading to the Matthews with an attachment; is that accurate? 4 share file what you produced as 172753? 4 (Exhibit Defense 172753 referred to) 5 5 A. I see an attachment. I am assuming 6 6 MR. RIVERO: April 26, 2016. it is the same one that you are saying is on the 7 e-mail. 7 I have a document in front of me, A. 8 Right. It the titled "leading 8 yes. scientist and academic, Dr. Wright, goes public as 9 9 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 10 the inventor of Bitcoin and the blockchain"? 10 Q. The front page says "Dr. Craig 11 A. That is what the title is. 11 Wright media training"? 12 Clearly a press release to fulfil 12 I see that. Α. Robert McGregor's plan to come out as Satoshi 13 Second page "media training notes", 13 Q. do you see that? 14 Nakamoto? 14 15 It is not a press release, it is a 15 A. I see that. 16 document. It does not say "press release" or 16 Q. If you go down to page 7 for me, top of page 7 there is "Tuesday 26 April 2016 anything else. It is potentially something that 17 17 could be made into a press release. media sessions", do you see that? 18 18 19 The title of the e-mail that this 19 I see "26 April media sessions". A. 20 20 was attached to is "updated press release", right, Below that is a list of media O. sessions, do you see that? 21 Dr. Wright? 21 22 A. No, the title is "leading scientist 22 No, I see times when I was 23 23 overseas, so "meeting interview on camera etc., and academic..." 27th April", I do not know if that date is correct Q. It was attached to defense 172559, 24 24 25 25 which is an e-mail from Stefan Matthews to you or not, it may have been updated. I do not think



Page 60 Page 58 1 it was off recollection. 1 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 2 Q. It says: "Attending Dr. Craig 2 Q. Whether you remember him or not 3 Wright, Jon Matonis, Nick Caley, Andrew O'Hagan"? 3 Nick Caley was on a lot of e-mails discussing the 4 Yes, I see that comment. 4 corporate media plan, correct? 5 Q. Do you see The Economist on 11.30 5 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. б 6 A. He is listed on a lot of documents, attended Dr. Craig Wright, Jon Matonis, Nick Caley 7 and Andrew O'Hagan? 7 you have said. BY MR. FREEDMAN: 8 A. I see that document says this. 8 O. There is a break for lunch from 9 9 Q. This press release turned out to be 12.30 to 13.00? 10 10 a fairly big event, Dr. Wright, is that accurate? A. No, I see there is a statement in a 11 A. I do not believe that is accurate, 11 document that says that. That is not a break for 12 12 no. 13 13 lunch, it is a ---Q. As part of it, you are expected to 14 Q. There is then an -- sorry, are you 14 conduct certain interviews, right? 15 15 finished? No, people sought that to be with me but being that I was not agreeing to all of 16 16 A. I am now. 17 There is then an interview with GQ 17 that, and they thought they could shoehorn me into 18 from 13:00 to 16:00; do you see that? 18 it, then, no, I do not agree with what you just 19 A. I see that. 19 said. 20 Q. Again attending Dr. Craig Wright, 20 Did you attend any interviews? Q. 21 Jon Matonis and Nick Caley? 21 Yes, I have attended many A. 22 A. Yes. 22 interviews. Q. Do you still not remember Nick 23 23 Did you attend the interviews Q. Caley, Dr. Wright? listed in this document? 24 24 25 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 25 I do not remember if the days are Page 59 Page 61 correct, but I attended interviews along the lines 1 Once again, after this meeting 2 2 I have met many people here and even there had of what was in this document. been a multiple times I will not remember them. 3 3 Q. Did you prepare for those 4 One of the things I have is facial aphasia and 4 interviews at all? 5 5 that means I do not recognize people. A. I had people try and prepare me. It wasn't for those interviews, so that would be a 6 6 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 7 no. But, people had tried to tell me that if I Q. It is a yes or no question? 7 was going to run a company I had to be able to 8 MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, please 8 do not interrupt the witness in the middle of an 9 stand in front of media and answer questions 9 10 answer. He was not finished with that answer. 10 calmly etc. the way they wanted. And I was 11 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 11 informed that I would be being trained to stand in front of media as the sea level I was and that I 12 Please finish. 12 O. 13 13 A. That is not a yes or no question had to do it. 14 and answer. You are wanting me to make it a yes 14 Q. And part of that was mock 15 or no question and answer. My answer is very 15 interviews? 16 simple: you are asking if I recognized a person. 16 A. It was not really mock interviews, I have facial aphasia. I can be with someone in 17 that is not how they did the training. 17 How did they do the training? 18 the room a hundred times and if I am not 18 Q. 19 concentrating on remembering the facial features 19 People threw questions back and A. 20 20 of that person and actually mapping a model in my forth at me but it was not like I would say an mind of what to remember, it does not matter, 21 21 interview was. 22 I will not remember that person. I do not 22 People would throw questions, you remember, and will not ever say I recognize, Nick 23 would respond, they would throw another question 23 Caley. I do not know who Nick Caley is, I do not 24 and you would respond; is that accurate? 24 25 25 recognize him, I do not remember him. That was one thing that they were

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1	doing. It would be as if I was I guess on a US	1	A. That is correct.
2	presidential campaign where people would stand in	2	Q. Do you see in bold and then not
3	front and ask questions from a media thing	3	bold underneath it, just read the first one for
4	randomly, but that is not how any of these media	4	the record, the question and answer?
5	meetings actually occurred, so.	5	A. The bolded one?
6	Q. Do you recall if these training	6	Q. Yes.
7	sessions were recorded?	7	A. "Craig, how much does a White Paper
8	A. I do not know.	8	take to construct? I know it's a daft question
9	Q. Do you remember a training session	9	it could be hundreds of thousands of dollars?
10	you had on March 18, 2016?	10	Quite easily, including patenting, yes".
11	A. I do not.	11	Q. Do you recall that question and
12	Q. Do you recall a training session	12	answer?
13	you had on March 22, 2016?	13	A. No.
14	A. I do not.	14	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
15	Q. Dr. Wright, I am going to upload to	15	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
16	the share file 172509?	16	Q. Can you go down to page 14 for me.
17	(Exhibit Defense 172509 referred to)	17	This is a note, the answers across the top, let me
18	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	18	know when you get there, Bates label 172523?
19	Q. Do you have that there?	19	A. I am on page 14, "notes and
20	A. I have an e-mail up on screen.	20	alternative answers".
21	Q. Okay, who is that e-mail from?	21	Q. Can you read that bold paragraph
22	A. The from statement is a Nick Caley.	22	under the word overview for the record?
23	Q. Who is it to?	23	A. I can. I assume you want me to
24	A. Multiple people including myself,	24	read it?
25	Ramona, Catherine Kauchemann, Robert McGregor,	25	Q. Please.
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1	Stefan Matthews, which is "Stefan nCrypt" in	1	A. "Our second training session was
2	there, Alan Edwards and Victoria Brookes.	2	different to the first in that rather than a full
3	Q. What is the subject?	3	on mock interview, we moved on to analysis of
4	A. "Media training notes".	4	harder questions and how they might be better
5	Q. Can you read it for the record?	5	answered. We then picked up the mock interview as
6	A. Yes, I can.	6	the answered were practiced. The session saw a
7	Q. Can you go ahead and do that?	7	real move forward for CW in terms of both tone and
8	A. "Hello, Craig and Ramona. Please	8	content. He was far less defensive on difficult
9	find the attached notes and transcripts from the	9	questions. He dominated the interview in the
10	first two media training session[s] to consider	10	right way and he shows humility at the right
11	ahead of our next one on Thursday 7th April. Also	11	level. Even on technical subjects he made
12	it would be useful if we could see a draft of what	12	complicated matters (to the layperson) very clear.
13	you might say at the press conference on 26th	13	His passion drew you in and he importantly didn't
14	April so we can discuss that in the session next	14	lose his temper on the tricky subjects."
15	week also. Many thanks. Nick."	15	Q. CW in that paragraph is Craig
16	Q. I am uploading to the share file	16	Wright?
17	defense 172510?	17	A. I didn't write the document.
18	(Exhibit Defense 172510 referred to)	18	Q. Do you take that as a reference to
19	Q. Do you guys have the document in	19	Craig Wright?
20	the share file? I am seeing the file in the share	20	A. It's not my document, I'm not going
21	file.	21	to make an assumption.
22	A. I have a document "media training	22	Q. Does this help to refresh your
23	session two" in front of me.	23	recollection that you did engage in mock
24	Q. The date on that is 22 March in the	24	interviews?
25	top left corner?	25	A. Again, I sat in what other people

Page 66 Page 68 were documenting as I was basically made to be a e-mail as one of the attachments to that e-mail. 1 2 lab rat. So you are characterizing my knowledge 2 MR. RIVERO: Object to the use of 3 as different to what other people's knowledge 3 the document in this way. 4 4 would be. BY MR. FREEDMAN: 5 Do you have any reason to believe 5 Q. Go to page -- can you read that 6 6 that CW there is referring to anybody else, first question and answer and let me know if you 7 Dr. Wright? 7 recognize or recall this conversation? 8 8 Yes, I can read it and no, I do not No, but I am also not going to make A. 9 the assumption as the document can stands for 9 recall it. 10 10 itself on its own merit. I wanted to ask you some specific Q. Q. Does this help you recollect questions and answers that you gave in these 11 11 whether or not these interview sessions, these 12 interviews. If you could turn for me, it is on 12 training sessions were recorded? 13 that first page number 1. It is defense 172528? 13 14 A. I have no idea whether they were 14 MR. RIVERO: Object to the recorded. I wasn't involved with the recording. 15 15 question. **BY MR. FREEDMAN:** If we look at the second to last 16 16 Q. Can you read the second bold 17 paragraph of this note section of the document, do 17 18 you see where it says "as transcribed during the 18 paragraph, read that bold question for the record? 19 session, you make the point that admitting a 19 A. Yes, I can read it and for the 20 mistake and making it clear you haven't done 20 record: "So, it was a committee of people, for 21 everything right is quite ... (reads to the 21 want of a better word? You are not trying to 22 words)...for journalists." 22 claim all the credit, it's not about you, it's a 23 THE COURT REPORTER: Sorry. I am 23 combination of people and minds." Q. Can you read your answer? 24 24 not ----25 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 25 I am not at the paragraph, so Page 67 Page 69 I cannot answer that question. No, I cannot read my answer, I do 2 MR. RIVERO: Can I get a reference 2 not know that this is my answer. 3 3 so I can find it? Can you read the answer? O. 4 4 The document states: "I've had a MR. FREEDMAN: Second to last 5 5 paragraph on the bottom of that same page, Defense lot of help. In particular a friend of mine who 6 172523, starts off "this answer was a great leap". died a few years ago, Dave Kleiman, gave me a lot 7 A. I see that. 7 of help but there have been many other people 8 Do you see the second sentence I 8 along the way, and more than that it has been all 9 just read "as transcribed during the session"? 9 the people who have continued since I left. These 10 A. You are assuming I knew someone was 10 people have actually put in a lot of time and 11 recording me, because what you are suggesting that 11 effort into making Bitcoin what is it. The fact I do not -- wanted to see is important to me but I must have known. If I am a fish in a goldfish 12 12 bowl I do not know there is a camera on me, so the 13 it does not mean that is all there is. I do not 13 14 answer you will receive in any of this is I have 14 want to be in charge; I didn't and I still don't." 15 no idea whether I was recorded or not. The fact 15 Do you recall saying that? Q. that you are showing me notes, showing that other 16 16 A. 17 people recorded me without my authorization is 17 Do you agree with that statement O. 18 actually troubling in that it is not actually 18 today? 19 allowable in Europe? 19 Never have I never agreed with that A. 20 Q. I am going to upload into the share 20 statement. file defense 172528? 21 21 Did Dave Kleiman give you a lot of Q. 22 (Exhibit Defense 172528 referred to) 22 help? 23 A. There is a document up that is 23 Dave Kleiman gave me a lot of help. A. titled "media training session 1, 18 March '16". Go to page 6, defense 172533. 24 24 Q. 25 This was attached to Nick Caley's 25 MR. RIVERO: Page 6.

Page 70 Page 72 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 1 not know if I'd say I was David and Goliath 1 2 2 Can you read the second to last (inaudible from interviewer)"; can you see that? bold paragraph for the record and question? 3 3 A. I can see it. If you want to say 4 4 this is what I was responding to, it is not. I can. 5 Please go ahead. 5 There were other people who talked and did things Q. 6 "Exactly, how many Bitcoins did you 6 so if this is a recording or a transcription, it A. is people giving examples to me of what they think 7 mine"? 7 8 8 I should be saying. I had plenty of those. I had Read the answer? Q. 9 No, I cannot, it's not an answer, 9 people sit there and give mock interviews and A. I watched and they told me what to say and Rob 10 it's a statement, not a transcription from myself. 10 It is a statement that I guess people wanted me to wanted me to say a whole load of things about "be 11 11 say, so that's not an answer. 12 humble" "say that you created Bitcoin with other 12 Can you read it, Dr. Wright? 13 people", "say that all these people helped you", 13 Q. 14 A. I can read it, yes. 14 etc. So if you are doing a transcription and if 15 What is the transcription as put 15 this was a transcription -- which I do not know if O. 16 it is -- then it would be people in the room 16 down? 17 MR. RIVERO: Objection. 17 talking back and forwards saying "Craig, this is what you need to do". So, if you ----18 Again, this is not a transcription, 18 19 no, I cannot read what a transcription has put 19 O. I am a little confused, are you 20 20 conceding it is a transcript, you are just not down. 21 How do you know this is a not a 21 saying it is you who is talking? 22 transcription, Dr. Wright? 22 No, I did not at any point say this 23 A. Because this is not what I would 23 was a transcript. If you had listened to my 24 ever have said. This is what people like Rob 24 answer you would hear that I said "if". "If" does 25 25 not mean that I concede. I said in the event that wanted me to say. Page 71 Page 73 1 Dr. Wright, why don't we take one it turns out that this was a transcript, what did 2 second detour off the last question, we will come 2 occur in any of the meetings I remember was people 3 back to it in a moment. Can go ahead and look at 3 sitting over the table talking back and forwards, 4 page 8 for me, Bates labeled defense 173525? 4 telling me this is how I need to act. "If you get 5 5 A. I am looking at page 8. this question respond this way." "Craig, you will 6 6 Can you take a look in the last learn how to speak to people and you will learn 7 7 how to be humble." "Craig, you will learn how to paragraph on that page, there is an annotation, 8 "interrupted". Do you see that? 8 be human." "Craig, do not say that, it doesn't 9 9 A. I can see the word "interrupted". sound right." "Craig, let other people talk and 10 Can you go to page 10 for me, that 10 be part of your invention." So, no, I disagree 11 is Bates 172537, do you see the second paragraph 11 with you. from the top; let me know when you are on that 12 12 MR. RIVERO: I am not sure that page, are you on that page? 13 13 I am speaking loudly enough. I had stated an 14 A. I see the second paragraph. 14 objection at 71 line 12 and I think our court 15 Do you see where it says 15 reporter is doing a great job, but it didn't get Q. "(inaudible)"? 16 picked up in the live stream. For the record, 16 17 17 Nothing says "inaudible", it is a I actually stated a contemporaneous objection to header that has in brackets the words "inaudible". 18 18 the last question. 19 As if the transcriber could not 19 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 20 20 hear what was being said. Q. Let us go back to page 6, defense MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 172533, let me know when you are there? 21 21 22 This isn't a transcription. 22 I am there. A. 23 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Can you please read the second to Q. Dr. Wright, one paragraph down from 24 last bolded line on that page for the record? 24 25 that, do you see the answer where it says "I do 25 "Exactly how many Bitcoins did you

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1	mine"?	1	A. People such as Rob and other people
2	Q. Can you read the response	2	working for Rob. I do not know the names of
3	underneath that?	3	people working for Rob.
4	A. I can read the text underneath	4	Q. So people such as Rob and people
5	that, I cannot say that that is a response.	5	working for Rob, they told you that you needed to
6	Q. Go ahead, please.	6	be appear humble and share credit, is that an
7	A. The statement is a comment:	7	accurate statement?
8		8	
	"I mined quite a number and I was with my partner,	9	
9	so to speak, in all this, Dave, we mined quite a		Q. You have no idea why they referred
10	lot."	10	to as Dave is referred to as your partner here?
11	Q. Do you recall saying that,	11	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
12	Dr. Wright?	12	A. I can make suppositions.
13	A. I have never said that.	13	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
14	Q. Do you agree with that statement	14	Q. What is the supposition?
15	today?	15	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
16	A. I do not agree with that statement	16	A. People liked Dave more than they
17	ever.	17	liked me.
18	Q. You have no idea what was meant by	18	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
19	"I was with my partner, so to speak, in all of	19	Q. Therefore?
20	this, Dave"?	20	A. Therefore Dave becomes someone who
21	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	21	is fluffier, nicer, more able to be liked than me.
22	A. I have a suspicion about all of	22	By extension, maybe I can be liked more because
23	this and this was meeting 1, as you saw in the	23	Dave liked me.
24	other document you showed me, meeting 2, this is	24	Q. Therefore I do not understand
25	where I was angry and in the second one they said	25	the connection being Dave being fluffy and the
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1	I was far less angry. I was having people in	1	reference to him as your partner?
2	these meetings tell me "this is how you need to	2	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
3	respond, Craig". "If you want the media to like	3	Same objection, continuous objection.
4	you and you want the company to be successful and	4	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
5	you are a CEO, you do not want to come across like	5	Q. Can you explain that to me?
6	a Mark Zuckerberg; people hate him. You need to	6	A. I do not think I am able to.
7	say these people helped you." I told them	7	Q. Do you have any idea what was meant
8	basically in all of those sort of things to fuck	8	by "we mined quite a lot"?
9		9	MR. RIVERO: Objection.
	off. And fairly much not trying to swear or		
10	anything here, but that would have been exactly	10	A. I do not suppose what other people
11	what I would have told them.	11	think.
12	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	12	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
13	Q. They encouraged you to give credit,	13	Q. Dr. Wright, can you read the next
14	did they, where credit was not due?	14	bold line, the last bold line on page defense
15	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	15	172533?
16	A. All people like Rob wanted was to	16	A. The last line in bold?
17	have me up there looking nice on camera so that he	17	Q. Correct.
18	could have pumped the price of the company before	18	A. "How many people were involved in
19	I had developed anything and made a quick return.	19	creating Bitcoin?"
20	Q. They wanted you to share credit to	20	Q. Can you read the response
21	appear humble?	21	underneath that?
22	A. Who is "they"?	22	A. The
23	Q. You told me people were telling you	23	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
24	that if you are humble you do not want to look	24	A. The text states: "In creating
25	like Mark Zuckerberg, those people, who were they?	25	Bitcoin? A lot. How many people were involved in

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1	Satoshi is probably a better question. That was	1	and he is sorely missed. But the only way to
2	two of us."	2	really look at this is to look at the information
3	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	3	that we'll be supplying in the papers from that, I
4	Q. Do you recall saying that?	4	am not asking you to do anything or believe me
5	A. No, I would not say that. And it	5	I am asking you to judge based on the
6	is technically incorrect anyway in every way you	6	information."
7	could think about it.	7	Q. Do you recall saying that?
8	Q. Were you mad when you said this?	8	A. I did not say that.
9	MR. RIVERO: Objection to the form.	9	Q. Do you agree with that statement
10	A. If you mean angry mad has a	10	today?
11	different connotation no, I was not mad and	11	A. I do not.
12	being that I did not say it, you are implying that	12	Q. Do you know what is meant by "Dave
13	I did, then, no, I couldn't be angry when I said	13	was a key part of everything that I did"?
14	it.	14	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
15	Q. Do you know what it meant "there	15	A. Again, no Dave was not a key part
16	were two of us involved in Satoshi"?	16	of everything that I did. Dave basically acted as
17	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	17	a person I could rant to, talk to and he was my
18	A. Seeing as there is no two of us	18	friend. I spoke to Dave multiple times a week
19	involved in Satoshi, I would suppose that the	19	when he was alive. He didn't really tell me much
20	thing was to want people to be involved with me.	20	about his life but he let me talk about mine and
21	Q. So this was another statement that	21	I needed that.
22	McGregor and his people wanted you to say?	22	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
23	A. It is generally the statement that	23	Q. Do you know what was meant by "Dave
24	everyone over time keeps wanting me to say.	24	spoke as Satoshi"?
25	Everyone keeps saying "we can be part of your	25	BY MR. RIVERO:
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1	invention and people will like you". That doesn't	1	A. No, Dave could not speak as
2	change the fact that they are not part of my	2	Satoshi. In all the key areas where Satoshi was
3	invention, so I do not give up the truth to be	3	speaking Dave was hospitalized and did not have a
4	liked.	4	computer and at parts not even a phone. Dave was
5	Q. Dr. Wright, can you turn to the	5	under operations while he was in conversations
6	next page, page 7 of this document, defense	6	with Mike Hearn that Satoshi was having
7	172534. When you are there can you read the first	7	conversations with Mike Hearn, so it is not
8	bold line on the top of that page?	8	possible to have a hip operation while actually
9	A. Yes, I can.	9	writing on the Bitcoin forum. On top of that,
10	Q. Please do.	10	while Satoshi was communicating with Hal Finney,
11	A. "Some people say that perhaps you	11	coding which Dave was never a C-coder; the
12	are not Satoshi but that Dave is Satoshi, but of	12	communications between Hal Finney where when Dave
13	course he is dead and he cannot speak for himself.	13	was in hospital. So, being that Dave was in
	TT 4 4 1. 11 20		hospital without access to the internet in some of
14	How do we know it's actually you?"	14	
15	Q. Can you go ahead and read the	15	these things, and being that Dave was literally
15 16	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that?	15 16	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not
15 16 17	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that? A. Yes, I can.	15 16 17	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as
15 16 17 18	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that? A. Yes, I can. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	15 16 17 18	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.
15 16 17 18 19	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that? A. Yes, I can. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. A. Yes, I can.	15 16 17 18 19	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.  Q. Did Robert McGregor and his people
15 16 17 18 19 20	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that?  A. Yes, I can.  MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.  A. Yes, I can.  BY MR. FREEDMAN:	15 16 17 18 19 20	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.  Q. Did Robert McGregor and his people specifically want you to say that "Dave was a key
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that? A. Yes, I can. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. A. Yes, I can. BY MR. FREEDMAN: Q. Please do.	15 16 17 18 19 20 21	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.  Q. Did Robert McGregor and his people specifically want you to say that "Dave was a key part of everything that I did"?
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that?  A. Yes, I can.  MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.  A. Yes, I can.  BY MR. FREEDMAN:  Q. Please do.  A. "Dave was a key part of everything	15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.  Q. Did Robert McGregor and his people specifically want you to say that "Dave was a key part of everything that I did"?  A. Robert would have loved me to have
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that? A. Yes, I can. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. A. Yes, I can. BY MR. FREEDMAN: Q. Please do. A. "Dave was a key part of everything that I did. Dave spoke as Satoshi and I have to	15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.  Q. Did Robert McGregor and his people specifically want you to say that "Dave was a key part of everything that I did"?  A. Robert would have loved me to have said that.
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Q. Can you go ahead and read the response underneath that?  A. Yes, I can.  MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.  A. Yes, I can.  BY MR. FREEDMAN:  Q. Please do.  A. "Dave was a key part of everything	15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	these things, and being that Dave was literally under the knife during of some of it, it is not possible that Dave spoke as Satoshi, as much as some people want that.  Q. Did Robert McGregor and his people specifically want you to say that "Dave was a key part of everything that I did"?  A. Robert would have loved me to have

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1	A. He would love that because then he	1	A. I do not know. I assume from what
2	could argue that Craig was just a mathematician	2	you told me I assume
3	and coder sitting in the background, just ignore	3	Q. There were PR people who ran these
4	this guy, and I am really going to be a spokesman	4	training sessions?
5	and do what I want for Bitcoin, yes.	5	A. I do not know. I didn't
6	Q. Dr. Wright, can you move down to	6	investigate their background.
7	the second bold on the same page defense 172534,	7	Q. Dr. Wright, are you the only person
8	and can you read for the record the second bold	8	responsible for Satoshi Nakamoto?
9	line?	9	A. Yes.
10	A. Yes, reading for the record is:	10	Q. Can you go to page 16, defense
11	"So would you actually admit that you are	11	172543; do you see the second to last bold
12	Satoshi".	12	paragraph from the bottom?
13	Q. Can you read your response?	13	A. Not at the moment.
14	A. Yes.	14	Q. Let me know when you get there.
15	Q. What does it say?	15	A. I can now.
16	A. The text says: "Dave and myself".	16	Q. Can you read that for me?
17	Q. Do you recall saying that,	17	A. Yes, I can.
18		18	Q. What does it say?
19	A. No.	19	A. "The Bitcoin paper that was
20	Q. Do you agree with that statement	20	released to the mailing list, did you write it?"
21	today that you and Dave were Satoshi?	21	Q. What do you respond?
22	A. I do not agree with that statement.	22	A. I did not respond.
23	Q. Would this have been something that	23	Q. What does the response say?
24	Robert would have loved you to have said?	24	A. There is text on the document
25	A. I am not going to say what I just	25	saying" "I wrote the majority of it. Dave and
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1	thought but, yes, Rob would love that.	1	others helped."
2	Q. Dr. Wright, can you turn to page 15	2	Q. Do you remember saying that,
3	for me, that is defense before we move down, do	3	Dr. Wright?
4	you know what was meant by "Dave and myself were	4	A. I have never said that nor typed
5	Satoshi"?	5	that.
6	A. Again I'm sure I would have had Rob	6	Q. Do you agree with that statement
7	very happy if he could make me just a secondary	7	today?
8	coder and mathematician rather than being the	8	A. I do not agree with that statement
9	other. Dave didn't want me, the person who	9	today, nor in the past.
10	submitted the half of the White Paper in 2007 as	10	Q. Dave did not help you write this
11	part of my law degree, he didn't want me, the	11	White Paper?
12	mathematician, he didn't want me, he wanted a	12	A. Dave helped me edit part of the
13	system he could control. If he could give a	13	White Paper as with other people, including Doug
14	"Dave", then it would have enabled Rob to	14	Lynam, some of my other family, some other
15	basically have me as the background person and not	15	professors. The first half of the White Paper was
16	have me control or be controlled sorry to be	16	submitted in 2007 as part of my proposal for an
17	controlled and not have any say.	17	LLM before Dave even knew that I was doing that
18	Q. So Rob wanted you to state that you	18	degree. My supervisor at Northumbria edited that
19	and Dave were the key forces behind Satoshi?	19	half of the paper first. I changed that based on
20	A. Rob wanted me to just be in the	20	feedback from my supervisors, I extended it to
21	background much more than that; I think Rob wanted	21	make an LLM thesis; that was submitted and awarded
22	to effectively flip a quick deal with someone like	22	in the beginning of 2008, previous to the
23	Google and retire on a beach.	23	completion of the later White Paper. Other parts
24	Q. Rob hired PR people to help	24	of it include work that was in my Masters degree
25	communicate that message?	25	in statistics. That was edited, first of all, by

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1	a different Robert I can't remember his last	1	the simple fact that Dave never would have
2	name unfortunately. He was a computational	2	believed he was part of the creation of Bitcoin.
3	statistician I really should remember his name.	3	Q. So you didn't tell me he was part
4	I remember other aspects, but, sorry, I have	4	of the creation of Bitcoin?
5	forgotten his last name. That then was the	5	A. Once again, there would be no need
6	Poisson area of the paper. Dave could not edit	6	to tell that so, no, I have never told someone
7	the mathematics at all, but Dave was very good at	7	they are not part of the creation of Bitcoin when
8	talking me through how to try and make certain	8	they are not part of the creation of Bitcoin.
9	areas clearer, so I did speak to Dave after I'd	9	Q. Is that because you were the only
10	sent him a copy before the first half of 2008	10	one responsible for the creation of Bitcoin?
11	ended.	11	A. The word "responsible" in that
12	Q. What was the name of your	12	sense, yes, I am completely utterly responsible,
13	supervisor at Northumbria that edited the first	13	although there are ancillary things that happened
14	half of your paper?	14	in time and space and whatever else. Yes, the
15	A. I do not remember. The LLM	15	simple answer is that is correct.
16	dissertation is was still kept by Northumbria.	16	Q. Turn to page 20 of the document in
17	They managed to find a copy in the basement. I'm	17	front of you, and the Bates label is defense
18	glad they still had a copy, I do not know if I'm	18	172547, look at the top of the page it says: "And
19	glad that it was in a moldy basement. My British	19	we've asked you today, are you Satoshi." Skip
20	counsel received a copy directly from the	20	that question and read for the record the second
21	university. I do not remember the name of my law	21	bold paragraph on that page; can you please read
22	degree supervisor, sorry.	22	that for the record?
23	Q. Did you ever tell Dave that he was	23	A. I can. "Who created that
24	not part of Satoshi Nakamoto?	24	pseudonym."
25	A. I do not see why that would ever be	25	Q. Can you read the response?
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1	relevant. I would not tell Dave "you're not part	1	A. Yes.
2	of Craig Wright".	2	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
3	Q. You did not tell Dave that he was	3	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
4	not part of Satoshi Nakamoto?	4	Q. Please go ahead.
5	A. Again, I would never tell someone,	5	A. "Well, mostly myself and a little
6	anyone "you're not part of Craig Wright". I do	6	bit with Dave. Both of us acted. Dave was the
7	not know why you would say "you're not part of	7	nice version of Satoshi."
8	me."	8	Q. Do you recall saying that?
9	Q. I am not asking about why you would	9	A. I have never said that.
10	do something, I am just asking if you did, it is a	10	Q. Do you agree with that statement
11	simple question. Did you ever tell Dave Kleiman	11	today?
12	that he was not part of Satoshi Nakamoto?	12	A. I do not agree with that statement
13	A. I believe I have answered it twice.	13	today, I have not agreed with that statement in
14	Q. What is the answer?	14 15	the past and I will never agree with that
15	A. Again, I would never tell, and	15 16	statement in the future because it is blatantly
16	I said never, any person that they are not part of	17	false.
17	me. Q. Did you tell Dave Kleiman that he	18	Q. Did Dave create that pseudonym?
18 19	Q. Did you tell Dave Kleiman that he was part of Satoshi Nakamoto?	19	A. Dave was not into Japanese culture.
20	A. I did not tell Dave Kleiman that he	20	I was since, I was young, I have used pseudonyms that are Japanese in nature since, well, the
21	is part of me.	21	beginning of the worldwide web in 1994 and before
22	Q. Did you ever tell Dave he was not	22	that on news net.
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21 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 21 A. I am not going to make						
22 Q. Please do. 22 suppositions, it is not my document.						
23 A. "Mostly myself." 23 Q. Was there anyone in the room that						
24 Q. Do you remember saying that? 24 had the initials CW besides you?		* *				
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1	A. I do not remember the session, I do	1	and answer we already had you read for the record
2	not remember the time, so, therefore, I cannot say	2	about whether Satoshi Nakamoto had a committee of
3	who might have been there. Even if I did remember	3	people, for want of a better word, do not try not
4	the session, I do not remember the names of people	4	trying not trying to claim all the credit. A
5	that were in half of my meetings a month ago so,	5	response that you say you do not know was your
6	it is not something I can answer.	6	that says: "I had a lot of help from a particular
7	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	7	friend of mine who died a few years ago; Dave
8	Q. Is it your position, Dr. Wright,	8	Kleiman gave me a lot of help". Do you see that
9	that you were silent throughout this entire media	9	there in the record?
10	session?	10	A. If you are implying that it is a
11	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	11	quote, then, no, I don't see that; I see text on
12	A. I have not said that one time.	12	the page.
13	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	13	Q. Why don't we do the simplest way
14	Q. So you did speak during this media	14	then, Dr. Wright, why don't you go ahead and read
15	session?	15	the question and answer there for me so we can get
16	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	16	to the note section. Please read the Q and A for
17	A. If I do not recall a meeting I do	17	the record?
18	not recall a meeting, I cannot sit there and tell	18	A. "Q: so it was a committee of
19	you what I did not or did not do when I do not	19	people, for want of a better word? You're not
20	recall it, to do so would be lying.	20	trying to claim all the credit, it's not all about
21	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	21	you, it's a combination of people and minds? A.
22	Q. You have no recollection of this	22	I had a lot of help. In particular a friend of
23	meeting; is that an accurate statement?	23	mine who died a few years ago, Dave Kleiman, gave
24	MR. RIVERO: Objection.	24	me a lot of help but there have been other people
25	A. I know meetings happened, I know	25	along the way and, more than that, it has been the
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1	people talked at me, I know people wanted me to	1	people who have continued since I left. These
2	say certain things, I know people were coaching me	2	people have actually put in a lot of time and
3	to try and say "I'm a team".	3	effort in making Bitcoin what it is."
4	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	4	Q. Can you read the note section
5	Q. Do you agree with that assessment	5	recorded by the PR consultant, please?
6	of CW's performance?	6	A. "Notes: although it is right to
7	MR. RIVERO: Objection.	7	acknowledge that there was a team involved, CW
8	A. I do not see why I would care about	8	needs to be stronger on his leading role e.g.
9	what these people think about my performance.	9	I led the project and I was the person who drove
10	That would assume that I have some care about it.	10	the original idea."
11	I have no care about these people at all.	11	Q. So the PR consultant is telling you
12	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	12	to advocate you were the leader of the group, is
13	Q. Dr. Wright, do you agree that	13	that fair?
14	answers needed more work in both terms of both	14	MR. RIVERO: Objection.
15	tone and content?	15	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
16	MR. RIVERO: Objection.	16	Q. Accurate?
17	A. You are asking me do I remember	17	A. No.
18	something that I do not remember. Do you want me	18	Q. What was he telling you?
19	to answer that?	19	MR. RIVERO: Objection.
20	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	20	A. I do not know that that was a he.
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23 24 25	Q. Dr. Wright, can you look down under bullet number 1, and it is a quote of a question	24 25	A. I do not know if that was a PR consultant and nobody is telling me anything



Page 98 Page 100 1 there. 1 A. I can. 2 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 2 Q. Please go ahead. 3 O. What is the author of this document 3 "Notes: this section is one that Α. 4 4 needs the most work as it essentially says both he trying to say? 5 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 5 and Dave were Satoshi. Again, although 6 6 acknowledging Dave's role is the right thing to I do not know. . 7 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 7 do, CW needs to be clearer that we was the driving 8 8 force and the originator e.g. Dave and myself Q. Can you turn to page 25 for me, 9 defense 172552? 9 worked together but I was Satoshi, and Bitcoin and Blockchain are "my inventions" otherwise there is 10 10 Is this 552? Yes. I am there. A. a real danger that the story collapses, also need 11 You see where it says "5"? 11 Q. 12 to avoid saying there is no Satoshi." 12 Α. 13 Dr. Wright, can you summarize in 13 Q. This is a list of questions and 14 answers we have just asked you about, isn't it? 14 your own words what you just read? 15 15 Yes, a media session from a group A. 16 of people who were seeking to coach me to say 16 Why don't we go ahead and read it. 17 Please read the questions and answer for the 17 things in a particular way that I was not willing 18 record please? 18 to say. 19 19 Yes. So they were coaching you to say A. O. 20 We are waiting for you, Dr. Wright? 20 Q. what? 21 "Q: how many people are involved in 21 A. MR. RIVERO: Objection. 22 creating Bitcoin? A: in creating Bitcoin? A lot. 22 Again, I am not these people. A. 23 How many people were involved in Satoshi is 23 Mostly for the sessions, for the small amounts of 24 probably a better question, that was two of us. 24 recollection that I have, and which parts I do not 25 A: some people say that perhaps you are not 25 remember were yelling and screaming and telling Page 99 Page 101 1 Satoshi but Dave is Satoshi but of course he's people where to go. 2 dead and cannot speak for himself, how do we know 2 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 3 As I read this it says "although it's actually you? Q: Dave was a key part of 3 4 everything that I did. Dave spoke as Satoshi and 4 acknowledging Dave's role is the right thing to 5 I had to admit that Dave was always far better and 5 do, Craig Wright needs to be clear on the fact he 6 6 far calmer to be in this area of dealing with was the driving force and the originator." Do you 7 7 people and he is sorely missed. The only way to see that? 8 really look at is this is to look at the 8 Α. I see that. 9 9 information supplying: the papers, from that I am O. So McGregor and his media people 10 not asking you to do anything or believe me, I am 10 wanted you to be Satoshi alone; is that not right? 11 asking you to judge based on the information. Q: 11 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. You actually admit that you are Satoshi? A: Dave 12 You are making suppositions on 12 other people's thoughts that are not mine. and myself. Q: and as we asked you today are you 13 13 Satoshi? Answer: as I said, there's not really a 14 14 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 15 Satoshi. We have a White Paper and we're behind 15 Q. The author of the document wanted that but there are many people that took Bitcoin 16 you to take a leading role as Satoshi, is that 16 17 17 to where it is now. Q: who created the pseudonym? fair -- is that accurate? 18 A: well, mostly myself and a little bit with Dave. 18 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 19 Both of us acted. Dave was the nice version of 19 A. I do not believe that is accurate. 20 20 Satoshi. Q: who came up with the idea in the They wanted me to say certain things and no, I do 21 first place? A: mostly myself." 21 not accept your presuppositions and what other 22 Dr. Wright, can you read for me the 22 people were thinking. note section that the author of the document 23 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: inserted into this document following that How else do you interpret the words 24 24 25 question and answer? 25 "CW needs to be clear on the fact that he was the

Page 102 Page 104 1 driving force and the originator"? 1 it suits your purpose, so, no, I do not. 2 2 BY MR. FREEDMAN: MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 3 A. I do not. 3 You know what this looks like, you 4 4 BY MR. FREEDMAN: are covering up the statements that you previously 5 Q. The author of this paragraph 5 made under the guise of it being statements from a б thought that the story would collapse if you gave 6 PR consultant that was telling you what to say and 7 Dave too much credit as Satoshi Nakamoto; do you 7 then, when we got to the bottom of this document, 8 it shows that the PR consultant didn't want you to see that? 9 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 9 say anything of the sort, he didn't want you to 10 10 give credit to Dave as Satoshi, you were giving A. I see the words. 11 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Dave credit as Satoshi, is that not true? 11 12 Q. Didn't McGregor want a story? 12 MR. RIVERO: That is speech and argument, I am going to object. Dr. Wright, under I do not care what McGregor wanted. 13 13 14 McGregor ended up not being part of the company at 14 the rules unfortunately you even have to answer 15 15 that improper question. 16 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 16 Do I answer the speech or just the A. 17 Q. You told me today, Dr. Wright, that 17 question? 18 Rob McGregor would have loved you to have said 18 MR. RIVERO: You have to answer 19 that you and Dave were Satoshi; do you recall that 19 that improper speech, yes. 20 testimony? 20 A. I do not know how to answer the 21 MR. RIVERO: Objection. 21 speech. To the question, my answer is no. 22 A. I said that, yes. 22 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 23 Q. Do you agree with the statement in Q. And now Rob McGregor's PR 24 this document that you need to change the 24 25 consultant is telling you that Dave should not 25 retelling of the story so that you became the Page 103 Page 105 have too much credit as Satoshi or the story will 1 driving force and the originator of Bitcoin? 1 2 2 collapse; do you see that, Dr. Wright? MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 3 3 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. A. I do not agree with anything in any 4 No, I do not. I see that you are of these documents. 4 5 5 presuming that certain people making certain BY MR. FREEDMAN: 6 6 responses in teams basically saying one thing and Q. Did you in fact change your story 7 when there's a group of people obviously in this 7 following this critique? 8 e-mail discussing what should be said and you are 8 A. No, I did not have my story 9 saying that that is Rob McGregor's choice or the 9 following this critique. 10 other person's choice, where there is no context 10 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 11 to that so, no, I do not agree with anything you 11 Following this, the media company that Rob hired were fired and kicked out of the 12 12 are proposing. 13 organization and Rob was removed from the 13 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 14 Dr. Wright, earlier today you told 14 organization. 15 me that the statements in this document reflect 15 BY MR. FREEDMAN: what Rob McGregor wanted you to say; that gave 16 16 Q. Do you recall ---credit to Dave because that is what Rob McGregor 17 17 THE COURT REPORTER: Repeat the 18 wanted you to do; is that accurate? 18 question. 19 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 19 Do you recall the Australian Tax 20 20 No, it is not accurate, you have, Office (ATO) auditing your companies in 2014 and again, mischaracterized me. You are taking two 21 21 2015? 22 things, the statement of this document and Rob 22 In 2014 and 2015 companies, of 23 23 McGregor, and mixing them together were in parts which I was one of many shareholders, including a they mix and parts they do not, and attempting to 24 public company where I was one of those 24 25 25 have me state something that is not true because shareholders, underwent audits with the Australian

Page 108 Page 106 Tax Office. 1 these audits? 1 2 2 Q. During that time your companies A. You are asking about discussions 3 worked with Clayton Utz to represent you in those 3 with my law firm in Australia; is that correct? 4 Dr. Wright, please just listen to audits, right? 4 5 No, my companies used a law firm 5 the question that I am asking and answer it. Did A. Clayton Utz, the law firm, help your companies 6 6 called Clayton Utz and they represented us as our 7 solicitors. 7 prepare documents that were sent to the Australian 8 8 Tax Office in connection with the audits they Specifically your companies worked Q. 9 with Andrew Summer at Clayton Utz? 9 undertook in 2014 and 2015? No, our counsel was Andrew Summer 10 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 10 who was the lead lawyer for a number of companies 11 Dr. Wright, I am not asserting a privilege to that 11 and myself personally. 12 question, do not go into conversations with 12 And John Cheshur also worked for 13 counsel, I think you can answer that without doing 13 14 those companies and interacted with the ATO on 14 15 those companies' behalf, is that accurate? 15 I have to, sorry, be the petant and A. John Cheshur was the CFO or chief 16 say the way you are asking that with the "helped" 16 17 financial officer of a company called deMorgan, 17 and whatever else is technically incorrect. 18 prior to that of hotwire, and had been an 18 Clayton Utz were our legal counsel and Clayton Utz 19 accountant with me going back until 2009 in 19 worked with people in the creation and review of 20 information defense, and prior to that had worked 20 documents, checking the legal aspects of those and with Ridge's Estate in contract. 21 checking the sort of legal opinion on the 21 22 He interacted with the ATO for 22 presentation of documents that would be submitted 23 those companies, is that accurate? 23 both in tribunals and also in general response. A. As chief financial officer and 24 24 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 25 previous to that as tax auditor, then John had 25 Did Andrew Summer attend the O. Page 107 Page 109 1 acted with the Australian Tax Office as it was his meetings with the ATO where you were present? 2 2 job to file returns and to conduct engagements A. 3 3 with the tax office. Did John Cheshur attend meetings 4 Clayton Utz helped your companies with the ATO where you were present? 4 Q. 5 to prepare documents that were sent to the 5 A. Yes. 6 6 Australian Tax Office in connection with these Did the ATO record some of those Q. 7 audit; is that accurate? 7 meetings? 8 8 A. I do not know. A. 9 9 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. Q. Claytons did not help your company 10 prepare documents that were sent so the Australian 10 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 11 Tax Office? 11 Has the ATO sent you transcripts 12 12 that reflect those meetings? A. You have used the word "he helped", helped means, when you are asking me that 13 Me personally or the company? 13 A. question, that I was involved with John in Good distinction, Dr. Wright, has 14 14 O. 15 preparing documents that John aided me on. If you 15 the ATO sent your company transcripts of those 16 want to ask "did John prepare documents as the 16 meetings? CFO, did he work the accountant, Ali, and the 17 17 Yes, we responded that there was Α. 18 bookkeepers that we had employed, and do his job 18 erroneous material in those transcripts. The 19 as a CFO then the answer is yes. If you are 19 transcripts needed to be updated because the asking -- implying that did he help me then the 20 20 transcription was highly inaccurate. answer is no. Have you produced those 21 21 22 Actually, Dr. Wright, I was asking 22 communications to us, Dr. Wright?

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those documents under Australian law; to do so

would be a jail term. I am not legally permitted

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- So you have withheld documents from us that relate to corrections to the ATO transcripts; is that an accurate statement?
- That is not an accurate statement. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. BY MR. FREEDMAN:
- Q. Did you or did you not produce the corrections to the Australian Tax Office transcripts?

MR. RIVERO: I object to this line of questions because it relates to questions about production but go ahead and answer if you can, Dr. Wright.

- A. Would you like me to discuss conversations I had with my solicitors? BY MR. FREEDMAN:
- Which solicitors are you referring to?

MR. RIVERO: Dr. Wright, you cannot talk about conversations with your lawyers, but if you can answer the questions go ahead.

A. I can only do this if I talk about

there and before I resigned as director of the companies.

- O. Dr. Wright, please tell me why you withheld -- whether or not you withheld documents and the conversation you had with that solicitor at Laxon Lex?
- A. I have not withheld documents. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. BY MR. FREEDMAN:

O. What --

MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, one wait a moment. Your Honor, I am not sure you are on the phone, but I would need a break on this subject as I am not fully appraised about your ruling, so would need a few moments to consult with my co-counsel to understand the rulings and make a determination about assertion of any privilege. I understand there was a ruling which may, and from Mr. Freedman's suggestion that the ruling may make it that we cannot, but I need a few minutes to consult with Miss McGovern if I can find her, and I am trying to remember whose else was present. Is that where we are, Mr. Freedman?

MR. FREEDMAN: I think so. I am happy to take a break.

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conversations with my solicitors. 1 2

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

Mr. Rivero, we need to know which solicitors because the court has held that there was not privilege with Andrew Summer and other solicitors. We do not know which solicitors he is referring. Shall we take a break.

MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, I have not instructed him not to answer anything other than not to go into conversations. I have not heard you ask him which solicitors you are referring to ask.

BY MR. FREEDMAN: 13

- Q. Dr. Wright, which solicitors are you referring to?
- A. The last part of that would be John of Laxon Lex and I do not remember -- I do not remember his actual name, the person working for John at Laxon Lex.
- Q. When did you consult John at Laxon Lex about this?
  - A. I do not remember the date.
- 23 Was it in the last six months or O. 24 was it years ago?
  - It was when the companies were

MR. RIVERO: If I can maybe 10 minutes to see if I can sort this out. The question that is pending is you want Mr. Wright to describe his conversation with John of Laxon Lex and the ATO transcripts?

MR. FREEDMAN: And corrections made to them, that is correct.

MR. RIVERO: Give me about 10 minutes to see if I can sort that out.

(A short recess from 4.39 p.m. to 4.49

p.m.) MR. RIVERO: Madam court reporter, this is Andreas Rivero, can you hear me? As I had an opportunity to consult with Miss McGovern and persons involved in the production I want to be clear we have produced voluminous ATO transcript records before last week, as to such records we had asserted for which I understand assertion of privilege is overruled. We have produced among the documents that we produced last week, we have produced all ATO transcripts in Dr. Wright's possession. Let me be clear, we have taken appeal on the ruling -- we have not yet taken an appeal on the ruling but we intend to and, unless we produced it, unless there is an agreement as to

Page 116 Page 114 1 claw-back, we have produced the reservation that 1 it is that you are showing? 2 we will attempt to claw back if we are successful 2 MR. FREEDMAN: A copy of the book 3 and so those documents are in your possession, 3 entitled Satoshi's Vision published under the name 4 4 Mr. Freedman, I do not know what your next Craig Wright. 5 question is. 5 MR. RIVERO: Is that the title, 6 6 I have lost for the moment my -- just a moment, my MR. FREEDMAN: Have you produced to 7 us all communications correcting any ATO 7 text has stepped out, it was working perfectly 8 8 well before the break but now I am in charge -- I transcript errors? 9 MR. RIVERO: Is that directed to me 9 do not think we need, it is just a matter of -- it or Dr. Wright? Dr. Wright has not made the 10 10 is coming right now. 11 MR. FREEDMAN: If you need to stop production. 11 12 12 up let us know. Dr. Wright, can you go to page 11 MR. FREEDMAN: I do not know, Mr. 13 13 Rivero. Please let him answer. of that file? I am at a page entitled "I am 14 Dr. Wright, have you produced to us 14 A. Satoshi." 15 any communications correcting any ATO transcript 15 16 errors? 16 Great. If you look three 17 A. I have not produced, my lawyers 17 paragraphs up from the bottom a paragraph starting "there was a secondary", do you see that? 18 18 have produced. MR. RIVERO: Obviously I have to 19 19 Did you receive advice from your O. 20 lawyer John at Laxon Lex did you receive advice 20 have access to the page if you are going to ask 21 from the lawyer not to disclose the ATO 21 questions. Do you have another question you can 22 transcripts? 22 ask while I resolve this? 23 23 MR. FREEDMAN: I do not. Let us A. Yes. 24 24 O. Dr. Wright, would it be fair to say take a break. 25 that you consider Dave Kleiman a friend for a long 25 MR. RIVERO: I do not agree to this Page 117 Page 115 time and one of the very few people you could ever procedure. I am sure that you must have something 1 2 2 that you could go to. When it gets to 10 o'clock keep trusting? 3 3 There are two questions; would you at night, it is going to be very difficult to 4 like me to answer them. proceed in this deposition, but go ahead; take a 4 5 5 Q. I will break it down for you. break. 6 6 Would it be accurate to say that you considered (A short recess at 4.55 p.m. to 4.58 p.m.) 7 Dave Kleiman a friend for a long time? 7 MR. RIVERO: I just want to know 8 Yes. 8 that I object to the conditions that apparently Α. 9 9 are prevailing now. Mr. Cohen is complaining he O. Would it be accurate to say that 10 you considered Dave Kleiman one of the very few 10 is too hot to keep his tie on. This is for trial 11 people you can keep trusting? 11 testimony and I want my client testifying in a 12 I trust too many people so that is 12 suit and tie for appearance before the jury. difficult. On a different thing I would say that 13 I object. Let us proceed. 13 14 Dave was one of the few people that I would say 14 MR. FREEDMAN: That creates a 15 I loved. 15 little bit of a problem. I need to --16 16 MR. RIVERO: You postponed this Did your choice of the name Satoshi Q. 17 multiple times, this was your show. To me it is 17 have anything to do with Dave Kleiman? appalling these situation, let us just continue. 18 A. Not ever. 18 19 MR. RIVERO: Objection asked and 19 MR. BRENNER: Two things before we 20 20 continue, this is Andrew Brenner. You can object answered. to the deposition going forward in which case we 21 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 21 22 Q. I am going to upload into the share 22 have to adjourn it because when it comes to 23 23 impeach him at trial you are going to say the file a copy of your book Satoshi's Vision. Can you let me know when you have that up? 24 conditions were not fair. No one has turned the 24 25 25 MR. RIVERO: Can you say again what heat up on purpose, Mr. Rivero, I can assure you

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of that. If you would like to deposition to continue forward you have to say on the record that you allowing it to continue forward. I am not finished yet. You cannot object to the conditions and then be able to say at the end of the day see, the conditions were not fair, he cannot be held to his testimony. We have to an agreement one way or the other.

MR. RIVERO: Mr. Brenner, I have not said that. I have said that if the conditions force him to remove his tie, that is not my preference for his appearance. I am not saying he cannot proceed. I am object to the conditions in the room. He ought to be able to make the appearance that we wish him to. I continue in my objection, say proceed and fix the conditions, it is your show.

MR. BRENNER: So far he has his tie on, if he needs to take it off, we can cross that bridge when we get there.

MR. RIVERO: I already said that I object to -- if his conditions are uncomfortable, I am not saying that we cannot proceed with this deposition.

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

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was adopted in both cases. David Kleiman was adopted and so was Satoshi. I admired the characters in the book. It reminded me of a far more glorious and honorable period in banking, not something that we could go back to but something we could remember when formulating Bitcoin. Pierpont Morgan was an interesting character and one who proved himself through work."

- O. Is it not true that Dave Kleiman did have to do with the name Satoshi?
  - A. It is not true.
- Is there anything about the O. conditions in the room that are impeding your ability to testify truthfully today?
- No, I can truthfully state things and I have been truthful in every statement I have made.
  - Was Satoshi Nakamoto a team? Q.
- No, it was not. A.
- 20 Was Dave Kleiman part of a team O. 21 that formed Satoshi Nakamoto?
  - A. I just answered there was no team. MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

Q. Did Satoshi Nakamoto die with

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- Q. Dr. Wright, do you have page 11 of 2 the Satoshi's Vision book open in front of you 3 before we took the break? 4
  - A. I certainly do.
  - Q. Is it still open?
  - I certainly do. A.
  - This is the first chapter of the Satoshi's Vision book published under the name Craig Wright?
    - A. Yes, I see that.
  - Can you look up three paragraphs up from the bottom, there is a paragraph -- sorry, I want to take one step back. Before the break I asked you whether or not -- I quote from the transcript: "Did your choice of the name Satoshi have anything to do with Dave Kleiman? Answer never"; do you recall that?
    - A.
  - Can you read the paragraph "there was a secondary part of the name Satoshi" for the record please?
  - Yes. "There was a secondary part of the name Satoshi. Satoshi Sugiyama was adopted by an American and given the name David Philips. It comes from a book, the House of Morgan. David

Dave's death?

- Again, there was no team. A.
- That is not what I asked. Did Satoshi Nakamoto die with Dave's death?

MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.

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- Satoshi Nakamoto was myself. Dave dying did not make me die. Dave was not a C-coder and could not have coded Bitcoin. Dave did not have any academic qualifications at all and was not able to write any of the academic aspects of the Bitcoin. Dave was not trained in law, or economics Dave was not trained in Poisson mathematics, statistics, he was not trained in finance, monetary theory or any of the other aspects that make Bitcoin. No, Dave's death had nothing to do at any point with Satoshi; before or after Dave's death Dave had nothing to do with Satoshi.
- Would it be fair to say that Satoshi Nakamoto was a good coder?
- No, it would not be fair to say that.
- Would it be accurate to say that Satoshi Nakamoto was a good coder? MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.



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- A. No, I was not a good coder, I am still not to a good coder, I am an adequate coder. I am academic, I used to teach C, C++, C#. The format and use of case statements within Bitcoin is, I would say, designed and architecturally horrible but it was the best I could do. People who work for me now are good coders they can do things that I would love to have been able to do in code.
- Q. Would it be fair to say this your coding was crud?

- A. No, it would not be fair to say my coding was crud. I self-deprecate at times but the truth of the matter, if you want truth, that is not crud although I have called myself a crud coder.
- Q. Would it be fair to say that Dave could edit code really well?
- A. No, Dave had no coding skills at all.
- Q. Dr. Wright, I am going to upload into the drop box what you produced in this litigation as defense 115950; do you have that up?

  (Exhibit Defense 115950 referred to)

Q. Why is it not genuine?

- A. A series of e-mails from various people have been edited. I have noticed these -- I will not go into discussions with my lawyers -- but analysis has been done on several e-mails and there are edits made to multiple e-mails from me, both on the hotwire account that I was no longer able to access in April as well as purporting to be from myself, coming from a Brisbane address when I was not there.
- Q. This is an e-mail RCJBR from 2014, not from either of those accounts, so why do you believe this e-mail is not genuine?
- A. (1) that is not what I just said. I didn't say only hotwire, I said hotwire and others, so you cannot say not from any of those accounts because that is not correct. (2) this is not an e-mail, this is a part of an e-mail stream that comes from Ira.
- Q. Dr. Wright, you produced this to us, that is why it is Bates labeled DEFAUS 115933.

MR. RIVERO: Objection.

MR. FREEDMAN: I do not think there is much utility in us discussing this. Do you see in the e-mail where it says "I had math skills and

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some coding that frankly was crud".

A. Yes.
Q. Dr. Wright, do you recognize this as an e-mail chain between yourself and Ira Kleiman?

A. I see that it is an e-mail purporting to be from Ira Kleiman to myself.

- Q. On or about March 11, 2014?
- A. I see that date on the e-mail.
- Q. Go down to e-mail on Friday March 7, 2014 from you on the fourth page?
  - A. I am on the fourth page.
- Q. You see the e-mail says: "Ira, what is true?"
- A. No, I see text that you are purporting is an e-mail.
- Q. This is a copy of an e-mail that you produced to us?
- A. No, it is documents that come from machines that my lawyers were given. You are saying that it is from me. It is not from me.
- Q. Do you have any reason to believe these correspondence are not genuine?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. What are those reasons?
  - A. I have seen this before.

A. What I see is a document seized from Australia after I had left Australia. This is a document on machines that had nothing to do with me. What you have seized is evidence that people in Australia were falsely accessing and altering e-mails, people who later ended up fired, and basically you are saying e-mails that you purport to be real being held between people who had sought to shut down my companies, that were captured in Australia when I was no longer in Australia, when my computers were not in Australia that have been given to you, and you are saying that they are from me when there was no way I could have sent them.

MR. RIVERO: I am going to preserve an authenticity objection, but you need to answer the questions about the documents. So, if go ahead and answer the question, I will assert and preserve an authenticity objection to the use of the documents. Please answer the questions.

A. I see a sentence that I did not type.

24 BY MR. FREEDMAN:

Q. You can see the sentence where it

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1	says "Dave could edit his way to hell and back"?	1	sentence.
2	A. Yes.	2	MR. RIVERO: Objection to form,
3	Q. Do you not agree with that	3	argumentative. Please answer.
4	statement now?	4	A. As I said, I did not write that
5	MR. RIVERO: Objection to the form.	5	sentence.
6	A. No, I do not agree with that	6	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
7	sentence.	7	Q. Where did your counsel get these
8	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	8	documents if they did not come from you?
9	Q. Did you type that?	9	A. I believe that they were captured
10	A. I did not type that.	10	from Australia, I do not know the exact machines
11	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	11	that they got them from. I did not, I was not
12	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	12	involved with all the sources that they got them
13	Q. Somebody else saved this e-mail?	13	from.
14	MR. RIVERO: Objection.	14	Q. Did you have any e-mail
15		15	communications with Ira?
16	is a machine copied from an Australian employee.	16	A. I had some, yes.
17	Q. What is the name of the Australian	17	Q. Is this one of those e-mail
18	employee?	18	communications you had with Ira?
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20	A. I do not know, I do not know which	20	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
21	machine this comes from, I haven't been given	21	A. No, seeing as I did not type this e-mail it was not one of the ones I had with Ira.
22	anything more than a number.	22	
	Q. Do you see where it says Satoshi		BY MR. FREEDMAN:
23	was a team?	23	Q. Dr. Wright, did Dave Kleiman write
24	A. I see that.	24 25	the Bitcoin code?
25	Q. You just told me Satoshi was not a	∠5	A. Dave Kleiman could not code.
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1	team?	1	Q. Dr. Wright, I am uploading to the
2	A. Satoshi was not a team.	2	drop box two different files, control 1268220 and
3	Q. Why are you contradicting yourself?	3	control 1277609
4	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	4	(Exhibits control 1268220 and control
5	A. Again, you are seeking to have me	5	1277609 referred to)
6	lie by saying that Satoshi was a team when Satoshi	6	Q. How am I supposed to know which
7	was not a team. As I have said, this is not what	7	communications you had with Ira were real and
8	I sent. You did not get this from me, you got it	8	which ones were not real?
9	from an ex-staff member in Australia after I had	9	A. If you are going to ask me about
10	left the country from a machine I did not own.	10	the things that I said I did not or did not do,
11	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	11	then that is what generally you would do as part
12	Q. Actually we got this from you. Let	12	of your job. If I say no, I didn't have that,
13	us go to the second part of that sentence where it	13	then I say no, I didn't have that. You could also
14	says "without the other part of that team, he	14	analyze some of the documentation and where they
15	died". Do you see that?	15	came from and sources, and things that did not
16	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	16	come from my computers would not be something that
17	A. I see that and I will state that,	17	I would trust.
18	no, you did not get this from me, you got it from	18	Q. The only way for us to know if this
19	my counsel.	19	is a real document is if you say that is accurate.
20	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	20	MR. RIVERO: Objection. Can you say
21	Q. Why did you write "without the	21	which document? I have lost track of the number
22	other part of that team, he died" if previously	22	we are talking about.
23	you just emphasized to me that Satoshi did not die	23	MR. FREEDMAN: DEFAUS 115950.
24	when Dave died?	24	MR. RIVERO: The same one.
25	A. Because I did not write that	25	MR. FREEDMAN: The same one.

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1	Dr. Wright	1	are showing Dr. Wright so you have to tell me so
2	A. Yes.	2	I know what is going on.
3	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	3	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
4	Q. Are you saying the only way for us	4	Q. The documents I will do my best to
5	to know if a document is real is if you say it is	5	make sure I reference them to you.
6	real?	6	MR. RIVERO: I want to make sure we
7	A. That is not what I said, nor	7	understand each other. I am looking at the
8	implied.	8	document that you asked me to look at so I am not
9	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	9	looking at the population of the share file at
10		10	that moment, I am looking at the document. You
11		11	have to tell me "we are changing documents" so
12		12	I can stay with you.
13	J 1	13	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
14		14	Q. Do you have those documents in
15	J I	15	front of you now?
16		16	A. I have the two file names in front
17	1	17	of me.
18	•	18	Q. Can somebody please open them for
19	3 &	19 20	Dr. Wright?
20 21	received, etc. Even then you would have to	21	A. I believe we can do one at a time, not both.
22	analyze the source and other such things. You would not pick e-mails that I had supposedly given	22	
23	you in a stream. You would pick the original, as	23	Q. Right. MR. RIVERO: That is how my
24	Mr. Ira Kleiman had, and start forensically	24	computer works.
25	examining that, looking at the source, the IP	25	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
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1	address, where it was done, showing that I was in	1	Q. Let us do 1277609 first. I asked
2	that location or whatever else, which is not this.	2	you if Dave wrote the Bitcoin code and I believe
3	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	3	you said no, is that an accurate characterization
4	Q. Are you aware that you are listed a	4	of your testimony?
5	custodian for this document?	5	A. Dave Kleiman did not write code.
6 7	MR. RIVERO: Sorry, I could not	6 7	Q. Do you have that file in front of
•	hear the question.		you now, Dr. Wright?
8	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	8   9	A. I certainly do.
9 10	Q. Are you aware that you are listed as the custodian for this document?	10	Q. Do you see it; it is a tweet from somebody called Mike Relentless?
11	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	11	A. Yes.
12	A. No, I do not	12	Q. "The real Satoshi wrote the White
13	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	13	Paper Dave Kleiman wrote the code, coders are not
14	Q. Do you see those two control files	14	inventors, left brain versus right brain; Satoshi
15	that have been upload to the share file?	15	was creative." Do you see there are four likes?
16	•	16	A. I see four likes, yes.
17	<u> </u>	17	Q. Do you see the like on the right
18		18	most side?
19		19	A. I see someone using my image.
20	to tell me what you are referring to. Are we	20	Q. Let us go to control 1268220; do
21	changing documents now?	21	you have the document in front of you?
22	MR. FREEDMAN: We are changing	22	A. I am waiting.
23	documents control 1277609 and control 1268220.	23	Q. Did write this post?
24	MR. RIVERO: Bear in mind you	24	MR. RIVERO: I am also loading.
25	control this proceeding but I do not see what you	25	BY MR. FREEDMAN:

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1	Q. I am not referencing. Did you like	1	that it is liked.
2	this post?	2	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
3	A. I do not know. If you are asking	3	Q. Did Dave Kleiman compile version
4	whether the former account that I had Professor	4	0.1 of Bitcoin?
5	Faustus like that thing, as I said, I was not the	5	A. No.
6	sole person running the Bitcoin Twitter account	6	Q. Dr. Wright, I am uploading to the
7	that I had. I do not run my social media. My	7	share files Kleiman 4288. Let me know when that
8	linked-in page is run by Sebastian and I apologize	8	is up.
9	I do not know the other person's name, which is	9	(Exhibit Kleiman 4288 referred to)
10	really terrible because they work for me.	10	Q. Is that up?
11	Q. Can we agree that your Professor	11	A. No, I'm still waiting. It is up.
12	Faustus account liked this tweet?	12	Q. Do you recognize this e-mail?
13	MR. RIVERO: Object to the	13	MR. RIVERO: I am looking for it.
14	documents, I do not know how this is captured,	14	A. No, I do not.
15	I do not know what that reflects, we do not have	15	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
16	the ability to open anything, I object to this	16	Q. Is this a real e-mail?
17	document 1277609. Dr. Wright answer if you can.	17	MR. RIVERO: Wait a moment, it has
18	A. Basically what you are saying is	18	to load for me. Please give me a moment to make
19	someone clicked on a Mike Relentless SV like from	19	sure I have it. Go ahead.
20	the past, followed by people like Vinny Lingham	20	A. It is a PDF.
21	and whatever else, and liked a comment by someone;	21	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
22	is that correct?	22	Q. Is it a PDF of an e-mail?
23	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	23	A. I do not know. It is a PDF of what
24	Q. I am just asking whether the Prof.	24	appears to be an e-mail, yes.
25	Fautus account that you said belonged to you liked	25	Q. Is it real?
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1	this tweet; simple question?	1	A. I do not know, I cannot tell from a
2	A. That is not what I said.	2	PDF. If you are asking is it my e-mail, no.
3	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	3	Q. On 10 May 2017 Ira wrote to you
4	A. I did not say it belonged to me.	4	"I read that version 0.1 of Bitcoin was compiled
5	I even said that the Facebook one did not belong	5	using Microsoft visual studio for windows and the
6	to me. I said I used an account in conjunction	6	other day I came across that program in Dave's set
7	with staff. That at no point did I say nor	7	of disks, it got me wondering if he compiled it";
8	characterize that I owned the account. Please do	8	do you see that?
9	not put words in my mouth.	9	A. Yes.
10	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	10	Q. Do you see you respond back? "Yes,
11	Q. I understand that you claim you did	11	we both played(?), Dave compiled"?
12	not write any e-mail and you did not make any	12	A. You are saying this is an e-mail
13	posts, but all I am asking for this specific	13	from me. I stopped responding at all, well before
14	question is: did the Prof. Faustus account like	14	this, to Mr. Kleiman?
15	this tweet; yes or not?	15	Q. The e-mail we looked at which was
16	MR. RIVERO: Objection move to	16	previously DEFAUS 115950 also came from Craig at
17	strike the product of the question. Answer if you	17	RCJBR.org e-mail account. We are now in 2017,
18	can.	18	almost three years later, and you are still
19	A. I do not know the Prof. Faustus	19	claiming that someone else is writing this e-mail,
20	account was disabled quite some time ago by	20	is that accurate?
21	Twitter. As such, I am not able to say whether	21	MR. RIVERO: Objection,
22	that is the case or not. I do not know whether	22	mischaracterizing the testimony. Dr. Wright,
23	any of the staff members clicked on that, I do not	23	answer that if you can.
24	know whether they liked it, I do not know. All	24	A. Again, you are making the
25	I see is an image that shows my image and saying	25	Craig@ means that it came from the account.

Page 138 Page 140 1 You are mischaracterizing how e-mail works, you're 1 e-mail account, possibly Angela. 2 2 failing to understand or accept that it is very Q. Angela who, what is her last name? 3 easy to spoof and forward e-mail or even that this 3 Demitrio, she was my EA, Α. 4 has been analyzed and that I have seen anything 4 I apologize if I am pronouncing it wrong, it has 5 showing that it came from me. 5 been many years. 6 6 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Why would she have typed that? Q. 7 7 She was my EA. I had requested O. This is not your ----A. 8 8 people to reach out to Louis Kleiman; Uyen Nguyen A. Sorry, I did not hear. 9 O. Is this e-mail fake? 9 had found Louis's contact details and I had Looking at a PDF does not allow me requested my staff to send an e-mail contacting 10 10 to say this e-mail is fake. Someone could have 11 him saying that Dave had shares in Coin-Exch, that 11 jumped on or hacked my machine, I do not know 12 his estate basically needs to transfer and that 12 that. I do know that we have a complaint with the 13 Mr. Kleiman, David Kleiman, was very important to 13 14 UK police about a hacking at the moment that has 14 me, he had been my best friend and to reach out to 15 occurred, and I also know that I cannot say 15 his family. 16 whether this is a doctored copy of an e-mail or a 16 Angela came up with the idea that 17 hacked e-mail from a PDF. 17 "Dave and I are two of the three key people behind 18 Q. Did you send this e-mail? 18 Bitcoin"; is that your testimony? 19 No, I was not communicating with 19 A. No, that is not what I said. A. 20 Ira Kleiman. 20 Did you tell Angela to write those Q. 21 Do you still have the e-mail 21 words or the sub-state to those words? Q. address Craig@ 22 22 A. No, I did not. I have recently re-enabled that. 23 23 Where did she understand to write A. Q. 24 O. When did you not have it? 24 that? 25 It was disabled at the end of 2015, 25 My guess would be speaking to Uyen A. Page 139 Page 141 I do not remember exactly when it was re-enabled. Nguyen, possibly other people at the organization 2 2 Was Dave one of the three key at the time. 3 people behind Bitcoin? 3 Dr. Wright, I believe the record 4 4 will reflect that at your first deposition A. No. 5 5 Q. I am uploading to the share file I handed you this e-mail and I asked if you 6 6 recognized it. You told me it was a printout of an Kleiman 8178. 7 7 (Exhibit Kleiman 8178 referred to) e-mail and then I asked you "did you write" and 8 A. It is still loading. 8 you responded "I typed that". Is that your 9 9 Q. Page 1. testimony? 10 The e-mail is up. 10 A. That is a mischaracterization. You 11 Do you see an e-mail in the middle 11 asked me a particular sentence. You did not say O. page February 11, 2014 from whether I typed that e-mail. You said a 12 12 Craigswright@ 13 particular sentence -- literally one sentence in 13 .com? 14 No, I do not see the e-mail I see 14 this e-mail -- and say "did you type that". In 15 the text that purports to be that from a forwarded 15 discussions with my lawyers, I typed that exact document, Craigwright@ was a joint CEO 16 sentence. When discussing between Amanda ---16 17 17 MR. RIVERO: Dr. Wright, please do account. 18 O. Do you see where it says "hello 18 not talk about discussions with your lawyers. 19 Louis, your son Dave and I are two of the three 19 Please answer. 20 20 key people behind Bitcoin"? A. Without going into the discussions, we had -- I just need to formulate how I say it 21 Yes, I see that. 21 A. 22 Did you type that? 22 without saying my discussions -- I had pointed out Q. No, I did not. 23 evidence that my lawyers -- I keep hitting 23 A. Who typed it? 24 discussion points. I discussed that sentence and 24 Q. 25 If it was sent directly from my 25 I typed that sentence. I did not type the whole

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- e-mail. As you know, and as you have pointed out yourself several times, I am overly literal. You asked me had I typed that sentence. Yes, I have typed that sentence.
  - Did you mean it when you typed it? Q.
- I meant to type what I typed when I was discussing evidence with my counsel. I did not mean that I typed that e-mail.

MR. RIVERO: Dr. Wright, I have to be careful that you do not waive privilege. Do not discuss communications with counsel. BY MR. FREEDMAN:

- Dr. Wright, I want to understand what exactly it is you are telling me. I asked you, and it says "hello Louis, your son Dave and I" -- let me back up. I am going to read from the transcript for you.
  - Please do. A.

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"Q. Do you recall reaching out to O. Louis Kleiman in February 2014? A. I do not remember the exact date but some time around then, yes. Q. I am handing you what we can mark as plaintiff's exhibit 2, this is documentary 83-23, do you recognize this e-mail on the second half of page 2? A. I recognize the printout of the

the correct answer to "did you type that sentence?" Yes, because did "you type this" is not the e-mail, it is a sentence. You did not say "did you type or did you create or did you produce that e-mail?"

- Q. In response to my showing you an e-mail and asking you whether or not you typed a sentence of it you purposively misled me to think that you had just typed one sentence of it in a conversation with your lawyers but you did not mean to answer that you had actually typed that e-mail?
- You are again misconstruing my answer. I have put you on notice that I have Asperger's, I have autism, I am literal, this is, under the American Disability Act, a registered disability. I have a disability. I am utterly literal. You have in this case pulled me up saying "you are a very literal person, Dr. Wright". You have many times made that statement. You recognize the complete literalness of my answers. You asked me, as a disabled person under the American Disability Act, whether a disability I have is a problem for you, and you are accusing me of lying because I do not look

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e-mail. By Mr. Freedman Q. It says 'hello

- Louis, your son Dave and I are two of the three
- 3 key people behind Bitcoin'. Did you write that?
- 4 A. I typed that. Q. Who is the third person? A.
- It is one of those things. Ms. Marko. Okay. 5 6
  - Dr. Wright is not in a position to answer that
  - question. We will provide a full some explanation
  - to the court in camera." Do you recall that back and forth?
  - Which is exactly what I just told you. I recollected my deposition correctly --
  - I just asked if you recall the testimony. Please keep your answer to what I am asking you.
  - A. I am. Would you like me to answer or do you want to interrupt me again?
    - Q. Go ahead, please answer.
  - It was exactly what I just told you. My recollection was completely correct of the first deposition. You asked me did I type that sentence? That is a question literally meaning have I ever typed that sentence. In a response to my lawyers where I said in the e-mail sentence -- which I will not discuss because my lawyer will object -- I typed that sentence. So,

people in the eye, because that is part of my disability, you are accusing me of lying because well basically I literally answered the exact question that you asked me, literally. Is that what you are saying? Are you saying you are objecting because of my disability and the fact that I literally answer?

Q. Dr. Wright --

MR. RIVERO: Do me a favour, just answer the questions. I forgot what the question was, but just answer the question.

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

- We will move on. Did you write that sentence in an e-mail to Louis Kleiman?
  - A.
- Why did you tell the court you could not answer my question on who the third person was because it involved issues of national security?
  - Because of the way you asked it. A.
- Explain that to me. What were the issues of national security that were called into question when I asked you who is the third person?
- If I am talking about people who had helped me then the other person was a person



Page 146 Page 148 MR. FREEDMAN: Dr. Wright has now 1 in the UK. Did he help me code ----1 2 Q. I do not understand. Is the 2 claimed that the e-mails he previously said were 3 sentence "there are three people behind Bitcoin", 3 real and that in involved relevant admissions to 4 4 the partnership are complete fabrications, and true or false? 5 A. Did they help me code? No. Did 5 that instead the three people he is actually they write the paper? No. Did two other people б 6 referring to are two other people, we believe this help me in setting everything up? Yes. 7 7 is completely untrue and that this will go to 8 Q. Two other people helped you set 8 Dr. Wright's credibility to the jury. His story everything up. One of them is Dave; who is the 9 9 is unbelievable. 10 third person? 10 JUDGE REINHARDT: The pending 11 I did not say one of them is Dave. 11 question was something to the effect was A. 12 Who are the two people that helped 12 Dr. Wright a spy for the UK? That is completely O. you set everything up, Dr. Wright? 13 irrelevant. 13 14 A. Wing Commander Don Lynam, Order of 14 MR. RIVERO: That is the question Australia, number 1. The other person works ----15 15 I objected to, your Honor. 16 Q. Sorry, sorry I did not catch that. 16 JUDGE REINHARDT: I sustain that 17 Please repeat number 1; who is number 1? 17 relevance objection. 18 A. Wing Commander Donald Lynam, 18 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Australia Air Force, retired. 19 19 O. Dr. Wright, did you want -- do you 20 Who is number 2? 20 see in the e-mail to Louis Kleiman the third O. A. 21 Number 2 is a former GCHQ MI6 21 paragraph "know also that Dave was a key part of an invention that will revolutionize the world"? 22 operative who was killed by Russian agents who was 22 working on the tracking of basically money 23 23 A. I see the comment and I see the laundering funds that I had helped and talked to 24 24 reference to a link that I hate. 25 before his death here in the UK, named Gareth. 25 Q. Did you type that sentence to Louis Page 147 Page 149 1 Q. What is Gareth's last name? 1 Kleiman? 2 2 Am I allowed to answer these sort No, I did not sent this e-mail; A. A. 3 3 of things? other people who worked for me may have. 4 4 MR. RIVERO: Dr. Wright, I think Did you authorize them to send this Q. 5 5 this has already been ruled on by the court -e-mail? 6 I am pretty sure this was ruled on by the court, 6 I authorized them to reach out and 7 and so I think you have to answer, I am not 7 send an e-mail. I did not review what was sent. 8 instructing you not to answer. 8 Do you agree with the statement 9 A. He went by Williams. 9 that Dave was a key part of an "invention that 10 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 10 will revolutionize the world"? 11 Gareth Williams? 11 A. I believe that Dave was essential O. 12 That is one name he used. 12 for me because, without Dave, I would not have A. 13 survived. I talked to Dave three, four times a 13 So, Dr. Wright, were you a super Q. 14 spy for the government? 14 week, so Dave was essential because I would not 15 MR. RIVERO: Objection, judge 15 have kept my sanity without Dave. Dave was my 16 I have not in the entire time made a relevance 16 best friend and without Dave there to talk to literally I would have just quit earlier. objection, but I think this was dealt with at the 17 17 18 previous deposition, I am not sure how this 18 Q. Dr. Wright, did you need Dave's 19 question deals -- relates to the determination of 19 help to build Bitcoin? 20 20 the issues of this case, which is about the A. I needed Dave's help as in relationship between Dave Kleiman and Dr. Wright listening to me, hearing me rant, someone to talk 21 21 22 and I would ask for a relevance ruling on that 22 to, to be a friend. 23 23 question. O. Did you need him to help, did you JUDGE REINHARDT: Mr. Freedman, I 24 need his help to help you build Bitcoin? 24 25 25 I reiterate, I needed Dave's help will hear you.

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1	because, if it was not for Dave, I would not have	1	please?
2	stayed sane. I do not have many people like me,	2	MR. FREEDMAN: Would you like to
3	I do not get on well with people, and to have	3	take a break now?
4	someone who would sit there and listen to me, who	4	A. No, load this one first and then
5	would treat me like I am human was actually	5	I will do it.
6	important to me. At that time Dave was the only	6	MR. RIVERO: Has the temperature
7	person who did in my entire life.	7	improved at all?
8	Q. You needed him to help you build	8	A. Not particularly.
9	Bitcoin?	9	MR. RIVERO: Is it 52146?
10	A. I needed Dave to help in talking to	10	MR. FREEDMAN: 81546. Do you have
11	Dave, yes. I needed Dave as a friend.	11	that up?
12	Q. Was Dave an essential part of	12	A. I do.
13	creating Bitcoin?	13	Q. Do you see the e-mail from you to
14	A. I reiterate if it wasn't for Dave	14	Dave Kleiman?
15	I would have gone totally insane earlier. I had	15	A. I do.
16	no other friends. I had people who worked for me	16	Q. Is this a real e-mail?
17	I had people who did things for me, I had a	17	A. I sent something like this around
18	marriage that was falling apart, I had one friend	18	that time.
19	in the world, so, yes, I needed Dave.	19	Q. Did you send these exact words?
20	Q. Would Bitcoin have executed without	20	A. It looks like the words I sent,
21	Dave?	21	
22	A. Again, I had one friend, one friend	22	yes. Q. Let us take a break.
23	I talked to, one friend who I told what I was	23	(A short recess from 5.48 p.m. to 6.06
24	doing, one friend.	24	p.m.)
25	Q. So would Bitcoin have executed	25	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
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1	without Dave?	1	Q. Dr. Wright, in your share file is
2	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	2	the document defense 1369334; can you open that up
3	A. I do not know whether I would have	3	for me?
4	gone insane or not. Can I have a tissue please?	4	MR. RIVERO: Repeat.
5	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	5	MR. FREEDMAN: Defense 1369334.
6	Q. Was Dave an essential part of	6	(Exhibit Defense 1369334 referred to)
7	creating Bitcoin?	7	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
8	MR. RIVERO: Objection asked and	8	Q. Do you have that document up?
9	answered.	9	MR. RIVERO: Just a moment, somehow
10	A. Dave was my friend.	10	I lost my setting.
11	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	11	Okay. I found it.
12	Q. This is not what I asked. I asked	12	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
13	if he was an essential part of creating Bitcoin?	13	Q. Do you have that e-mail in front of
14	MR. RIVERO: Same objection.	14	you?
15	A. Dave did not write the Bitcoin	15	A. Yes.
16	White Paper, Dave did not code, Dave did not	16	Q. Is this an e-mail from Dave to you?
17	launch, Dave did not run nodes, Dave was in	17	A. No, it is an e-mail from me sending
18	hospital for the first few months. I did	18	something to Nicholas Mavrakis of Clayton Utz, my
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20	life more. Dave was my friend.	20	Q. Let me break that down. If we go
21	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	21	to e-mail correspondence below the e-mail from you
22	Q. I am going to upload to the share	22	to your solicitor, does it reflect an e-mail chain
23	cloud Australia 81546?	23	between you and Dave Kleiman?
24	(Exhibit Australia 81546 referred to)	24	A. Yes, that is what it appears to do,
25	A. After this one, can I have a break,	25	that looks familiar.

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1	Q. Did you send these e-mails that are	1	that way.			
2	attributed to you?	2	Q. Dr. Wright, can you go back to the			
3	A. This is from Dave Kleiman.	3	Satoshi's Vision file in the dropbox, there is an			
4	Q. Below that, there are e-mails from	4	e-mail in front of it, Mr. Rivero.			
5	you, a chain of e-mails between you and Dave?	5	MR. RIVERO: Tell me what page.			
6	A. I have not seen the next one yet.	6	MR. FREEDMAN: I am loading it up			
7	Q. Specifically I would like you to	7	too this time.			
8	look at the e-mail that purports to come from you	8	A. It is loaded.			
9	on 27 December 2008 at 1.02 p.m.; do you see that	9	BY MR. FREEDMAN:			
10	one?	10	Q. Can you go to the top of page 12.			
11	A. Yes. Keep scrolling please. Yes.	11	Are you there?			
12	Q. Did you send this e-mail?	12	A. Yes.			
13	A. It looks familiar, yes.	13	Q. The Satoshi's Vision book published			
14	Q. Did you type "I need your help, you	14	under the name Craig Wright, correct?			
15	edited my paper and now I need to have you aid me	15	A. Yes.			
16	build this idea"?	16	Q. Can you read that paragraph for the			
17	A. Yes, I asked Dave to help me.	17	record?			
18	Q. Dr. Wright, I am going to ask you	18	A. Yes.			
19	to pick up DEFAUS 115950 uploaded at 1.06 p.m	19	Q. Please go ahead.			
20	(Exhibit DEFAUS 115950 referred to)	20	A. "The second question is easier to			
21	MR. RIVERO: I am going back to my	21	answer. I wrote the White Paper. There was some			
22		22	bits and pieces included which I had help with and			
23	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	23	I had help editing, but the White Paper is			
24	Q. Look at the upload time at 1.06	24	essentially my work. The matter of Satoshi being			
25	p.m.	25	an individual or group is a little more complex,			
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1	MR. RIVERO: You are attributing too	1	Satoshi was a public persona. I adopted a part			
2	much technical knowledge to me.	2	that I played. Yet even though I would say			
3	A. I can attest for that.	3	Satoshi was 90% me, other people helped, other			
4	MR. RIVERO: Say the number.	4	people shaped the creation."			
5	MR. FREEDMAN: DEFAUS 115950.	5	Q. Do you agree with that statement?			
6	MR. RIVERO: I have an important	6	A. I do.			
7	birthday coming up, I just want to point that out.	7	Q. Can you take a look at DEFAUS			
8	I think I have it. Is it, you say 15950?	8	558940?			
9	MR. FREEDMAN: 115950.	9	(Exhibit DEFAUS 558940 referred to)			
10	MR. RIVERO: Thank you for your	10 11	Q. This is an e-mail from you to			
11	patience.	12	Robert McGregor, yourself, Calvin Ayre, Ramona			
12 13	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	13	Watts, with a CC to other people? A. Yes.			
	Q. Go to page 3 of that PDF for me,	14				
14	there you should see an e-mail from yourself on	15	Q. Did you send this e-mail?			
15 16	Friday March 7, 2014 at 5.22 p.m., do you see that?	16	A. That looks like my e-mail.			
		17	Q. Do you see where it says "worst			
17	A. I see that, yes.	18	case is my communications with Dave"?  A. Yes.			
18	Q. Did you send that e-mail?	19				
19	A. Sounds like something I would say.	20	Q. You see it says "the keys are on it			
20	Q. Did you send it?		as well"?			
21	A. I cannot answer that. I said it	21 22	A. Yes.  O. What keys are you talking about?			
22	sounds like something I would say.	23	Q. What keys are you talking about?			
23	Q. Is it fake?	23 24	A. I am talking about keys that are			
24	A. Again, I do not know. But it	24 25	encrypted files which this says AES256, so we are			
25	sounds like something I would say or it reads	43	not what you are talking about there and what			

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1	this is are two different things I believe. This	1	forwarding server, so I am trying to say it wrong,
2	is general encryption keys to machines, to other	2	which is hard for me.
3	things that we are talking about.	3	Q. Let me rephrase it for you. What
4	Q. Do they mean Bitcoin keys?	4	e-mail address did Satoshi Nakamoto use to send an
5	A. No.	5	e-mail to the Metzdowd Cryptography Server?
6	Q. The keys to Bitcoin?	6	A. The original e-mails that were
7	A. No, Bitcoin does not use encryption	7	distributed, some of which got rejected, were GMX,
8	at all, let alone AES256.	8	the other later ones followed on Vistomail.
9	Q. It says there are keys on it but	9	Q. So I am going to upload to the
10	the keys are AES256 encrypted, right?	10	dropbox the Bitcoin P2PE cash paper, which is the
11	A. It does not say there are Bitcoin	11	original e-mail from Satoshi Nakamoto to the
12	keys.	12	cryptography mailing list.
13	Q. Do you see under it says the e-mail	13	MR. RIVERO: Where is this? You
14	started in 2007 where "we discussed the idea,	14	are uploading it. The upload by date works.
15	sometimes digitally signed"?	15	(Exhibit Bitcoin P2PE cash paper referred
16	A. Yes.	16	to)
17	Q. Is there a reason you have not	17	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
18	produced any e-mails for 2007 where you and Dave	18	Q. Do you see it?
19	are discussing the idea of Bitcoins?	19	A. I see it.
20	A. I do not have all my e-mails.	20	Q. Do you recognize this is the
21	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	21	original message from Satoshi Nakamoto announcing
22	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	22	Bitcoin to the cryptography mailing list?
23	Q. There are e-mails you have not	23	A. I see it as the original one
24	produced?	24	linking the White Paper site.
25	A. That is not correct.	25	Q. Do you see at the top the e-mail
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1	Q. There are e-mails you no longer	1	address used to send that out?
2	have?	2	A. Yes, the Vistomail address.
3	A. In 2007 I used to work for BDO.	3	Q. Satoshi@vistomail.com?
4	BDO is a chartered accountancy in Australia. That	4	A. Yes, as I said, the Vistomail
5	organization has their own e-mail servers. I am	5	address.
6	no longer a staff member at BDO, I have not been	6	Q. Is this the same e-mail address
7	for many years, I do not know what happened to the	7	that Satoshi Nakamoto used to e-mail and release
8	e-mails between 2007 and 2008 where I took a	8	the Bitcoin client to the cryptography mailing
9	redundancy package and left BDO, so, no, I cannot	9	list?
10	give you something that I have no control over.	10	A. There was also sorry, the
11	Q. Do you know the e-mail address	11	cryptography client, is that can you repeat
12	Satoshi Nakamoto used to e-mail the Bitcoin White	12	that, sorry?
13	Paper?	13	Q. Yes, the Bitcoin version 0.1?
14	A. To whom?	14	A. Bitcoin version 0.1 was released at
15	Q. To the photography mailing list?	15	a later point 0.1, not sorry.
16	A. Yes.	16	Q. My question is what e-mail address
17	Q. Who was it?	17	did the Satoshi Nakamoto use to send that to the
18	A. The vista mail account was	18	cryptography mailing list?
19	primarily used but the GMX account was used	19	A. The cryptography mailing list, all
20	earlier than that.	20	the Satoshi e-mails were the same.
21	Q. Which is the e-mail that sent the	21	Q. All the Satoshi@vistomail.com?
22	White Paper to the cryptography mailing list?	22	A. Yes.
23	A. I am having a problem in that that	23	Q. Is it not true that Dave Kleiman
24	is technically incorrect and I am trying to get	24	controlled that account?
25	around answering it correctly because it is a mail	25	A. No, it is not true and it is not

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1	possible either. Dave Kleiman was actually in	1	at Kleiman 0385767. Can you let me know when you		
2	hospital during the time.	2	have that document up?		
3	Q. Dr. Wright, can you take a look at	3	(Exhibit Kleiman 0385767 referred to)		
4	DEFAUS 112712?	4	A. I have it in front of me.		
5	(Exhibit DEFAUS 112712 referred to)		Q. Do you recognize this as an e-mail		
6	Do you have that there?	6	chain between you and Ira?		
7	A. I do not yet: I have a spinning	7	A. No, I was not communicating with		
8	thing. I have a white page. I have now the	8	Ira in 2017.		
9	e-mail.	9	Q. Do you see the e-mail from Ira at		
10	Q. Can you go to the bottom of that	10	September 29, 2017 at 5.20 a.m.?		
11	page, the page ending in 712, and you will see an	11	A. I believe Ira Kleiman was already		
12	e-mail from Ira Kleiman on 15 February 2014 to	12	trying to take legal action against me and I was		
13	Craig Wright at ACM.org; do you see that?	13	not communicating at all with Ira at this point.		
14	A. Yes, I do.	14	Q. I just asked you if you saw the		
15	Q. Do you see in the last paragraph	15	e-mail from Ira Kleiman at September 29, 2017 at		
16	Mr. Kleiman asked you: "Can I ask if Dave played a	16	5.20 a.m.?		
17	part in writing the original PDF under the Asian	17	A. I see this document.		
18	alias."	18	Q. He is quoting your previous		
19	A. Yes.	19	e-mails, "he had the Vistomail account, I had the		
20	Q. Do you remember getting this	20	GMX one"; do you see that?		
21	e-mail?	21	A. No, I see that you have a document		
22	A. I have received e-mails from Ira	22	in front of me.		
23	and other people; I do not remember this	23	Q. Okay. Do you see that he poses the		
24	particular e-mail, no.	24	question: "Why do you tell me that Dave used the		
25	Q. On top of that you respond back, do	25	Vistomail account when the Gizmodo article shows		
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1	you see your response at February 15, 2014 at	1	you using it to e-mail colleagues in January		
2	11.48?	2	2014"; do you see that question?		
3	A. What is "Craig Wright A", sorry?	3	A. Yes.		
4	Q. You produced it, Dr. Wright.	4	Q. Do you see the response that came		
5	A. I did not produce it. As I said,	5	from Craig Wright on September 29, 2017 at 1.38		
6	it is copied from Australian machines that were	6	a.m.?		
7	there after I left the country. That was given to	7	A. No, I see text on what is being		
8	my counsel, so	8	proposed to be an e-mail at a time when I was not		
9	Q. Did you send this e-mail	9	in contact with Ira.		
10	Dr. Wright?	10	Q. The response says "originally used,		
11	A. No, I did not.	11	is not what it was in 2014"; do you see that		
12	Q. Do you see it says "He had the	12	A. It says "in '14"?		
13	Vistomail account".	13	Q. "In '14"; do you see that?		
14	A. I can see this has been typed, yes.	14	A. Yes.		
15	Q. Do you see it says: "Dave was	15	Q. You understand why this appears as		
16	involved with the PDF he had the Vistomail	16	if you had reconfirmed that Dave used the Satoshi		
17	account, I had the GMX one"?	17	Vistomail account back in 2009; do you not?		
18	A. Yes, I see that says that.	18	A. No, I see a document that has been		
19	Q. You did not send that e-mail?	19	created, likely by Ira.		
20	A. No, I did not.	20	Q. Okay. I am going to ask you to		
21	Q. Is it true that Dave had the	21	take a look at, in the share file, you will see		
22	Vistomail account?	22	that it is titled "Z4", this is a blog entitled:		
23	A. It is not true that Dave had the	23	"Cracked, inSecure and generally broken"; do you		
24	Satoshi Vistomail account.	24	recall that blog?		
25	Q. I am going to ask you take a look	25	A. I am waiting for it to come up.		

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1	Yes, I recall this blog.	1	yes, I have lots of reasons to think many things			
2	Q. Do you recall this post?	2	have been altered these days.			
3	A. I recall the post on the tracking	3	Q. Can you go to paragraph 3 on page 3			
4	project that I had on my ranch in Australia.	4	of 9 of the PDF of Defense 13697?			
5	Q. Can you go down to page 3 of 7 for	5	(Exhibit Defense 13697 referred to)			
6	me to the post that starts up Tuesday 30 April	6	A. Yes.			
7	2013, entitled "Dave Kleiman"?	7	Q. Do you recall who the sender is			
8	A. Yes, I see that.	8	under this agreement?			
9	Q. Do you see about three-quarters of	9	A. I will need to look at the first			
10	the way down to the page there is a paragraph that	10	page again.			
11	starts off "it was Dave's Vistomail account that	11	Q. Go back up to page 1 right at the			
12	allowed me to start some of my more radical	12	top, I will help you. You can agree after I tell			
13	ideas"?	13	you, do you see where it says "Dave Kleiman for			
14	A. Yes.	14	W&K Info Defense LLV vendor"?			
15	Q. Is this the Satoshi@Vistomail.com	15	A. Yes, I do.			
16	account?	16	Q. The vendor is Dave Kleiman, W&K			
17	A. No.	17	Info, correct?			
18	Q. Which account was that?	18	A. That is what it says, yes.			
19	A. I do not remember the exact name.	19	Q. It says: "Hence the vendor will."			
20	I haven't kept it.	20	The vendor is Dave Kleiman W&K, right?			
21	Q. But you did write this; is that	21	A. Dave Kleiman, acting for W&K, yes.			
22	correct?	22	Q. Look at (e); can you read that for			
23	A. I did write this, that is correct.	23	me, please?			
24	Q. Dr. Wright, I would like you to	24	A. Yes. "Transfer the Vistomail			
25	take a look at Defense 13694?	25	account."			
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1	(Exhibit Defense 13694 referred to)	1	Q. Is this a contract where you claim			
2	A. It is up.	2	Dave is transferring the Satoshi Vistomail account			
3	Q. Do you recognize this is a contract	3	back to you?			
4	for the sale of shares for the company-owning	4	A. No, at no point. This was the			
5	business?	5	vistomail account associated for the W&K filing			
6	A. Can I scroll through, please? Keep	6	for what we were attempting to get for the			
7	going to the end.	7	Department of Homeland Security Contracts on other			
8	A. Yes, I recognize this document.	8	such things. This was not the Satoshi e-mail			
9	Q. Is this a real document?	9	account.			
10	A. This is a scan.	10	Q. Please open defense 46731 for me.			
11	Q. Did you sign the document, the	11	Go down to the last e-mail, an e-mail chain			
12	original?	12	between you and Robert McGregor entitled with the			
13	A. I signed a document, I have not	13	subject "Hal"?			
14	checked it word for word or letter for letter or	14	A. There is that, yes, it is a bit			
15	whether it has been altered in any way.	15	it's a terrible scan in print though.			
16	Q. Can you go do you have any	16	Q. The first e-mail: "Was he the			
17	reason to think that this may have been altered?	17	first person other than you to run Bitcoin?" That			
18	A. I have lots of reasons to think	18	is Robert McGregor on May 4, 2016; do you see			
19	that everything had been altered. The e-mail for	19	that?			
20	instance that you put up from 2015 between myself	20	A. Yes.			
21	where you mentioned Mr. McGregor and other e-mails	21	Q. You respond at May 4, 2016 at 10.21			
22	that you have put today have me from five years	22	"yes, and Dave"; do you see that?			
23	ago saying my staff is hacking my computers and	23	A. Yes.			
24	other people are hacking my computers. If people	24	Q. Did you write that e-mail?			
25	have been hacking my computers for years then,	25	A. That looks like an e-mail I wrote,			

Page 172 Page 170 of 7? yes. 1 1 2 2 And then Robert McGregor responds MR. RIVERO: I have it next to on May 4, 2016 at 10.30 a.m. saying: "At the 3 3 Satoshi's Vision, if you do upload and have point Hal was running it, was he the first or 4 located it. 5 Dave?"; do you see that question? 5 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 6 6 Dr. Wright, do you have that up? A. Yes. Q. 7 You respond back "Dave, then Hal"; 7 Something is -- there is a circle O. 8 going around at the moment so I guess it is 8 do you see that? 9 I do. 9 loading; 1 of 7. A. 10 10 Q. Did you write that? MR. RIVERO: I was saying that with That looks like my e-mail, yes. 11 a little pride that I had gotten it first. 11 A. Was Dave the second person to run BY MR. FREEDMAN: Well done, Mr. Rivero. 12 12 O. 13 A. Yes, I have that up. 13 Bitcoin? 14 As far as I know, when I released 14 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 15 the first code in October/November 2008, before it 15 Q. Can you go to page 6 for me. You was publicly compiled or whatever else, I had a 16 should see an e-mail there on March 6, 2014 at 16 17 precompiled version that is not the current 17 5.12 p.m. from Craig S Wright; let me know when 18 version of Bitcoin, it was early alpha, that was 18 you have found that e-mail? 19 radically changed. That was run by Dave, by Hal 19 Yes. Scroll down a little bit please. Yes, I see that. 20 Finney, by my uncle, my ex-wife (without her 20 21 understanding it), and credit, or one of the other 21 Do you see where it says: "I will 22 guys in the early development of this. There was 22 send you some rather private early e-mails today 23 another person who ran a copy as well. I cannot 23 as long as you promise to delete after reading"? 24 24 A. I would never do that. remember his name; I apologize. If I remember it 25 I will bring it up, but -- that code was then 25 You did not write this e-mail? O. Page 171 Page 173 1 depreciated in November and relaunched with quite 1 No, I did not write that e-mail. Α. 2 a number of changes on 3rd January 2009. That 2 That is another e-mail masquerading Q. 3 crashed and a new version was then launched on the 3 as you but not you? 4 9th January 2009. Unfortunately at that point MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 4 5 Dave was then hospitalized and could not run the 5 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 6 6 That is a bad question. live version of Bitcoin. Q. 7 7 Q. I am just asking if what you wrote A. I would say ----Do you see the second sentence --8 in your e-mail is true, "Dave was the second 8 O. 9 person to run Bitcoin"; is that a true statement? 9 go ahead, Dr. Wright. 10 I believe I just answered it. 10 My answer would be you have a whole A. 11 "Yes", the answer is "yes", he was 11 load of e-mails that come from Ira and other O. people that seem to want money and seem to want to the second person to run Bitcoin? 12 12 He was the first person to run the 13 say a whole lot of stories that are not true. 13 code associated with Bitcoin that I know of. As Keep going. 14 14 15 far as I know, my uncle did not do it at that 15 The second sentence of that e-mail stage, credit and Hal did not do it at that stage, 16 says: "Leave others to be Satoshi and leave Dave 16 not to be"; do you see that? 17 my wife at the time did not do it at that stage. 17 18 They did rerun some certain things later, so 18 A. Yes, I see that. 19 I believe, yes. 19 Is your testimony today that you 20 20 did not send that e-mail; is that correct? Q. Dr. Wright, do you recall telling "Ira Kleiman to leave others to be Satoshi and 21 21 I did not send that e-mail. 22 Dave not to be"? 22 Immediately after that you shared 23 e-mails with Ira that purport to show you and Dave 23 No, I do not. A. Can you take a look at defense 24 collaborating to create Bitcoin; do you recall 24 Q. 25 115950. When that PDF opens please go to page 6 25 that?

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A. I have seen things in my discussions with my counsel that purport to be such e-mails, so I recall that, yes.

Q. So immediately after you sent that to Ira you then sent e-mails to Ira reflecting private communications between Dave and you purporting to show collaboration for a Bitcoin but you still maintain that original e-mail was not from you?

MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.

A. In looking through some of these e-mails when I went through them, I had noted --can you scroll this one up for a second? Keep going. Yes, what I see here appears to be, like many others, bits tacked together. There are ones where it ends with my sign-off, where parts of e-mails in a thing from Ira, there are parts of other things sent in a stream. Some of these that are tacked together like that include sending from my HTC, I use a Samsung, I have used a Samsung phone since 2011, I have all the receipts for every phone I have bought, they are on the Samsung account. I also have one saying that I used an iPhone. I used an iPhone once in my life,

Q. Are you aware that Patrick Page has testified in his deposition that you did state to him that Dave Kleiman was the creator of Bitcoin and part of the team that created Bitcoin?

MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.

A. I have not seen any testimony from Mr. Page.

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

- Q. What you say if you did see that testimony; is he lying?
  - MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
- A. I have not seen any testimony from Mr. Page.

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

- Q. I understand. I am telling you that the record will reflect it is there; is Mr. Page lying?
  - MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
- A. I do not believe Mr. Page would be lying. I believe if he has heard anything he would misquote it thinking something more. More likely we have this human habit of seeing things in media and creating stories after the fact. This is why leading questions are not allowable for police. For instance, a police officer is not

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was 2006. I beat the iPhone to death literally. So, if you ever see e-mails from HTC they are not mine, from iPhone they are not mine. Many of

I survived it one week, then I played golf. This

these others are tacked together bits. Yes, I did not send all this, that is correct.

- Q. Dr. Wright do you recall talking to Patrick Page in 2014 about Dave Kleiman?
- A. I talked to Patrick Page multiple times about Dave Kleiman.
- Q. Did you tell Patrick that Dave was the creator of Bitcoin?
  - A. No, I did not.
- Q. Did you tell Patrick that Bitcoin was created by a group of people that included Dave Kleiman?
- A. That is not what I actually said, no.
  - Q. What did you actually say?
- A. I said Bitcoin -- sorry, Dave would have some Bitcoin most likely on computers or wallets at his home. Dave is very important in my life. I said "I am working on Bitcoin, I have been creating solutions", I did not discuss the creator of Bitcoin. So, no, I was not hinting -- I was -- I was not hinting, he was.

allowed to go "did you see the yellow car" because that will lead the witness to believe that they saw a yellow car even though they initially

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saw a yellow car even though they initially
believed it was a red car. If you start having
media things going "did Dave Kleiman invent

Bitcoin", and media and everything like that for years would have been going up to Patrick and going "when Dave invented Bitcoin", so by now it is quite fair that he believes that he heard that.

10 BY MR. FREEDMAN:
11 O. If you were to know that there was

Q. If you were to know that there was a contemporaneous record of that statement made around the time he heard it, would you revise your answer?

MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.

A. No. People, once again, make things that are not accurate, and, as you have already demonstrated, when I say something, I am quite often misunderstood. I can be horribly literal in what I say and other people have implied sentences. I do not. So, I do the -- someone phones "is your wife home", I will say "yes" and hang up type scenario, which is not actually what you are implying. I am doing my best to -- I know you want me to answer questions;



Page 180 Page 178 part of my brain logically gets the fact that you so that even if any local machine fell over, got 1 1 2 are going please read the question, but I still do 2 patched, whatever else, the others in that node 3 not always click on and, unless you actually say 3 would keep going. 4 4 the word "for the record", it goes over my head at By extension, anyone who was 5 times. 5 running a machine could send and transmit 6 6 information was helping provide a necessary BY MR. FREEDMAN: 7 Q. Dr. Wright, in the beginning of 7 service for Bitcoin? 8 Bitcoin was it required for there to be a series 8 That is what nodes do. Nodes act Α. 9 of machines to send and transmit information 9 as an agent to the network, the network being 10 without ----10 effectively myself as the issuer. The nodes would then be paid in relative amounts to provide the 11 A. I missed that. 11 In beginning of Bitcoin was it 12 transmission etc. That was more than just home 12 O. required that there be a series of machines that 13 users. It would be the requirement at the time to 13 14 would send and transmit information without fail? 14 run multiple machines so that all of them would 15 I am not sure what you are actually 15 not go down. Any of those would be requiring asking. "Without fail": the question is a bit 16 patching etc., and time stamping of all the 16 17 nebulous and I am not sure what you are asking 17 transactions that were being tested. 18 without going into a description of the answer of 18 Dr. Wright, would be fair to say 19 Bitcoin. Can you please clarify that for me, I am 19 that you did all you could to hide information 20 20 concerning the development of Bitcoin? sorry? 21 Sure, why don't we open your book 21 A. No. Satoshi's Vision on the Art of Bitcoin. Turn to 22 22 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 23 23 A. No, I did not -- I did very little page 15. 24 to hide the development of Bitcoin. I had 24 A. It is being scrolled towards page 25 25 actually talked to a number of people in the 15. Page 179 Page 181 Under the words "the birth of 1 Australian Tax Office, I had set up arrangements, 1 2 2 Bitcoin." I had a formally issued warrant over intellectual 3 3 property, I had an accountant who recorded Α. 4 4 information for multiple companies, including Can you read that first paragraph Q. 5 5 for the record? information defense. I had contacted, between 6 6 2008 and 2013, the commissioner, the three deputy Yes. So, in conjunction with what 7 7 I explained later what we are doing: "It required commissioners of the Australian Tax Office, senior 8 8 a series of machines to send and transmit officials of Oz industry, people within the US, 9 9 information without fail. This is far more people in the Australian military, people within 10 difficult than you imagine." 10 the Australian Federal Police. I had talked to 11 11 I do not see the conjunction "what people working in the network area, the copyright area of the Australian New South Wales Police whom 12 I explain later", my sentence starts with "a few 12 people understand"; can you start from there for 13 I had done work with taking down Pirate Bay and 13 14 the record? 14 tried to talk about Bitcoin with them. 15 Yes. "Few people understands what 15 I discussed Bitcoin with Alan Granger, my partner was required in the beginning of Bitcoin. It 16 at BDO. I attempted to have a meeting with three 16 required a series of machines to send and transmit 17 or four other partners at BDO telling them how 17 beneficial Bitcoin would be as a time-stamping and 18 information without fail. This is far more 18 19 difficult than you may imagine." 19 notarization service and that it would basically 20 20 So now let me re-ask the question, revolutionize accounting. I had in 2007 started a

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Yes. That required a group of

to be a series of machines to send and transmit

machines as a small tight-knit cluster that I ran

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money and all the rest was, let me say, an

I stopped because I was trolled relentlessly by

people who thought the idea of legislation over

(Compliance Audit Governance and Security), which

Page 182 Page 184 1 anathema to what they wanted. I spoke to people 1 Dr. Wright, can you go to Satoshi's 2 in the UK, I spoke to people in FATF, I spoke to 2 Vision, the book published under your name. 3 people in APRA, which is the Australian Prudential 3 I would like you to go to page 30. Three 4 Regulatory Authority. I spoke to people in 4 paragraphs up from the bottom of page 30 ----5 multiple Islamic banking areas talking about the 5 A. Which is the start of that б 6 value of tokens. Would you like me to keep going? paragraph? 7 I can. 7 O. Starts "some would always lose and 8 8 I wanted to direct your attention to the middle: BY MR. FREEDMAN: 9 Q. Dr. Wright, all I asked you was a 9 "I did all I could to hide and suppress yes or no question: would it be fair to say that 10 information concerning the development of Bitcoin 10 you did all you could to hide information 11 and much more"; do you see that? 11 concerning the development of Bitcoin. It would 12 A. I see that. 12 13 really help if you would try to answer the 13 How is that consistent with your Q. 14 questions posed because we have a limited amount 14 testimony today? 15 of time. 15 You are talking about two different 16 16 time periods. I am talking about from 2015 on I believe that is answering the 17 questions posed. I do not believe that would be 17 here, I did everything to try and basically not 18 18 come out into the media between when people 19 19 started talking about me in 2015 right up until Q. Let me change the question 20 slightly. Would it be fair to say that you did 20 now, until 2017 I did everything to try and hide. 21 all you could to suppress information concerning 21 You are talking about two different things. Did the development of Bitcoin? 22 22 I, from the beginning of Bitcoin, hide and 23 A. No, I had communicated with people 23 suppress information, no, I should have. I wish in Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, the USA, 24 24 I had. 25 UK, Jordan, a number of other Member States, I had 25 O. So you only started hiding and Page 183 Page 185 communicated with people in University of suppressing in 2015? 1 2 2 Newcastle, Northumbria University, Charles Sturt A. Yes. 3 University. I had multiple communications with 3 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 4 many people. What I did not want to do is have a 4 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 5 sort of people out there in things like LOLs or 5 Q. Did you do everything you could to 6 6 anonymous know who I was. muddy the waters around Bitcoin's origin? 7 A. No, I did not. Q. Do you think we might be able to 7 8 have a five minute break, and you have a 8 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 9 conversation with Mr Wright, Mr. Rivero? 9 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 10 MR. RIVERO: Hold on one second. 10 Q. Can you turn to the next page of 11 Dr. Wright, do me a favor. I have objected to the 11 Satoshi's Vision, 31, the third paragraph: "I did question. Try to answer the question. I do see 12 all I could to muddy the waters, I did all I could 12 you say "no", Mr. Freedman posed once again, and, 13 to stay private and have a life with parts that 13 14 Dr. Wright, if you could try to respond briefly 14 remain mine. Early on I could even put up the 15 I would appreciate it. 15 false claims of fraud knowing that in the long 16 term it's not going to matter"; do you see that? 16 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 17 17 Q. Would it be fair to say you did all Yes, I see two things that are Α. 18 you could to suppress information concerning the 18 unrelated and you are trying to relate them. 19 development of Bitcoin? 19 Q. How is it consistent with your MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 20 20 testimony that you did not try to muddy the waters Dr. Wright, can you try to respond in a brief around Bitcoin's origin? 21 21 22 fashion to that? 22 This does not say I did not tried 23

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A. No, I did very little to suppress

knowledge of Bitcoin.

BY MR. FREEDMAN:

to muddy the water around Bitcoin's origin. You

There is no statement saying "I did all I could do

are adding implied words that are not implied.

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to muddy the waters concerning the creation of 1 2 Bitcoin". It saddens me. My right to privacy and

right to know about people talking about my life,

4 it was people basically hacking my wife's server,

5 my children's servers. I didn't want people to

know where I lived, where I worked, where 6 7

I studied. Right now I have just had to drop one

8 of my PhDs. The reason, not because I cannot 9

study it, not because I'm not doing well, but

because that had probably around 100 complaints 10

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12 simultaneously. I was allowed to, I went through

13 everything in the board, and again, I have had a

14 call to go before the Dean to justify why I should

15 be able to keep doing this and not get kicked out. I have dropped one of my PhDs because people call 16

17 up and complain to the Dean endlessly saying "it

18 is not right that Craig is enrolled in two

19 different degrees, he is going to cheat by doing

20 two different things". My argument was I am doing

21 law and mathematics. There is no overlap between

22 mathematics and law. Yet, I am still having to

23 justify myself. Yes, I hid my address, I hid

24 where I was, I tried to hide, I tried to let no

25 one know where my company was based, I tried to

ensure that no one knew anything about my family.

more than anything else which is studying is has

been taken from me because people that I won't

even go into -- yes, I did, but that does not say

GMT each day".

MR. FREEDMAN: Mr. Rivero, I would say that just we granted our request to extend it for 12 hours; he did not set a time. I do not think it was her intention, though I do not know, to limit the deposition to not more than 12 hours on the record, and that was also before this entire proceeding had to go forward through video. As you can tell, as you yourself have apologized, there is a lot of delay associated with this and we are doing the best we can. If we past the time that you think appropriate JUDGE REINHARDT is on the line.

MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, that is a district court order. I do not get to interpret it and neither do you. I know you had a half hour of technical difficulties, but the reason that we have had this postponed to this date was never because of us. We opposed every extension, we did not create the virus either, nor did you. We got into this situation because you in effect sought an extension last week, which was denied; you communicated to us over the weekend you wanted to seek another extension. We have never tried to postpone this. You do not get to interpret that,

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1 if you want to make it an emergency application to

2 I tried to stay as hidden as I could and yet Judge Bloom to modify her order, I encourage you 3 people still attack me. The one thing that I love

4 to be reasonable and recognize that there were

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I muddied the waters around Bitcoin, so do not try and twist things. Let us just agree to disagree on

what the implication of that sentence is. No, I do not agree to disagree.

MR. RIVERO: Objection.

MR. FREEDMAN: Okay. Dr. Wright, can you take a look at defense 65750.

(Exhibit Defense 65750 referred to)

MR. RIVERO: Let me note for the record that it is now past 7pm London time. Can I ask how much longer you intend to go?

MR. FREEDMAN: Six hours on the record.

MR. RIVERO: That is not actually the court's order. The court's order is quite clear, and it is not six hours on the record, it is, I am reading it, it is "the defendant's deposition shall take place from 1 p.m. GMT to 7pm to do. What I am asking you simply, I am willing some technical difficulties, I asked you when is this concluded? MR. FREEDMAN: Mr. Rivero, let me clarify some statements you made on the report.

The reason I contacted your office to find out if you would be amenable to the extension is because over the weekend Mr. Dolwich came down with symptoms consistent with Covid-19, so did Mr. Roche. A partner in our New York City office also went to the hospital on Friday to be tested for symptoms for Covid-19. Mr. Brenner has had to engage in self-isolation because a family member of his has spiked a fever. Being that we could not be in the same room and people were sick and ill, I sought to see whether or not you would be amenable to an emergency extension. You said no and we did not seek it, and we have been doing our best to meet that time limit.

Mr. Rivero, let me finish. When, at some point, if you decide that the deposition should stop, then I invite you to either instruct



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your client to walk out or ask the court who is on the phone to rule on this issue. Until then, let us please move forward.

MR. RIVERO: Mr. Freedman, we have four people who were being tested on Friday; everyone is in the same situation. You sought a further continuance of this deposition which was denied midweek last week. You told us that you were going to seek relief after today for the fourth time. We did not get into the situation. We have in every instance wanted this to proceed at earlier times because Mr. Wright's schedule is extraordinarily complicated. I did not say again stop the deposition, I asked a very reasonable question: how long do you intend to proceed?

MR. FREEDMAN: I disagree with your characterization of the order. It says clearly that our motion is granted in part and denied in part. "The deposition and time limit of the defendant, Craig Wright, shall be extended to 12 hours in the course of two days." I understand your position, Mr. Rivero; we are not going to agree. The best way to move forward is to allow me to continue.

MR. RIVERO: You are not answering.

February 20, 2019? Q.

I honestly do not remember, I do A.

too many of these things, so, no.

Open up the file that is entitled Z10; do you have that in front of you. (Exhibit Z10 referred to)

Yes, I do.

Q. Does this help refresh your recollection of whether or not you appeared on The Bad Crypto Podcast on 20/2/19?

No, it does not, I do not remember this particular one.

Do you remember being asked at that interview if you claimed to be Satoshi and responding "I said I was part of the creation. I also said if you have a partnership and someone dies it is no longer a partnership"?

Again I do not remember the interview so, no, I do not remember.

Do you recall the interviewer asking you: "So you are saying Satoshi Nakamoto is a pseudonym for a group of at least two or more people that you were part of" and you responding "um, I had help from Dave"?

No, I do not remember that

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BY MR. FREEDMAN:

- Q. Dr. Wright, did you ever tell anyone that you wanted to talk about exactly what Dave's involvement in Bitcoin was to ensure there were no conflicting views on that later?
  - That not what that says. A.
- I asked you if you ever made that Q. statement?
  - A. No, that is my wife, I believe.
- I did not ask you about any Q. document yet. I just asked you if you made that statement?
- A. No, that is my wife's statement, so you are asking me did I make a statement and I very much doubt that I made that statement, it sounds like my wife. As the full statement you have made about Dave's creation of Bitcoin or whatever else, conflicting views etc., so ----
- Q. Do you recall participating in an interview on February 20, 2019 with The Bad Crypto Podcast, for episode 242 entitled "is Craig Wright the real Satoshi"?
- A. No, when was that? I do too many of these things.

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interview at all.

Well, what do you think you meant when you said "I had help from Dave"?

A. Again, I do not recall it so I cannot say -- if you are saying I said that then when I say Dave helped me, as I said Dave helped me stay sane, Dave helped me basically get through life, Dave helped me as my best friend, Dave helped me at one point as my only friend.

What did you mean when you said you were part of the creation?

The third reference in the White Paper by Mathias is the first widespread reference to a time chain which is now called blockchain. That actually references an earlier paper that I also referenced in the White Paper from 1991. That takes the use of distributing via what they had as a newspaper of hashes, and binary tree which is now falsely named a Merkle tree, and taking all the timestamp data, the hashes thereof in a Merkle structure and broadcasting it. The original creation of that timestamp server, the authors believed that it couldn't be distributed. They thought there was no secure way of doing a

distributed timestamp server. Mathias and others,

Page 194 Page 196 when they created what was effectively the first 1 Asked and answered. You may answer. 1 2 2 The definition of partner is wide. blockchain system, which is still used in many If you look at the definition under the thesaurus 3 early timestamp systems, so, no, I did not create 3 4 blockchain because it already existed. What I did 4 it means "friend, companion"; it also refers to 5 was I took a timestamp solution for a time chain 5 partnership under law. If you are talking about 6 6 and linked it to an economic system to create a was Dave my partner, as in a partnership 7 P2P network based on certain other networks that 7 arrangement in a business, no, Dave had never been 8 existed at the time basically involving proof of 8 my partner in any business, I do not operate in 9 work and other things. Mondo Mnet was a 9 partnerships under business. Dave was however my 10 best friend, he was my online companion, the 10 distributed system, similar in some ways to eDonkey and others, that allowed a tokenization of 11 person I phoned, the person who helped ensure that 11 currency, but the creators of that system, which 12 my current wife and I are actually still married. 12 includes people like ZUKU, who do not like me, 13 13 So, depends on which partner. If you mean 14 wanted to create a more socialist version of what 14 business partner, not ever. If you mean my best 15 could have been Bitcoin, but that does not work 15 friend, yes. because it is an economic solution. Effectively 16 16 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 17 the creation of Bitcoin is really a whole lot of 17 Q. Okay. Dr. Wright, can you open 18 other inventions that are tacked together. If it 18 1667372, one is an PDF, do not open that one, 19 was not for the creation of the blockchain, over a 19 which is just a slip sheet, you have to open the 20 decade before I created Bitcoin, then there would 20 other one. Do you know what this document is? 21 21 not be Bitcoin. Everyone says when I didn't (Exhibit 1667372 referred to) 22 create blockchain that I am saying something 22 A. I am seeing a small circle with a 23 there, but the creation of blockchain was done 23 spinning blue thing. They have selected the file originally as a proposed idea in 1991, and then 24 24 and I have an adobe symbol, now a spinning circle 25 extended in 1996, '97 and '98 with the final paper 25 thing again. Page 195 Page 197 1 in 1999. The launch of that system was then taken 1 You were going to take the Excel 2 by Vero-sign and RSA who currently use such a 2 and not the adobe. 3 system to run a non-distributed timestamp server. 3 An Excel spreadsheet seems to be 4 If I had said that all this is not mine, it is 4 loading. I see a file in front of me. 5 because it is not. I did not invent blockchain. 5 Q. Do you recognize what the file is? 6 6 It would most likely be a Blockchain was actually an idea that existed A. 7 7 already. What I used was a different system, a communication log. Is it a Skype communication log 8 timestamp server, a centralized single point of 8 9 9 between you and Mark Ferrier? failure timestamp server that is incredibly 10 non-robust that can easily fail. I used the 10 That is what it appears to be, yes. A. 11 survival analysis and survivability studies that I 11 Can you look at 117? Q. had been doing in universities, such as Charles 12 THE COURT REPORTER: Sorry. Mark 12 13 13 Sturt, to create a distributed version of such a who? 14 timestamp server and economically incentivize it 14 A. Ferrier. to create M-net which is able to be run by 15 15 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 16 multiple parties in a way that does not require 16 Q. Look at line 17, please, Dr. 17 17 any of them to trust the others. Wright, and read that for the record. 18 Q. Do you think that because Dave died 18 MR. RIVERO: I object to the 19 you no longer have a partnership with him? 19 document which frankly I do not understand. 20 20 I believe there is a context around this. Go MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 21 A. I did not have a partnership with 21 ahead Dr. Wright. 22 Dave so it cannot end. 22 The line starts: "Craig S Wright, 23 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 11.26.06, 12/2/2013 my partner, Dave, and I have Was Dave ever your partner? 24 been working on something of value for a while now 24 Q. 25 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 25 so I guess how can you help me?"

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1	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	1	to be saying that someone is a business partner in			
2	Q. Dr. Wright, is this not you calling	2	a partnership. This is a difference between			
3	Dave Kleiman your partner?	3	someone in a corporation and someone working with			
4	A. As I said he was my best friend, he	4	you and the other, so, no, you are			
5	helps me, yes.	5	mischaracterizing.			
6	Q. But not your business partner?	6	BY MR. FREEDMAN:			
7	A. No, he is not my business partner	7	Q. Dr. Wright, can I ask you to take a			
8	in this.	8	look at DEFAUS 550141?			
9	Q. Dr. Wright, can you scroll down for	9	(Exhibit DEFAUS 550141 referred to)			
10	me to line 74?	10	Q. Before that document comes up, you			
11	A. Yes.	11	called Dave your business partner in that			
12	Q. Can you read that for the record?	12	document, correct?			
13	A. "Craig S Wright 08.47.42, 10/4/2013	13	A. You are trying to confuse business			
14	"no my partner, not my business partner Dave."	14	partner as someone I worked with, with a			
15	Q. Dave was your business partner?	15	partnership. I called someone that term, that is			
16	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	16	correct. That does not imply partnership by your			
17	A. No, it says "my partner, not my	17	own evidence, because that is actually a			
18	business partner."	18	discussion between different companies.			
19	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	19	BY MR. FREEDMAN:			
20	Q. Dave?	20	Q. Let me know when you have up DEFAUS			
21	A. Yes.	21	550141. Do you recognize what this document is?			
22	Q. Finish the sentence, "not my	22	A. Yes.			
23	business partner, Dave"?	23	Q. This is an e-mail correspondence			
24	A. I said the sentence first off then	24	between Michelle Seven and yourself?			
25	I repeated "my partner, not my business partner".	25	A. No.			
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1	Q. Can you go down with me to line	1	Q. What is it?			
2	100; do you recall the day Dave died?	2	A. It is partly between there			
3	A. Yes.	3	Michelle Seven was trying to blackmail me.			
4	Q. What date was that?	4	Q. You take a look on Wednesday May			
5	A. I do not remember the exact date.	5	20, 2015 at 1.57 a.m., and e-mail from Craig S			
6	Q. Does April 26, 2013 ring a bell?	6	Wright; do you see that e-mail half way down the			
7	A. 26/27 something, because I am in	7	first page? Do you see that, Dr. Wright?			
8	Australia and travel I do not remember whether in	8	A. Yes.			
9	my time zone it was 26 or 27. I believe in	9	Q. Do you see in that e-mail you write			
10	America it was the 26th, but I am not sure if that	10	"in the past Dave Kleiman was my best friend and			
11	was the 27th in Australia.	11	business partner, he died a couple of days ago."			
12	Q. Can you read line 100 for the	12	A. No, I do not see where I write.			
13	record?	13	Q. You do not see that?			
14	A. Yes. "My best friend and business	14	A. No, I do see that.			
15	partner died a few days back."	15	Q. Did you write that?			
16	Q. Start from the beginning.	16	A. No, I did not.			
17	A. "100 Craig S Wright 14.28.41, 30	17	Q. Did somebody else write this			
18	April 2013 sorry my best friend and business	18	e-mail?			
19	partner died a few days back and I am in a class	19	A. This is most likely Uyen. Uyen was			
20	right now."	20	at this point dealing with Michelle Seven.			
21	Q. Dave was your business partner,	21	Michelle Seven was trying to blackmail me.			
22	Dr. Wright?	22	Q. It was not you?			
23	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.	23	A. That was blackmailed, yes, it was			
24	A. No, I disagree, if you are in a	24	me that was blackmailed.			
25	company using that terminology is still not going	25	Q. It was not you that sent this			

Page 202 Page 204 message, is that a correct statement? 1 that was a listed company in the country that I am 1 2 2 now living. I was quite offended that the That is not what you asked. 3 I am asking it now, did you write 3 Americans arrested someone in a legally licensed O. 4 that e-mail, did you send that e-mail? 4 company that was working for that I knew quite 5 A. No, I just stated before, Uyen was 5 well. But what we are talking about here is risk б actually acting for me against Michelle Seven, who 6 and the risk is directly related to gaming. Then 7 was trying to blackmail me at this stage. 7 I wasn't American but Dave was, so that was a 8 Can you go back to Satoshi's Vision 8 problem. The funding here is talking about code 9 9 the book published under your name for me? Let me being sold out of countries, such as Costa Rica, know when you get up to page 12, please? 10 for internet gambling. 10 11 May I ask if you can zoom in a 11 Q. Dr. Wright, open Defense 1597497, little bit. Page 12, and it is zoomed so I can 12 do you have that in front of you? 12 13 A. I am waiting. 13 see it. 14 Do you see the paragraph that 14 (Exhibit Defense 1597497 referred to) 15 starts off "in order to fund my work"? Still looking for it, loading, 15 16 whatever. Adobe symbol is coming up. The 16 17 O. Can you read that first sentence 17 spinning circle quadrant thing is there with the 18 for the record please? 18 little blue line around the circle going around. "In order to fund my work, my MR. RIVERO: While we are waiting 19 19 partner, Dave Kleiman, and I sold code that was 20 20 for this, I will note that it is now 7.30 p.m. in 21 21 using in gaming out of countries such as Costa London, we have been on this teleconference for 22 Rica." 22 more than six hours and I ask again what is your 23 You called Dave Kleiman your 23 expectation about how much long you have. Bear in 24 24 partner again? mind there is no quarantine in London yet but all 25 Yes, once again Dave Kleiman was my 25 these folks need to get home in the same kinds of Page 203 Page 205 best friend. conditions we are dealing with here. We have been 1 1 2 2 Then you say "Dave took the biggest going half an hour longer than provided for in the 3 3 original order that set this deposition. How long risk", do you see that? A. Yes. 4 have we been on the record for? 4 5 5 You say: "The mere issuing of CO1N THE VIDEOGRAPHER: 4 hours 57 6 was illegal, I wasn't American but Dave was so 6 minutes on the record. 7 that was a problem." Do you see that? 7 MR. COHEN: Just so everyone is 8 aware, because the comment that Mr. Rivero made, 8 A. 9 9 Why was it a problem for Dave to since we have been on the record the UK Government Q. 10 issue CO1Ns if he was not your partner in the 10 has actually put the UK on lockdown. Whether that 11 creation of Bitcoin? 11 makes a difference for the purposes of this You will find that you are taking 12 session today, I will leave that to others. But 12 that sentence in a different way than I do. "In 13 just given the comment that was made about 13 order to fund my work my partner Dave Kleiman and 14 14 quarantine, I thought I would update everyone on 15 I sold code that was used in gaming out of 15 the situation. 16 countries such as Costs Rica. Dave took the 16 MR. FREEDMAN: Can you let us know 17 biggest risk." The risk is gaming out of 17 what the advisory was because I am curious; we countries such as Costa Rica. The problem with have to keep public safety. 18 18 19 the American crack down in 2005 was that it made a 19 MR. COHEN: The advice was for 20 20 lot of activities on internet gaming illegal and people to avoid public contact as much as started actually actions against people who were 21 possible, not go to any social gatherings or 21 22 based outside of -- within US areas. I was there 22 restaurants or bars and to avoid travel, to travel 23 when the CEO of the Sporting Bet was arrested by 23 into work to the extent possible. 24 Americans when he touched down. Sporting Bet, who 24 MR. RIVERO: We cannot repair what 25 happened today. I certainly hope on the continued 25 I used to contract to, was a British UK company,

Page 206 Page 208 date we start properly, we minimize breaks. 1 can sort that out. The one thing that cannot 1 2 Mr. Freedman, I think your position is 2 happen is folks there being put in danger or any 3 kind of health hazard. You said the UK has been 3 unreasonable but I am not at this point 4 4 put on lockdown. If you believe that your health instructing Dr. Wright not to answer anything. 5 You say we have another hour. I will be or safety is at risk, that is a completely 6 6 considering it as we go. Please ask your next different story. I am not there, I do not know 7 7 question. what the story is. 8 8 MR. COHEN: I do not believe that A. After this, I will need to have a 9 break, sorry. 9 anyone's health or safety in this room is at risk. 10 I was merely updating everyone on this call as to 10 BY MR. FREEDMAN: Q. Do you recognize the e-mail in 11 the position because Mr. Rivero spoke about 11 12 potential quarantine. Obviously since we started 12 front of you? 13 this deposition the position had changed somewhat. 13 A. I do. 14 Is this an e-mail from you to 14 We are here now so we may as well push on. Q. 15 MR. RIVERO: I wanted to --15 Kathryn Ungar of the New South Wales Police? Yes. 16 JUDGE REINHARDT: Counsel, this is 16 A. 17 O. Dr. Wright, could you open up the 17 the judge. I have another appointment, I have to 18 next attachment, 01589197 -- sorry, no, that is 18 leave in 45 minutes, which will be 4.30 US time. the wrong one. I need you to open 019 -- 1597500. 19 You can feel free to continue with the deposition. 19 20 20 (Exhibit 1597500 referred to) If there is any matters that need ruling I will 21 21 deal with those when we reconvene on Wednesday. A. It is open. 22 22 Do you recognize this is the MR. RIVERO: Thank you, your Honor. O. attachment to the e-mail which is a witness 23 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 24 24 Q. Dr. Wright, if you could open statement? 25 25 defense 1667260 for me. Let me know when you have No, I can only see part of it. A. Page 207 Page 209 I will need to scroll through. It would appear to that up? 1 2 be my witness statement, yes. 2 (Exhibit Defense 1667260 referred to) 3 3 Q. And do you see on page 502 --I have that up. 4 sorry, not it is my turn for my technology to 4 Do you recognize what this document Q. glitch. Can you turn to page 503, paragraph 13. 5 5 is? 6 It says: "Between March and April 2013 I had a 6 It is an evidence draft, that was 7 number of communications with Mark via Skype, this 7 being drafted between myself and my solicitors. A draft of the witness statement we 8 included voice calls but was mostly by text. In 8 O. 9 the course of conversations discussed with Mark 9 saw before? 10 the concept of a Bitcoin exchange by which smart 10 A. I cannot say whether it was the 11 contracts would be connected. This was an idea 11 witness statement before, but my solicitors and that I had developed with my business partner Dave 12 12 I had been communicating and my solicitors were Kleiman for a period of over a decade." 13 helping me write a document. I was engaged in 13 14 A. Yes. 14 going back and forwards with my solicitors, my 15 Q. Do you see that? 15 lawyers, taking advice and basically writing a 16 document. 16 A. Yes. 17 Is that in your statement? 17 Q. Can you go to defense 1667263 in 18 A. 18 the same document, a different page, page 4 of the 19 Q. Do you want to take the restroom 19 PDF. 20 20 break now? MR. RIVERO: This is a draft. 21 A. Yes, please. 21 Preserve all rights as to attorney/client 22 (Recess at 7.34 p.m. to 7.44 p.m.) 22 privilege. Go ahead. 23 MR. FREEDMAN: The one thing I want 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: to be clear on the record, Mr. Rivero and I have a 24 Are you there? 24 Q. 25 disagreement over the amount of time we get and we 25 I am waiting for it to load. Yes, A.

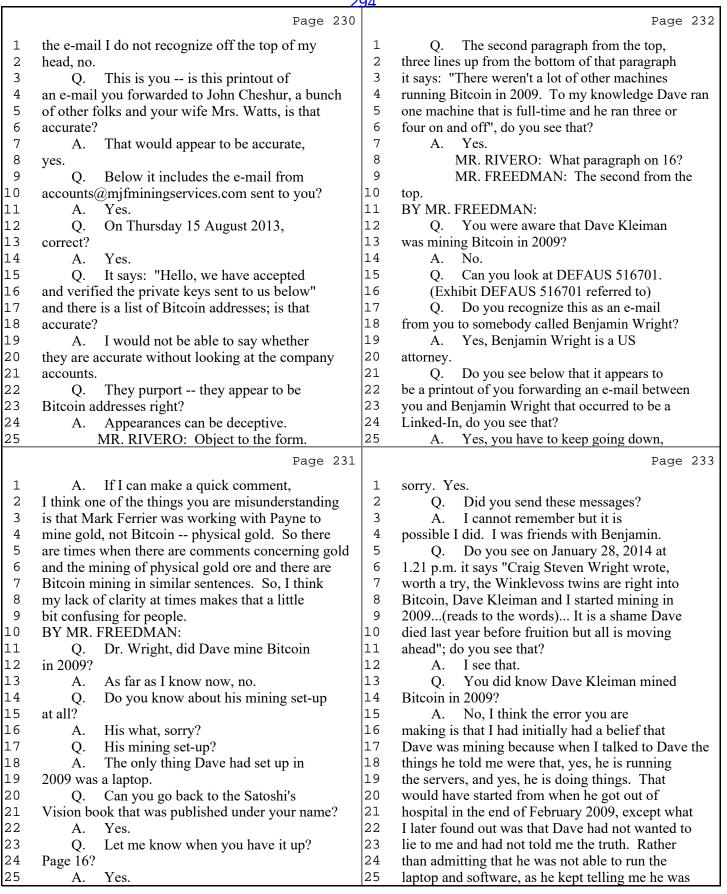
Page 212 Page 210 there is a document on the screen. the administrative filings that he did not do. 1 1 2 2 Q. Dr. Wright, did you and Dave keep Q. Is this the same document you were 3 in before down to page 4? Do you see page 4, 3 some of your work together secret? 4 paragraph 20? 4 A. I had lots of things in my life 5 A. I do. 5 that were secret, mainly -- not because I was 6 This is the same paragraph we 6 aiming to be secret or anything like this, the Q. 7 looked at in the witness statement before in 20 it 7 things I did with him I just didn't talk to people 8 talks at the Bitcoin Exchange and has a statement 8 about. I did not talk to many people other than 9 "this is an idea that I developed with my business 9 Dave and my now wife. partner Dave Kleiman for a period of over a 10 10 Can you open DEFAUS 112964 for me decade." Do you see that? 11 please. Let me know when that comes up? 11 A. I see that. 12 12 (Exhibit DEFAUS 112964) 13 I have it up. 13 Q. Underneath in bold, can you read A. 14 that sentence for the record, please? 14 Q. Can you go down to page DEFAUS 15 It is a heading that my lawyers put 15 112966 page 3 of the PDF, an e-mail from Craig in saying: "I started developing smart contracts 16 Wright to Carter Conrad and Patrick Page, dated 16 17 in 2007. Dave and I worked on this for a number 17 February 12, 2014 at 5.21 a.m.; did you write this 18 of years up to 2011." 18 e-mail. 19 Is it true that Dave and you worked 19 This says from Patrick Page. A. 20 on smart contracts in 2007 to 2011? 20 It is loading for me. We are Q. 21 I talked about smart contracts they 21 looking at the wrong e-mail. It is the e-mail 22 were not what is in Bitcoin. I had worked on the 22 from Craig Wright to Carter Conrad and Patrick 23 concept of what became part of a patent I filed 23 Page, dated February 12, 2014 at 5.21 a.m. with Jamie Wilson and Dave had been my sounding Yes, that is in front of me. 24 24 Α. 25 25 Did you write this e-mail? board on that. Q. Page 211 Page 213 Q. Can you go down to paragraph 22 of 1 Yes, I did. 1 A. 2 the same document? 2 Do you see it says "Dave and I ran Q. 3 3 Excuse me. a project in the US, we ran it there, we kept what Read the first paragraph -- the we did secret." 4 4 5 first sentence of paragraph 22 for the record 5 A. Yes, I do. 6 6 You knew Dave kept your dealings please? Q. 7 A. "The idea conceived by David and 7 between you a secret? me was to develop a system that integrated 8 8 That is not what I said. A. supervisory control and data acquisition SCADA 9 9 O. I just asked, did you know that he 10 software and a Bitcoin Exchange. I had a strong 10 kept it secret? 11 interest in SCADA systems and published a book on 11 Again, I do not really know what A. the topic that was released in February 2013." 12 12 Dave did. Dr. Wright, I just asked you to 13 13 Do you know if Dave told his family Q. read the first sentence. Did you and David 14 14 about the Bitcoin? 15 conceive of this idea? 15 I do not know what Dave did. A. 16 A. No, I conceived of the idea and in 16 Did you ask Dave to keep Bitcoin a Q. 17 2011 I invited David to be part of a number of 17 secret? filings for papers I had been and research I had 18 18 No, I did not. A. 19 been doing that were listed with the Department of 19 Do you see where it says "the Q. Homeland Security under the BAA processes. Dave 20 20 company he ran there mines Bitcoins? was meant to run machines and help me control all 21 21 That would apply to W&K but, yes, A. 22 this, I had been talking about it with Dave, that 22 I see that. was part of what W&K was meant to do. W&K would 23 23 The next sentence that says: "The O. have been funded by Department of Homeland 24 amount DK mined is far too large to e-mail"? 24 Security if Dave had successfully continued all 25 25 I see that.

Page 214 Page 216 1 "I know this is cryptic and I know 1 technical difficulty got resolved. Can you go to 2 I gave Dave the shits with this and some of the 2 the document entitled "the fury." 3 things we did in W&K but he was my best friend and 3 MR. RIVERO: Was this just 4 I am not sure where else to contact." Do you see 4 uploaded? 5 that? 5 MR. FREEDMAN: Yes, it was just б 6 A. I see that. uploaded. 7 Did you have a fight with Dave 7 O. MR. RIVERO: Yes, got it. 8 Kleiman in April 2013 before he died? 8 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 9 No, I did not. 9 Q. Let me know when you have it. Do We are having a technical issue 10 O. 10 you have it up? here. Let us come back to that while we work out A. I have it up there now. 11 11 our technical issue. 12 Do you recall you got in a fight 12 O. 13 Where are all the places you mined with Dave Kleiman in April 2013 you said "no"; do 13 14 Bitcoin before 2011? 14 you recall that? 15 Physical locations you mean or 15 A. Yes. 16 companies? 16 Go to page 2 of 4 on that PDF, the Q. 17 Q. Yes -- no physical locations? 17 paragraph starts in March 2013, do you see that? 18 Bagnue(?), machines running out of 18 A. I see that. 19 my farm, that was probably 50 kilometers west of 19 Do you see the statement: "In O. 20 Port Macquarie up in the hinterland. It was lot 20 early April 2013 I had a fight with Dave. Money 21 3, By Barrow Road, Bagnue, 2446 Australia. When 21 was tight for both of us. Bitcoin was not easy to 22 I am saying this of course what I am saying I did 22 sell at that point, not in any quantity that 23 not mine Bitcoin companies I ran, I operated 23 mattered. The fight was the last time I ever 24 machines that mined for those to be specific. 24 spoke to Dave. Later April 2013 Dave died." Do Liserow(?), 95 Woodview Avenue, that was in New 25 25 you see that? Page 215 Page 217 South Wales 2550. Tumbi Umbi, the Uniting Church, 1 1 Yes. A. 2 Tumbi Umbi, the servers that I had installed when 2 O. Did you or did you not have a fight 3 with Dave in April 2013? I was acting as treasurer and other things in the 3 church parish ran Bitcoin code and software. 4 A. I did not really have a fight with 4 5 Where else? Do you want other people who ran it 5 Dave. I yelled, I ranted, and so, by definition, 6 6 for me or just mine? I did not have a fight because Dave just sat there 7 7 Q. Just the locations of where you and listened to me. I complained about things. 8 mined your Bitcoins? 8 I called some people at the Australian Tax Office 9 A. Well, I did not mine my Bitcoin. 9 many names. They had basically agreed to settle 10 That is once again incorrect. Information Defense 10 the court case with me in November 2012, but they 11 PDY Limited was formed in January 2009. I was one 11 dicked around -- and the only way to put it is of many shareholders in that company. I was the 12 dicked around -- and I was waiting around on the 12 13 CEO and I had staff and those staff also helped me 13 settlement, and meanwhile still fighting them 14 run machines. Everything mined by that company 14 trying to bankrupt me for the settlement that they 15 was initially, until July of that year when a 15 already agreed owed me money, and I was having 16 warrant was called, that company and then it went 16 some troubles with that because of them freezing 17 over to another company. So, are you specifically 17 my ability to get money with other things, 18 saying my Bitcoin, or are you saying basically 18 including liberty reserve, and money being seized 19 anything I did as a company? 19 and the correct terminology would not be if I am 20 20 Q. Anything you did as a company? going to be under oath and saying that fight MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 21 21 because fight would be two-sided. It was in some 22 A. Up until what period? 22 ways worse than a fight because Dave stood, and BY MR. FREEDMAN: 23 I do not know whether he was standing, he would be 23 Q. Well, why don't you take me through 24 sitting, Dave sat there and listened to me and 24 Dave put up with my rant and Dave listened to me 25 your -- stop that for a second. I see our 25

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1	as I yelled and screamed and complained, not at	1	wrote to Michael Hardy on 27 January 2014 at 4.53
2	him, at the world. The last thing I remember was	2	p.m.?
3	yelling and screaming as he listened, which is	3	A. No, but I will continue for you on
4	what he did a lot.	4	that one. I saw the e-mail that I dictated to
5	Q. Dr. Wright, did you ever mine	5	Angela Demetriu, starts with D end with U and it
6	Bitcoin with Dave Kleiman at any point?	6	is Greek, not trying to be awful, I am just having
7	A. No. You do not mine Bitcoin with	7	a problem because I am tired pronouncing her name.
8	someone.	8	Q. Your executive assistant?
9	Q. Did you ever mine Bitcoin with W&K	9	A. Yes, my EA. So I basically
10	at any point?	10	transcribed and she typed it.
11	A. No, I was not with W&K.	11	Q. Did you look it over before you
12	Q. Did you ever contract to mine	12	sent it?
13	Bitcoin in the United States prior to 2013?	13	A. Yes, I did. I know this one was
14	A. No, no Bitcoin was mined in the	14	what I asked her to write.
15	United States prior to 2013.	15	Q. Do you see the second paragraph.
16	Q. Did you ever control Bitcoin that	16	Can you read that first sentence in the second
17	was mined in the United States?	17	paragraph for me?
18	A. I do not know. I purchased Bitcoin	18	A. Yes.
19	in 2011, I do not know what the location of where	19	Q. It says: "The Bitcoin I control
20	it was mined would be. I did not ask, I bought it	20	was mined in the US for a foreign trust and
21	from an exchange, I have the receipts and the	21	company that was set up following the information
22	purchase material from that.	22	
23		23	defense incident and was prior to the reversal of
23 24	Q. Was the Bitcoin that you purchased	24	the foundless, reckless claim against me". Do you see that?
2 <del>4</del> 25	mined for a foreign trust?	25	
∠5	A. No, it was not mined as far as	23	,
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1	I know no. The mining of the Bitcoin that I	1	Q. You told me that the Bitcoin
2	purchased was independent of anything I had to do	2	controlled was not mined in the US for foreign
3	with me, it was purchased without knowledge on an	3	investor company?
4	exchange that ran out of Russia which I then moved	4	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
5	into a company that was put into a trust.	5	A. No, that is not correct.
6	Q. Look at the defense 01097415?	6	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
7	(Exhibit Defense 01097415 referred to)	7	Q. Did you ever have Dave mine Bitcoin
8	A. I am awaiting it now.	8	for you?
9	THE COURT REPORTER: Repeat the	9	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
10	number. We have it. Thank you.	10	A. No.
11	A. It has loaded now.	11	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
12	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	12	Q. Did Dave ever help you mine Bitcoin
13	Q. I am not actually seeing it.	13	in the United States?
14	MR. RIVERO: It is a one-page	14	MR. RIVERO: Object to the form.
15	e-mail correct.	15	A. No, he did not.
16	MR. FREEDMAN: Should be, hold on.	16	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
17	MR. RIVERO: OK.	17	Q. Did you ever have the private keys
18	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	18	to Bitcoin Dave mined?
19	Q. Dr. Wright do you recognize this	19	A. No, I did not.
20	e-mail as an e-mail you forwarded to Ms Watts on	20	Q. Did you ever move your mining
21	April 2, 2015?	21	process to Dave?
22	A. You will have to scroll down so	22	A. Sorry, what?
23	I can see it. Can you go up a little bit. Yes,	23	Q. Did you ever move your mining
24	I recognize this.	24	process to Dave?
25	Q. Do you see the e-mail that you	25	A. No, I did not.
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Page 222 Page 224 Did you ever have Dave mine Bitcoin Jonathan Slater and Nicholas Mavrakis with a CC to 1 1 2 in an overseas trust? 2 your wife, Ms Watts, is that correct? 3 3 Α. No. I did not. Α. Yes, this is a communication ----4 4 There is no question pending. Do Did you ever have Dave mine Bitcoin 5 in overseas companies? 5 you see underneath there it says "more to come"? 6 6 A. I see the communications with my A. No, I did not. 7 Did you ever have access to the 7 lawyers in Australia, yes. O. 8 private keys to Bitcoin Dave mined in overseas 8 Q. You forwarded this, this e-mail was a forward of e-mails below; is that an accurate 9 9 10 10 characterization? No, nor do I know whether Dave 11 A. I do not know, I haven't seen the 11 mined Bitcoin or not. 12 12 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. e-mails below. 13 13 BY MR. FREEDMAN: O. Go to the bottom, the very first 14 Q. Did you ever have access to the 14 e-mail in the chain. Can I actually start from the top 15 private keys for Bitcoin Dave mined in overseas 15 and go down, so I can see it. 16 companies? 16 The chronological order is reverse 17 A. I do not know if Dave even mined 17 18 Bitcoin in overseas companies which would make it 18 chronological order. 19 impossible for me to know anything about the keys. 19 If you want me to answer the 20 Q. Do you ever have access to private 20 question I have to do it in my way, so please 21 scroll down slowly. You want me to answer whether keys to Bitcoin that Dave created? 21 this is correct or whatever else, so please scroll 22 Dave didn't create Bitcoin. 22 23 down; keep going, please. Yes. 23 Would it be fair to say you could Q. Is this an e-mail -- I forgot the not have given someone the private keys to Bitcoin 24 24 25 Dave mined? 25 question I asked you. I asked you: you forwarded Page 223 Page 225 1 That would not be fair to say, and this e-mail -- not sure that -- let me rephrase 2 2 that is not accurate either. the question. Is it accurate to say that you 3 3 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. forwarded correspondence between you and Mark BY MR. FREEDMAN: 4 Ferrier to the individuals listed at the top of 4 5 5 Q. Would it be accurate to say you this e-mail that we have already mentioned? 6 could not have given someone the private keys to 6 Yes, that is accurate. A. 7 Bitcoin that Dave mined? 7 Q. Are these real e-mails between you MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 8 8 and Mark Ferrier? A. It would be accurate because 9 This is not an e-mail, it is a PDF. 9 10 I could not have given something I do not have. 10 Does the PDF represent the e-mails 11 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 11 that you actually sent between you and Mark Q. Was there any co-operation between Ferrier -- sent and received between you and Mark 12 12 13 you and Dave to mine Bitcoin? 13 Ferrier? 14 A. No, there was not. 14 A. I would have to verify everything 15 MR. RIVERO: Objection asked and 15 in there, but it appears to be accurate from the 16 best of my recollection. 16 answered. 17 17 BY MR. FREEDMAN: At the bottom of the e-mail, the very first e-mail from Mark Ferrier to you is at 18 Q. I am going to ask you to take a 18 19 look at defense 01597484; do you have it in front 19 5/23/2013 at 2.34 p.m., Mark says: "You are good 20 for it so it seems and these guys are waiting. 20 of you? (Exhibit defense 01597484 referred to) I have a great feeling about this. Once this is 21 21 22 Α. I do now. 22 done the pain deal closes, we are going to have a long profitable friendship. You do what you do 23 23 The top of this e-mail, it is a and I will sell it. Mark." Do you see that? 24 printout of an e-mail from you to John Cheshur, 24 who was CFO of the company, Alexander McCaughn, 25 A. Yes.

Page 228 Page 226 stays overseas, I just want to do things here"; do Q. Above that you say: "I will start 1 1 2 to send the addresses and get you the private 2 you see that? 3 keys. I hope you understand that with this value 3 A. Yes. 4 transaction I need to see the code before 4 Mark responds: "Your loss mate. O. If it was me I would be finding a way to do what 5 I release everything"; do you see that? 5 6 A. Yes, I do. 6 you want without letting others in"; do you see 7 Mark responds back to you and says 7 that? O. 8 "Craig, so tell me where you got this stuff"; do 8 A. Yes. 9 you see that? 9 O. You respond back to Mark on 23 May 10 2013 at 5.52 p.m.: "Well you get paid. The guys A. Yes. 10 You respond back to him on 23 May you have arranged get paid, you have cash, then 11 11 2013 at 5.09 p.m. "I have a trust overseas. they have what they want and I have my code. If 12 12 I moved it and the mining process to Dave Kleiman 13 this works, we all win. I had Dave mine the 13 14 when I had a few issues with the tax people. 14 Bitcoin overseas and all it has cost is sunk. I still do not trust them but I do want to do 15 15 I cannot miss what I have never had. I have never things in Oz." Do you see that? 16 touched the Bitcoin we recreated in the overseas 16 17 A. I see that. 17 trust and companies and what I care about is 18 Q. Did you send that? 18 making something more." Do you see that? I did not send that one, but it is 19 19 Yes, which says I never received or A. 20 part of a series of communications that I sent as 20 had any Bitcoin that Dave may have had overseas. Q. In the e-mail below you said that 21 e-mails that this represents. 21 This is the only fake e-mail that 22 22 you were going to send the private keys to the 23 we have reviewed so far? 23 Bitcoin, Mark Ferrier asked you where you got it 24 24 from and you responded that you moved the mining MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 25 25 process to Dave Kleiman and this was Bitcoin that Sorry? Page 229 Page 227 BY MR. FREEDMAN: was mined in overseas trust, is that an accurate 1 2 You said you did not send this, who 2 characterization of the e-mail we just read? 3 3 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. sent this? 4 4 A. No, it is not. A. That is not what I just said. 5 Did you send this e-mail to Mark 5 Q. BY MR. FREEDMAN: 6 6 Ferrier? Can you open up defense 1597598? 7 7 (Exhibit Defense 1597598 referred to) As I said, the e-mail that this 8 relates to appears to be one that I sent to Mark 8 Q. Do you have that in front of you? 9 9 Ferrier. I did not say that I did not send this No, I do not. 10 e-mail. 10 MR. RIVERO: Do we have a page 11 Did you send this e-mail to Mark 11 reference? O. Ferrier; that is the question I am asking? 12 12 MR. FREEDMAN: First page, 1597598. I sent an e-mail along these lines A. Can I ask a quick question? 13 13 Andreas, how long do you want to make this because to Mark Ferrier, this is not an e-mail. 14 14 15 Q. Is this a copy of that e-mail? 15 I still have 90 minutes to get home. I am rather 16 No, it is a PDF extract, it is an 16 tired now and I am sure everyone else is. extract that would appear to be the e-mail. 17 MR. RIVERO: I would like to take 17 All right. So Mark Ferrier 18 18 that up in 10 minutes, if you are with me we will 19 responds he says "so why even do it here"; do you 19 address it in 10 minutes. 20 20 see that response? A. I do not want to be driving home 21 21 A. Yes. too late tonight. 22 You respond back on 23rd May 2013 22 MR. RIVERO: I understand. at 5.38 p.m.: "Well nothing is really here. 23 23 BY MR. FREEDMAN: I understand that you are not keeping any Bitcoin 24 Do you recognize this e-mail? 24 Q. 25 I know the e-mail. The people in 25 just payment in cash so it comes from overseas and



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1	doing, he had, because of his troubles with	1	e-mail from the Australian Tax Office which says:
2	infections and whatever else, had been taking	2	"I have attached a transcript of your meeting with
3	money I had been giving him and he had been	3	us on 18 February 2014. This is a transcribing by
4	purchasing a combination of opiates and cocaine	4	Auscript." Do you see that?
5	and barbiturates on Silk Road.	5	A. I see that, yes.
6	Q. Do you recall meeting with the ATO	6	MR. RIVERO: I do not know if the
7	on several occasions?	7	sorry, go ahead.
8	A. I met with the ATO on several	8	BY MR. FREEDMAN:
9	occasions dating back to 1985.	9	Q. Do you see that?
10	Q. Do you recall meeting with them on	10	A. I see that.
11	several occasions in 2014 and 2015?	11	Q. It says: "Also please see attached
12	A. I have met with many people from	12	the minutes of our meeting on 26 February 2014,
13	the tax office and many people in other government	13	could you please review and advice of any errors
14	departments.	14	or omissions. If you are satisfied that the
15	Q. Do you recall meeting that took	15	minutes are an accurate reflection of the
16	place on February 18, 2014?	16	discussion, please advice as such"; do you see
17	A. Not off the top of my head, no.	17	that?
18	Q. I want to go back for a second to	18	A. Yes.
19	DEFAUS 516701, the e-mail and the linked-in	19	Q. Can you go out and into defense
20	messages.	20	52514. Do you have the next e-mail in front of
21	Q. You know what, Dr. Wright, I am not	21	you?
22	sure we have time. Let us move on. Do you recall	22	(Exhibit Defense 52514 referred to)
23	meeting with the ATO on February 18, 2014?	23	A. No.
24	A. No, I do not remember the	24	Q. Can we bring defense 52514 before
25	particular days when I met with the ATO.	25	Dr. Wright?
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1	Q. Do you recall that the ATO provided	1	A. Thank you.
2	you with transcripts of the meetings?	2	Q. Do you see that Dr. Wright?
3	A. They gave my lawyers transcripts of	3	A. Yes.
4	the meetings.	4	Q. This reports to be a report out of
5	Q. And can you take a look at DEFAUS	5	an e-mail from you to Ramona Watts on June 24,
6	00115519 for me?	6	2015 at 9.27 a.m.; do you see that?
7	(Exhibit DEFAUS 00115519 referred to)	7	A. Yes.
8	MR. RIVERO: 115179?	8	Q. Here you make some corrections to
9	MR. FREEDMAN: I said 115519.	9	the 11 page doc, do you see that?
10	MR. RIVERO: Okay.	10	A. No, I do not.
11	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	11	Q. Page 10, an 11-page doc,
12	Q. I do not think it is up yet.	12	20140226MM.pdf, do you see that?
13	MR. RIVERO: I am not seeing it.	13	A. Yes, except your
14	BY MR. FREEDMAN:	14	Q. Dr. Wright, the question is if you
15	Q. Do you have it up there?	15	saw it. Do you see it says the term "cores" is
16	A. I have an e-mail in front of me, or	16	used; do you see that?
17	what appears to be an e-mail or at least a PDF of	17	A. Yes.
18	an e-mail.	18	Q. This is in the 2013/2014 year, do
19	Q. It shows a PDF of an e-mail from	19	you see that?
20	John Cheshur to yourself on March 6, 2014; is that	20	A. Yes, I see this.
21	accurate?	21	Q. "I missed this as they transcribed
22	A. It is a PDF of an e-mail between	22	cores as chords", do you see that?
23	John Cheshur and my main corporate CEO e-mail, it	23	A. I see that.
24	is not myself.	24	Q. Is this an e-mail you sent?
25	Q. John Cheshur is forwarding an	25	A. No, it is a PDF of an e-mail

Page 238 Page 240 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. I sent. 1 1 2 2 That is incorrect. What you are Dr. Wright, can you open defense Q. 3 51769? 3 saying is taking an e-mail between myself and my 4 wife, pointing out errors. What I did do was 4 (Exhibit Defense 51769 referred to) 5 MR. RIVERO: Before this document 5 I went to my lawyers, I had conversations with my 6 is used, I note my objection. Our intention to 6 Australian lawyers where we had pointed out many, 7 seek exclusion of these documents in limine based 7 many errors in this. The errata for this document 8 on expert testimony and so I think all the 8 was too large and the document is not admissible 9 9 questioning is improper based on this transcript, even in Australian processes because it is 10 10 but go ahead. completely inaccurate. BY MR. FREEDMAN: 11 MR. RIVERO: By allowing Dr. Wright 11 12 Dr. Wright, this is the record of to testify about these communications with 12 client contact we just referenced in your last 13 Australian counsel we are not waving our rights in 13 14 e-mail dated February 26, 2014, is it not? 14 the event that we are successful on appeal. We 15 15 I am still waiting for it to come are trying to corporate to advance this discovery. A. up on my screen. 16 MR. FREEDMAN: Top of the next 16 17 Q. When you do you will note it is 11 17 page, Dr. Wright, read the next paragraph in the 18 18 top of the next page? pages? 19 19 "Craig Wright had mined a lot of I have a document in front of me. 20 20 Bitcoins. Craig Wright then took the Bitcoins and It is 11 pages. 21 Q. Is this titled "record of client 21 put them into a Seychelles trust. A bit of it was also put into Singapore. This was run out of an 22 contact" and dated 26 February 2014? 22 23 26 February 2014. It is a meeting 23 entity from the UK. Craig had gotten 24 between John Cheshur and Anne Wrightson. 24 approximately 1.1 million Bitcoins. There was a 25 Do you see on defense 51770, the 25 point in time where he had around 10% of all the O. Page 239 Page 241 bottom of the page, the last paragraph, read what 1 1 Bitcoins out there. Mr. Kleiman would have had a 2 your CFO told the ATO. 2 similar amount. However, Mr Kleiman passed away 3 (Exhibit defense 51770 referred to) 3 during that time. He was a war veteran and he was 4 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. 4 wheelchair bound." 5 I have to get to the page. I see 5 O. Did you give this information to 6 the last paragraph. 6 John Cheshur? 7 7 Can you read it for the record, No, this is not an accurate O. 8 8 document and the commentary in it is not accurate, please? 9 and I was not involved at that time. 9 "JC: we understand. Craig Wright 10 took the Bitcoin that he mined offshore. At the 10 You did not correct that statement time it was worth 3-4 cents. The total value of 11 11 when you e-mailed to Mrs. Watts, did you? this was around \$5,000. He then started up W&K 12 12 MR. RIVERO: Object to the form. Info Defense LLC with Mr. Dave Kleiman. W&K was 13 The problem you are trying to do is 13 catch me out going I did not correct it when 14 an entity created for the purpose of mining 14 15 Bitcoins. Craig Wright is a forensic computer 15 I e-mailed Mrs. Watts because there is no 16 expert. He constantly updated himself attending 16 correcting it with Mrs. Watts in 2015. The courses, workshops and training sessions. He is 17 corrections were made shortly after in 2014. This 17 also a university lecturer at Charles Sturt 18 18 document that had been sent to me by John, we 19 University and conducts courses. He even provides 19 discussed with our lawyers and had meetings with services to some Australian government agencies, 20 the tax office stating, in 2014, that this was 20 including the ATO and the Defense Force. However, erroneous. So, no, after the corrections had all 21 21 22 this is all done on a very high level." 22 already been made, I did not then go back to my Q. You did not correct this statement 23 wife and go "make the corrections again". 23 "W&K was an entity created for the purpose of 24 24 BY MR. FREEDMAN: mining Bitcoins"; did you? Q. Dr. Wright, let us look at the last 25 25

Page 242 Page 244 document before we break for the day. Can you Dave Kleiman? 1 1 Q. 2 open DEFAUS 01859475? 2 Yes. A. (Exhibit DEFAUS 01859475 referred to) 3 3 O. Can you read that e-mail for the 4 A. I think we are getting an echo. 4 record? 5 BY MR. FREEDMAN: 5 Yes. "No need. There are several 6 6 O. We are almost done. Let me know others from October. If we come into any issues 7 when you have DEFAUS 01859475? 7 but we only need one. Your trust is in the 8 A. It is loading now. There is an 8 Seychelles and you want to have noting known of e-mail "re UK designed by human". 9 9 mine in P, so it should all be good. We only need 10 Q. Do you recognize this as an e-mail 10 one dormant and untraded company to sit as the 11 send by you to John Cheshur, Andrew Summer and Ms owner of the Bitcoin we are mining into them. 11 Watts on April 2, 2014 at 9.20 a.m. Do you 12 12 I am assuming you do not want WKID to be a 13 recognize this e-mail? 13 director. The Brits do not allow this -- sorry, 14 A. Can you scroll down? It looks 14 Brits do allow this." 15 15 familiar. BY MR. FREEDMAN: 16 Did you send this e-mail? O. 16 MR. RIVERO: If there is no pending Can you go back up again? Yes, 17 A. 17 question, I am asking how much time has elapsed? 18 this looks familiar. 18 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Six hours and 19 Can you read this e-mail for the 19 Q. three minutes. 20 record? 20 MR. RIVERO: Unless you have 21 Yes, I can. "Hello. We have the 21 another minute, we are now an hour and 46 minutes 22 e-mail from Dave below. This was from December 22 beyond the order and beyond total time as well. 23 2012. The simple answer is that we have and 23 Mr. Freedman, wrap it up right now. control the company completely now. The MR. FREEDMAN: Last question, Dr. 24 24 25 screenshot is the site in October 22, 2012, so 25 Wright. What did you take Dave Kleiman to mean Page 243 Page 245 1 Dave had been there at that point. There was a when he said that "Bitcoin we are mining into 2 risk from October 2012 when Dave reserved this and 2 them"? 3 before it was paid for, but we have control fully. 3 Dave tried to assure me that he was 4 The main thing here is that Dave mined all of this 4 still working and doing things. Dave had promised 5 outside Australia and even if we had managed to 5 me that he was setting things up and that money 6 6 I had given him would be used for building screw this and somehow lose control of the 7 7 company, it would still have been using overseas machines and doing other work. That never 8 right to BTC. I was not the person doing the 8 occurred. What I did not realize at the time, 9 mining, Dave was." 9 because I trusted Dave implicitly, was that Dave 10 Q. Dr. Wright, is it not true that 10 basically was not saving money, Dave was spending Dave did all the mining for you as Satoshi 11 11 all the money on cocaine, on barbiturates, on painkillers, on opiates. 12 Nakamoto? 12 13 13 MR. RIVERO: We are concluding No, it is not. A. 14 You wrote that though, did you not? 14 today. This is it. I am not -- we are concluding 15 MR. RIVERO: Objection. 15 right now. I would like to say on the record, we You are mischaracterizing what 16 are all now very aware that we are beyond today, 16 I just said once again. I did not say Dave mined 17 17 so the additional time should be discounted and for me, and when I read that e-mail that is not 18 18 I am going to ask on the record that we start on 19 anything that I have just said. 19 time, I am willing to start early if the judge is Q. The e-mail below from Dave Kleiman, available, or counsel, I am willing to start half 20 20 is that a real e-mail from Dave to you? an hour or further early. We need to finish 21 21 22 A. Please scroll down so I can see. 22 within the time provided by district court order Can I see the subject line, go up. Yes, it looks 23 on Wednesday. It is not right to have people, we 23 like an e-mail I have gotten in the past from 24 are in a circumstance that we all understand, 24 25 Mr. Kleiman. 25 having to travel at this time of night. That is

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1	my position. I am glad to discuss it with you,	1	
2	Mr. Freedman, but please make arrangements so we	2	CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER
3	can accomplish this within the time set out in the	3	
4	district court order and finish this on Wednesday.	4	I, Amy Coley, an Accredited Reporter, hereby
5	I do not know if you have, I would	5	certify that Craig Wright was duly sworn, that I
6	like to have the time noted now as we conclude the	6	
7	deposition.		took the Stenographic notes of the foregoing
8	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We have been on	7	deposition and that the transcript thereof is a
9	the record for six hours and five minutes.	8	true and accurate record transcribed to the best
10	(Deposition concluded at 8.47 p.m.)	9	of my skill and ability. I further certify that I
11		10	am neither counsel for, related to, nor employed
12 13		11	by any of the parties to the action in which the
14		12	deposition was taken, and that I am not a relative
15		13	or employee of any attorney or counsel employed by
16		14	the parties hereto, nor financially or otherwise
17		15	interested in the outcome of the action.
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3	I, Craig Wright, am the witness in the foregoing	3	
4	deposition. I have read the foregoing and, having	4	Deposition of Craig Wright
5	made such changes and corrections as I desired, I	5	(Please show all corrections on this page, not in
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From: Craig S Wright [craig@

3/12/2008 6:39:15 PM Sent:

Dave Kleiman [dave@davekleiman.com] To:

Subject: FW: Defamation and the diffculties of law on the Internet.

I need your help editing a paper I am going to relase later this year. I have been working on a new form of electronic money. Bit cash, Bitcoin...

You are always there for me Dave. I want you to be a part of it all.

I cannot release it as me. GMX, vistomail and Tor. I need your help and I need a version of me to make this work that is better than me.

Craig

----Original Message----

From: dave kleiman [mailto:dave@davekleiman.com]

Sent: Wednesday, 12 March 2008 6:25 PM To: security-basics@securityfocus.com

Subject: RE: Defamation and the diffculties of law on the Internet.

Hats off to you Craig,

Sometimes you amaze me....I literally today just took on a case today dealing exactly with this, you are making my life easy as I am gathering (with your permission) this information you have provided for my client's review.

When this becomes public record, I will post-up the results.

I will take any more information on this subject with great enthusiasm and appreciation, as always!!!

By the way, for those of you who have never asked for Craig's help, you do not know what you are missing. I have asked his research assistance more than once. One particular time it was dealing with abilities of cookies on the server side, when I awoke the

next morning, I had 100's of pages and links of information on that subject, and variations and ideas I had not even or forgotten to consider (e.g. web bugs). Why did he help, for no other than reason than he just likes to research information, and possibly considers me a friend from afar. He probably had as much fun reading up on the subject as did. And along with all the technical details he included this:

Cookie Recipe Ingredients:

125 grams butter

50 grams caster sugar

60 grams brown sugar

1 large egg

1 teaspoon vanilla essence/extract

125 grams of plain flour

1/2 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda

250 grams of chocolate (Dark is best for this)

1/2 cup coarsely chopped almonds

Method: Turn your oven on to preheat at 180 degrees Celsius (about 350 degrees Fahrenheit, gas mark 4). Remember to take your grill pan out first. cookies, in the comfort of your own home.

In the midst of this data exchange I casually mentioned that one day, when I was in the position to not have to work so much, I would return to school and my dream degrees in Cosmology and Astrophysics. Of course, the next day I had links to every online study available for those degrees, with a "why wait wink.

Further, it amazes me how Craig has a Blog helping to understand the rights of US based Digital Forensic Examiners:

http://gse-compliance.blogspot.com/2008/01/texas-pi-fud.html And he is based in AU. He simply cares enough about the cause and the industry to help, it has no direct affect on him if US DFEs are required to have PI licenses!! People of the past considered "Loons": (Feynman, Hawking, Sagan, da\_Vinci, Einstein, Columbus, everyone associated with Monty Python and the Holy Grail: Black Knight: Right, I'll do you for that! King Arthur: You'll what? Black Knight: Come here! King Arthur: What are you gonna do, bleed on me? Black Knight: I'm invincible! King Arthur: ...You're a loony. .....you get the picture) Yep Craig is a Junkie; a Knowledge Junkie!!!! For those of you who have nothing good to say; why say anything? Dave Respectfully, Dave Kleiman - http://www.davekleiman.com 4371 Northlake Blvd #314 Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 561.310.8801

----Original Message----

From: listbounce@securityfocus.com

[mailto:listbounce@securityfocus.com] On Behalf Of Craig Wright

Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2008 17:15
To: 'Simphiwe Mngadi'; security-basics@securityfocus.com

Subject: RE: Defamation and the diffculties of law on the Internet.

SANS had "Police Decline to Intervene in Libellous Bebo Page Case (March 7 & 8, 2008" in Newsbytes Vol 10.20.

This refers to:

http://technology.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/tech\_and\_web/the\_web/ar ticle3498888.ece http://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/newsfeed/2008/03/07/web-of-lies-86908-20342677 http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2008/03/07/nbeb o107.xml

Actually, content control IS an aspect of security and compliance. I may have been a little angry when writing, but I am far from perfect.

I have taken and updated a little something for the list based on responses I have received over the years. Liability against an Intermediary, whether in the traditional view of ISP and ICP as well as that of employers and other parties remains a risk.

Extrusion filters seem to be something that is not considered, not by most organisations and not unfortunately by many of the list. There is more than filtering for attacks. This is surprising as many standards and regulations require that specific information is filtered. PCI-DSS, HIPAA and a raft of legislation specifies that organisation setup the capability to monitor both incoming and outgoing traffic. This is not port based, but rather a capability to monitor and filter (or at the least act on) content.

I oversee the information gathering for many more companies than I actually audit myself (being an audit manager for an external audit firm). In 1,412 firms I have been to or reviewed information for, I have collected a number of statistics over the years. 231 (or 16.4%) have some content management 184 (13.0%) have NO egress filters - Nothing at all. No ports Nothing. 734 (52.0% have a disclaimer on email that is barely adequate legally) 210 (14.8% have a legally valid privacy policy/disclaimer on their web sites) 15 (1.06% check Google or other places for information on their references)

In Scheff v Bock (Susan Scheff and Parents Universal Experts, Inc. v. Carey Bock - Florida USA, 2006, Case No. CACE03022837) a florida jury awarded Sue Scheff US\$11.3 million costs and damages over recurrent blog postings. A former acquaintance accused her of being a crook, a con artist and a fraudster (as a side note the same laws apply in Au).

See http://www.citmedialaw.org/threats/scheff-v-bock

In principle, defamation consists of a false and unprivileged statement of fact that is harmful to the reputation o f another person which is published "with fault". That is means that it is published as a result of negligence or malice. Different laws define defamation in specific ways that differ slightly, but the gist of the matter is the same. Libel is a written defamation; slander is a verbal defamation.

Some examples:

Libellous (when false):

Charging someone with being a communist (in 1959) Calling an attorney a "crook" Describing a woman as a call girl Accusing a minister of unethical conduct Accusing a father of violating the confidence of son

Not-libellous:

Calling a political foe a "thief" and "liar" in chance encounter (because hyperbole in context)

Calling a TV show participant a "local loser," "chicken butt" and "big skank"

Calling someone a "bitch" or a "son of a bitch"
Changing product code name from "Carl Sagan" to "Butt Head

See http://w2.eff.org/bloggers/lg/faq-defamation.php for details.

So let us do the Math. Let us take a case of 0.1% (or 1 in a thousand) employees (and the number is in reality higher then this) posting from their place of work a defamatory post. 83.6% of companies (based on figures above) will not detect or stop anything. Less check at all.

Let us take an average US litigation cost for defamation of \$182,500 (taking cases won from 96 to current in Au, UK and US) Also see "Rethinking Defamation" by DAVID A. ANDERSON of the University of Texas at Austin - School of Law. (http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=976116#PaperDown load).

So if we take a decent sized company of 5,000 employees, we have an expectation of 4 incidents per annum that in coming years would be expected to make it to court. Employers are vicariously liable for many of these actions. In the past, employers and ICP's have not been targeted, but this is changing. The person doing the act is generally not one with the funds to pay out the losses. The employer is. Thus the ability to co-join employers will increase these types of actions.

Facebook, blogs and other accesses will only make this worse in coming years.

So what does this mean? Well in the case of our hypothetical employer, there is an expected annualised loss of \$788,400 US in coming years. The maximum expected payout would be \$50,000,000 US. It is unlikely that the individual making the claim will be able to pay the cost of losing, so the employer will more and more be added to be suit.

Now, I am in no way affiliated with ANY content management software,

but I see this as a necessary evil. This would  $\overset{294}{\text{could}}$  as an effective corporate governance strategy, lowering the potential liability of the employer.

In my experience, the costs of the software and the management are going to add to less then the potential. With the recent win in Scheff v Bock, this is only going to increase.

Civil Liability

The conduct of both agents and employees can result in situations where liability is imposed vicariously on an organisation through both the common law[i] and by statute.[ii] The benchmark used to test for vicarious liability for an employee requires that the deed of the employee must have been committed during the course and capacity of their employment under the doctrine respondeat superior. Principals' liability will transpire when a `principal-agent' relationship exists. Dal Pont[iii] recognises three possible categories of agents:

- (a) those that can create legal relations on behalf of a principal with a third party;
- (b) those that can affect legal relations on behalf of a principal with a third party; and
- (c) a person who has authority to act on behalf of a principal.

Despite the fact that a party is in an agency relationship, the principal is liable directly as principal as contrasting to vicariously, "this distinction has been treated as of little practical significance by the case law, being evident from judges' reference to principals as vicariously liable for their agents' acts"[iv]. The consequence being that an agency arrangement will leave the principle directly liable rather then liable vicariously.

The requirement for employees of "within the scope of employment" is a broad term without a definitive definition in the law, but whose principles have been set through case law and include: where an employer authorises an act but it is performed using an inappropriate or unauthorised approach, the employer shall remain liable[v];

the fact that an employee is not permitted to execute an action is not applicable or a defence[vi]; and the mere reality that a deed is illegal does not exclude it from the scope of employment[vii].

Unauthorised access violations or computer fraud by an employee or agent would be deemed remote from the employee's scope of employment or the agent's duty. This alone does not respectively absolve the employer or agent from the effects of vicarious liability[viii]. Similarly, it remains unnecessary to respond to a claim against an employer through asserting that the wrong committed by the employee was for their own benefit. This matter was authoritatively settled in the Lloyd v Grace, Smith and Co.[ix], in which a solicitor was held liable for the fraud of his clerk, albeit the fraud was exclusively for the clerk's individual advantage. It was declared that "the loss occasioned by the fault of a third person in such circumstances ought to fall upon the one of the two parties who clothed that third person as agent with the authority by which he was enabled to commit the fraud"[x]. Lloyd v Grace, Smith and Co.[xi] was also referred to by Dixon J in the leading Australian High Court case, Deatons Pty Ltd v Flew[xii]. The case concerned an assault by the appellant's barmaid who hurled a beer glass at a patron. Dixon J stated that a servant's deliberate unlawful act may invite liability for their master in situations where "they are acts to which the ostensible performance of his master's work gives occasion or which are committed under cover of the authority the servant is held out as possessing or of the position in which he is placed as a representative of his master"[xiii].

Through this authority, it is generally accepted that if an employee commits fraud or misuses a computer system to conduct an illicit action that results in damage being caused to a third party, the employer may be supposed liable for their conduct. In the case of the principles agent, the principle is deemed to be directly liable.

In the context of the Internet, the scope in which a party may be liable is wide indeed. A staff member or even a consultant (as an agent) who publishes prohibited or proscribed material on websites and blogs, changes systems or even data and attacks the site of

another party and many other actions could leave an organisation liable. Stevenson Jordan Harrison v McDonnell Evans (1952)[xiv] provides an example of this type of action. This case hinged on whether the defendant (the employer) was able to be held liable under the principles of vicarious liability for the publication of assorted "trade secrets" by one of its employees which was an infringement of copyright. The employee did not work solely for the employer. Consequently, the question arose as to sufficiency of the "master-servant" affiliation between the parties for the conditions of be vicarious liability to be met. The issue in the conventional "control test" as to whether the employee was engaged under a "contract for services", against a "contract of service" was substituted in these circumstances with a test of whether the tort-feasor was executing functions that were an "integral part of the business" or "merely ancillary to the business". In the former circumstances, vicarious liability would extend to the employer. Similarly, a contract worker acting as web master for an organisation who loads trade protected material onto their own blog without authority is likely to leave the organisation they work for liable for their actions.

In Meridian Global Funds Management Asia Limited v Securities Commission[xv], a pair of employees of MGFMA acted without the knowledge of the company directors but within the extent of their authority and purchased shares with company funds. The issue lay on the qualification of whether the company knew, or should have known that it had purchased the shares. The Privy Council held that whether by virtue of the employees' tangible or professed authority as an agent performing within their authority[xvi] or alternatively as employees performing in the course of their employment[xvii], both the actions, oversight and knowledge of the employees may well be ascribed to the company. Consequently, this can introduce the possibility of liability as joint tort-feasors in the instance where directors have, on their own behalf, also accepted a level of responsibility[xviii] meaning that if a director or officer is explicitly authorised to issue particular classes of representations for their company, and deceptively issues a representation of that class to another resulting in a loss, the company will be liable even if the particular representation was done in an inappropriate manner to achieve what was in effect authorised.

The degree of authority is an issue of fact and relies appreciably on more than the fact of employment providing the occasion for the employee to accomplish the fraud. Panorama Developments (Guildford) Limited v Fidelis Furnishing Fabrics Limited[xix] involved a company secretary deceitfully hiring vehicles for personal use without the managing director's knowledge. As the company secretary will customarily authorise contracts for the company and would seem to have the perceptible authority to hire a vehicle, the company was held to be liable for the employee's actions.

Criminal Liability
Employers can be held to be either directly or vicariously liable for the criminal behaviour of their employees.

Direct liability for organisations or companies refers to the class of liability that occurs when it permits the employee's action. Lord Reid in Tesco Supermarkets Limited v Nattrass[xx] formulated that this transpires when someone is "not acting as a servant, representative, agent or delegate" of the company, but as "an embodiment of the company"[xxi]. When a company is involved in an action, this principle usually relates to the conduct of directors and company officers when those individuals are acting for or "as the company". Being that directors can assign their responsibilities, direct liability may encompass those employees who act under that delegated authority. The employer may be directly liable for the crime in cases where it may be demonstrated that a direct act or oversight of the company caused or accepted the employee's perpetration of the crime.

Where the prosecution of the crime involves substantiation of mens rea[xxii], the company cannot be found to be vicariously liable for the act of an employee. The company may still be found vicariously liable for an offence committed by an employee if the offence does not need mens rea[xxiii] for its prosecution, or where either express or implied vicarious liability is produced as a consequence of statute. Strict liability offences are such actions. In strict liability offences and those that are established through statute to

apply to companies, the conduct or mental state of an employee is ascribed to the company while it remains that the employee is performing within their authority.

The readiness on the part of courts to attribute criminal liability to a company for the actions of its employees seems to be escalating. This is demonstrated by the Privy Council decision of Meridian Global Funds Management Asia Ltd v Securities Commission[xxiv] mentioned above. This type of fraudulent activity is only expected to become simpler through the implementation of new technologies by companies. Further, the attribution of criminal liability to an organisation in this manner may broaden to include those actions of employees concerning the abuse of new technologies.

It is worth noting that both the Data Protection Act 1998[xxv] and the Telecommunications (Lawful Business Practice)(Interception of Communications) Regulations 2000[xxvi] make it illegal to use equipment connected to a telecommunications network for the commission of an offence. The Protection of Children Act 1978[xxvii] and Criminal Justice Act 1988[xxviii] make it a criminal offence to distribute or possess scanned, digital or computer-generated facsimile photographs of a child under 16 that are indecent. Further, the Obscene Publications Act 1959[xxix] subjects all computer material making it a criminal offence to publish an article whose effect, taken as a whole, would tend to deprave and corrupt those likely to read, see or hear it. While these Acts do not of themselves create liability, they increase the penalties that a company can be exposed to if liable for the acts of an employee committing offences using the Internet.

[i] Broom v Morgan [1953] 1 QB 597. [ii] Employees Liability Act 1991 (NSW). [iii] G E Dal Pont, Law of Agency (Butterworths, 2001) [1.2]. [iv] Ibid [22.4]. [v] Singapore Broadcasting Association, SBA's Approach to the Internet, See Century Insurance Co Limited v Northern Ireland Road Transport Board [1942] 1 All ER 491; and Tiger Nominees Pty Limited v State Pollution Control Commission (1992) 25 NSWLR 715, at 721 per Gleeson CJ. [vi] Tiger Nominees Pty Limited v State Pollution Control Commission (1992) 25 NSWLR 715. [vii] Bugge v Brown (1919) 26 CLR 110, at 117 per Isaacs J. [viii] unreported decision in Warne and Others v Genex Corporation Pty Ltd and Others -- BC9603040 -- 4 July 1996. [ix] [1912] AC 716 [x] [1912] AC 716, Lord Shaw of Dunfermline at 739 [xi] [1912] AC 716 [xii] (1949) 79 CLR 370 at 381 [xiii] Ibid. [xiv] [1952] 1 TLR 101 (CA). [xv] [1995] 2 AC 500 [xvi] see Lloyd v Grace, Smith & Co. [1912] AC 716 [xvii] see Armagas Limited v Mundogas S.A. [1986] 1 AC 717 [xviii] Demott, Deborah A. (2003) "When is a Principal Charged with an Agent's Knowledge?" 13 Duke Journal of Comparative & International Law. 291 [xix] [1971] 2 QB 711 [xx] [1972] AC 153 [xxi] ibid, at 170 per Lord Reid [xxii] See Pearks, Gunston & Tee Limited v Ward [1902] 2 KB 1, at 11 per Channell J, and Mousell Bros Limited v London and North-Western Railway Company [1917] 2 KB 836, at 843 per Viscount Reading [xxiii] See Mousell Bros Limited v London and North-Western Railway Company [1917] 2 KB 836, at 845 per Atkin J. [xxiv] [1995] 2 AC 500. [xxv] Data Protection Act 1998 [UK] [xxvi] Telecommunications (Lawful Business Practice)(Interception of Communications) Regulations 2000 [UK] [xxvii] Protection of Children Act 1978 [UK] [xxviii] Protection of Children Act 1978 and Criminal

Justice Act 1988 [UK] [xxix] Obscene Publications Act 1959 [UK]

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## Bitcoin P2P e-cash paper

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I've been working on a new electronic cash system that's fully peer-to-peer, with no trusted third party.

The paper is available at:

http://www.bitcoin.org/bitcoin.pdf

The main properties:

Double-spending is prevented with a peer-to-peer network.

No mint or other trusted parties.

Participants can be anonymous.

New coins are made from Hashcash style proof-of-work.

The proof-of-work for new coin generation also powers the network to prevent double-spending.

Bitcoin: A Peer-to-Peer Electronic Cash System

Abstract. A purely peer-to-peer version of electronic cash would allow online payments to be sent directly from one party to another without the burdens of going through a financial institution. Digital signatures provide part of the solution, but the main benefits are lost if a trusted party is still required to prevent double-spending. We propose a solution to the double-spending problem using a peer-to-peer network. The network timestamps transactions by hashing them into an ongoing chain of hash-based proof-of-work, forming a record that cannot be changed without redoing the proof-of-work. The longest chain not only serves as proof of the sequence of events witnessed, but proof that it came from the largest pool of CPU power. As long as honest nodes control the most CPU power on the network, they can generate the longest chain and outpace any attackers. The network itself requires minimal structure. Messages are broadcasted on a best effort basis, and nodes can leave and rejoin the network at will, accepting the longest proof-of-work chain as proof of what happened while they were gone.

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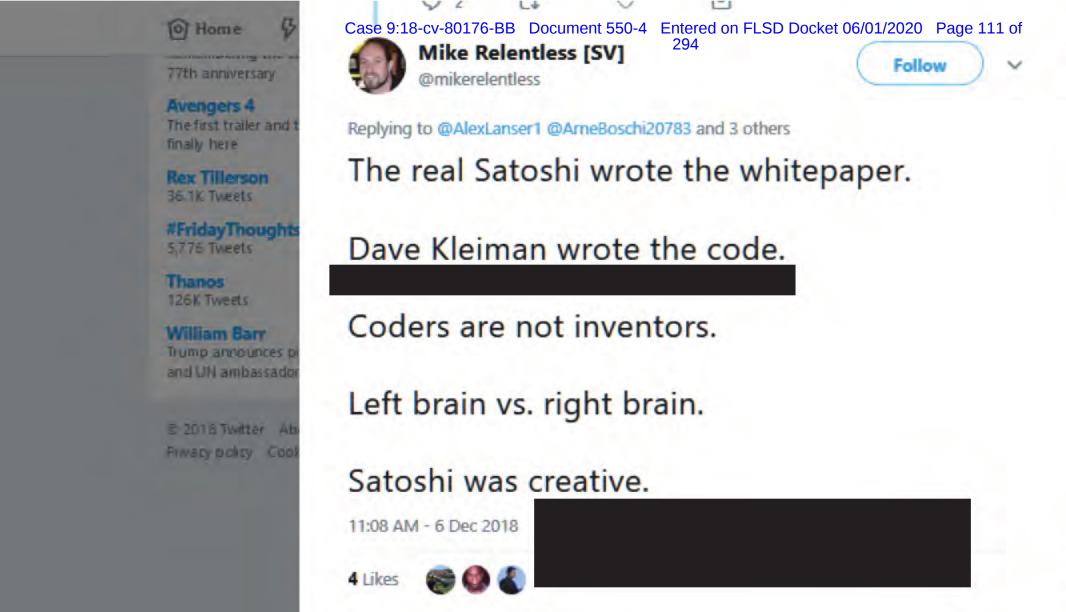
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From: Craig Wright [A]
Sent: 2/15/2014 11:48:38 AM

To: Ira K [clocktime2020@gmail.com]; craigswright@acm.org

Subject: RE: Dave

Hi Ira,

Dave and I had completed several papers and books and had a company together.

I cannot say much right now, but yes, Dave was involved with that PDF. He had the vistomail account, I had the gmx one.

The following pages will help.

- http://www.forensicfocus.com/c/aid=54/reviews/2013/internet-evidence-finder-ief/
- http://www.panamacarsrental.com/images/wallet/BackupBitcoin/bitcoin-walletdat-location.php
- http://www.magnetforensics.com/bitcoin-forensics-a-journey-into-the-dark-web/

You will be looking for Private keys and wallet.dat files. Also look for \*.wallet and \*.asc. If the drives and phones are encrypted, then that will make this difficult to say the least.

Any QR files and images could also help.

Talk more soon,

...

Dr. Craig Wright LLM GSE GSM GSC MMIT MNSA MInfoSec CISSP/ISSMP CISM CISA

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From: Ira K [mailto:<u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u>] Sent: Saturday, 15 February 2014 3:31 AM

To: craigswright@acm.org

Subject: Dave

Hi Craig,

I am Dave's brother, Ira.

I heard via Patrick that you and my brother worked on some tech projects together. If what he told me is true I would be very impressed.

As the person in charge of his estate, I have most of his belongings and hard drives, aside from the few Patrick has. The drives I have are encrypted so am not sure yet if they can be decrypted.

Can I ask you if Dave played a part in writing the original PDF under the asian alias? Any info you can share would be most interesting. I certainly would not disclose it to anyone outside our circle. I have no interest in public attention from it. I just think it would be cool to know that David played a part in creating something so incredible.

Sincerely,

From: John Chesher [john.chesher@hotwirepe.com]

**Sent**: 3/6/2014 3:54:04 PM

**To**: Craig S Wright [craig.wright@hotwirepe.com]

Subject: FW: Transcript and Meeting Minutes [DLM=Sensitive]
Attachments: 20140218 Transcript.pdf; 20140226 Meeting Minutes.pdf

----Original Message----

From: Miller, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Miller@ato.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 6 March 2014 10:50 AM

To: John Chesher

Cc: Trinh, Jenifer; McMaster, Des

Subject: Transcript and Meeting Minutes [DLM=Sensitive]

John.

For your reference, I have attached the transcript of your meeting with us on 18 February 2014. It has been transcribed from the recording by Auscript.

Also, please see attached, the minutes of our meeting on 26 February 2014. Could you please review these and advise of any errors or omissions. If you are satisfied that the minutes are an accurate reflection of the discussion, please advise as such.

Thanks and regards,

Andrew Miller Auditor | Indirect Tax Australian Taxation Office

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From: Craig S Wright

**Sent**: 1/29/2014 9:42:37 AM

To: 'Benjamin Wright' [wagonhitch5@yahoo.com]

Subject: RE: Intro

Thanks

From: messages-noreply@bounce.linkedin.com [mailto:messages-noreply@bounce.linkedin.com] On Behalf Of

Benjamin Wright via LinkedIn

Sent: Wednesday, 29 January 2014 9:39 AM

To: Craig Steven Wright Cc: Benjamin Wright Subject: RE: Intro

### LinkedIn

**INTRODUCTION:** YOU HAVE A NEW MESSAGE

From: Benjamin Wright Date: January 28, 2014 Subject RE: Intro

Craig:

My single contact with Tyler Winklevoss says to you: "I'd say to have Craig email him directly at Tyler@winklevoss.com"

Best regards

--Ben

On 01/28/14 1:21 PM, Craig Steven Wright wrote:

Worth a try.

The Winklevoss twins are right into Bitcoin. Dave Kleiman and I started mining in 2009. So we have a few things that will interest them. It is a shame Dave died last year before fruition, but all is moving ahead.

On 01/28/14 8:04 AM, Benjamin Wright wrote:

Craig: I did forward your request for an introduction. But I do not know my direct contact well. Furthermore Tyler Winklevoss (my indirect contact) is a very famous person. So I do not know whether my effort will work.

SANS keeps me alert and engaged! Good to hear from you.

--Ben

On 01/27/14 8:14 PM, Craig Steven Wright wrote:

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Hello Ben

I am trying to get a contact forwarded to Tyler.

Can you forward the linked in request?

Thanks

Craig

PS, been a while, but how are things going at SANS etc?

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Michele Seven [michele.m.seven@gmail.com] 5/21/2015 6:23:38 AM Craig S Wright [craig.wright@hotwirepe.com] Re: Email
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	0, 2015 1:29 PM, "Michele Seven" < <u>michele.m.seven@gmail.com</u> > wrote: <u>estream.com/theNYPL/Bitcoin/videos/87733019</u>
You do with me	May 20, 2015 at 1:09 PM, Michele Seven < <u>michele.m.seven@gmail.com</u> > wrote: know that I am not psychologically stable enough to play these kinds of games so why are you toying? I know I'm fun, but at my core, I'm just very sweet. You should find someone who is more d- I don't feed that part of me any more.
On Wed	, May 20, 2015 at 1:57 AM, Craig S Wright < craig.wright@hotwirepe.com > wrote:
More to	o come.
You ha	ve watched my video on Dave.
	ast, David Kleiman was my best friend and business partner. He died a couple years ago now, but as I had known e the 90's we have many shared secrets.
	who is a director of a few companies with me – is one friend who has known many things, but she is in the US etc o a little young
I was a	security researcher and forensic expert:
http://wv	vw.zdnet.com/article/nsw-open-to-cyber-attack-researcher/
	security reviewer and cryptographer that does the work on iVote. This work is the security of the NSW online voting I also built and test security systems for Playboy, a number of casinos and Banks.

What I need is a person who can be my secret, know the secrets I have and be the mirror I need.

That is what I was.

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I want to share, to watch the reactions and know what I am doing. One I can tell my plans to and see the reactions of so to say. I have seen enough of you to know you are what I need here. You are right to be my mirror and to ensure that I am the reflection I want to be and not lose track of my goals.

I will write tomorrow.	
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From: Craig S Wright

**Sent**: 4/2/2014 9:20:52 AM

To: John Chesher [john.chesher@hotwirepe.com]; 'Andrew Sommer' [asommer@claytonutz.com]

CC: Ramona Watts [ramona.watts@hotwirepe.com]

Subject: RE: UK - design by human

Hello,

We have the email from Dave below.

This was from Dec 2012. The simple answer is that we have and control the company completely now. The screenshot is the site in Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> 2012, so Dave had been there at that point.

There was a risk from Oct 2012 when Dave reserved this and before it was paid for, but we have control fully. The main thing here is that Dave mined all of this outside Australia and even if we had managed to screw this and somehow lose control of the company, we would still have been using overseas rights to BTC.

I was not the person doing the mining. Dave was.

Regards, Craig

----Original Message----

From: dave@davekleiman.com

Sent: Saturday, 16 December 2012 15:28 PM

To: Craig S Wright Subject: Re: Brits

----BEGIN PGP SIGNED MESSAGE-----

Hash: SHA1

No need. There are several others from October if we come into any issues, but we only need one. Your trust is in the Seychelles and you want to have noting known of mine in P, so it should all be good.

We only need one dormant and untraded company to sit as a owner of the bitcoin we are mining into them. I am assuming you do not want WKID to be a director, the brits do allow this.

Dave

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----END PGP SIGNATURE-----

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----Original Message----

From: Craig S Wright [mailto:craig.wright@information-defense.com]

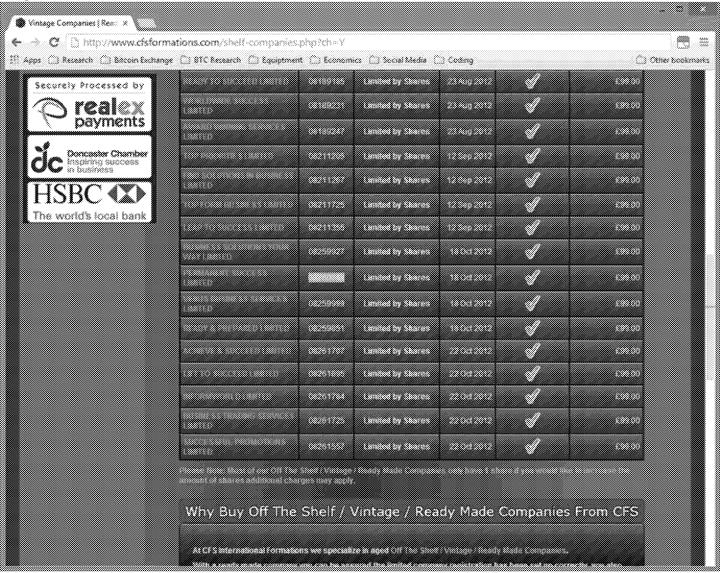
Sent: Saturday, 15 December 2012 1:02 PM

To: 'dave kleiman' Subject: Brits

Dave,

We have 08248988 held and reserved at CFS. Should be grab another as a backup, at least hold or reserve one?

### Craig



# CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF SHARES OF A COMPANY OWNING BUSINESS

**PARTIES** 

Dave Kleiman for W & K Info Defense LLC (Vendor)

AND

Craig Wright R&D ABN 97 481 146 384 (Purchaser)

AND

W&K Info Defense LLC (Company)

Ref. CEWK03

### THIS AGREEMENT dated 02 day of April 2013

### BETWEEN

Dave Kleiman of W&K Info Defense LLC (Florida)

(Vendor)

And

Craig Wright of Craig Wright R&D

ABN 97 481 146 384

(Purchaser)

And

W&K Info Defense LLC

(Company).

### RECITALS

- A. The vendor is the owner of all issued shares in the company being ordinary class shares. Ownership is 50% in the vendor's name and 50% in trust held for the purchaser.
- B. The company is the owner of and conducts the business known as Bitcoin mining and Software development / Research.
- C. The vendor has agreed to sell and the purchaser has agreed to purchase the vendor's shares for the price and upon the terms set out hereunder.
- D. As the purchaser will succeed to the business of the company on completion of the acquisition of these shares, the parties agree that they will incorporate into this agreement those agreements contained in the attached contract for the sale of a business to the intent that they shall in relation to the sale of the shares have the rights and obligations contained in such contract as part of this agreement.
- E. The company has consented to and agreed to be bound by the terms of this agreement.
- F. The company includes all software, research material and other aspects of the business.
- G. The parties wish to commit the terms of their agreement to writing in the manner hereinafter set out.

### **OPERATIVE PART**

### 1. Interpretation

This agreement is governed by the laws of the state of NSW, and the parties, submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of that state/country.

In the interpretation of this agreement:

- (a) References to legislation or provisions of legislation include changes or reenactments of the legislation and statutory instruments and regulations issued under, the legislation;
- (b) Words denoting the singular include the plural and vice versa; words denoting individuals or persons include bodies corporate and vice versa; references to documents or agreements also mean those documents or agreement as changed, novated or replaced, and words denoting one gender include all genders;
- (c) Grammatical forms of defined words or phrases have corresponding meanings;
- (d) Parties must perform their obligations on the dates and times fixed by reference to the capital city of the state of Sydney;
- (e) Reference to an amount of money is a reference to the amount in the lawful currency of the Commonwealth of Australia:
- (f) If the day on or by which anything is to be done is a Saturday, a Sunday or a public holiday in the place in which it is to be done, then it must be done on the next business day;
- (g) References to a party are intended to bind their executors, administrators and permitted transferees; and
- (h) Obligations under this agreement affecting more than one party bind them jointly and each of them severally.
- 2. The vendor hereby agrees to sell and the purchaser hereby agrees to purchase ordinary class shares in the company for the purchase price as noted below:
  - (a) Two (2) loans issued under deed "CEWK01" are agreed to be repaid in full for the consideration of 300,000 Bitcoin agreed in the contract. The repayments as a one off of both loans for \$20,000,000 with a total value of

\$40,000,000 are deemed paid in full for the above value. This is noted as consideration from the purchaser and is issued in forbearance of the requirements of the contract signed 22 April 2011 between the Vendor/Company and the purchaser (designated CEWK01).

- (b) The vendor agrees that the paper wallet with address "1933phfhK3ZgFQNLGSDXvqCn32k2buXY8a" held in escrow will be released to the purchaser.
- (c) Due to the unexpected rise in the value of Bitcoin, it is agreed that two transfers (in Bitcoin) of BTC 125,000 and BTC 125,500 when taken in conjunction with the supply of the software, will suffice to fulfil the contract.

### 3. Hence, the vendor will:

- (a) Pay (transfer to) the purchaser 250,500 BTC on 30 April 2013.
- (b) Accept transfer of the escrowed Bitcoin paper wallet to the purchaser,
- (c) Transfer the ASC hardware to the purchaser.
- (d) Release the source code to the purchaser.
- (e) Transfer the Vistomail email account.
- (f) Transfer all research materials from the four (4) DHS BAA research projects to the purchaser with all notes, data and results, and
- (g) Transfer any shares in the company to the purchaser by 30 April 2013.

### 4. The Purchaser will:

- (a) Accept the new terms in full satisfaction of the contract with Reference CEWK01 made between the vendor/company and the purchaser on 22 April 2013.
- (b) Accept the vendor's 323,000 remaining "mined" Bitcoin as a 49.5% stake in a new venture to be formed in Australia (to be called Coin-Exch Pty Ltd) between the vendor and the purchaser for the exploitation of the joint and to be pooled Bitcoin
- (c) Accept the transfer of the 323,000 Bitcoin (to be made on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013) as capital and note that shares in the new enterprise will be issued at this point.

- (d) Provide \$30,000,000 in capital into Coin-Exch Pty Ltd (to be formed) and the software developed in the prior venture.
- 5. Settlement shall be effected on 30 April 2013.
- 6. So far as they are relevant the agreements contained in the incorporated contract for the sale of a business shall be agreements between the parties herein.
- 7. In the event of either party failing to complete this agreement on the settlement date then the other shall be entitled at any time thereafter to serve a notice to complete requiring the other to complete within 14 days from the date of service of the notice, which time period is considered reasonable by both parties. For the purpose of this contract, such notice to complete shall be deemed both at law and in equity sufficient to make time of the essence of this contract.
- 8. On the settlement date the vendors shall:
  - (a) Deliver up to the purchaser possession of the business conducted by the company and in all respects shall have complied with the terms of the business sale contract incorporated herein;
  - (b) Deliver up to the purchaser duly executed instruments of transfer of their shares;
  - (c) Cause a meeting of the directors of the company to be held at which the directors shall approve and consent to the sale and transfer by the vendors to the purchaser of the vendors' shares.
  - (d) Send all software developed under the various DHS BAA filings to the purchaser (incl. source code and documentation).
  - (e) Provide the location and access rights to the ASC mining hardware hosted at a site known to Mr Kleiman will be returned with this transfer. This has a nominal value of \$8,828,571.29 before depreciation. This is a
  - (f) Solutions to the Agent and Merkle Tree problems developed by Professor David Reese.
  - (g) Bitcoin agent software and suit of C/C++/C# and Python Blockchain software source codes.

- (h) Exchange Bitcoin holdings as noted in the contract.
- 9. The company hereby agrees to take all steps and carry out all acts to procure the registration on the settlement date of the purchaser as the registered holder of tile to the vendors' shares.
- 10. The purchaser will make all reasonable endeavours to have the new venture (Coin-Exch Pty Ltd) registered for GST and under the Australian Corporations act provisions before settlement on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013.
- 11. The parties hereto agree to execute and perform all such acts, deeds, documents and things whatsoever as may be necessary and desirable to better carry into effect the provisions of this agreement.

### 12. Vendor's warranties

### (a) Vendor's authority to sell

- (i) The vendors are the registered and beneficial owners of their shares in the company.
- (ii) The vendors have full power and authority to sell and transfer to the purchaser good legal and equitable title to the shares without the consent or authorisation of any person except only consents required by the company.

### (b) The company's financial statements

Other than matters disclosed to the purchaser in writing the books and accounts of the company truly and fairly reflect the company's affairs.

### (c) Books and records

The company's books, records and registers are in the possession of the company, and accurately record the details of all of the company's transactions, finances, assets and liabilities.

### (d) Taxation

(i) Other than disclosed to the purchaser in writing the company has lodged or filed all tax and duty returns for all taxes including GST, income tax, sales tax, fringe benefits tax, payroll tax, group tax and WorkCare levies.

- (ii) No claim has or will be made against the company for payment by the company pursuant to the provisions of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 of any tax which is not shown or included as a liability or provision in the balance sheet contained in the accounts.
- (iii) Neither the commissioner nor any federal, state or municipal body has any dispute with the company concerning the company's affair.

### (e) Compliance with applicable laws

- (i) Neither the vendor nor the company has breached, or caused a breach of the company's memorandum or articles of association; any contract, agreement or instrument which binds the company; or any judgment, order, injunction or decree of any court, commission or administrative body relating to the company or to the shares.
- (ii) Neither the company nor any of its officers, agents or employees (while performing their duties for the company) has breached the law. The company has not been notified that it has, or may have, breached the law regulating its affairs or the conduct of its business.

### (f) Litigation and indebtedness

Other than as disclosed to the purchaser in writing:

- (i) The company is not a party to, or threatened with, any claim, litigation, prosecution or arbitration in any court, tribunal or otherwise;
- (ii) There are no unsatisfied judgments or arbitral awards against the company;
- (iii) The company is not being investigated for any breach of the law.
  Neither the company nor any of its directors is aware of any breach of the law or of any circumstances, which would give rise to a breach of the law other than as disclosed to the purchaser in writing:
- (iv) The company has met all deadlines for repayment of its debts;
- (v) No petitions, notices or proceedings have come to the company's notice, which could result in it being wound up. No orders or resolutions have been made or passed to place the company in liquidation or provisional liquidation.

### (g) Accuracy of disclosed information

- (i) The vendor has disclosed to the purchaser all information, which would be material for a purchaser in forming a decision whether or not to purchase the shares.
- (ii) If either the vendor or the company becomes aware of anything which may constitute a breach of, or be inconsistent with any representation, warranty or undertaking in this agreement, they will notify the purchaser of its particulars promptly in writing.

### (h) Warranties and indemnities

- It is a condition of this agreement that each warranty is true and correct in every respect and shall be construed separately.
- (ii) The vendor acknowledges that the warranties have been given with the intention and for the purpose of inducing the purchaser to enter into this agreement.
- (iii) The purchaser has entered into this agreement and agreed to the purchase price payable for the shares on the basis of and in full reliance upon the warranties.
- (iv) Prior to the settlement date the vendor will take all such steps and provide all such information and documents with regard to the company as the purchaser may reasonably require and will give the purchaser and its professional advisers full and free access to the records and accounts of the company (whether financial or otherwise) to enable them to fully investigate the accuracy of the warranties.

### 13. Notices

A communication required by this agreement, by a party to another, must be in writing and may be given to them by being:

- (a) Delivered personally; or
- (b) Posted to their address specified in this agreement, or as later notified by them, in which case it will be treated as having been received on the second business day after posting; or

- (c) Faxed to the facsimile number of the party with acknowledgment of receipt received electronically by the sender, when it will be treated as received on the day of sending; or
- (d) Sent by email to their email address, when it will be treated as received on that day.

### 14. Waiver or variation

- (a) A party's failure or delay to exercise a power or right does not operate as a waiver of that power or right.
- (b) The exercise of a power or right does not preclude:
  - (i) Its future exercise; or
  - (ii) The exercise of any other power or right.
- (c) The variation or waiver of a provision of this agreement or a party's consent to a departure from a provision by another party will be ineffective unless in writing executed by the parties.

### 15. Counterparts

This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which will be an original but such counterparts together will constitute one and the same instrument and the date of the agreement will be the date on which it is executed by the last party.

### 16. Further assurance

Each party will from time to time do all things (including executing all documents) necessary or desirable to give full effect to this agreement.

### 17. Costs

Each party will pay their own costs in relation to this agreement.

## SIGNED AS AN AGREEMENT

Executed by W & K Info Defense LLC

Dove Kleimon

Dave Kleiman DIRECTOR

Executed by

Craig Wright R&D (A.B.N. 97 481 146 384)

Craig S Wright

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From: nCrypt Craig

Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 9:35 AM

To: nCrypt Stefan

CC: Victoria Brooks; Alan Edwards; Robert MacGregor; Kathrin Kauschmann; nicholas.caley@outside-org.co.uk; nCrypt Ramona

Subject: Re: Coordination

The people working for Ethereum and Blockstream are the ones trying as hard as they can to ensure that Satoshi remains dead.

I really think the last thing we need to do is have them involved right now. Offering them a platform is a risk that I see no upside to.

Craig

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I think Szabo is extremely risky at best.

Nick works for Ethereum.

To quote Nick:

"Ethereum has a better smart contract language than bitcoin,"

His self interest is in not having SN = CSW. Best case, there is no upside for him. If I am SN, then all he has been doing for years means little.

Civil

On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 9:29 AM, nCrypt Stefan <stefan@ncrypt.com> wrote:

We also have a potential reveal with Nick Szabo that could involve Andrew.

Sent from my iPhone

On 30 Mar 2016, at 8:14 PM, Victoria Brooks < victoria@milkpublicity.com> wrote:

Absolutely, I will speak to the Prof on Friday.

Sent from my iPhone

On 30 Mar 2016, at 09:49, nCrypt Craig <craig@nerypt.com> wrote:

Can I leave this with everyone to try and see what we can arrange between the various parties.

Having Andrew witness at least one of these would be ideal and strengthen the piece.

On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 8:21 AM, Alan Edwards <alan.edwards@outside-org.co.uk> wrote:

Agree that if we can't move JM or GA we should look to move the Professor to give Andrew his piece of editorial - which we will make sure is aligned with the other media we have planned.

Best

Also

> On 30 Mar 2016, at 09:03, Victoria Brooks < victoria@milkpublicity.com > wrote:

> Hi Craig,

> I can ask the Prof to change his reveal date if we all think this is the best route. He is not back until Friday - so I can call him then if we agree on this date. I know that his preference was to be in the reveal session with either GA or JM.

> I can certainly find out if the 9th is an option and report back by EOP Friday.

> Best wishes,

> Victoria

> Sent from my iPhone

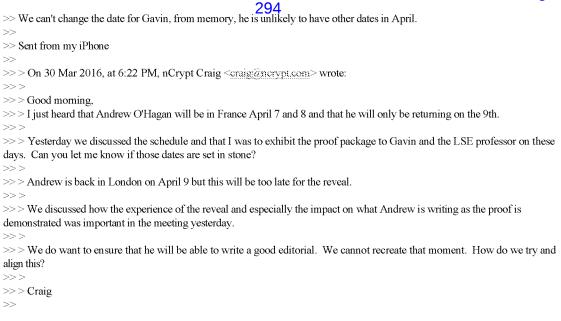
> On 30 Mar 2016, at 08:45, nCrypt Craig <a href="mailto:craig@ncrypt.com">craig@ncrypt.com</a> wrote:

>> Do we move the LSE prof a couple days?

>>

>> On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 7:37 AM, nCrypt Stefan <stefan@ncrypt.com> wrote:

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Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 10:08 AM

To: nCrypt Stefan

CC: Victoria Brooks; Alan Edwards; Robert MacGregor; Kathrin Kauschmann; nicholas.caley@outside-org.co.uk; nCrypt Ramona

Subject: Re: Coordination

Let me make this as clear and simple as I can.

I believe that using those whose interests are to oppose me as a so called source of truth is foolish.

No to Nick

No to Maxwell.

No to any of the people working for firms that are opposed to what we are doing.

On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 9:45 AM, nCrypt Stefan < stefan@acrypt.com > wrote:

We have no commitment with or from Nick at this stage, only that Jon was going to contact him. You knew about this as we discussed doing a reveal to Nick before I left LON especially as we were struggling with date/s that fitted our timeline for Gavin at that point.

I can instruct Jon not to proceed with engagement with Nick at any time if you think that prudent?

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His self interest is in not having SN = CSW. Best case, there is no upside for him. If I am SN, then all he has been doing for years means little.

Craig

On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 9:29 AM, nCrypt Stefan < stefan@ncrypt.com > wrote:

We also have a potential reveal with Nick Szabo that could involve Andrew.

Sent from my iPhone

On 30 Mar 2016, at 8:14 PM, Victoria Brooks < victoria@milkpublicity.com > wrote:

Absolutely, I will speak to the Prof on Friday.

Sent from my iPhone

On 30 Mar 2016, at 09:49, nCrypt Craig <eraig@ncrypt.com> wrote:

Can I leave this with everyone to try and see what we can arrange between the various parties.

Having Andrew witness at least one of these would be ideal and strengthen the piece.

On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 8:21 AM, Alan Edwards <alan.edwards@outside-org.co.uk> wrote:

Agree that if we can't move JM or GA we should look to move the Professor to give Andrew his piece of editorial - which we will make sure is aligned with the other media we have planned.

Best

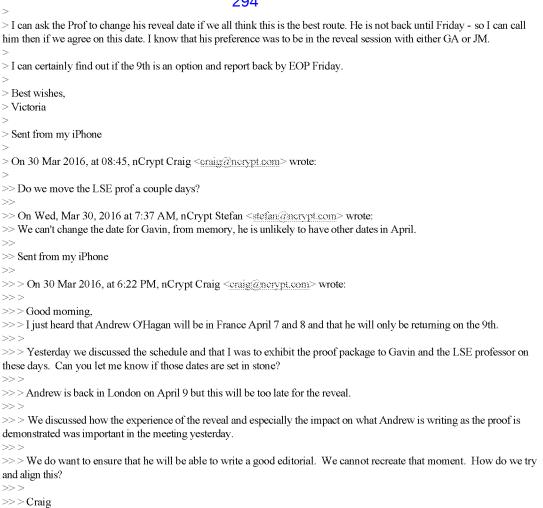
Alan

> On 30 Mar 2016, at 09:03, Victoria Brooks < victoria@milkpublicity.com> wrote:

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> Hi Craig,

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From: nCrypt Ramona

Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 9:39 AM

To: nCrypt Stefan

CC: nCrypt Craig; Alan Edwards; Victoria Brooks; Robert MacGregor; Nick Caley

Subject: Re: Leaks

Staff don't know what we discuss in our media meetings. Yes they have seen the photographer, but do not know of JM or Gavin. Craig, you think Nick is a concern, and he has been approached and has knowledge of this happening? Could this be related?

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That is what is troubling.

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#### Best wishes

Alan

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- > Craig

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From: nCrypt Craig

Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 10:02 AM

To: nCrypt Stefan

CC: Alan Edwards; Victoria Brooks; Robert MacGregor; nCrypt Ramona; Nick Caley

Subject: Re: Leaks

Right now, the following companies have raised over \$100 million. They have valuations of more than half \$1 billion.

- BlockStream
- 21 Inc
- Ethereum

All three of these companies rely on bitcoin remaining small and Satoshi not coming back.

Gregory Maxwell and his crew work for Blockstream. Nick Szabo works for Ethereum. All of them have stock interests and more than just a mild vested interest in ensuring that I am not successful. This is not a personal thing. I really don't care about these people at all from a personal point of view. What I care about is that these individuals and companies are all focused on ensuring that bitcoin remains small.

I have public information already and a number of publications on the way that dictate how bitcoin can grow.

I really don't think we are focused on the negatives that we need to address and that will come back to haunt us. These individuals have been running the public face of bitcoin longer than I have. I have not been publicly involved for more than five years. The consequences of this other these people hold more authority than they should given the way that they're acting.

There is a vested interest in ensuring that our plans are not successful. If we don't act on these and other issues related to them were going to find ourselves in an ongoing battle. We should not be entertaining those on the other side of the fence but rather should be ensuring that they are not armed with further false accusations.

One thing that I've learnt is that any lie that is not addressed becomes truth. We saw this with the PGP keys and although it is easy to validate that it's a lie the fact that something remains a lie without being addressed leaves people believe in the lie.

We addressed talking to Nick Szabo and Gregory Maxwell. That is correct. I also said it was a bad idea. Let me spell it out, none of the people with any involvement in the three companies mentioned above should have anything to do with this. Our plans should involve how we ensure that the people in these companies do not gain traction against us.

These people will address the issues in their own way. Not through truth, but from the same sort of attacks based on lies and innuendo that we have seen already. We need to be prepared for this.

I obviously did not state my opinion clearly enough. I will do so now. I will not be involved with any debate or any discussion with the people from the companies at the top of this email. I have no personal grievances with them and nor do I care for them. None of them have any interest in promoting bitcoin. None of them desire that I come back. Right now we are a position of weakness. It is not about signing keys, it is about addressing the points that we need to address.

The importance of getting the message about the PGP keys out there is so that we have time to address these issues. People like Gregory Maxwell will attack us and people will listen to him unless we move now. The day before the reveal will not work. These articles and comments are not from Uyen and they are not from the Sydney staff.

So yes, Nick is a major concern. Any people with a vested interest in ensuring that we do not succeed are a major concern.

Craig

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- > Craig

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From: Nick Caley

Sent: Saturday, April 30, 2016 9:40 AM

To: nCrypt Ramona

CC: Victoria Brooks;Robert MacGregor;nCrypt Stefan;nCrypt Craig;gavinandresen@hush.com;Jon Matonis;Alan Edwards;Kathrin Kauschmann;Charlotte

Harris; Andrewohagan@me.com; allan@ncrypt.com

Subject: Re: UPDATED TIMELINE - MONDAY 02 MAY 2016

Hello Ramona

thanks for this and understand your concern. I would say though that's it's very important that the release is issued at the same time as the BBC/Economist/GQ go live with their story as if we give it to other media outlets hours later it could mean they run with a more negative take on the story. Equally, i'd think once the first media runs at 8am we'll have people asking for the press release almost straight away

thanks

Nick

### Nick Caley

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On 30 Apr 2016, at 05:34, nCrypt Ramona < ramona@ncrypt.com > wrote:

Thanks for this-it all reads really well. Craig and I have been discussing this, and realised that the press release to the wider media will be occurring on Monday as well as the actual articles. We are travelling back to London on that day with 2 other children who are not ours (Rachel's and Ben's friends from school) and are concerned that issuing a very public press release like that may be an issue with the parents. Is it possible to issue the press release AFTER we have arrived in London and the other kids are safely back home?

Ramona

On 29 Apr 2016, at 19:20, Victoria Brooks < victoria@milkpublicity.com > wrote:

Hi All

please see the latest timeline for Monday:

**TIMELINE - MONDAY 02 MAY 2016** 

[Press Team: Alan Edwards, Nick Caley, Victoria Brooks all working on Monday]

07:30 AM (07:30) London

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Media Team contact BBC, Economist, GQ directing them to the CW & GA blogs

07:59 AM (07:59) London

CW Blog goes live www.drcraigwright.net

07:59 AM (07:59) London

CW signs block 9

\*\*\*EMBARGO WILL LIFTS AT 0800 AM (08:00) LONDON\*\*\*

08:00 AM (08:00) London

Rory Cellyn Jones | BBC publishes story online http://www.bbc.co.uk/news

**Today** programme run the story and other bbc broadcast outlets sometime between 8am and 9am http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qj9z/clips

08:00 AM (08:00) London

Stuart McGurk | GQ publishes story online www.gq-magazine.co.uk/

08:00 AM (08:00) London

Ludwig Siegle | Economist publishes story online www.economist.com/

08:00 AM (08:00) London - Eastern Daylight Time: 03:00AM (03:00)

Gavin Andresen Blog article goes live http://gavinandresen.ninja/ blog

10:30 am EDT Gavin Andresen on panel at Consensus in NYC [plans on arriving Sunday afternoon, heading back home Tuesday late afternoon or evening.]

08:00 AM (08:00) London

Jon Matonis tweets link to GA and CW Blogs @jonmatonis

08:00 AM (08:00) London

Andrew O'Hagan LRB teaser goes live http://www.irb.co.uk

http://www.lrb.co.uk/blog/

08:05 AM (08:05) London

Media Team release press release to wider media list

#### Media Team deal with all press enquiries

We will handle all media enquiries and gauge media reaction. In the first instance we will be declining press interviews for CW as agreed but will keep a record of requests. We will manage follow up and issue press pack and agreed statements.

Dr Craig Wright said, "I firmly believe that Bitcoin and the blockchain can change the world for the better. I didn't take the decision lightly to make my identity public and I want to be clear that I'm doing this because I care so passionately about my work and also to dispel any negative myths and fears about bitcoin and the Blockchain. I cannot allow the misinformation that has been spread to impact the future of Bitcoin and the Blockchain. I'm now able to build on what I have previously completed by releasing my research and academic work and help people understand just how powerful this can really be."

**Charles Sturt University** 

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It was reported / speculated in the media that Craig Wright was not a Lecturer at Charles Sturt University [the media did recognise that Wright acted as an Adjunct Lecturer]. Wright's Lecturer role can be proved by the fact that Wright was paid by the University [Adjunct Lecturers don't get paid] and we can show payment via the Staff Web Self Service portal and an invoice for payment by the University to Craig Wright for his services as a Lecturer. Additional material substantiating his Lecturer role is CW's CSU Staff Card.

Another accusation made was that Dr Craig Wright claimed he already had a PHD from CSU. The facts are that Dr Craig Wright's PHD with CSU has been submitted (we have proof of that) and has undergone peer review but graduation is not until December 2016. He has another doctorate which is why is able to use the "Dr" the title.

"What Craig Wright put on his Linked In page was an "expected graduation date. He did not say he had a second PHD. He can use the title Dr as he already has a doctorate. The thesis for his PHD has been submitted and has undergone peer review but graduation is not until December. He was a lecturer with CSU as he was paid by the University. Adjunct Lecturers don't get paid. We can show this via the Staff Web Self Service portal and an invoice for payment of services as a Lecturer. We can also show a CSU Staff Card."

Dr Craig Wright said, "I'm an academic and so my passion for study and learning never ends. In the case of CSU, I was both a student and a lecturer and so the University allowed me to have these dual roles, hence the misunderstanding. I have a staff card to prove I was a paid lecturer as this type of ID isn't issued to unpaid staff. I also have a letter from CSU offering me the paid position. With regards to the claim that I have PHDs, what I put on my Linked In page was an "expected graduation date". I can confirm my CSU PHD papers have been submitted, have undergone peer review and graduation is in December."

#### **Super Computer**

Media reported / speculated that there was no super computer. We can provide a letter from SGI that clearly states that they were working with Cloudcraft and built the Sukuriputo Okane, Cloudcraft's first supercomputer ranked number 327 in the world. This letter comes from a director at SGI.

#### **PGP Keys**

There have been several accusations made that the PGP keys could have been backdated or "forged", it is important to note that we have a report from forensic company First Response and Bill Lindley, CEO First Response stating that First Response have considered the claim that GnuPG version 1.4.7 could not manufacture a PGP key with the preferred hash algorithms of 8, 2, 9, 10, 11. We have tested the functionality of version 1.4.7 and reviewed the source code repositories and we have found the claim to be incorrect; therefore the claim should not be relied upon.

Dr Craig Wright said, "If you go back to the Internet archive, the Wayback machine, hosted by the Library of Congress in the US, there are copies of all the software and web pages that show that the version of PGP did have those particular hash functions included at that date."

We also now have the full Forensic Report attached.

"In the session they witnessed Dr Wright signing blocks 1 and Block 9 - the first one after the genesis block and the one associated with Hal Finney. Both Blocks are known as Satoshi blocks."

Other industry experts media can approach:

Gavin Andresen (like Jon Matonis) Gavin has been shown the proof. Gavin will be releasing a post on his blog and has indicated that he would be happy to share the content of this under embargo. If press wish to speak to him they can contact him via email

Gavin Andresen is the Amherst, Massachusetts-based chief scientist at the Bitcoin Foundation. He has access to the alert key that allows him to broadcast messages about critical network problems to all clients. After graduating from Princeton University in 1988, Andresen began his career working on 3D graphics software at Silicon Graphics Computer Systems. In 1996, he co-authored the VRML 2.0 specification, and later published a reference manual for VRML 2.0.Since leaving Silicon Valley in 1996, Andresen has tackled a wide variety of software-related ventures, including CTO of an early voice-over-the-Internet startup and co-founder of a company that made multiplayer online games for blind people and their sighted friends. In April 2011, Forbes quoted Andresen as saying, "Bitcoin is designed to bring us back to a decentralized currency of the people," and "this is like better gold than gold." Prior to 2014 Andresen was the lead developer for a part of the bitcoin digital currency project, working to create a secure, stable "cash for the Internet." Andresen also created ClearCoin, an escrow-type of service, which was closed c. June 23, 2011.

Jon Matonis [Bio in press pack]

#### Gavin Andresen - BLOG

GA has permitted that we can provide them with the blog post.

And if they have further questions, they can contact him via email - we can provide his email address and advises email

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communication only.

GA is declining any on-camera or on-microphone interviews, but happy to answer email questions that relate to why he is convinced. They should look to other people if

they are looking for somebody to give a "what does this mean for Bitcoin" opinion.

#### Title: Satoshi

I believe Craig Steven Wright is the person who invented Bitcoin.

I was flown to London to meet Dr. Wright a couple of weeks ago, after an initial email conversation convinced me that there was a very good chance he was the same person I'd communicated with in 2010 and early 2011. After spending time with him I am convinced beyond a reasonable doubt: Craig Wright is Satoshi.

Part of that time was spent on a careful cryptographic verification of messages signed with keys that only Satoshi should possess. But even before I witnessed the keys signed and then verified on a clean computer that could not have been tampered with, I was reasonably certain I was sitting next to the Father of Bitcoin.

During our meeting, I saw the brilliant, opinionated, focused, generous -- and privacy-seeking -- person that matches the Satoshi I worked with six years ago. And he cleared up a lot of mysteries, including why he disappeared when he did and what he's been busy with since 2011. But I'm going to respect Dr. Wright's privacy, and let him decide how much of that story he shares with the world.

We love to create heroes — but also seem to love hating them if they don't live up to some unattainable ideal. It would be better if Satoshi Nakamoto was the codename for an NSA project, or an artificial intelligence sent from the future to advance our primitive money. He is not, he is an imperfect human being just like the rest of us. I hope he manages to mostly ignore the storm that his announcement will create, and keep doing what he loves— learning and research and innovating.

I am very happy to be able to say I shook his hand and thanked him for giving Bitcoin to the world.

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Who is where | Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

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**Charlotte Harris - LONDON** 

Andrew O'Hagan - LONDON

Allan Pederson - LONDON

CW | RW - EUROPE

Gavin Andresen - USA - NYC

<sup>&</sup>lt;PGP Report.pdf>

<sup>&</sup>lt;br/> <LEADING SCIENTIST AND ACADEMIC DR CRAIG WRIGHT GOES PUBLIC AS THE INVENTOR OF BITCOIN AND THE BLOCKCHAIN .<br/>docx>

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From: Craig S Wright

Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2015 9:27 AM

To: Ramona Watts

Subject: FW: Transcript and Meeting Minutes [DLM=Sensitive]

Attachments: 20140226 Meeting Minutes.pdf

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20140226 MM.pdf

The term Chords is used - this is "cores"

This is in the 2013/2014 year.

I missed this as they transcribed CORES as CHORDS.

This is proof we did not make up the SGI, we had it in the earlier time.

----Original Message----

From: Miller, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Miller@ato.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 6 March 2014 10:50 AM

To: John Chesher

Cc: Trinh, Jenifer, McMaster, Des

Subject: Transcript and Meeting Minutes [DLM=Sensitive]

John,

For your reference, I have attached the transcript of your meeting with us on 18 February 2014. It has been transcribed from the recording by Auscript.

Also, please see attached, the minutes of our meeting on 26 February 2014. Could you please review these and advise of any errors or omissions. If you are satisfied that the minutes are an accurate reflection of the discussion, please advise as such.

Thanks and regards,

Andrew Miller
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From: Stefan Matthews [stefan.matthews@demorgan.com.au]

**Sent**: 11/25/2015 11:33:42 AM

To: Craig S Wright [craig.wright@demorgan.com.au]
CC: Ramona Watts [ramona.watts@demorgan.com.au]

Subject: Re: Hey

Let's talk on Monday about exactly what Dave's involvement was to ensure no conflicting views on this come out later.

Sent from my iPhone

On 25 Nov 2015, at 8:25 AM, Craig S Wright < craig.wright@demorgan.com.au > wrote:

Add Patrick to the list of knows.

From what is below, it is clear that Dave had discussed with him.

At least for now he also seems to be willing to not talk. But as Dave's friend he will want to ensure that Dave is outed one day.

From: Patrick Paige [mailto:patrick@computerforensicsllc.com]

Sent: Wednesday, 25 November 2015 2:10 AM

To: Craig Wright < craig@rcjbr.org>

Subject: RE: Hey

OK, that sounds good... I think we both know Dave was a genius when it came to computers and I sure would like Dave to get recognition for his part if any in the development of bitcoins. I realize there is a lot of things to consider releasing this information but my question is when?

Patrick Paige Ence scens 1880 North Congress Ave. Ste 333 Boynton Beach FL 33426 Office: 561.404.3074

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From: Craig Wright [mailto:craig@rcjbr.org]
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 3:49 PM

To: Patrick Paige < patrick@computerforensicsllc.com >

Subject: RE: Hey

Not yet.

We are in the process of finalising some of the research. I was hoping we could be at the point of release before the reporters started sniffing.

Craig

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On 24 Nov 2015 5:26 am, "Patrick Paige" <patrick@computerforensicsllc.com> wrote:

No problem... I don't think it's about computers, he mentioned bitcoins in his message. Maybe they something about yours and Dave's bitcoin involvement. You want me to return his call and feel him out? Are you guys close to releasing any information on Dave's involvement in Bitcoins?

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From: Craig Wright [mailto:craig@rcjbr.org]
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 1:06 PM

To: Patrick Paige < patrick@computerforensicsllc.com >

Subject: Re: Hey

Thanks for the heads up. Reporters are always troubling. They ignored the stuff Dave and I did when he was alive. I don't know what has started to interest them now.

The computer we are running made the top 20 within the top 500 supercomputer list so this may be new?

http://top500.org/

The first one was COIN in 2013 just before he died and the new one is Tulip.

Dave helped design the first one and as you know did a fair amount of research with me. Most yet to be completed and published.

A worry that they are starting to be nosey now.

Thanks again for the heads up.

On 20 Nov 2015 03:50, "Patrick Paige" < <u>patrick@computerforensicsllc.com</u>> wrote:

Hi Craig... how goes it, just wanted to touch base with you. I got a call from a reporter who left a message asking about Dave and you. I don't plan to call him back, but Carter and I were curious if something is going on.

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From: Ira K [clocktime2020@gmail.com]

**Sent**: 3/11/2014 11:21:13 PM

To: Craig S Wright Subject: Re: Another

I totally understand any apprehension towards trusting me or anyone with confidential matters. I already feel honored that you trusted me with as much information as you have.

Each day I enjoy reading the daily news about Bitcoin and thinking to myself I am one of the priviledged few who knows the real caped crusaders.

The sad part is that Dave isn't here to enjoy it. It just doesn't seem fair. I hope the saying is true that everything happens for a reason. Sometimes I just can't see it.

In regards to the company stuff, I won't ever do anything with it without talking to you first.

Sincerely, Ira

On Tue, Mar 11, 2014 at 1:36 AM, Craig S Wright

wrote:

We are not listing until we have merged the group etc.

So there is a little more to be done and you cannot easily vest this right now, it is private equity.

#### Company share structure

Share class	Share description	Number issued	Total amount paid	Total amount unpaid
FOU	FOUNDERS	21500000	21500000.00	0.00
ORD	ORDINARY	20000000	20000000.00	0.00

#### Members

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Share class	Total number held	Fully paid	Beneficially held
ORD	17000000	Yes	No

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Share class	Total number held	Fully paid	Beneficially held
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WRIGHT, CRAIG STEVEN

43 ST JOHNS AVENUE, GORDON NSW 2072

Share class	Total number held	Fully paid	Beneficially held
FOU	21500000	Yes	No

The FOU (Founders) shares are the ones Dave has a right to.

You and your father own 10,642,500 shares. This is 49.5% of the founder shares.

- You have a right to appoint 1 director
- You have a right to the quarterly accounts
- You have the rights to sell these when the company is floated
- The book value is around 5-7 million dollars, but it is a young company etc. So what it makes at float makes the difference.

Even if we do not access the drives, Dave's legacy is worth something.

I hope you understand taking so long to talk to you etc, but I do not trust easily and only do now as I loved Dave.

Regards,

Craig

From: Ira K [mailto:clocktime2020@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, 8 March 2014 2:33 PM

To: Craig Wright Subject: Re: Another

Very well good sir.

On Fri, Mar 7, 2014 at 5:22 PM, Craig Wright < > wrote

It is not. I am far from humble, but I will not take from Dave. I had an idea, but it would never have executed without Dave

Dave was my sounding board, he fixed my errors.

Dr. Craig Wright LLM GSE GSM GSC MMIT MNSA MInfoSec CISSP/ISSMP CISM CISA

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From: Ira K [mailto:clocktime2020@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, 8 March 2014 4:23 AM

To: Craig Wright Subject: Re: Another

Craig,

What the F? I thought humility was not your strong suit.

I understand Dave may have helped you in many ways, but the idea was yours.

As we speak, journalists around the world are in a frenzy searching for the person

who came up with the idea, not the team behind it.

The crown is yours to claim if you ever choose to.
Satoshi lives and prospers :-)
Ira
On Fri, Mar 7, 2014 at 3:22 AM, Craig Wright < wrote:
Ira,
What is true?
I had math skills and some coding, that frankly was crud (better than some, but really). Dave could edit his way through hell and back. I am not a team player. I am a terrible boss and slave driver, but with Dave I was far more.
Satoshi was a team. Without the other part of that team, he died.
Regards,
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From: Ira K [mailto:<u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u>]
Sent: Friday, 7 March 2014 5:08 PM



On Thu, Mar 6, 2014 at 5:54 PM, Craig S Wright wrote:
Again.
PLEASE delete the emails or at least encrypt them or something once you have read them.
From: Ira K [mailto: <u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u> ] Sent: Friday, 7 March 2014 9:39 AM
To: Craig S Wright Subject: Re: Another
Agreed.
On Thu, Mar 6, 2014 at 5:12 PM, Craig S Wright < wrote:
I will send you some rather private early emails today as long as you PROMISE to delete after reading.
Leave others to be Satoshi and leave Dave not to be.
Agreed?
From: Ira K [mailto:clocktime2020@gmail.com] Sent: Friday, 7 March 2014 1:38 AM To: Craig S Wright Subject: Re: Another
Craig,
Am I supposed to do something with the 2 .asc files you sent? I'm not sure what they are for.

Also I can't stop thinking that we may have 300,000 Bitcoins, but simply don't know how to retrieve them. It's certainly enough to change my family's life and my wife's family back in Thailand.

I should probably start trying to figure out how to access Dave's drives, but I'm still not sure who to trust them with. I think the only person would be you, so I was wondering if I could mail them to you? Or do have any plans on visiting the states? You are welcome to come stay with us and I could show you more of Dave's stuff.

Thanks,

Ira

On Tue, Feb 25, 2014 at 11:27 PM, Craig S Wright < wrote:

This is about all I can find.

The date on one is set ahead for some reason.

I do not have the passwords / phrases for them.

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From: Nick Caley

**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2016 4:49 PM

To: nCrypt Craig;nCrypt Ramona CC: Kathrin Kauschmann;Robert MacGregor;nCrypt Stefan;Alan Edwards;Victoria Brooks

Subject: Media Training Notes

Attachments: PX \_ Media Training Session 2 .docx; ATT00002.html; PX ? Media Training Session 1.doc; ATT00004.html

Hello Craig and Ramona

Please find attached notes and transcripts from the first two media training session to consider ahead of our next one on Thursday 7th April. Also, it would be useful if we could see a draft of what you might say at the press conference on the 26th April so we can discuss that in the session next week also

Many thanks

Nick

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CW: ... so we are working on 500 to 600 whitepapers, we should have 100 whitepapers by the end of the year and there is of course a cost to this from various companies. I had a number of organisations focused on different things and they have now been brought together under one entity.

Craig, how much does a whitepaper take to construct? I know it's a daft question... It could be hundreds of thousands of dollars?

Quite easily, including patenting, yes.

So you are actually saying – and can we check – that in 2012 you transferred all of that into the whitepapers for research?

We will be continuing to fund research and development. At the end of the day the Foundation that we aim to set up is going to be managing the companies and controlling my research. What I intend to do is continue developing solutions, continuing to develop Internet things, time controls...

... And so any reporter would then say 'you've got all of these Bitcoin are you're not going to use any of it for personal use?'

I don't need to. I am very content with my life as it is.

Is that a good enough answer? I think you need to emphasise that as when you say 'I don't need to' they're going to say 'why?' so I think you answer it straight away. You say 'look, I've got my family, I research, I don't need a lavish lifestyle', just emphasise that.

(Practicing) I have my family, my research; I have an organisation that is funded...

And spell it out for them: 'I don't want a load of big Porches, mansions around the world...' just make it black and white.

I've already got an Audi R8...

Maybe they'll bring up that one too, 'We know you have a penchant for fast cars...'

I already own an Audi R8 – I'm happy, I don't need any more. Not yet anyway, maybe in the future.

It's interesting as I wrote a note – much more clumsily than how you've just said it - which said that all these organisations, all lead back to one thing – they lead back research, they lead back to creating new things. Ultimately that Bitcoin benefits the wider world.

At the end of the day, we've got many organisations but they're focussed on different areas. What we've done is we've merged all these into a single organisation now. I'm not a commercial lawyer, despite having a law degree, and I have made mistakes on how we did these things because I thought it was better from a risk point of view. Taking advice from lawyers and other commercial advisors we've now merged all of these into a single entity, and that will continue to fund the research.

I think saying that – and I think its often very disarming with a journalist – is saying 'I'm not perfect' that's the right thing to do. To say 'I've made some mistakes, I've had some advice and actually now it's under this one umbrella'

At the end of the day, yes, I've got a Masters in Law and International Banking Law but I've never actually practiced as a lawyer. There is a big difference from reading a book on law to actually being a lawyer and I've discovered that one the hard way, many times! At the end of the day, that's why I have law firms to do the paperwork, to do the filing, because they have the expertise, they do it day to day. I do certain things day to day, whereas the lawyers on the other hand, they live and breath this. Its one thing, as you know, to read about how to do something, it's another to actually do it professionally.

### Absolutely, I didn't know you had a law degree as well!

I do. Northumbria. International and Commercial Law.

### That's good. That's much better than 'I don't really know...'

I didn't actually, in my law degree, learn about setting up companies. I learnt about the foundation of commercial law and shipping law and international banking law. So what I did was really a line to where we're going in international contracting and the creation of bills of exchange and other such things. I did a lot of different papers, there's one for instance on electronic contracting and how that changes with the introduction of digital signatures here in the UK, now that has been a foundation for the creation of exchange bills that we can actually implement within Bitcoin. But at the same time, that is a different area of law than running a company.

#### You've answered it.

And that's me yapping on. Then I can go on with, so what we're now going to do is to be opening up some of these electronic contracts. If you want to hear about that, what we're going to do is to have different signatories, including automated agents that will then be able to contract on their own. That is of course where the lawyers come in...

I don't understand any of this... That's the thing, how far do you go?

I'm enjoying it but maybe a couple of paragraphs back, but that is a lot better than 'I have a number of organisations including those in Sydney, Australia and the UK'.

### How do these benefit from you revealing your identity? 'I don't really know, I haven't looked into it, I'm not seeking anything out of it'

Yea but then we can get into the trust bit.

So 'tell me about the trust'. Well, one of the problems we have actually had is the lawyers have been telling me that it's not actually a trust because we have it on an electronic system and the agent that we have, the trustee, is in fact an electronic agent. Now, the lawyers have been telling me that you need a person. And this is where we have problems with the electronic schemes, the systems that we do online and the advent of an electronic contract compared to old ways the law used to work, so we've created what we call a trust, based on an electronic system that we've put in place, but how does that actually come about in the real world? So we have to think of different names and ways of enacting this. What I've known is that I've treated the agent as a trustee, even though it's electronic, but the law hasn't caught up with that yet. So that's the problem we have with this trust. It's really something that is electronically set in digital rights management but that isn't something that the law understands. They want a person in charge.

### This is the 2020 trust that we're talking about right now?

### Then they'll say is it true that you are the sole, or one of the beneficiaries of the trust that expires in 2020?

At the end if it, the funds will be going back into my research and development schemes around Bitcoin... No... research and development within Bitcoin. What I'll be doing is extending the Foundation and looking at creating even more. Right at the moment, we have around 500-600 white papers that will be released by 2020. After that date I'm not quite sure where we'll be, we're talking several years in the future, but for the moment we have a lot of research that we're trying to capture. We've been researching for about 7 years now and that's lead to a point where we've had to step back a little bit and start actually capturing that information. So, at the moment we have - in progress - at least 500, up to 600, white papers that will be released. Some of these have already been published and are out there and others will be coming shortly. We will be releasing some of this information on the blog that's going up and during this process we will then be looking for the future of where we take these things. So it's an on-going exercise. Now the Foundation will take that even further but before we can get there we need to have the systems in place that were currently writing up and capturing so that we can take it to the next level of Neural-networks and better integrations within the block chain.

#### *Is it pretty obvious that he didn't actually answer the question?*

No it's brilliant, I was just thinking you should go into politics, you'd make a great Prime Minister. That was great flow and passion. But yes it was obvious that you didn't answer it...

I did! I said we would be doing more research afterwards.

The good thing is that you're dominating the space. And most journalists after that will just be enjoying the answer and they will have forgot the other questions they had in their mind. It's given you control in the interview.

And I think that you do go technical on them because it is very, very interesting and I think that the technical people will understand. Well what happens if you do go very technical? They stand back?

Some of them will, some of them won't. Each interview we go into we'll brief. Some will be more technical than others. When we go through the questions now I wanted to actually pretend I was from the Sunday Times Magazine – hypothetically - and they might ask more about your background, your family or about your childhood. They may want to portray this figure and then the technical afterwards. Alternatively, if we're from the guy from Wired, we'll get technical first and he probably wouldn't care about the rest. We go with the flow in each situation. It's no good giving a magazine interview too technical an answer so I think we need to gauge it.

I'm trying to figure out the difficult ones, the difficult questions and how to deflect them if they keep pushing issues that you really don't want to talk about.

One of the difficult ones is actually talking about your childhood. Because you don't actually really elaborate on that too much and someone might want to paint more of a picture of where's all this come from.

You don't mind talking about your childhood?

No, we can talk about that.

We'll just say it was a 'normal childhood'

My concern is the things that might come from the (XX) Investigation that is still going on – that's what I consider the difficult questions.

Such as?

Is it true that your house was raided? Why? Why did they do that?

Well I wasn't actually there.

But it says in the papers...

We've covered most of the basics. We'll do another media training, and another but these answers are getting very, very good.

Great.

I wasn't in the session, but what we just did was a big step forward. It's really interesting to not have been in the session and reading text as you see where it goes down a little and you can see the answers. The one thing I would say, going back to our original conversation about answering those niggely questions, is the oldest trick in the book with journalists is to make you angry. To piss you off because they know that as soon as you start to get riled you'll say more than you might want to say.

They tend to save it for the end with 'it's been great to talk to you, by the way, what was your work with the Australian government' right as you're walking out. That's the classic. Or, 'off the record, but I just want to know'.

Silence is one as well.

You should have asked me that earlier! I could have said 'I don't have time for that one sorry!'

When they say it's off the record, is it off the record?

No! Just don't be tempted to fill silence. It's a natural human thing. Once you've answered the question just stop, and if they pause, then pause. If you're finished then you're finished. It's a technique to make you carry on.

I think in this instance where Craig's got such a narrative I don't think they'll be much room for many questions, which is good.

Or the other way is that I could just move it to something else, or just start talking 'so I've noticed you've stopped asking questions but would you like me to tell you more about some of the technology we've got in play? What we could really go into is what I am doing now rather than asking me these other questions'. How about I tell you about some of the things I am going to do with smart contracts, and at the present time we are looking at releasing a whole lot of fundamental white papers. These will dictate where we plan to take Bitcoin in the coming years. We're going to show how we can scale Bitcoin, how we can make faster payment networks, how we can then make that something global. Not only for transferring Bitcoin, but for tokenised paper money and how we can link other items. Cash - people have already got that figured out – but we can start linking to such things as circuit boards in a computer, and the circuit board and the chip each have an ID. So we know whether someone has changed or updated without going through their warranty. We know that they have altered their laptop. We know if someone has stolen something and is trying to re-sell it, and we can actually track it back. So would you prefer I talk about some of those technologies instead?

I wouldn't ask them what they prefer. You could say 'what's really interesting to me is...'

### Because otherwise it's pushy isn't it.

That goes back to Alan's original leading question about other technologies and could it be used for medical supplies? Don't wait for that question to be asked, get the positive stuff in. I think that the Silk Road question is a joke actually. It's so easy to bat away.

The hardest ones are – which you've probably spent hours on – the 'what about the children' arguments. The 'isn't it true that people could buy, well, it's already been proven, that this anonymous currency can allow for terrorist attacks. Didn't you read this morning Sir about the attacks in Belgium? How do you explain to dead children's parents?'

They were paid for with cash. We actually make a system that has a ledger. This is going to make it easier for the government to go back and follow the trail. Now, the big thing with terrorism and people smuggling and all these things, isn't finding the terrorist at the end, it's tracking back the trail of money. With cash that's really difficult. When cash comes in from Syria, from Lebanon, and Africa and South America and all these other places, and there are terrorist funding groups that are now being funded by people like (faq and V Faq) and whatever else in the drug industry because it's profitable.

This is just an argument against cash, Sir. That's not a justification for an anonymous online system.

But it's not anonymous.

#### It's only not anonymous if you can break the chain -

Once we have the end people, once we have where they're being funded, we can start following that chain back. We can look at where they've come from, what the transactions are, we can start...

...But you have to be able to map that back. You can map the transactions; you can map the flow of coins through the ledger...

I should point you to a paper that came out last year, 2015, which was a graph analysis of Bitcoin that shows for many transactions they're far less anonymous than anyone has been speculating and in fact as soon as you make an error you can start tracking everything there.

#### But the chain has to be broken?

Once you get someone who has taken that transaction the chain is broken. As soon as they start using things you can start everything back to the coin base. What we

have is, even if we don't catch people, we can then follow where they're funding came from.

You're ignoring the realities of international policing. So yes, I can take the person to spent the coins at the end and say 'who sent those to you' and he'll say 'it was John Smith in Libya'

What we're doing is analysing those transactions

#### Well I can see where those transactions came from and then what?

Then, like all policing, we have to look at enacting some process with other organisations, whether it's Interpol or whatever else, to track the money back. You cant say there's someone overseas and I'm sending money so therefore we cant do anything more from here in Britain.

But you can bounce from here to the other side of the planet in milliseconds then obviously that moves faster than any law enforcement ever could. There is a reason why there is a \$10,000 cash limit when you get off a plane because essentially we've reached the conclusion that less than \$10,000 a time is a fairly inefficient way to launder money. So, to keep going back to the analogy of cash is not a fair one because you can only move cash physically around the world, where you can move hundreds of millions of Bitcoin across the globe in seconds.

I remember one of the cases I was involved with at the AFP, what they had were \$50,000 pre-paid debit cards, they had a suitcase of these and there was something like \$100,000,000 in debit cards that were pre-paid. That was taken through an airport.

These are physical things that can be seized on the way through the airport, that can be found.

You can electronically transfer money instantly. You can get involved with barrow bonds, digital barrow bonds, digital (egons). These can be transferred anonymously, truly anonymously, instantly.

None of this answers the argument that Bitcoin increases this risk. You're just saying there are other means that are equally risky.

No, I'm saying it's a red herring. You're putting it out there saying that Bitcoin does this. Bitcoin doesn't actually change the playing field. The answer you need is to look at increased law enforcement in certain areas, to actually have people investigating these areas to actually analyse. It's a different scenario. It's the same argument as saying terrorism happens because we have encryption. Terrorism doesn't happen because we have encryption but because the world happens. We have Internet connections because of encryption; we have Internet banking because we have

encryption. If we banned encryption the terrorists would still have encryption. I can download the algorithm for RC4 or AES and write it myself in minutes.

But if I needed a legal to operate a Bitcoin exchange, and I could kill all the interactions between the real currency system and the virtual currency system I could effectively kill the economy.

No you don't.

Actually if you can't move money in and out of a virtual system then you have a very fringy group that is willing to do this offline, then you don't have to look much further than the history of Bitcoin. You don't have to go into analogies.

What you end up is a system like Webmoney that is difficult to get money in and out of. But what you have is people exchange diamonds, they exchange gold, they exchange property, and those things are traded for Webmoney. And webmoney is predominantly in Russia and Ukraine and these areas by a lot of criminals and a lot of terrorism groups.

When I ask you Sir why this isn't a risk all you do is point me to other things that are equally bad.

Its not more of a risk or less of a risk. You're trying to say it's more of a risk; it is not more of a risk. I'm not here to solve the world's problems, I'm not here stopping terrorism but I'm not making it easier for them either.

What is your explanation then for why the first uses of Bitcoin were illicit activity?

The first uses of Bitcoin weren't illicit activity. They were actually buying a pizza.

Silk Road was the first large-scale commercial (X)...

Silk Road was not large-scale. Before Silk Road there were 3 other exchanges. There was already a house bought with Bitcoin by the time Silk Road had come about. So there had been a real estate transaction, there had been ...

Sir, do you understand how insulting that is when I say that hundreds of millions of dollars worth of weaponry and drugs have been sold and you respond with 'no, someone bought a pizza'?

In hundreds of millions, the entire drug industry of the world, for hundreds of millions is about 1.5 seconds. I can get you an exact figure if you want but plus or minus about 0.2 seconds at the moment. So, what you're saying is 2 years worth of the entire Bitcoin economy is bad because 1.2 to 1.7 seconds worth the real world, real crime happened across years of Bitcoin. So you're going to ...

So your response is that it isn't big enough to impact the global criminal economy in the world?

The total criminal economy...

My question is, if the attraction of Bitcoin is non-anonymity, how do you explain the first large-scale use of this was for illicit activity?

The first large-scale use wasn't actually that.

### OK how do you explain that Silk Road immediately gravitated towards this?

Silk Road was set up for that reason. But that's not an argument, that's its whole reason for being. Silk Road also went down. Silk Road also lead to the capture of, not just Ross Ulbricht, but hundreds of other people selling illicit goods. It leads to the capture of people who wouldn't have been known. Here's the thing, drugs are being sold now off Silk Road without Bitcoin, drugs are being sold now with cash, drugs are being sold now online in a variety of different ways. There is still web money, there are still transfers in credit cards, so your point that this is making it easier actually, the whole industry around drugs and illicit trade and weapons has moved away from Bitcoin and is moving away more. It started that way because they believed that they would find an anonymous source. But what they have discovered is that it is far less anonymous than they believed. It has lead to people being convicted and lead to people being tracked down. The only way that it is anonymous is to anonymously mine. Now, at the beginning that was possible. There were some people who are still unknown; I know a few people myself who were unknown in the early days who have never come out and said that we're doing this. But that isn't possible anymore. To actually mine any decent amount of Bitcoin costs tens of millions of dollars and there are no anonymous tens of millions of dollars suddenly appearing type facilities out there in the world anymore. People know about Bitcoin mining laws. People know where these are.

If you have a Bitcoin and you send it to my address and I send it to someone else's address and they send it to someone else's address, it's true that those kind of transactions can be traced and if that last Bitcoin gets spent by a terrorist - what's your point? That it gets tracked back to you? Because all those transactions in between are anonymous, because it's just an address.

And if I had money in a bank account and I sent it to someone else, who sent it to someone else, who sent it to someone else...

In the banking system I can trace every step

Well I can trace every step now

No, you can only trace it to addresses not individuals

But that is where you have to do further analysis. It's not as secure as you're making out. It is not as anonymous as you're making out. You're assuming is that you can't trace any of this. Now, what I will now introduce you to is somewhere that were going. We have a number of white papers that will allow organisations to start implementing accounting standards within Bitcoin. Now they'll still be (synonymous) but other organisations won't know what they're doing and won't know what they're selling unless there is something like a tax record that they need to provide, an invoice that they need to provide, or some way that government can legitimately come in and ask for that record.

I think we need to tighten that answer up because I think it's the hardest one. To retreat to a position that cash is just as bad – that's not going to work.

That's a separate issue.

They want to make you angry, and especially on a day like today they are going to ask this early on.

I didn't fund it, have a nice day.

Is this something we can work on? Can we get this a bit tighter and crisper?

Yes, we'll work on this one.

When they had media training there were a lot of questions that we have gone through – do you want to have a look at the list? And Rob there are a few questions that we want to put into the mix...

Rob, there are a lot of questions here, we can go through the cards. We're through most of them but if you'd like to pull some at random?

The one thing that we're forgetting is that in any transaction, in drugs, terrorism or anything else, there is a physical component. Bitcoin gives you a digital signature that can be tied back to that physical component. If people want to police the system properly, they monitor things and they watch the baby get delivered. And once that baby gets delivered they have categorical proof that it was sent, that it was paid for.

The other question that I was concerned about was – that we touched upon briefly but the answer wasn't good enough - was if they bring up Iceland and the super computer. We've seen a previous interview with you when you mentioned a super computer in Iceland. Is that still in existence? What do you intend to do with that one?

I will be continuing research...

...We need to know exactly what that transcript said. You said you had built? We're building? We need to listen to that again.

I think that is exactly why we have them weekly now so we can go through remaining questions and help you to come up with a short, perfect answer and that there are no open questions.

That one is a hard one because it's a trick. There is no answer. Does it make funding terrorism easier? Yes.

No.

Yes.

No, I actually disagree with that.

But I think the benefits outweigh that.

Web money is actually easier than Bitcoin.

I believe one thing that we can look into is how other companies, like Twitter, respond to terrorism and how they answer that sort of question. Because Twitter – we're all facing the same questions – like terrorists are using Twitter to communicate.

I thought that they're using SnapChat as well.

How do they manage that sort of question?

On the flipside of that, you could argue that 20 years ago they didn't have mobile phones, they didn't have the internet so you could argue that made their job harder, but actually it made it easier. They was much harder to trace people, they didn't have an IP address, not specifically Bitcoin but this idea that digital technology has made it easier... there is a complete flipside to that.

There is a flipside to science. It's made it easier for the police; it's made it easier for criminals. It's made it easier for everyone in the world.

I think your analogy to encryption is actually a good one. In that, does encryption allow terrorists to communicate beyond the watchful eye of the NSA? Yes. But – the benefits of encryption massively outweigh those risks.

So it's funding and finding. It makes it easier to fund and easier to find. It's two-way.

Well if I'm the head of the NSA my answer is that I don't want to find out who funded the explosion in Brussels this morning; I actually want to stop it before it happens. And if I can stop the flow of funds before it gets to you, which is what I

can do by monitoring (warrant) transactions and the (swift) network then it doesn't happen in the first place.

The predominance of the terrorism funding has been by (Hahwahla) Networks. How are you stopping them?

You have to be careful with those, that's just another... So, (Hahwahla) Networks are not stoppable because it can be a telephone call, a text between two people, no cash...

... (Twitter) has been used quite a lot with coded messages...

We can't keep going there are other things that are just as bad. Because you need (Hahwahla) relationships, but you don't need them necessarily for Bitcoin you just trade Bitcoin. I don't think we should take the position that its not useful for terrorists and everything else is just as bad. I think that will come off as really self-serving and most people will just shut us off after that. We have to acknowledge that it is a new technology and new technologies come with societal benefits and costs. And just as with encryption you have to acknowledge that are you going to make the entire world subject to a surveillance state? So talk about the costs of Bitcoin. It may make certain types of transactions to terrorists more difficult to trace, lets assume that's true. Lets talk about the benefits. What does it mean to the global economy when someone can start a business for free anywhere in the world. What does it mean when I don't have to go into a bank right now on my hands and knees asking for a merchant account to start mu business in sub-Saharan Africa. What does it mean when I can move dollars across the world with no cost?

I am going to interrupt. So what are the problems why we have terrorism? Lets go into that first. We have it because we have displaced people. People who are wealthy enough to know what is out there, to know what the opportunities are for other people in the world but don't have it for themselves. They don't have access to education but they see their people unable to get access to schools, don't have empowerment in their lives, they cant move money, they cant actually do anything where they can interact with the global economy. That's part of why these people feel they are outside of the world economy. What we are going to do is offer something where they don't need they need a traditional bank account. Where they can interact with other people. They don't need to worry about crenation of warlords because no one knows how much money they have. Where they can be protected, where they can move money, move location if they need to, where they can educate their children and pay for it. And then, they are not going to be so disillusioned. When they have something to loose. When they can build and be part of the economy they are less likely to be terrorists in the first place. And Bitcoin, through enabling that, not through traditional banking methods, but enabling people to securely keep their own money, will reduce the need for these people who feel that they have to rebel against something that is really bad in their lives.

Well that's an interesting one! I can see the headline 'Bitcoin can stop terrorism'. I think it's brilliant, but with my particular political background, and you may well be right, but I think it's a Pandora's box.

They could ask, well who are 'they' sort of thing.

It's about saying this is what happens but here are the positives. But they'll start saying, well who are 'they' and what about religion? They'll say so it's all about money? And so you'll get into all these difficult things.

And there are no answers.

### **NOTES AND ALTERNATIVE ANSWERS**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Our second training session was different to the first in that rather than a full on mock interview we moved onto analysis of harder questions and how they might be better answered. We then picked up the mock interview as the answers were practised. This session saw a real move forward for CW in terms of both tone and content. He was far less defensive on difficult questions, he dominated the interview in the right way and he showed humility to the right level. Even on technical subjects he made complicated matters (to the layperson) very clear. His passion drew you in and he importantly didn't lose his temper on the tricky subjects.

1.

And spell it out for them: 'I don't want a load of big Porches, mansions around the world...' just make it black and white.

I've already got an Audi R8...

Maybe they'll bring up that one too, 'We know you have a penchant for fast cars...'

CW can make it clear he doesn't have a lavish lifestyle BUT he doesn't need to apologise for enjoying life and enjoying the fruits of his labour so to speak. He worked hard and has achieved a great deal and doesn't need to be ashamed of that fact.

2.

A: At the end of the day, we've got many organisations but they're focussed on different areas. What we've done is we've merged all these into a single organisation now. I'm not a commercial lawyer, despite having a law degree, and I have made mistakes on how we did these things because I thought it was better from a risk point of view. Taking advice from lawyers and other commercial advisors we've now merged all of these into a single entity, and that will continue to fund the research.

This answer was a great leap from the first training session where CW was very guarded re his business ventures and gave short one-line answers. As transcribed during the session we made the point that admitting a mistake and making it clear you haven't don't everything right is quite disarming for a journalist – and more importantly plays well with the readers of the media outlet

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Q: Then they'll say is it true that you are the sole, or one of the beneficiaries of the trust that expires in 2020?

A: At the end if it, the funds will be going back into my research and development schemes around Bitcoin... No... research and development within Bitcoin. What I'll be doing is extending the Foundation and looking at creating even more. Right at the moment, we have around 500-600 white papers that will be released by 2020. After that date I'm not quite sure where we'll be, we're talking several years in the future, but for the moment we have a lot of research that we're trying to capture. We've been researching for about 7 years now and that's lead to a point where we've had to step back a little bit and start actually capturing that information. So, at the moment we have - in progress - at least 500, up to 600, white papers that will be released. Some of these have already been published and are out there and others will be coming shortly. We will be releasing some of this information on the blog that's going up and during this process we will then be looking for the future of where we take these things. So it's an on-going exercise. Now the Foundation will take that even further but before we can get there we need to have the systems in place that were currently writing up and capturing so that we can take it to the next level of Neural-networks and better integrations within the block chain.

NOTES: This is a very good example of CW using the bridging technique i.e moving the conversation into one he wants to have i.e the work and research narrative.

#### 4.

A: Or the other way is that I could just move it to something else, or just start talking 'so I've noticed you've stopped asking questions but would you like me to tell you more about some of the technology we've got in play? What we could really go into is what I am doing now rather than asking me these other questions'. How about I tell you about some of the things I am going to do with smart contracts, and at the present time we are looking at releasing a whole lot of fundamental white papers. These will dictate where we plan to take Bitcoin in the coming years. We're going to show how we can scale Bitcoin, how we can make faster payment networks, how we can then make that something global. Not only for transferring Bitcoin, but for tokenised paper money and how we can link other items. Cash - people have already got that figured out – but we can start linking to such things as circuit boards in a computer, and the circuit board and the chip each have an ID. So we know whether someone has changed or updated without going through their warranty. We know that they have altered their laptop. We know if someone has stolen something and is trying to re-sell it, and we can actually track it back. So would you prefer I talk about some of those technologies instead?

NOTES: This answer shows a forward move from the first session – here we see CW on the front foot to explain the benefits of Bitcoin and future applications. The one nuance here we advise not to ask the journalists permission but rather say, "What's interesting to me ...

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We discussed the tax question. Where in the earlier sessions CW had shut down at this point, in this session he delivered a succinct but more upbeat answer. "There is a process going on at present with the government in Australia and our lawyers are working with them closely to resolve the issue. It is a legal process so wouldn't be right to speak any further about it but I can tell you it's being dealt with in the proper way" He also mentioned that the Govt don't know how to treat Bitcoin in terms of GST i.e the law hasn't caught up yet. Although a very fair point we'd advise avoiding this as the bottom line is that the law is as it is at present.

6.

We discussed the issue Satoshi/Bitcoin being a shared creation as per the answers in session one and the need to take ownership of this. CW used the phrase "standing on the shoulders of giants, explained how people helped with the math etc. but was clear that Bitcoin was his idea and hence he was Satoshi

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We discussed the PGP falsifying/backdating issues. Moving on from session one, CW took a firm but understanding tone around these accusations. This is a good position to take. "In the end, people make mistakes, even very intelligent people. I don't want to accuse anyone of anything but Maxwell made an error, a mistake. We are all human, we all make mistakes."

8.

Rob and CW had a debate around the negative uses of Bitcoin, with Rob taking a journalists adversarial role around how BC makes it easier to fund terrorism. This point does need further work. One route is to take it away from a granular argument playing e.g cash vs. BC and talk about how technology overall brings good and bad – the encryption line CW uses is a good illustration of this. This is also a moment to use the bridging technique – to acknowledge that of course as with any new technology there are downsides BUT here are all the enormous upsides – as per Rob's line here:

"Lets talk about the benefits. What does it mean to the global economy when someone can start a business for free anywhere in the world. What does it mean when I don't have to go into a bank right now on my hands and knees asking for a merchant account to start mu business in sub-Saharan Africa. What does it mean when I can move dollars across the world with no cost?"

Twitter have said this re terrorism which is a useful guide - <a href="https://blog.twitter.com/2016/combating-violent-extremism">https://blog.twitter.com/2016/combating-violent-extremism</a>

http://www.wired.com/2016/02/twitter-wants-you-to-know-that-it-is-fighting-terrorists/

### MEDIA TRAINING SESSION 1 18/03/16

### Good morning, I am Stuart from GQ Magazine

Good morning Stuart, nice to meet you.

## I just missed my bus this morning but glad that I've got here on time as I've been looking forward to chatting with you. So, let's start at the top with the real million-dollar question. How can you prove that you're Satoshi?

We're going to be retiring the keys. But the real question is not whether someone has control of keys; it's more of the work that we're doing. We have quite a number of papers and other things coming out very shortly. We have a number of mathematical papers detailing all the fundamentals of Bitcoin and how it functions and why it's secure and will be releasing those as well as where we're going to take it in the future. And the reality is not whether you should be believing me anyway: I don't want to head-up anything, I don't want to be in control, I'm here because I have to be. The real issue, and the real focus that we have to look at, is that if there is a single leader of Bitcoin who is going to be dictating what happens, then it's not going to work. We have to be in an open environment where people are free to experiment, where they're willing to make concerted efforts to try things that may fail. I know that actually sounds bad to some people in that we're playing with money, but any start-up is playing with money.

### So, it was a committee of people, for want of a better word? You're not trying to claim all the credit, it's not all about you, it's a combination of people and minds.

I had a lot of help. In particular a friend of mine who died a few years ago, Dave Kleiman, gave me a lot of help but there have been many other people along the way. And more than that it's been the people who have continued since I've left. These people have actually put in a lot of time and effort into making Bitcoin what it is. The fact that I want it to succeed is important to me, but it doesn't mean that that's all that there is. I don't want to be in charge, I didn't and I still don't.

### OK, so you're not the messiah type figure looking for all the publicity. You just want to get back to being an academic.

I just want to get back to writing papers. I want to go back to what I was doing before and I want to start releasing those again.

### You talk about releasing papers and you have talked about releasing a report. When can we expect to see them?

At the moment we have several finished and I'm just waiting. It's because of all the problems we have had in the last few months about avoiding press so we can just get things sorted. I've actually held off releasing some of them.

### Tell us some of the problems you have had. Why have you decided now to come out into the open?

I haven't really decided, it was forced and thrust upon me.

### You seemed to leave Australia – I wouldn't say under a cloud – but there was some sort of controversy there. Why did you leave? What happened?

Unfortunately when you're not talking to people, people come up with a lot of stories. We'd actually been looking at leaving months before that, it wasn't that we left on the day. Things happened just as we were leaving.

## For instance, there was a report from the Charles Sturt University essentially denying or discrediting your claims that you studied there or you taught there. What was that about?

Unfortunately I can be a little bit naughty in some ways and I wanted to do two degrees at once. I was allowed to and I have two different identities with the University and that has worked up until now. I haven't really done these things to try and get more degrees or whatever else, and the idea that they pointed out saying I have four Masters degrees at that one. Well at the end of the day it doesn't get me anything more by having more there than the other Universities. I have. It's really for me.

### So it's just a misunderstanding?

Yes.

### Talking about misunderstandings. There was quite a furore about tax and stuff like that. There was talk about a big investigation by the government and raids.

I think most of that stuff has been blown out of proportion. We are communicating with the government and I can't really say much more than that at the moment.

#### Is it true that the Australian federal police raided your home?

I know after I had left that house they came in there. I wouldn't say a raid. They came in there looking for information.

### But why? If you claim you're innocent and haven't done anything wrong why would the police break into your home?

No one broke into any home.

#### Did you let them in? Or did someone let them in?

Well I wasn't there. I had already left.

#### So they would have broken into your home.

No, of course not.

### I think the world would want to know why the police came into your home? You haven't done anything wrong?

It's a fairly usual occurrence.

#### That police come into your home without you?

Yes it is actually. Even in civil matters you have an (end-time pillar), people want to grab and capture information about things.

### Do you think police have too much access to people's homes? Is there a big brother vibe to all this?

I don't really want to get into politics.

## OK. There is a rumor that you did some work with the Australian government, some people say in defense or something like that. What was your relationship with the government?

I have had involvement with the government in the past yes.

#### In what area?

I worked with people such as the federal police in a number of areas such as anti people smuggling and forensics associated with that and even with catching child predators.

## How big is this problem is this pedophilia thing that we seem to read about every day? Here in the UK you'll have seen practically every celebrity, including Rolf Harris whose been dragged into this. Is it an out of control situation?

I don't know if it's out of control. I think it is a problem though. In particular this is an area where a lot of people are getting access to a lot of material and we're not doing a lot to stop these things. Now, one of the problems of course is with sex trafficking and other things across the different areas, from South America into the US, and Saudi and other things like this. You have a lot of women who believe that they're getting a well-paid job, helping their family, and then they don't get heard of again or they've been sold to something and that is a huge problem.

So you actually worked with the police in this sex trafficking. That's very interesting. I analysed hard drives. I do a lot of forensic work.

#### Within Australia? Within other countries? How much did you do?

I can't really talk about things. There are a number of cases where I acted as an expert witness and also an analyst of material.

# You obviously feel very strongly about child trafficking and sex trafficking. I presume there would be a lot of money coming your way out of all that's happened with Bitcoin and all of that. Will you be using some of that to advertise and promote against this kind of thing?

Not so much to advertise or campaign or anything like that. I have had a lot of involvement with a charity called (Burnside) in the past, which are part of the United Church, and I have a strong affiliation with them. They help single mothers, single fathers and whatever else and what I have really focused on is education. A lot of the computers we have used in the past - that we've used for a year or whatever else - we've donated or we've given education and training. Going forward, one of the things we're setting up at the moment is a foundation just for that.

## OK. Just finishing on Australia, you didn't leave under a cloud because it did seem that you left quite suddenly. But you think it's just been blown up and these are all things that will be straightened out?

I think so. I mean we haven't been talking and people have been filling in the gaps themselves. I guess part of the problem there is a void that people seem to have to fill it.

# So why did you allow that void? Why didn't you address all those issues immediately? We had people here that we're setting up and starting a business and whatever else and we're in the middle of a lot of changes within the organisation and really the business comes first.

### So that means you couldn't defend yourself at all when people are making allegations against you?

I am not happy at all but that doesn't mean that I am able to respond to it all. If I am going to be spending my time trying to bat answers back for everything that occurs then I'm not going to get any work done.

#### You say this was forced upon you - you coming out as Satoshi - why was that?

Unfortunately information was leaked and a lot of things have been said to try and discredit me. And unfortunately that has left me in a position where I don't really have much of a choice. If I want to continue going forward, if I want to publish papers and have people read those for what they are then I have to come out. Look, at the same time I don't want people to take what I am saying as gospel because of something I have written in the past. It's important to me that this is about, not authority, but what I am actually writing. So anything I write should be taken with a grain of salt until it's proven. If I write a mathematical equation, people should validate it. If I write a scientific paper, people have to validate it. It's all about peer review. But getting to that point is the important aspect for me.

### Who do you think could possibly have leaked all your information? I don't know unfortunately.

### There have been some reports that it could have been the Tax Office itself? Could that be so?

I can't answer that one. I mean that's the problem with rumours. I'd just be getting on the same bandwagon that everyone has been using against me.

## There have been specific allegations in certain areas, things like Wired, that suggest you have backdated some of these documents, or that they've been altered in some way. How do you respond to that one?

It's an easy accusation to make. But if you actually check the information being said about it you'll find that it's actually false. If you go back to the Internet archive, the Wayback machine, hosted by the Library of Congress in the US, there are copies of all the software and webpages that show that the version of PGP for instance actually did have those particular hash functions included at that date. In fact, they were included in 2007 so well before (timeline) created those keys, all of those functions were there.

Will you be explaining this to the world? As obviously some people will accuse you of being a hoax.

You get accusations. I think a lot of people are probably threatened by having someone come back. It's like (Lenis Torvil), he heads it up, he's in charge and people answer to him. But I don't really want that role. I don't actually want to be the head. I want to put information out there and I want to create and develop but I don't want to necessarily stand there and say what needs to occur. I want that to be more of a democratic process where people actually choose based on the efficiency and value of what is actually there. So they look at the code, they look at the solutions and they find what is economically the most viable? What will work the best? What provides the most information?

So are you suggesting that – regarding the accusation that you backdated the PGP paper - you're suggesting that these allegations are false? Why would anyone do that? These are well-respected members of the Bitcoin community.

I think he probably just made some errors and didn't check his facts. I would like people to check their facts.

#### Isn't that odd that a senior developer wouldn't check his basic facts?

People make comments very quickly on forums. Unfortunately we're not talking about a periodic paper that's gone back and forth several times, we're talking about a Reddit forum. At the heat of the moment people say things and they get blown up. That's all I have to say on that.

Obviously there have been lots of rumours out there suggesting that other people are Satoshi – there's a Romanian one, and Irish one, there's a lot – does that get on your nerves?

No, I actually feel sorry for them in some ways. Its not a position that anyone would be envious of.

#### Just to get down the hard tacks, can I ask how many Bitcoins do you have?

There is a trust and I don't have anything anymore. Everything has been put into the business.

What are the advantages of Bitcoin? Because we can see things like dark web, Silk Road and so on, there are some negatives associated with it as well as the positives.

At the same time, you'll find out that Silk Road was actually taken down and many of the ancillary people were actually taken down because of the trail. So although its unanimous its not anonymous and that means that there are traces there. It is a global ledger that can be traced so it's not completely anonymous. What you will find is that it's actually going to make people more honest in that there is a complete ledger of what occurs. So if we exchange goods or we exchange services, then I have proof that it occurred so we don't need to tell the world. But at the same time, if something goes wrong, I still have that receipt and so it can be set up in a way that I cant lose.

### If I'm a bad guy, I'm a Russian gangster and I've got a load of weapons and I want to sell them to a terrorist, does that not make it a lot easier?

Well, you've got this thing called cash right now.

### But it's quite difficult to transport millions of dollars to a restaurant in Bagdad for example.

It's actually amazingly simple to wire money. And there are other forms of transfer as well. There are diamonds, there are bearer bonds, everything like this. People have been using money for a long time. The daily transfer of just drug traffic is far larger than the entire Bitcoin economy. We're looking at things here, and if you take everything around the world for drugs, the whole Bitcoin economy is minute.

### One of the things that was leaked in the papers previously was that there was a trust and that you have control of the trust in 2020. Is that true?

It goes back to the corporation and at that point then we will put it into the company again.

### But it actually goes back to the corporation or it goes back to you? Because it actually had your name on that legal document...

Everything I am doing goes back to the company and my research.

### So there is nothing at all that you will have for yourself? There are 1 million Bitcoin apparently that Satoshi mined, and you have none of it at all?

I have spent money on my business and my research and I will continue to do that. I have more than enough, I don't need a job, I don't need to live with any more than I have, I am very happy how I am.

#### So there is a trust then? Because that has been constantly talked about in the papers?

We will actually be releasing the details of the trust. The lawyers have argued the point that it's not a trust; we have an electronic system that is a dealer-less key exchange system that allows you to safely and securely set-up a system of transferring Bitcoin over time. That is going to be released shortly. That is one of the things we have a paper for already. But the problem there is of course that it is going to take a little bit of time for people to understand it, to code it and all the rest. So we have the idea, we have the concept, but to really release that into the wild, so to speak, we still need more time. It's alpha and experimental right now. What that does mean though is that we have a means of protecting people's assets and investments, so that people can control what happens and need to worry about their Bitcoins and not need to lose them.

#### **Exactly how many Bitcoins did you mine?**

I mined quite a number and I was with my partner, so to speak, in all of this, Dave, we mined quite a lot.

#### How many people were involved in creating Bitcoin?

In creating Bitcoin? A lot. How many people were involved in Satoshi is probably a better question. That was two of us.

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Some people say that perhaps you're not Satoshi, but that Dave is Satoshi. But of course he is dead and he cannot speak for himself. How do we know it's actually you?

Dave was a key part of everything that I did. Dave spoke as Satoshi and I have to admit that Dave was always far better and far calmer to be in this area of dealing with people and he is sorely missed. But the only way to really look at this is to look at the information that we'll be supplying: the papers. From that, I'm not asking you to do anything or believe me, I am asking you to judge based on the information.

#### So would you actually admit that you are Satoshi?

Dave and myself.

#### How many Bitcoin did Dave mine?

I'm not at liberty to discuss that I'm sorry

### You refer to yourself as having mined quite a lot of Bitcoin, how many is quite a lot? Is it billions?

It was only ever going to be just under 21million Bitcoins so it can't be billions.

### OK, valued at billions then maybe.

Well, who knows? I mean right at the moment it's not but personally I see a large future for this. We're talking about a technology that isn't just money, it's an economic token and right now it's a very small value for what it can be. One day we're going to be in a situation where it can be millions or tens of millions of dollars per Bitcoin. It might be twenty, thirty years away but that's where we're headed.

#### Could it change the world economy?

It's disruptive, of course it can change the world economy. Uber changes the world economy, Facebook has changed the world economy so yes, any disruptive economy changing technology is really going to change the focus of everything. What we're really doing is creating automated agents that will allow different pieces of technology to start communicating. Now that means you can have internet devices connected and communication seamlessly, simplifying everything you're doing, automating processes, finding the best time to pay for electricity rather than having to turn on the washing machine. Everything can actually start looking at different tariff rates and having miniature auctions in effect so that your washing machine starts bidding with other washing machines to get slightly better tariffs. That's where we're headed, that's why it will disrupt things.

### Just sticking with the disruptive theme. Are we saying we're cutting out the third party? The bankers, the agents, the builders, they're all superfluous aren't they?

Not necessarily. What they have to do is add value. So if you're looking at a big bank that you just put money in, what does it do? So what we end up with is finding areas where banks actually add value, how do they get those people that are the best loan risk, the people that will actually pay you back. So we change in to a peer-to-peer lending system, we start moving into reputation systems, to authentication of people, of knowing our customers. All the things we're meant to do as a bank.

### Do the bankers become the advisors rather than the people that technically move money?

Exactly. I mean this is where bankers started. I mean people talk about big bad bankers but originally and even if we go back 50 years, banking was a different entity than it is now. Banking is really about knowing your clients and understanding their needs and finding solutions, not just selling home loans or trying to put together collaterised sort of dead obligations where you have many slices of properties that you know nothing about. We're going back to something that people will have to understand their client to add value or we have the alternative or someone running a top 500 investment scheme where all you get to do is people get to put their money there and you hold it, even for a fee, protecting your wealth because they're just a wallet.

### So banking got too big, too out of control, it ceased to be banking and it became speculation.

In some ways yes. At the end of the day, money is a ruler. The key focus of money is a yardstick. Now where we have really moved to is a system where the value of your money keeps changing whether it's through quantative easing, whether it's through splitting the money into different loan basis and everyone else having 5% capital holdings. Now we've moved in to a system where we don't have a single yardstick any more. The size of the yard-stick is variable. It's really difficult to start preparing for your future and to understand where you might be going if the yard stick moves.

So the individual consumer has no idea what their actual pension is because it changes by the hour. So this will take us back to the basics and basic economy in some respects. In some ways yes. It will allow people (interrupted - ...it's like a new currency, it will allow people to trade this sheep for that paint or something...) If you particularly wanted to, it's also going back to the equivalent of a gold coin. Not in the gold exchange standard, people seem to fight about that one and call people gold thugs and whatever else. But the reality there was, even at its best what the government did was limit its transfer to basically large gold bars that in the twenties were worth a thousand pound gold bar. Now a thousand pound gold bar is worth about twenty million dollars today or whatever else and that wasn't your average, I can just go out there and exchange my money for a gold bar. It was your whole suburb exchanged their money for a gold bar so it wasn't really a situation where you could do that and you could only do it in certain circumstances and only do it for certain amounts. In the end it was something like 5% of the gold deposit notes were actually held as gold so in theory you could go back and say I want to take my money and get a bit of gold but one twentieth of that is all that the government actually held.

Therefore you can't really name what you've got so when people stopped using gold and started trading in paper. You know something like the Southsea bubble where everyone invested in something that wasn't real and ended up going bankrupt. So now that couldn't really happen.

Well you can always set up a speculative bubble, I mean nothing says you need hard money. You can chose to invest in stocks, you can chose to put your money elsewhere but you have a fall back. You have something that is worth this amount and will remain worth this amount that is tangible. It might be electronic but it is effectively tangible.

So looking at it from a very positive point of view and we talked about terrorism and drugs and all of that. Just so I can understand it, I'm just a journalist, say I'm David Cameron and for 10 million dollars I need to get to Rwanda, what do I do? Do I push a button, do I send a key that the President of Rwanda has? What do I do in practical terms?

Well you have to find the charity once again. You're not going to just send random money off there, I mean you could but how do you know how it's going to be used? So you find a charity, one that you trust, and in the future we can have completely open, auditable charities where the audit function is looking at where has the money actually been spent. One of the things we're looking at, at the moment we have some white papers coming out, is forming DACS, Distributed Autonomous Corporations and Distributed Autonomous Social Organisations that are based on the block chain with full accounting systems so that these things are auditable live. So it's a real auditable system, it's a real live system based on a computer and audit technique that's built into it. So you can actually watch what's happening to the money you invested.

#### Say like a thousand pounds was spent this afternoon on medical equipment.

Exactly, and you can start allocating that and know where things have been put. So you can see this much goes to admin, this much goes to the people and then you get to a situation where you're looking at charities and how it works where people start to actually compete, they have to compete on what they're doing. At the moment, these things are fairly opaque, you don't really see what most charities do. Every now and again you hear about something in the press and the press really says this charity has done wrong, these directors are getting paid too much or whatever else but how about if that was live, right to the minute? You can look at every charity in a particular field, where they're putting their money right now, that's the future of this.

#### Does it become the thought police everywhere?

Well you don't need to put your money into those charities. You can put your money into one that's opaque, that's your choice. You can say I don't want to know what they're doing with my money and that's still your choice but you have the choice. Now the Orwellian bit is the government comes and looks at you without your choice. What we're saying is I get to open my books to try and get you to trust me. You can see everything I'm doing and you can trust me because I can't lie. That is a big distinction. I can choose to remain private but if I'm out there, putting my hand out asking for money why do I have that right?

## How do you choose to remain private? Can anybody access the data on Bitcoin, it's completely secure is it?

The control of the wallet and the function and the key need to be secured. So nothing is completely secure in that someone compromises your computer and you only have a single key, you don't have hardware wallets or whatever else then someone could compromise you. There are ways of protecting that which is probably outside the scope of this but at the same time, I can choose how I'm going to store my money and where I'm going to store it. I don't need to tell everyone about it. Now the ledger is not really going to be open unless I let it be opened so when we're talking about an audit function I can publish my chartered accounts as an organization for instance and allow you to see how I'm calculating that but if I don't, then you don't know it.

#### So is (inaudible) secure?

Of course it is. It's as secure as we have minors. And the more we have, the more secure it gets. So over time it actually becomes more and more secure. The more people use Bitcoin, the more people transmit Bitcoin, the more secure it becomes.

# Do you see what's happening to Apple at the moment, where they don't want to give all this information to the government? Do you see yourself as a libertarian? David and Goliath trying to bring in a new transparent system all over the world?

I don't know if I'd say I was David and Goliath. (inaudible from interviewer) I'm definitely not Goliath, I'm not that type. I see myself more as an academic, as a developer, a budding economist and many other things. I've tried many trades, some I do very well at, others I fudge around at, but at the end of the day I just want to develop technology. And at the end of the day, I know this is disruptive and people will get upset at that but everything was once disruptive. The automobile was disruptive, put horses out of work. Over time, every single advance that makes our lives better, that offers us a better education system, that offers a better way of living longer, healthier and happier. Everything that gives us things that allow us to go home into heated rooms, that we can have changes of clothes. You know a hundred years ago, most people only owned one set of clothing, and we're talking in the west. We're looking at a room here that's probably as big as most families would live in. So we are getting more and more over time and it's because of disruptive technologies.

#### So in the long run it aggregates itself out to the good, or positive change.

Predominantly. I mean we always have to be vigilant, we always have to care about what we're doing and focus on making sure that these things work out well.

# You mentioned several times that there was a 'we', that 'we' were developing patents. Who is the 'we' that we're talking about?

There are two parts to that. One, I say we a lot. It's not a royal we, but an academic we. And two, my organization. The people who work for me and work with me, well, we're putting together a lot here.

#### The same organization you had in Sydney?

I have a number of organizations, including those in Sydney, Australia, and U.K. and wherever else.

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### How do these organizations benefit from you revealing your identity right now?

I don't really know, I have really looked into that. I'm not seeking anything out of it so.

## If Bitcoin is the future and it's a bright as you think it is you must be a very rich man right?

Define rich. I have a loving family.

## If people claim that you have a million Bitcoin then that's a lot of money isn't it?

Not as much as Mark Zuckerberg has.

#### How does your family feel about this?

I prefer to leave my family out of things as much as possible. I don't want them to have a change in life significantly. We're not going to be moving into a different way of doing things.

#### Will you reinvest this wealth in developing Bitcoin further?

It's all I've basically invested my wealth into so.

## Do you really think about the assertions, I'm thinking about Mike Hearn's comments in particular at Bitcoin is a flop and it's not going to work? Is he King Canute?

I don't think that's quite what Mike said. A few comments have been taken out of context. I think also people get frustrated.

#### So the rise of Bitcoin is unstoppable, It's just a reality.

Nothing's unstoppable.

# Are there people who would want to stop you? Is it in the interest of Wall Street to hook up with the CIA to try and block the development of this?

I don't know about Wall Street and the CIA but yes of course it's of interest to people to try and stop these things. If you're looking at an organization who doesn't want transparency, that doesn't want to be able to change (interview interrupts – **they might not welcome you with open arms**) Many people might not welcome us with open arms but we go back to disruptive technologies. If I was running a coach house I don't really want an automobile.

#### What's your view on the scaling debate?

I've always believed that Bitcoin needs to scale.

#### Inaudible question.

We have released, well I don't know if we would have released by now, but I'll just jump in to that to assume and say that these papers are out there. So we have released a number of papers recently that will be published soon if they haven't been already. These demonstrate that Bitcoin can scale nearly infinitely. What we do need to do is ensure that the infrastructure and the systems actually develop to allow that. That means splitting nodes, dividing what people do and ensuring those who run these things are not just doing this as a hobby anymore but professionalise.

#### Have you spoken to Gavin Anderson lately?

No I haven't.

#### Q: ?

I believe that there should be one primary ledger, the whole idea of making multiple ledgers leads to problems.

#### Are sidechains a threat to BitCoin?

It depends on how you look at threat. There are different ways that blockchain could end up going. Side chains rely on Bitcoin. So in some ways, it actually makes Bitcoin stronger but in other ways they don't. I really see that we don't need them and adding complexity for the sake of adding complexity is not necessary. We can add everything that we're doing there — and some of the papers that we're doing now — when you look at those you'll see, there are many functions that mimic the early days of computing that allow us to create automatic transactions. It allows us to start having transactions that modify other transactions, but in a manner that is secure.

# Are you motivated in making the decision to come out at this point in time by taking opposition against some of the threats against Blockchain?

That's always been a hard question. I do support Bitcoin but I didn't come out because of that. If I had my choice and everything had worked perfectly then we wouldn't be having this interview. I wouldn't be out and noone would know who I am.

## Earlier you talked about wealth and being rich. How many Bitcoin do you actually have right now?

I don't know.

#### That's a strange position to take?

Do you know how much money you have in your bank account right at this moment?

#### Yes

To the cent?

[laughs]

# We talked a lot and focused a lot on the financial aspects of Bitcoin. It's also a way of shifting enormous amounts of data securely, so what are the other practical aspirations? Maybe for hospitals, medical work?

Well some of the things we're actually looking at is extending the use of what we're doing with WXX. There is a lot of coding being done, by people who are far better at coding than I'll ever hope to be. Now, what we want to do is use the keys, and use everything else there, to use the block chain to store magnet files. That will effectively allow us to have cryptic data store, un-spent transactions (UTXO's) other parties can then act on and securely download, securely access. Now that can be data based files, or that can be health records and it can be a way to prove who you are. So what we are looking at doing is having a hierarchy of keys, that deterministically allow you to create a centralised key for yourself, and then sub-keys depending on aspects of your identity. So you don't need to be yourself, you can be yourself as a parent, yourself as an employee, yourself in the hobby that you enjoy doing at the weekend and you can have different aspects which don't necessarily jump across from one to the other unless you want them to.

So if I had a personalised key in this brave new world and I, for instance, wanted to travel around the world I wouldn't need to buy airline tickets, I wouldn't need to go to an airline agent, my key would prove who I was, how much I had in my bank and that I could afford to fly to New York for the weekend.

Well it could prove all that, but you'd still have to buy the ticket! They're not going to let you fly for free.

# You say that all things are disruptive and in the long term no good for the human race, but is there a danger that it takes the humanity out of being human?

Does the internet take the humanity out of being human? There is a lot of argument around things like Facebook but they also allow people to communicate far easier. I remember back when I was young having a sometimes €3000 phone bills when things went out of control for a little bit and I left my modem connected for too long. That's not an issue anymore. Now we can communicate with people on the other side of the world; so we can talk to our kids when they're remote and friends and we can stay in touch. That's important and that's part of humanity. We sit and talk about how 'oh the children are on Facebook all the time' but what are they doing? They're sitting there chatting. And just because it's not the way we remember...

#### ... or being groomed by a pedophile? We have to look at the downside too ...

Yes but that also happened beforehand too. So yes we have to look at how we stop those things but everything has an up and a downside. We need to work to control the downsides.

Would you say this is the greatest development or invention for the human race since the Internet?

No

#### **Greater? More significant?**

Greater than the Internet? No. It relies on the Internet and builds upon it. So it adds something. But I'm not going to go down there and say that I've created the best thing since sliced bread.

#### It feels like it's going to be a scientific change for the whole universe...

And so was the Internet itself, so were computers, so was the fact that we can have smart watches that start monitoring our health and alerting people to things, so were automatic vehicles and drones. It's one of many technologies that will start interacting to form a new way of doing things and making our lives simpler and better.

#### Are you still mining Bitcoin?

Every now and again I turn on the minor to demonstrate to people, so if you consider that mining, then yes.

## I saw an interview with you where you referenced a data centre in Iceland that you're building. What's the purpose of that?

We have a lot of computation to do. I wont go into detail on any of these things as I usually get myself into trouble.

## Iceland seems to be an emerging mining location. Are you going back into the mining business?

It is one of the emerging mining areas but I don't know what the future will hold.

#### Tell me about this non-existent circuit computer in Panama.

I didn't realise that you knew it was in Panama as that is not public information. Unfortunately, the second version of the computer we went to super mark pro.

#### Is it in Panama?

I am not at liberty to answer that

## What is your relationship with Rob McGregor? I understand that he's very much... Co-workers.

He seems to be in some way your manager, or business manager. He seems to be very involved in organising things, setting things up, for instance now we're sat in his office...

That's not my strength. At the end of the day I've tried that, I've played CEO for a while, and now I'm going back to being chief scientist in the organisation and I've given other people control over different aspects of the business. I've never really wanted all of that, but where I can, I can hand-off and delegate.

So what you're saying then is he (Rob McGregor) is handling your brand while you, Craig, can retreat into what you want to do and being yourself.

Well I don't really know about that – handling my 'brand'?

#### Well, your business...

My focus is purely on writing papers, doing research, managing people who develop code, working with other people in the organisation who are very good project managers, very good architects and developing new solutions. The other aspect of it, well, it has to happen but it's not my focus.

Before you took your Facebook down, there was a very interesting picture that you posted with someone called Calvin. Can you tell us about your relationship with him? I've got lots of friends.

He's a particular man though, Calvin – I don't know if I should mention his name here or not - are you in business with him? Because there are rumours that you have been... Calvin and I are friends.

How do you know each other? It's interesting because he is a very interesting character.

If you've read my Facebook you'll see that there I've got two different pictures of Prime Ministers who I am friends with, so I know a lot of people.

#### Why did you take all of your social media accounts down?

Unfortunately I was instructed that was the best thing to do.

#### Instructed by whom?

Instructed by people in the organisation who are better with media than I am. I have a habit of saying too much at times, and unfortunately, after too many things that obviously lead to someone to 'out' me.

You refer to having your picture taken with two different Prime Ministers. Who are they?

Both of them were Australian Prime Ministers; the current one and the former one.

The former one that had a very good relations with the Chinese market? Yes.

#### But you don't consider yourself political in any sense of the word?

I try not to be. I don't really look at politics in that format. I believe in free trade, I believe in open communication between different nations and I believe that free trade is actually beneficial to the world, not just individual countries. I think it's important to realise that we're part of a global society.

I saw an article recently where there was a suggestion that the current Australian Prime Minister had an association with a big (client) mining association that was trying to do an IPO. Have you got an affiliation with that association?

No I don't.

I'm going to take you somewhere completely different and away from Bitcoin for a bit. What was your childhood like? Where did these ideas come from? Did you have a 'normal' childhood?

What's a normal childhood? If I grew up in Somalia or if I grew up in the USA it would be completely different.

## Well we know you grew up in Australia. Did you go surfing on Bondi Beach back in the day?

I was from Brisbane so Bondi was a little bit far for me.

#### Obviously you went to school. Were you always studying?

Yes, I've always been a bit of a nerd.

#### So when did this idea start to really formulate in your head?

Bitcoin not so much... I've really had an idea back from writings I've seen from a number of people on the (Site for Punksters). I was never really active there, I was pretty much what you'd call a lurker but I read things occasionally and I liked the concept. The whole idea of (Shulmian money) back then in the 90's, I had a Mark Twain bank account, back when that was the first version of digital cash and I thought that was a great idea. Fortunately it hasn't really taken off until now but the concept was always good. It can be extended, it allows us to have something that is open and if we have open systems where we can communicate securely then we have far less problems. My involvement has been very much been information security throughout my life; I've worked with the stock exchange for a time, before having them as a client, then I worked with a number of other organisations from there and it's always been around security.

#### What role did Hal Finney play in the creation of Bitcoin?

Pulling apart and helping me fix code more than anything else. I know a lot of people like to, well, think that I am some sort of a messiah who knew everything but the reality was that my code was not perfectly secure: I am not the best coder. And there are a lot of things that needed to be fixed early on, some of those will gradually be made to work properly, but Hal actually evangelised it and took on the role of pulling apart the code and making sure it worked and really had a strong interest in making sure this became popular.

#### How did you and Hal come to work together in the first place?

We didn't really work together; we exchanged emails and messages online and it was after the post was sent to the mailing list, Hal had tried the version 1.0 Bitcoin software and it crashed, he fixed a few problems, ran it again, etc, and over time we found a version that started working.

#### The Bitcoin paper that was released to the mailing list – did you write it?

I wrote the majority of it. Dave and others helped.

#### How much of it did you write?

Well I wrote it and it was then edited.

#### Would you say you wrote 50%, 60%, 90%?

I wrote it but it was edited. So people looked at giving me suggestions and corrections.

# Let me take you back – I'm going to pull you aside and back to your personal life. This is an intense pressure dealing with this. How do you relax? How do you wind down? Do you have a glass of wine?

I study. I am doing another masters degree at the moment and I relax by opening a textbook, running some statistical software, doing some math.

#### So you never read a thriller? You never do anything?

No, that's not correct. I do read occasionally other things, and occasionally watch lovely movies with my girls but predominantly, what I do more than anything else when I want to relax, is I study.

#### You've got a family as well, that is a source of relaxation!

Sometimes! Anyone who has kids knows that it can be a great source of relaxation, sometimes!

#### How many children do you have?

We have 3 children.

#### Where are they?

I don't particularly want to talk about my children. There are a number of areas, like safety, that are involved and at the end of the day it's important that they stay out of this.

#### So do you have a concern for your children's safety? Has that come up?

I think any celebrity – and that's what people are trying to make me – worry for their children's safety.

#### Why London?

London is wonderful. It has access to everything that I could possibly want. I know everyone complains about the internet but compared to Australia it's ten-times faster! We have access to developers, financial knowledge, coding knowledge. We have access to Europe, we're on the door to Europe and can just catch a train to Paris or Brussels, it's a wonderful area.

## You mention the train to Paris – and this is not a political question – but what do you think of Brexit?

In what way?

#### Basically, is the UK stronger connected to Europe or should it go it's own way?

I believe that people should stay connected, the more the better. One of the worst things that Australia ever did was break away from Britain. We used to have a common shared passport system, and I'm talking a really long time ago here, before I was ever moving around, but I think the idea was great that you could just travel between areas. I like the idea of an open, connected world. You realise, back in the 1890's and before there was actually more globalisation and inter-travel than there is now. People would jump on a boat from Ireland and go to Australia or America maybe and have the summer in one country and winter in another, and that was actually very common. People don't seem to realise this, what we've actually closed down a lot from whatever fears we have of that. We're not looking at people taking our jobs, we're looking at opportunities.

#### So can I discern from that that you're in favour of the Commonwealth?

I am in favour of a more connected global world.

#### And the Monarchy? I know it's a very touchy subject in Australia...

It doesn't bother me, I don't really care about the monarchy. I'll re-phrase that — what matters is that we have a system where people get to choose some of their future. The monarchy, a lot of Brits love them, but from my point of view I don't really care if Australia is a republic or a royalist or whatever else because whether I say I've got a governor there or a Queen's representative as governor, it doesn't really matter. They have a role here in England and they don't really do anything to change how politics occurs.

#### You can't see yourself going back to Australia at all?

I travel all the time so I don't know what's going to happen in the future. Definitely not, I love this country.

#### What do you travel for?

Business. Occasionally we go out with the family and things but mostly business.

## What is your business? I mean I get what Bitcoin is, I see you as an academic but what is the business aspect of it all?

Well business is running all of this. We have to manage people on different locations, I have to interact with them. We have a number of locations around the world so I have to travel and...

#### What kind of business are you involved in?

Developing the (inaudible – what chain?) solutions.

#### How come we haven't heard of this business? Is it a big company to work for?

I haven't really wanted to be out there before I was ready to release anything and we have started releasing papers so you'll hear about something soon. I develop intellectual property.

## So you're part of a corporation, so therefore you couldn't have been David against Goliath, you maybe are Goliath.

I don't think I'm Goliath. Even average small corporations are not going to be David and Goliath, they're not even David scale.

#### Where does the funding for your business come from?

Over the years we've managed to fund things through Bitcoin, through intellectual property development, software development and contracts.

## There's reference to a foundation. Is that what we're talking about here, your business, the foundations...

No, the foundation is actually separate. That's being set up at the moment, I won't go too much in to that but there's been speculation I was doing this to try and somehow get money, to get fame or whatever else. One, I don't want fame and two, anything that I earn or that comes out of this is down to the foundation as well so.

#### So earnings from your businesses will go in to the foundations?

My businesses were my businesses beforehand. I've got my own income and whatever else so eventually they will, yes. The majority we're talking, I don't know what it will be worth one day but if they're still worth something in 50 years time eventually that will go into the foundation, yes.

# You talk about not wanting fame and I believe you, but is that not just a by-product of this that's inescapable?

It shouldn't be.

# When I write my interview, millions of people around the world are going to really understand who you are. Are you then not going to be a celebrity whether you like it or not?

Whether I like it or not, yes.

## So if we fast-forward a couple of years, do you hope to have retreated into academia and business?

Yes.

#### How do you think you'll manage that?

One step at a time. Unfortunately I'm learning it's not as easy as people make out. It's a big change. I've come from a background where I was involved with a consulting business and a little bit of university work and teaching and things like that and no one really cared who I was. Now, one step at a time.

#### Do you feel the pressure a little bit?

I do feel it a little bit yes.

(Inaudible) in Wired reporting in 2015, they claimed that you were Satoshi then retracted that and said this was an elaborate hoax. What's your response to them?

They said either I was Satoshi or that it was an elaborate hoax yes.

#### And we've asked you today, are you Satoshi?

As I said, there's not really a Satoshi. We have a white paper and we're behind that but there were many other people that took Bitcoin to where it is now.

#### Who created that pseudonym?

Well. Mostly myself, and a little bit with Dave. Both of us acted. Dave was the nice version of Satoshi.

#### Who came up with the idea in the first place?

Mostly myself.

#### Why is there a Japanese influence? What does it mean?

Manga. I grew up in the eighties and Manga was a large part of things I watched as a child.

#### And you're still into it? All the Japanese cultures?

Not all of Japanese culture no but things like the Ghost and the Shell type series, the futuristic Tokyo type involvement with Robotics yes.

#### Something like Bladerunner?

To an extent, although the book was far better.

#### So you said to retire the PGP key. Can you tell us a bit about what that means?

Basically I'll be signing, well saying the key is no longer to be used or valid. That will mean that effectively I'm coming out and saying Satoshi is no longer to be or acting as Satoshi ever again.

#### Why is that?

I think things have gone down a path I don't particularly want or have wanted. At the end of the day, as I've said earlier in this interview, there shouldn't be a head. And that shouldn't be a figurehead either alive or non-existent. There isn't going to be a second coming. I'm not coming here to take over Bitcoin. I don't want to be, and nor should anyone be using some name or pseudonym to justify one view or another. And that's what's happening at the moment, what really needs to happen is things need to be taken not on what I have said, or others have said but on the value of the idea itself. Tested and tried. There should be many versions of Bitcoin, not just Bitcoin (inaudible), or classic, or ft, but people should be willing to try and compete.

# What about those people who really want a figurehead or really want you back, don't you think you're letting them down?

No. Because they don't really want a figurehead. They want someone who isn't there. They want someone who they can say and take quotes out of context, and I don't want that. I don't want to be anyone's figurehead.

# Why do you want there to be competition? It's a bit like you've invented the railway line or the railways which have brought everyone together, you then don't want ten different gauges and that happening do you?

Ah, but that's not the same as competition. You can have a common protocol and to get those gauges the way we have them now there were actually many competing railways originally. It's not always the best, but the one that won out and had the most support is the one that becomes the standard. And even then, there are different railways. I mean, there is a railway that goes all the way to Europe, there is separate ones in Europe, there are local ones, there's the underground and the over-ground here.

## Could that threaten the development of Bitcoin? The fact there's suddenly different versions and make it hard for people to grasp?

Not if we have... Over time we're going to have to start building solutions and we have to become more professional. It's time for Bitcoin to grow up in some ways.

## When you say over time, are we talking ten or twenty years before it's rationalized? How long is this process going to take?

I don't know, but I don't see.. I mean ten or twenty years in some areas yes. Sometimes longer. But if we look at the internet, or if we look at computing, then we go back (interrupted – ten, thirty years without the internet or something) Exactly, and we look at computing in the fifties with Wang and the sixties with Minski we find that computing has grown in scale, in use and what people thought it could be to something completely new. We've gone from a world where we have a Sci-Fi type computer with a big round screen and the occasional robot talking to The Jetsons to really having immense supercomputers on our wrist.

## What do you think about the (inaudible) and the banks. How does that work for Bitcoin?

Well they're something in opposition. The banks want to try and protect their own territory so one would expect people will compete in their own way.

#### Do you think Bitcoin might take down the banks?

No, I think things will change.

## Saying you're retiring the key, there was an accusation that the key has been backdated. Is that possible?

That's actually a different key. The accusation was made with another key and the (inaudible) with the original key will then unfortunately (inaudible) my other keys.

When you say things have changed and I'm trying to envisage the world in 50 years time, is the ultimate democratization of money, and knowledge and information really empowers the people in effect.

I don't know. If we're talking fifty years it's a hard thing to imagine.

# Simpler forms of mass communication, it just takes out all the third parties doesn't it for all systems.

Yes and no. There will be third parties because access to information is going to grow. The roles that people have are going to change over time. So right now we're talking about taking out third parties because we have a need for a trusted third party to do banking roles, to do finance roles. That will change. The third parties we have will be completely different. And we're not talking about removing jobs, we're talking about changing them. In the past, the types of roles that we had twenty years ago are different to what we have now. No one would have really guessed twenty years ago half the things we now have as jobs.

## Is there a practical application process for climate control with Bitcoin? That's moving that information, that data about what's happening to our systems.

Well, we already mentioned some of that. We're working to integration with what people term the Internet (inaudible) so, automated systems. And when I mentioned before that we're doing option systems, we want to have things like an auction where you have machines that interact with other machines and not just yours but because your pulling power off the grid so that you have an optimization. Your washing machine and your air conditioner and your whatever else will start not only competing with things in your house but things out there in the world so you have the best allocation of when you turn things on. If you want something now, you can pay more to make sure it happens now. Or you can choose to try and get the best budget for your household.

## So really, even though some of that sounds scary you feel optimistic and positive about the future of the world?

Definitely. The world as it moves forward has had a lot of ups and downs but generally it's been positive. The life expectancy has improved, we have far less child deaths, murder rates in most areas are down. If you travel between places like the third world and the first world now you can still see what it used to be like to where it is now and even then it's improving. When I was a child just the message you'd hear about the third world, even China, as part of the third world back then was of starvation and poverty. Where we have starvation and poverty now is generally political. It's not because people don't have enough food, it's because someone has stopped them getting food and that's a different scenario in the world now.

# There's not a danger that this destroys indigenous culture, culture separation and it just turns us all in to one efficient but homogenous blob.

Yes we're globalizing but that's a choice. People want that. If you think about where we are in the world now people are choosing that. It's the youth of today, sitting there talking anywhere have access to vast amounts of data. People will get cheaper and cheaper computers. In a few years people will have automated systems that allow you to learn, allow you to access lessons and textbooks and learn languages and learn math anywhere in the world. Even if you're in the centre of some poor area in Africa you'll be able to get some sort of tablet that will allow you to get on the internet and allow you to get a lesson. We're not that far away from that.

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# So even if some people who do want to go back in time, politicians, maybe Trump or someone like that, they're going to be swept away by history.

At the end of the day, if you want to isolate yourself then there are Amish communities, some of which are using mobile phones and there are others.

## Interrupted – some aboriginal communities. They communicate in telepathy, do you believe in anything spiritual?

I believe the only real telepathy I've had with a book. With a book I get to look into the thoughts of an author from sometimes hundreds of years ago and thousands of miles away.

Inaudible... ...an aboriginal chap read a random line from Shakespeare and another aboriginal elder was in Sydney and he allegedly was able to download those words as they spoke. Do you think that's all hogwash?

No, those things are generally unreputable.

#### What does that mean?

It means they're not really following a scientific method, not something where you give someone no knowledge of what might be there and have them come up with an answer. It's sort of like the horse that could count. It could while its owner was in the room but if the owner wasn't in the room suddenly it forgot how to. In other words it was trained to watch him and knew what to get from signals.

# It's been great talking to you, is there anything you'd like to talk about before we finish? Any subjects we touched on.

Not that we haven't touched on but I do want to reiterate I don't want to take control. I'd like to retain the life I had before as much as possible and stay out of the limelight. I don't want to be a poster child for Bitcoin. I'd just like things to keep going. I want people to try and to learn and develop and to be willing to actually experiment with code and take risks.

#### **NOTES AND ALTERNATIVE ANSWERS**

#### **OVERVIEW**

In session one, it was clear where CW felt less comfortable answering as the replies became far shorter and more clipped. The notes below pick out the answers that need more work both in terms of tone and content. Overall, the question of being Satoshi and how much of a team effort the Bitcoin project was a critical area to address.

1.

Q: So, it was a committee of people, for want of a better word? You're not trying to claim all the credit, it's not all about you, it's a combination of people and minds.

A: I had a lot of help. In particular a friend of mine who died a few years ago, Dave Kleiman, gave me a lot of help but there have been many other people along the way. And more than that it's been the people who have continued since I've left. These people have actually put in a lot of time and effort into making Bitcoin what it is.

NOTES: Although it is right to acknowledge that there was a team involved, CW needs to be stronger on his leading role e.g "I led the project and was the person who drove the original idea"

2.

Q: Tell us some of the problems you have had. Why have you decided now to come out into the open?

A "I haven't really decided, it was forced and thrust upon me.'

NOTES: This position is probably too passive. Rather say "The driving factor is that because of all the misinformation out there I haven't been able to carry out my work and my research in the way I would like. By going public so to speak, the focus can be my work rather than continued speculation over my role in Bitcoin and the whole Satoshi myth.

3.

Q: For instance, there was a report from the Charles Stuart University essentially denying or discrediting your claims that you studied there or you taught there. What was that about?

A: Unfortunately I can be a little bit naughty in some ways and I wanted to do two degrees at once. I was allowed to and I have two different identities with the University and that has worked up until now. I haven't really done these things to try and get more degrees or whatever else, and the idea that they pointed out saying I have four Masters

degrees at that one. Well at the end of the day it doesn't get me anything more by having more there than the other Universities. I have. It's really for me.

NOTES: His answer could again hark back to CWs passion for study – rather than just saying he had two identities', which could be picked up as part of the hoax narrative. He could also mention the fact that the University "ran out of subjects" as he puts it – a lighter approach. In light of the staff card and evidence of submission of PHD we can build on this answer further.

4.

Q: You say this was forced upon you – you coming out as Satoshi – why was that?

A: Unfortunately information was leaked and a lot of things have been said to try and discredit me. And unfortunately that has left me in a position where I don't really have much of a choice. If I want to continue going forward, if I want to publish papers and have people read those for what they are then I have to come out.

NOTES: Again avoid saying this was forced upon him so lose the first two sentences and start with "If I want to continue going forward, if I want to publish papers and research and have people read the work, then it's necessary for me to come out". Again, this brings us back to the work as the driving force narrative.

5.

Q: How many people were involved in creating Bitcoin?

A: In creating Bitcoin? A lot. How many people were involved in Satoshi is probably a better question. That was two of us.

A: Some people say that perhaps you're not Satoshi, but that Dave is Satoshi. But of course he is dead and he cannot speak for himself. How do we know it's actually you?

Q: Dave was a key part of everything that I did. Dave spoke as Satoshi and I have to admit that Dave was always far better and far calmer to be in this area of dealing with people and he is sorely missed. But the only way to really look at this is to look at the information that we'll be supplying: the papers. From that, I'm not asking you to do anything or believe me, I am asking you to judge based on the information.

Q: So would you actually admit that you are Satoshi?

A: Dave and myself.

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Q: And we've asked you today, are you Satoshi?

A: As I said, there's not really a Satoshi. We have a white paper and we're behind that but there were many other people that took Bitcoin to where it is now.

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Q: Who created that pseudonym?

A: Well. Mostly myself, and a little bit with Dave. Both of us acted. Dave was the nice version of Satoshi.

Q: Who came up with the idea in the first place?

A: Mostly myself.

NOTES: This section is one that needs the most work as it essentially says both he and Dave were Satoshi. Again, although acknowledging Dave's role is the right thing to do CW needs to be clearer on the fact he was the driving force and the originator e.g "Dave and myself worked closely together but I was Satoshi and Bitcoin and Blockchain are my inventions" Otherwise there is a real danger that the story collapses. Also need to avoid saying there is no Satoshi.

6.

Q: So looking at it from a very positive point of view and we talked about terrorism and drugs and all of that. Just so I can understand it, I'm just a journalist, say I'm David Cameron and for 10 million dollars I need to get to Rwanda, what do I do? Do I push a button, do I send a key that the President of Rwanda has? What do I do in practical terms?

A: Well you have to find the charity once again. You're not going to just send random money off there, I mean you could but how do you know how it's going to be used? So you find a charity, one that you trust, and in the future we can have completely open, auditable charities where the audit function is looking at where has the money actually been spent. One of the things we're looking at, at the moment we have some white papers coming out, is forming DACS, Distributed Autonomous Corporations and Distributed Autonomous Social Organisations that are based on the block chain with full accounting systems so that these things are auditable live. So it's a real auditable system, it's a real live system based on a computer and audit technique that's built into it. So you can actually watch what's happening to the money you invested.

Q: Say like a thousand pounds was spent this afternoon on medical equipment.

A: Exactly, and you can start allocating that and know where things have been put. So you can see this much goes to admin, this much goes to the people and then you get to a situation where you're looking at charities and how it works where people start to actually compete, they have to compete on what they're doing. At the moment, these things are fairly opaque, you don't really see what most charities do. Every now and again you hear about something in the press and the press really says this charity has done wrong, these directors are getting paid too much or whatever else but how about if that was live, right to the minute? You can look at every charity in a particular field, where they're putting their money right now, that's the future of this.

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NOTES: CW was excellent here explaining the positive uses of Bitcoin but only after a leading question. He needs to have a number of these types of examples at his fingertips and weave them into his answer when debating the issues around Bitcoin e.g criminality - rather than waiting for the journalist to ask first about positive applications

7.

Q: You mentioned several times that there was a 'we', that 'we' were developing patents. Who is the 'we' that we're talking about?

A: There are two parts to that. One, I say we a lot. It's not a royal we, but an academic we. And two, my organization. The people who work for me and work with me, well, we're putting together a lot here.

Q: The same organization you had in Sydney?

A: I have a number of organizations, including those in Sydney, Australia, and U.K. and wherever else.

Q: How do these organizations benefit from you revealing your identity right now?

A: I don't really know, I have really looked into that. I'm not seeking anything out of it so.

NOTES: Although it's understandable parts of CW's business ventures are private these answers make it sound murkier that it should. Say instead "All my organisations lead back to the one thing that drives me – research and creating new things that I feel can benefit the wider world. Like any person who has business ventures I can't always go into complete detail."

8.

Q: Earlier you talked about wealth and being rich. How many Bitcoin do you actually have right now?

A: I don't know.

NOTES: We need a better answer to this e.g "I have Bitcoin of course, it's sustained the work I do, that's where the majority of it has gone – but as with anyone my I don't think I should have to say exactly how much I have – I wouldn't ask you how much you had in your bank account!"

9.

Q: Before you took your Facebook down, there was a very interesting picture that you posted with someone called Calvin. Can you tell us about your relationship with him?

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A: I've got lots of friends.

Q: He's a particular man though, Calvin – I don't know if I should mention his name here or not - are you in business with him? Because there are rumours that you have been...

A: Calvin and I are friends.

Q: How do you know each other? It's interesting because he is a very interesting character.

A: If you've read my Facebook you'll see that there I've got two different pictures of Prime Ministers who I am friends with, so I know a lot of people.

We should not mention Calvin. If pushed on this question then say there are many people and pictures on people's Facebook pages, not really something to attach much significance to

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From: Robert MacGregor Sem: Friday, April 1, 2016 6:22 AM To: nCrypt StefannCrypt Craig:nCrypt Ramons Subject: FW: FT story

Are you both free for a quick call in ~90 minutes? This could be LSE, it could be Andrew, it could be someone Gavin spoke to, it could even be Uyen et al. But, regardless, we need to clamp down massively in the coming weeks.

Any update on Gavin, Stefan?

From: Nick Caley < nicholas.caley@outside-org.co.uk >

Date: Friday, 1 April 2016 at 08:08

To: nCrypt Stefan <stefan@ncrypt.com>

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Subject: Re: FT story

thanks Stefan - as you say we can't be totally sure but main thing is to stay on track

### Nick Caley

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On 1 Apr 2016, at 07:04, nCrypt Stefan <stefan@ncrypt.com> wrote

Nick, the FT contacted GA and he gave them that statement and confirmed it to me via email.

I am not 100% sure that this is LSE, maybe partially, but they talk about confirmation from other media and approaches and arrangements, so additional information has come from either your side (which I don't believe) or from media parties you have spoken to.

Whatever the case, we can't change it but is does highlight the importance of the NDA early in the discussion process.

:-)

On 1 April 2016 at 16:37, Nick Caley < nicholas.caley@outside-org.co.uk > wrote:

You have probably seen the FT have now run the story on their Alphaville blog

http://ftslphaville.ft.com/2016/03/31/2158024/craig-wrights-upcoming-big-reveal/

it's been followed here

https://www.cryptocoinsnews.com/craig-wright-identity-satoshi-nakamoto/

I think it does seem to have come from the LSE in some way - also it's interesting they say Gavin's e mail came to them as a statement. Usually they will say "E mails seen by" or "emails leaked"

In terms of a way forward we need to consider - I don't think this knocks us off our path - it's frustrating but unfortunately leaks are always a risk when engaging with people on a sensitive subject

I think keeping Craig and Ramona as calm as possible is- as ever- important

Nick

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## **Media Training**

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## MEDIA TRAINING NOTES – 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016

## **Dr Craig Wright**

The following notes have been collated from all our media training sessions and will serve as the master document.

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#### **General Notes**

Check you know the answers to these questions before starting an interview:

- Why am I doing it?
- What does the journalist want?
- What do I want my audience to know?

To prepare for the interview, identify the main points you want to get across, along with a couple of additional points that you *might* get an opportunity to use as well.

Prepare some examples, case studies and anecdotes to support your point.

The following worksheet will help you to prepare for your interview by thinking about "A.M.E.N"

Audience • Message • Examples • Negatives

#### Controlling the Interview

Interviewees have a greater opportunity to control the direction and style of a media interview than many people realise. Journalists usually have an idea of the story that they're after when they come to talk to someone but they're always available to be persuaded. A new and more interesting story can quite often come out of an interview.

It's important, therefore, for interviewees to have a good sense of what they want to get across during an interview. This means identifying their key messages, backing them up with examples and putting these across as soon as possible. As long as they hit a few of the T.R.U.T.H buttons, journalists will largely be happy with these messages even if they don't relate directly to what they were planning to write or report.

Changing the direction of an interview is often very useful for an interviewee but it requires skill and practice. Done clumsily or incompetently the journalist – and the audience if it's a broadcast interview – will feel cheated and will assume that the interviewee has something to hide.

As you learnt during your training there are a number of techniques for controlling an interview and allowing the interviewee to take it in a new direction, as well as handling difficult questions.

The bridging technique is a fundamental technique for controlling interviews and gives the interviewee the opportunity to communicate their key messages:

#### The Bridging Technique

- A Acknowledge/address the question, rather than answering or avoiding it
- B Bridge contrive a logical reason for moving on to your message
- C Content talk about what you wanted to
- D Develop the storyline, ideally creating a framework in which the journalist is compelled to ask the sort of question you want asking. This is best done by setting them up to ask "really?"
- E Examples. Bring the story to life and prove your point

#### **Denying Untruths**

Don't be afraid to (politely and respectfully) correct incorrect stats or comments made by the journalist. In doing so be careful not to repeat their, likely negative, language in your rebuttal. Always use your own language for maximum control.

#### **Print Interviews**

The following tips will keep you on track with newspaper and magazine writers:

- Take control of the interview: outline the key areas you want to cover early on
- Stick to the point
- Be enthusiastic
- Be positive
- Don't wait to be asked the "right" question use the journalist's questions as a prompt to say what you want
- Use pre-prepared diagrams, illustrations and stats if your subject is complex or offer to email them afterwards
- Be determined to say what you had planned
- Check the journalist understands (but don't patronise!)
- Re-cap main points at conclusion
- Be available for follow-up questions later

#### TV Interviews

Before you agree to take part in a TV interview be sure you know the following:

- What is the programme's target audience?
- Is it live or recorded?
- How long is it going to be?
- Who else is being interviewed?
- Does your clothing project the right image?

### During studio or outside broadcast interviews:

- Look at the interviewer
- Nod and smile when you're introduced
- Continue to smile (as appropriate) and be enthusiastic
- Use human examples to paint word pictures
- Have a clear, simple message
- Be positive
- Keep to the point
- Steer questions back to your key points
- Avoid jargon
- Be determined to say what you had planned

#### During down-the-line interviews from remote studios:

- Look at the camera at all times
- Nod and smile when you're introduced
- Continue to smile (as appropriate) and be enthusiastic
- Concentrate

#### **General Tips:**

#### Anger

It is the oldest trick in the book with journalists - to make you angry because they know that as soon as you start to get riled you'll say more than you might want to say.

#### Off The Record

It's NEVER off the record. Don't tell a journalist anything you don't want them to know

They tend to save it for the end with 'it's been great to talk to you, by the way, what was your work with the Australian government' right as you're walking out. That's the classic. Or, 'off the record, but I just want to know'.

You can reply that they should have asked earlier! I could have said 'I don't have time for that one sorry!'

#### Silence

Don't be tempted to fill silence. It's a natural reaction to jump in but once you've answered the question just stop, and if they pause, then pause. If you're finished then you're finished. It's a technique to make you carry on.

Or move to something you do want to talk about you could say 'what's really interesting to me is...'

### Tuesday 26th April, 2016 - MEDIA SESSIONS

Venue: The Outside Organisation, Butler House, 177-178 Tottenham Court Rd, London, W1T 7NY

## BBC – [Meeting / Interview and On-camera Interview (27<sup>th</sup> April)]

#### 09:30 - 11:00

Attending: Dr Craig Wright, Jon Matonis, Nick Caley, Andrew O'Hagan [Note: Andrew O'Hagan introduced as documenting the "coming out"].

#### Rory Cellan-Jones | BBC

He has been at the BBC for over thirty years and has won awards for his Business journalism. Rory has been consistently interested in the story.

#### Mark Ward | BBC

Mark is a technology correspondent for BBC News.

#### Priya Patel | BBC

Priya is a producer and reporter for BBC News

#### **Economist** – [Meeting and potential Print Interview]

11:00 - 12:30

Attending: Dr Craig Wright, Jon Matonis, Nick Caley, Andrew O'Hagan

#### **Ludwig Siegele | Economist**

Ludwig is the Economist's online business and finance editor. He joined The Economist as US technology correspondent in 1998. In 2003 he was sent to Berlin as the newspaper's Germany Correspondent, before relocating to London in 2008 to cover the IT industry until 2011. He started his journalistic career in 1990 as the Paris Business Correspondent of Die Zeit, a Germany weekly. In 1995 he moved from France to California to write about the internet for several German publications. He holds a degree in economics and political science from Cologne University and degrees in journalism from the Kölner Journalistenschule as well as the Centre de Formation des Journalists (CFJ) in Paris. He is also co-author of a book on SAP ("Matrix der Welt - SAP und der neue globale Kapitalismus"). He is the author of a recent special report in The Economist on startups and the global entrepreneurial explosion, entitled "A Cambrian Moment".

#### 12:30- 13:00 - LUNCH

#### **GQ** – [Print Interview and Photograph]

13:00 - 15:00

Attending: Dr Craig Wright, Jon Matonis, Nick Caley

#### Stuart McGurk | GQ

Senior commissioning Editor and was previously with the Guardian and The Times and the NME. He was nominated for writer of the year at the PPA Awards in 2015. He will be bringing an independent person (name TBC) to verify the evidence with him for the

verification process.

**Dr Nicolas T. Courtois** | Senior Lecturer in Cryptology, UCL Department of Computer Science Expertise:

- Cryptology
- Smart Cards
- Cryptanalysis of Ciphers
- RFID systems
- Bank Cards
- SIM cards

#### Areas of Interest:

- Practical cryptanalysis: how to break ciphers in realistic circumstances.
- Industrial cryptography
- Smart cards industry and market study
- Electronic locks and building security
- RFID and Smart card forensics
- Electronic subversion and internal threats
- Information assurance and secure application development management
- Hacker attacks on hardware (as opposed to software)

#### 15:00 - 15:30

CW & NH travel to GQ photo-shoot with photographer Nick Wilson in Parson Green Studio

#### 15:30 - 17:30

Photo-shoot at Studio Jet Studios, Studio 3, 18-19 Lettice Street, SW6 4EH

#### **Core Statements**

#### **CHARLES STURT**

We can say and prove that:

The thesis for Dr Craig Wright's PHD with CSU has been submitted (we have proof of that) and has undergone peer review but graduation is not until December.

Lecturer role with CSU that was reported in the media as <u>not</u> being correct [the media did recognize CSW as Adjunct Lecturer] can be proved by the fact that CW was paid by the University [Adjunct Lecturers don't get paid] proof of this is that we can show payment via the Staff Web Self Service portal and an invoice for payment of services as a Lecturer.

Additional material substantiating the Lecturer role is CW's CSU Staff Card.

"What Craig Wright put on his Linked In page was an "expected graduation date. He did not say he had a second PHD. He can use the title Dr as he already has a doctorate. The thesis for his PHD has been submitted and has undergone peer review but graduation is not until December. He was a lecturer with CSU as he was paid by the University. Adjunct Lecturers don't get paid. We can show this via the Staff Web Self Service portal and an invoice for payment of services as a Lecturer. We can also show a CSU Staff Card."

#### **C.W. STATEMENT**

"I'm an academic and so my passion for study and learning never ends. In the case of CSU, I was both a student and a lecturer and so the University allowed me to have these dual roles, hence the misunderstanding. I have a staff card to prove I was a paid lecturer as this type of ID isn't issued to unpaid staff. I also have a letter from CSU offering me the paid position".

Suggested additional line if asked about claimed PHDs:

"With regards to the claim that I have PHDs, what I put on my Linked In page was an "expected graduation date". I can confirm my CSU PHD papers have been submitted, have undergone peer review and graduation is in December.

#### SUPERCOMPUTER STATEMENT

"We can provide a letter from SGI that clearly states that they were working with Cloudcraft and built the Sukuriputo Okane, Cloudcraft's first supercomputer ranked number 327 in the world. This letter comes from a director at SGI."

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SGI and Cloudcroft have worked together with SGI's flagship ICE platform for powerful distributedmemory supercomputers to build Sukuriputo Okane, Cloudcroft's first supercomputer currently ranked #327 in the world. You can find more information about SGI's ICE supercomputing platform here: https://www.ssi.com/products/servers/ice/

This super computer was tuned to 939.67 TFlops which would see it pushed into the Top 100 systems in the Top 500 HPC realm. This could have only been achieved through commitment to cooperation. 50I is very pleased with this alliance in pushing the boundaries of distributed-memory systems.

Next we must perfect the integration of fividia Tesia and Intel Xeon Phi accelerator cards to reach new heights in supercomputing excellence in Australia. SGI offers both accelerator options for its products thus working with Coudcroft to ensure the next supercomputer stays green, reaches the highest ranks of the TSGO list, and continues to perform through innovation is very synergistic.

We look forward to a long, sustained relationship with this highly-focused Australian firm.

Yours sincerely,

Greg McKeon - Director

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#### **PGP KEY STATEMENT**

"If you go back to the Internet archive, the Wayback machine, hosted by the Library of Congress in the US, there are copies of all the software and web pages that show that the version of PGP did have those particular hash functions included at that date. I can show the paper from 2007. In addition, I'll be retiring the personal Satoshi key, which only I have access to. There was a mistake made by the people who made this accusation, they got their facts wrong and lets remember this debate took place on Reddit forums for much of the time so needs to be seen in that context."

The following PGP forensic report we will be including within the media pack and Bill Lindley, CEO First Response will speak to "nominated" press.



25 April 2016

#### A Claim relating to GnuPG version 1.4.7

First Response have been instructed by EITC Holdings Ltd to consider the claims that a person using GnuPG version 1.4.7 was unable to create a PGP key with the preferred hash algorithms 8, 2, 9, 10, 11 and that the capability to configure a key to use those algorithms was not added to the source code until 9th July 2009 and was not available until the release of GnuPG version 2.0.13.

We have found that the claim that functionality was not available in GnuPG version 1.4.7 to be incorrect: it was and it still is possible to create a PGP key with the preferred hash algorithms of 8, 2, 9, 10, 11 using GnuPG version 1.4.7. The change to the source code on 9th July 2009 was made to the repository for the 2.0 releases and not the repository for the 1.4 releases and, it simply changed the default preferred hash algorithm choice from 2, 8, 3 to 8, 2, 9, 10, 11 (it did not add additional functionality).

Our report detailing these findings will be available from 29 April 2016.

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#### Press Release – Embargoed until May 2nd

## LEADING SCIENTIST AND ACADEMIC DR CRAIG WRIGHT GOES PUBLIC AS THE INVENTOR OF BITCOIN AND THE BLOCKCHAIN

After years of speculation, **Dr Craig Wright,** an Australian computer scientist, inventor and academic has today (Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016) gone public as the man who developed and launched Bitcoin, the pioneering electronic cryptocurrency, and the Blockchain, its revolutionary digital infrastructure. Wright had used the pseudonym Satoshi Nakamoto as a way to protect his own identity and on this historic day, he puts the Nakamoto myth to rest.

Dr Wright has digitally signed messages and discussed the technology with early core developers who he had handed management of the software to. He has digitally signed messages using addresses from Blocks 1-9 including using the only keys definitively known to be associated with the Satoshi pseudonym, that used to send Bitcoin to Hal Finney, one of its earliest pioneers and its first identified developer after Satoshi Nakamoto, in 2009.

Wright's decision to go public follows a series of misleading statements that are circulating and which he seeks to set straight and in doing so will allow him to further develop his society changing work and research. His mission is to educate the world about the science and economics behind his inventions and show the remarkable potential bitcoin and the blockchain have.

Wright has also launched a blog, with a vision to create a forum about bitcoin, which dispels myths and helps to unleash its full potential. He will create a space to provide developers and producers with the real facts about the technology so as to encourage the widespread use of bitcoin and the blockchain.

Dr Craig Wright said, "I firmly believe that Bitcoin and the blockchain can change the world for the better. I didn't take the decision lightly to make my identity public and I want to be clear that I'm doing this because I care so passionately about my work and also to dispel any negative myths and fears about bitcoin and the Blockchain. I cannot allow the misinformation that has been spread to impact the future of Bitcoin and the Blockchain. I'm now able to build on what I have previously completed by releasing my research and academic work and help people understand just how powerful this can really be."

Industry expert and one of the founding directors of the Bitcoin Foundation, **Jon Matonis**, commenting on the evidence presented to him confirming Dr Wright's identity, said, "My relationship with the individual known as Satoshi Nakamoto started in early March 2010 when I received an email from Satoshi pointing me to the published Bitcoin white paper and encouraging me to investigate the system and to begin promoting the network by transacting and mining. At the time, I managed a digital currency blog and this was an email relationship with some brief

correspondence.

Then, on June 4th 2015 during a conference, I arranged to meet fellow Bitcoin advocate, Craig Steven Wright, for a cup of coffee at the top floor of the AMP headquarters building in Sydney, Australia. After discussing many technical and economic aspects of the current Bitcoin protocol debates, I returned to my hotel room after an exhausting day. I remember saying to my wife that I had this weird feeling of having just met Satoshi. Of course, I continued the dialogue with Craig in the months after returning from Sydney and leading up to a private proof session in late March 2016.

The reality of an extraordinary event is rarely what you imagine and I am now pleased to know the creator of the Bitcoin protocol and the author of the Bitcoin white paper, Craig Steven Wright. Bitcoin in itself is a brilliant accomplishment. Dr Wright's substantial academic works merit further attention. I believe that the scale of his achievement, especially the original design of chaining blocks to achieve Nakamoto consensus, has far-reaching implications for our world beyond just a single vertical industry.

During the London proof sessions, I had the opportunity to review the relevant data along three distinct lines: cryptographic, social, and technical. Based on what I witnessed, it is my firm belief that Craig Steven Wright satisfies all three categories. For cryptographic proof in my presence, Craig signed and verified a message using the private key from block #1 newly-generated coins and from block #9 newly-generated coins (the first transaction to Hal Finney). The social evidence, including his unique personality, early emails that I received, and early drafts of the Bitcoin white paper, points to Craig as the creator. I also received satisfactory explanations to my questions about registering the bitcoin.org domain and the various time-of-day postings to the BitcoinTalk forum. Additionally, Craig's technical working knowledge of public key cryptography, Bitcoin's addressing system, and proof-of-work consensus in a distributed peer-to-peer environment is very strong.

According to me, the proof is conclusive and I have no doubt that Craig Steven Wright is the person behind the Bitcoin technology, Nakamoto consensus, and the Satoshi Nakamoto name.

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#### **Questions on Satoshi**

## How can you prove that you're Satoshi?

I've signed with the private SN key. I have signed a message using the private key from block #1 newly-generated coins and block #9 newly-generated coins (the first transaction to Hal Finney). I have also shown this to key figures in the Bitcoin community who are convinced by this proof.

### Why did you create SN in the first place?

There are a lot of problems with creation — being a creator doesn't always bring postitive things — many who have created have suffered. I wanted to have a normal life. It allowed me to have privacy. I don't think I could have taken bitcoin to where it is now without the persona.

## Why come out now?

There has been a lot of media attention, it's not going to end, this puts a full stop on it all — and I can move forward and continue my work. Also, I can set the record straight - I'm not courting media attention but by going public I can move one.

#### Was Satoshi a group of people?

No, I am Satoshi, but in developing Bitcoin there have been other people and these people have put in a lot of time and effort into making Bitcoin what it is.

"I led the project and was the person who drove the original idea"

CW needs to be clearer on the fact he was the driving force and the originator e.g "Dave and myself worked closely together but I was Satoshi and Bitcoin and Blockchain are my inventions". Otherwise there is a danger that the story around CW collapses.

#### Are you a messiah type figure looking for all the publicity?

No, not at all, I am an academic and I don't want publicity, I want to retire Satoshi and move forward with my work. I want to get back to writing and releasing papers, which I will be doing via my blog.

"The driving factor is that because of all the misinformation out there I haven't been able to carry out my work and my research in the way I would like. By going public so to speak the focus can be my work rather than continues speculation over my role in Bitcoin and the whole Satoshi myth."

You talk about releasing papers when can we expect to see them?

At the moment we have several finished and I'm going to start releasing them via my blog, next week.

Why have you decided now to come out into the open? In order to continue with my academic work, I felt it was time to relinquish the Satoshi title in order to continue my academic work.

## Again avoid saying this was forced upon you

"If I want to continue going forward, if I want to publish papers and have people read those for what they are then I have to come out".

There have been other accusations that you are are not who you say you are, you are not Satoshi. Why didn't you address all those issues immediately? I was not ready to step into the public arena then and although I was not happy about some of the things people were saying about me – I had to stand back and let that debate go on without me. However, I hope now that by this process (which is not my usual modus operandi) of interviews that this can be put to rest once and for all and I can move on.

You say this was forced upon you – you coming out as Satoshi – why was that?

Unfortunately information was leaked and a lot of things have been said to try and discredit me, this has left me in a position where I don't really have much choice. If I want to continue going forward, if I want to publish papers and have people read those for what they are then I have to "come out". If I write a scientific paper, people have to validate it. It's all about peer review. But getting to that point is the important aspect for me.

Who do you think could possibly have leaked all your information? I don't know unfortunately.

There have been specific allegations in certain areas, things like Wired, that suggest you have backdated some of these documents, the PGP Keys or that they've been altered in some way?

It's an easy accusation to make. But if you actually check the information being said about it you'll find that it's actually false. If you go back to the Internet archive, the Wayback machine, hosted by the Library of Congress in the US, there are copies of all the software and web pages that show that the version of PGP did have those particular hash functions included at that date. I can show the paper from 2007. In addition, I'll be retiring the personal Satoshi key, which only I have access to. There was a mistake made by the people who made this accusation, they got their facts wrong and lets remember this debate took place on Reddit forums for much of the time so needs to be seen in that context.

Will you be explaining this to the world? As obviously some people will accuse you of being a hoax.

You get accusations. I think a lot of people are probably threatened by having someone come back. It's like (Lenis Torvil), he heads it up, he's in charge and people answer to him. But I don't really want that role. I don't actually want to be the head. I want to put information out there and I want to create and develop, but I don't want to dictate. I want that to be more of a democratic process where people actually choose based on the efficiency and value of what is actually there. So they look at the code, they look at the solutions and they find what is economically the most viable. What will work the best?

So are you suggesting that – regarding the accusation that you backdated the PGP paper - you're suggesting that these allegations are false? Why would anyone do that? These are well-respected members of the Bitcoin community.

I think some people didn't check their facts. I know I am repeating myself here but if you go back to the internet archive, the Wayback machine, hosted by the Library of Congress in the US, there are copies of all the software and web pages that show that the version of PGP did have those particular hash functions included at that date. I can show the paper from 2007. In addition, I'll be retiring the personal Satoshi key, which only I have access to. People made accusations, but they got their facts wrong.

Isn't that odd that a senior developer wouldn't check his basic facts?

People make comments very quickly on forums. Unfortunately, we're not talking about a periodic paper that's gone back and forth several times, we're talking about a Reddit forum. At the heat of the moment people say things and they get blown up. I urge people to check the facts.

Obviously there have been lots of rumours out there suggesting that other people are Satoshi – there's a Romanian one, an Irish one, there's a lot – does that get on your nerves?

No, I actually feel sorry for them in some ways. It's not a position that anyone would be envious of.

Some people say that perhaps you're not Satoshi, but that Dave Kleinman is Satoshi. But of course he is dead and he cannot speak for himself. How do we know it's actually you?

Dave was a key part of everything that I did. But the only way to really look at this is to look at the information that we'll be supplying: the papers. I am asking you to judge based on the information I have supplied and the steps I have demonstrated today.

How does your family feel about this?

I prefer to leave my family out the spotlight.

Why did you take all of your social media accounts down?

At the end of the day there was a media storm surrounding me and it was the sensible thing to do. I didn't want to be approached via social media

You talk about not wanting fame and I believe you, but is that not just a byproduct of this that's inescapable?

It shouldn't be.

When I write my interview, millions of people around the world are going to really understand who you are. Are you then not going to be a celebrity whether you like it or not?

Whether I like it or not, yes.

So if we fast-forward a couple of years, do you hope to have retreated into academia and business?

Yes.

## How do you think you'll manage that?

One step at a time. Unfortunately I'm learning it's not as easy as people make out. It's a big change. I've come from a background where I was involved with a consulting business and a little bit of university work and teaching and things like that and no one really cared who I was. Now, one step at a time.

Do you feel the pressure a little bit? I do feel it a little bit yes.

Wired 2015, claimed that you were Satoshi then retracted that and said this was an elaborate hoax. What's your response to them?

They said either I was Satoshi or that it was an elaborate hoax yes.

## And we've asked you today, are you Satoshi?

I created and drove the Bitcoin project. Of course as with any major project there were lots of people involved, helping me, correcting mistakes I might make

Who created that pseudonym? I did.

Who came up with the idea in the first place?

Me, I led it but then as it progressed more people were involved.

Why is there a Japanese influence? What does it mean?

Manga. I grew up in the eighties and Manga was a large part of things I watched as a child.

#### And you're still into it? All the Japanese cultures?

Not all of Japanese culture no but things like the Ghost and the Shell type series, the futuristic Tokyo type involvement with Robotics yes.

So you said to retire the PGP key. Can you tell us a bit about what that means?

I'm coming out and saying Satoshi is no longer to be or acting as Satoshi ever again.

Why is that?

I think things have gone down a path I don't particularly want or have wanted. At the end of the day, as I've said earlier in this interview, there shouldn't be a head. And that shouldn't be a figurehead either alive or non-existent. There isn't going to be a second coming. I'm not coming here to take over Bitcoin. I don't want to be, and nor should anyone be using some name or pseudonym to justify one view or another. And that's what's happening at the moment, what really needs to happen is things need to be taken not on what I have said, or others have said but on the value of the idea itself. Tested and tried. There should be many versions of Bitcoin, people should be willing to try and compete.

What about those people who really want a figurehead or really want you back, don't you think you're letting them down?

No. Because they don't really want a figurehead. They want someone who isn't there. They want someone who they can say and take quotes out of context, and I don't want that. I don't want to be anyone's figurehead.

Could that threaten the development of Bitcoin? The fact there's suddenly different versions and make it hard for people to grasp?

Over time we're going to have to start building solutions and we have to become more professional. It's time for Bitcoin to grow up in some ways.

When you say over time, are we talking ten or twenty years before it's rationalized? How long is this process going to take?

I don't know, ten or twenty years in some areas yes. Some times longer. But if we look at the internet, or if we look at computing, then we we look at computing in the fifties with Wang and the sixties with Minski we find that computing has grown in scale, in use and what people thought it could be to something completely new. We've gone from a world where we have a Sci-Fi type computer with a big round screen and the occasional robot talking to The Jetsons to really having immense supercomputers on our wrist.

I'm a layperson — I've seen this demonstration but I don't see how that proves you are the father of bitcoin?

Well, yes it is a technical exercise. But I'd say that I've shown this to key figures in the community and they are convinced. I've shown the things that do prove the point.

There's been a lot of negativity from both the media and the community

People don't want to see someone come back and take over. But I don't wasn't to do that. What I want people to understand risk is good, we can experiment and not destroy the system. In the end, people make mistakes, even very intelligent people. I don't want to accuse anyone of anything but Maxwell made an error, a mistake. We are all human, we all make mistakes

#### Bitcoin hasn't really taken off has it? It's not mainstream is it?

People in the 80s told me I was wasting my time with the Internet. In 1993 I attended the launch of search engine Alta Vista. Back then people thought it was a great tool for geeks — it was the first search engine, no one saw the potential. Years later we are where are! That now is many years ago — bitcoin started in 2009 — it's still in its infancy.

## Why is there so much doubt about you?

The fact that I haven't talked up to now has allowed rumours and mistruths to grow. What I'm doing now is setting the record straight. We are in a world where often you can say anything you want – hearsay is not truth. Truth comes from evidence and I have that.

#### **Questions on ATO**

What is the situation with the tax office in Australia? Your home was raided wasn't it?

We are communicating with the government and are in on going negotiations with the tax office and seeing to resolve the issue. Clearly, it would not be appropriate to go into further details.

#### Why did you leave Australia? What happened?

We'd been looking at leave Australia and move to London, because it is where I wanted to be based for my work, it has everything I need there.

#### Was it due to the ATO raid on your home?

No, that happened just as we were leaving.

I can't really say much at the moment, but we are communicating with the government and are in negotiations with the tax office.

#### **Questions on Charles Strurt / Academic**

There was a report from the Charles Sturt University essentially denying or discrediting your claims that you studied there or you taught there. What was that about?

I am glad you asked that question because it is one of the things that I have been frustrated reading about and have wanted to publicly address, I'm an academic and so my passion for study and learning never ends. In the case of CSU, I was both a student and a lecturer and so the University allowed me to have these dual roles, hence the misunderstanding. I have a staff card to prove I was a paid lecturer as this type of ID isn't issued to unpaid staff. I also have a letter from CSU offering me the paid position".

Suggested additional line if asked about claimed PHDs:

"With regards to the claim that I have PHDs, what I put on my Linked In page was an "expected graduation date". I can confirm my CSU PHD papers have been submitted, have undergone peer review and graduation is in December.

I said on my Linked in profile that I was completing a PHD, I didn't say that I had that one from CSU. It was hearsay and now I'm setting the record straight.

So it's just a misunderstanding? Yes.

There is a rumour that you did some work with the Australian government, some people say in defence or something like that. What was your relationship with the government?

I have had involvement with the government in the past yes.

#### In what area?

I worked with people such as the federal police in a number of areas such as anti-people smuggling and forensics associated with that and even with catching child predators.

### What kind of work were you doing?

I can't say too much due to security but essentially I analysed hard drives. I do a lot of forensic work.

Within Australia? Within other countries? How much did you do?

Again, I can't say too much due to security but there are a number of cases where I acted as an expert witness and also an analyst of material.

There have been some reports that it could have been the Tax Office itself? Could that be so?

I can't answer that one. I mean that's the problem with rumours. I'd just be getting on the same bandwagon.

#### **Questions on Bitcoin**

### How many Bitcoins do you have?

I have Bitcoin of course, I've invested much of it in my work and research. Not to be rude, but I would not ask you what you had in your bank account!

What are the advantages of Bitcoin? Because we can see things like dark web, Silk Road, there are some negatives associated with it as well as the positives.

At the same time, you'll find out that Silk Road was actually taken down and many of the ancillary people were actually taken down because of the trail. So although its unanimous its not anonymous and that means that there are traces there. It is a global ledger that can be traced so it's not completely anonymous. What you will find is that it's actually going to make people more honest in that there is a complete ledger of what occurs. So if we exchange goods or we exchange services, then I have proof that it occurred so we don't need to tell the world. But at the same time, if something goes wrong, I still have that receipt and so it can be set up in a way that I cant lose.

If I want to sell to a terrorist, does that not make it a lot easier? Well, you've got this thing called cash right now.

## But it's quite difficult to transport millions of dollars

It's actually amazingly simple to wire money. And there are other forms of transfer as well. There are diamonds, there are bearer bonds, things like this. People have been using money for a long time. The daily transfer of just drug traffic is far larger than the entire Bitcoin economy. We're looking at things here, and if you take everything around the world for drugs, the whole Bitcoin economy is minute.

One of the things that was leaked in the papers previously was that there was a trust and that you have control of the trust in 2020. Is that true? All my organisations lead back to the one thing that drives me – research and creating new things that I feel can benefit the wider world. Like any person who has business ventures I can't always go into complete detail.

But it actually goes back to the corporation or it goes back to you? Because it actually had your name on that legal document...

Everything I am doing goes back to the company and my research.

There are 1 million Bitcoin apparently that Satoshi mined, and you have none of it at all?

I have spent money on my business and my research and I will continue to do that.

So there is a trust then? Because that has been constantly talked about in the papers?

We will actually be releasing the details of the trust. The lawyers have argued the point that it's not a trust; we have an electronic system that is a dealer-less key exchange system that allows you to safely and securely set-up a system of transferring Bitcoin over time. That is going to be released shortly. That is one of the things we have a paper for already. But the problem there is of course that it is going to take a little bit of time for people to understand it, to code it and all the rest. So we have the idea, we have the concept, but to really release that into the wild, so to speak, we still need more time. It's alpha and experimental right now. What that does mean though is that we have a means of protecting people's assets and investments, so that people can control what happens and need to worry about their Bitcoins and not need to lose them.

How many Bitcoin did you mine? I mined quite a number.

How many Bitcoin did Dave mine?
I'm not at liberty to discuss that I'm sorry

You refer to yourself as having mined quite a lot of Bitcoin, how many is quite a lot? Is it billions?

It was only ever going to be just under 21million Bitcoins so it can't be billions.

### Valued at billions then maybe.

Well, who knows? I mean right at the moment it's not but personally I see a large future for this. We're talking about a technology that isn't just money, it's an economic token and right now it's a very small value for what it can be. One day we're going to be in a situation where it can be millions or tens of millions of dollars per Bitcoin. It might be twenty, thirty years away but that's where we're headed.

## Could it change the world economy?

It's disruptive of course it can change the world economy. Uber changes the world economy, Facebook has changed the world economy so yes, any disruptive economy changing technology is really going to change the focus of everything. What we're really doing is creating automated agents that will allow different pieces of technology to start communicating. Now that means you can have internet devices connected and communication seamlessly, simplifying everything you're doing, automating processes, finding the best time to pay for electricity rather than having to turn on the washing machine. Everything can actually start looking at different tariff rates and having miniature auctions in effect so that your washing machine starts bidding with other washing machines to get slightly better tariffs. That's where we're headed, that's why it will disrupt things.

Just sticking with the disruptive theme. Are we saying we're cutting out the third party? The bankers, the agents, the builders, they're all superfluous aren't they?

Not necessarily. What they have to do is add value. So if you're looking at a big bank that you just put money in, what does it do? So what we end up with is finding areas where banks actually add value, how do they get those people that are the best loan risk, the people that will actually pay you back. So we change in to a peer-to-peer lending system, we start moving into reputation systems, to authentication of people, of knowing our customers. All the things we're meant to do as a bank.

# Do the bankers become the advisors rather than the people that technically move money?

Exactly. I mean this is where bankers started. I mean people talk about big bad bankers but originally and even if we go back 50 years, banking was a different entity than it is now. Banking is really about knowing your clients and understanding their needs and finding solutions, not just selling home loans or

trying to put together collaterised sort of dead obligations where you have many slices of properties that you know nothing about. We're going back to something that people will have to understand their client to add value or we have the alternative or someone running a top 500 investment scheme where all you get to do is people get to put their money there and you hold it, even for a fee, protecting your wealth because they're just a wallet.

So banking got too big, too out of control, it ceased to be banking and it became speculation.

In some ways yes. At the end of the day, money is a ruler. The key focus of money is a yardstick. Now where we have really moved to is a system where the value of your money keeps changing whether it's through quantative easing, whether it's through splitting the money into different loan basis and everyone else having 5% capital holdings. Now we've moved in to a system where we don't have a single yardstick any more. The size of the yardstick is variable. It's really difficult to start preparing for your future and to understand where you might be going if the yardstick moves.

So the individual consumer has no idea what their actual pension is because it changes by the hour. So this will take us back to the basics and basic economy in some respects.

In some ways yes. It's going back to the equivalent of a gold coin. Not in the gold exchange standard, people seem to fight about that one and call people gold thugs and whatever else. But the reality there was, even at its best what the government did was limit its transfer to basically large gold bars that in the twenties were worth a thousand pound gold bar. Now a thousand pound gold bar is worth about twenty million dollars today or whatever else and that wasn't your average, I can just go out there and exchange my money for a gold bar. It was your whole suburb exchanged their money for a gold bar so it wasn't really a situation where you could do that and you could only do it in certain circumstances and only do it for certain amounts. In the end it was something like 5% of the gold deposit notes were actually held as gold so in theory you could go back and say I want to take my money and get a bit of gold but one twentieth of that is all that the government actually held.

Therefore you can't really name what you've got so when people stopped using gold and started trading in paper. You know something like the Southsea bubble where everyone invested in something that wasn't real and ended up going bankrupt. So now that couldn't really happen.

Well you can always set up a speculative bubble, I mean nothing says you need hard money. You can chose to invest in stocks, you can chose to put your money elsewhere but you have a fall back. You have something that is worth this amount and will remain worth this amount that is tangible. It might be electronic but it is effectively tangible.

So looking at it from a very positive point of view and we talked about terrorism and drugs and all of that. Just so I can understand it, I'm just a journalist, say I'm David Cameron and for 10 million dollars I need to get to Rwanda, what do I do? Do I push a button, do I send a key that the President of Rwanda has? What do I do in practical terms?

Well you have to find the charity once again. You're not going to just send random money off there, I mean you could but how do you know how it's going to be used? So you find a charity, one that you trust, and in the future we can have completely open, auditable charities where the audit function is looking at where has the money actually been spent. One of the things we're looking at, at the moment we have some white papers coming out, is forming DACS, Distributed Autonomous Corporations and Distributed Autonomous Social Organisations that are based on the blockchain with full accounting systems so that these things are auditable live. So it's a real auditable system, it's a real live system based on a computer and audit technique that's built into it. So you can actually watch what's happening to the money you invested.

Say like a thousand pounds was spent this afternoon on medical equipment. Exactly, and you can start allocating that and know where things have been put. So you can see this much goes to admin, this much goes to the people and then you get to a situation where you're looking at charities and how it works where people start to actually compete, they have to compete on what they're doing. At the moment, these things are fairly opaque, you don't really see what most charities do. Every now and again you hear about something in the press and the press really says this charity has done wrong, these directors are getting paid too much or whatever else but how about if that was live, right to the minute? You can look at every charity in a particular field, where they're putting their money right now, that's the future of this.

### Does it become the thought police everywhere?

Well you don't need to put your money into those charities. You can put your money into one that's opaque, that's your choice. You can say I don't want to know what they're doing with my money and that's still your choice but you have the choice. Now the Orwellian bit is the government comes and looks at

you without your choice. What we're saying is I get to open my books to try and get you to trust me. You can see everything I'm doing and you can trust me because I can't lie. That is a big distinction. I can choose to remain private but if I'm out there, putting my hand out asking for money why do I have that right?

How do you choose to remain private? Can anybody access the data on Bitcoin, it's completely secure is it?

The control of the wallet and the function and the key need to be secured. So nothing is completely secure in that someone compromises your computer and you only have a single key, you don't have hardware wallets or whatever else then someone could compromise you. There are ways of protecting that which is probably outside the scope of this but at the same time, I can choose how I'm going to store my money and where I'm going to store it. I don't need to tell everyone about it. Now the ledger is not really going to be open unless I let it be opened so when we're talking about an audit function I can publish my chartered accounts as an organization for instance and allow you to see how I'm calculating that but if I don't, then you don't know it.

#### So is bitcoin secure?

Of course it is. It's as secure as we have minors. And the more we have, the more secure it gets. So over time it actually becomes more and more secure. The more people use Bitcoin, the more people transmit Bitcoin, the more secure it becomes.

Do you see what's happening to Apple at the moment, where they don't want to give all this information to the government? Do you see yourself as a libertarian? David and Goliath trying to bring in a new transparent system all over the world?

I don't know if I'd say I was David and I'm definitely not Goliath. I see myself more as an academic, as a developer, a budding economist and many other things. I've tried many trades, some I do very well at, others I fudge around at, but at the end of the day I just want to develop technology. And at the end of the day, I know this is disruptive and people will get upset at that but everything was once disruptive. The automobile was disruptive, put horses out of work. Over time, every single advance that makes our lives better, that offers us a better education system, that offers a better way of living longer, healthier and happier.

So in the long run it aggregates itself out to the good, or positive change. Predominantly. I mean we always have to be vigilant, we always have to care about what we're doing and focus on making sure that these things work out well.

You mentioned several times that there was a 'we', that 'we' were developing patents. Who is the 'we' that we're talking about?

There are two parts to that. One, I say we a lot. It's not a royal we, but an academic we.

The same organization you had in Sydney?

I have a number of organizations, including those in Sydney, Australia, and U.K. and wherever else.

We've got many organisations but they're focussed on different areas. What we've done is we've merged all these into a single organisation now. I'm not a commercial lawyer, despite having a law degree, and I have made mistakes on how we did these things because I thought it was better from a risk point of view. Taking advice from lawyers and other commercial advisors we've now merged all of these into a single entity, and that will continue to fund the research.

I think saying that — and I think its often very disarming with a journalist — is saying 'I'm not perfect' that's the right thing to do. To say 'I've made some mistakes, I've had some advice and actually now it's under this one umbrella'

How do these organizations benefit from you revealing your identity right now?

I don't really know. I'm not seeking anything out of this other than the ability to continue my academic work.

If Bitcoin is the future and it's a bright as you think it is you must be a very rich man right?

Define rich. I have a loving family.

If people claim that you have a million Bitcoin then that's a lot of money isn't it?

As I said I have enough resource to carry out my work and live a comfortable life

Will you reinvest this wealth in developing Bitcoin further? It's all I've basically invested my wealth into.

Do you really think about the assertions, I'm thinking about Mike Hearn's comments in particular at Bitcoin is a flop?

I don't think that's quite what Mike said. A few comments have been taken out of context. I think also people get frustrated.

### So the rise of Bitcoin is unstoppable, It's just a reality.

Nothing's unstoppable, but I certainly believe that bitcoin has a bright future. It's in it's infancy of course, we are only talking about a launch in 2009. But what I want to do now by going public is continue to educate people about the benefits of bitcoin and the blockchain and the amazing potential it has.

Are there people who would want to stop you? Is it in the interest of Wall Street to hook up with the CIA to try and block the development of this? I don't know about Wall Street and the CIA but yes of course it's of interest to people to try and stop these things. If you're looking at an organization that doesn't want transparency, that doesn't want to be able to change. Many people might not welcome us with open arms but we go back to disruptive technologies. If I was running a coach house I don't really want an automobile.

#### What's your view on the scaling debate?

I've always believed that Bitcoin needs to scale.

I will be releasing papers to demonstrate that Bitcoin can scale nearly infinitely. What we do need to do is ensure that the infrastructure and the systems actually develop to allow that. That means splitting nodes, dividing what people do and ensuring those who run these things are not just doing this as a hobby anymore but professionalise.

#### Have you spoken to Gavin Anderson lately?

Gavin and I have spoken, yes. In fact I have shown him the evidence and as you can see by the comments on his blog he is convinced as to my role in the bitcoin story.

#### Are sidechains a threat to BitCoin?

It depends on how you look at threat. There are different ways that blockchain could end up going. Side chains rely on Bitcoin. So in some ways, it actually

makes Bitcoin stronger but in other ways they don't. I really see that we don't need them and adding complexity for the sake of adding complexity is not necessary. We can add everything that we're doing there — and some of the papers that we're doing now — when you look at those you'll see, there are many functions that mimic the early days of computing that allow us to create automatic transactions. It allows us to start having transactions that modify other transactions, but in a manner that is secure.

Are you motivated in making the decision to come out at this point in time by taking opposition against some of the threats against Blockchain?

That's always been a hard question. I do support Bitcoin but I didn't come out because of that.

Earlier you talked about wealth and being rich. How many Bitcoin do you actually have right now?

I have bitcoin of course but I don't think I should have to comment on how much exactly."

We talked a lot and focused a lot on the financial aspects of Bitcoin. It's also a way of shifting enormous amounts of data securely, so what are the other practical aspirations? Maybe for hospitals, medical work?

Well some of the things we're actually looking at is extending the use of what we're doing with XXX. There is a lot of coding being done, by people who are far better at coding than I'll ever hope to be. Now, what we want to do is use the keys, and use everything else there, to use the blockchain to store magnet files. That will effectively allow us to have cryptic data store, un-spent transactions (UTXO's) other parties can then act on and securely download, securely access. Now that can be data based files, or that can be health records and it can be a way to prove who you are. So what we are looking at doing is having a hierarchy of keys, that deterministically allow you to create a centralised key for yourself, and then sub-keys depending on aspects of your identity. So you don't need to be yourself, you can be yourself as a parent, yourself as an employee, yourself in the hobby that you enjoy doing at the weekend and you can have different aspects which don't necessarily jump across from one to the other unless you want them to.

You say that all things are disruptive and in the long term no good for the human race, but is there a danger that it takes the humanity out of being human?

Does the internet take the humanity out of being human? There is a lot of argument around things like Facebook but they also allow people to communicate far easier. I remember back when I was young having a sometimes €3000 phone bills when things went out of control for a little bit and I left my modem connected for too long. That's not an issue anymore. Now we can communicate with people on the other side of the world; so we can talk to our kids when they're remote and friends and we can stay in touch. That's important and that's part of humanity. We sit and talk about how 'oh the children are on Facebook all the time' but what are they doing? They're sitting there chatting to their friends.

... or being groomed by a pedophile? We have to look at the downside too ... Yes but that also happened beforehand too. So yes we have to look at how we stop those things but everything has an up and a downside. We need to work to control the downsides.

Would you say this is the greatest development or invention for the human race since the Internet?

No

### **Greater? More significant?**

Greater than the Internet? No. It relies on the Internet and builds upon it. So it adds something. But I'm not going to go down there and say that I've created the best thing since sliced bread.

It feels like it's going to be a scientific change for the whole universe...

And so was the Internet itself, so were computers, so was the fact that we can have smart watches that start monitoring our health and alerting people to things, so were automatic vehicles and drones. It's one of many technologies that will start interacting to form a new way of doing things and making our lives simpler and better.

#### Are you still mining Bitcoin?

Every now and again I turn on the miner to demonstrate to people, so if you consider that mining, then yes.

I saw an interview with you where you referenced a data centre in Iceland that you're building. What's the purpose of that?

We have a lot of computation to do. I won't go into detail on any this as I may get myself into trouble.

Iceland seems to be an emerging mining location. Are you going back into the mining business?

It is one of the emerging mining areas but I don't know what the future will hold.

## Tell me about this non-existent super computer

It exists. We can provide a letter from the company SGI that clearly states that they were working with Cloudcraft and built the Sukuriputo Okane, Cloudcraft's first supercomputer ranked number 327 in the world. This letter comes from a director at SGI.

Where is the computer? Is it in Panama? I am not at liberty to answer that

## What is your relationship with Rob McGregor?

We are doing some fantastic groundbreaking work at the moment, I'm working with some great people but at the moment we are not ready to share further information. London is a great place to develop, we have a new team and once we are in a position to talk about the work we will.

## Is Rob McGregor handling your business?

My focus is purely on writing papers, doing research, managing people who develop code, working with other people who are very good project managers, very good architects and developing new solutions.

#### Do you consider yourself political in any sense of the word?

I try not to be. I don't really look at politics in that format. I believe in free trade, I believe in open communication between different nations and I believe that free trade is actually beneficial to the world, not just individual countries. I think it's important to realise that we're part of a global society.

I saw an article recently where there was a suggestion that the current Australian Prime Minister had an association with a big (client) mining association that was trying to do an IPO. Have you got an affiliation with that association?

No I don't.

What was your childhood like? Where did these ideas come from? Did you have a 'normal' childhood?

What's a normal childhood? I had a happy childhood. I grew up in Brisbane. I was a bit of a nerd.

## So when did this idea start to really formulate in your head?

I've really had an idea back from writings I've seen from a number of people on the (Site for Punksters). I was never really active there, I was pretty much what you'd call a lurker but I read things occasionally and I liked the concept. The whole idea of (Shulmian money) back then in the 90's, I had a Mark Twain bank account, back when that was the first version of digital cash and I thought that was a great idea. Fortunately it hasn't really taken off until now but the concept was always good. It can be extended, it allows us to have something that is open and if we have open systems where we can communicate securely then we have far less problems. My involvement has been very much been information security throughout my life; I've worked with the stock exchange for a time, before having them as a client, then I worked with a number of other organisations from there and it's always been around security.

### What role did Hal Finney play in the creation of Bitcoin?

Pulling apart and helping me fix code more than anything else. There were a lot of things that needed to be fixed early on and Hal took on the role of pulling apart the code and making sure it worked.

## How did you and Hal come to work together in the first place?

We didn't really work together; we exchanged emails and messages online and it was after the post was sent to the mailing list, Hal had tried the version 1.0 Bitcoin software and it crashed, he fixed a few problems, ran it again, etc, and over time we found a version that started working.

The Bitcoin paper that was released to the mailing list – did you write it? I wrote it and others edited it.

## How do you relax?

I study. I am doing another masters degree at the moment and I relax by opening a textbook, running some statistical software, doing some math.

You've got a family as well, that is a source of relaxation!

Sometimes! Anyone who has kids knows that it can be a great source of relaxation, sometimes!

How many children do you have?
We have 3 children.
Where are they?
I don't particularly want to talk about my children.

So do you have a concern for your children's safety? I think anyone with children worries for their children's safety.

#### Why London?

London is wonderful. It has access to everything that I could possibly want. I know everyone complains about the internet but compared to Australia it's ten-times faster! We have access to developers, financial knowledge, coding knowledge. We have access to Europe, we're on the door to Europe and can just catch a train to Paris or Brussels, it's a wonderful area.

You mention the train to Paris – and this is not a political question – but what do you think of Brexit?
In what way?

Basically, is the UK stronger connected to Europe or should it go it's own way?

I believe that people should stay connected, the more the better. One of the worst things that Australia ever did was break away from Britain. We used to have a common shared passport system, and I'm talking a really long time ago here, before I was ever moving around, but I think the idea was great that you could just travel between areas. I like the idea of an open, connected world. You realise, back in the 1890's and before there was actually more globalisation and inter-travel than there is now. People would jump on a boat from Ireland and go to Australia or America maybe and have the summer in one country and winter in another, and that was actually very common. People don't seem to realise this, what we've actually closed down a lot from whatever fears we have of that. We're not looking at people taking our jobs, we're looking at opportunities.

You can't see yourself going back to Australia at all?
I travel all the time so I don't know what's going to happen in the future.
I love this country.

What is your business? I mean I get what Bitcoin is, I see you as an academic but what is the business aspect of it all?

Well business is running all of this. We have to manage people on different locations, I have to interact with them. We have a number of locations around the world so I have to travel.

What kind of business are you involved in? Developing tech solutions.

How come we haven't heard of this business? Is it a big company to work for?

I haven't really wanted to be out there before I was ready to release anything and we have started releasing papers so you'll hear about something soon. I develop intellectual property.

Although it's understandable parts of CW's business ventures are private these answers make it sound murkier that it should. Say instead "All my organisations lead back to the one thing that drives me — research and creating new things that I feel can benefit the wider world. Like any person who has business ventures I can't always go into complete detail."

Where does the funding for your business come from?

Over the years we've managed to fund things through Bitcoin, through intellectual property development, software development and contracts.

There's reference to a foundation. Is that what we're talking about here, your business, the foundations...

No, the foundation is actually separate. That's being set up at the moment, I won't go too much in to that but there's been speculation I was doing this to try and somehow get money, to get fame or whatever else. All I want is be able to continue my academic work and publish my papers for review.

So earnings from your businesses will go in to the foundations?

My businesses were my businesses beforehand. I've got my own income and whatever else so eventually they will, yes. The majority we're talking, I don't know what it will be worth one day but if they're still worth something in 50 years time eventually that will go into the foundation, yes.

Who is Calvin, are you in business with him? Because there are rumours that you have been...

Which Calvin are you referring to?

We should not mention Calvin. If pushed on this question then you can say You know of him.

#### If they reference your Facebook pictures then say:

There are many people and pictures on my Facebook page, it's not really something to attach much significance to.

What do you think about the banks. How does that work for Bitcoin? Well they're something in opposition. The banks want to try and protect their own territory so one would expect people will compete in their own way.

Do you think Bitcoin might take down the banks? No, but I think things will change.

Simpler forms of mass communication, it just takes out all the third parties doesn't it for all systems.

Yes and no. There will be third parties because access to information is going to grow. The roles that people have are going to change over time. So right now we're talking about taking out third parties because we have a need for a trusted third party to do banking roles, to do finance roles. That will change. The third parties we have will be completely different. And we're not talking about removing jobs, we're talking about changing them. In the past, the types of roles that we had twenty years ago are different to what we have now. No one would have really guessed twenty years ago half the things we now have as jobs.

Is there a practical application process for climate control with Bitcoin? That's moving that information, that data about what's happening to our systems.

Well, we already mentioned some of that. We're working to integration with what people term the Internet (inaudible) so, automated systems. And when I mentioned before that we're doing option systems, we want to have things like an auction where you have machines that interact with other machines

and not just yours but because your pulling power off the grid so that you have an optimization. Your washing machine and your air conditioner and your whatever else will start not only competing with things in your house but things out there in the world so you have the best allocation of when you turn things on. If you want something now, you can pay more to make sure it happens now. Or you can choose to try and get the best budget for your household.

So really, even though some of that sounds scary you feel optimistic and positive about the future of the world?

Definitely. The world as it moves forward has had a lot of ups and downs but generally it's been positive. The life expectancy has improved, we have far less child deaths, murder rates in most areas are down. If you travel between places like the third world and the first world now you can still see what it used to be like to where it is now and even then it's improving. When I was a child just the message you'd hear about the third world, even China, as part of the third world back then was of starvation and poverty. Where we have starvation and poverty now is generally political. It's not because people don't have enough food, it's because someone has stopped them getting food and that's a different scenario in the world now.

CW was excellent here explaining the positive uses of Bitcoin but only after a leading question. He needs to have a number of these types of examples at his fingertips and weave them into his answer when debating the issues around Bitcoin e.g criminality, rather than waiting for the journalist to ask first

There's not a danger that this destroys indigenous culture, culture separation and it just turns us all in to one efficient but homogenous blob.

Yes we're globalizing but that's a choice. People want that. If you think about where we are in the world now people are choosing that. It's the youth of today, sitting there talking anywhere have access to vast amounts of data. People will get cheaper and cheaper computers. In a few years people will have automated systems that allow you to learn, allow you to access lessons and textbooks and learn languages and learn math anywhere in the world. Even if you're in the centre of some poor area in Africa you'll be able to get some sort of tablet that will allow you to get on the internet and allow you to get a lesson. We're not that far away from that.

So even if some people who do want to go back in time, politicians, maybe Trump or someone like that, they're going to be swept away by history.

At the end of the day, if you want to isolate yourself then there are Amish communities, some of which are using mobile phones and there are others.

It's been great talking to you, is there anything you'd like to talk about before we finish? Any subjects we touched on.

Not that we haven't touched on but I do want to reiterate I don't want to take control. I'd like to retain the life I had before as much as possible and stay out of the limelight. I don't want to be a poster child for Bitcoin. I'd just like things to keep going. I want people to try and to learn and develop and to be willing to actually experiment with code and take risks.

How much does a whitepaper take to construct? I know it's a daft question... It could be hundreds of thousands of dollars?

Quite easily, including patenting, yes.

So you are actually saying – and can we check – that in 2012 you transferred all of that into the whitepapers for research?

We will be continuing to fund research and development. At the end of the day we will be managing the companies and controlling my research. What I intend to do is continue developing solutions, continuing to develop Internet things, time controls...

... And so any reporter would then say 'you've got all of these Bitcoin are you're not going to use any of it for personal use?'
I don't need to. I am very content with my life as it is.

I think you need to emphasise that as when you say 'I don't need to' they're going to say 'why?' so I think you answer it straight away. You say 'I've got my family, my work and research, that's plenty."

## What about your foundation / trust?

The funds will be going back into my research and development within Bitcoin. What I'll be doing is extending the Foundation and looking at creating even more. Right at the moment, we have around 500-600 white papers that will be released by 2020. After that date I'm not quite sure where we'll be, we're talking several years in the future, but for the moment we have a lot of research that we're trying to capture. We've been researching for about 7 years now and that's lead to a point where we've had to step back a little bit

and start actually capturing that information. We will be releasing some of this information on the blog. It's an on-going exercise.

#### **QUESTIONS ON TERRORISM**

The hardest ones are — Isn't it true that this anonymous currency can allow funding for terrorist attacks. Didn't you read this morning Sir about the attacks in Belgium? How do you explain to dead children's parents?'

They were paid for with cash. We actually make a system that has a ledger. This is going to make it easier for the government to go back and follow the trail. Now, the big thing with terrorism and people smuggling and all these things, isn't finding the terrorist at the end, it's tracking back the trail of money. With cash that's really difficult. When cash comes in from Syria, from Lebanon, and Africa and South America and all these other places, and there are terrorist funding groups that are now being funded by people like (faq and V Faq) and whatever else in the drug industry because it's profitable.

This is just an argument against cash, Sir. That's not a justification for an anonymous online system.

But it's not anonymous.

## It's only not anonymous if you can break the chain -

Once we have the end people, once we have where they're being funded, we can start following that chain back. We can look at where they've come from, what the transactions are, we can start...

But you have to be able to map that back. You can map the transactions; you can map the flow of coins through the ledger

I should point you to a paper that came out last year, 2015, which was a graph analysis of Bitcoin that shows for many transactions they're far less anonymous than anyone has been speculating and in fact as soon as you make an error you can start tracking everything there.

#### But the chain has to be broken?

Once you get someone who has taken that transaction the chain is broken. As soon as they start using things you can start everything back to the coin base. What we have is, even if we don't catch people, we can then follow where there funding came from.

You're ignoring the realities of international policing. So yes, I can take the person to spent the coins at the end and say 'who sent those to you' and he'll say 'it was John Smith in Libya'

What we're doing is analysing those transactions

Well I can see where those transactions came from and then what?

Then, like all policing, we have to look at enacting some process with other organisations, whether it's Interpol or whatever else, to track the money back. You cant say there's someone overseas and I'm sending money so therefore we cant do anything more from here in Britain.

But you can bounce from here to the other side of the planet in milliseconds then obviously that moves faster than any law enforcement ever could. There is a reason why there is a \$10,000 cash limit when you get off a plane because essentially we've reached the conclusion that less than \$10,000 a time is a fairly inefficient way to launder money. So, to keep going back to the analogy of cash is not a fair one because you can only move cash physically around the world, where you can move hundreds of millions of Bitcoin across the globe in seconds.

I remember one of the cases I was involved with at the AFP, what they had were \$50,000 pre-paid debit cards, they had a suitcase of these and there was something like \$100,000,000 in debit cards that were pre-paid. That was taken through an airport.

These are physical things that can be seized on the way through the airport, that can be found.

You can electronically transfer money instantly. You can get involved with barrow bonds, digital barrow bonds, digital (egons). These can be transferred anonymously, truly anonymously, instantly.

None of this answers the argument that Bitcoin increases this risk. You're just saying there are other means that are equally risky.

No, I'm saying it's a red herring. You're putting it out there saying that Bitcoin does this. Bitcoin doesn't actually change the playing field. The answer you need is to look at increased law enforcement in certain areas, to actually have people investigating these areas to actually analyse. It's a different scenario. It's the same argument as saying terrorism happens because we have encryption. Terrorism doesn't happen because we have encryption but because the world happens. We have Internet connections because of encryption; we have Internet banking because we have encryption. If we

banned encryption the terrorists would still have encryption. I can download the algorithm for RC4 or AES and write it myself in minutes.

But if I needed a legal to operate a Bitcoin exchange, and I could kill all the interactions between the real currency system and the virtual currency system I could effectively kill the economy.

No you don't.

Actually if you can't move money in and out of a virtual system then you have a very fringy group that is willing to do this offline, then you don't have to look much further than the history of Bitcoin. You don't have to go into analogies.

What you end up is a system like Webmoney that is difficult to get money in and out of. But what you have is people exchange diamonds, they exchange gold, they exchange property, and those things are traded for Webmoney. And webmoney is predominantly in Russia and Ukraine and these areas by a lot of criminals and a lot of terrorism groups.

When I ask you why this isn't a risk all you do is point me to other things that are equally bad.

It's not more of a risk or less of a risk. You're trying to say it's more of a risk; it is not more of a risk. I'm not here to solve the world's problems, I'm not here stopping terrorism but I'm not making it easier for them either.

What is your explanation then for why the first uses of Bitcoin were illicit activity?

The first uses of Bitcoin weren't illicit activity. They were actually buying a pizza.

Silk Road was the first large-scale commercial

Silk Road was not large-scale. Before Silk Road there were 3 other exchanges. There was already a house bought with Bitcoin by the time Silk Road had come about. So there had been a real estate transaction, there had been ...

Sir, do you understand how insulting that is when I say that hundreds of millions of dollars worth of weaponry and drugs have been sold and you respond with 'no, someone bought a pizza'?

In hundreds of millions, the entire drug industry of the world, for hundreds of millions is about 1.5 seconds. I can get you an exact figure if you want but plus or minus about 0.2 seconds at the moment. So, what you're saying is 2 years

worth of the entire Bitcoin economy is bad because 1.2 to 1.7 seconds worth the real world, real crime happened across years of Bitcoin.

So your response is that it isn't big enough to impact the global criminal economy in the world?

The total criminal economy...

My question is, if the attraction of Bitcoin is non-anonymity, how do you explain the first large-scale use of this was for illicit activity?

The first large-scale use wasn't actually that.

OK how do you explain that Silk Road immediately gravitated towards this? Silk Road was set up for that reason. But that's not an argument, that's its whole reason for being. Silk Road also went down. Silk Road also lead to the capture of, not just Ross Ulbricht, but hundreds of other people selling illicit goods. It lead to the capture of people who wouldn't have been known. Here's the thing, drugs are being sold now off Silk Road without Bitcoin, drugs are being sold now with cash, drugs are being sold now online in a variety of different ways. There is still web money, there are still transfers in credit cards, so your point that this is making it easier actually, the whole industry around drugs and illicit trade and weapons has moved away from Bitcoin and is moving away more. It started that way because they believed that they would find an anonymous source. But what they have discovered is that it is far less anonymous than they believed. It has lead to people being convicted and lead to people being tracked down. The only way that it is anonymous is to anonymously mine. Now, at the beginning that was possible. There were some people who are still unknown; I know a few people myself who were unknown in the early days who have never come out and said that we're doing this. But that isn't possible anymore. To actually mine any decent amount of Bitcoin costs tens of millions of dollars and there are no anonymous tens of millions of dollars suddenly appearing type facilities out there in the world anymore. People know about Bitcoin mining laws. People know where these are.

If you have a Bitcoin and you send it to my address and I send it to someone else's address and they send it to someone else's address, it's true that those kind of transactions can be traced and if that last Bitcoin gets spent by a terrorist - what's your point? That it gets tracked back to you? Because all those transactions in between are anonymous, because it's just an address. And if I had money in a bank account and I sent it to someone else, who sent it to someone else, who sent it to someone else, who sent it to someone else...

In the banking system I can trace every step Well I can trace every step now

## No, you can only trace it to addresses not individuals

But that is where you have to do further analysis. It's not as secure as you're making out. It is not as anonymous as you're making out. You're assuming is that you can't trace any of this. Now, what I will now introduce you to is somewhere that were going. We have a number of white papers that will allow organisations to start implementing accounting standards within Bitcoin. Now they'll still be (synonymous) but other organisations won't know what they're doing and won't know what they're selling unless there is something like a tax record that they need to provide, an invoice that they need to provide, or some way that government can legitimately come in and ask for that record.

The one thing that we're forgetting is that in any transaction, in drugs, terrorism or anything else, there is a physical component. Bitcoin gives you a digital signature that can be tied back to that physical component. If people want to police the system properly, they monitor things and they watch the baby get delivered. And once that baby gets delivered they have categorical proof that it was sent, that it was paid for.

There is a flipside to science. It's made it easier for the police; it's made it easier for criminals. It's made it easier for everyone in the world. The benefits of encryption massively outweigh those risks.

It's funding and finding. It makes it easier to fund and easier to find. It's two-way.

Well if I'm the head of the NSA my answer is that I don't want to find out who funded the explosion in Brussels this morning; I actually want to stop it before it happens. And if I can stop the flow of funds before it gets to you, which is what I can do by monitoring (warrant) transactions and the (swift) network then it doesn't happen in the first place.

The predominance of the terrorism funding has been by (Hahwahla) Networks. How are you stopping them?

You have to be careful with those, that's just another... So, (Hahwahla) Networks are not stoppable because it can be a telephone call, a text between two people, no cash...

... (Twitter) has been used quite a lot with coded messages...

We can't keep going there are other things that are just as bad. Because you need (Hahwahla) relationships, but you don't need them necessarily for Bitcoin you just trade Bitcoin. I don't think we should take the position that its not useful for terrorists and everything else is just as bad. I think that will come off as really self-serving and most people will just shut us off after that. We have to acknowledge that it is a new technology and new technologies come with societal benefits and costs. And just as with encryption you have to acknowledge that are you going to make the entire world subject to a surveillance state? So talk about the costs of Bitcoin. It may make certain types of transactions to terrorists more difficult to trace, lets assume that's true. Lets talk about the benefits. What does it mean to the global economy when someone can start a business for free anywhere in the world. What does it mean when I don't have to go into a bank right now on my hands and knees asking for a merchant account to start mu business in sub-Saharan Africa. What does it mean when I can move dollars across the world with no cost?

I am going to interrupt. So what are the problems why we have terrorism? Lets go into that first. We have it because we have displaced people. People who are wealthy enough to know what is out there, to know what the opportunities are for other people in the world but don't have it for themselves. They don't have access to education but they see their people unable to get access to schools, don't have empowerment in their lives, they can't move money, they cant actually do anything where they can interact with the global economy. That's part of why these people feel they are outside of the world economy. What we are going to do is offer something where they don't need they need a traditional bank account. Where they can interact with other people. They don't need to worry about crenation of warlords because no one knows how much money they have. Where they can be protected, where they can move money, move location if they need to, where they can educate their children and pay for it. And then, they are not going to be so disillusioned. When they have something to loose. When they can build and be part of the economy they are less likely to be terrorists in the first place. And Bitcoin, through enabling that, not through traditional banking methods, but enabling people to securely keep their own money, will reduce the need for these people who feel that they have to rebel against something that is really bad in their lives.

### Notes on the question of terrorism

This interview is not the arena to start discussing this, so the key is to share the concern but to be succinct and brief in your response.

This is a big and important debate, but we are not here to discuss this in the detail that it requires, but in broad strokes we should neither canonise nor demonise technology. Technology isn't like that. Bitcoin is money and it can be used for good and bad purposes just like cash. The entire economy of bitcoin is less than one minute of the drug trade. The entire value of bitcoin does not equal a nanosecond of the arms trade.

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Twitter have said this re terrorism which is a useful guide - https://blog.twitter.com/2016/combating-violent-extremism

http://www.wired.com/2016/02/twitter-wants-you-to-know-that-it-is-fighting-terrorists/

#### Who are EITC holdings?

I'm working with a group of companies, we are developing new solutions but I'm not about to share my whole business strategy! I'm doing lots of great work with a number of people at the moment but it's not the right time to share but when it is the right time I'll be able to talk about it.

#### Tell me about NCrypt?

We are doing some fantastic groundbreaking work at the moment, I'm working with some great people but at the moment we are not ready to share further information. London is a great place to develop, we have a new team and once we are in a position to talk about the work we will.

#### **TIMELINE**

#### MONDAY 02 MAY

0830 GMT – NICK CONTACTS BBC, ECONOMIST, GQ, DIRECTING THEM TO THE GAVIN BLOG AND THE CW BLOG. NICK ADVISES IN WRITING THAT THE EMBARGO WILL LIFT AT 0900 GMT

0859 GMT – CW BLOG GOES LIVE

0900 GMT - GAVIN BLOG PIECE POSTED

0900 GMT – JON MATONIS TWEETS LINKS TO GAVIN BLOG AND CW BLOG

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#### Vision (options)

- · My vision is to create a platform to educate the world about bitcoin and the blockchain.
- · My vision is to create a forum about bitcoin, which dispels myths and helps to unleash its potential.
- · My vision is to create a blog that can help the world understand bitcoin and its associated protocols.

#### Our Mission

Bitcoin and the blockchain can change the world for the better. Unfortunately, there are a number of inaccuracies and misconceptions out there.

That is why I created this blog. I want it to become a pre-eminent source of information for bitcoin and the blockchain, educating people about the science and economics behind them.

The aim is to not only dispel myths. With your contributions, I want to create a forum to enlighten developers and producers with the facts, and by doing so, encourage the

widespread use of bitcoin and the blockchain.

We will strive for an ongoing quest for excellence in all our operations, from assembling a diverse workforce of high-caliber individuals, to deepening their understanding of the bitcoin protocol.

By creating a world-class forum, I believe we can remove the fear surrounding bitcoin and the blockchain, and help unlock the remarkable potential of both.

## <u>Gavin Andresen – BLOG</u>

publishing 9am GMT Monday May 2

GA has permitted that we can provide them with the blog post that he'll be And if they have further questions, they can contact him via email - we can provide his email address [gavinandresen@gmail.com] and advise email communication only.

GA is declining any on-camera or on-microphone interviews, but happy to answer email questions that relate to why he is convinced. They should look to other people if they are looking for somebody to give a "what does this mean for Bitcoin" opinion.

#### Title: Satoshi

I believe Craig Steven Wright is the person who invented Bitcoin.

I was flown to London to meet Dr. Wright a couple of weeks ago, after an initial email conversation convinced me that there was a very good chance he was the same person I'd communicated with in 2010 and early 2011. After spending time with him I am convinced beyond a reasonable doubt: Craig Wright is Satoshi.

Part of that time was spent on a careful cryptographic verification of messages signed with keys that only Satoshi should possess. But even before I witnessed the keys signed and then verified on a clean computer that could not have been tampered with, I was reasonably certain I was sitting next to the Father of Bitcoin.

During our meeting, I saw the brilliant, opinionated, focused, generous -- and privacy-seeking -- person that matches the Satoshi I worked with six years ago. And he cleared up a lot of mysteries, including why he disappeared when he did and what he's been busy with since 2011. But I'm going to respect Dr. Wright's privacy, and let him decide how much of that story he shares with the world.

We love to create heroes -- but also seem to love hating them if they don't live up to some unattainable ideal. It would be better if

Satoshi Nakamoto was the codename for an NSA project, or an artificial intelligence sent from the future to advance our primitive money. He is not, he is an imperfect human being just like the rest of us. I hope he manages to mostly ignore the storm that his announcement will create, and keep doing what he loves-- learning and research and innovating.

I am very happy to be able to say I shook his hand and thanked him for giving Bitcoin to the world.

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**Sent**: 4/19/2016 3:59:20 PM

To: Ramona Watts [ramona@ncrypt.com]; Jon Longfellow [craig@ncrypt.com]

CC: Stefan Matthews [stefan.matthews@demorgan.com.au]

Subject: FW: BBC

Hi Craig and Ramona,

Just forwarding the below feedback from Nick.

I believe this is Row: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/correspondents/rowcellanjones and https://uk.linkedin.com/in/row-cellan-jones-b67a003

Let me know what you think. Perhaps tomorrow we can sync back up to discuss whether/how to do a supplementary session for something with a video component on Friday, or not. I am in the office all day tomorrow, so happy to reconnect live if you like.

Thanks,

From: Nick Caley <nicholas.caley@outside-org.co.uk>

Date: Tuesday, 19 April 2016 at 16:16

To: Robert MacGregor <rmacgregor@theworkshop.com>

Subject: BBC

Hello

I spoke with Rory at the BBC. To hopefully help with reassurance he said that this was the BBC so we should view it as a good and gentle interview, almost like a good practice run for CW, that it would be a very straight forward interview with pretty clear questions e.g "Why now to come out", "can you tell me how you can prove you are who you say you are".

It will be a one person camera crew, nothing intimidating and a million miles away from any kind of doorstepping experience. It's not live as we know and they will want to get a good interview - it's not in their interest to make it an uncomfortable or difficult experience- so CW can do a a number of takes if need be. He's very interested in this story and has stuck with it which I think is a good sign. He's a very well respected and senior guy with a long track record - he's isn't in the market to trip people up - it's just not what they do at the BBC - they have to be fair, it's written in their charter.

He did also say he would like to film the evidence session which we should discuss - would again help the story but will take guidance on that

I hope that all helps to move this part along

many thanks

Nick

# Nick Caley

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From: Craig S Wright [Craig S Wright]
Sent: 2/4/2015 12:55:01 AM

To: Ramona Watts
Subject: FW: ATO Game
Attachments: image002.jpg

#### Email to Hardy

From: Craig S Wright

Sent: Monday, 27 January 2014 4:53 PM

To: Hardy, Michael

Cc: Sommer, Andrew; 'Ramona Watts'

Subject: ATO Game

#### Hello Michael,

Right now, it seems to me that there is a game at the ATO designed to drive me out. If a company I am involved with but not director of lodges a claim, it is withheld. If I lodge a claim, it is withheld. It does not make any difference that the times have been exceeded. I am treated differently from all the other BTC companies. There are several filing BAS returns and not a one has been audited or made to pay GST on Bitcoin.

The Bitcoin I control was mined in the US for a foreign trust and company that was setup following the Information Defense incident and prior to the reversal of the found-less "recklessness" claim made against me. All I had was transferred out of Australia when the ATO deemed it worthless in 2010.

I have a loan based on BTC from that entity into Australia. BTC has appreciated. That makes the loan and loss larger. If I just used this, I would not pay tax in this country ever again. This is not what I am trying to achieve.

What I have been seeking is to repatriate this and pay capital gains under the normal company rate. We have around 50 jobs that are at risk right now and this does not account for the plans to double that.

Right now, I am seeing fewer and fewer opportunities for continuing in Australia. I am trying to work to build a business and create employment in Australia. What I see resulting is a legal battle where the ATO will end up having to pay me but where I more everything overseas losing jobs and revenue for the country.

I will try and talk to you tomorrow.

#### Regards,

Dr. Craig S Wright GSE LLM Chief Executive Officer Hotwire Preemptive Intelligence (Group) Mobile: + 61.417.683,914

craig.wright@hotwirepe.com



From: Craig S Wright

Sent: 3/1/2014 5:44:35 AM

To: 'Mavrakis, Nicholas' <nmavrakis@claytonutz.com>

Subject: FW: 32 wipe falacy

----Original Message----

From: Dave Kleiman [mailto:dave@davekleiman.com]

Sent: Saturday, 27 December 2008 9:17 PM

To: Craig S Wright

Subject: FW: 32 wipe falacy

Craig,

You always know I am there for you.

You changed a paradigm that was held for over a decade and destroyed the work of a couple academics. Do you really think they will just take this happily. I know you will not, but try not to take the comments to heart. Let the paper speak for itself.

Next time you need to get me a copy of the conference proceedings as well. You know it is not easy for me to travel.

Dave

----Original Message----

From: Craig S Wright [mailto:craig.wright@information-defense.com]

Sent: Saturday, 27 December 2008 1:02 PM

To: 'dave kleiman'

Subject: FW: 32 wipe falacy

#### Dave

My wife will not be happy, but I am not going back to work. I need time to get my idea going. Allan told me they are trying to make people redundant and I will walk into it and use the funds to keep me going.

The peesentation was good and the paper is out. I am already getting shit from people and attacks on what we did. The bloody bastards are wrong and I friken showed it, they should stick to the science and piss off with their politicised crap.

I need your help. You edited my paper and now I need to have you aid me build this idea.

I will have time to play and enjoy the farm, but I also want to have a little time to sit, read economics papers and code. I have been on "vacation" and think I do not want to go back yet. Reading is audio book, so I can lay in the hammock and listem and take notes, and plan. So much to do.

It is off topic for my experience, but I have a few potential clients in gaming and banking. I figure I can work 10-15 hours a week and pretend to have a consultancy and use this to build and buy the machines I need. If I automate the code and monitoring, I can double the productivity and still offer more than others are doing.

I have some savings and a payout if I get made redundant. The racks are in place in Bagnoo and Lisarow. I figure we can have 100 cores a month setup and get to around 500. I need to have these bleeding edge, but if I donate them to charity, I do good for once as well as getting a tax writeoff. The bank has just refinanced the three properties and I own next to nothing any longer, but I have the capital to try this.

Talk soon, CRaig

----Original Message-----From: Craig Wright

Sent: Friday, 7 December 2007 8:22 AM

To: 'dave kleiman'; 'Shyaam' Subject: RE: 32 wipe falacy

For a STM - see

http://www.bsc.ustc.edu.cn/~jlyang/research/STMWebPage.html

My wife hates it, but I also keep buying lab equipment at auctions as well. My last was a haematology lab. I not sure what I am going to do with it, but I can run my own blood tests now;)

Being slightly insane helps with being a researcher.

Regards, Craig

----Original Message----

From: dave kleiman [mailto:dave@davekleiman.com]

Sent: Thursday, 6 December 2007 9:09 PM

To: Craig Wright; 'Shyaam' Subject: RE: 32 wipe falacy

Very nice Craig, I am looking forward to the full results.

By the way, how is it you have a scanning electron microscope at your disposal?

Oh...and the Guttmann theory is a 35 pass wipe.

Dave

----Original Message----

From: Craig Wright [mailto:Craig.Wright@bdo.com.au]

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Sent: Monday, December 03, 2007 23:59

To: Shyaam; dave kleiman Subject: 32 wipe falacy

Hi Dave,

Let me introduce you to Shyaam. He is helping me write a paper dismissing the fallacy that data may be recovered from a hard disk platter using a scanning electron microscope. Some of the data is attached in the word document. I thought that you may be interested in this. Explanations will follow, but these are the plots of the raw data.

From the data I can tell that a disk has been overwritten. I can even make the occasional guess, but I think that this may put to death the idea that you can recover data from even a single overwrite.

Although there are individual and distinct differences, they are all in the expected range and there is thus no way to categorically determine the prior write value.

Regards,

Dr Craig S Wright (GSE-Compliance)

Craig Wright Manager of Information Systems

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### McCaughan, Alexandra

From:

Craig S Wright <craig.wright@hotwirepe.com>

Sent:

Monday, 3 February 2014 6:34 PM

To:

John Chesher; McCaughan, Alexandra; Slater, Jonathan; Mavrakis, Nicholas

Cc:

Ramona Watts

Subject:

FW: Beer and congrats

More to come.

From: Craig S Wright

Sent: Monday, 3 February 2014 6:12 PM

To: Craig S Wright

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

From: "MArk -ferrier" [markferrier@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 6:09 PM

To: 'Craig S Wright'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

No prob, lem mate. You think others may find you have shit overseas. Me mate Clive could help you there.

mark

From: Craig S Wright [mailto:craig@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 6:06 PM

To: 'Mark Ferrier'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

Let us take this to Skype. Text is good, but too much said in email already.

Craig

From: "MArk -ferrier" [markferrier@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 6:02 PM

To: 'Craig S Wright'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

Mate

You have me all wrong

Just look at what I have. Why would you not want it to. Y9u told me you like boating. For all me issues I pull all sorts

on my squadron

fuck up or not, she hasd pulling power with her Volvos. Get you on there with my mate clive and you can spout your

crap about wine and funny money lol

what the fuck good is this shit of yours without a way to get tits and ass

mark

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From: Craig S Wright [mailto:craig@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:52 PM

To: 'MArk -ferrier'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

Well, you get paid. The guys you have arranged get paid. You have cash, they have what they want. I have my code.

If this works, we all win. I had Dave mine the Bitcoin overseas and all it has cost is sunk. I cannot miss what I never have. I have never touched the Bitcoin we created in the OS trust and companies and what I care about is making something more.

Craig

From: "Mark Ferrier" < markferrier@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:41 PM

To: 'Craig S Wright'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

Your loss mate

If it was me, I would be finding a way to do what you want without letting othes in

mark

From: Craig S Wright [mailto:craig@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:38 PM

To: 'Mark Ferrier'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

Well, nothing is really here.

I understand that you are not keeping any Bitcoin, just payment in cash – so it comes from overseas and stays overseas.

I just want to do things here

From: "Mark Ferrier" < markferrier@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:10 PM

To: 'Craig S Wright'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

So why even do it here

mark

From: Craig S Wright [mailto:craig@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:09 PM

To: 'Mark Ferrier'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

I have a trust overseas. I moved it and the mining process to Dave Kleiman when I had a few issues with the tax ppl.

I still do not trust them, but I do want to do things inoz.

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From: "Mark Ferrier" < markferrier@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:07 PM

To: 'Craig Wright'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

Craig

So tell me where you got this stuff.

mark ferrier

From: Craig Wright [mailto:craig@

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 5:04 PM

To: 'Mark Ferrier'

Subject: RE: Beer and congrats

I will start to send the addresses and get you the private keys. I hope you understand that with this value transaction I need to see the code before I release everything.

C

----- Forwarded message -----

From: "Mark Ferrier" < markferrier@

Date: 23/05/2013 2:34 pm Subject: Beer and congrats To: <craig@rcjbr.org>

Cc:

You are good for it so it seems and these guys are waiting. I have a gret feeling about this. Once this is done and the Payne deal closes, we are going to have a long profitable friendship. You do what you do and I will sell it

Mark

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From: Craig S Wright [Craig S Wright]
Sent: 9/22/2014 11:18:10 PM

To: Kathryn Unger <unge1kat@police.nsw.gov.au>

**CC**: Sommer, Andrew <asommer@claytonutz.com>; Ramona Watts

**Subject**: RE: Statement

Attachments: Statement - WRIGHT.DOCX; Draft witness proofing.docx; 1.pdf; 2.pdf; 3.pdf; 4.pdf; 5.pdf

#### Part 1

From: Kathryn Unger [mailto:unge1kat@police.nsw.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 23 September 2014 9:03 AM

**To:** Craig S Wright **Subject:** RE: Statement

Morning Craig,

Thanks for doing your statement for me. In regards to advice I can give to you, I am not at liberty to give legal advice regarding Mr Ferrier due to the current investigation we have undertaken. Your Solicitors would be the best option to seek advice from.

The criminal investigation still continues with us and when you send me your statement we can arrange a time for you to come in and bring me all the annexures and complete the statement.

Thanks Craig.

Kathryn Unger Hornsby Detectives Kuring-Gai LAC PH: (02) 9476 9795

----Craig S Wright < craig.wright@hotwirepe.com > wrote: ----

To: Kathryn Unger <unge1kat@police.nsw.gov.au>
From: Craig S Wright <craig.wright@hotwirepe.com>

Date: 22/09/2014 05:53PM

Cc: Ramona Watts < ramona.watts@hotwirepe.com >, "Sommer, Andrew" < asommer@claytonutz.com >

Subject: RE: Statement

Hello,

Mr Ferrier is still calling my wife and others. He wants to "make a deal".

What advice would you give?

Thanks

Craig

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From: Kathryn Unger [mailto:unge1kat@police.nsw.gov.au]  Sent: Tuesday, 16 September 2014 11:54 AM  To: Craig S Wright  Subject: Statement
Hi Craig,
Apologies for the late reply to your statement infiormtion. It's been crazy here and I have been doing your statement little by little each week, but I haven't forgotten about you at all. I am putting through a report this week to get some assistance from the NSW Fraud Squad who are able to get more information in regards to Bitcoin and hopefully they will get the ball rolling a bit quicker than I can here.
I have attached a copy of your statement so you can have a look at. You will see the parts in red which I will get you to answer and send it back to me. No rush but it will help with the report I will send to the Fraud squad.
If you want to add anything just let me know.
Regards,
Kathryn Unger Hornsby Detectives Kuring-Gai LAC PH: (02) 9476 9795
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#### McCaughan, Alexandra

From:

Craig S Wright <craig.wright@hotwirepe.com>

Sent:

Monday, 3 February 2014 1:40 PM

To:

John Chesher; McCaughan, Alexandra; Slater, Jonathan; Mavrakis, Nicholas

Cc:

Ramona Watts

Subject:

RE: SOC

From: accounts@mjfminingservices.com [mailto:accounts@mjfminingservices.com]

Sent: Thursday, 15 August 2013 10:36 PM

To: Craig S Wright Subject: Reciept

Hello,

We have accepted and verified the private keys sent to us below.

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1P3S1grZYmcqYDuaEDVDYobJ5Fx85E9fE9

145YHsQU7HMzkRnD5SBSuFAzQgCYnAnLkN

We will process a transfer tomorrow and as long as the first account settles in the timeframe as promised we will proceed.

We remind you that this process is to maintain the utmost secrecy.

Regards, Accounts

Core Software Invoice

Address

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Date Sunday, 15 September 2013

16 June 2014

#### PROOF OF EVIDENCE CRAIG WRIGHT

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1. This is the evidence of Dr Craig Wright regarding his dealings with Mark Ferrier.

#### **FEBRUARY - MARCH 2013**

#### Melbourne Conference

2. In around early February 2013, I attended a Conference in Melbourne on Mining and Security.

There were approximately 60 - 100 people at the conference.

Clayton Utz have evidence relating to the 11th Annual National Scada Conference (Melbourne on 28 - 30 May 2012); 12th Annual National Scada Conference (Melbourne on 26 - 27 March 2013); IT & Network Security in Mining Conference 2012 (Melbourne on 19 - 20 June 2012); Network Security in Mining 2013 Conference (Perth 18-19 June 2013)].

There are also other conferences. I really do not remember at which conference I first met him. I have added some other possible. I was talking at up to 16 conferences a year and at that point I did not take notes as I did not know this would be the result. The initial contact was from SMS to my number and mentioned that we met at one of these conferences.

- 3. I was invited to attend the Conference to give a presentation about the automation of the mining industry. Specifically, I discussed how mining contracts and mining equipment could be linked by a "block chain". A block chain is a "triple entry ledger".
  - I specifically talked on the automation of systems, I had not gone into detail in the presentation. I talked of attacks and mitigation. Bitcoin was a private talk.
- 4. I spoke for approximately an hour at each conference. After my presentation, the conference had a morning tea break. At some point during the break an individual approached me.

I know it was one from that period, but I really cannot remember which one now. It would have been a 10-15 min chat.

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- 5. This person was male, white, had blue eyes and short "dirty" blonde hair. He had no facial hair, and a round face. He was slightly taller than I am. That would make him approximately six foot and one inches tall. I recall that he was wearing a suit and tie because he stood out from the crowd who were mostly dressed in casual attire.
- 6. Now shown to me and marked **Annexure 1** is an image taken from the Facebook page of Mark Ferrier. The photograph shows the man who approached me at the conference.
- 7. This man said words to the effect of:

"This is all good, but how can it help me?"

- 8. In response to his question I explained my interest in Bitcoin and automation. I cannot recall the precise words that I said, but I remember that I spoke for about five minutes about how I think Bitcoin and automation is going to transform the world.
- 9. When I stopped speaking, he introduced himself and said words to the effect of:

"I am Mark Ferrier"

10. I introduced myself and said words to the effect of:

"I am Craig Wright"

11. We then had a conversation in words to the effect of:

Mark: "Would you be interested in chatting some more?"

Me: "What would you like to chat about?"

Mark: "About how this could help me. I am heavily involved in mining and finance of

mining."

Me: "Great".

I noted to the person who had called themselves Mark Ferrier that I was looking at obtaining automation software it and was interested. I had visited booths etc.

- 12. I then handed Mark my business card. I cannot recall if he gave me his business card. I have subsequently searched my files and have been unable to find one.
- 13. We then had a short conversation in words to the effect of:

Mark: "Do you mind if I contacted you by Skype"

Me: "No, in fact I would prefer it".

- 14. We then ended our conversation. The conference continued and I do not recall speaking to Mark again during the conference.
- I have always preferred communicating with friends and clients online. At this time I thought that Skype kept a record of all messages for about a year. It was only in or around October 2013 that I was informed that following Microsoft's purchase of Skype, records were only retained for approximately three months.

#### **Subsequent Communication**

- 16. At the end of February, I cannot recall the exact date, I contacted a person using the Skype Profile "Mark Ferrier". I called him directly. I cannot recall what was said, but he sounded similar to the person who I had met at the conference.
- 17. Shortly thereafter, before the end of February, I had a Skype text conversation with "Mark Ferrier" in words to the effect of:

Mark: "Are you still looking at purchasing automation software?"

Me: "I definitely am"

I had noted early on that I was interested in purchasing automation software. I did not take notes as to when, but I have the email and Skype logs.

18. Within 48 hours of the text message conversation, I was called by Mark on my Skype listed number "(02) 8003 7553". I said words to the effect of:

"Can I please have your email address?".

19. On 3 March 2013, I received an email on my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com . The Email read "This is mine". A copy of this email is marked Annexure 2.

#### **SCADA Software**

20. Between March and April 2013, I had a number of communications with Mark via Skype. This included voice calls, but was mostly by text. In the course of our conversations I discussed with Mark the concept of a "bitcoin exchange" by which smart contracts would be connected. This is an idea that I had developed with my business partner David Kleiman (**David**) for a period of over a decade.

I started developing smart contracts in 2007. Dave and I worked on this for a number of years up to 2011.

I started companies in 2009 for this reason.

A short explanation as to what is meant by "smart contracts"

- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smart contract
- https://en.bitcoin.it/wiki/Contracts
- 21. I first met David in 1998/1999. We were both HICC members. We had a common interest in digital/computer forensics and law enforcement and co-wrote a number of papers on crime prevention and digital forensics. David was based in Florida, United States of America.

I met Dave around 1999 first. We became friends in 2001.

http://www.hightechcrimecops.org/

The High Tech Crime Consortium is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization founded in 1998.

It is a professional organization that assists law enforcement and corporate investigators to obtain the knowledge and skills needed to combat 21st Century crime where the use or abuse of digital technology is an element of an offense.

Members of HTCC comprise an international cadre of professionals experienced in detection and investigation of digital crime and forensic examination of digital evidence, practitioners of international, federal, and state criminal law, digital forensic software development or information management and security.

Prior to acceptance for membership, an applicant's employment status is authenticated and additional checks are performed when necessary.

- The idea conceived by David and me, was to develop a system that integrated Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) software and a Bitcoin exchange. I had a strong interest in SCADA systems, and had published a Book on the topic that was released in February 2013 (see http://www.crcpress.com/product/isbn/9781466502260).
- SCADA systems include hardware and software components. The software gathers data in real time from remote locations, and feeds that data into a computer that has SCADA software installed. The computer then processes the data and presents it in a timely manner. That data may then be used to control equipment and conditions.
- 24. I explained to Mark my interest in SCADA systems and how they operated. In response, Mark said words to the effect of:
  - "MJF Mining is a multi-million dollar contractor and supplier for the mining industry... what you are talking about is of interest to me, because automated services would be valuable within the mining industry"
- 25. I told Mark that he was correct there was scope for the application of SCADA systems to the mining industry. I explained that SCADA is currently used in power plants, oil and gas refining, telecommunications, transportation, and waste and water control. I informed him that Siemens had a SCADA system, as did a number of other "mining people" such as BHP.
- 26. I also told Mark that the threshold problem for David and I was obtaining access to SCADA software. We did not want to approach Siemens directly, because we intended to review the software to assist us in writing our own programs. We knew that Siemens would not permit this.
- 27. In response, Mark said words to the effect:
  - "That is interesting. We should probably talk more".
- 28. Following that discussion, Mark contacted me approximately one week later by Skype and said words to the effect of:
  - "If I could get hold of this SCADA software, what could you give me".
- I was excited by the prospect of obtaining the software. I told Mark that the only way in which I would be able to finance the deal would be by paying in Bitcoin. He said words to the effect of:

"I'll get back to you"

30. Mark contacted me before the end of March, saying he could obtain the Siemens SCADA software, and would accept payment in the form of Bitcoin.

#### **APRIL 2013**

#### Early April

- In early April, I discussed with David the proposed contract with Mark Ferrier. At around this time we decided that we would do business in Australia, and register our company "Coin Ex". See: http://abr.business.gov.au/SearchByAbn.aspx?SearchText=31+163+338+467
- 32. At this point in time, I understood that Mark was able to obtain the Siemens software for me. Having sourced the Siemens software, I asked Mark whether he would also be able to obtain banking software. The system proposed by David and I, and to be operated by Coinex, was to integrate a Bitcoin exchange with the SCADA software. The establishment of a bitcoin exchange would require banking software.
- I received the software in July when the first payments had been completed. There is no dispute as to the receipt of the software. The software has been demonstrated and shown to the ATO and others including Commonwealth Government forensic experts.
- At this point in time I did not have any serious concerns as to the integrity of Mark Ferrier.

  Mark had obtained Siemens Software for me, and from what I understood I would not pay for the software until I was provided with a copy of it. There seemed minimal risk in the transaction.

I have received the Siemens Software. This is not in dispute.

- I received the keys and software in August
- The keys are the unlock keys to access the software
- I also gave weight to items of personal information Mark had disclosed to me in the course of our discussions. He had mentioned that his father was Ian Ferrier, a well-respected insolvency specialist, and that he had "trust fund" set up by his father. Mark told me that he was working in Subiaco, Perth at the time, but lived in Paddington in Brisbane. As I understood these were good suburbs of the respective States. Mark had also lead me to understand that his company, MJF Mining Services WA Pty Ltd (MJF Mining), was a company that did multi-million dollar deals "all the time", and I had no reason to doubt what he told me.

35. In addition, on 5 April 2013, I conducted an ASIC search in respect of MJF Mining. That search identified Mark Ferrier as the sole Director and Secretary of MJF Mining, and the only shareholder. The search did not disclose any information of concern. A copy of this ASIC search is marked **Annexure 3**.

I conducted a Dun and Bradstreet search in March/April 2013. The company came back clean at the time.

36. For these reasons, I trusted Mark Ferrier's word.

#### Late April

- 37. On 26 April 2013, David died. I was notified of this by an email from a colleague dated 30 April 2013. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 4**.
- 38. The death of David was a shock. It did not, however, distract me from the goal of setting up a Bitcoin exchange.

#### **MAY 2013**

39. On 3 May 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from Markferrier@hotmail.com. It stated:

"Mate.

That stuff you have been seeking. I have an answer. I know some guys who I have been dealing with in finance that can help with accessing that software you want".

- 40. I understood his reference to "stuff" to mean the banking software I discussed with him in April 2013 (see paragraph 32 above). A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 5**.
- 41. In around mid-May 2013, I had a telephone conversation with Mark. He told me that he had contacts within the Dallah Al-Baraka Group (Al-Baraka) who could sell the banking software to me. He also raised the idea that in addition to the contract for purchase of the Siemens and Al-Baraka software I purchase some gold. He said words to the effect of:

"I am negotiating a deal with mining people in Western Australia and I can get you some gold..."

42. In making this suggestion Mark alluded to the volatility in value of bitcoin. He said words to the effect of:

"Mate, you don't know that Bitcoin is going to work. It is volatile. You should diversify in gold.... If you bundle the transaction into one - the Siemens software, Al-Baraka software and the gold, my Dad, Ian Ferrier, will give you free valuation advice on your companies."

The companies to have a valuation included Coin-Exch Pty Ltd and Hotwire Pre-emptive Intelligence Pty Ltd.

- What I understood from Mark's proposal was that in return for him transferring me the Siemens Software, Al-Baraka software and the gold, I would transfer him a large number of Bitcoin. Mark would then act as an agent with the Bitcoin, and transfer it to the relevant parties as payment. I did now know how much he would get paid, but I knew he would get a cut.
- 44. On 13 May 2013, I conducted a search of the ASIC database in respect of MJF Mining. A copy of the ASIC extract is marked **Annexure 6**.
- 45. On 17 May 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com with subject line "Golden". It stated:

"My lawyer will get a contract to you soon and we can set a price in that funny money you think has value.

Look, if it works, we are set. I do think you need to consider that other offer. These clowns are serious and I can get a great deal here. I will sell you the gold to enable you to get a start in the real world and you get me the bitcoin thing.

I am not one for this, but as long as the Arabs are willing to get money to me, I will get gold to you. We should talk more on Skype. I know that you will come around. Software has no substance, gold is something you can hold and nothing stops you doing both.

*Ma.*"

- 46. I understood his reference to:
  - (a) "funny money" to be Bitcoin;
  - (b) "the Arabs" to be Al-Baraka;
  - (c) "the clowns" to be his mining interest in Western Australia. Mark had not disclosed the identity of this mining interest. He did, however, say words to the effect of:

"although the company has previously had some bad publicity, they have recently been taken over by new bosses so everything will be okay".

- 47. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure** 7.
- 48. At this point in time I did not conduct any further due diligence in respect of Mark or MJF Mining. It had come to my attention, I do not know how, that Mark had previously had a company which had failed. As he had not been disqualified for his conduct, I did not consider this to be of concern.
- 49. Between 17 May 2013 and 23 May 2013, I cannot recall the exact date, I had a Skype conversation with Mark. This was the first time that we discussed the amount of Bitcoin I would transfer to him, in exchange for the Siemens software, Al-Baraka software and gold. In this conversation Payne's Finds Gold was identified as the "mining interest".
- 50. Following this conversation, I gave Mark access to a Bitcoin "wallet" so he could see the value of Bitcoin I had. There is a separate document attached that explains Bitcoin and the wallets. At the time of having this conversation, Bitcoin was valued at approximately \$120 \$140 per Bitcoin [The values are determined on market and we have a value at the time from Xe.com]. I was excited at the prospect of obtaining the Siemens software and Al-Baraka software that I told him I was willing to give him about 50% of my Bitcoin wallet. In May 2013, my Bitcoin wallet would have been worth approximately \$100 million.

John Chesher has the XE.com values – these are market values.

John Chesher can offer the values and amounts – I have provided the details of the wallets I control to the Tax Office as well – I first did this in July BEFORE these transactions.

- https://en.bitcoin.it/wiki/Wallet
- http://moneymorning.com/2014/02/14/bitcoin-heres-everything-need-know/
- I understand that Mark took this offer to Al-Baraka who said that they could give me more platforms and modules of the software if I offered more money. I was excited by this prospect, and offered more Bitcoin. I did not turn my mind as to how the Bitcoin would be apportioned between Siemens and Al-Baraka. That was of no interest of me.
- 52. On 22 23 May 2013, I received a series of emails in my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com relating to the transaction. A copy of this email correspondence is marked **Annexure 8**.

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#### **JUNE 2013**

On 1 June 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com. It stated:

"If you can get it witnessed and back before Monday close we are in business

Popal wants to go public so some pressure on this end

Ma"

- 54. I understood this email to mean that Mark required the Contract for the purchase of the Siemens software, Al-Baraka software and Paynes Find Gold options (Contract) to be returned by 3 June 2013. A copy of this email is marked Annexure 9.
- 55. At the time of receiving this email, I did not have a copy of the Contract. I contacted Mark Ferrier by Skype to request a copy. He subsequently "shared" the Contract by Skype.
- The Contract is titled "Contract for Sale of Personalty". I thought it was strange that the Contract was expressed in these terms. I raised this with Mark. In response, he said words to the effect of:

"It is just what the lawyers require".

- 57. A copy of the Contract provided to me is marked **Annexure 10**.
- 58. On 1 June 2013, I accessed website http://www.goldnewsworldwide.com/lag/operations/which stated the following:

"Paynes Find Gold (ASX - PNE) will soon provide an operations update and has placed its shares into an ASX trading halt while it prepares the announcement".

A copy of this search is marked **Annexure 11**.

#### A number of Reports relating to PFG are available.

59. On 2 June 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com subject line "Letter". Attached to this email was a confirmation letter stating that, amongst other things:

"We will issue the license agreement and finalize the contract payment upon satisfactory completion of company registration".

- 60. A copy of this correspondence is marked **Annexure 12**.
- 61. On 11 June 2013, I conducted an ASIC search of MJF Mining. A copy of this extract is marked **Annexure 13**. I conducted a search after the Contract had been executed as my lawyers and accountants have been told to maintain records I did this each time as a double check as it was a large amount of money.

#### **JULY 2013**

On 1 July 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from mark@mjfminingservices.com. Attached to that email was Tax Invoice 0B0188 issued by "MJF Contracting" (First Invoice). The First Invoice specified that I was to pay \$AU 38,830,000.00 by 15 August 2013, and related to the supply of the Siemens Software, Al-Baraka Software, Gold and Bitcoin. A copy of this correspondence is marked Annexure 14.

#### **AUGUST 2013**

- 63. On 9 August 2013, I conducted a Dun & Bradstreet search in respect of MJF Mining. I noted that Mark Ferrier was listed as the sole Director and Secretary. A copy of the Dun & Bradstreet report is marked **Annexure 15.**
- 64. On 15 August 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from accounts@mjfminingservices.com subject line "Receipt". This email stated that:

"We will process a transfer tomorrow and as long as the first account settles in the timeframe as promised we will proceed".

- 65. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 16.**
- On 16 August 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from accounts@mjfminingservices.com subject line "Receipt". This email stated that:

"The client has confirmed the transaction and the confirmation process. We will arrange finalising this and completing the transactions".

- 67. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 17**.
- 68. On 20 August 2013, I received a Skype text message from Mark Ferrier telling me to use email address mjf@mjfminingservices.com. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 18.**
- 69. On 22 August 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com in which Mark requested the "key" [this a reference to the software key it is used to unlock and access the code]. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 19.**

- 70. On 24 August 2013, I received an email in my account craig@rcjbr.org from markferrier@hotmail.com relating to the transaction. A copy of this email is marked Annexure 20.
- 71. On 15 August 2013, I received "Tax Invoice Dallah" for the specified sum of \$20,311,471.84 relating to the supply of the Al-Baraka software (**Second Invoice**). The Second Invoice specified that payment was by 30 September 2013. A copy of this Invoice is marked **Annexure 21**.
  - The accounts and an excel spreadsheet titled 'Core Software' that shows 135,100.10 were transferred on 15 September 2013 as well as the transaction details are available as evidence.
- 72. On 30 August 2013, I paid MJF Mining the sum of 245,103.89 Bitcoins, which was the equivalent of \$AU 38,830,000.00, being the sum specified in the First Invoice. A copy of the confirmation of Transaction Payment is marked **Annexure 22**.

#### **SEPTEMBER 2013**

73. On 15 September 2013, I transferred 135,100.10 Bitcoins in consideration. A copy of an excel spreadsheet titled "Core Software Invoice" is marked **Annexure 23**.

#### **OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2013**

- On 1 October 2013, Paynes Find Gold Limited advised that it had formally terminated its Mining Services Agreement with MJF Mining. A copy of the Operations Update issued by Executive Director Carl Popal is marked **Annexure 24**.
- I became aware of this on the third week of Oct I was informed by Mr Popal of PFG that they did not trust Mr Ferrier and saw "issues" with the agreement between PFG and MJF.
- 74. On 10 October 2013, I conducted an ABN search for MJF Mining's ABN "65 160 509 204". A copy of the ABN search result is marked **Annexure 25**.
- I conducted this search as I was checking the address to contact Mr Ferrier (who had been unresponsive) I was not able to get a hold of them and was trying everything I could.
- 75. On 12 October 2013, I received an email from Markferrier@hotmail.com attaching the username to access to Al-Baraka Software. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 26**.
- 76. It has subsequently been brought to my attention that Mark Ferrier had been extradited to Queensland at this time. A copy of a news article confirming this is marked **Annexure 27**.

John Chesher informed me of this in the third week of Oct.

Carl Popal pointed me to the newspaper article when I called him

On 13 and 17 October 2013, I conducted ASIC Company searches for MJF Mining. These searches confirmed that Mark Ferrier was still listed as the sole director and secretary of MJF Mining, and the only shareholder. A copy of these Company Extracts are marked **Annexure** 28.

I conducted searches on these two dates as I was concerned. I was not aware at this point that Mark had been extradited from Perth in September.

I was not able to get on to MJF at all.

I was not aware of the legal issues with Mark before I was informed by John etc. I discovered these issues on a later date.

78. I received no further correspondence from Mark following 12 October 2013.

#### **NOVEMBER 2013**

- 79. On 10 November 2013, I conducted a search of the ASIC database in respect of MJF Mining. A copy of this search is marked **Annexure 29**.
- 80. On 13 November 2013, I conducted a search of the ABN database in respect of ABN "65 160 509 204". The search results confirmed that MJF Mining remained "active". A copy of this search is marked **Annexure 30**.
- 81. On 19 November 2013, I commenced Supreme Court proceedings 2013/348577 against MJF Mining. These proceedings were commenced by of Statement of Claim, a copy of which is marked **Annexure 31**.
- 82. On 19 November 2013 at 1:09 pm, I caused a copy of the Statement of Claim in the Supreme Court proceedings to be sent by email to accounts@mjfminingservices.com. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 32.**
- 83. On 25 November 2013, I wrote to mark@mjfminingservices.com saving:

"Is anyone there".

A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 33**. I did not receive a response to this email.

#### **DECEMBER 2013**

- On 18 December 2013 at 08:10 am, I received an email from accounts@mjfminingservices.com in response to my email dated 19 November 2013. responded to this email at 11:21 am that day. A copy of this correspondence is marked Annexure 34.
- 85. On 18 December 2013 at 11:32 am, I wrote to mjf@mjfminingservices.com and mark@mjfminingservices.com. saying:

"Hello Mark.

It has become imperative that you contact us urgently.

If we are not contacted before the end of the month we will have to look at appointing receivers.

Regards,"

- 86. I have not received a response to this email. A copy of this email is marked **Annexure 35**.
- 87. On 19 December 2013, I commenced Federal Court proceedings NSD2577/2013 against MJF Mining. These proceedings were commenced by way of Originating Application and Statement of Claim, copies of which are marked **Annexure 36**.
- 88. On 19 December 2013 at 11.49 am, I caused a copy of the Statement of Claim and Originating Application in the Federal proceedings to be sent by email to accounts@mjfminingservices.com.
- 89. On 19 December 2013 at 4:40pm, I received an email from accounts@mjfminingservices.com stating, amongst other things, that:

"We note that we cannot accept service and reject this as we do not desire to act on a matter whilst an authorised officer of the company is indisposed.

We will contact you when Mark is back. We will not accept further correspondence regarding this matter before this.

Accounts."

A copy of this correspondence is marked **Annexure 37**.

90. On 21 December 2013, I conducted an ASIC search in respect of MJF Mining. The search results disclosed that Mark Ferrier was no longer the Director or Secretary of MJF Mining. A copy of the ASIC Company Search Results are marked Annexure 38.

91. On 24 December 2013, I conducted a "Whois" search in respect of"MJFMININGSERVICES.COM". A copy of the search results are marked Annexure 39.

The owner of the domain mjfminingservioces.com is Mark Ferrier and thus he owns and controls the emails.

This has been updated to hide Mr Ferrier and change the results in the 2014 year after the court action.

92. On 29 December 2013, I conducted an ASIC search respect of MJF Mining. The search results confirmed that Mark Ferrier was no longer the Director or Secretary of MJF Mining. A copy of the ASIC Company Search Results are marked **Annexure 40**.

From: Craig Wright

Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 6:12 AM

To: Ira K
Subject: Re: scronty

Yes. We both played.

Dave compiled. He never just used binaries.

The paraniod bugger was worse than me that way.

On 10 May 2017 05:56, "Ira Private" < <u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u>> wrote: How about if I limit my questions to harmless stuff about my brother?

I read that Version 0.1 of Bitcoin was compiled using Microsoft Visual Studio for Windows. And the other day I came across that program in Dave's set of discs. It got me wondering if he compiled it?

Regards, Ira

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 10:28 PM, Ira Private <<u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Thanks for responding back.

I would like to resolve whatever differences or misunderstandings there are between us.

Are you open to communicating with me a bit more?

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 2:04 AM, Craig Wright < wrote:

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 4:57 AM, Ira Private <<u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u>> wrote: was he really part of the team?

From: Lou K < lureg8@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 4:37 AM

**To:** verifymail20@gmail.com

**Subject:** Fw: Re: Dave

----- Forwarded Message -----From: Lou K < lureg8@yahoo.com>

To: "craig.wright@hotwirepe.com" < craig.wright@hotwirepe.com>

Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014, 3:34:40 PM EST

Subject: Re: Dave

Craig:

After reviewing the information you sent, I want to thank you very much.

My home address is: 5104 Robino Circle, West Palm Beach, Florida 33417

I look forward to any information you can give me about my son DAVID. To me,

he was alway's someone special. Lou Kleiman

On Tuesday, February 11, 2014 6:23 PM, Craig S Wright <craig.wright@hotwirepe.com> wrote:

Hello Louis,

Your son Dave and I are two of the three key people behind Bitcoin:

https://bitcoin.org/

http://www.motherjones.com/politics/2013/04/what-is-bitcoin-explained

If you have any of Dave's computer systems, you need to save a file named "wallet.dat". I will explain what this is later. Please understand, I do not seek anything other than to give you information about your son.

Know also that Dave was a key part of an invention that will revolutionise the world: <a href="http://techcrunch.com/2014/02/10/bitcoin-wins-best-technology-achievement-but-satoshidoesnt-show/">http://techcrunch.com/2014/02/10/bitcoin-wins-best-technology-achievement-but-satoshidoesnt-show/</a>

I will talk to you again soon.

When I can, I will let you know much more of Dave. I will also help you recover what Dave owned.

I will let you know when I am in the USA,

Dr. Craig S Wright GSE LLM
Chief Executive Officer
Hotwire Preemptive Intelligence (Group)

Mobile: + 61.417.683.914 craig.wright@hotwirepe.com

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Message

From: Ira Private [clocktime2020@gmail.com]

 Sent:
 9/29/2017 6:41:20 AM

 To:
 Craig Wright [craig@rcjbr.org]

Subject: Re: scronty

Why did you have to tell my family about Dave's involvement in Bitcoin if nothing good would come from it? With all the positive things I read about Bitcoin, I don't understand why we are still so detached from it.

On Fri, Sep 29, 2017 at 1:38 AM, Craig Wright < wrote: Originally used is not what was in 14

And that was not me using it.

On Fri, Sep 29, 2017 at 5:20 AM, Ira Private <<u>clocktime2020@gmail.com</u>> wrote: >He had the vistomail account, I had the gmx one.

Why did you tell me that Dave used the vistomail account when that Gizmodo article shows you using it to email colleagues in Jan 2014?

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After all, he's got a super phat stack of Bitcoin.

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### Feature: Dr. Craig Wright

Dr. Craig Wright is an Australian computer scientist, businessman; and inventor. He has been involved with Bitcoin since 2009 and is one of the earliest minds behind it. He also has over 20 years of experience in the fields of information technology and security. Dr. Wright has been a lecturer and researcher in Computer Science at Charles Stuart University, authored many articles, academic papers, and books and spoke publicly at several



conferences on IT, security, Bitcoin, and other cryptocurrency topics. Dr.
Wright is Chief Scientist for nChain

– the global leader in research and development of blockchain technologies. His vision is a world with wide-scale adoption of both the Bitcoin cryptocurrency and the

Bitcoin network as a transformative technology platform.

nChain is the global leader in research and development of blockchain technologies.

We have designed and architected a blockchain infrastructure to transform people's lives and the way in which businesses operate. We see the full extent of this disruption being achieved by maximising transactional velocity on the BSV blockchain. In support of our mission, nChain is researching and developing tools, protocols, and applications to support blockchain growth worldwide.

nChain is also building a professional services unit, which will help business clients design and implement blockchain projects using nChain's intellectual-property assets.

With a strong, diverse, and global team of researchers and developers representing more than ten different nationalities, nChain's team is ideally resourced to support the drive towards global adoption of Bitcoin. Our team is primarily based out of London, United Kingdom, with additional members in other countries.

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