

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 you outlined respecting the other departments be
2 basically budgetary?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 COMMISSIONER As opposed to technological?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 COMMISSIONER Yeah. Okay, thank you. They didn't want
7 their funds eroded?

8 A. Exactly.

9 COMMISSIONER Basically. Yeah.

10 MR. MERRICK Let's talk for a minute about the role
11 that various people played in this, and let me just
12 finish off with you. It's been suggested that you would
13 have played one of two roles. First, that you did your
14 best to kill it and were unsuccessful, got the best deal
15 you could.

16 Another version of your role has been that you were
17 the one that was put there with the specific instructions
18 to get this deal through. Can you tell me if it was
19 either of those extremes or neither?

20 A. Well, I can only repeat what I said before, and I do
21 so honestly. I had to manage this case as objectively as
22 I knew how, and I could never portray to anybody that I
23 was coming down on one side or the other, other than as a
24 strategy to be sure that I was not losing the confidence
25 of whoever it was I was talking to, whether it be Westray