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Interview Session Number: 1 of 2
Interview Conducted By: SSA [REDACTED]
SSA [REDACTED]

(S) [REDACTED], to be identified forthwith as UNIDENTIFIED NFL QUARTERBACK (UNQ), was interviewed on [REDACTED] at a secure location at the FBI Field Office in [REDACTED]. UNQ provided the following information:

(S) UNQ contacted SSA [REDACTED] on [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and explained that he wanted to discuss his thoughts on "that thing going on in Seattle." It became clear through further dialogue that UNQ was referring to AREA 29. When SSA [REDACTED] suggested that UNQ meet to discuss matters further, UNQ changed his mind, saying, "I'm thinking it's time to scrap this." UNQ called back on two subsequent occasions before agreeing to meet with special agents.

(S) When UNQ arrived at the interview, he appeared nervous and tired. When SSAs noted this, UNQ retorted that they, too, would be nervous and tired if they were unable to sleep more than a few hours a night. He added that this had been the case since "the night before the Seattle game" and ever since. He expressed concern about speaking about AREA 29, explained, "People are going to think I'm [expletive] crazy." After SSA [REDACTED] assured him that that was not the case, UNQ consented to the interview, and requested [REDACTED] a Fruit Punch Gatorade "unless you have something harder." The request for Gatorade was granted, though only Fierce Melon was available.

(S) UNQ explained that he had heard rumors among a number of players concerning AREA 29, but that he had dismissed them. But on the evening of [REDACTED], prior to playing Seattle, he admitted feeling trepidation about the game, as well as an unshakeable feeling unlike anything he had previously experienced, a sense that "something weird was in the air." When SSA [REDACTED] joked that perhaps it was just Seattle, UNQ stared back angrily, asking, "You see me laughing, dog?"

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(S) When talk turned to the actual playing of the game between Seattle and [REDACTED], UNQ's demeanor changed dramatically. UNQ spoke rapidly and began to sweat, as if reliving the trauma of the experience while retelling it. UNQ stated that despite having a "rocket arm," multiple times his passes were batted down and intercepted -- notable, he said, because at the moment he released the ball, there was "no one within 15 yards of the guy I was throwing to." When asked to provide further explanation, UNQ said, "There was no one there. No one. Then there was. It was like there was a ghost in the secondary or some [expletive.] I don't know how else to say it."

(S) UNQ also expressed disbelief at his inability to gain more than 26 rushing yards during the entire game despite a dozen designed runs. He is an elite athlete with elite, breakaway speed and escapability, he said. UNQ said he was met just past the line of scrimmage head on and with debilitating force on every attempt. On the one decent run, which went for 17 yards, he explained that he was caught from behind in the open field. "That [expletive] doesn't happen," he said.

(S) UNQ went on to explain that there was no possible way that a human being could move as quickly as a specific member of the Seattle secondary. When SSAs [REDACTED] asked him what he was suggesting, UNQ said he wasn't suggesting anything. "Human beings don't move like that," he said. UNQ grew quiet momentarily, seemed to stare into the distance, before muttering, almost to himself, "Human beings don't move like that" a second time. UNQ refused to identify the member of the Seattle secondary by name. "I'll tell you one thing, dog," he said. "Area 29 -- that [expletive] is for real. Believe that."

(S) UNQ consented to a lie detector test, which he subsequently passed.