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BRIAN HARRY KJELLBERG

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OFC. BROUWER: All right, we are going to make this official.

KJELLBERG: Yeah, that's fine. I hope so.

OFC. BROUWER: Okay, Brian. Just given the circumstances and everything else. . .

KJELLBERG: Oh yeah, I understand.

OFC. BROUWER: Okay. You have the right to remain silent.

KJELLBERG: Yep.

OFC. BROUWER: Anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to talk to a lawyer and have them present with you while you are being questioned. If you cannot afford to hire a lawyer, one will be appointed to represent you before any questioning. If you wish. Do you understand these rights?

KJELLBERG: I do.

OFC. BROUWER: Okay. Um. Having these rights in mind, do you wish to talk to me now?

KJELLBERG: Sure.

OFC. BROUWER: Okay. So, how did this, so what happened first tonight, exactly?

KJELLBERG: I was gonna, I was gonna leave. I walk outside and there's a vehicle right there. I'm like...

OFC. BROUWER: So in the back?

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46 KJELLBERG: Yes.
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48 OFC. BROUWER: So you're going to leave out the back?
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50 KJELLBERG: That's my point of entrance and exit.
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52 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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54 KJELLBERG: Um. I had no idea who's the vehicle was. I was out there for 20 minutes,
55 just waiting.
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57 OFC. BROUWER: So then there's a vehicle parked there.
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59 KJELLBERG: Right. I called the police. I talked to the operator, whatever, call dispatch,
60 whatever.
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62 OFC. BROUWER: What kind of vehicle was it?
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64 UNKNOWN: 376, where you guys at?
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66 KJELLBERG: Mercedes, something. I took a picture of the plate.
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68 OFC. BROUWER: A what?
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70 KJELLBERG: A Mercedes SUV.
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72 OFC. BROUWER: A Mercedes SUV?
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74 KJELLBERG: Yeah, Mercedes. It was.
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76 OFC. BROUWER: And then, what color was it?
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78 KJELLBERG: Like, a burgundy.
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80 OFC. BROUWER: Okay, and so you're standing there, and this car is just out back running?
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82 KJELLBERG: No
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84 OFC. BROUWER: Oh, just sitting there?
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86 KJELLBERG: Parked.
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88 OFC. BROUWER: Parked.
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90 KJELLBERG: But there are three signs, no parking, no trespassing, nothing.

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92 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. Was it blocking your car from getting out, or?
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94 KJELLBERG: It was on my property.
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96 OFC. BROUWER: It was on your property, and that's why. . .
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98 KJELLBERG: It was on my property.
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100 OFC. BROUWER: So, you weren't leaving in a vehicle, you were just going to walk. . .
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102 KJELLBERG: I was leaving, but it was on my property.
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104 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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106 KJELLBERG: I have three signs. . .
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108 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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110 KJELLBERG: . . .within 20 feet.
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112 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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114 KJELLBERG: No trespassing, no parking.
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116 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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118 KJELLBERG: Whatever. I've had incidences in the past as well.
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120 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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122 KJELLBERG: Um. I'm waiting. Called the, talked to the operator, not the operator, but
123 the call center.
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125 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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127 KJELLBERG: And gave them the plate number. They said okay, we are heading on out.
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129 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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131 KJELLBERG: While I'm waiting, I called two tow truck companies.
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133 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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135 KJELLBERG: First one, talked to him for a few minutes, he's like no, we don't do
136 private residences.

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138 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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140 KJELLBERG: So, I'm still waiting. Called Budget. Yep, okay, we'll be out there shortly.
141 So, I'm still waiting.
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143 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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145 KJELLBERG: So, I mean, it's quite a while.
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147 OFC. BROUWER: Yeah, how long you think you waited?
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149 KJELLBERG: Twenty minutes, at least. Twenty, twenty-five minutes.
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151 OFC. BROUWER: Before calling, or just. . .
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153 KJELLBERG: In, the whole period.
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155 OFC. BROUWER: The whole period, okay.
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157 KJELLBERG: Um. And, well, I was leaving at seven, is when I was leaving.
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159 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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161 KJELLBERG: That's when I left, that's when I was, walked downstairs, was at seven.
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163 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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165 KJELLBERG: So whatever time it is now. Um, or when I called...
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167 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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169 KJELLBERG: You can look it up.
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171 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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173 KJELLBERG: Um, still waiting...
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175 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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177 KJELLBERG: ...all of a sudden, two cars pull out from two doors down. They left.
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179 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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181 KJELLBERG: Uh, third car went to pull out. And shortly thereafter, this young kid comes
182 running down the alley. And I say stay off my property.

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184 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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186 KJELLBERG: I said, you know, what?
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188 OFC. BROUWER: When you say young kid, can you describe him for me?
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190 KJELLBERG: Thirty-year-old. African American. Thirty, probably, real skinny.
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192 OFC. BROUWER: How tall do you think he was?
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194 KJELLBERG: Five seven, maybe.
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196 OFC. BROUWER: Kay.
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198 KJELLBERG: Uh, sort of a dreadlock, sort of, braided hair.
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200 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. And you say stay off my property, was he. . .
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202 KJELLBERG: Stay off my property. . .
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204 OFC. BROUWER: . . .was he on your property at the time?
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206 KJELLBERG: Yep. He was coming on to my property.
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208 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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210 KJELLBERG: I said I have no trespassing signs, I have no parking signs. Stay off my
211 property. I said it about three, four times.
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213 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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215 KJELLBERG: Um. He goes, something something, something nigger. I'm not your
216 nigger or whatever. And I'm like, I didn't say a thing, I didn't say
217 anything about race.
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219 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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221 KJELLBERG: He goes, F you nigger. I'm like, I'm not, I replied back to him, I'm not
222 your nigger.
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224 OFC. BROUWER: Yep
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226 KJELLBERG: Then all of a sudden he just cold cocked me four, five times. Um. . .
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228 OFC. BROUWER: What do you mean cold cocked? Describe that.

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230 KJELLBERG: Took, hit me with his fist. Both fists. Across my face, four five times. I
231 literally, I had no idea, I couldn't see.
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233 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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235 KJELLBERG: Um, like I said, I've had a TBI two years ago that I'm still taking care of.
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237 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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239 KJELLBERG: Um. And, all of a sudden I reached in my pocket and pulled out a, it's like
240 a tube or whatever. A stainless steel tube and just shoved it at him.
241 Because, I mean. . .
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243 OFC. BROUWER: Is it a knife, or. . .
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245 KJELLBERG: It was like a, like a, it's like a six-inch tube, I don't know. It's just a
246 pointed tube.
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248 OFC. BROUWER: What do you mean, tube? A pointed. . .
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250 KJELLBERG: A pointed stainless steel tube.
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252 OFC. BROUWER: So, it's not really a knife.
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254 KJELLBERG: No.
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256 OFC. BROUWER: Okay, where is that at now?
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258 KJELLBERG: It's in the back, somewhere. I'd fall, I feel back after he had hit me that
259 last time. Right as I was. . .
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261 OFC. BROUWER: Did he hit you after you stabbed him?
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263 KJELLBERG: One time after.
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265 OFC. BROUWER: And that's when you fell back?
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267 KJELLBERG: Yes. And I fell on a rock pile, right there, right there on the corner of the
268 building.
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270 OFC. BROUWER: He fell on a rock pile by the corner of the building, Nick. Did you get that?
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272 UNKNOWN: Yeah.
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274 OFC. BROUWER: Did you hear all that before about the tube and stuff?

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276 KJELLBERG: Yeah
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278 UNKNOWN: Hold on. What are we looking for?
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280 KJELLBERG: I mean, I can, I can, it's right on the corner.
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282 UNKNOWN: What?
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284 OFC. BROUWER: Can you look for that tube?
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286 KJELLBERG: It's right on the corner, right by. . .
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288 OFC. BROUWER: And let boss know if you find it.
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290 KJELLBERG: It's right on the corner. . .
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292 OFC. BROUWER: If you find, because that's the weapon. Yeah.
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294 KJELLBERG: It's right on the corner, right behind the water softener tank there.
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296 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. And what happened after that, then?
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298 KJELLBERG: He just walked away.
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300 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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302 KJELLBERG: Um. He walked out to some, talked to somebody in a white car. And then
303 um, I went inside because I was concerned for my safety.
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305 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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307 KJELLBERG: Same reason I had to attack him because I was concerned for my safety.
308 Um. I don't know what else to do.
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310 OFC. BROUWER: No, you're good. Then you came out and talked to us.
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312 KJELLBERG: You know, I mean, I called the police, I called a tow truck company.
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314 OFC. BROUWER: Yep
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316 KJELLBERG: I asked him politely to stay off my property.
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318 OFC. BROUWER: Yep.
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320 KJELLBERG: Um, I've asked the neighbors politely to stay off my property multiple

321 times.
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323 OFC. BROUWER: Mmm-hmm.
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325 KJELLBERG: Um.
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327 OFC. BROUWER: Um.
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329 KJELLBERG: I don't know what else to do. . .
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331 OFC. BROUWER: Okay.
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333 KJELLBERG: You know, other than try to defend myself when I get attacked.
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335 OFC. BROUWER: Where did you stab him at, where do you think?
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337 KJELLBERG: Side.
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339 OFC. BROUWER: Down here. . .
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341 KJELLBERG: Like the stomach, sort of. . .
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343 OFC. BROUWER: In the stomach, down here?
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345 KJELLBERG: Yeah.
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347 OFC. BROUWER: Okay, what hand did you use?
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349 KJELLBERG: My right.
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351 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. And the tube was in your right pocket?
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353 KJELLBERG: Yes.
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355 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. You say your face is hurt?
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357 KJELLBERG: Yes. My left eye and my left jaw. It's, it's just sore. Don't feel like
358 nothing broke or nothing.
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360 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. Mind if my shine my flashlight on you?
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362 KJELLBERG: No, no, it's fine.
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364 OFC. BROUWER: Can you pull your hat up? Can I see the other side? Okay.
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366 KJELLBERG: No, no, it's fine. I just, I just, I'm just concerned, cuz like I said. . .

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368 OFC. BROUWER: I'm going to try to take some pictures, if you want to take your hat off
369 again.
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371 KJELLBERG: Somewhere, somewhere back there is a pair of glasses.
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373 OFC. BROUWER: Oh, so you lost your glasses, too?
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375 KJELLBERG: Yeah. I'll just got a hold of, I'll call the VA and get them repair
376 [laughs].
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378 OFC. BROUWER: Okay. Let me look at the, just look right at it, if you can. Can you turn
379 your head?
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381 UNKNOWN: [inaudible]
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383 OFC. BROUWER: Yeah I'm here. All right, thank you.
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385 KJELLBERG: No problem.
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387 UNKNOWN: Can you ask further questions about this tube? Is it like a water softener
388 barrel?
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390 KJELLBERG: Right behind it.
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392 UNKNOWN: Or. . .
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394 KJELLBERG: In the rock.
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396 OFC. BROUWER: Is it metal?
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398 KJELLBERG: Yeah. I mean I just fell back [inaudible]. I fell into the rock.
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400 UNKNOWN: Salt [inaudible] drop of blood in it. That's the only cylinder type object
401 that I see by this rock pile out back.
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403 OFC. BROUWER: I'll come back there. Give me a second.
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405 UNKNOWN: Okay.
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