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Otherwise, it was just socialism,

which is built to fail.

And you don't get points for failure, Mr. President.

People don't want failure. They want success.

Let's discuss our recent success then.

You have been very critical of the president

for not being strong on terror.

Just last week, U.S. Special forces captured Yusuf Al Ahmadi,

and they have him in custody.

So would you now say that

your criticism of the president was unfounded?

The capture of Ahmadi is a step forward,

but the real issue here is sustained security.

The president sent in American troops

without consulting the Syrians.

Now, that's gonna do real damage to our ability

to work with them in the future.

See, this isn't about notches in a belt.

It's about a safer world for our nation.

A better future for our children.

Governor, I understand that words like "safer"

and "children" play well.

But national security is a complex and ever-changing landscape

that sometimes requires restraint,

sometimes decisive action.

So I think maybe we want to

put aside what sounds good in the moment

and be adaptable with our policy in terms of reality.

Oh, I don't need a lecture on reality

like I'm a schoolboy, Mrs. Underwood.

I've actually fought in the Middle East.

So has the general.

Our views on international diplomacy aren't just pretty words.

We can debate policy all you'd like, Governor,

but there is one thing that is undebatable.

And that is ICO is no longer the threat it once was

without their leadership.

You're not watching the debate?

I know what they're going to say.

How can I help you, Doug?

I told you there'd be a day.

There's no reason you shouldn't keep this and retire with honor.

How are we looking?

Yeah, high impact on "Ever-changing."

And Conway took the bait

and played right into "schoolboy" and "pretty",

which gives you "pretty boy." It was beautiful.

What about the marriage stuff?

Well, the more they can keep saying

"together" and "beyond" and "become"

in any context, we score on those.

I don't discuss the private conversations

we have on the Intelligence Committee.

Whistle-blowing insulates you.

And kneecap my party's nominee?

I don't think so.

He's going to lie about it at this debate.

They both are.

You're going to tell the truth.

You can't have it both ways, Governor.

We got him, period.

Unilateral, short-sighted action.

Unilateral because you and the general

pitted the Republicans against my involving the Russians.

That's just not true.

Are you saying that you did not

have the general contact members of the House Intelligence Committee?

General, would you care to comment?

When I resigned my commission,

I stopped talking to members of Congress

about matters of national security.

So you are saying that you did not?

No, ma'am. I did not.

You and I both know that you interfered, Governor.

You admitted so much to me when I asked you personally.

You told me that the general

had spoken to members of that committee.

I told you that I have friends on the committee,

which is true.

Not that I interfere with committee work.

You lined up every Republican

to be opposed to the Russians being involved.

It was unanimous opposition.

Well, if your plan was to get Russian support

by giving away drill sites, I don't blame them.

So just to be absolutely clear, for the record,

you are saying, Governor,

that neither you nor the General made any contact

with any member of the House Intelligence Committee?

I absolutely did not.

You're putting me in an impossible place here.

You put yourself there when you lied about your service record.

Whose lie do you want exposed?

Conway's or yours?

Go home and think about it.

Doesn't need to happen tomorrow.

It just needs to happen before Election Day.

I'm not trying to diminish your contribution

to your husband's presidency, Mrs. Underwood,

but I do question your experience.

No one's fully prepared to be President

when he or she becomes one.

Not even you.

And look at the polls.

Over half the country is open to a First Lady as VP.

And more than half of the country wants a new president.

It's true that you are leading in the polls for now, Governor,

but the gap has been closing in recent weeks.

Well, when people show up to vote

and have to confront the possibility

of Claire Underwood as President,

they're gonna have a gut check and make the right choice.

You're absolutely right. That means they'll vote for us.

Because they'll look around and realize

that if anything happens to me,

they'll be in very good hands with Claire.

And, you know, she's right.

No one can prepare to become the president.

But I have been the President,

and now I know what it takes.

It requires confidence, openness, effectiveness,

and Claire has all of those qualities.

I'm sorry, Mr. President. It...

It looks like we have to take a break.

We'll return shortly to the first-ever simultaneous debate

between presidential candidates and their running mates.

And we're clear.

Mr. President, Mrs. Underwood,

would you please come with me?

Read it.

What?

"We are citizens of the United States.

We have been taken hostage in the name of God

by the Islamic Caliphate Organization."

Read it.

"Our country is guilty of illegal aggression

and mass murder against Muslims.

We beg for mercy."

ICO will grant mercy only if these demands are met.

One, cessation of all U.S. Military activity in Syria.

Two, ten billion dollars in reparations paid to the Caliphate.

Three, the safe return of our leader,

Yusuf Al Ahmadi, from his unjust imprisonment.

We will not communicate with the criminal Frank Underwood.

We will only communicate with his successor, William Conway.

If these demands aren't met in 24 hours...

mercy will not be granted.

Released to seven outlets.

Encrypted email, Deep Web.

The hostages are Jim and Caroline Miller,

their daughter Melissa, from Knoxville.

Mr. President, whatever you need,

I'm here to offer assistance.

I'll let you know.

So far, we've identified the drywall and lighting.

All U.S. Manufactured.

The video was shot on a Panasonic HD camcorder,

most widely sold in the States.

So we know they're in the country.

Well, commercial flight is out.

Private plane is unlikely.

We're confident that they traveled by ground,

probably the Millers' hijacked car.

Last known location is a Denny's just outside of Knoxville.

A debit card transaction.

This is footage of them leaving the restaurant.

Our hearts go out to the Millers' family and loved ones.

But we're confident that the President

is doing everything possible to achieve their release.

I told the President that we'd be willing

to assist in any way if it would be helpful.

This is a time when America needs to pull together and...

Stop.

It's "pull together and pray for the Millers."

- And then I come in, and-- - I didn't forget.

I just feel this is wrong.

It implies we're willing to negotiate with terrorists.

We should keep our mouths shut.

Let the authorities do their job.

We don't get press by keeping our mouths shut.

You had me lie on national television.

And now you want us to send out some video

that only encourages these people?

And you wanna do that to score some press coverage?

If it doesn't make you feel comfortable,

I can do it on my own.

I'll be outside.

I've had enough of him.

He does have a point.

Look, they're gonna kill that family

whether we send this out or not.

We might as well say I was willing to show up for duty.

Well, I have to say, I agree with the General.

Press record.

Press record!

Our hearts go out to the Millers' family and loved ones...

What do we know about the captor?

Our Syrian assets say this is a lone wolf.

Two wolves, actually.

When we pumped up the contrast in the video,

we saw a shadow on the wall from someone behind the camera.

Voice analysis points to western Tennessee, Memphis area.

Uh, Mr. President, if I may?

Agent Holbrooke, our top negotiating expert.

Uh, we've run 16 possible models in preparation

for an incident like this.

Now, what we have here are key elements from three of them.

American kidnappers, the abduction of a child

and proxy communication...

Why did they want Conway?

That's the real question. I'll tell you why.

Because I would've done exactly the same thing if it had been me.

It undermines my authority.

Throws me off balance. Pits me against my rival.

And because I don't have children, and he does.

They know I won't compromise.

No president would.

But a would-be president like Conway, well, he might.

Tactically, we need more time.

I can't guarantee that we can

track them down in less than 24 hours.

Enough. Here's what I wanna do.

The president is working with the FBI

and other law enforcement and intelligence agencies

to locate the Millers.

Now, in order to protect the integrity of those efforts,

I won't be sharing any details on their progress at the moment.

In the meantime, the president

is reaching out to Governor Conway

should contact with the captors be established.

Now, let me be clear.

We're not talking about negotiation,

just communication.

You could've asked me privately first.

It was tactical, to show the kidnappers

that we respect their wishes.

This doesn't leave me a choice.

Well, you can always say no, Governor.

We have a plan for how we can

handle this without your participation.

How would that work?

Well, I say publicly that

I'm willing to speak to the captors myself.

Now, if they refuse,

we'd have to be prepared for the worst.

But our team believes that

you give us a better shot at opening a dialogue.

To negotiate.

To buy us time.

And if you do say yes,

we'd want you at the White House as soon as possible.

I need to discuss with my people.

I'm hoping that you'll agree to help us.

Either way, I'll need an answer soon.

I understand. I'll let you know within the hour.

Thank you, Governor.

Everyone has a flaw, and this is Conway's.

I spoke with the president, and I said that

I'm willing to assist in any way if it would be helpful.

He aches for the spotlight.

He feels almost invisible without it.

Now, if he's center stage on this,

he can't fault my performance,

because we're sharing the stage together.

If I get booed, he gets booed.

But it's really the applause that Conway's hungry for.

Trust me, he'll say yes.

The stage is too big

and the spotlight too tempting

for him to be... a mere spectator.

But I've already said publicly I'd assist if he asked.

That was a mistake,

and I should've pushed back on it more.

But you can't let him take advantage of it.

Well, I've said it. It's done.

And now we have to move forward.

This is fucking disgusting.

You say, "After much consideration,

I don't feel comfortable negotiating with terrorists."

And then I come off not only as a liar,

but as a coward.

Why do this when we're ahead?

By what? Five points? That's not a lead.

That's a coin toss.

My message this entire campaign

has been about serving the country, showing up for duty,

and now I'm gonna not show up when the Commander-in-Chief

has asked for my help?

...and the speech patterns.

The captor is the one who you heard on the camera.

Seems to be American.

And the way he's released the video shows

he's computer savvy.

Now, ICO recruiters have been turning to social media networks

like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram,

to initiate contact with users sympathetic to their cause.

- Oh, Tom. - Earlier groups, like al-Qaeda,

didn't use social networking

anywhere near the degree that ICO has.

It is possible that this captor...

- Mr. President. - Good flight?

- A little bumpy, but fine. - Come on in.

You play?

Well, that's debatable.

But I definitely collect.

Uh, this is something.

Yeah, it's terrible.

I don't envy Frank right now.

Have a seat.

- Coffee? Tea? - No, thanks.

I appreciate you taking the time,

given everything that's going on.

It's not as though anyone's calling for my advice.

Although I'm not sure this article is pertinent at the moment.

I'm not here about your scholarship fund.

I don't understand. My assistant said you wanted to write--

I lied... so you'd meet with me.

We have a domestic surveillance program, beta phase,

aimed at finding ICO recruits.

I was briefed when we got the FISA court ruling.

Well, this is a domestic investigation.

We have to work through the FBI.

Now, they're sending over a team,

and I'd like for Homeland and the CIA to join them.

This is a sensitive program. Shouldn't you keep it in-house?

We've been criticized for

not involving other agencies in the past.

I'd like to avoid that.

- You want clearances? - As soon as possible.

It's all hands on deck, Doug.

- Governor. - Mr. President.

Well, and this must be Charlie.

Charlie... Shake the President's hand, Charlie.

- Come on, Charlie. - You said he was a vampire.

Well, don't worry. You're safe here.

No monsters in the White House.

I'll show you where you're staying.

Okay. Come on, Charlie.

Have you ever been in the Oval?

Once, when I was a kid.

My Boy Scout troop, we met with Reagan.

Of course they did.

I thought you'd all like to be together,

so I've put you in here,

but, if not, we can put the kids in the Lincoln Bedroom.

No, this is wonderful. Thank you.

Is this where we're gonna live, Mommy?

We'll have to see how the election goes first.

Something smells.

Oh, gosh. Lily needs a change.

Um, where--

The restroom is here, to the right.

Great, thank you.

You want me to put a Republican in the White House.

You want a Republican or a criminal?

I still have loyalty to my party, Tom.

And where's their loyalty?

They were going to impeach you.

Jackie Sharp whipped Democrats.

Your own Secretary of State turned her back.

Your party? It's rotten to the core.

And the core is Underwood.

Aren't you angry that he stole your presidency?

I'm angry.

I'm angry at myself...

for not seeing it.

And for not fighting it.

So do something now.

I wanted to say Tusk lied.

But once I got the pardon, I knew nobody would believe me.

I thought...

"Just disappear. Go away."

And that anger...

If I went away...

that anger would go away.

The truth is coming out.

Be part of the truth.

People will believe you.

Once we finish with the press conference, you'll be done.

We'll take it from there.

You don't want me on the call if they contact us?

Oh, you're only there for bait, Governor.

I can't have you speaking on behalf of the White House.

They said they wanted me.

Yes, we have a roadmap in place.

Then you'll have to adjust it.

What right do you have to walk in here

and dictate how we're gonna handle this?

I put myself on the line coming here, and you know it.

I could've backed off and left this pile of shit in your lap.

Now, if I'm gonna be exposed with you,

then I'm gonna have some say in how that happens.

Or I head back to New York and watch you squirm.

Just as I'd hoped.

The more involved, the better.

Director Green, please.

They here?

- They're here. - Thanks.

This is our director.

- Hello. - President's Chief of Staff.

We need every white male under 40

with geo-local anomalies in the past 72 hours.

Already done that, cross-referenced with your watchlists.

We're voice matching with phone calls now.

Well, we're bringing a team in here.

FBI, CIA, Homeland, along with our own people.

Uh, yeah, more cooks in the kitchen won't--

I've cleared them.

We can't waste time grapevining this.

Let's get everyone working from the same place.

We need to organize workflow.

Right. Uh, let's talk in my office.

It's the second door on the right.

Is this going to be a problem?

I'd prefer them not breathing down my neck.

That wasn't my question.

I told you, we're masked.

Thank you. Please be seated.

I'd like to thank Governor Conway for agreeing to assist us.

He and I share the same goal,

which is the safe return of the Millers.

In order to achieve that,

we're willing to open up lines

of communication with their captors.

Governor.

I will act as intermediary between you and the president.

To communicate with us,

dial Jim Miller's social security number followed by Caroline's

into any phone or Internet conferencing service.

There will be a voice recognition prompt.

Have all three Millers say their names and state the time

and that will connect you.

Our hearts are with the Millers and their families.

I spoke to their siblings and their parents last night,

and they remain strong.

And I would ask all Americans to remain strong on their behalf.

Thank you very much.

Deplorable as this situation is,

we cannot blame Islam as a whole

or the millions of Muslims in our nation who yearn for peace,

who contribute to our society,

who have the same dreams as all Americans do.

ICO does not represent Islam.

But there are those who would use this incident

to justify draconian measures,

like travel restrictions or forced registration,

who would espouse hatred or even violence.

The moment bigotry becomes a form of patriotism,

America is no longer America.

That is why I'm here today, in the Capitol,

to urge our congressmen and women...

Hear there's a push to get the ten billion.

Big debate in Ways and Means,

but it'll never make it to the floor.

It's just for show.

I've been with Appropriations.

- Bypass Ways and Means? - No.

To pay for more ground troops in Syria if we need them.

So why are you meeting me instead of at the Capitol?

Tom Hammerschmidt.

Has he called you, too?

He reached out, but I haven't said a word.

Walker went on record.

Told him I was the one who whipped the votes for impeachment.

Your story is you thought he was guilty.

There's nothing wrong with that.

So you have talked to him?

He has some theories.

All I did was shake my head at the parts that weren't right.

You're clean if you don't talk.

I want to. On the record.

I think you should, too.

We can't.

You will lose your seat as soon as those photos are leaked.

I may lose my seat anyway.

Conway's super PAC is targeting

every California Democrat in a tight race.

Even if I win, I'm in a Republican-controlled Congress

with a Republican president...

or I have to do Underwood's bidding for the next four years.

What about Alan?

I told him about us.

He was kind about it.

We'll divorce once everything quiets down.

If you don't want the photos out there, I won't say anything.

I don't care about what the rest of the world thinks of me.

All I cared about was protecting you.

Then let's do this, Remy.

You and I go on the record, he's done.

Joshua Masterson. Computer science major at Tennessee Tech.

Taken a keen interest in Islamic studies

during the past two years.

Hasn't been to class in three days.

None of his friends or family have heard from him.

Voice matches the one in the video.

We believe his associate is Zachary Hawthorne,

high school dropout who's remained close with Masterson.

Stopped showing up for work last Tuesday.

So if they call, should I...

should I tell them that we know who they are?

No, you'll introduce yourself, Governor,

then you introduce me.

No, the governor will do the talking,

so should he use their names or not?

It could cause them to do something rash.

Agent March, our head psychologist.

So I shouldn't.

Conversely, it could humanize them.

Removes the confidence of anonymity.

But if they run, it compromises everything.

Not just that. We're confident on the IDs,

but if there's the slightest chance we're wrong,

it weakens our position.

Then don't use their names in the call.

Uh, sir, our script is written

with the understanding that I'd be speaking.

We'd have to rework it for the governor.

Well, then let's rework it now.

We don't know when they'll be calling.

You know, the circumstances are awful,

but I have to admit...

it's been nice to take a break from the road.

I don't know how you do it,

running mate and First Lady.

I'm still trying to figure that out myself, actually.

I think it's admirable.

If we win,

I'd love to do something more than update my Instagram.

When I criticized that, it was just because--

No, not at all. I didn't take offense.

It's politics.

I'd love to do something like your gun bill.

It's a shame it didn't pass the Senate.

You support that legislation?

Mmm, I'm from England.

We think your gun obsession is madness.

Will does, too, but he can't admit it.

- Mustn't upset the base. - Ah, yes, the base.

Mustn't upset the base.

You know, you're actually a role model of mine.

I mean, your work on the environment,

sexual assault, being ambassador...

I mean, obviously, I'd prefer if we win.

But if we didn't,

I think you'd make a wonderful Vice President.

Mommy, what are you drinking?

It's coffee, sweetheart.

I want some! I want some!

Not so loud. You'll wake your sister.

Can I have some?

You're not old enough.

But do you want some water or some juice?

I think we've got some juice in the fridge.

I'll get it.

He's very cute.

Do you regret it, not having children?

Oh, I'm sorry. That's too personal.

Do you ever regret having them?

We've got voice verification. They're on the line, sir.

Do I need to keep them engaged so you can trace the call?

No, Internet call.

Rerouted every three milliseconds. Untraceable.

We have two main objectives.

More information, extending the deadline.

But our top priority is a first concession. Proof of life.

So you'll promise nothing.

Okay.

Keep in mind that they may be recording this call.

It's publicity they want.

Okay, I'm ready.

This is Governor Conway.

I'd like to speak with Jim, Caroline and Melissa.

You speak to me.

I need some proof that they're still alive.

Please tell Melissa that her grandparents miss her very much

and, uh, they are praying for her.

You're not gonna make us feel sorry for 'em.

How sorry did you feel

when you dropped bombs on innocent Muslims, Governor?

The President's a coward. He sends others to do his killing.

But you're worse.

You make speeches about how proud you are

that you fought in an unjust war.

How would you feel if a bomb was dropped on your daughter?

If she was blown up and had to be buried in pieces?

You're American, right?

Our allegiance is to Yusuf Al Ahmadi

and the Islamic Caliphate.

America is our enemy and must meet our demands.

Uh, you understand that

I can't speak on behalf of the government.

I can only communicate what you say to the President.

I'll need some time.

You think we're stupid? He's listening right now.

This is the President speaking.

We talk to Conway only.

But if you want anything to happen,

I'm the one that can make it so.

Then why have you done nothing?

I'm talking to Congress about the money.

I'm consulting with my military advisers about a pullout,

but nothing can happen in a few hours.

You just want more time so you can find us.

Are we looking for you? Yes.

But that's only so you'll turn over the Millers without incident.

But there is no handing over.

Either you give us what we want or we kill them.

Nothing will happen until we have proof of life.

All right, here's your proof of life.

Cut out the girl's tongue.

- No! - This is Conway.

- No! - Please, before you do anything...

- Mommy! - Josh. Zach.

Do you think we care you know who we are?

No, stop!

I'd like to speak with you, just for a moment.

I... I have something to say,

but I need Melissa to stop screaming

- so I can hear you. - No!

Can I hear her voice?

We need her voice.

I'm here. I'm Melissa.

Hi, Melissa. My name is Will--

You heard her voice. Now talk.

Oh, no.

Yes, I... I've killed a lot of people.

Some of them innocent people.

And every single night...

I haven't even told my wife this...

but every single night, I have nightmares.

I picture my own daughter, Lily,

and my wife... and my son,

just like you described...

blown away.

Gone.

Now, you could say that I...

I have these demons because what I did was wrong

and that your cause is righteous.

But I believed that my cause was righteous, too.

And if I could take it all back...

I wouldn't do it again.

The truth is...

I'm ashamed of what I've done.

Now, the president is right.

We need more time to work on your demands,

but more importantly,

I'm guessing you've never killed anyone before.

And speaking as someone who knows what it means to kill,

you owe yourselves more time

before you do something you can never take back.

Josh?

9:00 a.m. You have till then.

They've ended the call.

You did an excellent job, Governor.

Thank you.

We have a recording of the Situation Room call

released by the captors a short while ago.

Before playing this audio, we want to warn viewers

that there are sections that are very disturbing.

You might want to mute the television.

Where is everybody?

They all got pulled on the hostage story.

Get 'em back here.

And Maggie Tilden, too.

Transcribe this, right away.

Fifty mile radius outside of Chattanooga.

Gas purchase on a stolen credit card.

One of Masterson's classmates.

Should we just release their photographs at this point?

I'm getting bombarded with calls.

Well, the governor used the first names.

Someone's gonna put it together.

- We might as well exploit it. - Sir.

- George. - Mr. President.

Normally, I'd give you time to reconsider,

but time is in short supply today.

I can't. Not to my party.

The party will survive.

Conway might not, but too bad. He lied.

If I do this to him, I don't survive.

I'm vilified.

I wanna show you something.

Do you know what this is?

This is your magnet

from the vote count board when I used to be whip.

There were so many times when you weren't in the column

I wanted you to be in, George.

And we both know that I could've forced you

to vote the way I wanted you to dozens of times,

but I never did. I held back.

To protect your honor.

And one of the advantages of being whip

is that behind every single member,

behind all of these magnets,

was at least one dishonorable thing.

Yours just happens to be more dishonorable than most.

So I'm putting you in my column this time, George.

LeAnn told me you were in here.

I'm working on your statements,

in case the worst happens.

It's tense, this building.

You can feel it in the walls.

I went for a walk earlier.

It was in the air.

People were talking in whispers,

even though there was no reason to.

Or their eyes are glued to their phones.

And there are no children out...

anywhere.

I guess they call it terror for a reason.

Worse than terror. Dread.

People girding themselves for a tragedy.

Mmm, and it could go the other way.

How are you holding up?

Hannah is minding her children.

I'm minding her.

Her husband really knocked it out of the ballpark, huh?

Do you think anything he says is genuine?

Doesn't matter, does it?

It worked.

You said once you thought he was all surface, Conway.

Yeah, a narcissist.

But give him a pool to reflect in...

Watch out.

He knows exactly what to do with that.

Unless he overreaches.

Is that what you were hoping?

That he was gonna fuck it up?

Because he's not gonna fuck it up.

He's too smart for that.

"There he soared,

zipping past Big Ben and the London Eye,

over Buckingham Palace and Piccadilly Circus.

Look at him go."

I'll be right back, Charlie.

... the vigil is especially somber,

but there remains a great deal of hope

after the deadline was extended earlier this morning.

- Many credit that extension to Governor... - What's the latest?

Progress. They've narrowed the search zone.

During the call, Melissa could be heard screaming

as Masterson orders Hawthorne to, quote, "Cut out..."

Left of the sink.

That's when Governor Conway stepped in.

Oh, I'm sorry. You want one?

No, thank you.

We're going to play some of what he said right now.

- Is it your liver? - Yes, I...

- Clear mind. - I've killed a lot of people.

Some of them innocent people.

And every--

Oh, why'd you turn it off?

I was there.

That's gotta drive you crazy, huh?

How much good press I'm getting out of this.

- What's funny? - Nothing.

Come on, tell me. I want in on the joke.

You think you can get under my skin.

Oh, I got under your skin the first time we met.

When? New Year's?

I believe I complimented you that night.

But you go ahead,

you tell yourself what you have to

in order to stand a little taller.

I feel sorry for you.

Two years.

That's all you're gonna get in here.

You're not gonna last any longer than Walker did.

And what kills you is that I'll make a great president.

The kind of president who'll actually be remembered.

And isn't that worse than dying, Frank?

Being forgotten.

You actually think you'd make a great president.

Today was just a little taste.

99% of this job is in the dark.

I mean, you had your little moment in the sun today,

but what are you gonna do

when you have to make a thousand decisions

that no one will ever hear about or appreciate?

I think you're excellent at running for the president,

but I don't think you're equipped to actually be one.

Don't be condescending.

I'm the Governor of New York.

Ooh, Albany, really?

You're a pretender, Will.

And if you win,

you'll go from pretender to fraud.

Will?

I'm putting the kids to bed.

Don't let me keep you.

- Maybe you should send them home. - No, not yet.

Do you have something else in mind besides Walleck?

Yes, and I'll need your help.

Charlie? Have you seen him?

Charlie?

Mommy, look what I found!

Oh, look at those.

Give those back. Those aren't yours to play with.

- Can I keep them? - Oh, um, hand them over, Charlie.

- Charles. - No, you know what?

You should keep them,

because you should get everything you want in this life.

Um, say thank you.

- Thank you. - No, thank you

for coming to the White House to visit us.

We should get some rest. I'll see you at 7:00.

Oh, I'll be up way before then.

- Good night. - Good night.

Good night.

You need my help how?

- Who else knows about this? - No one.

I'll need you to make arrangements as quietly as possible.

All right, I'm on it.

I'll let you know as soon as I have a location.

Good. Then go home and get a few hours of sleep.

I can't sleep tonight.

You should try. We'll need you fresh in the morning.

- Get me the Chairman Joint Chiefs. - Yes, sir.

He's on the line, sir.

Mr. Chairman.

When do you wanna reach out to the White House?

Tomorrow. I've drafted the email.

- You looked this over? - Yes.

We're okay on the legal front.

But shouldn't we wait until this crisis is over first?

No. This is perfect timing for us.

Tom's right. Let's hit him while he's distracted.

How is it?

Perfect.

Well, you didn't have much to work with in your fridge.

You need to do some grocery shopping.

- I don't cook a lot. - Obviously.

If you have to get back to your kids...

No, it's fine.

Haley's 16. She'll call me if she needs anything.

Have they been watching the news?

Yeah... and they're freaked out by it.

I mean, who isn't? But they've got thick skin by now.

Handling it a lot better than some of their friends.

I know a lot of parents aren't

even letting their kids out of the house tomorrow.

Not even to go to school.

My kids are gonna go, though.

I'm not gonna let these monsters rule over our lives.

- Thanks for coming over. - Of course.

I know I'd just be staring at the ceiling if I tried to sleep.

Well, you have a lot on your shoulders.

Yeah, normally, I'd go to a meeting.

I... I just, uh...

You just wanted someone to take care of you.

And it's nice to take care of someone.

Good morning, Governor.

Your phone.

Hello?

We have video of a car

at an intersection near Chatsworth, Georgia.

The bird song, deep background from the phone call,

puts them in a wooded area. Southern Blue Ridge.

We started canvassing now.

FBI, state troopers.

The line is open.

Uh, okay. Where... where's my script?

I'll be doing the talking.

I'll let you know if I want you to participate.

Sir, if we've established a dialogue

between the kidnappers and the governor, we should--

Start the call.