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STARR INTERNATIONAL COMPANY,)
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Behalf of All Others)
Similarly Situated,)
Plaintiffs,) Case No. 11-779C
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Defendant.)
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22 *All exhibits premarked for identification prior to
23 trial.

24 *See full attached list of admitted exhibits following
25 transcript.

1 risk that you believed that you were taking with respect
2 to the AIG credit facility. Do you recall that?

3 A. I do.

4 Q. And you said would I like you to give an
5 explanation for how you reconciled those two. Do you
6 recall that?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. And I didn't take you up on that, but it
9 occurred to me over the evening recess that, in fairness
10 to you, I should let you do that. So, if you have an
11 explanation, you can give it.

12 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, if the witness needs
13 it, if counsel could point him to -- and he may not, but
14 I just want to make sure the witness knows he has the
15 option of seeing the document again before answering
16 counsel's question.

17 THE COURT: Sure.

18 BY MR. BOIES:

19 Q. Sure.

20 The document was 672, which you have up there,
21 at page 59, and there was a statement there that you had
22 made about because of the collateral that you had, you
23 were not taking that much of a risk with AIG, and I was
24 comparing that with your testimony where you said to
25 counsel for the Defendant that you thought it was an

1 enormous, unprecedented risk of billions, perhaps tens
2 of billions of dollars. Do you recall that generally?

3 A. I do.

4 Q. And then I said, "Do you think those are
5 materially different?" And you said no and then you
6 said you had an explanation for why you thought that.
7 I'm now giving you an opportunity to give that
8 explanation.

9 A. Thank you.

10 At that time, when we first considered providing
11 that credit facility, we thought there was substantial
12 risk in -- for us in that, and that risk came from the
13 fact that the value of the assets of the firm, including
14 those underlying insurance companies, although
15 potentially valuable if the firm survived and if the
16 world economy didn't fall into a great depression, were
17 of uncertain value.

18 And our judgment was that they were valuable
19 enough that, over time, if the company did not collapse
20 and the world economy did not collapse, that we had a
21 reasonable prospect of recovering the proceeds of that
22 loan. But it was my judgment at the time that there was
23 enormous risk still in that context, and I believe that
24 judgment was supported not just by what we knew at the
25 time but by the events that unfolded.

1 So, for example, just as one measure of that,
2 the value of those underlying insurance companies eroded
3 substantially in the eyes of the market in the months
4 after the initial transaction. Many of those insurance
5 companies lost market share to their competitors during
6 that time frame. As the world economy deteriorated
7 dramatically, the losses AIG was facing went up very
8 substantially.

9 One measure of that was the fact that
10 ultimately, they requested and required another \$100
11 billion in assistance in order to avoid downgrade and
12 default. So, I guess, Counsel, that's what I would say
13 in response to your offer to allow me to explain.

14 Q. Let me just follow up on that. Do you have 672
15 in front of you? I think that is in your book.

16 A. Thank you.

17 Q. And the portion that I had directed your
18 attention to was on page 59, and I understand the
19 explanation that you have just given me, but my question
20 is, when you made the statement on page 59 that you
21 could legally lend against the AIG collateral "without
22 taking that much risk," do you accept that the
23 conclusion that you were not taking that much risk is at
24 odds with your testimony that there was an enormous,
25 unprecedented risk, billions or tens of billions of

1 dollars?

2 A. I do not believe so, no.

3 Q. Now, you say that the value of the insurance
4 companies eroded in the months after the credit
5 agreement was executed. Is that correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Did you ever see anything in writing that
8 indicated that there had been that erosion?

9 A. I don't -- I do not recall if I saw or what I
10 may have seen in writing that led me to that judgment.

11 Could I just say one thing in clarification?
12 That, you know, in the financial markets every day, you
13 could see a measure of people's perception about value.
14 That was in writing to the extent it was on a screen.
15 So, I could see those things. Beyond that, I'm not sure
16 I recall what else I might have seen that supported that
17 judgment.

18 Q. The things that you saw on your screen every
19 day, those were not valuations of the AIG insurance
20 subsidiaries, correct?

21 A. Well --

22 Q. Could we start with a yes or no and then -- I am
23 going to get you -- give you a chance to explain,
24 Mr. Geithner, but I would like you to focus on the
25 question.

1 A. They incorporated a judgment -- yes, they
2 incorporated, in part, a judgment about perceptions
3 about the underlying companies of the consolidated
4 entity.

5 Q. Did you see on your screen anything that
6 estimated the value of the AIG insurance subsidiaries?

7 A. Of the individual subsidiaries?

8 Q. Let's take the individual subsidiaries first.

9 A. Not of individual subsidiaries.

10 Q. Did you see anything on your screen that valued
11 the AIG insurance subsidiaries together, in the
12 aggregate; that is, a valuation for the AIG insurance
13 subsidiaries?

14 A. Separate and apart from the rest of the firm?

15 Q. Yes.

16 A. No.

17 Q. Did you ever see anything in writing that said
18 that the value of the AIG insurance subsidiaries that
19 were the collateral for your loan was less than the
20 outstanding balance of the credit facility?

21 A. Now, by "in writing," do you mean including
22 market perceptions or market estimates of the value of
23 the consolidated entity?

24 Q. You keep talking about the consolidated entity,
25 and that's the AIG parent. Is that right?

1 A. I would say the AIG as a -- as a whole, the
2 parent as well as the subsidiaries. That's what I mean.

3 Q. Well, the only valuation that you ever saw on
4 the screen was a valuation of the A -- of AIG, the
5 parent company, correct, because that's the only thing
6 that was displayed on the screen?

7 A. True, but which owned -- if I'm not mistaken,
8 which owned -- which held shares in a mix of insurance
9 subsidiaries.

10 Q. Sure. It had a bunch of insurance subsidiaries,
11 it had some other assets, it had a bunch of liabilities,
12 and you saw a valuation of the parent that included all
13 of those assets and liabilities, correct?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. And that's all you saw on your screen about AIG,
16 correct?

17 A. Probably that's true, yes.

18 Q. Now, what you had done is you had taken a
19 security interest in the AIG insurance subsidiaries,
20 correct?

21 A. Among other things, yes.

22 Q. Among other things.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And the AIG insurance subsidiaries had a value
25 and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York estimated that

1 value, correct?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. And the Federal Reserve Bank of New York would
4 update the estimates of the value of those insurance
5 subsidiaries over time as things changed, correct?

6 A. I suspect that's the case, yes.

7 Q. Well, more than suspecting that's the case, you
8 know that's the case, correct, sir?

9 A. I believe that to be the case, although I'm
10 not -- yes, I believe that to be the case.

11 Q. And, again, more than just believing it to be
12 the case, you know it is the case, correct, sir?

13 A. I guess it just depends on your -- what you
14 meant by the words "valuation" and "analysis," but it --
15 but I guess I'm happy to say yes to your question.

16 Q. Okay. Now, at any time did the estimated value
17 of the AIG insurance subsidiaries ever fall below the
18 outstanding balance of the September 22nd credit
19 facility?

20 A. Counselor, would this be a moment where I could
21 provide explanation in response to your question or do
22 you want me to wait for that?

23 Q. If you could begin with a yes or no, I will then
24 allow you to do any explanation you want.

25 A. Well, then, I will say no, but I'd like to

1 follow that up with an explanation.

2 Q. All right, sir.

3 A. At each point we were faced with a substantial
4 additional request for billions or tens of billions of
5 additional assistance for AIG, we needed to make a
6 judgment about whether, in doing so, we would be secured
7 to our satisfaction. And each time we made that
8 judgment, we concluded that, again, there was a
9 reasonable prospect that we had a reasonable chance of
10 recovering the proceeds from that additional investment
11 over time.

12 But it's also true that at each point,
13 consistent with the fact that they were asking for more
14 money and facing higher losses and some erosion in the
15 perceived value of those underlying insurance companies,
16 there was substantial risk in that context. And if at
17 any of those times we had failed to achieve a vote of
18 five governors of the Federal Reserve Board, for
19 example, or some other factor had led us to make the
20 judgment that it was no longer prudent or appropriate
21 for us to lend, then we would have been at risk of very,
22 very substantial losses, because it was the judgment of
23 the firm at that time that that would lead to bankruptcy
24 and default.

25 So, that's why it's a complicated answer,

1 because when we make a judgment about "secured to our
2 satisfaction," we're making a judgment that if, over
3 time, the company survives and the world doesn't fall
4 into the abyss, then in that context, we had a
5 reasonable chance of recovering our investment. But
6 that was a highly uncertain judgment, and it was
7 dependent on not just our continuing ability to lend but
8 on a set of circumstances that were well beyond our
9 control and those of AIG.

10 Q. Let me follow up. First, every time you lent
11 money, you had to reach a conclusion that the money that
12 you were lending was secured to your satisfaction,
13 correct?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. Second, with respect to the money that was
16 advanced by the Federal Reserve after September 22nd,
17 that was all secured by assets other than the insurance
18 subsidiaries, correct?

19 A. I don't know if that's actually or technically
20 the case.

21 Q. Did you ever try to find out?

22 A. Yes, in the sense that we had to make a judgment
23 about what was the security, the collateral we were
24 going to rely on for that judgment. And so, yes, we
25 would have tried to have a foundation for that judgment,

1 but what I can't recall today is what was the mix,
2 composition of the incremental or different or shifting
3 composition of collateral for those subsequent
4 extensions of credit. I can recall some but not all.

5 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
6 Exhibit 668. This is another transcript of statements
7 by you, and I am again going to offer it, as I have the
8 earlier transcripts, where I am offering the statements
9 made by other people not for the truth of the matter
10 asserted but only for the context it provides for your
11 statements.

12 MR. DINTZER: We assert an objection of hearsay,
13 Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Even with the restriction offered by
15 counsel?

16 MR. DINTZER: Even with -- we understand that
17 the Court is going to overrule us, but just to -- just
18 so the Court knows, just to preserve the objection.

19 THE COURT: You're right about that. The
20 objection is overruled. Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 668
21 is admitted with the stated restrictions.

22 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 668 was admitted
23 into evidence.)

24 BY MR. BOIES:

25 Q. If you could turn to page 47, sir, at the top of

1 the page, where you begin by saying, "The AIG case is
2 very different," and you were talking about being very
3 different from Lehman, correct?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And you say, "The AIG case is very different,
6 because AIG is a very different business. It had hugely
7 profitable, pretty stable earnings power in their
8 insurance businesses. And we could lend against those
9 businesses." Do you see that?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And you believed that to be an accurate
12 statement at the time you made it, correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And then, continuing at line 8, "we took 80
15 percent of the firm, 90 percent of the firm, in return
16 for, in effect, giving them enough money that they
17 wouldn't suffer a liquidity crisis." Do you see that?

18 A. I do.

19 Q. And you also believed that at the time you said
20 it, correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And when you say "we took 80 percent of the
23 firm," you're talking about the Federal Reserve taking
24 80 percent of AIG, correct?

25 A. I'm talking about AIG giving the Federal

1 Government that amount of the firm in return for the --
2 as a condition for the loan we provided.

3 Q. When you say "we," you're referring to the
4 Federal Reserve, correct?

5 A. Yes, although ultimately, of course, those
6 shares were held in a trust for the benefit of the
7 Treasury.

8 Q. But when you say "we" took, you're talking about
9 the Federal Reserve, correct, sir?

10 A. Not necessarily. Sometimes I use "we" to mean
11 the actions of the Treasury and the Federal Reserve
12 Board and the -- and the Federal Reserve Bank of New
13 York. It just depends on the context.

14 Q. And in the context here, when you said "We took
15 80 percent of the firm in return for, in effect, giving
16 them enough money that they wouldn't suffer a liquidity
17 crisis," is the "we" there the Federal Reserve?

18 A. In a technical sense, the "we" there I think is
19 probably the broader -- the broader context of Treasury
20 and the Fed. So, I'm not sure precisely who I meant in
21 this context, but I think technically it would be the
22 Treasury, the Fed.

23 Q. Now, the Treasury wasn't giving AIG enough money
24 that they wouldn't suffer a liquidity crisis, was it?

25 A. That is correct, although later, they did

1 provide substantial additional resources.

2 Q. Later.

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. But when "we took 80 percent of the firm," at
5 that point, the "we" that was giving the money to AIG
6 was the Federal Reserve, correct?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And the "we" that was taking the 80 percent of
9 the firm was the Federal Reserve, correct, sir?

10 A. That was given by AIG, 80 percent of the firm,
11 yes. At that point -- at that point in time, I guess
12 you could say it was the Federal Reserve Bank of New
13 York.

14 Q. And when you refer to "the firm" here, you're
15 referring to AIG, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Now, if you go down to line 21 on this page, 20
18 and 21, do you see where you say, "The Federal Reserve
19 Bank of New York could undergo a transaction if we had
20 some assured source of repayment."

21 Do you see that?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And that was your view in September of 2008,
24 correct?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And then you say, over on the next page at line
2 3, "In the AIG case, we could justify that, because we
3 were lending against a pretty profitable business." Do
4 you see that?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And those statements were also true, correct,
7 sir?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. You have said several times that you believe
10 that if the company collapsed, referring to AIG, that
11 the value of the insurance subsidiaries would be
12 affected, correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Did the Federal Reserve ever attempt to make any
15 estimate of how much the value of the insurance
16 subsidiaries would be affected if AIG collapsed?

17 A. I do not know.

18 Q. You've also said that the value of the AIG
19 insurance subsidiaries would be affected if the economy
20 collapsed, correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. If the economy collapsed, presumably the value
23 of every asset would be affected adversely, correct?

24 A. Absolutely.

25 Q. You said yesterday that -- and I think you

1 repeated it today -- that you believed there was a
2 substantial risk in the AIG credit facility, correct?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Did you also believe that there was substantial
5 risk in the Bear Stearns credit facility?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Did you also believe that there was substantial
8 risk --

9 A. Could I -- I'm sorry. Could I just go back to
10 one -- just clarify that in one sense? I believe there
11 was -- I'm not sure I would use those same words. You
12 said "substantial" in both cases. So, I just wouldn't
13 want to -- my answer, saying yes, to imply that the risk
14 was equivalent. There was significant risk in the Bear
15 Stearns case although on a much smaller dimension than
16 the AIG case, I mean, by definition.

17 Q. I'm just trying to get your words. So, your
18 testimony would be that there was substantial risk in
19 the AIG credit facility, and significant risk, but not
20 substantial risk, in the Bear Stearns credit facility.

21 A. I would say there's substantial risk in Bear
22 Stearns, too; I just wouldn't want to imply that they
23 were equivalent in magnitude.

24 Q. Was there substantial risk, as you use those
25 terms, in the credit facility that was provided by the

1 Fed to Citigroup?

2 A. I'm not sure what adjective I would use.

3 Definitely significant risk. You're talking about the
4 13(3) facility approved in late November 2008?

5 Q. Yes.

6 A. Definitely significant risk. I wouldn't quite
7 know how -- I would have to think about it if you wanted
8 me to compare the two.

9 Q. Was there substantial risk, as you use that
10 term, in the 13(3) credit facility that was provided to
11 Bank of America?

12 A. I'd give the same answer. Certainly significant
13 risk. I'm not sure how I would compare the two.

14 Q. And when you say "not sure how you would compare
15 the two," what are the two there?

16 A. Either Bank of America to Citi or Bank of
17 America and Citi to AIG.

18 Q. Was there substantial risk, as you use that
19 term, in the 13(3) credit facility that was provided to
20 primary dealers?

21 A. Counselor, just a clarification. Are you asking
22 me to compare the amount of risk or -- because I'm -- I
23 guess what I'm uncomfortable doing is using the same
24 adjective to describe three different or four different
25 sets of different types of risks.

1 If it's helpful to you, I'm willing to say there
2 was substantial risk in all of them, as long as I can
3 explain that there were very, very different,
4 fundamentally different types of risk and magnitude of
5 risk across those facilities.

6 Q. Let's begin with the term "substantial risk,"
7 because that was a term that you had actually used,
8 correct, sir?

9 A. Yes, although I'm not quite sure in which
10 context I've used it now, though I think I've definitely
11 used it in the AIG context.

12 Q. And recognizing that it is your testimony that
13 the nature and extent of the risk varies from credit
14 facility to credit facility, would you characterize the
15 risk that the Federal Reserve faced with respect to the
16 Bear Stearns credit facility, the Citi credit facility,
17 the Bank of America credit facility, the PDCF credit
18 facility all as substantial risks?

19 A. I'm sort of uncomfortable doing that just
20 because they're so different.

21 Q. Let me take them one at a time, then.

22 A. Could I get a different adjective for each one?

23 Q. If you have a different adjective. I'm using
24 the term "substantial risk" because that's what you used
25 in describing the AIG credit facility to counsel for

1 Defendant, and the answer can be yes or no, and if the
2 answer is no, I'll ask you what other adjective you want
3 to use.

4 But I want to begin by asking you whether or
5 not, as you use the term "substantial risk," there was
6 substantial risk in the Bear Stearns credit facility.

7 A. I guess I would say yes.

8 Q. And just so that we know how you use these
9 terms, am I correct that as you use the terms, a
10 substantial risk is more of a risk than a significant
11 risk?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Was there substantial risk in the 13(3) credit
14 facility for Citi?

15 A. At the risk of irritating you, can I ask one
16 more clarifying question? Just as to something you
17 asked me to clarify yesterday, which is that when we say
18 substantial, we are using the adjective relative to the
19 amount of the loan? Can we say it that way? Is that
20 helpful?

21 Q. Yes.

22 A. Okay. In the Bear Stearns case, yes, there was
23 substantial risk relative to the size of the facility.

24 Q. And with respect to Citi, was there substantial
25 risk in relationship to the size of the facility?

1 A. I would say less than substantial. Significant,
2 let's say.

3 Q. And with respect to Bank of America, was there
4 substantial risk in relationship to the size of the
5 facility?

6 A. I would use the same adjective I used in the
7 prior question, significant.

8 Q. And with respect to the PDCF, was there
9 substantial risk in relationship to the size of the
10 facility?

11 A. I guess I would say significant, too, in that
12 context.

13 Q. Were you ever aware of any written analysis or
14 estimate that compared the amount of risk in the PDCF to
15 the amount of risk in the AIG credit facility?

16 A. Sure, yes.

17 Q. And who prepared that?

18 A. I don't know, but by definition -- by
19 construction --

20 Q. I'm just asking --

21 A. -- by design --

22 Q. I'm not talking about design or construction.
23 I'm asking you whether you are aware of any written
24 analysis or estimate that compared the amount of risk in
25 the PDCF to the amount of risk in the AIG credit

1 facility.

2 A. Do you mean in a single document?

3 Q. Let's start with a single document.

4 A. No.

5 Q. Okay.

6 A. I do not recall.

7 Q. Okay. And would the answer be the same if I
8 asked you whether you were aware of any written analysis
9 or estimate that compared the amount of risk in the AIG
10 credit facility to the Citi credit facility or the Bank
11 of America credit facility or the Bear Stearns credit
12 facility?

13 A. I'm not aware of a single document. I don't
14 recall there being one that sought to make that
15 comparison.

16 Q. Let me turn to your testimony to counsel for the
17 Defendant concerning the difference between lending to
18 banks and lending to other financial institutions. Do
19 you recall that, generally?

20 A. I do.

21 Q. Now, to start with, in the United States, banks
22 only represent about 50 percent of our banking system,
23 correct, sir?

24 A. It depends on what the point in time is, but in
25 2007, if that's what you're asking, I think their share

1 was somewhat under that, somewhat below that.

2 Q. That is, the share of the banking system
3 represented by banks themselves -- and by "banks," you
4 mean commercial banks, correct?

5 A. Well, actually, no. That was the share of the
6 financial system which involves the provision of credit
7 that is accounted for by banks, and in that context, I
8 usually mean commercial banks and holding companies.

9 Q. When you say the provision of credit, is that
10 what you refer to generally as the banking system?

11 A. No. It would go -- I mean, for example, Fannie
12 Mae and Freddie Mac are, in effect, in the business of
13 providing credit.

14 Q. But you don't consider them part of the banking
15 system, do you, sir?

16 A. No, but part of the financial system.

17 Q. I want to talk about the banking system. The
18 banking system is part but only part of the financial
19 system, correct?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. And I just want to talk about the banking
22 system. With respect to the banking system itself,
23 banks only represent about 50 percent of the United
24 States banking system, correct?

25 A. I don't know -- I don't -- that's not a --

1 that's not a formulation that I'm typically -- that I
2 typically use or am familiar with. In this case --

3 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, just because I'm
4 afraid -- I mean, what counsel said is with respect to
5 the banking system itself, banks only represent 50
6 percent of the United States banking system, and I don't
7 know if that's what he intended, but --

8 MR. BOIES: Yes.

9 MR. DINTZER: Okay.

10 THE WITNESS: In that case, I misspoke. I meant
11 to say that banks relative to the financial system, not
12 to the banking system. So, if that was my statement, I
13 misspoke.

14 BY MR. BOIES:

15 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
16 Exhibit 676, and this is another interview transcript.

17 Again, I offer it with the limitation that the
18 statements attributed to people other than Mr. Geithner
19 are not being offered for the truth of the matter
20 asserted but merely to provide context for
21 Mr. Geithner's statements.

22 MR. DINTZER: Objection merely for preservation
23 purposes, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. I will
25 admit Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 676 with the limitations

1 stated by Plaintiffs' counsel.

2 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 676 was admitted
3 into evidence.)

4 BY MR. BOIES:

5 Q. Let me ask you to look at page 19 and down at
6 pages or lines 21 through 23. This is a statement where
7 you are comparing the United States banking system with
8 banking systems from other countries, correct?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. And one of the things that you say there is that
11 in foreign countries, banks were 80 percent of their
12 banking system and not 50 percent like ours. Do you see
13 that?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And what you were saying there was that in the
16 United States, banks represented only about 50 percent
17 of the United States banking system, correct?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Let me ask you to look at the -- what you say
20 here. You're talking about guaranteeing foreign banks,
21 correct, the possibility of that?

22 A. It's just a simple explanation, Counselor. This
23 is a misstatement, just like the one you just quoted me
24 from was a misstatement. In both cases, I'm trying to
25 compare the relative importance of banks to the

1 financial system as a whole in the -- both the U.S. and
2 in Europe or other developed countries. So, if I used,
3 as I did here apparently, banking system as the
4 comparator, that was a misstatement. It should say
5 financial system.

6 Q. All right. 13(3) does not distinguish between
7 or among borrowers, correct?

8 MR. DINTZER: Objection, Your Honor. Vague as
9 to if he's referring to the language of the statute or
10 the application of it. I mean, it's a very, very broad
11 and confusing question.

12 THE COURT: Overruled. I think it's a clear
13 question.

14 THE WITNESS: By definition, it distinguishes
15 between banks and entities that are not banks, referred
16 to as IPCs. It doesn't distinguish among IPCs, IPCs
17 being -- I think the phrase was individual, partnership,
18 or corporation.

19 BY MR. BOIES:

20 Q. That's a useful clarification.

21 13(3) is the statute that is used to lend to
22 nonbanks, correct?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. And by "nonbanks" there, you're talking about
25 commercial banks as in common distinction to investment

1 banks, correct?

2 A. Among other things, yes.

3 Q. And 13(3) talks about lending to any individual,
4 partnership, or corporation, correct?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. And that's sometimes referred to as IPC lending.

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. And the IPC lending under 13(3) is something
9 that, I think we've established, only takes place under
10 unusual and exigent circumstances.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Other than requiring there to be unusual and
13 exigent circumstances and requiring that the loan be
14 secured to your satisfaction and approved by the five
15 members of the Board of Governors and that the borrower
16 not have other adequate sources of credit, there is no
17 other distinction among potential borrowers, correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And when the Federal Reserve set up credit
20 facilities for primary dealers, the Federal Reserve
21 could have set up similar or the same credit facilities
22 for other individuals, partnerships, or corporations,
23 correct?

24 A. In theory, if they had met the other conditions
25 of the law, of course.

1 Q. Yes. They have always got to meet those four
2 conditions, correct?

3 A. (Witness nods head.)

4 Q. And you had to find that the primary dealers met
5 all four of those conditions, correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. That is, you had to find that the primary
8 dealers were operating in a time of unusual and exigent
9 circumstances, correct?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And you had to find that the primary dealers did
12 not have access to alternative, adequate sources of
13 liquidity, correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. You talked about the concept of moral hazard.
16 Do you remember that?

17 A. I did.

18 Q. And do I understand your testimony to be that
19 the greater the risk of the credit facility that is
20 being offered, the greater the moral hazard?

21 A. I believe I made that statement in the context
22 of listing a number of other factors that might
23 contribute to the relative moral hazard involved, but
24 among those factors, that would be one.

25 Q. And am I also correct that it is your belief

1 that the moral hazard is higher if a credit is not made
2 available on similar terms to similarly situated
3 institutions?

4 A. Generally I believe that, yes.

5 Q. And you also believe that moral hazard is higher
6 when the Federal Reserve enters what you referred to as
7 new territory, which I think you said risks raising
8 expectations, correct?

9 A. Yes, I've said that.

10 Q. Now, using the terms as you have used them, did
11 the Federal Reserve enter what you referred to as new
12 territory, risking raising expectations, when the
13 Federal Reserve made the Bear Stearns 13(3) credit
14 facility available?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And did it do that when it made the PDCF credit
17 facility available?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And similarly when it made the other credit
20 facilities available that you testified earlier were
21 made available pursuant to 13(3), correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. With respect to the loans that were made to
24 banks and investment banks and primary dealers, there
25 were criticisms of those credit facilities on the

1 grounds that the Federal Reserve had not adequately
2 taken into account moral hazard concerns, correct?

3 A. I guess that's fair, although they were kind of
4 quaint relative to the concerns that came later. But,
5 yes, I guess that's true.

6 Q. And those -- those criticisms didn't just happen
7 one time; those criticisms happened over a significant
8 period of time, correct, sir?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And your response to those criticisms was that
11 the -- you called them moral hazard fundamentalists. Do
12 you recall that?

13 A. I have used that phrase quite a bit, although
14 not -- not really to refer to the people who were
15 concerned about the moral hazard and us lending to banks
16 or under a PDCF. Typically, I was using that phrase in
17 other contexts, but, yes, generally I've used that
18 phrase, and it probably captures those critics, too.

19 Q. Let me ask you to look at page 518 of your book.
20 At the top of the page -- this is 518 of the book, not
21 518 of the whole exhibit. This is 518 in the published
22 book.

23 MR. DINTZER: I'm sorry, Counsel, if you could
24 just explain that. Are we on 518 of the book or 518 of
25 the exhibit?

1 MR. BOIES: 518 of the book --

2 MR. DINTZER: Thank you, Counsel.

3 MR. BOIES: -- which has now been marked as
4 Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 709.

5 BY MR. BOIES:

6 Q. And at the top of the page -- I will read this
7 for context, although the part I'm particularly
8 interested in is the last sentence -- you write:

9 "The inconvenient truth of financial-crisis
10 response is that the actions that feel right are often
11 wrong. The natural instinct is to wait as long as
12 possible before intervening, to escalate as gradually as
13 possible, to minimize taxpayer exposure to losses, to
14 impose stringent conditions on assistance, to teach the
15 arsonists a lesson, to address the root causes of the
16 crisis. Let failing firms fail. Let the creditors who
17 financed their binges pay the price, but that is the
18 recipe for making a systemic crisis worse."

19 And this is the part I want to focus you on:

20 "The public will want Old Testament justice, punishment
21 for the venal. The moral hazard fundamentalists will
22 want to send a message that irresponsible behavior will
23 not be rewarded. If policymakers listen, they will
24 court disaster."

25 And you -- that's what you wrote in your book,

1 correct?

2 A. Yes. Thank you for reading it.

3 Q. And that's what you believe.

4 A. That's what I believe, yes.

5 Q. Now, when you were talking there about moral
6 hazard fundamentalists, what firms were you talking
7 about?

8 A. Well, I would have to go back to the context of
9 the book, but I think in this context I'm referring
10 specifically to debates we had about whether we should
11 haircut creditors in the context of our interventions or
12 not. And that debate, as you know and you'll recall,
13 was, of course, implicit in the Lehman context,
14 definitely in the AIG debate, certainly in the WaMu
15 debate, and in other circumstances where there's a risk
16 of failure to the firm.

17 Is that helpful?

18 Q. Did that relate to investment banks like Morgan
19 Stanley and Goldman Sachs?

20 A. Yes. Again, in my -- when I'm having -- when
21 I'm describing this set of judgments about crisis
22 response, I'm talking about the debate between people
23 who think you should let firms fail or people who think
24 that if you're going to save them, you should try to
25 impose losses on their creditors as well. So, in that

1 context, yes, that debate included the broader actions
2 we took to prevent default generally. Yes.

3 Q. And it was not only the creditors, it was also
4 the firms themselves, correct?

5 A. In -- in what sense?

6 Q. Well, maybe a faster way is just to have you
7 look at page 6 of your book, the second or third
8 paragraph up from the bottom, where you say, "I agree
9 but with the qualification..." Do you see that
10 paragraph?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. You say, "There was intense pressure on us to
13 punish the Wall Street gamblers who had gotten us into
14 this mess." Do you see that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And the Wall Street gamblers who had gotten us
17 into this mess were what firms, sir?

18 A. Well, in this context I'm referring to a
19 perception, a characterization, and it was meant to
20 describe the general perception that "Wall Street" was
21 partly responsible for the crisis. And Wall Street in
22 that definition -- it depends who was using it -- could
23 include anybody, any bank, any financial firm. It
24 certainly could have included AIG.

25 Q. AIG and Goldman Sachs and Citi and --

1 A. Yeah. In people's perceptions, it would have
2 included the whole lot of them.

3 Q. Let me turn to your testimony about the terms of
4 the AIG credit facility, and you testified to counsel
5 for Defendant that it was your recollection that there
6 were terms prepared by JPMorgan and/or Goldman Sachs,
7 and you gave three such terms: A \$70 billion amount, a
8 "very high interest rate," and "AIG provides stock
9 representing roughly 80 percent of the company." Do you
10 recall that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. First, am I correct that you don't recall how
13 you came to this recollection; that is, whether it was
14 somebody showing you something or somebody telling you
15 something? Is that right?

16 A. Except to the extent that I believe it came from
17 one of my colleagues in the Fed or the Treasury, not
18 from outside.

19 Q. But when it came from one of your colleagues,
20 you don't recall who that colleague was, correct?

21 A. I don't.

22 Q. And you don't recall whether that colleague
23 presented you with this information in writing or
24 orally, correct?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. Now, with respect to the third term, that AIG,
2 as you said, would provide stock representing 80 percent
3 of the company, were you meaning to say stock or were
4 you using "stock" in a broad sense to include any form
5 of equity?

6 A. The latter.

7 Q. So, did you understand that the terms that
8 JPMorgan or Goldman Sachs were talking about were terms
9 where any equity provided would be in the form of
10 warrants?

11 A. I did not -- I do not know what the form of
12 equity they were considering -- I don't recall if I knew
13 the form of equity they were considering.

14 Q. With respect to the AIG credit facility, there
15 were a number of constraints that were imposed on AIG to
16 limit risk-taking, correct?

17 A. Are you saying -- are you asking in the facility
18 itself or pursuant to the broader set of conditions that
19 were established?

20 Q. Both.

21 A. Certainly the latter and I suspect the former,
22 but I couldn't recall them.

23 Q. Now, with respect to the PDCF, the Federal
24 Reserve did not have any ability to set constraints on
25 risk-taking by broker-dealers, correct?

1 A. That's not quite true. Could I -- could I
2 explain?

3 Q. Yes, but let me ask you to look at your
4 deposition at page 104 so that I get the explanation in
5 that context. Let me begin by directing your attention
6 to page 104, lines 16 through 18, where I say:

7 "QUESTION: The Federal Reserve doesn't regulate
8 the broker/dealers?

9 "ANSWER: That's correct."

10 And then there's a long discussion about holding
11 companies and the like, and then, on page 105 -- and if
12 you wish, I'll read in the intervening portion -- but on
13 105, it says:

14 "QUESTION: You are not saying the Fed would use
15 its authority over the holding company to regulate the
16 broker/dealer function, are you or are you?

17 ANSWER: No, I don't believe it can, but the
18 health of the broker/dealer can effect [sic] the health
19 of the rest of the entity, but I don't believe, under
20 the law, we had the ability or the authority to, for
21 example, set constraints on risk taking of the
22 broker/dealer."

23 Do you see that?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And that was accurate testimony at the time you

1 gave it?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And is there an explanation for that testimony
4 that you now would like to give?

5 A. Just in response to the question you just asked
6 me before. So, the distinction, Counselor, is this, and
7 I think it was -- that's why I said there's an
8 explanation. Although it is true that before the
9 primary dealer credit facility was established, that we
10 had, I think, effectively no authority to directly
11 regulate or limit the risk-taking of broker-dealers.

12 After the primary -- after the primary dealer
13 credit facility was put in place, we did put teams from
14 the New York Fed into those institutions so we could
15 better monitor their liquidity, funding risk, how they
16 were managing risk, and we did that in full cooperation
17 with the SEC.

18 So, after that point, we had some capacity --
19 which I think the phrase you used was "to affect," and
20 that capacity did not include formal -- I don't think,
21 really -- legal or regulatory authority. That's the
22 distinction I was trying to make.

23 Q. Do I take it the distinction you're making is
24 between being able to find out what the issues were and
25 having the power to prevent broker-dealers from taking

1 certain risks?

2 A. I was also making -- yes, and I was making a
3 distinction in time between the world before we
4 established the facility and after.

5 Q. After you established the facility, it was still
6 the case that although you may be able to place people
7 with the broker-dealers to find out what was happening,
8 you couldn't direct or constrain or prevent them from
9 taking particular risks.

10 A. Well, perhaps I should just -- just one
11 additional clarification, which is that we were at that
12 point, in effect, a creditor. As a creditor, you do
13 have additional capacity to influence that you would not
14 have, and so in that context, yes, we had some
15 additional ability to affect, but that is not the same
16 as a legal authority as supervisor or regulator.

17 Q. And the ability that you had to affect
18 risk-taking by the broker-dealers after the PDCF was an
19 ability that came from your status as a creditor and not
20 from either any regulatory status or any contractual
21 status or any ownership status, correct?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. You also told counsel for the Defendant that
24 JPMorgan and Goldman Sachs concluded that there was not
25 sufficient willingness among the major banks in the

1 world to provide a large loan to AIG. Do you recall
2 that?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Do you know what major banks, if any, JPMorgan
5 or Goldman Sachs actually contacted?

6 A. I don't.

7 Q. Do you know whether they actually contacted any
8 banks?

9 A. I believe they did, but I do not know for
10 certain.

11 Q. You also said that there was a request of the
12 Secretary of the Treasury for a letter saying he
13 supported the AIG credit facility. Do you recall that?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. There was also a request of the Secretary of
16 Treasury for a comparable letter for the Bear Stearns,
17 Bank of America, and Citi credit facilities, correct?

18 A. I certainly remember Bear Stearns. I'm not sure
19 I remember the Citi and B of A ones.

20 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
21 Exhibits 2750, 2751, and 2752.

22 THE COURT: Did you say 2750, also?

23 MR. BOIES: I did, and I am getting that one,
24 Your Honor. I've handed up 2751 and 2752, which I would
25 offer.

1 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, none of these appear
2 on the exhibit list, so we object just for that reason
3 alone.

4 THE COURT: Mr. Boies?

5 MR. BOIES: These are designed to deal with his
6 testimony on what was, in effect, direct examination by
7 the Government. He also has said he doesn't recall, and
8 I think it would be appropriate -- I think for a variety
9 of reasons --

10 THE COURT: I am going to allow the examination.

11 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, we have no objection
12 to the examination, him showing them to the witness. We
13 just have -- he offered them, I think, into evidence,
14 and we would object to that given the fact that they are
15 not on the exhibit list.

16 THE COURT: Nevertheless, I think we will allow
17 it on the basis of good cause shown.

18 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 2751 was admitted
19 into evidence.)

20 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 2752 was admitted
21 into evidence.)

22 BY MR. BOIES:

23 Q. Do you recall these two letters from the
24 Department of Treasury with respect to the Bank of
25 America credit facility, which is 2751, and the

1 Citigroup credit facility, which is 2752?

2 A. I see them, but I don't -- I don't believe that
3 I was aware of them at the time. It's possible.

4 Q. And I think you testified that you do remember
5 receiving and requesting such a letter with respect to
6 Bear Stearns, correct?

7 A. Yes.

8 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, I have the Bear Stearns
9 letter. That's Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 2750. I don't
10 think it's essential. I think it would help complete
11 the record, but -- if they object to it, I don't think
12 it's essential, and I will do whatever the Court thinks
13 is appropriate.

14 THE COURT: If you have it, I'd like to complete
15 the record. Thank you.

16 MR. BOIES: I would offer Plaintiffs' Trial
17 Exhibit 2750.

18 MR. DINTZER: Objection only insomuch as it's
19 not on their exhibit list.

20 THE COURT: All right. The objection is
21 overruled, and I will admit Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibits
22 2750, 51, and 52. Actually, I think I already admitted
23 51 and 52, so 50 -- 2750 also is admitted.

24 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 2750 was admitted
25 into evidence.)

1 BY MR. BOIES:

2 Q. During your testimony with counsel for the
3 Defendant, you talked about whether or not the AIG
4 shareholders got a windfall. Do you recall that?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And you used the term "windfall." Did the
7 Citigroup shareholders get a windfall as a result of
8 government assistance?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Did the Goldman Sachs shareholders get a
11 windfall as a result of government assistance?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Did the Bear Stearns shareholders get a windfall
14 as a result of government assistance?

15 A. I think that's a -- I think that's sufficiently
16 different, I wouldn't be comfortable using the same
17 phrase in that context. A benefit, yes.

18 Q. Did all of the firms that had access to the
19 primary dealer credit facility get a windfall as a
20 result of that facility, as you use that term?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. You said that part of the Government's objective
23 with respect to AIG was to reduce the scope and scale of
24 AIG in order to reduce future risk. Do you recall that?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Did the Government also have that objective with
2 respect to Citigroup?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Did the Government have that objective with
5 respect to Bank of America?

6 A. Could you repeat the first part of the question
7 again, the way -- the phrase you used?

8 Q. Yes.

9 You had said that part of the Government's
10 objective with respect to AIG was to reduce the scope
11 and scale of AIG in order to reduce future risk. And I
12 asked you whether the Government also had that objective
13 with respect to Citigroup; you said yes. And then I
14 said did the Government have that objective with respect
15 to Bank of America, meaning the same objective.

16 A. Could I -- could I make a slight distinction
17 between the two, between Bank of America and Citigroup?

18 Q. Yes.

19 A. We had -- definitely had the objective in every
20 case of reducing the potential future risk those firms
21 would pose to the financial system and the economy. The
22 means by which we sought to achieve that objective
23 differed significantly among them and significantly
24 between Bank of America and Citi, although in all cases
25 we sought to assure they had a stronger financial

1 foundation, capital, more conservative funding relative
2 to the risks they were taking.

3 And the distinction I was making is that I don't
4 believe -- I don't know if the Fed did, but I don't
5 believe that we -- I conceived our objective in the
6 context of Bank of America as to reduce their scope.
7 That's the distinction I was trying to make.

8 Q. And that was exactly the question I was asking
9 here. I understand that you wanted to reduce risk as a
10 general proposition, but I was focusing on your
11 testimony about reducing risk by reducing the scope and
12 scale of an enterprise. Do you understand that?

13 A. Yes, I do.

14 Q. And I -- and I have your answer on Bank of
15 America. Now, let me ask the same question with respect
16 to Morgan Stanley.

17 A. I don't know how I would say it in that -- can
18 you -- could you pick a point in time or are you talking
19 about the whole span of time in which we had an equity
20 position in the firm?

21 Q. Let me take the period of 2008, 2009, 2010. Was
22 one of your objectives with respect to Morgan Stanley to
23 reduce the scope and scale of that enterprise as a
24 means -- as one of the means of reducing risk?

25 A. I don't believe I would describe it that way,

1 certainly not in comparison to how we thought about AIG
2 and Citigroup.

3 Q. And would your answer with respect to Goldman
4 Sachs be the same as your answer with respect to Morgan
5 Stanley?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Let me ask you to look at Defendant's Exhibit
8 118, which I think you have in the Defendant's book, the
9 white book. This is a document that counsel for the
10 Defendant asked you about. Do you recall that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And this is an email from Mr. Baxter in which he
13 begins, "You said 'We did not have the authority to
14 acquire an equity interest in either Bear or JPMorgan
15 Chase, nor were we prepared to guarantee Bear's very
16 substantial obligations.'"

17 Do you see that?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. When had you said that?

20 A. I believe that was a quote from my written
21 testimony before the Senate Banking Committee in the
22 context of the Bear Stearns/JPMorgan transaction, but
23 I'm not certain.

24 Q. And Mr. Baxter then goes on to talk about equity
25 kickers in the residual. Do you see that?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And the residual was what was going to be left
3 over in Maiden Lane, LLC, after the loans had been paid
4 off, correct?

5 A. I'm not actually sure why -- what he actually
6 meant by that. I think -- can I tell you what I believe
7 he meant? No, I shouldn't do that either, should I?

8 I think -- I think what this refers to is not
9 the phrase I used. I think what this refers to is in
10 the facility we financed, we had the risk in that
11 facility, after JPMorgan's first loss, and we had the
12 gains in any appreciation in the value of those
13 securities.

14 If that's accurately described as an equity
15 kicker in the residual, then that's fine, but that's not
16 the phrase I usually use.

17 Q. And the facility that you financed, that you
18 refer to there, was Maiden Lane, LLC, or what we've
19 sometimes inaccurately referred to as Maiden Lane I,
20 correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Mr. Baxter then goes on to say, "That said, we
23 in New York read much into the incidental powers clause
24 of Section 4 of the Act. And, we don't always succeed
25 in convincing our colleagues to the South."

1 Do you see that?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And the colleagues to the south was a reference
4 to the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, correct?

5 A. Mostly to Mr. Alvarez, I believe, but yes.

6 Q. Who was general counsel for the Federal Reserve
7 Board of Governors?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. And then you said, "And, there are many who see
10 our interpretive conduct as 'loophole lawyering.'" Do
11 you see that?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And did that include the people who are referred
14 to here as your colleagues to the south?

15 A. I don't believe so, because it says "and." I
16 don't think that's what he meant, but I shouldn't
17 speculate on what he meant.

18 Q. You told Mr. Dintzer that there needed to be a
19 deadline to AIG as to whether they would or would not
20 accept your offer on October 16th, because AIG needed
21 the money and you were coming up to when you had to shut
22 down the Fed wire. Do you recall that?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Now, it would have been possible to loan AIG
25 money on a secured demand note without having reached

1 agreement on the term sheet, correct?

2 A. Yes, if the demand note -- what you refer to as
3 the demand note allowed us to be secured to our
4 satisfaction. Yes, in theory, that's true.

5 Q. And, in fact, on September 16th, you did lend to
6 AIG based on a secured demand note, correct?

7 A. Among other things, yes.

8 Q. And that secured demand note did not incorporate
9 any of the terms of the term sheet, correct?

10 A. I don't recall precisely.

11 Q. Do you recall generally whether any of the terms
12 of the term sheet were part of the documentation related
13 to the secured demand note on which \$14 billion was
14 loaned to AIG on September 16th?

15 A. I don't know whether -- I do not recall whether
16 they were incorporated specifically into the demand note
17 itself.

18 Q. You said that you believed that the term sheet
19 on September 16th was "enforceable." Do you recall
20 that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Did anyone tell you that they believed that the
23 term sheet was enforceable?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Who told you that?

1 A. Mr. Baxter, among others, I believe.

2 Q. It's your testimony that Mr. Baxter told you
3 that the term sheet of September 16th was enforceable?

4 A. Maybe I should clarify. I don't know that he
5 used the word "enforceable," but I believe he made it --
6 he gave me -- he led me to believe, made me confident
7 that we had a binding commitment from the board of the
8 firm. But I don't recall precisely what word he used.

9 Q. But it's your testimony that Mr. Baxter told you
10 that he believed that the September 16th term sheet was
11 a binding commitment.

12 A. Yes. That is my recollection.

13 Q. I take it he told you that orally, not in
14 writing?

15 A. I don't recall. Likely orally.

16 Q. Did you ever ask anybody to provide you with any
17 written opinion or advice as to whether the September
18 16th term sheet was a binding agreement or was
19 enforceable?

20 A. Beyond the signature -- AIG's signature on the
21 term sheet itself? I don't recall.

22 Q. Did you ever read that term sheet yourself?

23 A. I believe I did, but I can't be certain I read
24 every word in that term sheet.

25 Q. Certainly. Let me ask you to look at Joint

1 Exhibit 63, which is in our book. I'm going to ask you
2 to turn to the page that is the term sheet, the
3 beginning of the term sheet. Do you have that? That's
4 page 5 of Joint Exhibit 63.

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And do you see right at the very beginning, in
7 italics, it says, "This Summary of Terms is not intended
8 to be legally binding on any person or entity..." Do
9 you see that?

10 A. I do.

11 Q. And then the next sentence says, "Any binding
12 agreement with respect to the matters referred to herein
13 shall be evidenced by appropriate documentation,
14 executed by the applicable parties." Do you see that?

15 A. I do.

16 Q. Did you read that portion of the term sheet?

17 A. I believe -- well, I don't know -- this -- this
18 is the draft term sheet that was presented to the Board
19 of Governors, I believe that's what this suggests, and I
20 don't recall precisely whether I read that provision of
21 this draft term sheet that was the basis for that
22 consideration at that board meeting.

23 Q. Did you ever see any term sheet on September
24 16th or September 17th that did not have the language
25 that I just quoted?

1 A. I do not recall.

2 Q. You talked a number of times with counsel for
3 Defendant about AIG's losses from its CDS business. Do
4 you recall that?

5 A. I don't know if I referred specifically to
6 losses from the CDS business, but I generally referred
7 to losses, yes.

8 Q. And did you also mean to refer to losses from
9 the CDS business itself that occurred after September
10 22nd?

11 A. I don't remember the context for that question,
12 so I'm not certain what I was referring to in that
13 context.

14 Q. Let me ask the question this way: As you
15 understand it, in the period after September 22nd, were
16 there any losses that AIG suffered from its CDS
17 business?

18 A. Could I make one -- could I ask one clarifying
19 question?

20 Q. Certainly.

21 A. If by "losses" you include requirements for
22 funding to meet margin collateral calls, or are you
23 referring to the realization of losses, or are you
24 referring to the mark-to-market estimate of the extent
25 of AIG's remaining obligations on those CDS positions?

- 1 Q. Let me -- let me take those one at a time.
2 First, after September 22nd, 2008, as you understand it,
3 did AIG lose any money on CDSs in the sense of realized
4 losses?
5 A. I don't recall.
6 Q. Okay. Now, after September 22nd, 2008, did AIG
7 have to post additional collateral?
8 A. Yes, I believe so.
9 Q. And third, after September 22nd, 2008, was AIG
10 making or were you making for AIG estimates of what its
11 mark-to-market obligations might be in the future?
12 A. I don't know if we were, but I believe the
13 rating agencies did, as would their creditors and equity
14 analysts.
15 Q. And the mark-to-market obligation was an
16 obligation to put up collateral, correct?
17 A. I believe so in that -- yes, I believe that's
18 correct.
19 Q. Now, when collateral was posted, it didn't go to
20 the counterparties, correct?
21 A. Counsel, I'm not certain I could speak to that
22 with confidence.
23 Q. Was it your understanding at the time that when
24 AIG posted collateral, that collateral was held in an
25 account and not given to the counterparties?

1 A. That seems consistent with my recollection, but
2 I'm not certain.

3 Q. And if AIG posted collateral to an account
4 because of a drop in the reference price or reference
5 value of the CDS, if the CDS value came back, AIG would
6 get that collateral back from the account, correct?

7 A. I believe that's correct, although technically
8 the collateral requirement was a function not just of
9 the price of the asset but also the perceived default
10 risk in AIG. But if either of those two indicators
11 moved in AIG's favor, I believe you're correct to say
12 that that collateral would come back to them.

13 Q. When the counterparties were paid par with
14 respect to Maiden Lane III, those counterparties then
15 actually got cash themselves, correct?

16 A. I believe that's correct.

17 Q. And that --

18 MR. DINTZER: Objection, Your Honor. Beyond the
19 scope. I'm pretty sure I didn't ask any questions about
20 Maiden Lane III.

21 THE COURT: I think that's true, Mr. Boies.

22 MR. BOIES: I think that is true, but he did ask
23 questions about the counterparties, Your Honor, and if
24 he is saying that his reference to counterparties was
25 unrelated to Maiden Lane III, I'll stop asking these

1 questions.

2 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, I -- I don't possess a
3 photographic memory and I can't remember the exact
4 context, but I was pretty careful about not asking about
5 Maiden Lane III.

6 THE COURT: Yes, I am going to sustain the
7 objection. I think it's beyond the scope.

8 MR. BOIES: All right.

9 My recollection -- and in looking at my notes,
10 I'm not 100 percent sure, but in view of the last
11 objection, I will ask the witness as a preliminary
12 matter, in your testimony with counsel for the
13 Defendants, were you talking about Goldman Sachs and
14 Goldman Sachs' financial status?

15 My notes say that you testified about Goldman
16 Sachs having a flat exposure to AIG. Now, am I
17 misremembering that?

18 MR. DINTZER: I -- perhaps I can add some -- I
19 believe that that was as of September 16th. I believe
20 the transcript -- I can find it if the Court wants, but
21 I believe that that was as of that date and thus would
22 not have addressed anything after the credit agreement
23 regarding Maiden Lane II or III.

24 BY MR. BOIES:

25 Q. Let me focus just on September 16th if that's

1 where counsel says the testimony was related to.

2 Q. Did you have an understanding, as of September
3 16th, that Goldman Sachs had what you described as a
4 flat exposure to AIG?

5 A. What I described and what they had described as
6 a roughly flat exposure.

7 Q. That is what they had told you, correct?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. Had you done any independent assessment of that?

10 A. Well, in the sense that -- you mean at that --
11 at that precise -- at that precise moment on -- I can't
12 remember the specific time frame you were talking about,
13 but it is -- it is true that in the days after the email
14 we talked about yesterday, I did seek a written
15 confirmation from that firm of what their actual
16 exposure was.

17 Q. And that was something that they were providing
18 to you?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. Did you ask that any independent analysis of
21 Goldman's exposure to AIG be made; that is, other than
22 just asking Goldman?

23 A. Do you mean did we go through each of the
24 elements of their exposures and the hedges and try to
25 independently assess whether they were accurate or --

1 Q. No.

2 A. -- any of the elements or all of the elements?

3 Q. No. My question -- my preliminary question is
4 simply whether you did anything to check what Goldman
5 had told you; that is, had you gone to any independent
6 party or done any independent analysis, other than
7 relying on what Goldman told you?

8 If the answer to that is yes, I will then go on
9 and explore what that was, but I just -- at the
10 beginning, I'm just trying to find out whether you --

11 A. No, we did not -- we did not conduct -- we did
12 not ask any other party to conduct a separate
13 examination of the documentation and the evidence in
14 that piece of paper they provided us.

15 Q. That was half my question. Did you internally
16 do any analysis or attempt to check what Goldman had
17 told you?

18 A. I do not know what my colleagues did or did not
19 do to try to assess the credibility of that -- that --
20 those numbers.

21 Q. You were asked some questions about Defendant's
22 Exhibit 595. Do you recall that? Do you still have
23 that document up there?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. With respect to this financing that's being

1 talked about in Defendant's 595 on October 6th, 2008,
2 did you ask for a letter from the Department of Treasury
3 supporting this financing?

4 A. I don't -- I don't recall whether I did.

5 Q. Let me turn to the subject of Mr. Greenberg.
6 You told counsel for the Defendant that Mr. Greenberg on
7 a number of occasions told you that AIG was more
8 valuable than either you or other people were asserting,
9 correct?

10 A. Not I think that I was asserting.

11 Q. What you believed?

12 A. Than what many people believed. I don't know if
13 he challenged my view on what I believed. I recall
14 believing his -- regarding his view as optimistic
15 relative to my view.

16 Q. There came a time when you told Mr. Greenberg
17 that he was the only one who was right about the value
18 of AIG, correct, sir?

19 A. I don't recall if I said that to him, but I -- I
20 found his confidence and optimism unique.

21 Q. In addition to considering him unique, do you
22 recall, on December 16th, 2010, attending a dinner that
23 Mayor Bloomberg gave for George Osborne?

24 A. I recall that dinner, yes.

25 Q. And do you recall Mr. Greenberg was at that

1 dinner?

2 A. I don't -- I don't recall that.

3 Q. Do you recall telling Mr. Greenberg at that
4 dinner, "You are the only one who is right about the
5 value of AIG"?

6 A. I don't recall that, but it's possible I did
7 that, because as I said, I found his confidence and
8 optimism distinct.

9 Q. In addition to finding it distinct, did you find
10 that there came a time when you agreed with him?

11 A. Well, I don't know if I agreed with it, but I --
12 there came to be a time when, against all my
13 expectations, there seemed to be a reasonable prospect
14 that the taxpayer would earn a positive return on our
15 investment. But I don't recall precisely when that was
16 in relation to that dinner.

17 Q. The reason I'm pursuing this a little bit is I
18 asked you whether you told Mr. Greenberg at this dinner,
19 "You are the only one who is right about the value of
20 AIG," and you said you didn't recall, but it was
21 possible. Do you recall telling me that?

22 A. I do, but I don't think I said that -- I said
23 something different, I think, which is that -- not
24 that -- well, let me tell you what my belief was. Can I
25 describe what my belief was since I don't remember what

1 I said to him?

2 Q. Yes, but then I want to come back to my
3 question. But go ahead.

4 A. Okay. I did not know what Mr. Greenberg
5 believed was the actual value of the firm, so it's
6 unlikely that I felt he was right about the actual value
7 of the firm. I believed that his optimism and his
8 confidence in the value of the firm, to my surprise --
9 well, let me put it differently.

10 To my surprise, the firm -- events unfolded in a
11 way that eventually allowed us to realize a positive
12 return. He seemed to be confident of that from the
13 beginning, and in that sense, that judgment was --
14 certainly was correct with the benefit of hindsight. Of
15 course, we did a lot of things to help raise the value
16 of that firm and the assets of the world in subsequent
17 events to September 16th, which partly accounts for the
18 relatively favorable outcomes that were experienced by
19 the AIG shareholders.

20 Q. I want to pursue that last statement, when you
21 say that you did a lot of things to help raise the value
22 of that firm and the assets of the world through
23 subsequent events. When you refer to what you did
24 there, you're talking about various financial
25 assistance, TARP, liquidity --

1 A. The stimulus, the Fed's actions.

2 Q. Right.

3 A. The full scope of the financial strategy.

4 Q. And those were actions that were taken that
5 benefited lots of companies, perhaps all companies in
6 some sense, correct?

7 A. Yes, yes.

8 Q. Now, you didn't actually say that AIG was the
9 only firm in trouble the week of September 16th, but
10 that was the only firm that you described to Defendant's
11 counsel as being in trouble on September 16th. And so
12 I'd like to just ask you, the week of September 16th,
13 there were lots and lots of firms, other than AIG, that
14 were in severe trouble, correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And in that connection, you talked about Goldman
17 Sachs and Morgan Stanley becoming bank holding
18 companies, and you also talked about them raising
19 additional private capital. Do you recall that?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And you said you didn't recall whether they
22 tried to do that on Monday or on Sunday. Do you recall
23 that?

24 A. I believe they were trying on Sunday. What I
25 don't recall precisely is when they concluded, when

1 those commitments were effectively finalized.

2 Q. Do you recall that nobody was prepared to put
3 private capital into Morgan Stanley or Goldman Sachs
4 until it was announced that they were going to become
5 bank holding companies?

6 A. Do I recall that being a fact or saying that?

7 Q. Was that the fact?

8 A. Believing that?

9 Q. Was that the fact?

10 A. I don't believe that's quite accurate, because I
11 believe my recollection is that they were pursuing
12 sources of private capital before the announcement and
13 had some basis -- some various degrees of confidence
14 about whether that was forthcoming before the
15 announcement and the decision. That's my belief.

16 THE COURT: Mr. Boies, shall we take a morning
17 break?

18 MR. BOIES: Yes, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Let's reconvene at 11:20.

20 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, if we could just ask,
21 we have Chairman Bernanke here and he is waiting, and if
22 we could get a proffer from Mr. Boies as to about how
23 much more he has?

24 MR. BOIES: Ten or 15 minutes, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: All right. Does that help?

1 MR. DINTZER: Thank you, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: 11:20.

3 (Court in recess.)

4 THE COURT: Thank you. Please be seated.

5 You may go ahead, Mr. Boies.

6 MR. BOIES: Thank you, Your Honor.

7 BY MR. BOIES:

8 Q. Just before the break you were talking about
9 Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs becoming bank holding
10 companies and raising money. Do you recall that?

11 A. I do.

12 Q. Now, prior to the time that they became bank
13 holding companies, they were trying to raise money,
14 correct?

15 A. Yes. I believe that's correct.

16 Q. Yes. Prior to the time that they became bank
17 holding companies, nobody was prepared to actually make
18 a commitment to raise or give them or invest in them
19 additional capital, correct?

20 A. I don't know if that's correct.

21 Q. Did you ever try to find that out?

22 A. I had some sense of that at the time and some
23 sense of that afterwards.

24 Q. You know that there was an announcement that
25 they were becoming bank holding companies on Sunday,

1 September 21st, correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And you know, at least, that the announcement of
4 their capital raising came some days after that,
5 correct?

6 A. It may have been hours in some cases, but
7 some -- I think after.

8 Q. In what case was it hours after the announcement
9 of Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs becoming bank
10 holding companies?

11 A. I may be mistaken in my recollection, but my
12 recollection is that the announcement of Mr. Buffett's
13 investment in Goldman Sachs came quite quickly.

14 Q. Quite quickly?

15 A. Perhaps ahead of the Japanese bank investment in
16 Morgan Stanley, but I can't remember precisely how long
17 the gap was or the timing between those things.

18 Q. All right. You were asked by counsel for the
19 Defendant whether you would have permitted Morgan
20 Stanley and Goldman Sachs to become bank holding
21 companies in the absence of capital raises. Do you
22 recall that?

23 A. I do.

24 Q. Now, in fact, both Morgan Stanley and Goldman
25 Sachs were approved to become bank holding companies

1 before you knew whether or not they would be able to
2 raise capital, correct?

3 A. I think it would be more accurate to say before
4 the capital raises were completed, but we had some basis
5 for confidence that they would be able to do that, and
6 that was important to us when we made the judgment to
7 make them bank holding companies.

8 Q. Did that confidence come from something that you
9 were told by the private parties that were going to
10 inject the capital?

11 A. Told directly?

12 Q. Yes.

13 A. Certainly on the basis of what we were told by
14 Goldman Sachs and JPMorgan -- and Morgan Stanley. I
15 don't recall whether we had any direct indication from
16 those two parties, independent of the firms themselves.

17 Q. With respect to what you were told by Goldman
18 Sachs and JPMorgan, did they give you anything in
19 writing that indicated what level of confidence, if any,
20 they had about their ability to raise private capital?

21 A. Before the bank holding company designation?

22 Q. Yes.

23 A. I do not recall. I don't believe so.

24 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, just so that the
25 record is clear, counsel I believe inadvertently made

1 that Goldman Sachs and JPMorgan, and I think he's got
2 the wrong Morgan, just so the record is clear.

3 MR. BOIES: I did, Your Honor, and I apologize.

4 THE COURT: All right. Thank you, Mr. Dintzer.

5 MR. BOIES: I'm back before the Glass-Steagal
6 Act.

7 THE WITNESS: It was the same Morgan, just
8 different firms.

9 BY MR. BOIES:

10 Q. Yes.

11 With respect to Morgan Stanley and Goldman
12 Sachs, did you ask either or both of them for anything
13 in writing confirming that they believed that they would
14 be able to raise private capital if they were given a
15 bank holding company status?

16 A. I don't recall if I did.

17 Q. Now, you were asked some questions about the
18 amount of the capital raises, and I think you testified
19 that you were not familiar with exactly what that amount
20 was. Is that --

21 A. I was at the time. I just can't recall.

22 Q. Do you recall that the amount of the capital
23 raised by Morgan Stanley was less than the amount loaned
24 to Morgan Stanley through its UK subsidiary?

25 A. I do not recall that today, do not know if I was

1 aware of that at the time.

2 Q. Do you recall that the amount of the capital
3 raise by Goldman Sachs was less than the amount loaned
4 to Goldman Sachs by the Federal Reserve through Goldman
5 Sachs' UK subsidiary?

6 A. I'm sorry. In the prior question about Morgan
7 Stanley, did you mean loaned by the Federal Reserve to
8 the UK subsidiary?

9 Q. Yes.

10 A. Okay, sorry. I didn't -- I do not recall in
11 either case the size of the borrowing at that time or
12 subsequent through the UK affiliates of those two
13 investment banks.

14 Q. Now, let me turn to one more brief subject, and
15 that is Mr. Ed Liddy. I think you told counsel for the
16 Defendant that you had proposed Mr. Liddy as CEO for
17 AIG.

18 A. Yes. I believe I said that.

19 Q. And to whom did you propose Mr. Liddy as CEO of
20 AIG?

21 A. I do not recall.

22 Q. When did you propose Mr. Liddy as CEO of AIG?

23 A. I don't recall a precise date. It would have
24 been in the vicinity of the 16th.

25 Q. At the time that you proposed Mr. Liddy as CEO

1 of AIG, you knew that Mr. Liddy was serving on the board
2 of Goldman Sachs, correct?

3 A. I do not know if I was aware of that at that
4 time.

5 Q. Before proposing Mr. Liddy as CEO of AIG, did
6 you try to find out what Mr. Liddy was at that time
7 doing?

8 A. Not -- not directly. It's possible that my
9 colleagues did.

10 Q. When you say you proposed Mr. Liddy as CEO of
11 AIG, even though you don't remember to whom, is it fair
12 to say that you were proposing Mr. Liddy to somebody at
13 AIG?

14 A. To the board of AIG is my -- is my belief.

15 Q. But you don't recall whether you proposed him to
16 the board directly or to somebody else. Is that
17 correct?

18 A. Yes. In fact, I'm not -- I'm not -- I'm not
19 certain that it was -- it was me personally who conveyed
20 that to the board, whether I did it through one of my
21 colleagues and/or to a representative of the board.

22 Q. Prior to playing whatever role you played in
23 proposing Mr. Liddy to the AIG board to become AIG's
24 CEO, did you try to satisfy yourself that he was an
25 appropriate candidate?

1 A. I did.

2 Q. And -- did you say I didn't or I did?

3 A. I did.

4 Q. You did. And as part of trying to satisfy
5 yourself that Mr. Liddy was an appropriate person to
6 become AIG's CEO, did you investigate what he was doing
7 at the time?

8 A. I didn't personally investigate what he was
9 doing at the time, no.

10 Q. Did you try to find out what he was doing at the
11 time through other people at the Federal Reserve?

12 A. I relied on the judgments of my colleagues at
13 the Federal Reserve and the advice and recommendations
14 of, as I said yesterday, I believe Ken Wilson and Hank
15 Paulson as to his suitability and competence for that
16 role.

17 Q. Is it fair to say that you reached your judgment
18 that he was suitable for the CEO role based on the
19 advice and recommendations of Mr. Wilson, Mr. Paulson,
20 and perhaps other people at the Federal Reserve, and did
21 not try yourself to assess his qualifications?

22 A. I did not -- apart from what I just referred to,
23 I don't recall whether I, in addition to that, sought
24 the advice of others or sought to otherwise assess for
25 myself his qualifications.

1 Q. The question I'm asking is I understand
2 Mr. Wilson, Mr. Paulson, perhaps others came to you and
3 said, "We think Ed Liddy would be good for the AIG CEO
4 position." Did they tell you more about -- that is, did
5 they tell you why they thought that as opposed to merely
6 telling you that they did think that?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And in telling you why they thought he was an
9 appropriate CEO, did they tell you what he was doing at
10 the time?

11 A. They may have. I do not recall what they told
12 me about what he was actually doing at that time.

13 Q. You -- you did know, either from them or from
14 some source, that he was the CEO of Allstate at some
15 point, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And did you understand that Allstate was a very
18 different company from AIG?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. You understood that Allstate, for example, had
21 no complex commercial insurance, correct?

22 A. I don't believe I could have spoken to the scope
23 of their insurance operations with any -- with any, you
24 know, deep knowledge at that time.

25 Q. Did you know that Allstate had no international

1 insurance business?

2 A. I probably knew that, but I don't recall what I
3 knew.

4 Q. Did you know that Allstate had no CDS business?

5 A. That would not surprise me, but, again, I don't
6 recall what I knew at the time.

7 Q. Did you know that Allstate had no derivatives
8 book?

9 A. I did not know that. I did not -- I'm sorry,
10 let me say it differently. I do not recall whether I
11 knew that.

12 Q. Did you actually talk with Mr. Liddy prior to
13 the time that you proposed him as CEO to the AIG board?

14 A. I believe you asked me that, but I'm not
15 certain, and I don't recall whether I spoke to him
16 before -- personally before we decided to ask him
17 whether he was willing or before he was asked by someone
18 else. I think when you asked me this before, I think I
19 said that I may have called him to thank him for being
20 willing to do it, and I don't recall if I spoke to him
21 apart from that.

22 Q. He had already been contacted, both by
23 Mr. Wilson and by Mr. Paulson, before you heard his
24 name, correct?

25 A. I suspect that's the case, but I'm not certain.

1 Q. My question is simply whether you had had any
2 conversation with him, other than perhaps to say thank
3 you for doing this, on -- prior to the time that you
4 proposed him as CEO of AIG.

5 A. I don't recall that I did.

6 Q. Okay.

7 Your Honor, I pass the witness.

8 THE COURT: All right, thank you.

9 Anything further, Mr. Dintzer?

10 MR. DINTZER: Yes, Your Honor.

11 Your Honor, I would like to start by moving in
12 DDX 003, which is the inelegant chart I made during
13 Secretary Geithner's cross examination.

14 THE COURT: Which is a demonstrative?

15 MR. DINTZER: Yes, Your Honor.

16 MR. BOIES: No objection, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: All right.

18 (Defendant's Exhibit Number DDX 003 was admitted
19 into evidence.)

20 RE-CROSS EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. DINTZER:

22 Q. Secretary Geithner, Plaintiffs' counsel asked
23 you if there was a distinction between IPCs as to
24 whether they satisfy the requirements of 13(3); that is,
25 whether it is possible to lend. Could there be

1 distinctions upon IPCs when the New York Fed is
2 considering whether it should lend under 13(3)?

3 A. Of course.

4 Q. How so?

5 A. Well, the statute gives us -- this design gives
6 us broad discretion in making judgments about what is
7 appropriate -- what might be appropriate to do in
8 different conditions with respect to different firms,
9 different points in time. So, the statute gives us the
10 ability to distinguish, to differentiate, to set
11 different conditions based on the circumstances, the
12 policy judgments we make.

13 Q. Now, yesterday, Mr. Boies asked you -- and I am
14 going to put it up just so that I don't -- this is
15 obviously a draft transcript, so -- but I'm just going
16 to put it up so I can capture it.

17 "QUESTION: Did you ever tell that to GAO?"

18 And he's talking about the riskiness of the
19 loan. Do you remember that?

20 "QUESTION: Did you ever tell the GAO that you
21 thought that there was a substantial risk that there
22 would be a loss of billions if not tens of billions of
23 dollars on the AIG credit facility?"

24 Do you see that, sir?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Do you remember him asking you that?

2 A. I do.

3 Q. And, sir, I'm going to ask you to go to PTX 539
4 in your binder, and that's in the Plaintiffs' binder, I
5 believe.

6 That's fine, I can go ahead and just do this on
7 the ELMO, but it's -- oh, okay, sir.

8 May I approach, Your Honor?

9 THE COURT: Sure.

10 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, this is at PTX 539,
11 and it is the "Status of Government Assistance Provided
12 to AIG," and we will move for the admission of this
13 document, if it's not in.

14 MR. BOIES: It is not in, Your Honor. We have
15 no objection.

16 THE COURT: All right. Plaintiffs' Trial
17 Exhibit 539 is admitted.

18 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 539 was admitted
19 into evidence.)

20 BY MR. DINTZER:

21 Q. And it's September 2009, the date on this. Do
22 you see that, sir?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. And I'm going to ask you to go to page --
25 to exhibit page 49 of that. It's under a heading,

1 "Despite Efforts to Protect the Government, Some Risks
2 Remain." Do you see that?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And it says, "Despite these efforts, the Federal
5 Reserve and Treasury continue to carry significant
6 exposure as a result of the assistance to AIG. Until
7 the debt is repaid and the equity interests are
8 repurchased or sold, the Federal Reserve and Treasury
9 remain exposed to credit and investment risks."

10 Do you see that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Okay. And I'm not going to ask you if you read
13 this, but --

14 MR. BOIES: Just for completeness, could we read
15 the next sentence, Your Honor?

16 BY MR. DINTZER:

17 Q. "The ongoing potential of systemic risk remains
18 a concern until AIG is restructured and market
19 conditions improve."

20 And I'm not going to ask you if you remember
21 this, sir. I'm just going to ask you, do you have an
22 understanding of where the GAO would have gotten
23 information regarding the fact that the Federal Reserve
24 and Treasury would remain exposed to credit risk or
25 investment risk?

1 A. Well, among other things, they typically would
2 have relied on substantial interaction with officials
3 from the Treasury and the Federal Reserve.

4 Q. And do you have an understanding of what the
5 term "credit risk" means?

6 A. Sure.

7 Q. What is it?

8 A. Well, it means -- it might mean the risk of loss
9 on a loan, for example.

10 Q. Okay. No further questions on that document,
11 sir.

12 Now, sir, I'm going to direct you -- and this is
13 not in your binder -- to PTX 564, and this is some
14 congressional testimony. It's in the Government's
15 binder from yesterday, not the one you were just handed.

16 MR. BOIES: I think it may be in the --

17 THE COURT: It's in the same binder that you
18 just gave us.

19 MR. DINTZER: Oh, is it also there? I stand
20 corrected. Thank you, Counsel.

21 THE WITNESS: What number?

22 BY MR. DINTZER:

23 Q. It is PTX 564. Do you have that, sir?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Okay. And if you could just look at the front

1 page, do you have an understanding of what this document
2 represents?

3 A. It appears to represent a report on a hearing
4 before the Government -- the House Committee on
5 Oversight and Government Reform on January 27th. The
6 title is "Federal Bailout of AIG."

7 MR. DINTZER: And, Your Honor, this has already
8 been admitted into evidence.

9 BY MR. DINTZER:

10 Q. Sir, if you could turn to page 20 -- or, I'm
11 sorry, exhibit page 28 of the exhibit. I'm not going to
12 read this. The -- if you look at the screen, you'll see
13 where I'm indicating. I'm not going to read this into
14 the record, but beginning with "Maiden Lane," if you
15 could just familiarize yourself with that portion, to
16 the paragraph after, "If we had let AIG default," it
17 says, "We did not have the luxury of time..."

18 If you could just familiarize yourself with
19 that, sir, and let me know when you have.

20 A. Okay. (Document review.) Yes.

21 Q. So, in that -- in those three paragraphs, just
22 generally, what's the discussion about?

23 A. It's kind of about the whole thing.

24 Q. Okay. And the sentence -- the first sentence
25 that's highlighted underneath, "Now, although the

1 Government still faces the risk of substantial losses in
2 its overall exposure to AIG, we expect that this
3 particular transaction, the very one that is at the
4 heart of so much controversy, will be paid off in full
5 with interest, generating some profit for the American
6 taxpayer."

7 Do you see that?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And so just so we can clarify, "the Government
10 still faces the risk of substantial losses," when you
11 were referring to that, what were you referring to?

12 A. Just what it says, that even in January of 2010,
13 I believe --

14 Q. Yes.

15 A. -- it was at least my judgment that even at that
16 time, we still faced the risk of substantial losses.

17 Q. And the reference to "this particular
18 transaction," was that in reference to ML III, discussed
19 above?

20 A. I don't think so. I think it was in reference
21 to AIG, because the prior sentence -- the prior clause
22 says "overall exposure to AIG," and so I was referring
23 to -- I believe I was -- I'm not certain, but I believe
24 I was referring to the entire AIG program as opposed to
25 the other things we did in the crisis.

1 Q. I see. And that's in January 2010?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Okay. No further questions on that document --
4 on that page, sir. If you could turn to page -- exhibit
5 page 42 of that same document. Do you see that at the
6 second paragraph?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. It states, "The U.S. Government is still exposed
9 to substantial risk of losses on its investments in AIG.
10 That risk was inevitable, was unavoidable, and we cannot
11 know at this point what the scale of those losses will
12 be."

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Was that the extent of your understanding of the
15 AIG loan in -- that was made in September 2008?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And now I'm going to ask you to go to exhibit
18 page 125, and you were asked a question by
19 Mr. Westmoreland:

20 "QUESTION: It is obvious that the AIG deal is a
21 bad deal for the taxpayers. Is this deal being
22 renegotiated and is anybody at the Treasury working with
23 AIG to try to renegotiate this deal?"

24 And you gave this answer:

25 "ANSWER: Congressman, it is a better deal for

1 the taxpayer than the alternatives, and is proving, in
2 many ways, far better than many of us thought, although,
3 as I said, the U.S. Government is still exposed to
4 substantial risk of losses."

5 Do you see that?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And is that consistent with your belief then and
8 earlier in 2008 when you thought that there was risk of
9 loss on the loan?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. No further questions on that document, sir.

12 Sir, earlier in your testimony you discussed --
13 I showed you some of Mr. Alvarez's notes. Do you
14 remember that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Okay. I'm going to show you a different page of
17 notes, and, again, I'm not going to ask you if you
18 remember them, but these are identified from September
19 16th, 2008. Do you see that?

20 And it shows HP and BB. Do you have a sense of
21 who that might be?

22 A. Henry Paulson and Ben Bernanke, I suspect.

23 Q. Okay. And then on the second page of those
24 notes, do you see that, TG, as a reference? Would you
25 think that that's you, sir?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And next to your name it says, "Legal authority,
3 yes. Economic security, reasonable, not free from
4 loss." And then two sentences down, "Reduce risk,
5 believe so, but still -- but risk still."

6 Do you see that?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Okay. I'm not going to ask you to remember what
9 was going on in the room then, but are those comments
10 and ideas consistent with what you believed in September
11 2008?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And what was that, sir?

14 A. That although we believed we met the legal test
15 in 13(3), that we could be secured to our satisfaction,
16 that there was still substantial risk or there was still
17 risk in that transaction, and that the collateral we
18 could rely on was reasonable, but, of course, not free
19 from loss, from the risk of loss.

20 Q. And did you make that point to -- in -- to the
21 best of your memory, sir, in one or more of the meetings
22 with Secretary Paulson and Chairman Bernanke on that
23 day?

24 A. Of course.

25 Q. Thank you.

1 We have no further questions, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Geithner, thank you
3 very much for your testimony in this matter. You are
4 excused.

5 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

6 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, if it's okay with the
7 Court, could I please walk the witness out and go get
8 the next witness? It will take about two minutes.

9 THE COURT: I wondered if you wanted to take a
10 few minutes to clear up these Doomsday Book issues?

11 MR. DINTZER: Oh, okay. That would be fine,
12 Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: I don't think it will take very
14 long.

15 I think we first need to hear from Mr. Kiernan
16 regarding the need to treat these documents under seal.

17 MR. KIERNAN: Yes, Your Honor.

18 May I approach?

19 THE COURT: Yes. You can discuss the issue
20 without being under seal?

21 MR. KIERNAN: Yes. Yes, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Okay.

23 MR. KIERNAN: Your Honor, you have the copies of
24 the two exhibits in question, and you see that -- what
25 they are, DX 651 and I believe 7 is the other one.

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 MR. KIERNAN: You see what they are is -- that
3 there is some editorial content to them, and they are
4 also a collection, an index to a series of memos on a
5 very broad range of subjects. Those are very sensitive
6 subjects, and they deal with the Federal Reserve's view
7 of its legal authority and various policy issues
8 associated with a wide range of potential emergency
9 conditions that could arise, the overwhelming majority
10 of them having nothing to do with anything involved in
11 this case. So, this is obviously very sensitive
12 material.

13 Now, we were very mindful of the Court's general
14 indication earlier that it did not presumptively attach
15 confidentiality to documents that dated from several
16 years back. Some of these documents -- there are two
17 forms of this book. One is a 2012 version, another is a
18 2006 version, but even the 2006 version has memos that
19 have some continuing vitality and sensitivity, and these
20 are matters as to which it was very important to the
21 Federal Reserve that they not become available for
22 public review. These are internal policy matters of
23 great sensitivity to the Board, to the Federal Reserve
24 Bank.

25 So, what we did, when order number six was

1 issued, is we produced a redacted version of this
2 document, and counsel came back to us, Plaintiffs'
3 counsel, with whom we had very constructive discussions
4 throughout the discovery process, a lot of
5 back-and-forth in order to try to put -- avoid putting
6 matters in front of the Court, in which there was a lot
7 of give and take among both of us. And they pushed back
8 very hard and said, "We have looked at the title of the
9 book, you have given us some memos from this book, we
10 really think we need to see the whole thing in
11 unredacted form."

12 We said, "It's privileged, has nothing to do
13 with it." And after a lot of discussion among
14 ourselves, we reached the agreement that we would
15 produce to them the unredacted form of the book, but
16 because of the enormous sensitivity, would -- they would
17 agree that it would be for attorneys' eyes only, so the
18 highest level of confidentiality, and that there would
19 be no waiver of privilege attached to it, and that's the
20 agreement that we reached.

21 They were then able to see that we had provided
22 to them the memos that were responsive to order number
23 six that were under the -- under the book, and now, of
24 the tens of thousands of documents that we have produced
25 in this case, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York has

1 sought to retain confidentiality because of the internal
2 sensitivity of only this one, and I don't think it's
3 disputed by any of the parties that this does contain
4 confidential, proprietary, and important sensitive
5 information of the Bank.

6 THE COURT: What I need to know is to what
7 extent are we talking about whether the document needs
8 to be sealed, on the one hand, and on the other hand,
9 whether portions of it ought to be produced at all?

10 MR. KIERNAN: Well, so, what we -- what we did,
11 Your Honor, was we -- the -- as part of the compromise
12 process of the discovery process, we originally took the
13 position that it shouldn't be produced at all. Given
14 that the thrust of the Court's rulings on discovery
15 matters, which clearly indicated that the Court was
16 inclined to resolve doubts in favor of letting
17 Plaintiffs see things, we reached the conclusion in
18 discovery that the right answer, rather than have
19 further motion practice before the Court, was with
20 respect to this unique document to treat it with great
21 care, produce it to them, but get from them the
22 attorneys' eyes only arrangement and the understanding
23 that they would agree not to oppose its being treated as
24 under seal throughout the case.

25 So, I think -- it's been produced now. We -- we

1 didn't oppose its coming into evidence, because there
2 are portions of it that are relevant. We didn't propose
3 a redacted version, because we had agreed that it
4 wouldn't be redacted, but we did reach the proposal that
5 it be kept under seal, and we did follow that.

6 THE COURT: But if I understand you then, the
7 entirety of the two documents have been produced to
8 Plaintiff?

9 MR. KIERNAN: Produced to Plaintiffs on an
10 attorneys' eyes only basis.

11 THE COURT: Right, right, okay.

12 MR. KIERNAN: Yes, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: All right.

14 Mr. Boies?

15 MR. BOIES: Let me just clarify the last
16 statement, because while I don't think it relates to the
17 sealing issue directly, I think it does relate to the
18 second issue that we've got to take up, and that is that
19 when he says we have the complete documents, what we
20 have is the complete summary or index.

21 As the Court will recall from the testimony of
22 Mr. Geithner and from the description on the very first
23 page of the documents, the Doomsday Book is a thick
24 compilation of materials. We don't have all those
25 materials. What we have is the summary or the index.

1 Now, I think that that summary and -- or index
2 itself does contain some material that either is itself
3 or summarizes attorney-client information, and other
4 than the 13(3)-related materials, that is not something
5 that I think is essential for this case. While, as the
6 Court knows as a general proposition, I strongly oppose
7 the idea of redacted documents in a court proceeding;
8 however, this may be the very unusual case where the
9 appropriate result would be to redact -- and perhaps
10 relatively heavily redact -- these documents so that the
11 only thing that appears there is what is relevant to
12 this case. I suspect that we could work out 80 to 90
13 percent of that amongst ourselves if that was an
14 approach the Court was inclined to take.

15 THE COURT: Well, what I want to be sure the
16 Plaintiff has in this case would be all Federal Reserve
17 Bank or Board legal memos relating to an analysis of
18 authority under Section 13(3), because I think all of
19 that is relevant to the case, and I don't care if they
20 go back to 1930 or not. I think, obviously, nobody was
21 talking about AIG at that point, but to the extent legal
22 memos have been prepared over the years addressing the
23 Fed's authority under that section, I think they ought
24 to be produced, because I believe there's been a subject
25 matter waiver of that.

1 MR. KIERNAN: Well, Your Honor, on that -- now,
2 if I can just take things one thing at a time --

3 THE COURT: Sure.

4 MR. KIERNAN: -- on the -- on the documents,
5 what Mr. Boies is proposing, as I understand it, is that
6 the exhibits that were just placed in evidence, that
7 there be a public version of those -- of those documents
8 that contains redactions of the relevant material, and
9 that makes complete sense to us, and we have no
10 objection to that.

11 THE COURT: Okay.

12 MR. KIERNAN: On the memos that are -- that are
13 identified in this document, Mr. Boies is right that
14 it's mostly a compilation of titles of memos. What we
15 did, Your Honor, was we produced all memos identified in
16 this book that were responsive to discovery order number
17 six and had an indication from -- in writing from
18 Plaintiffs that if they thought there were other memos
19 identified in this that were properly producible, they
20 would get back to us, and they never got back to us, and
21 discovery ended some months ago.

22 So, it -- this is an issue that was presented,
23 available for discussion, and discovery ended without a
24 further request for any memos, other than the ones we
25 have produced to them from this compendium.

1 THE COURT: Well, due to the seeming importance
2 of the legal issue to this case under Section 13(3),
3 would you take another look, please, and if there are
4 any legal memos that have not been produced to Plaintiff
5 dealing with the legality of the equity issue we have in
6 this case, would you make sure that Plaintiff gets a
7 copy of them?

8 MR. KIERNAN: Yes, Your Honor. I can represent
9 to you with certainty that all documents relating to the
10 legality of the equity issue have been produced. Just
11 to give you an example, there's a memo in here about
12 authority to lend to municipalities under Section 13(3).
13 In other words, there are other materials that are
14 related to Section 13(3) but not related to the matters
15 covered in order number six.

16 We scrupulously reviewed these for
17 responsiveness under the -- now, I -- the one thing I
18 would add is we did apply the Court's time limitations.
19 You've just said those are not applied. What we did on
20 that with counsel was there were times that counsel
21 asked for particular documents that were outside the
22 time limitations of order number one, and when they did
23 that, we addressed them on an individualized basis.
24 You've already seen two memos from 1968 admitted in
25 evidence that Plaintiffs saw on the list and asked to be

1 produced and they were produced.

2 So, again, that's a process that we went through
3 in the discovery process. It ended with a letter from
4 them saying, now that we have the unredacted book, if we
5 have other documents from that book that we think we're
6 entitled to, we'll reach out to you. I can give the
7 Court a copy of that letter. That was dated in July.
8 We never heard a further request.

9 THE COURT: No, I don't need to see the letter.
10 I just want to be sure that the Plaintiff has everything
11 that they're entitled to here based on a subject matter
12 waiver on the legality issue.

13 MR. KIERNAN: Okay. Now, Your Honor, is the
14 waiver that you're describing different from the terms
15 of order number six?

16 THE COURT: I think it's broader at this point
17 now that I see what's at stake and how the issue may
18 have evolved over the years. I don't think there should
19 be any time limitation on this. We should go back in
20 time and, you know, see the sequence of how the issue
21 was developed.

22 MR. KIERNAN: All right.

23 THE COURT: If there's anything that hasn't been
24 produced, I think it ought to be produced.

25 MR. KIERNAN: Well, as I say, on the issue of

1 equity, that's easy to do, but it sounds like the Court
2 is asking for that more broadly than equity -- than on
3 the issue of equity, just on sort of other matters
4 related to Article -- Section 13(3), beyond what was in
5 discovery order number six.

6 THE COURT: Yes.

7 MR. KIERNAN: I have the Court's instruction on
8 that. I don't know if the United States has any
9 comments, but I understand what you're -- that will
10 require some further review.

11 THE COURT: I appreciate -- I appreciate you
12 being here to participate in all of this, and thank you
13 for your cooperation.

14 MR. KIERNAN: Yes, sir. Thank you.

15 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, if we could be heard
16 just for a moment on that?

17 THE COURT: Sure.

18 MR. DINTZER: We heard what the Court said. We
19 just want to make sure we understand. The Court
20 expanded the scope of the time for discovery order six
21 dating back basically to the creation of 13(3), as we
22 understand it.

23 THE COURT: As to this issue.

24 MR. DINTZER: As to this issue. Okay, thank
25 you, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: All right.

2 MR. BOIES: And, Your Honor, I just want to be
3 clear so that there's no misunderstanding. As I
4 understood it, there were really two things. One, it
5 was the time, but also, discovery order six was limited
6 to the materials related to the AIG equity. Here, we're
7 asking for all the legal memos with respect to 13(3)
8 power that try to define what that power is in their
9 view.

10 THE COURT: That's correct. That is correct.

11 MR. BOIES: Thank you.

12 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, may we be heard on
13 that -- well, the -- just so that the Court understands,
14 this would require us to go back, I mean, during trial,
15 and I -- honestly, I have no idea what this would
16 entail, because we haven't done it -- but to look at and
17 reconsider the discovery and the privilege assertions
18 that we've made and that they have accepted, the
19 Plaintiffs have accepted in discovery, as we are trying
20 the case going forward.

21 And we would ask the Court, if that's what the
22 Court's asking us, to at least give us a chance to be
23 heard on the subject.

24 THE COURT: Well, I -- it doesn't seem to me
25 like it's going to be a massive undertaking. I think

1 it's relatively a limited inquiry to see what legal
2 memos exist over time --

3 MR. DINTZER: So, just legal memos. We're not
4 talking about every possible email? We need to
5 understand just so we can understand the scope, that the
6 Court is asking us whether legal memos exist with
7 respect to other aspects of 13(3)?

8 THE COURT: Well, when you say "other aspects,"
9 I think we all understand what the issues are in the
10 case.

11 MR. DINTZER: The eligibility of equity and
12 whether it's legal to put forth?

13 THE COURT: Yes, yes.

14 MR. DINTZER: My understanding is -- and I can
15 check, but my understanding is especially with the time
16 component that the Court has described, which we can
17 take a look at, the breadth of the scope is the same --
18 what the Court is saying now and what we understood it
19 to be, which is that documents that -- and I am going to
20 ask Mr. Mizoguchi to join me here.

21 THE COURT: I thought we were almost at the end
22 of this and now everybody's standing up again.

23 MR. DINTZER: I think, given our obligations to
24 the Court, we all want to make sure we don't make a
25 mistake and we all understand exactly what the Court's

1 asking us.

2 THE COURT: Sure.

3 MR. KIERNAN: Can I ask a clarifying question,
4 Your Honor?

5 THE COURT: Yes.

6 MR. KIERNAN: Just as a for-example, Your Honor
7 reviewed in camera a document that we had redacted
8 earlier in the case, and what you saw, what we had
9 redacted was a memo on authority under 13(3) to
10 restructure debt. Now, I'm interpreting that as not
11 what you're looking for.

12 What you're really asking me to do in good faith
13 is I know what the heck's involved here --

14 THE COURT: Yeah.

15 MR. KIERNAN: -- and it's -- you're saying
16 equity, but if there's something else about -- that is
17 directly related to one of the central issues that has
18 been presented in the case, you're asking me in good
19 faith to not be limited by date range and to take
20 another look at the legal memos.

21 THE COURT: Correct. That's the task.

22 MR. KIERNAN: I understand that, Your Honor.

23 MR. DINTZER: With that, Your Honor, what we
24 would ask is, now that we have an understanding of what
25 the Court is asking, which I'm pretty sure I do, if the

1 Court would allow us to go back, consider what that
2 means, and allow us to come back before the Court on
3 this issue once we have an understanding of what that
4 undertaking might entail.

5 THE COURT: Sure. That's fine.

6 MR. DINTZER: We appreciate that, Your Honor.

7 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, as an interim measure,
8 could we get at least those materials that are in the
9 Doomsday Book? The Doomsday Book is something that
10 exists and they can do that very quickly. Could we at
11 least get the Doomsday Book materials?

12 THE COURT: I think that's a fair request. That
13 shouldn't be too difficult.

14 MR. KIERNAN: I think that would require the
15 review -- just need to collect and review just a very
16 small number of documents to see if they fall within the
17 scope of the Court's inquiry. I think the answer may be
18 that there are none, but I will try to confirm that as
19 quickly as we can.

20 THE COURT: All right, very good.

21 Okay, I think we're ready for the next witness.

22 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, we now call Chairman
23 Bernanke.

24 THE COURT: All right.

25 Please step forward, sir. Please raise your

1 right hand.

2 Whereupon--

3 BEN S. BERNANKE

4 a witness, called for examination, having been first
5 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

6 THE COURT: Please be seated.

7 DIRECT EXAMINATION

8 BY MR. BOIES:

9 Q. Good afternoon, Chairman Bernanke.

10 A. Good afternoon.

11 Q. We are going to hand up some materials that you
12 may already have. I think you have, if I can approach,
13 two binders.

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. One contains your deposition. The other
16 contains some documents that we will be using. In
17 addition, we have a copy of your book that has been
18 marked as an exhibit.

19 I believe the Court has a copy of his book.
20 It's that very thin volume.

21 THE COURT: Yes, I do. Thank you.

22 BY MR. BOIES:

23 Q. As the United States Central Bank, the Federal
24 Reserve is the nation's lender of last resort, correct,
25 sir?

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. And there is something called the Bagehot Rule,
3 as you're familiar with, correct?

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. And you believe that if a Central Bank follows
6 Bagehot's Rule, it can stop financial panic, correct?

7 A. The Bagehot Rule is part of doctrine. It's not
8 a complete and comprehensive recipe for stopping
9 financial panic, sir.

10 Q. If I can direct your attention to the bottom of
11 page 7 --

12 A. Of?

13 Q. -- of your book that has been marked as
14 Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 708. Do you see the last
15 sentence on that page that says, "If a Central Bank
16 follows Bagehot's Rule, it can stop financial panic"?

17 A. I do.

18 Q. And as you describe it, Bagehot's Rule is that
19 Central Banks should lend freely to whoever comes to
20 their door as long as they have collateral, correct?

21 A. The rule is stated as lend freely at a penalty
22 rate.

23 Q. And a penalty rate is an interest rate that is
24 slightly higher than the interest rate that would be
25 charged under normal circumstances, correct?

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. In September of 2008, there was clearly a
3 financial crisis, correct, sir?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. In your view, when did that financial crisis
6 start?

7 A. It had stages. It became distinctive in August
8 of 2007. There was an upsurge in March 2008, around the
9 Bear Stearns episode. And then it became extremely
10 severe after Lehman failed in two thousand -- September
11 of 2009.

12 Q. And there came a time when you concluded that,
13 in the absence of a Federal Reserve credit facility, AIG
14 would go into bankruptcy, correct?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. And you concluded that if AIG went into
17 bankruptcy, that would have catastrophic consequences
18 for the American economy and the American people.

19 A. We were very concerned about that possibility,
20 yes, sir.

21 Q. And not only were you very concerned about that,
22 but you believed that the country at that time was in
23 the most severe financial crisis since the Great
24 Depression, correct?

25 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. And, indeed, you were a scholar of the Great
2 Depression, correct?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. And you believed that September and October of
5 2008 was the worst financial crisis in global history,
6 including the Great Depression, correct?

7 A. Beginning in the middle of September and going
8 through October, yes.

9 Q. And you believed that 12 out of the 13 most
10 important financial institutions in the United States
11 were at risk of failure within a period of a week or two
12 during that crisis period, correct?

13 A. I think I would retract a week or two. It was a
14 little bit longer period, but certainly a large number
15 of financial institutions came under significant stress.

16 Q. Is it fair to say that during September and
17 October of 2008, 12 of the 13 most important financial
18 institutions in the United States were at risk of
19 failure?

20 A. Well, at that point, Bear Stearns had been taken
21 over, Fannie and Freddie had been taken over, so some of
22 these fund companies had already failed or been
23 resolved. One or two of the banks had more problems
24 later on, so that's why I think the "within a week or
25 two" is an exaggeration. But certainly there was an

1 enormous amount of stress on financial institutions.

2 Q. And I'm accepting that a week or two is too
3 short a period, and what I'm doing is I'm expanding that
4 to the period that you talked about, which was September
5 and October of 2008. Do you understand that?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. And what I'm asking is, do you agree that during
8 September and October of 2008, that 12 of the 13 most
9 important financial institutions in the United States
10 were at risk of failure?

11 A. Sir, I'm just correcting that in that catalog is
12 included some of the firms that had already experienced
13 stress, including Bear Stearns, Fannie Mae, and Freddie
14 Mac.

15 Q. Let me see if I can adapt what you're saying.
16 You're saying that during September and October of 2008,
17 12 of the 13 most important financial institutions in
18 the United States had either failed or were at risk of
19 failure. Is that fair?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. You have and a number of people have referred to
22 systemic risk. Could you tell the Court what you mean
23 by "systemic risk"?

24 A. Systemic risk is the risk that the broad
25 financial system will come under severe stress, that

1 will have sufficient effect to damage the broader
2 economy.

3 Q. And institutions that have systemic risk can
4 include commercial banks, correct?

5 A. Sir, systemic risk is a term that applies to the
6 system as a whole. Institutions that are systemic are
7 institutions whose failure may contribute to systemic
8 risk.

9 Q. And using "systemic institutions" in the way you
10 do, systemic institutions -- that is, those institutions
11 whose failure may contribute to systemic risk -- can
12 include a wide variety of types of institutions,
13 correct?

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. And those institutions include commercial banks
16 and investment banks and other financial firms, correct?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. And one of those other financial firms was AIG,
19 correct?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. The week of September 16th and the few days
22 immediately preceding September 16th were a time of
23 great activity in the crisis, correct?

24 A. In the crisis, did you say?

25 Q. Yes.

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. And one of the things that happened just before
3 September 16th was that Merrill Lynch was announced to
4 be acquired by Bank of America under circumstances that
5 caused people to believe that Merrill Lynch was in
6 severe trouble, correct?

7 A. Yes, sir.

8 Q. And that substantially unsettled the financial
9 markets, correct?

10 A. I'm not sure. The -- on the other side, the
11 fact that it had been acquired and was, therefore,
12 perceived to be in safe hands was a positive factor.

13 Q. It certainly was more positive that it was
14 acquired and in safe hands than it went bankrupt, but is
15 it your testimony that the entire circumstances of
16 Merrill Lynch's acquisition by Bank of America did not
17 unsettle the financial markets?

18 A. I think it's difficult to say, because people
19 already knew that Merrill Lynch was a weak institution.

20 Q. Let me put it this way: The perceived weakness
21 of Merrill Lynch, which culminated in its acquisition by
22 Bank of America, was something that unsettled financial
23 markets. Fair?

24 A. You mean including the weakness that went back
25 earlier in the year?

1 Q. Yes.

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And then there was the Lehman bankruptcy,
4 correct?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. And the Lehman bankruptcy was an enormous shock
7 that affected the entire global financial system,
8 correct?

9 A. Yes, sir.

10 Q. And it worsened the financial crisis that was
11 already under way enormously, correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And it created a huge loss of confidence in
14 other financial firms and created pressure on a wide
15 variety of other financial firms, including investment
16 banks and others, correct?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. And one effect of the Lehman bankruptcy was
19 there was a very intense run on market -- money market
20 funds, correct?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. And in the days immediately following the Lehman
23 bankruptcy, \$100 billion a day was flowing out of those
24 funds, correct?

25 A. I don't know the exact numbers, but there were

1 substantial outflows, yes.

2 Q. Now, let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
3 Exhibit 708, which is your book, at page 88, continuing
4 on to 89.

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. I'm sorry, it's pages 81 to 82.

7 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, if we could just
8 clarify, counsel's referring to it as the witness' book.
9 I don't think that that's technically accurate, and, I
10 mean, he's welcome to set a foundation for it, but it's
11 not a book actually written by the witness. I just want
12 to make sure the record's clear about it.

13 MR. BOIES: I will pursue that with the witness,
14 Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: Okay.

16 BY MR. BOIES:

17 Q. What we have marked as Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit
18 708 is something entitled The Federal Reserve and the
19 Financial Crisis, Lectures by Ben S. Bernanke, correct?
20 Do you see that?

21 A. I do.

22 Q. And did you, in fact, give the lectures that are
23 printed in this book?

24 A. I gave verbal lectures to students, which were
25 transcribed and constructed into a book, yes.

1 MR. BOIES: Counsel, do you want me to do
2 anything else?

3 MR. DINTZER: That's fine, Your Honor. I'll
4 pursue it on cross.

5 BY MR. BOIES:

6 Q. Let me ask you to look at pages 81 and 82, and
7 on page 82 of the book that comprises your lectures,
8 there is a chart that shows the inflow or outflow into
9 prime money market funds, September 7th through 24th of
10 2008, correct?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And that was -- that's a chart that you
13 prepared, correct?

14 A. I don't recall -- no, I didn't prepare it
15 certainly, and I don't recall this chart.

16 Q. Did you --

17 A. Well, I --

18 Q. -- use this chart in your lecture?

19 A. I don't recall it, but I presume I did, and a
20 staff member would have prepared it.

21 Q. Would have prepared it for you?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And you would only have used this if you were
24 confident it was accurate, right?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. As the money market funds began to face runs,
2 they, in turn, began to dump commercial paper as quickly
3 as they could, and as a result, the commercial paper
4 market went into shock, correct?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. Prior to September of 2008, going all the way
7 back into 2007, you and Vice Chairman Kohn and
8 Mr. Geithner, the president of the New York Fed, agreed
9 that it was necessary to make it clear that the Federal
10 Reserve was willing to inject liquidity into markets,
11 correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And that was in part because fear was building
14 across the financial system, especially in areas that
15 touched housing, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And when you had securities backed by so-called
18 nonconforming mortgages, no one knew how much they were
19 worth and, as a result, everybody was running away from
20 them, correct?

21 A. That's correct. Sir, may I make --
22 "nonconforming" is not quite the right term. You mean
23 those not eligible for Fannie and Freddie?
24 "Nonconforming" typically refers to very large
25 mortgages, but I take your point.

1 Q. I did mean mortgages that did not conform to --
2 to Fannie and Freddie. I actually used the word
3 "nonconforming" because I thought that was something
4 that you had used.

5 A. I would say private label.

6 Q. Private label?

7 A. Um-hum.

8 Q. If you look at page 119 of the book comprising
9 your lectures -- I apologize, I can't seem to find that.

10 MR. DINTZER: Counsel, just for future
11 reference, are you giving the page -- the book page
12 number or the exhibit page number?

13 MR. BOIES: I'm using the book page number.

14 MR. DINTZER: Okay.

15 MR. BOIES: What I'm trying to do -- we started
16 out having xeroxed copies. We've now, I think, moved to
17 the book because it's easier to do it, as well as it
18 will benefit the authors, and so I'm using the book page
19 numbers, you know, going forward.

20 THE COURT: Yes. I'm clear on it.

21 MR. DINTZER: Thank you, Counsel. I just wanted
22 to make sure.

23 THE COURT: I'm clear on that.

24 BY MR. BOIES:

25 Q. Let me -- let me turn to AIG. On September

1 16th, AIG came under enormous attack from people
2 demanding cash either through margin requirements or
3 through short-term funding, correct?

4 A. I believe that was anticipated from the previous
5 week, but there were demands for collateral, yes, that's
6 right.

7 Q. And this was the equivalent of a run on the
8 bank, correct?

9 A. Not entirely, sir. Part of it was because of
10 the potential downgrade to the company, which triggered
11 contracts which allowed for additional collateral.

12 Q. But in addition to that, AIG was facing what was
13 the equivalent of a run on a bank, correct, sir?

14 A. I -- I'm not sure I agree, sir.

15 Q. Do you agree that AIG had come under enormous
16 attack from people demanding cash either through margin
17 requirements or through short-term funding?

18 A. I'm not too aware of the short-term funding
19 issue, but on the margin and collateral demands, those
20 were entirely contractual and triggered by the loss of
21 value of the CDOs and the downgrade.

22 Q. Let me try to deal with the short-term funding
23 issue by asking you to look at page 73 of your lectures.

24 A. Okay.

25 Q. And the second full paragraph on the bottom of

1 the page, where you say, "On September 16th, AIG, the
2 largest multidimensional insurance company in the world,
3 which had been selling credit insurance, came under
4 enormous attack from people demanding cash either
5 through margin requirements or short-term funding."

6 Do you see it?

7 A. I do see that.

8 Q. And the next line says, "The Fed provided
9 emergency liquidity assistance for AIG and prevented the
10 firm from failing."

11 And I take it you would agree with all of that?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you knew on September 16th that AIG did not
14 have any alternative other than bankruptcy, except for a
15 13(3) loan, correct?

16 A. By September 16th, we knew that, yes, I think.
17 Yes.

18 Q. And you believed that an AIG bankruptcy would
19 threaten the stability of the global financial system,
20 correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And you believed that an AIG bankruptcy would
23 have severe adverse effects on AIG's counterparties,
24 including many of the world's largest banks and
25 financial institutions, correct?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And in your estimation, the failure of AIG would
3 have been basically the end, it was interacting with so
4 many different firms, it was so interconnected with both
5 the U.S. and the European financial systems and global
6 banks, correct?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And you believed that an AIG bankruptcy would be
9 a catastrophe, correct?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. And in the case of AIG, there was not much doubt
12 in your minds. This was a case where action was
13 necessary, if at all possible. Correct?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. And you concluded on September 16th that action
16 was, in fact, possible, correct?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And there was a meeting of the Federal Reserve
19 Board of Governors on September 16th to consider
20 providing credit to AIG, correct?

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. And you presided over that meeting, correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And let me ask you to look at Exhibit -- Joint
25 Exhibit 63. It is in your binder of exhibits that

1 you've been handed.

2 A. I have it.

3 Q. And these are the minutes of the Board of
4 Governors meeting on September 16th, correct?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And who prepared these minutes?

7 A. Staff members would have prepared them.

8 Q. Do you know what staff members?

9 A. I don't know specifically, no.

10 Q. Did you review these minutes before they were
11 distributed?

12 A. I did.

13 Q. And did you satisfy yourself that they were an
14 accurate and fair description of what occurred at the
15 meeting?

16 A. I did.

17 Q. We would ask you to turn to page 5 of the
18 minutes. Pages 5 through 10 represent a term sheet that
19 the Board of Governors reviewed at the time of the
20 September 16th meeting, correct?

21 A. They were not part of the minutes, sir, but I --
22 it does appear to be the term sheet that we discussed at
23 the meeting, yes.

24 Q. And this document, Joint Exhibit 63, was
25 produced to us from the Federal Reserve Board files as a

1 single document. Are you saying that this is not the
2 way it is kept in the regular files of the Federal
3 Reserve Board?

4 A. I'm not 100 percent certain, but I don't believe
5 that the term sheet would have been part of the minutes,
6 because the minutes are made public, and I don't think
7 this -- this particular document was made public.

8 Q. You don't have any doubt that this document was
9 attached to the minutes in the files of the Federal
10 Reserve Board, do you?

11 A. I have no knowledge, sir.

12 Q. No knowledge one way or the other?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Do you keep a copy of the minutes in your
15 office?

16 A. No, sir.

17 Q. Who keeps a copy of the minutes for you?

18 A. There's a secretary to the Board. Her name was
19 Jennifer Johnson. She kept all the minutes for the
20 Board and the Federal Open Market Committee.

21 Q. And where are those minutes maintained?

22 A. Well, I believe they're online, so
23 electronically.

24 Q. Where is the paper copy kept?

25 A. I would look in the Office of Board Members, but

1 I -- that's all I know.

2 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, could I ask the Court
3 whether we could have the original of these minutes
4 produced, whatever is actually attached to them? This
5 is the first time it's been suggested to me that this is
6 not an authentic copy of the minutes and their
7 attachments, and I think the record ought to be clear as
8 to exactly what the actual document in the Federal
9 Reserve Board files is.

10 THE COURT: Well, you know, we had a discussion
11 between witnesses here which entailed a bit more search
12 of documents, and I want to avoid prolonging discovery
13 after we're in the middle of trial. So, I'm not
14 inclined toward this direction. I mean, you have had a
15 full opportunity to get to these files.

16 MR. BOIES: Yes, and this was produced to us.
17 In other words, literally, until this trial, I had no
18 reason to doubt that this was a complete, accurate
19 representation, but I take the Court's point, and --

20 THE COURT: All right.

21 MR. BOIES: -- I'll move on.

22 THE COURT: On this, let's live with what we
23 have.

24 MR. BOIES: Okay.

25 BY MR. BOIES:

1 Q. Page 4 of Exhibit 63 is a resolution. Do you
2 see that?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. Was that resolution a part of the minutes?

5 A. Yes. I would believe so.

6 Q. Let me be sure I have your testimony. This term
7 sheet that is part of Joint Exhibit 63, is it your
8 testimony that this exhibit was considered by the Board
9 of Governors on September 16th?

10 A. The term sheet?

11 Q. Yes.

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And what is here as pages 5 through 10 of Joint
14 Exhibit 63 is the term sheet that was considered by the
15 Federal Reserve Board of Governors on September 16th?

16 A. I haven't reviewed it, but I assume that this is
17 the copy that we saw, yes.

18 Q. And am I correct that the Federal Reserve Board
19 of Governors only saw one term sheet related to the AIG
20 credit facility?

21 A. That is my recollection.

22 Q. Am I also correct that this September 16th,
23 2008, Board of Governors meeting was the only meeting of
24 the Board of Governors that was held prior to the time
25 that the credit agreement was actually executed?

1 A. On the subject of AIG?

2 Q. Yes.

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Now, the term sheet that the Federal Reserve
5 Board of Governors considered on September 16th provided
6 that there would be warrants that would be made
7 available in connection with the credit facility,
8 correct?

9 A. Yes, sir.

10 Q. And you understood that those warrants would
11 have an exercise price, correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you understood that the warrants would not
14 have a vote until they had been exercised, correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And you understood that in order to exercise
17 those warrants for 79.9 percent of the common stock of
18 AIG, there would have to be shareholder approval,
19 correct?

20 A. I think I've learned that since. I'm not sure
21 that I knew that at the time.

22 Q. Let me ask you to look at page 6 of Joint
23 Exhibit 63 and the second item down, after "Warrants,"
24 it says, "Periodic Commitment Fee." Do you see that?

25 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. And it says, "Prior to Shareholder Approval of
2 the increase in authorized shares, 2.5% payable in kind
3 every 3 months after closing. After Shareholder
4 Approval, 50bp every 3 months after closing."

5 Do you see that?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. And am I correct that the purpose of that
8 commitment fee was to encourage the board and
9 shareholders of AIG to approve the increase in
10 authorized common stock by charging more interest until
11 that happened and then less interest after that
12 happened?

13 A. If you're asking me if I recall a discussion of
14 this, I don't recall any discussion of the point.

15 Q. Do you recall having an understanding about that
16 point at the time?

17 A. No, sir.

18 Q. The term sheet provides for a drawn interest
19 rate of three-month LIBOR plus 8 1/2 percent with a
20 3 1/2 percent LIBOR floor. Do you see that?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. Who proposed that interest rate?

23 A. I believe it was the Federal Reserve Bank of New
24 York.

25 Q. Do you know what the basis was for the Federal

1 Reserve Bank of New York proposing that interest rate?

2 A. I have since learned something about it, but at
3 the time, I didn't know.

4 Q. When did you learn what the basis was for the
5 Federal Reserve Bank of New York proposing that interest
6 rate?

7 A. After the fact, in reading about it.

8 Q. By "after the fact," give me an idea about what
9 year are you talking about.

10 A. I mean the last couple of years.

11 Q. Just the last couple of years?

12 A. Yes, sir.

13 Q. At the meeting on September 16th of the Board of
14 Governors, did anybody ask anyone from the Federal
15 Reserve Bank of New York what the basis was for the
16 drawn interest rate?

17 A. Not to my recollection.

18 Q. There's also a provision here for an 850 basis
19 points per annum undrawn fee. Do you see that?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. And just so that the record is clear, what an
22 undrawn fee is is a fee that is applied to the amount of
23 the credit facility that actually has not been drawn
24 down, correct?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. So that this credit facility was for \$85
2 billion. Is that correct?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. And so if AIG had drawn down \$45 billion, they
5 would be paying a drawn interest rate on that \$45
6 billion of three-month LIBOR plus 8 1/2 percent, with a
7 3 1/2 percent LIBOR floor, correct?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. And on the \$40 billion that they had not drawn,
10 they would be paying 8 1/2 percent interest, correct?

11 A. That's my understanding.

12 Q. And they would be paying that 8 1/2 percent
13 interest on money that they had not borrowed but was
14 still in the hands of the Fed, correct?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. In addition to the drawn interest rate and the
17 undrawn rate, there was the periodic commitment fee that
18 we talked about, correct?

19 A. Are you referring -- yes, sir, I see what you're
20 seeing.

21 Q. And that periodic commitment fee was paid on the
22 entire \$85 billion. Is that correct?

23 A. I'm not sure I understand the commitment fee,
24 sir. Like I said, I don't recall discussion of it. It
25 says "payable in kind." Does that mean shares? I'm not

1 sure.

2 Q. Did you ever discuss at this September 16th
3 meeting what the payment in kind meant?

4 A. I don't recall.

5 Q. Now, in addition to the drawn interest rate and
6 the undrawn fee and the periodic commitment fee, there
7 was a commitment fee, correct?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. That is, there is a commitment fee in addition
10 to the periodic commitment fee, correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And the commitment fee was 3 percent of the
13 total facility payable on the closing date, correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And was there any discussion at the September
16 16th Board of Governors meeting concerning the basis for
17 the commitment fee?

18 A. I don't recall.

19 Q. Was there any discussion at the September 16th
20 Board of Governors meeting concerning the basis for the
21 undrawn fee?

22 A. I don't recall.

23 THE COURT: Mr. Boies, let me know when you
24 would like to break for lunch.

25 MR. BOIES: This is a convenient time, Your

1 Honor.

2 THE COURT: All right. Let's take our lunch
3 break. We will come back at 1:45.

4 (Lunch recess, 12:44 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.)

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1 A. I can't go term by term. I believe the whole
2 term sheet was prepared by the Federal Reserve Bank of
3 New York.

4 Q. And you --

5 A. Perhaps with some staff assistance. I don't
6 know.

7 Q. Do you know any source of any of these terms,
8 other than the Federal Reserve Bank of New York?

9 A. I did not at the time, no, sir.

10 Q. And in September of 2008, did you understand
11 what the basis was for the Federal Reserve Bank of New
12 York proposing these terms?

13 A. I understood that the overall goal was to
14 minimize the windfall to the shareholders of AIG from
15 being bailed out, but I couldn't go term by term and
16 explain them to you, no.

17 Q. Other than understanding that it was the overall
18 goal of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to minimize
19 what you refer to as the windfall to AIG's shareholders,
20 did you have any understanding at all about what the
21 source or basis was for any of the terms in the term
22 sheet?

23 A. Well, I understood that the equity component was
24 additional compensation to the taxpayer for the risk
25 that was being taken.

1 Q. Anything else?

2 A. Not at this moment, sir.

3 Q. Now, when you say that the equity component was
4 additional compensation for the taxpayer for the risk
5 that was being taken --

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. -- was that something that was told to you by
8 somebody?

9 A. I don't recall.

10 Q. Did you ever see anything in writing that said
11 that the equity component of the term sheet was
12 additional compensation for the risk that was being
13 taken?

14 A. I don't recall.

15 Q. Was there any, as you understood it, purpose for
16 the equity component, other than to provide additional
17 compensation for the risk that was being taken?

18 A. Yes, sir, to minimize the windfall.

19 Q. And as you understand it, minimizing the
20 windfall and providing additional compensation for the
21 risk that was being taken were two independent reasons
22 for the equity component. Is that correct?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. Was any estimate made as to how much additional
25 compensation the equity component provided?

- 1 A. You mean after the fact or ex ante?
- 2 Q. Let's say as of September 16th.
- 3 A. No, sir.
- 4 Q. Today, you know how much money was made on the
5 equity component, correct?
- 6 A. I know how much money was made on the overall --
7 all the transactions together.
- 8 Q. Do you know how much profit was made on the
9 equity component of the September 22nd credit facility?
- 10 A. No, sir.
- 11 Q. Was any estimate ever attempted to be made of
12 that?
- 13 A. I'm not aware of a specific estimate, no.
- 14 Q. Did you ever ask to find that out?
- 15 A. I don't recall.
- 16 Q. When you referred to the overall profit, you're
17 talking about the overall profit from all of the
18 government assistance extended to AIG at any time during
19 the financial crisis, correct?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. And that would include TARP, correct?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- 23 Q. And the TARP assistance was furnished to a
24 significant number of companies, correct?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. How many companies got TARP assistance,
2 approximately?

3 A. Well, there were two programs. There was the
4 capital purchase program, which was broadly available,
5 and several hundred banks availed themselves of that.
6 And then there was a special program for troubled
7 institutions, which AIG, Citi, and perhaps one or two
8 others were -- received capital.

9 Q. What institutions, other than AIG and Citi,
10 received capital under the second TARP program?

11 A. Bank of America, I think. I don't recollect any
12 other cases.

13 Q. When was the first time, insofar as you are
14 aware, any attempt was made to estimate how much
15 additional compensation was being provided to the
16 Federal Reserve as a result of the equity component of
17 the September 22nd credit agreement?

18 A. I don't know. Again, I don't -- I'm not aware
19 of any analysis that I saw in advance of September 16th.

20 Q. Were you aware of any attempt to make an
21 estimate of how much additional compensation was being
22 provided as a result of the equity component of the
23 proposed term sheet on September 16th?

24 A. No, sir.

25 Q. Was there any discussion at the Federal Reserve

1 Board of Governors meeting of how much additional
2 compensation for the risk that was being undertaken the
3 equity component provided?

4 A. I don't recall a discussion of exact figures,
5 no.

6 Q. Even if you don't recall a discussion of exact
7 figures, do you recall that there was a discussion in
8 general terms about how much additional compensation the
9 equity component provided?

10 A. No, sir. All I recall is that the overall
11 package needed to serve the purpose of minimizing the
12 windfall and protecting the taxpayers.

13 Q. When you say "minimizing the windfall and
14 protecting the taxpayers," the equity component didn't
15 protect taxpayers against a loss, correct?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. The only purpose of an equity component was to
18 minimize a windfall, as you put it, for AIG's
19 shareholders or to provide additional compensation if
20 the company was successful, correct?

21 A. Yes, sir. The taxpayers could share in the
22 upside.

23 Q. At any time prior to 2008, had the Federal
24 Reserve considered taking equity in a borrower under
25 13(3) for purposes of providing additional compensation?

1 A. Equity in a what, sir?

2 Q. In a borrower.

3 A. Oh, in a borrower.

4 Q. That's my midwest accent.

5 A. Yes. I don't know.

6 Q. You do know that all of the 13(3) loans that the
7 Federal Reserve has made, the only borrower that was
8 required to provide its stock or other equity as
9 compensation was AIG, correct?

10 A. It depends on how you count the Citi and Bank of
11 America packages, where they had to give up preferred
12 shares.

13 Q. Well, in the Bank of America and Citi situation,
14 they were not giving up preferred shares as compensation
15 for a 13(3) loan, correct?

16 A. Well, the compensation went to the Treasury and
17 the FDIC, so that's correct.

18 Q. And the compensation went to the Treasury and
19 the FDIC for liquidity and capital that the Treasury and
20 FDIC were putting up, correct?

21 A. Well, you have to distinguish between the
22 capital that the TARP program put in for which they
23 received shares, and there was additional capital
24 provided to the Government for the ring fence of the
25 securities.

1 Q. And the additional capital -- why don't you
2 distinguish between those two. How much shares came
3 from TARP and how much from ring fencing, according to
4 your testimony?

5 A. So, I don't remember the exact figures, but
6 roughly -- and these are approximate figures --
7 something like \$30 billion of new capital was put in,
8 for which preferred shares were received, and in
9 addition, there was a joint effort by the company
10 itself, the Treasury, the FDIC, and the Fed -- I'm now
11 talking about Citi -- to ring fence \$300 billion in
12 assets, and in compensation for that, Citi gave the
13 Treasury and the FDIC something on the order of 12
14 billion more in preferred shares.

15 Q. I'm sorry. Say that one more time.

16 A. In compensation for the ring fence, for the
17 insurance, essentially, that the Treasury and the FDIC,
18 with the Fed's support, were providing for the \$300
19 billion in assets, there was, in my recollection,
20 additional compensation in the form of additional
21 preferred shares given to the Government, to Treasury
22 and FDIC, I'm guessing on the order of \$12 billion, but
23 please don't hold me to the exact numbers.

24 Q. And the approximately \$12 billion of additional
25 preferred shares, as you just referred to it, what

1 percentage of Citi's equity did that represent?

2 A. I don't know.

3 Q. Approximately?

4 A. I don't know.

5 Q. Less than 10 percent?

6 A. I don't know, sir.

7 Q. And the \$12 billion of additional preferred
8 shares that you referred to was not compensation for the
9 13(3) participation, correct, sir?

10 A. Well, it was from a government package, but it's
11 true, the compensation went to the Treasury and the
12 FDIC.

13 Q. And did the Federal Reserve actually make any
14 loans to Citi or any guarantees to Citi, pursuant to
15 this Citi ring fencing proposal?

16 A. No. It never became -- no loan was made.

17 Q. No loan was made and no compensation was
18 received by Federal Reserve, correct?

19 A. Not for Citi, no.

20 Q. So, let me ask you this question again. In the
21 entire history of 13(3), has any borrower been required
22 to provide its equity as compensation or additional
23 compensation for a 13(3) loan?

24 A. Not to my knowledge.

25 Q. The only one was AIG, correct?

1 A. As far as I know.

2 Q. Now, you talked about minimizing a windfall to
3 the AIG shareholders. As you use the term "windfall,"
4 was there a windfall to primary dealers who participated
5 in the primary dealer credit facility?

6 A. That was part of a broad-based facility. A
7 windfall only in the sense of a windfall to the entire
8 financial system.

9 Q. So, you say that there was a windfall to the
10 entire financial system of the PDCF. Is that correct?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And was there a windfall to the entire financial
13 system as a result of the AIG credit facility?

14 A. I think there was, yes.

15 Q. In addition to being a windfall to the entire
16 financial system, was there, as you use the term
17 "windfall," a windfall to broker-dealers who borrowed
18 money pursuant to the primary dealer credit facility?

19 A. Again, if they were directly benefiting from the
20 stability of the financial system, I would say yes.

21 Q. Was there a direct benefit to the shareholders
22 of broker-dealers as a result of the primary dealer
23 credit facility?

24 A. Yes, there was.

25 Q. And was that a "windfall" to the shareholders of

1 primary dealers, as you use that term?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And was there a "windfall," as you use that
4 term, to the shareholders of firms that participated in
5 the TSLF?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And was there a "windfall," as you use that
8 term, to firms that participated in the CPFF?

9 A. Yes, although these being measured to the
10 alternative of a financial crisis, a worse financial
11 crisis.

12 Q. Now, there was a windfall that came to the firms
13 as a result of helping to preserve functioning and
14 effective financial markets, correct?

15 A. We're talking about the broad-based --

16 Q. Yes.

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. But I'm also asking you whether there was a
19 direct and particular benefit to the firms participating
20 in those facilities, and I thought you said yes.

21 A. I said yes.

22 Q. So that, for example, participants in the CPFF
23 received a windfall from that participation in two ways:
24 One, as a direct participant, and the other as somebody
25 who was benefiting from the broader financial market

1 preservation, correct?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. And was there a "windfall," as you use that
4 term, to participants in the TALF?

5 A. That was a -- that was a -- it was addressed to
6 try to improve the quality of the market. I don't know
7 whether there was windfalls there and how to figure out
8 the incidence of that. That was trying to get the
9 asset-backed securities market back into -- functioning.
10 So, that's -- Americans, broadly, were beneficiaries of
11 that.

12 Q. Presumably, every time the Federal Reserve made
13 a 13(3) loan, the Federal Reserve believed that
14 Americans, in general, would be beneficiaries, correct?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. But you understand what I'm asking about is
17 whether there was a direct and special windfall to the
18 shareholders of particular participating firms.

19 A. The -- I've agreed with you on your other
20 examples. That one's just a complicated example,
21 because loans were made to investors who, in turn,
22 purchased securities.

23 Q. Was there a "windfall," as you use that term, to
24 the investors that participated in the TALF?

25 A. I don't think so, because it was open to any

1 investor, so any profits would be competed away, I
2 think.

3 Q. Let me see if I understand what you're saying.
4 The TALF was a 13(3) credit facility, correct?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And you only made that available when you
7 concluded that the people who were the recipients of
8 that credit would not have adequate credit available
9 from other sources, correct?

10 A. Well, we were concerned about the availability
11 of the asset-backed security credit. That was the
12 issue.

13 Q. My question to you, sir --

14 A. Um-hum.

15 Q. -- is that one of the requirements for a 13(3)
16 loan is that the borrower not have adequate credit
17 available from other sources, correct?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. And so you had to conclude that the people who
20 were borrowing pursuant to the TALF did not have
21 adequate credit available from other places, correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Now, do you think that giving credit to somebody
24 who does not have credit available from alternative
25 sources is a direct benefit to that borrower?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. So that the participants in the TALF would be
3 receiving a "windfall," as you have used that term,
4 correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And did the participants in the AMLF also get a
7 direct windfall, as you've used that term?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. What efforts, if any, were made to eliminate or
10 reduce the windfall that shareholders of primary dealers
11 were receiving pursuant to the PDCF?

12 A. There's a countervailing policy consideration in
13 that case, which is that we wanted the primary dealers
14 to come and take credit in order to broaden -- put
15 liquidity into the broad financial system, help
16 stabilize the system. If we had raised the interest
17 rate on PDCF too high, then no firm would have come and
18 taken the credit. We wanted to lend through the PDCF,
19 and so the consideration of stigma and trying to get
20 funds out into the system required us to keep the rate
21 at a relatively low level.

22 Q. You wanted to lend through the PDCF in order to
23 increase liquidity and preserve financial markets,
24 correct?

25 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. And you wanted to lend to AIG for exactly the
2 same reason, correct?

3 A. No. The loan to AIG was intended to prevent the
4 collapse of a systemic firm.

5 Q. All right. And the reason you wanted to prevent
6 the collapse of the systemic firm was in order to
7 preserve financial markets, correct?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Is the answer to my question about the PDCF that
10 no effort was made to reduce or eliminate the windfall
11 that was created for shareholders of primary dealers as
12 a result of that facility?

13 A. There was a countervailing factor that offset
14 that particular motive.

15 Q. My question right now is not whether you believe
16 that there was a countervailing factor. I'm just asking
17 whether you made any effort to reduce or eliminate the
18 windfall to participants in the primary dealer credit
19 facility. I think your answer is that you didn't from
20 what you've said, but I just need it to be clear.

21 A. Okay, yes.

22 Q. And is it also the case that you made no effort
23 to eliminate the windfall that was going to participants
24 in the TSLF, the CPFF, the TALF, or the AMLF?

25 A. We charged a penalty rate in the sense that the

1 rate was higher than the normal market rate, and so as
2 the situation normalized, firms stopped using those
3 facilities because the penalty rate drove them out. So,
4 there wasn't an attempt to put the rate above the normal
5 rate that they would have to borrow.

6 Q. But you're not telling me that -- well, maybe
7 you are and maybe I should ask you this. Are you
8 telling me that the interest rate charged on the
9 facilities that I identified was in part intended to
10 reduce or eliminate the windfall that would otherwise go
11 to the shareholders?

12 A. That would be a -- one effect of it, yes.

13 Q. One effect of an increased interest rate is that
14 the person paying the interest rate has less, correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. But you charged what you referred to as a
17 penalty interest rate for 13(3) lending in order to
18 discourage people from using that facility when there is
19 other credit available, correct?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. And the penalty rate for the PDCF was the
22 so-called primary credit rate, correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And how much was the primary credit rate in
25 September and October of 2008?

1 A. Somewhere -- somewhere on the order of 2 1/2 to
2 3 percent.

3 Q. And about one-half of 1 percent was the
4 so-called penalty portion, correct?

5 A. That's relative to the federal funds rate. I
6 don't know what -- I don't know what the proportion
7 would be.

8 Q. Well, as the Chairman of the Federal Reserve,
9 you knew what the penalty rate was, how much of it was a
10 penalty, correct?

11 A. We knew what the overall rate was, yes.

12 Q. And you knew how much of that was what you had
13 referred to as a penalty portion, correct?

14 A. Well, you could say it's the difference between
15 the primary credit rate and the federal funds rate, but
16 many of these firms could not borrow, even in normal
17 times, at the federal funds rate. But I don't think
18 it's worth splitting hairs on this one.

19 Q. Let me just follow up on that point. Many of
20 these firms would not have had access to the federal
21 funds rate, correct?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. So, for many of these firms, this would have
24 been the cheapest money they could have gotten at any
25 time, correct?

1 A. No, because when -- when the situation
2 normalized, they voluntarily withdrew from the PDCF.

3 Q. And at that point, where did they borrow?

4 A. They could borrow in the repo market, the
5 commercial paper market.

6 Q. And those markets were not available to them, as
7 a practical matter, in September and October of 2008,
8 correct?

9 A. Only at a high price, yes.

10 Q. And sometimes not even at a high price.

11 A. Yes, that's right.

12 Q. So, with respect to the PDCF and to the other
13 broad-based credit facilities, is it fair to say, other
14 than charging an interest rate that was half a
15 percentage above the federal funds rate, no effort was
16 made to reduce or eliminate the windfall to the
17 shareholders of the participants in those facilities?

18 MR. DINTZER: Objection, Your Honor. It's just
19 a confusing question, if we could ask counsel to restate
20 it.

21 THE COURT: Can you rephrase, Mr. Boies?

22 MR. BOIES: I'll try.

23 BY MR. BOIES:

24 Q. Is it fair to say, with respect to the PDCF and
25 the other broad-based credit facilities, that other than

1 charging an interest rate that was half a percentage
2 above the federal funds rate, no effort was made to
3 reduce or eliminate the windfall to the shareholders of
4 the participants in those facilities?

5 A. It would have been desirable, but there was a --
6 other policy considerations that worked in the opposite
7 direction.

8 Q. So, is the answer to my question that there was
9 no such effort made?

10 A. It was a factor in our thinking, but because of
11 the offsetting considerations, I guess your answer is --
12 the answer is yes.

13 Q. In other words, I think I -- what you're saying
14 is you would have liked to have done something, but
15 there were some countervailing considerations, and so
16 you didn't do anything to eliminate the windfall. Is
17 that fair?

18 A. Right.

19 Q. Okay. Now, the interest rate that was charged
20 on the AIG credit facility was an interest rate that was
21 significantly higher than the interest rate that the
22 Federal Reserve generally used in providing liquidity
23 during the crisis, correct?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Generally, the Federal Reserve lent at rates

1 above the normal rate for the market but lower than the
2 rate prevailing in distressed and illiquid markets,
3 correct?

4 A. In our broad-based facilities, yes.

5 Q. And that means that the Federal Reserve would
6 generally be lending at a rate that was less than the
7 rate that participants could get from private sources in
8 a crisis situation, correct?

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. In connection with the AIG loan, was there any
11 effort to determine what rate AIG would have been able
12 to get from private sources, if private sources had
13 available credit?

14 A. Well, it was evident from the fact that the
15 board took the Federal Reserve's offer that they didn't
16 have a better offer.

17 Q. Other than saying that it was evident to you
18 that because AIG took the Fed's offer, that they didn't
19 have a better offer, was there any effort made to
20 determine what rate private sources would have charged
21 for credit to AIG at that time?

22 A. I know after the fact there were private sector
23 consultants to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, but
24 I did not know that at the time.

25 Q. I just want to distinguish on the time. Are you

1 saying that on September 16th, there were private sector
2 consultants, but you didn't know about them?

3 A. Not me personally, no.

4 Q. I'm distinguishing between that situation and
5 the situation in which the private sector consultants
6 only came into effect after September 16th.

7 A. My understanding -- this is secondhand from
8 reading sources -- is that private sector participants
9 before the 16th tried to construct the terms on which
10 the package could be offered, and that is where much of
11 this came from, but I -- I'm sure you have much more
12 direct information from President Geithner.

13 Q. Just in terms of your own understanding, was it
14 your understanding that the interest rate that was
15 presented at the Board of Governors was the same
16 interest rate that had been developed by the private
17 sector considerations that you have said you believe
18 were going on?

19 A. I don't know, because I wasn't aware even of the
20 analysis.

21 Q. Now, with respect to the provision of warrants,
22 was there any discussion at the Board of Governors
23 meeting on September 16th as to why warrants were being
24 required as opposed to some other form of equity?

25 A. No, I don't recall. Let me clarify. I don't

1 recall.

2 Q. Was there any discussion at the September 16th
3 board meeting as to why the warrants were for the
4 purchase of common stock representing 79.9 percent of
5 the shareholders' equity, as opposed to some other
6 percentage?

7 A. I don't recall.

8 Q. You have said that there are five requirements
9 for a 13(3) loan, correct?

10 A. Could you enumerate them, sir?

11 Q. Sure. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs'
12 Trial Exhibit 616, which I would offer.

13 A. Okay.

14 MR. DINTZER: No objection, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 616 is
16 admitted.

17 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 616 was admitted
18 into evidence.)

19 BY MR. BOIES:

20 Q. Now, let me ask you to look at page 9.

21 MR. DINTZER: Exhibit page 9, Counsel?

22 MR. BOIES: Exhibit page 9.

23 THE WITNESS: Exhibit 616, page 9, okay.

24 BY MR. BOIES:

25 Q. Yes. And the first full paragraph on that page.

1 A. I see it, yes, sir.

2 Q. It says, "Section 13(3) contains a number of
3 important restrictions. In particular, section 13(3)
4 requires that," and you then list five requirements,
5 correct?

6 A. That is correct.

7 Q. And the first requirement is that the Board find
8 that unusual and exigent circumstances exist. Is that
9 correct?

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. And that was a finding that the Board had made
12 in March of 2008, correct?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. And the Board continued to believe that, from
15 March onward, unusual and exigent circumstances existed,
16 right?

17 A. Right.

18 Q. And the second requirement is that the loan be
19 authorized by the affirmative vote of not less than five
20 board members, unless there are fewer than five or
21 there's an emergency. And the AIG credit on September
22 16th was, in fact, authorized by five board members,
23 correct?

24 A. Yes, sir. There were only five sitting board
25 members at the time.

1 Q. And so it was unanimous?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. The third requirement is that the loan be
4 secured to the satisfaction of the lending bank, and you
5 understood that the AIG credit was secured to the
6 satisfaction of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York,
7 correct?

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. And the fourth requirement is that the Reserve
10 Bank obtain evidence that the borrower is unable to
11 obtain adequate credit accommodations from other banking
12 institutions. That was certainly true, correct?

13 A. Yes, sir.

14 Q. And number five, the rate of interest on the
15 loan established by the Reserve Bank be reviewed and
16 determined by the Board. Do you see that?

17 A. I do.

18 Q. And the rate of interest on the loan established
19 by the Reserve Bank was reviewed and determined by the
20 Board on September 16th, 2008, correct?

21 A. I believe so, yes.

22 Q. Part of the rate under Section 13(3) with
23 respect to the AIG credit facility consisted of the
24 compensation that was being provided by the equity,
25 correct?

1 A. That was not a rate on a loan, no. It was a
2 piece of the compensation, yes.

3 Q. You say it was not -- it was not part of the
4 rate on the loan?

5 A. A rate is a fixed interest rate.

6 Q. Let me ask you to look at Section 13(3).

7 A. How can I do that?

8 Q. I think we will put it up on the board. That's
9 the way we've done it.

10 And it says here that in unusual and exigent
11 circumstances, the Board may authorize a Federal Reserve
12 Bank to make these credits available, and it then says,
13 "at rates established in accordance with the provision
14 of Section 357 of this title."

15 Do you see that?

16 A. Yes, sir.

17 Q. And as you read that, did that term, "rate,"
18 include equity?

19 A. I normally think of rates as interest rates.

20 Q. I do, too, but you're the Chairman of the
21 Federal Reserve, so I'm asking you for your
22 understanding as to whether "rates" here includes a
23 demand for equity.

24 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, I am going to object
25 to the extent that counsel's question calls for a legal

1 conclusion.

2 THE COURT: I'll overrule the objection to
3 obtain the witness' understanding.

4 THE WITNESS: I would rely, in all these
5 determinations, on my general counsel, Scott Alvarez.

6 BY MR. BOIES:

7 Q. My question to you, sir, is for your
8 understanding, and I'm asking you whether, as you
9 understand it or as you understood it in 2008 -- let me
10 begin with that -- did "rates" -- the word "rates," as
11 used in Section 13(3), include equity?

12 A. I don't recall thinking about it.

13 Q. Not at all?

14 A. I don't recall.

15 Q. Did you ever ask anybody for an opinion on that?

16 A. Well, the --

17 Q. Did you ever ask anybody for an opinion on that?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Did anyone ever provide you with an opinion on
20 that, whether you asked for it or not?

21 A. Only implicitly in the presentation of the
22 proposal by the general counsel.

23 Q. Was there any discussion at the September 16th
24 board meeting as to whether or not "rates," as used in
25 Section 13(3) of the Federal Reserve Act, included

1 equity?

2 A. I don't recall.

3 Q. And as you understood it in September of 2008,
4 unless "rates" included equity, there would have been no
5 authority to require equity under 13(3), correct, sir?

6 MR. DINTZER: Objection, Your Honor. The
7 question is confusing and calls for a legal conclusion.

8 THE WITNESS: I'm -- I can't offer a legal view
9 on that.

10 MR. DINTZER: I am going to ask the witness
11 just, when I pose an objection, just wait for the Court
12 to rule on it.

13 THE COURT: First of all, sir, do you understand
14 the question?

15 THE WITNESS: I understand the question, yes,
16 sir.

17 THE COURT: All right. I'm going to overrule
18 the objection. I will take his answer to the extent he
19 can respond.

20 THE WITNESS: Could you repeat the question?

21 BY MR. BOIES:

22 Q. Sure.

23 As you understood it in September of 2008, in
24 order for there to be authority to require equity as
25 compensation for a 13(3) loan, the term "rates," as used

1 here, would have to include equity, correct?

2 A. I don't recall thinking about it.

3 Q. You didn't think about it at all? That's your
4 testimony?

5 A. No, sir.

6 Q. All right. It is not one of the five factors at
7 least directly, but in order to lend under 13(3), was it
8 your understanding that the credit being made available
9 had to serve the purpose of promoting stability and
10 liquidity in financial markets generally?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And that was true for all 13(3) loans --
13 lending, correct?

14 A. Directly or indirectly, yes, sir.

15 Q. And that was part of the understanding of what
16 "unusual and exigent circumstances" meant, correct?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. And with respect to AIG, a part of that analysis
19 was recognizing AIG as a systemic institution, as you
20 use that word, correct?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. Let me turn to the requirement that the credit
23 be secured to the satisfaction of the Federal Reserve
24 Bank. You reached the conclusion at the time that the
25 credit was being extended to AIG in September 2008 that

1 that credit would be fully secured by AIG's insurance
2 company assets and other businesses, correct?

3 A. What we officially determined was that it would
4 be secured to the satisfaction of the New York Federal
5 Reserve Bank.

6 Q. But you concluded that the credit that was being
7 extended to AIG in September 2008 would be fully secured
8 by AIG's insurance company assets and other businesses.

9 A. I made that --

10 Q. Correct?

11 A. -- statement, yes, sir, but it was not a board
12 determination.

13 Q. And I'm -- let me just ask you now for what you
14 concluded as the Chairman of the Federal Reserve, and as
15 the Chairman of the Federal Reserve, you concluded that
16 because the AIG credit could be secured by valuable,
17 available collateral, including shares of stock of
18 profitable insurance companies and other businesses,
19 that that credit was fully secured, correct?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. And you told that to Congress, correct?

22 A. Right.

23 Q. And it was your assessment that AIG had plenty
24 of collateral to repay the Federal Reserve loan,
25 correct, sir?

1 A. I did say that on one occasion, yes.

2 Q. And you said that to the FCIC, correct, sir?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And you also told the FCIC that because the AIG
5 insurance assets were in a separate business that had a
6 lot of going concern value and did have a lot of assets,
7 that the loan was fully secured, correct, sir?

8 A. Separate from the Financial Products Division,
9 yes.

10 Q. And when you told that to the FCIC, that was
11 truthful, complete, and accurate testimony, correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you believed that AIG's problems were
14 classical liquidity needs that could be covered with
15 borrowing secured by valuable, available collateral,
16 correct, sir?

17 A. That's what I believed on September 16th, yes.

18 Q. And that's not only what you believed on
19 September 16th; that's what you believed when you later
20 were testifying to Congress and the FCIC and other
21 governmental bodies, correct, sir?

22 A. Well, it depends on the context, sir. As you
23 know, there were several restructurings of the -- of the
24 government package.

25 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial

1 Exhibit 616 --

2 A. Okay.

3 Q. -- which I think -- I believe I just offered
4 this a moment ago.

5 A. That's correct. That's correct.

6 Q. In that case, let me ask you to look at
7 Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 599 --

8 A. I have it.

9 Q. -- which I would offer.

10 MR. DINTZER: Just one moment, Your Honor.

11 (Counsel conferring.)

12 MR. DINTZER: No objection, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 599 is
14 admitted.

15 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 599 was admitted
16 into evidence.)

17 BY MR. BOIES:

18 Q. Now, this was -- this was testimony that you
19 gave in September of 2010, correct?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. And if you look at page 60, where at lines 17
22 through 25 you talk about AIG having a completely
23 separate business that had going concern value and a lot
24 of shareholder equity, and it was your assessment that
25 they had plenty of collateral to repay the loan. Do you

1 see that?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. You believed that not only in September of 2008
4 but also in September of 2010, correct?

5 A. This is a statement about what I believed in
6 September of 2008.

7 Q. It is.

8 A. It was our assessment, so it's a statement I'm
9 making in 2010 about my beliefs in 2008.

10 Q. Yes. And what I'm now asking you is a slightly
11 different question, which is in 2010, two years later,
12 you hadn't changed your mind; that is, you would have
13 told them if -- if that had been your assessment but
14 that you had changed your mind, you would have told them
15 that, right?

16 A. Well, I know I said we would be repaid, and that
17 was referring to the Federal Reserve. There was a lot
18 of equity, \$70 billion of equity, inserted into AIG in
19 the interim. So, I think actually the company did worse
20 than I had anticipated.

21 Q. But when you say that the company did worse than
22 you anticipated, the company paid you back every dollar
23 that it borrowed, correct?

24 A. We're talking now about 2010, sir. So, I'm just
25 saying that it did require capital injections as opposed

1 to just lending.

2 Q. All right. And when you talk about capital
3 injections, you're talking about TARP?

4 A. Right.

5 Q. A lot of companies required capital investments
6 from TARP, correct?

7 A. AIG had the most of any company.

8 Q. But there were a lot of -- and AIG is the
9 largest insurance company in the world, correct?

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. There were a lot of companies that required
12 capital injections from TARP, correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And you know that sometime before today, AIG
15 paid back not only the Federal Reserve but every other
16 government agency that advanced it credit for every
17 dollar received, correct?

18 A. Ultimately, yes, sir. This is about 2010.

19 Q. And AIG also paid back \$6.7 billion in interest
20 and fees, correct?

21 A. I don't know.

22 Q. Approximately?

23 A. I don't know.

24 Q. Did you ever look that up?

25 A. No, sir.

1 Q. Ever try to find a document?

2 A. No, sir.

3 Q. You never tried to find any estimate of how much
4 interest and fees AIG paid?

5 A. I think the only number that matters is the
6 overall return, which I think the number I've heard is
7 \$23 billion.

8 Q. And that's a \$23 billion positive return?

9 A. Positive return.

10 Q. Let me just unpack that for a second. That is
11 the return on all of the assistance that was given to
12 AIG, whether it was from the Federal Reserve or TARP or
13 some other place, right?

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. Did you ever try to figure out what the positive
16 return to the Federal Reserve was of the September 22nd
17 credit agreement?

18 A. No, sir. It just goes to the Treasury anyway.

19 Q. As the Chairman of the Federal Reserve, even
20 though your profits and losses are ultimately the
21 profits and losses of the Treasury and the taxpayer, as
22 chairman, you wanted to know how you were doing, though,
23 didn't you?

24 A. Generally.

25 Q. And in that capacity, did you try to find out

1 what the Federal Reserve's profit was from the AIG
2 credit facility?

3 A. Not that I recall.

4 Q. Now, you said earlier that it was your
5 assessment that AIG had plenty of collateral to repay
6 the Federal Reserve loan. When you were talking here,
7 you say it was "our assessment." Do you see that?

8 A. Where are you, sir?

9 Q. I was on line 22, where you say, "It was our
10 assessment that they" -- referring to AIG -- "had plenty
11 of collateral to repay our loan..." Do you see that?

12 A. Yeah. I don't know who I was referring to
13 there.

14 Q. Okay. It had to be the Federal Reserve, didn't
15 it?

16 A. I didn't really have the right to speak for the
17 Board in any way.

18 Q. You were the chairman of the Board, right?

19 A. I was the chairman, yes.

20 Q. And when you said, "It was our assessment that
21 AIG had plenty of collateral to repay our loan," you
22 understood that you would be interpreted by the FCIC as
23 speaking on behalf of the Federal Reserve. Is that
24 fair?

25 A. All I know about what the Board believed was

1 that it was secured to the satisfaction of the Federal
2 Reserve Bank of New York.

3 Q. So, what is your interpretation of what you
4 meant when you said "our assessment" as opposed to "my
5 assessment"?

6 A. I misspoke. I should have said "my assessment."

7 Q. Now, when you were giving this testimony before
8 the FCIC, you knew that one of the purposes of the
9 hearing was to investigate what you had done in 2008 and
10 to try to determine whether what you had done in 2008
11 was appropriate, correct?

12 A. Yes, sir.

13 Q. And so when you said to this commission that
14 your assessment in 2008 was that AIG had plenty of
15 collateral to repay the Fed's loan, that was a very
16 serious statement, and you took it as something that was
17 very serious and went to what the commission was
18 directly interested in, correct?

19 A. Yes, sir.

20 Q. And you believed that, aside from AIGFP, AIG was
21 an effective, sound company with a lot of value, and
22 that was the basis on which the Fed made its loan,
23 correct?

24 A. Yes, sir.

25 Q. Let me turn to attempts to involve the private

1 sector. You believed that it would have been desirable,
2 if it were possible, to have had private sector
3 participation, together with the Federal Reserve, in
4 extending credit to AIG in September of 2008, correct?

5 A. The best would have been only private, sir, yes,
6 but a combination would be better than what we had, yes,
7 sir.

8 Q. And if you could have found a private sector
9 group that was prepared to put up half of the money that
10 was required, the -- half of the \$85 billion, and to
11 share pari passu in the compensation that AIG was
12 paying, you believed that would have been a desirable
13 thing to do, correct?

14 MR. DINTZER: Objection, Your Honor.
15 Hypothetical.

16 THE COURT: Overruled. I'll take his answer.

17 THE WITNESS: Given what information you have
18 given me, I would say yes.

19 BY MR. BOIES:

20 Q. And you believed that that would have reduced
21 the perception that this was a bailout, because the
22 private sector would be playing a role and would be
23 taking on some of the risk, correct?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. And you believed that that probably would have

1 led to a stronger company, a more viable company,
2 correct?

3 A. Well, the debt would have been the same. So,
4 I'm not quite sure if that's true.

5 Q. Let me ask you to look at your deposition, page
6 117.

7 A. I see that I said that. I don't really know
8 if --

9 Q. As you sit here now, do you have any
10 recollection as to why you believed having private
11 sector participation in the extension of credit to AIG
12 probably would have led to a stronger, more viable
13 company?

14 A. I'm not sure why I said that. It would depend
15 on the terms of involvement. If the company -- for
16 example, if the private investor brought managerial
17 skill, for example, that would be one possible answer.

18 Q. You also told me at your deposition -- not
19 necessarily here, although I think it's close by -- that
20 you would have been shocked if anyone from the
21 Government had discouraged an investment by CIC in AIG,
22 correct?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. When were you first aware that AIG was seeking a
25 13(3) loan?

1 A. I received the email either Friday night or
2 Saturday morning to the effect that representatives of
3 AIG had met with board staff on Friday discussing the
4 possibility.

5 Q. Let me show you Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 45,
6 which I would offer.

7 A. I don't think I have that, sir.

8 Q. You might not. I apologize. This is one that
9 needs to be handed out.

10 MR. DINTZER: No objection, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 45 is
12 admitted.

13 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 45 was admitted into
14 evidence.)

15 BY MR. BOIES:

16 Q. Is this the email that you were talking about?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. And you then responded later on that day, and I
19 would ask you to look at Defendant's Exhibit 286 that is
20 already in evidence. I need to hand that out as well.

21 Your Honor, may I -- this is already in
22 evidence. May I use it on the screen?

23 THE COURT: Sure, as far as I'm concerned. It's
24 just this one page?

25 MR. BOIES: It's just this one page.

1 THE COURT: Sure.

2 BY MR. BOIES:

3 Q. Do you have this document on the screen,
4 Chairman Bernanke?

5 A. Yes, sir, I do.

6 Q. This is an email from you to Vice Chairman Kohn
7 at 11:38 a.m. on September 13th. Do you see that?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And the -- you say in the beginning that "Staff
10 is talking to them now trying to get more specific
11 plans. I don't think we will get much so long as they
12 think we will be there -- that's why I would take a
13 tough stance initially."

14 Do you see that?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. And then at the bottom --

17 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, I hate to interpose,
18 but given that the witness doesn't have the document in
19 front of him and it's being cut off, counsel is
20 representing to the witness that this is the witness'
21 email and it's not; it's Mr. Kohn's email to the
22 witness. So, given the circumstances, I have to
23 interpose an objection.

24 MR. BOIES: I apologize, Your Honor. There is
25 an email from you to --

1 MR. DINTZER: Could we get the witness a
2 document, Your Honor? We would be happy to get ours if
3 they don't have it, but I would like the witness to have
4 a piece of paper in front of him.

5 THE COURT: Yes, sure. I think that's fair.

6 MR. BOIES: I have one copy and I will hand that
7 up to the witness.

8 BY MR. BOIES:

9 Q. The first email on the page is from you to
10 Mr. Kohn at 11:38 a.m. saying thank you, correct?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And the first email at the bottom of the page is
13 an email dated 11:14 a.m., from you to Mr. Kohn, Kevin
14 Warsh, and Mr. Geithner, correct?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. And in that email, you say on the fourth line,
17 "I would be willing to consider lending to them against
18 good collateral if we have explicit and public
19 commitments regarding the actions they will take to wean
20 themselves and restore stability."

21 Do you see that?

22 A. Yes, sir.

23 Q. And that's what you believed at the time,
24 correct?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. Now, let me go to the email that Mr. Kohn writes
2 back, and this is at 11:36 a.m., and I've already quoted
3 a portion of it. The portion that I have not quoted
4 that I want to direct your attention to is the last
5 sentence of the first paragraph, where Mr. Kohn writes
6 to you:

7 "Lending may prove necessary, and so long it is
8 purely and obviously liquidity support and not solvency
9 we'll be within a central bank function, but we should
10 do everything possible to avoid it before we do."

11 Do you see that?

12 A. Yes, sir.

13 Q. Now, your email had gone to Mr. Geithner,
14 correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Did you have any discussions with Mr. Geithner
17 on September 13th concerning possibly lending to AIG?

18 A. September 13th was Saturday?

19 Q. Yes, I believe it was.

20 A. I don't believe I did. I don't recall, anyway.

21 Q. When was the first time that you had any
22 conversations with Mr. Geithner about possibly lending
23 to AIG?

24 A. I would imagine it would have been on Monday,
25 the 15th, at some point.

1 Q. At any time before September 16th, did the
2 Federal Reserve Board of Governors authorize the Federal
3 Reserve Bank of New York or anyone to tell AIG whether
4 or not the Federal Reserve would or would not make
5 credit available to AIG?

6 A. There was no formal motion or action, no.

7 Q. Was there any informal instruction or direction
8 from the Federal Reserve Board of Governors to anyone at
9 the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as to what they
10 should or should not say to AIG about the availability
11 or unavailability of credit from the Federal Reserve?

12 A. When you say the Board, do you mean as a
13 collective or individual board members?

14 Q. Let me begin with the Board as a board.

15 A. No. There was no statement by the Board as a
16 board.

17 Q. And I take it the first conversation you had
18 with Mr. Geithner was on September 15th, correct?

19 A. I was in touch with Mr. Geithner all weekend,
20 and I'm sure we discussed the intelligence about AIG's
21 private sector negotiations, for example, but I think it
22 must have been -- I'm just conjecturing it must have
23 been Monday by the time -- before we brought ourselves
24 to the point that we thought we might have to make a
25 loan.

1 Q. When did you first have a conversation with
2 Mr. Geithner about what, if anything, he was telling or
3 should tell AIG?

4 A. I don't recollect talking with him on that
5 issue.

6 Q. Did you have any discussions with Vice Chairman
7 Kohn about what consideration should be required of AIG
8 for a 13(3) credit facility?

9 A. Well, you see most of it here in the email. The
10 concern was they didn't have a very clear idea of how
11 much they needed and how they were going to pay it back
12 and how they were going to maintain their viability.
13 So, it seemed at this point very vague.

14 Q. Other than this email exchange, did you have any
15 discussions with Vice Chairman Kohn about what
16 consideration should be required of AIG for a 13(3)
17 credit facility?

18 A. I don't recall any such conversation.

19 Q. At the September 16th Board of Governors
20 meeting, the Board of Governors authorized the extension
21 of credit to AIG, correct?

22 A. Yes, sir.

23 Q. And you were aware, at the time that that board
24 meeting took place, that assuming that AIG agreed, there
25 would be a definitive credit facility agreement drawn

1 up, correct?

2 A. At some point, yes, sir.

3 Q. Did you participate at all in the preparation of
4 that credit agreement?

5 A. No, sir.

6 Q. Was that credit agreement ever brought to the
7 Board of Governors for approval?

8 A. The final credit agreement? Is that what you're
9 referring to?

10 Q. Let's begin with that.

11 A. No, sir.

12 Q. Was any draft of the credit agreement ever
13 brought to the Board of Governors for approval?

14 A. Only the term sheet that you've already shown.

15 Q. The term sheet that's included in Joint Exhibit
16 63?

17 A. The one adjacent to the minutes.

18 Q. You are aware today that the credit agreement
19 required AIG to provide voting convertible preferred
20 stock, correct?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. Was the requirement that AIG provide voting
23 equity as opposed to nonvoting warrants ever brought to
24 the Federal Reserve Board of Governors for approval?

25 A. Not for formal approval, no.

1 Q. Was the requirement that AIG provide convertible
2 preferred stock as opposed to warrants ever brought to
3 the Federal Reserve Board of Governors for approval?

4 A. Not for formal approval, no.

5 Q. In terms of 13(3), to the extent that Board of
6 Governors approval is required, you understand it has to
7 be formal approval by five governors, correct?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. Was the issue of eliminating shareholder
10 approval for the issuance of equity ever brought to the
11 Federal Reserve Board of Governors for approval?

12 MR. DINTZER: Objection, Your Honor. It's
13 just -- it's confusing when he says "the issue brought
14 for approval." The sentence doesn't track.

15 THE COURT: Well, do you understand the
16 question?

17 THE WITNESS: Could you repeat it?

18 BY MR. BOIES:

19 Q. Sure.

20 The term sheet that's part of Exhibit 63, Joint
21 Exhibit 63, provides for shareholder approval, correct?

22 A. It provided some -- you pointed out to me that
23 it provided some fees associated with whether the
24 shareholders had approved or not.

25 Q. And it's clear from that that it contemplated

1 shareholder approval, correct?

2 A. As a possibility, yes.

3 Q. And you are aware that the credit agreement, as
4 ultimately signed, did not require shareholder approval
5 for the issuance of the voting convertible preferred
6 stock, correct?

7 A. I don't -- I don't recall.

8 Q. You don't recall that one way or the other?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Was any requirement or any provision for the
11 issuance of preferred stock without shareholder approval
12 ever brought to the Board of Governors for approval?

13 A. There were no formal approvals subsequent to the
14 initial 13(3) determination and vote.

15 Q. Was there ever any written request for informal
16 approval to you?

17 A. From whom, sir?

18 Q. From anybody.

19 A. No, sir.

20 Q. Were you aware in September of 2008 whether AIG
21 had an opportunity to participate in the drafting of the
22 credit agreement?

23 A. No. I wasn't involved in those -- in those --
24 in that drafting.

25 Q. At the time of the September 16th Board of

1 Governors meeting, was it your understanding that the
2 final credit agreement would be something that would be
3 drafted by AIG and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York?

4 A. I don't recall.

5 Q. As of the September 16th Board of Governors
6 meeting, was it your understanding that the Federal
7 Reserve Bank of New York was going to go off and
8 unilaterally draft a credit agreement and then present
9 that for approval to the AIG board?

10 A. I don't recall. I don't know whether we
11 contemplated some input from AIG or not. I don't
12 recall.

13 Q. Now, you're aware that the credit agreement
14 provided for a trust, correct?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. Was the provision for a trust -- that is, for
17 shares to be held by a trust -- ever presented to the
18 Board of Governors for approval?

19 A. As I said, sir, there were no formal approvals
20 after the initial one.

21 Q. Was there any presentation of information to the
22 Board of Governors concerning the trust between
23 September 16th and September 22nd, even if no formal
24 approval was required?

25 A. I don't recall.

1 Q. When was the first time you were informed that
2 the September 22nd credit agreement included a trust?

3 A. Mr. Alvarez came to see me sometime later that
4 week, I'm not quite sure what day, and -- to check with
5 me about the change in the equity component and the
6 trust, and he explained the reasons, and I was
7 comfortable. I told him that he either had or was going
8 to talk to Vice Chairman Kohn as well, and that was
9 standard procedure. When the Board approved a degree of
10 discretion, confirmation from the chairman was generally
11 sufficient to complete the approval.

12 Q. As you understood it at the time, under 13(3),
13 was the chairman given any different role than any other
14 member of the Board of Governors in terms of approving
15 13(3) loans?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
18 Exhibit 607.

19 Before I do that, you said that Mr. Alvarez came
20 and explained the reasons why there was going to be a
21 trust. Do you recall saying that?

22 A. I believe so, yes, sir.

23 Q. What was the reason that Mr. Alvarez gave you
24 for the equity component being held by a trust?

25 A. Since my deposition, I've -- by reading

1 testimonies and the like, I've found the answer, but I
2 don't recall him specifically telling me that.

3 Q. Let me see if I understand what you're saying.
4 You don't recall what he told you, but since your
5 deposition, you've read other materials that inform you
6 as to the reason that the equity component was to be
7 held by a trust?

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. What materials did you read that led you to that
10 view?

11 A. The testimony before the House Financial
12 Services Committee in March of 2009 on the AIG Bailout.

13 Q. The testimony by whom?

14 A. It was Geithner, me, and Bill Dudley.

15 Q. And when was that testimony again?

16 A. Approximately March of 2009. It was about the
17 time of the bonus flap.

18 Q. Let me ask you to look now at Plaintiffs' Trial
19 Exhibit 607 --

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. -- which I would offer.

22 MR. DINTZER: No objection, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 607 is
24 admitted.

25 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 607 was admitted

1 into evidence.)

2 BY MR. BOIES:

3 Q. I want to direct your attention to the top of
4 page 9 of the exhibit and, in particular, the third
5 sentence, where you say, "In particular, in the recent
6 episode, central banks around the world followed the
7 dictum set forth by Bagehot in 1873: To avert or
8 contain panics, central banks should lend freely to
9 solvent institutions against good collateral."

10 Do you see that?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And do you think that what the Federal Reserve
13 Bank did with respect to AIG was consistent with that?

14 A. No, sir, I don't.

15 Q. You do not?

16 A. No, sir.

17 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
18 Exhibit 684, which I would offer.

19 A. I have it, sir.

20 MR. DINTZER: No objection, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 684 is
22 admitted.

23 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 684 was admitted
24 into evidence.)

25 BY MR. BOIES:

1 Q. Let me ask you to look at page 2, the last
2 paragraph, the first sentence.

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. It says, "When the financial system teetered
5 near collapse in 2008 and 2009, we responded as the 19th
6 century British essayist Walter Bagehot advised, by
7 serving as liquidity provider of last resort to stressed
8 financial firms and markets."

9 A. Yes, sir.

10 Q. And do you believe that what you did with AIG
11 was consistent with that?

12 A. No, sir. I was referring to the broad-based
13 program to provide broad-based liquidity to the system.

14 Q. Now, you did understand that in September of
15 2008, any liquidity support was up to the Federal
16 Reserve; that is, there were not other sources of
17 government assistance at that point in time.

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. When was the first time, as you understood it,
20 that AIG was first obligated to provide the Federal
21 Reserve with equity in connection with the extension of
22 credit?

23 A. I don't know.

24 Q. About when?

25 A. I don't know.

1 Q. Did you ever try to find out?

2 A. No, sir.

3 Q. Did you have an understanding on September 16th,
4 2008, that AIG was obligated at that point to provide
5 any equity to the Federal Reserve?

6 A. It depends what time of day, because, you know,
7 the terms changed. But, yes, we approved a term sheet
8 that involved an equity component. And to clarify my
9 last answer, I'm sure I was informed of these various
10 steps, which would have been normal procedure, but I
11 don't recall when that happened.

12 Q. Let me shift to September 17th, because you're
13 quite right. Things happened during September 16th.

14 As of September 17th, the Federal Reserve had
15 extended \$14 billion of credit; that is, as of the
16 morning of September 17th, they had the previous night
17 extended \$14 billion of credit to AIG, correct?

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. At that point on September 17th, as you
20 understood it, was AIG obligated to provide the Federal
21 Reserve with any equity?

22 A. I knew there had been an agreement by the Board
23 to the terms proposed. I am not a lawyer. I don't know
24 what the legal standing of that agreement was.

25 Q. Did you ever try to find out?

1 A. I assumed that the agreement was -- would be a
2 binding agreement, but I left the details to the legal
3 team.

4 Q. So, as the Chairman of the Federal Reserve, it's
5 your testimony that you assumed on September 17th that
6 you had a binding agreement to have AIG provide equity.
7 Is that your testimony?

8 A. That was my assumption.

9 Q. Now, if you go to the term sheet that is
10 included in the Exhibit 63 and you go to the first page,
11 do you see the language in italics that's there that
12 says, "This Summary of Terms is not intended to be
13 legally binding on any person or entity..."?

14 A. Yes, I see that.

15 Q. And you were aware of that on September 16th,
16 correct?

17 A. Well, it was on the term sheet, yes.

18 Q. I'm sorry, say again?

19 A. It was on the term sheet. I don't recall if I
20 read it carefully or not.

21 Q. Was there any discussion at the Federal Reserve
22 Board of Governors as to whether or not the term sheet
23 was or was not legally binding?

24 A. Well, it could hardly be legally binding in its
25 current status, because it had many incomplete

1 provisions. So, those things had to be completed, we
2 assumed, before it could be agreed to.

3 Q. Let me try to distinguish between two things.
4 There are some blanks here that have to be filled in,
5 but even after the blanks are filled in, the document,
6 on its face, says that the summary of terms is not
7 intended to be legally binding, correct?

8 A. It's a summary of terms. So, I assume there
9 would be more detail in a legal agreement, but, again,
10 I'm not a lawyer.

11 Q. And I'm not asking you for a legal opinion. I'm
12 simply asking for your understanding at the time as the
13 Chairman of the Federal Reserve, that the second
14 sentence says, "Any binding agreement with respect to
15 the matters referred to herein shall be evidenced by
16 appropriate documentation, executed by the applicable
17 parties."

18 Do you see that?

19 A. Yes, sir.

20 Q. And the Federal Reserve didn't execute any
21 documentation until either September 22nd or September
22 23rd, correct?

23 A. I'm not sure.

24 MR. DINTZER: Your Honor, we have a commitment
25 to Mr. Bernanke to wrap him at 3:15 so that he can --

1 so, I don't mean to interrupt counsel. I just didn't
2 know if this was a good place to stop.

3 THE COURT: That's fine.

4 MR. BOIES: I'll stop. We did make that
5 commitment. I didn't notice the time. I apologize.
6 We'll stop now.

7 THE COURT: Okay. When are we going to pick up
8 again?

9 MR. DINTZER: After a 15 -- if it's to Your
10 Honor's pleasure, if we take a break --

11 THE COURT: No, I mean with Dr. Bernanke's
12 testimony.

13 MR. DINTZER: It's my understanding that first
14 thing tomorrow morning, he will be here, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: All right, very well.

16 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

17 THE COURT: All right, let's take a break.
18 Let's reconvene at 3:35.

19 (Court in recess.)

20 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, we now call Dr. Mosser
21 back to the stand.

22 THE COURT: Okay. Please come forward,
23 Dr. Mosser. Welcome back. It seems you can't get
24 enough of this case, right?

25 THE WITNESS: I feel a little that way, too.

1 THE COURT: Do you understand that you are under
2 oath in these proceedings?

3 THE WITNESS: I do.

4 THE COURT: All right. Let's go ahead.
5 Whereupon --

6 PATRICIA MOSSER
7 a witness, called for examination, having previously
8 been duly sworn, was examined and testified further as
9 follows:

10 REDIRECT EXAMINATION (cont.)

11 BY MR. BOIES:

12 Q. Good afternoon again, Dr. Mosser.

13 A. Good afternoon.

14 Q. When we last broke, we were talking about
15 evaluations of AIG insurance subsidiaries. Do you
16 remember that testimony?

17 A. Generally, yes.

18 Q. Were you aware whether or not the Federal
19 Reserve had retained Ernst & Young to help value the AIG
20 insurance subsidiaries?

21 A. I was not aware of that.

22 Q. Were you aware that the Federal Reserve had
23 hired Morgan Stanley to value the AIG insurance
24 subsidiaries?

25 A. I was aware that representatives from Morgan

1 Stanley were doing some work related to AIG. I did not
2 know what that work was.

3 Q. Did you ever see any analyses of the valuations
4 of AIG insurance subsidiaries prepared by Morgan
5 Stanley?

6 A. I do not recall doing so.

7 Q. And would your answer be the same with respect
8 to any analyses prepared by Ernst & Young?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Were you aware of how much, if any, insurance
11 commissioners and state regulators had said the
12 subsidiaries could upstream to the AIG parent?

13 A. I have one recollection of that as part of my
14 conversations with Mr. Dinallo.

15 Q. And were your conversations with Mr. Dinallo
16 concerning the value and stability and profitability of
17 the AIG insurance subsidiaries?

18 A. He made fairly definitive statements about the
19 capitalization, overcapitalization of the property and
20 casualty companies. He mentioned coordination with the
21 State of Pennsylvania, and he mentioned that -- to the
22 best of my recollection, that there were -- he was -- I
23 forget if it was an additional analysis or conversations
24 with other state regulators about life insurance
25 companies.

1 Q. As part of that or as part of any other work you
2 did, did you become aware of a statement by state
3 insurance regulators that they were prepared to permit
4 AIG insurance subsidiaries to upstream certain amounts
5 of money to AIG, the parent?

6 A. I remember Mr. Dinallo stating that to me. I
7 don't remember whether there was a public statement or
8 not.

9 Q. Do you remember the amount that was stated?

10 A. I do not.

11 Q. In your examination by Defendant's counsel, you
12 had made reference to a \$20 billion capital raise that
13 AIG had done. Do you recall that?

14 A. I do.

15 Q. And you said that it was your understanding or
16 impression that that had been used largely to cover
17 losses on AIG's structured products. Do you recall
18 that?

19 A. I do.

20 Q. Now, where did that understanding come from?

21 A. I don't remember. I remember approximately when
22 I came to believe that, but I do not remember who told
23 me.

24 Q. When did you approximately come to believe that?

25 A. On Saturday, I believe late in the day on

1 Saturday.

2 Q. This would have been September 13?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. I want to distinguish what you mean by "losses."
5 Can you explain, when you refer to "losses," what you
6 are referring to?

7 A. My understanding is that there had been declines
8 in the valuations of structured products and that they
9 had had to pay out to counterparties on those
10 products -- I assumed, therefore, they were derivatives
11 products, and I don't remember if they told me that, but
12 that was my assumption -- over the course of the
13 previous few months.

14 Q. Let me ask you if it's consistent with your
15 understanding that, rather than having to pay out losses
16 to counterparties, the money was used to post collateral
17 in accounts.

18 A. The -- that would be completely consistent with
19 my understanding, yes.

20 Q. And to the extent that the money was posted as
21 collateral in accounts, those accounts were not
22 available either to AIG or to the counterparties,
23 correct?

24 A. That's the best of my understanding, but
25 that's -- that's fairly far out of my area of expertise.

1 Q. Let me ask you to look at Defendant's Exhibit
2 256, which was one of the documents that you were shown
3 by counsel for the Government.

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. I believe it's in your binder.

6 A. Yes. I've found it.

7 Q. Now, at the bottom of the page, there is a
8 reference to AIG having not apparently approached any
9 private financial institutions about providing such
10 bridge financing, presumably because they feel they will
11 be turned down. Do you see that?

12 A. I'm sorry, I may have the wrong exhibit. Did
13 you say 256?

14 Q. I meant to say 276. I think I probably did say
15 256. I apologize.

16 A. Okay, yes. I see that in 276.

17 Q. You had testified in your testimony with
18 defendant's counsel that failure to approach other firms
19 for financing was particularly problematic for a 13(3)
20 credit. Do you recall that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Now, with respect to this statement at the
23 bottom of Defendant's Exhibit 276, that AIG had not
24 apparently approached any private financial institutions
25 about providing such bridge financing, that is something

1 that you have previously said you understood was not
2 correct. Am I right about that?

3 A. I am -- I don't know any -- I -- if I said that,
4 I'm a bit confused, because I frankly don't know
5 anything except what's in this sentence.

6 Q. Let me ask you to -- let me ask you to look at
7 Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 632. It should be in your
8 binder.

9 A. Okay.

10 Q. Do you have that?

11 A. I do.

12 MR. BOIES: And I would offer this exhibit.

13 MS. ACEVEDO: Your Honor, we're going to object.
14 It's hearsay. This is an interview that several people
15 did. I can see one, two, three, four -- probably a
16 dozen people -- Your Honor's looking at it, too -- and
17 it contains hearsay. It's not sworn, and we don't think
18 it's admissible.

19 THE COURT: Is this a government report?

20 MS. ACEVEDO: No. It's --

21 MR. BOIES: Yes, it's --

22 MS. ACEVEDO: -- it's notes of a -- I believe an
23 FDIC or GAO -- GAO interview, somebody's notes. It's
24 not, you know, a "government publication" of any kind.
25 It's not sworn testimony. It contains hearsay. It's

1 improper.

2 THE COURT: Well, I see its title at the bottom
3 is "A Record of Interview."

4 MS. ACEVEDO: It's somebody's notes of an
5 interview, sure, of several people, including
6 Ms. Mosser.

7 THE COURT: Mr. Boies?

8 MR. BOIES: I think this is more than somebody's
9 notes of an interview. This is a report prepared by GAO
10 staff in connection with their investigation. I would
11 be prepared to limit this to simply the portions that
12 are either the GAO's conclusions or reports of what
13 government officials say. If there's some private
14 person in here that's being quoted, I won't offer that
15 for the truth of the matter asserted.

16 MS. ACEVEDO: That doesn't correct the hearsay
17 problem.

18 THE COURT: But as far as I can see, all of the
19 participants are Federal Reserve Bank of New York
20 people, and --

21 MS. ACEVEDO: I don't know that, Your Honor. I
22 don't know who some of the people on here are, Your
23 Honor.

24 THE COURT: Well, I am going to overrule the
25 objection. I will admit Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 632.

1 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 632 was admitted
2 into evidence.)

3 BY MR. BOIES:

4 Q. If I could direct your attention to page 11 of
5 this exhibit, Dr. Mosser. And do you see, at the bottom
6 of the page, there is a reference to a -- first an email
7 and then a statement that "AIG has not approached
8 private financial institutions for financing because the
9 company believed it would likely be turned down"? Do
10 you see that's question 2c?

11 A. I do.

12 Q. And the GAO asks, "Is this description of the
13 events accurate? If so, please elaborate." Do you see
14 that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And then, at the very bottom, it says, "In
17 response to 2c, Ms. Mosser said that the description of
18 events is based off of the aforementioned email
19 regarding the update on AIG. As far as she recalled,
20 however, the statement is not accurate."

21 Do you see that?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And does that refresh your recollection that --

24 A. It -- it does not at all. I have absolutely no
25 memory of saying that to the GAO, and I'm surprised.

1 Q. Prior to today, you had had an opportunity to
2 review these notes of your interviews, correct?

3 A. I'm sorry, review -- could you be a little more
4 precise about which notes?

5 Q. Sure. You were interviewed on more than one
6 occasion, correct?

7 A. For the -- by the G -- by the GAO?

8 Q. Yes.

9 A. I don't remember.

10 Q. Every time you were interviewed by the GAO, you
11 were given an opportunity to review a summary by the GAO
12 of what they took from that interview, such as Exhibit
13 632, correct?

14 A. I may have been. I never recall reviewing it.

15 Q. And do I take it from that answer you would also
16 say that you don't recall ever submitting any
17 corrections?

18 A. I don't remember submitting any corrections
19 either, no.

20 Q. Now, let me ask you to look at Defendant's
21 Exhibit 256, which was another document that you talked
22 to counsel for the Defendant about. Do you recall that?

23 A. Did you say 256?

24 Q. 256. It's in the book. It's in --

25 A. In the defense, thank you.

1 Q. -- the white book.

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And let me ask you to look at the second page,
4 the next-to-last paragraph, where it says, "Unwinding in
5 event of bankruptcy is likely to be very messy." And
6 they're talking about AIG here, correct?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And going down, "Because derivatives book is
9 large and complex, \$2.7 Trillion, largely of very
10 long-term structured products. \$1 Trillion is
11 concentrated in 12 large counterparties." Do you see
12 that?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Who were those large counterparties that were
15 exposed to an AIG bankruptcy?

16 A. I don't remember them.

17 Q. Do you remember any of them?

18 A. I remember that there were several large
19 European banks and several U.S. very large securities
20 firms, and I believe there was one or two large U.S.
21 banks as well. It was a list of 12 of the largest
22 financial intermediaries. I do not remember exactly
23 which 12.

24 Q. Do you recall that Citibank was one of those 12?

25 A. I don't recall that.

1 Q. Do you recall if Goldman Sachs was one of those
2 12?

3 A. I learned later that it was, but I don't recall
4 from this -- at this point that I knew that.

5 Q. Did you know that Morgan Stanley was one of
6 those 12?

7 A. I believe in information I received later I knew
8 that, but not at this time.

9 Q. At this time, that is, in mid-September of 2008,
10 were you aware that the Federal Reserve was particularly
11 concerned about the effect that an AIG bankruptcy would
12 have on the large counterparties to AIG?

13 A. Yes. I was aware of that.

14 Q. Let me turn to the PDCF. You told counsel for
15 the Government, in substance, that it was your
16 understanding that the PDCF would only take collateral
17 that had prices available. Do you recall that?

18 A. That's actually not what I said.

19 Q. Okay, good, because I was going to suggest to
20 you that that was not accurate. What is it that you
21 said?

22 A. On -- as of September 12th, 2008, to the best of
23 my recollection, the primary dealer credit facility
24 was -- had a list of asset classes and credit quality
25 that it would -- were acceptable collateral. Structured

1 asset-backed securities were in the group of acceptable
2 collateral.

3 However, there was a restriction on that
4 particular class of collateral, that because of the
5 severe illiquidity in markets, that in order for the
6 collateral to be acceptable, that there had to be a
7 third-party price or price available for the particular
8 security that was being pledged.

9 Q. Let me see if I understand what you're saying.
10 The PDCF did not have a general requirement that it
11 would only take collateral that had prices available,
12 correct?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. But as of September 12th, with respect to a
15 particular asset class, that is, structured asset-backed
16 securities, there was a requirement that there be a
17 third-party price.

18 A. That was my understanding, yes.

19 Q. Now, first, was there any requirement that that
20 third-party price be a price at which transactions were
21 actually taking place?

22 A. I do not recall whether it was or not.

23 Q. Was the third-party price satisfied by somebody,
24 who was not the dealer posting the structured
25 asset-backed securities, reporting that they believed

1 that that was an appropriate price, even though there
2 were no transactions taking place at that price and even
3 though the third party was not prepared to do a
4 transaction at that price?

5 MS. ACEVEDO: Your Honor, I am going to object.
6 That's a very long and confusing question. If he could
7 rephrase, I would appreciate it.

8 THE COURT: I think that's fair, and maybe we
9 can break that up a little bit.

10 MR. BOIES: Sure.

11 BY MR. BOIES:

12 Q. With respect to structured asset-backed
13 securities, as of September 12th -- and even more so a
14 few days thereafter -- there were essentially no
15 transactions taking place in the marketplace, correct?

16 A. There may have been a few, but it would be a
17 very small number.

18 Q. And as a result there were no actual transaction
19 prices for the vast majority of structured asset-backed
20 securities, correct?

21 A. That is true, yes.

22 Q. So, when you refer to a third-party price,
23 you're referring to a third party's prediction of a
24 market price, not a price at which a third party is
25 prepared to do a transaction, correct?

1 A. Most likely.

2 Q. Okay. Later in September, the week of September
3 16th, were you aware of the extent to which the PDCF
4 accepted as collateral illiquid collateral as to which
5 there was not a third-party price?

6 A. Yes. I forget which day, but during the week of
7 September 16th, the collateral rules for the primary
8 dealer credit facility were expanded to include
9 additional asset classes, as well as, to the best of my
10 recollection, removing the restriction having to do with
11 prices for structured and asset-backed securities.

12 Q. So that sometime on or about September 16th, the
13 requirement that there be what we referred to as a
14 third-party price for structured asset-backed securities
15 was removed?

16 A. That's my understanding, yes. To the best of my
17 recollection, excuse me.

18 Q. You referred to -- what you referred to as group
19 lending with the TSLF and the PDCF as examples. Do you
20 recall that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. I'm sorry?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Now, with respect to the statute involved,
25 Section 13(3), there is no reference in Section 13(3) to

1 group lending or broad-based facilities, correct?

2 MS. ACEVEDO: Objection. Foundation, Your
3 Honor.

4 THE COURT: Overruled. She can tell us what she
5 knows.

6 THE WITNESS: It's been a very long time since
7 I've read the Federal Reserve Act, but that's my
8 recollection.

9 BY MR. BOIES:

10 Q. And your recollection is that that is the
11 statute that authorizes lending to any individual,
12 partnership, or corporation, correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And those words in the statute are all in the
15 singular, correct?

16 A. I don't remember, but...

17 Q. Do you at least remember that until March of
18 2008, there had never been what you referred to as a
19 group lending or broad-based credit facility under
20 13(3)?

21 A. That was my understanding, but I had not done a
22 comprehensive historical look.

23 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, I pass the witness.

24 THE COURT: All right.

25 Do you have anything further, Ms. Acevedo?

1 MS. ACEVEDO: Just a couple of questions, Your
2 Honor.

3 THE COURT: All right.

4 RECROSS EXAMINATION

5 BY MS. ACEVEDO:

6 Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Mosser.

7 A. Good afternoon.

8 Q. If I could just have you turn to DX 276 with me.

9 A. 276?

10 Q. Yes. Mr. Boies asked you about the accuracy of
11 the last sentence there on the first page, referencing
12 whether or not AIG had approached third-party -- any
13 private financial institutions about providing such
14 bridge financing. Do you see that?

15 A. I do.

16 Q. Okay. And did you believe that statement to be
17 accurate at the time that you wrote your notes?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And do you believe it to be accurate now?

20 A. I have no memory that it is not accurate, so
21 yes.

22 Q. Okay. And Mr. Boies also asked you about 256,
23 if you could just turn to that.

24 At this meeting on September 12th, did you have
25 any information about AIG's situation other than the

1 information AIG was telling you?

2 A. No.

3 Q. And if we can turn to DX 280, Mr. Boies asked
4 you some questions about the health of the insurance
5 subsidiaries, and I wanted to direct you to the last
6 sentence of the paragraph under "NYSID," and it says
7 there (as read): "My impression is that while they are
8 comfortable with capital dilution at the P&C companies,
9 they are less knowledgeable and comfortable about the
10 life insurance companies." Do you see that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Do you recall what you knew at this time about
13 AIG's life insurance subsidiaries?

14 A. I knew exactly what is written on this page and
15 what Mr. Dinallo had told me.

16 Q. Okay. And I have one final question, and that
17 is with respect to your suggestion to Mr. Geithner in
18 the early morning call that happened on Tuesday,
19 September 16th. Do you recall your testimony about
20 that? Mr. Boies asked you about it on Monday.

21 A. Is this the telephone call?

22 Q. Yeah, the telephone call in the middle of the --
23 the very early hours of Tuesday morning --

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. -- where you gave Mr. Geithner a recommendation

1 with respect to how -- with respect to whether or not
2 the New York Fed should lend to AIG. Do you recall
3 that?

4 A. I don't recall giving that -- giving that
5 recommendation on the telephone call.

6 Q. Oh, I see. And how did you give that
7 recommendation?

8 A. I gave that recommendation in an email.

9 Q. Okay. And irrespective of the form in which you
10 gave that recommendation, you did do so. Is that right?

11 A. I did.

12 Q. Okay. And if the New York Fed had followed your
13 suggestion on Tuesday morning of allowing the AIG parent
14 to go bankrupt and using the New York Fed's resources to
15 protect only the subsidiaries, what would have happened
16 to the shareholders of the parent?

17 A. Their equity valuations would most -- the value
18 of their equity would most likely have been zero.

19 Q. Thank you.

20 I have no further questions, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: All right.

22 Dr. Mosser, thank you very much for your
23 testimony as well as your patience in this matter. You
24 are excused.

25 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

1 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, we call as our next
2 witness Alejandro LaTorre.

3 THE COURT: Good afternoon and welcome.

4 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Please raise your right hand,
6 please.

7 Whereupon--

8 ALEJANDRO LATORRE

9 a witness, called for examination, having been first
10 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

11 THE COURT: Please be seated.

12 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

13 DIRECT EXAMINATION

14 BY MR. BOIES:

15 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. LaTorre.

16 A. Good afternoon.

17 Q. We haven't met, but my name is David Boies, and
18 you understand that I am representing the Plaintiff in
19 this case?

20 A. Yes, I do.

21 Q. You first became aware of AIG's liquidity
22 problem on the night of September 12th, 2008, when you
23 attended a meeting between AIG management and Federal
24 Reserve Bank of New York personnel, correct?

25 A. Yes, that is correct.

1 Q. And at that meeting, AIG management described
2 the extreme liquidity pressures that the firm was
3 facing, correct?

4 A. Yes, it did.

5 Q. And they described what the consequences would
6 be of further downgrades, correct?

7 A. Yes, they did.

8 Q. And they described their portfolios, literally
9 portfolio by portfolio, giving you a description of
10 their exposures, correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. You also participated, as the weekend
13 progressed, in discussions with respect to whether and
14 on what terms the Federal Reserve might make a loan
15 available to AIG, correct?

16 A. I -- yes. I participated in discussions that
17 helped to create options for policymakers around whether
18 or not they should consider lending to AIG.

19 Q. And in addition to that, you were present at a
20 discussion about the need or desire to impose punitive
21 terms if a loan was, in fact, made to AIG, correct?

22 A. Yes. I was present at discussions where, in a
23 broad sense, there was a desire to not reward AIG for
24 poor risk management practices, but not necessarily on
25 the specific details or terms of the loan.

1 Q. Now, you say you were present at discussions
2 where people talked about not wanting to reward AIG for
3 poor risk management practices. Did anyone identify, in
4 your presence, any poor risk management practice that
5 AIG had engaged in?

6 A. No one in those discussions identified specific
7 practices, but based --

8 Q. That's my question.

9 A. Sure.

10 Q. I'd like you just to listen to what my question
11 is.

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. At any time through September 16th, did anyone
14 identify any specific poor risk management practice that
15 they believed AIG had engaged in? That's yes or no, and
16 if it's a yes, I'll ask some more questions, and if it's
17 a no, we can move on.

18 A. No.

19 Q. What is the answer?

20 A. No.

21 Q. And you were present at discussions in which
22 people talked about imposing punitive terms if a loan
23 was to be made? And I'm meaning to use the word
24 "punitive," and that word was used in the discussions
25 that you were aware of, correct, sir?

1 A. I -- no, I was not involved in any discussions
2 regarding the terms of a loan, punitive or otherwise.

3 Q. So, it's your testimony that the -- there was
4 not any discussion that you were aware of about the need
5 to impose punitive terms if a loan was to be made to
6 AIG?

7 A. Yes. I was aware and present in discussions
8 where punitive terms were talked about in the context of
9 not rewarding AIG's poor risk management practices, but
10 not with any specificity.

11 Q. But they did talk about imposing punitive terms.

12 A. They did, yes.

13 Q. Do you know whether there was any effort made to
14 assess whether AIG's risk management practices, as
15 you've described them, were better or worse than other
16 companies that were in financial distress?

17 A. No, there was not.

18 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Exhibit
19 334, which is in your binder and which I'd like to
20 offer.

21 A. I see the exhibit.

22 MR. SCARLATO: Your Honor, I see an indication
23 of an attachment but don't see the attachment, but
24 otherwise, we have no objection. I don't know if this
25 is a complete document, but...

1 MR. BOIES: I don't know if it's a complete
2 document either, Your Honor. This is, as I understand
3 it, how it was produced to us. If --

4 MR. SCARLATO: Well, as long as Mr. Boies only
5 intends to talk about the document that's here, we have
6 no objection.

7 THE COURT: All right. Plaintiffs' Trial
8 Exhibit 334 is admitted.

9 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 334 was admitted
10 into evidence.)

11 BY MR. BOIES:

12 Q. This is an email from you, dated October 31,
13 2008, at 6:43 p.m. Is that correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And to whom did this email go?

16 A. This email is addressed to Steve Manzari, Paul
17 Whynott, and Jim Mahoney. They were members of the
18 Federal Reserve who were involved in the Maiden Lane II
19 and Maiden Lane III structures.

20 Q. Counsel suggests there might have been an
21 attachment to this email. Was there an attachment to
22 this email?

23 A. I believe there is. If you flip the page, you
24 will see a spreadsheet, but I don't -- I don't recall
25 what the details of that attachment are.

1 Q. Your email says, "Steve asked me to send along
2 to you some analysis that quantifies how much upside AIG
3 would be giving up by participating in the Maiden Lane
4 II and III structures."

5 Do you see that?

6 A. Yes, I do.

7 Q. Who is Steve?

8 A. That is Steve Manzari, who was the individual
9 who I reported to at this time for the purposes of
10 Maiden Lane III.

11 Q. You then say, in bold letters, "Please do not
12 share this analysis with the rating agencies." Do you
13 see that?

14 A. I do see that.

15 Q. Why were you so determined not to have this
16 analysis shared with rating agencies?

17 A. It wasn't necessarily my determination. It's
18 not clear to me, looking at this email now, whether that
19 was an instruction passed along to me by Steve or
20 whether that was an instruction that I volunteered. I'm
21 imagining, looking at this email now, that Steve had
22 asked me to do that, in addition to sending along the
23 analysis.

24 Q. To the extent that this was something that you,
25 in your language, "volunteered," do you have any memory

1 of what the reason was?

2 A. I do not.

3 Q. To the extent that this was something that Steve
4 or someone else asked you to do, do you have any memory
5 as to what the reason was?

6 A. I do not.

7 Q. You then say, "In summary, the growth in value
8 (in billions) without ML II and III are: Optimistic,
9 \$110,170,000,000; Base Case, \$81,780,000,000; Stress
10 Case, \$62,970,000,000." Do you see that?

11 A. I do.

12 Q. And then you go on to say, "The growth in value
13 (in billions) with ML II and ML III are: Optimistic,
14 \$15,570,000,000; Base, \$11,210,000,000; and Stress,
15 \$5,960,000,000." Do you see that?

16 A. Yes, I do.

17 Q. And you then say, "Note, the ML III figures
18 assume that AIG has funded all the CDS, meaning that
19 they paid out par to counterparties and acquired the
20 underlying CDO; this makes it a little more 'apples to
21 apples' with the ML II numbers."

22 Do you see that?

23 A. I do.

24 Q. Were these estimates or quantifications of how
25 much upside AIG would be giving up by participating in

1 the ML II and ML III structures something that you had
2 prepared?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Who had prepared these?

5 A. BlackRock had prepared these.

6 Q. And who had retained BlackRock to do this?

7 A. Ultimately, we retained BlackRock. I don't know
8 at what point in time -- I don't recall whether or not
9 this email preceded the actual retainment of BlackRock
10 or whether it was after. I just -- I can't remember.

11 Q. When you say that ultimately "we" retained
12 BlackRock, who is the "we" there? Is that the Federal
13 Reserve Bank of New York?

14 A. That is correct.

15 Q. Let me ask you to look next at Plaintiffs' Trial
16 Exhibit 385 --

17 A. Okay.

18 Q. -- which I would offer. Oh, I'm told it's
19 already in.

20 MR. SCARLATO: No objection, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: We will go on the basis that it's
22 already in.

23 MR. SCARLATO: No objection.

24 BY MR. BOIES:

25 Q. Is this a document that you're familiar with,

1 sir?

2 A. Yes, I am.

3 Q. And what is this document?

4 A. This document is a presentation that I made to
5 the investment committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of
6 New York. The investment committee was responsible for
7 managing the Maiden Lane III facility.

8 Q. Now, did you prepare this presentation yourself?

9 A. I believe I did prepare the presentation itself,
10 but I did rely on information that was provided by
11 BlackRock.

12 Q. With respect to the extent to which you used
13 information that was provided by BlackRock, did you
14 satisfy yourself that it was sufficiently reliable
15 information to present to the investment committee?

16 A. I was not in a position to verify BlackRock's
17 projections, not having the detailed knowledge of their
18 assumptions.

19 Q. Did you ask them what their assumptions were?

20 A. I don't recall asking them specifically what
21 their assumptions were for the purposes of this
22 presentation, but I did ultimately become aware of what
23 they were at a very high level.

24 Q. Were you aware of the assumptions prior to
25 making the presentation?

1 A. I don't recall.

2 Q. Did you make any effort to find out what the
3 assumptions were prior to this presentation?

4 A. I don't believe so.

5 Q. Did you believe that any assumptions that
6 BlackRock had made were material to the reliability of
7 the information that is presented here?

8 A. Again, I wasn't in a position to evaluate on any
9 level what the assumptions were, and I don't recall
10 asking about them in anticipation of this presentation.

11 Q. You were in a position to ask them what their
12 assumptions were, weren't you?

13 A. Yes, I was.

14 Q. Did you do that?

15 A. I don't remember if I did that in anticipation
16 of this presentation, but ultimately -- I do recall that
17 throughout the duration of discussions with BlackRock,
18 that they did share with us what the assumptions -- what
19 the assumptions were at a very high level.

20 Q. Did you ever disagree with any of those
21 assumptions to BlackRock?

22 A. I did not.

23 Q. Let me ask you to look next at Plaintiffs' Trial
24 Exhibit 1817, which I would offer.

25 MR. SCARLATO: Your Honor, we object on hearsay

1 grounds. It appears to be an email from BlackRock, a
2 third party. Also, it again seems to be missing an
3 attachment.

4 MR. BOIES: I can put the entire document in
5 front of the witness.

6 BY MR. BOIES:

7 Q. While we're getting the document, this is a
8 document that was sent from somebody at BlackRock to you
9 and other people at the Federal Reserve, correct?

10 A. Yes. This is an email sent to Paul Whynott and
11 myself.

12 Q. And what was the purpose of this?

13 A. If I could just take a moment to review the
14 attachments.

15 Q. Sure.

16 A. (Document review.) These were background
17 materials that BlackRock provided to us describing the
18 positions of the various counterparties -- CDS
19 counterparties that AIG had and describing, to some
20 extent, the history of AIG's negotiations with those
21 counterparties, in addition to analysis on the
22 underlying values of the CDOs.

23 Q. And did you use this information in any way?

24 A. I -- I did review this information, but I don't
25 recall it having any material impact in terms of what I

1 did that weekend. It was mostly looked at as background
2 information.

3 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, I will temporarily
4 withdraw the offer until I complete the examination and
5 see if there's a further basis.

6 THE COURT: Well, I was going to allow it on the
7 following grounds: I think that when the United States
8 Government retains a consultant to provide information,
9 I don't think you keep it out on hearsay grounds. I
10 think the Government adopts whatever it is the outside
11 consultant submits.

12 MR. SCARLATO: Your Honor, I'd hate to object on
13 foundation grounds to your statements, but I don't know
14 if that foundation has been laid and testified to as to
15 BlackRock, at least.

16 THE COURT: Well, maybe not with this witness,
17 but I think we know who BlackRock is and what their
18 involvement was.

19 MR. SCARLATO: I don't know if that's true or
20 not, but if Your Honor accepts that premise, we would --

21 THE COURT: I'm pretty sure that's the case.

22 MR. SCARLATO: Okay.

23 MR. BOIES: Let me just cover that, to be clear,
24 with the witness.

25 THE COURT: All right.

1 BY MR. BOIES:

2 Q. When BlackRock sent you this material, they were
3 sending you this material for the Federal Reserve Bank
4 of New York's use in attempting to negotiate concessions
5 with or from counterparties in connection with the
6 ML III transaction, correct?

7 A. Yes. I think BlackRock's intent was to help
8 inform those discussions using these documents.

9 THE COURT: Well, for the reasons stated,
10 Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 1817 is admitted.

11 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 1817 was admitted
12 into evidence.)

13 BY MR. BOIES:

14 Q. Let me ask you to look next at Joint Exhibit
15 141, which is in your binder.

16 A. I see it.

17 Q. And this is an email or a series of emails, and
18 at the top, there is an email from you to various other
19 Federal Reserve personnel on the subject of "AIG
20 questions from our meeting with Governors Kohn and
21 Warsh." Do you see that?

22 A. I do.

23 Q. And the bottom email is an email that goes to a
24 large number of people from Michael Gibson, correct?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And this memorandum or email reports on a
2 meeting that had been held with Governors Kohn and Warsh
3 to update them on the package of measures being prepared
4 for AIG, correct?

5 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat your question?

6 Q. Yes.

7 The email at the bottom, from Michael Gibson
8 that goes to Sarah Dahlgren and a large number of other
9 Federal Reserve Board and Federal Reserve Bank of New
10 York personnel, which is then forwarded on to a variety
11 of other people, including yourself --

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. -- is an email describing a meeting with Federal
14 Reserve Board of Governors Kohn and Warsh, correct?

15 A. Yes, it looks that way.

16 Q. And you saw this at the time, correct?

17 A. Yes, I did.

18 Q. And the governors at this meeting asked two
19 questions that the people participating in the meeting
20 did not know the answers to. One was, who is overseeing
21 the tear-up process on the CDSs? Do you see that?

22 A. I do.

23 Q. And it says there are two issues with respect to
24 the tear-up processes on the CDSs, concessions and
25 Goldman. Do you see that?

1 A. I do see that.

2 Q. And the paragraph in the top third of the page,
3 headed "Concessions," do you see that?

4 A. I do see that.

5 Q. It says, "Concessions:"

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. "The worry is that giving the counterparties par
8 in exchange for the underlying CDO security might be
9 giving them a gift -- they no longer have AIG credit
10 risk, and whatever CVA they have taken against potential
11 future exposure to AIG will be released upon tear-up.
12 If a counterparty has not received all the collateral it
13 has called for, the tear-up eliminates current exposure
14 also."

15 Do you see that?

16 A. I do see that.

17 Q. It then goes on to say, "On the other hand, AIG
18 is now receiving government support so the perceived
19 credit risk of AIG is less. Also, AIG needs to get the
20 CDS torn up to put its problems behind it, so its
21 bargaining power may be weak."

22 Do you see that?

23 A. Yes, I do.

24 Q. Now, were you a participant after this email was
25 sent on November 1, 2008, in any discussions about

1 whether it was or was not appropriate to give the
2 counterparties par in exchange for the underlying CDO
3 securities?

4 A. Yes, I was involved in the counterparty
5 negotiations where we did attempt to extract
6 concessions, but I was not involved in the
7 decision-making process around whether or not to
8 determine -- whether or not to obtain those concessions.

9 Q. With which counterparties did you personally
10 negotiate?

11 A. So, I remember participating in meetings with
12 two counterparties where concessions were discussed. I
13 was not the lead individual in the discussion. One of
14 those counterparties was UBS, and the other counterparty
15 I cannot remember precisely, but I believe it was one of
16 the French banks.

17 Q. Where did these negotiations take place?

18 A. They -- the negotiations were held via
19 conference call in the offices of the Federal Reserve
20 Bank of New York.

21 Q. And who was the lead negotiator?

22 A. It depended on the counterparty.

23 Q. For UBS?

24 A. The lead negotiator for UBS was Michael Alix.

25 Q. And for the French bank?

1 A. It was Terry Checki.

2 Q. And when did the UBS negotiation take place?

3 A. Unfortunately, I don't -- I don't remember
4 exactly over the course of that weekend when
5 negotiations took place. It's a very big blur.

6 Q. Was it before or after November 6th?

7 A. I don't remember precisely.

8 Q. The same question with respect to the French
9 bank. Was that negotiation before or after November
10 6th?

11 A. I don't remember when those negotiations took
12 place exactly.

13 Q. Did you have a script that you used or that the
14 lead negotiator used in dealing with the counterparties?

15 A. I did prepare a script for the lead negotiators
16 in the counterparty discussions.

17 Q. And have you seen that script in any of the
18 materials that you have given in preparation for this
19 testimony?

20 A. I don't recall -- I don't recall seeing that
21 script.

22 Q. Do you know what happened to that script?

23 A. I do not.

24 Q. When was the last time you saw that script?

25 A. I don't remember exactly, but I know that I

1 created one.

2 Q. And this was something that you created
3 personally?

4 A. Yes. I personally created the script with input
5 from my colleagues.

6 Q. Which colleagues?

7 A. Paul Whynott mostly.

8 Q. Now, the par value of the assets that -- the
9 CDSs that were going to be part of ML III was a \$62.1
10 billion notational value. Is that correct?

11 A. Yes. I believe that's approximately correct.

12 Q. And did you have any discussion or were there
13 any discussions that you were present at with any
14 counterparty concerning the giving of releases?

15 A. I don't recall being part of any discussions
16 involving releases.

17 Q. Either with counterparties or with respect to
18 other people at the Federal Reserve?

19 A. I don't recall any discussion about releases
20 with anyone.

21 Q. Do you know whether the counterparties were, in
22 fact, given releases?

23 A. I don't know whether the counterparties were, in
24 fact, given releases.

25 Q. Was anyone from AIG participating in discussions

1 with counterparties on or after November 1 of 2008?

2 A. I can say that we did not participate jointly
3 with AIG in those counterparty discussions. So, AIG was
4 not part of the discussions we had with counterparties
5 over the time frame in which we had them.

6 Q. Let me ask you to look at Plaintiffs' Trial
7 Exhibit 405, which I would offer.

8 A. I see the exhibit.

9 MR. SCARLATO: No objection, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 405 is
11 admitted.

12 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 405 was admitted
13 into evidence.)

14 BY MR. BOIES:

15 Q. And the top email is an email from you, dated
16 January 14, 2009, at 10:41 a.m. Do you see that?

17 A. I do see that.

18 Q. And you write, "Thanks, Jim. If we can avoid
19 disclosing, I agree with Jim we should pursue that as we
20 would like to keep the entire schedule confidential."

21 Do you see that?

22 A. I do see that.

23 Q. Now, what was the schedule that you wanted to
24 keep confidential?

25 A. If memory serves me correctly, the schedule had

1 CUSIP numbers or essentially identifiers for individual
2 CDO bonds, and it had the prices that ML III paid for
3 those CDO bonds, as well as the names of the
4 counterparties to which the bonds were acquired from.

5 Q. Now, you were trying to keep confidential not
6 merely the CUSIP numbers but the entire schedule,
7 correct?

8 A. Yes, that is correct.

9 Q. Who had you had discussions with about the
10 desirability of keeping the entire schedule, including
11 the names of the counterparties, confidential?

12 A. So, the conversations I remember most vividly
13 that I personally had about the schedule were with Jim
14 Bergin.

15 Q. And Mr. Bergin is in the Legal Department of the
16 Federal Reserve Bank?

17 A. That is correct.

18 Q. Let me ask you to look next at Plaintiffs' Trial
19 Exhibit 450, which I would offer.

20 A. I see the exhibit.

21 MR. SCARLATO: No objection, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Plaintiffs' Trial Exhibit 450 is
23 admitted.

24 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit Number 450 was admitted
25 into evidence.)

1 BY MR. BOIES:

2 Q. And the top email is from you to Mr. Bergin,
3 with copies to a number of other people, including Sarah
4 Dahlgren. Do you see that?

5 A. I do see that.

6 Q. And other than Sarah Dahlgren and James
7 Hennessy, who I think we've identified, can you please
8 identify, by position, the other persons who were
9 receiving copies of this?

10 A. So, Helen Mucciolo was the senior vice president
11 responsible for managing the Maiden Lane III facility.
12 Joyce Hansen is the deputy general counsel for the
13 Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Michael Nelson is an
14 attorney also for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

15 Q. You write, "Keeping aside the political
16 posturing for the moment, is there a more fundamental
17 concern that Congress has that we can address absent
18 provision of names." And the names that you refer to
19 there are the ML III counterparty names, correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. You say, "If we can be responsive to that
22 concern I wonder if there is a way to get them off the
23 fixation on counterparty names." Do you see that?

24 A. Yes, I do.

25 Q. Did you ever receive a response to that email?

1 A. I believe that I did based on the email that
2 follows below that from Jim Bergin. But I don't know if
3 he responded -- I don't recall any response directly to
4 the concerns that I had, which were around disclosing
5 the CDO names and the schedule, which could ultimately
6 make it more difficult or more uneconomical for Maiden
7 Lane III to sell those positions later, and I didn't see
8 any direct response to the concerns that I had around
9 releasing the counterparty names would ultimately make
10 it more difficult for AIGFP to unwind the remainder of
11 its derivatives contracts. That was my concern that I
12 was trying to express in this particular email.

13 So, I was acknowledging that there was a
14 legitimate right for Congress to know and understand
15 what has happened, but I was wondering if there was a
16 way that we could actually address that question without
17 prejudicing the ability of Maiden Lane III to recoup --
18 and ultimately AIG -- to recoup full value on the CDOs
19 or prejudicing FP's ability to unwind the remaining CDS,
20 because ultimately, that was the mission of Maiden Lane
21 III. The objective was to make sure that FP would not
22 continue to destabilize the financial system or
23 destabilize AIG.

24 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, I am going to move to
25 strike the answer as nonresponsive. I rarely do this in

1 a bench trial, but all I said is did you ever receive a
2 response to that email, and I got that -- that speech.

3 THE WITNESS: So, the short answer is I don't
4 recall any specific response to -- to what I said, but
5 there is an email from James Bergin that follows below
6 this, which I -- I don't know if that's a response to
7 this.

8 MR. SCARLATO: Your Honor, regarding the pending
9 objection, we would -- we would ask the Court to allow
10 that previous answer in. He was just explaining the
11 "why" of the question that Mr. Boies had.

12 THE COURT: I don't know that it makes a lot of
13 difference one way or the other, so I'll overrule the
14 motion to strike.

15 MR. SCARLATO: Thank you, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: But I would ask the witness to
17 listen carefully to the questions.

18 THE WITNESS: Yes.

19 BY MR. BOIES:

20 Q. Who told you that releasing the counterparty
21 names might ultimately make it more difficult for AIGFP
22 to unwind the remainder of its derivatives contracts, if
23 anyone?

24 A. That was my personal view.

25 Q. Did anybody tell you that?

1 A. No, but that view was shared by others.

2 Q. Who else shared that view?

3 A. Michael Alix shared that view.

4 Q. Anybody else?

5 A. I believe Sarah Dahlgren also shared that view.

6 Q. Anyone else?

7 A. I don't -- I don't recall anyone else
8 specifically.

9 Q. Did you ever have any discussions with anyone as
10 to what AIG's position was with respect to that?

11 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat the question?

12 Q. Yes. Did you ever have any discussions with
13 anyone as to what AIG's position was as to whether
14 releasing the counterparty names would make it difficult
15 for AIGFP to unwind the remainder of its derivatives
16 contracts?

17 A. I personally did not have a -- I personally do
18 not recall a conversation I had with AIG surrounding
19 those relationships.

20 Q. Okay.

21 A. But I -- I think it was --

22 Q. That was my question.

23 A. I'm sorry. I'll stop there. My apologies.

24 Q. Did you ever have any conversation with anyone
25 at AIG as to whether AIG wanted to keep the counterparty

1 names confidential?

2 A. I personally did not have any discussion with
3 AIG surrounding the confidentiality of the counterparty
4 names.

5 Q. Do you know anyone who did?

6 A. I -- I don't recall any specific person who did.

7 MR. BOIES: Your Honor, I pass the witness.

8 THE COURT: All right, very well.

9 Cross examination? Go ahead, Mr. Scarlato.

10 MR. SCARLATO: Thank you, Your Honor.

11 CROSS EXAMINATION

12 BY MR. SCARLATO:

13 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. LaTorre.

14 A. Good afternoon.

15 Q. Mr. LaTorre, we will cover some of the areas
16 that you just discussed with Mr. Boies, but I'd like to
17 start by stepping back just to give some context.

18 Can you start by describing for the Court your
19 educational background?

20 A. So, I have a bachelor's of science in economics
21 from Binghamton University; I have a master's of
22 science in statistics, with applications to finance,
23 from New York University; and I have an MBA in finance
24 also from New York University.

25 Q. And what's your current position?

1 A. Currently I'm a vice president in the financial
2 institutions supervision group.

3 Q. In the New York Fed? Otherwise known as the New
4 York Fed?

5 A. That's right.

6 Q. I'm sorry.

7 And when did you start working at the New York
8 Fed?

9 A. I began my career at the New York Fed in July of
10 1996.

11 Q. And what was your position at that time?

12 A. I was a research assistant.

13 Q. And what were your responsibilities as a
14 research assistant?

15 A. My responsibilities were to support economists
16 in academic research around capital markets and
17 derivatives valuation issues.

18 Q. And how long did you hold that position?

19 A. Approximately two years.

20 Q. And what did you do next at the New York Fed?

21 A. Afterwards, I moved to the bank supervision
22 group, and I took on several roles in evaluating firms'
23 statistical models as well as their risk management
24 practices.

25 Q. I'm not sure the Court's -- it's been explained

1 to the Court before. Can you describe what the
2 supervision group does at the New York Fed?

3 A. The financial institutions supervision group
4 today is responsible for providing regulatory oversight
5 for the institutions that fall under our supervisory
6 review, so predominantly bank holding companies and all
7 foreign banks operating in the United States and
8 state-owned banks.

9 Q. And how long did you hold that position?

10 A. I held several positions throughout that period.
11 In total, it lasted approximately six years.

12 Q. Okay. And what was your next position?

13 A. I was assigned to the open market desk, the
14 markets group, for approximately 2 1/2 years.

15 Q. And what's the open markets desk?

16 A. The open market desk is the monetary policy
17 implementation arm of the Federal Reserve System.

18 Q. Okay. And how does that -- how do you effect
19 that implementation arm in the Federal Reserve System?
20 What do you do?

21 A. I think the easiest way of describing what the
22 desk does is that, number one, it implements monetary
23 policy on behalf of the Federal Open Market Committee,
24 and it is the eyes and ears of the Federal Open Market
25 Committee in financial markets.

1 So, to the extent that there are changes in
2 financial conditions that would help inform the Federal
3 Open Market Committee about what is the appropriate
4 setting for monetary policy, the markets group would
5 provide that information on financial conditions.

6 Q. Can you briefly describe how the markets group
7 is the eyes and ears?

8 A. So, on a day-to-day basis, members of the
9 markets group will talk to market participants,
10 primarily primary dealers, but it could be a broad array
11 of market participants. They are also looking at market
12 data to understand what developments have taken place.

13 Q. And who did you report to at that time, when you
14 were on the open market desk?

15 A. I reported to Patricia Mosser.

16 Q. And you had that position until about October of
17 2008?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. And just so that the Court understands, by that
20 time, about October 2008, what prior experience had you
21 had regarding financial derivatives contracts?

22 A. So, prior to October 2008, I had spent the
23 majority of my career at the Fed understanding how firms
24 used derivatives contracts, understanding how they risk
25 managed with them, and understanding how they measured

1 the risk associated with them for capital purposes.

2 Q. And it's fair to say a CDS is a form of a
3 derivatives contract. Is that right?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Okay. Okay, I'd like now -- to turn now to --
6 you discussed earlier your initial contact with AIG
7 around September 12th, 2008. Is that -- am I right?

8 A. That is correct.

9 Q. Okay. And what do you recall happening on that
10 day?

11 A. I recall that it was a Friday evening, and I
12 received a phone call from Brian Peters, who was a
13 senior vice president in the bank supervision group, to
14 attend a meeting at AIG. Essentially my instructions
15 were to observe and report the outcome of that meeting.

16 Q. Okay. Did you, in fact, observe and report at
17 that meeting?

18 A. Yes, I did.

19 Q. If you can turn -- I believe you now have a
20 white binder, a new binder?

21 A. I do.

22 Q. Can you turn to DX 249 in that binder, which I
23 understand is already in evidence, Your Honor.

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And do you recognize this document?

1 A. I do recognize this document.

2 Q. What is it?

3 A. This is the summary that I created after the
4 meeting that I sent to then President Geithner as well
5 as other senior staff within the Federal Reserve Bank of
6 New York.

7 THE COURT: Can I ask a question, Mr. Scarlato?

8 MR. SCARLATO: Of course, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: I have heard a lot of testimony,
10 Mr. LaTorre, about meetings at AIG. It seems like the
11 parties are able to quickly get together to have a
12 meeting, and I'm wondering where the AIG offices are
13 located in comparison to where the Federal Reserve Bank
14 of New York is located.

15 THE WITNESS: The AIG offices are located -- the
16 head office was located a short distance away, within
17 walking distance, approximately, I would say, five to
18 ten minutes.

19 THE COURT: So, it's an easy thing to get
20 together?

21 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

22 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

23 MR. SCARLATO: Thank you, Your Honor.

24 BY MR. SCARLATO:

25 Q. And that meeting was at AIG, the September 12th

1 meeting?

2 A. Yes. That meeting was in their head offices.

3 Q. Okay. And so we're clear, at this point, at the
4 time of this meeting at AIG on September 12th, what
5 prior knowledge did you have about AIG's financial
6 condition?

7 A. I personally did not have any prior knowledge of
8 their financial condition. The only -- the only thing I
9 knew was that AIG was a very large insurance company.

10 Q. So, in your time at the New York Fed, did you
11 have any direct contact with AIG before September 12th?

12 A. No, I did not. Prior to that date, I was, you
13 know, in the markets group and in the bank supervision
14 group, and we did not supervise or regulate AIG. So, I
15 wouldn't have had the opportunity to get that knowledge.

16 Q. Turning to the meeting, am I correct in
17 believing that the people's names on the copy line, the
18 CC line, were the New York Fed representatives that
19 attended the meeting with you?

20 A. Yes, that is correct.

21 Q. Okay. And who else do you recall being at that
22 meeting?

23 A. I recall there were members of the Board of
24 Governors at the meeting, as well as senior management
25 at AIG.

1 Q. Were the Board of Governors representatives in
2 person or on the phone?

3 A. They were on the phone.

4 Q. Okay. And how many AIG representatives do you
5 recall being at this meeting?

6 A. I -- I recall at least a dozen, if not more.

7 Q. Okay. And what's your understanding of the
8 purpose of this September 12th meeting?

9 A. The purpose of the meeting was to listen to what
10 they were prepared to explain to us, but prior to the
11 meeting, I didn't have any preparation or understanding
12 of what that meeting was about. I was just told to go.

13 Q. And does this email, DX 249, reflect what AIG
14 told you at this meeting?

15 A. Yes, it does.

16 Q. Okay. And I'm looking at the -- if you can turn
17 to the second full paragraph, it starts, "The key
18 takeaway is that they" -- I believe meaning AIG -- "are
19 potentially facing a severe run on their liquidity over
20 the course of the next several (approximately 10) days
21 if they are downgraded by Moody's and S&P early next
22 week."

23 Is that your recollection of what AIG told you
24 at this meeting?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And turning to the last sentence in that
2 paragraph, it states, "They estimate that they might
3 have to pay out \$18.6B across the firm over the course
4 of next week if they were downgraded."

5 Is that also consistent with your recollection
6 of what AIG told you in this meeting?

7 A. That is consistent with my recollection.

8 Q. And I believe the next part explains where the
9 18.6 billion comes from. Is that fair?

10 A. That is correct, yes.

11 Q. And if you look at the last four items, it's
12 collateral postings and derivatives contracts. Can you
13 explain what that means?

14 A. These were the liquidity offloads arising from
15 AIG's derivatives contracts with its counterparties.

16 Q. And that would include the CDS contracts you
17 talked about earlier?

18 A. That is correct.

19 Q. So, am I reading that correctly, that at that
20 time, AIG believed it only had a \$5 billion potential
21 need relating to those contracts?

22 A. Yes. At that point in time, that was AIG's
23 understanding of what its collateral postings had been
24 up to that point in time.

25 Q. Thank you.

1 If you can turn next to the following paragraph,
2 that last sentence states, "They have enough liquidity
3 to last until September 26th." So, was that your
4 understanding at the time, on September 12th, that AIG
5 told you they had until September 26th until they ran
6 out of liquidity?

7 A. Yes, that was my understanding, because the
8 company was under the threat of imminent downgrade by
9 the rating agencies.

10 Q. And if you could just turn now, the last point
11 on this document, the last paragraph of the first page.
12 Can you read that, following onto the next page, and
13 explain what you learned there as reflected in that
14 piece of DX 249?

15 A. Should I read this out loud or --

16 Q. Read it to yourself and then just explain what
17 it means. Thank you.

18 A. (Document review.) My interpretation of this
19 sentence is that AIG was facing an extreme crisis and
20 that they had no actionable plans in order to take
21 measures to alleviate that crisis.

22 Q. And it says there (as read): "no concrete plans
23 to generate short-term -- near-term." Excuse me. What
24 does that mean?

25 A. That is correct. It means that they did not

1 share a plan with us at the meeting explaining how the
2 company, using its own resources, was going to address
3 the liquidity pressures.

4 Q. Okay. And in that September 12th meeting, do
5 you recall any other discussions with AIG that occurred,
6 other than the information reflected in this exhibit,
7 DX 249?

8 A. I do not.

9 Q. Okay. After that meeting, do you have any --
10 did you make any effort to verify the information AIG
11 had expressed?

12 A. I did not because I could not. I wasn't well
13 positioned to do that, not having any understanding of
14 the firm prior to this meeting.

15 Q. And did you have any reason to doubt the
16 information AIG relayed to you?

17 A. I did not.

18 Q. Okay. So, after this initial meeting on Friday
19 night, September 12th, did you continue to be involved
20 in AIG-related issues?

21 A. Yes, I did.

22 Q. Okay. And what was your role right after that,
23 let's say on Saturday, the 13th?

24 A. On Saturday, the 13th, I was asked to assemble a
25 group of experts from around the bank to do two things:

1 One was to understand the impact of the New York Federal
2 Reserve providing a loan to AIG, and thereafter,
3 understanding the systemic risk that an AIG failure
4 could pose for the broader economy.

5 Q. Okay. And you said you were asked to assemble.
6 Was it you who assembled the team or how was that team
7 put together?

8 A. I don't -- I did not personally assemble that
9 team. I don't know how exactly that team was assembled.

10 Q. Do you remember how big that team was?

11 A. Yes. I would say it was approximately ten
12 people, at the most.

13 Q. And do you recall who put that team together?
14 Was it one of your supervisors?

15 A. I -- I don't recall how that team was assembled,
16 whether or not they were asked individually to
17 participate or by whom.

18 Q. Okay. And did I ask how many individuals?

19 A. You did ask.

20 Q. Okay. So, what was your role on that team,
21 let's say, on that Saturday and Sunday, the 13th and the
22 14th of September?

23 A. So, my role on the team was really to put
24 together a work product that spanned the views of the
25 individuals on that working team in a neutral way, to

1 help inform policymakers and decision-makers as to what
2 would be the appropriate course of action to take with
3 respect to AIG.

4 Q. So, you say to inform the decision-makers. Was
5 anyone on your team that weekend a decision-maker?

6 A. They were not.

7 Q. Okay. Who were the decision-makers?

8 A. Ultimately, the decision-makers were then
9 President Geithner and the governors of the Board.

10 Q. The Board of Governors?

11 A. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve
12 System, yes.

13 Q. Got it. And you mentioned that the team
14 consisted of experts within the New York Fed. Can you
15 explain what sort of expertise this team had?

16 A. So, the team consisted of experts on -- in
17 financial research, research around derivatives, experts
18 in bank supervision who understood how financial
19 institutions were organized, how banks were organized,
20 and how they used derivatives, and people who understand
21 market practices and derivatives.

22 Q. Okay. And to conduct the analysis you conducted
23 that Saturday and Sunday, what sources of information
24 did your team rely upon?

25 A. We relied on exposure information that AIG

1 provided. We also relied on public information about
2 AIG from its financial statements, its publicly
3 available financial statements. And we also relied on
4 our understanding of how financial markets work, how
5 derivatives contracts work, and what the potential
6 consequences could be if you had a large company with
7 large concentrated exposures in those positions.

8 Q. And you said you received exposure information
9 from AIG. What was the nature of that information you
10 received from AIG?

11 A. The information we received was counterparty
12 exposure that AIG had with various other institutions,
13 predominantly banks.

14 Q. Okay. And how often did you receive that type
15 of information from AIG that weekend?

16 A. I only recall receiving that information once.
17 We also received liquidity projections from AIG as well.

18 Q. The company's liquidity?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. Okay. And what was the purpose of asking for
21 the counterparty exposure report?

22 A. So, our objective was to understand whether
23 AIG's failure, due to its size or due to its
24 interconnectivity with the rest of the economy, could
25 precipitate a broader crisis for the U.S. economy. So,

1 financial institutions are part of the U.S. economy, and
2 as a consequence, we wanted to understand whether or not
3 there would be an impact transmitted to the broader
4 economy through those financial institutions.

5 But I would also say that we looked at -- the
6 only information that we had that was independent of AIG
7 that wasn't public was our understanding of banks'
8 counterparty exposure. So, it was useful for us to look
9 at the situation through the lens of financial
10 institutions, because that was our comparative advantage
11 from a knowledge standpoint.

12 Q. So, did your team look outside the lens that the
13 New York Fed was accustomed to as part of your analysis
14 that weekend?

15 A. So, we only looked outside that lens using
16 information that AIG provided us, internal information,
17 and the publicly available information that we could get
18 from its financial statements.

19 THE COURT: Mr. Scarlato, why don't we break
20 there for today.

21 MR. SCARLATO: Sounds good, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: We will reconvene tomorrow morning
23 at 9:30.

24 (Whereupon, at 4:59 p.m., the proceedings were
25 adjourned.)

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