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AUDIO TAPE TEST # 6 "WITNESS"

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You will hear an audio script concerning a mission-related topic. This script will be followed by a conversation between 2 persons. This conversation will relate to the script and you will hear the tape only once. You will make notes of the script and of the conversation and from these notes you will be instructed either to answer 10 questions or complete a written report of the incident.

On Tuesday 1st of June 2005 at 10.00 hours, an incident of mob justice was reported on telephone to the Liberian Central Police Station. The caller used the emergency 911 telephone number to call, and stated that the incident was still happening on the side of the road next to the supermarket "Green land" situated on UN road number 73. The caller further stated that approximately 50 people were beating a young man with sticks and throwing rocks at him. Immediately, a police patrol unit was dispatched to the scene.

On arrival at the scene at 10.15 hours, the Police patrol officers observed a large crowd of people. Upon arrival of the police, the crowd quickly dispersed. The police saw a man who was still sitting on the ground. This man was holding his hands over head trying to protect the head from receiving new injures. His head and shoulders were bleeding. His pants and shirt were dirty and torn into pieces, so the color of the clothes was barely recognizable. He was about 18 years of age, slim build, approximately 175 centimeters tall with shaved head. The officers immediately notified an ambulance to respond to the location to transport him to the hospital.

A male approached the Police patrol unit and said that it was him, who called the police about the mob justice case. He said that his name was David; he was 35 years old and resides at Mango Street number 12. He said that the man sitting on the ground was a thief who had stolen a Nokia mobile phone from the mobile telephone shop in which he, the witness, has been working as a technician for the last two years. The witness then pointed to three men all about 25 years old standing at the side of the road. Two men were unarmed and one was armed with a wooden stick. The witness said that he saw that the victim was hit with a wooden stick a number of times by the third suspect.

He stated that these men were the first who caught the thief and beat him with hands and wooden stick. Immediately people from the street rushed to the scene to punish the thief. Upon seeing the Police Officers look in their direction, two of the suspects fled in the direction of the shore of the Atlantic Ocean which was not far away. The third suspect dropped the wooden stick and tried to escape in the crowd. He was a black male, approximately 180 centimeters tall, dressed in blue jeans, green shirt and red cap. The bright colors of his clothes and cap made him visible to the police. The Police patrol officers gave a chase and caught the suspect. They also recovered the wooden stick with fresh blood stains. The other two suspects escaped by running into a motor boat and sped in the Ocean. The Police patrol officers handcuffed the captured suspect and charged him for assault and causing serious injuries to the victim.

At 10.30hrs, an ambulance arrived and attended to the victim. The doctor said that the he had suffered massive trauma to his head and shoulders caused by rocks and wooden stick. The injured male was taken to the Central hospital for medical treatment. The Police patrol unit reported to the Police headquarters with the captured suspect. The witness was requested to come to the police station for interview the same day at 14.30 hrs.

The following conversation is the dialogue between the Police Officer and the witness.

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CONVERSATION

Police Officer - Good afternoon. Thank you for coming. It is exactly 14.30 hrs. I'd like to ask you a few questions about the incident that happened earlier today on the side of the road next to the "Green land" supermarket.
Witness - I will answer any questions you have Sir.
Police Officer - Please, introduce yourself.
Witness - My name is David, I am 35 years old and I reside at Mango Street №12.
Police Officer: - What is your occupation?
Witness - I am a technician at a mobile telephone shop.
Police Officer - For long have you been working in this shop?
Witness - I have been working in this shop for 2 years.
Police Officer - Please tell me what happened in the morning of Tuesday 1st June, 2005.
Witness - I was at work and saw a young man stealing "Nokia" mobile phone from the shop. He was caught and was beaten up by 3 men all about 25 years old. Two of them were unarmed and one was with a wooden stick.
Police Officer - Ok, go ahead please.
Witness - Then the crowd numbering about 50 people ran to the scene and started beating the man with various things and even threw rocks at him.
Police Officer - Did you call the police.
Witness - At 10.00 hrs I called the Central Police Station, using the emergency 911 telephone number.
Police Officer – Could you please show on this map the location of the "Green land" supermarket.
Witness - Yes, sir. The building of the supermarket is located on UN road number 73 close to the Atlantic Ocean.
Police Officer - Can you describe the man whom the crowd was beating and how he was dressed?
Witness - This young man looked 18 years in age, about 175 centimeters tall with shaved head. When he was in the shop I did not pay attention to how he was dressed. Later in the street when he was beaten his clothes were torn into pieces so I could not identify the color.
Police Officer - Can you describe the man with the wooden stick?
Witness - He was a tall black male of approximately 180 centimeters. He was wearing blue jeans, green shirt and a red cap.
Police Officer - What happened next?
Witness - Two of the suspects fled in the direction of the shore of the Atlantic Ocean. The third one dropped the wooden stick and tried to escape in the crowd.
Police Officer - Did you notice anything when the men were running away?
Witness - The suspect, whose description I just gave was hardly able to escape as the bright colors of his cloths and cap made him visible to the police. The Police gave a chase, caught the suspect and recovered the wooden stick with fresh blood stains
Police Officer - What about those two runaways?
Witness - They ran to the shore, got into a motor boat and sped in the Ocean.
Police Officer - Was there any ambulance to give any help to the injured person.
Witness - At 10.30hrs, an ambulance arrived and attended to the victim. The doctor said that the victim had suffered massive trauma to his head and shoulders caused by the wooden stick and rocks.
Police Officer - Where was the victim taken?
Witness - The injured male was taken to the Central hospital for medical treatment.
Police Officer - Thank you very much Mr. David for your time and information. I will appreciate your further co-operation anytime we need it from you please.
Witness - You are welcome anytime Sir. Good bye

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Family Name:..... First Name..... CP#.....
Country..... Date of birth.....

Q1. On what day and date did the incident happen?

Q2. What is the address of the "Green land" supermarket?

Q3. What was stolen from the shop?

Q4. Where did the witness work and for how long?

Q5. State the name, age and address of the witness.

Q6. What caused massive trauma to the head and shoulders of the victim?

Q7. Specify how was the arrested suspect dressed?

Q8. What means of transport did the two suspects use to escape?

Q9. At what time did the Police patrol unit arrive at the scene?

Q10. What did the police recover from the scene?

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