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VOUCHER SUBCOMMITTEE TO THE  
PROVISION FOR THE DELIVERY OF  
LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

The La Fonda Hotel  
New Mexico Room  
100 San Francisco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Present:

LeaAnne Bernstein, Chairman  
Hortencia Benavidez  
Lorain Miller  
Thomas Smegal  
Claude Swafford  
Robert Valois

Staff:

John Bayly, President  
Timothy Shea, General Counsel  
Maureen Bozell, Secretary

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P R O C E E D I N G S

1           CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: I will just open the meeting.  
2 There is no formal agenda today for the subcommittee meeting  
3 today, because to tell you the truth, we are meeting more for  
4 the purposes of getting some input from any of you that are  
5 interested before we begin the actual process of looking at the  
6 question of whether we are going to go forward with further  
7 voucher funding.

8           You may or may not know and I do not intend to go into  
9 a lengthy history here but the study or the report on the San  
10 Antonio project is not complete. Therefore, we are at some  
11 difficulty just from a practical standpoint in terms of going  
12 forward without having a complete synopsis of what the project  
13 is that has already been funded.

14           Claude Swafford and Basille Uddo and I, are serving on  
15 the subcommittee and it is a Subcommittee of the Provisions  
16 Committee. The subcommittee will actually be doing -- taking  
17 the testimony, getting the facts of the report, the facts of  
18 what the project actually did on the record with recommendations  
19 to the Provisions Committee but it will be the Provisions  
20 Committee that makes the recommendations finally to the Board.

21           We are looking at a timetable right now. I will let

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1 you know for anybody who is interested, we are planning a  
2 meeting on the ninth -- correct me if I am wrong, Maureen, that  
3 is this Saturday, right? At the Baltimore BWI Airport, at some  
4 airport hotel.

5 MS. BOZELL: It is the BWI Sheraton at 9:00 o'clock.

6 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: It would be a Saturday morning  
7 meeting in Baltimore and the purpose and the agenda for that  
8 meeting basically would be to get some background and where the  
9 voucher funding, the concept of the voucher as part of the  
10 delivery of Legal Services has come from in order to get the  
11 grounding for, and now analyzing the Cox report or I guess that  
12 is shorthand -- the economist who has worked with ABA and the  
13 Corporation in providing the summary of the San Antonio project.

14 We also will be looking at some of the results of the  
15 Orange County project. I will tell you that all of that  
16 information is very preliminary and if you have questions,  
17 concerns about the whole concept of vouchers and what kinds of  
18 things need to be considered in terms of funding, please  
19 communicate those to me or to Maureen because I will be glad to  
20 try to put that item on the agenda for either that meeting of  
21 the ninth or the follow-up meeting.

22 I do not have the exact date for the follow-up meeting

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1 yet. To some extent we are going to be working around trying to  
2 get the final Cox Report so that we have the final synopsis of  
3 what the study that we always funded actually showed and then we  
4 can debate on the Board and listen to your views as to whether  
5 or not it merits further funding.

6 I will tell you that despite some philosophical  
7 sympathies for the concept of the voucher from the standpoint of  
8 its client-oriented nature, I am fully aware of the budget  
9 constraints and the fact that this may or may not be a time to  
10 go forward with further funding of voucher projects. The  
11 subcommittee and I know the Board intends to look at this very  
12 carefully.

13 I do not want anybody to believe that it is a done  
14 deal one way or the other because I certainly do not get that  
15 sense from talking with fellow board members. We have no real  
16 agenda today. I would like for anyone who has concerns about  
17 the vouchers to feel free to bring them forward.

18 We decided to have this meeting since we were already  
19 going to be here in Santa Fe and there was time. I did not ask  
20 the staff to present, as I say, an agenda because we frankly do  
21 not have -- the reports that we have are in too preliminary of a  
22 fashion that I do not think it is worth spending time on to get

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1 those preliminary reports since they are liable to be changed.

2 Does anyone wish to speak on this issue? Does anybody  
3 have any questions about where we are going to be going, what  
4 our modus operandi is?

5 I know that Mr. Podgers is here from the ABA Delivery  
6 Committee and that committee is examining looking at whether or  
7 not -- and what kinds of things that they would be interested in  
8 pursuing further studies along this line. If you want to say  
9 anything or raise any questions today, that would be fine.

10 I know some of the people that have been in field  
11 programs had had concerns about the voucher project, about the  
12 way the study was set up. If you have those concerns and want  
13 to voice them today, fine. As I say, we are going to be looking  
14 at what data we have the next time we are together, but it is  
15 really too preliminary -- that draft report is too sketchy at  
16 this point to really present as a document to really study.

17 MR. BAYLY: Ms. Bernstein, if I could just add  
18 something. Leslie Russell of the Corporation Staff would have  
19 been here today but for the death of his father. I am unhappy  
20 to tell you that his father passed just recently. Were he here,  
21 he perhaps would be able to give you a few words about what we  
22 expect by way of results from the Orange County, a project I

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1 guess you could call it or what sort of data we expect to get  
2 from the work they have done there and when we expect to get it.

3 That might have a bearing on the timing of future  
4 activity by your subcommittee. I believe that we can expect to  
5 have results shortly from California. I am just not as well  
6 informed as he is. I will have to say that he will be prepared  
7 to give a report to you at your next meeting in Baltimore, but I  
8 have nothing more to say at this time.

9 Indeed, there might be somebody here in the audience  
10 who knows as much or more about it than do I, but I expect that  
11 is also a group of data you will want to consider.

12 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Yes, I did not know whether you  
13 were in the room when I had mentioned that we would be looking  
14 not only -- even though the San Antonio project is the project  
15 that has the more formalized report and analysis of the study  
16 because it was set up with the three part.

17 Maybe some of you are not aware of the basics for the  
18 San Antonio project, but it is a three-pronged delivery funding;  
19 a local staff attorney program, contract model with attorneys in  
20 the area and the voucher program with participating attorneys.

21 As I say, we will get into at the next meeting some of  
22 the pluses or minuses in the way that the study was set up and

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1 whether or not we can show -- whether we can draw any real  
2 conclusions from this study as it is or whether it is simply one  
3 experience.

4 STATEMENT OF REGINA ROGOFF

5 MS. ROGOFF: My name is Regina Rogoff. I am executive  
6 director from the Legal Aid Society of Central Texas. My  
7 comments are: I think that it is unrealistic to expect comments  
8 on the data concerned, that none of us have knowledge of the  
9 study itself. Obviously you have already identified the report  
10 as being only preliminary in form.

11 I would from personal experience, however, like to  
12 comment on the fact that in my service area, private attorney  
13 clinic project was undertaken which was undertaken -- my  
14 understanding of it was that it was an experimental project.  
15 Two different attorneys received contracts for a certain number  
16 of cases at a fixed rate.

17 I would just request that prior to the board  
18 undertaking additional experimental programs that we receive  
19 reports of the projects that have been undertaken as  
20 experimental to date. I am not trying to say that you should  
21 not attempt a voucher program. Your budget restraints or  
22 whatever may be factors in that.

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1 I, clearly, would like to see some report of the study  
2 of that was done in my service area. We spent a fair amount of  
3 time in advance attempting to cooperate with the Corporation  
4 staff setting that up and reviewing the bids that were  
5 submitted, attending meetings to discuss that with the local  
6 bar.

7 On local operation in that service area we impacted in  
8 that we had to incorporate a system of referral. I think from  
9 our standpoint we attempted to cooperate and I think we were  
10 successful in cooperating.

11 A certain number of cases were referred, the conflict  
12 ended and we have heard nothing sense. We had some problems. I  
13 referred the problems to the Corporation. There were a number  
14 of client complaints against one of the contracted lawyers.  
15 There was a Corporation -- inquiry, that may be a little too  
16 strong of a word, but there was contact between the Corporation  
17 and that attorney.

18 There was a bar grievance against one of the other  
19 attorneys. It was my understanding that the premise of that  
20 project was experimental, was to investigate the effectiveness  
21 of clinics, of attorney contracts and maybe a few other things.  
22 My memory is not perfect right now, but I know at least those

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1 two, and possibly other factors that were to be studied in that  
2 process.

3 I would ask that the Corporation at least prepare a  
4 report and provide it to us.

5 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: This was a project that was  
6 funded between '86 and '87 essentially, wasn't it?

7 MS. ROGOFF: Correct.

8 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: This was part of the contract  
9 models and there was some let in various locales and with  
10 different focuses. One locale maybe would focus on divorces and  
11 another on child custody or something.

12 I think that is a valid request and, John, if -- let  
13 me check with Bob Valois as to whether or not he thinks it is  
14 appropriate for it to come to us or to his committee, but I will  
15 certainly check with him. In some ways, because of the San  
16 Antonio project having the three prongs, it could fit in there  
17 too in terms of looking at whether or not this is a valid option  
18 in terms of funding.

19 I certainly understand your frustration in not--  
20 everyone wants to know the ending of the movie.

21 MS. ROGOFF: I feel like before we start spending more  
22 money on the same scene, different version -- at least lets

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1 access what we have done so far.

2 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: I will be very honest. That is  
3 one of the concerns in terms of the voucher project right now.  
4 If it is going to be experimentation simply for  
5 experimentation's sake, we do not have the funds for it.

6 If it is something that we think we can draw enough  
7 conclusions that it has been really cost effective, a good  
8 experience, and there is likelihood that it would be able to be  
9 replicated at a different area with not such a confined kind of  
10 case -- there are so many things to be considered in it.

11 If it is simply going to be a repeat of the experiment  
12 for the purpose of repeating the experiment, I do not think that  
13 we -- I cannot speak for the other people in the subcommittee  
14 and certainly not for the people on the board.

15 I will say that those are things that we need to  
16 consider right now.

17 MS. ROGOFF: I cannot comment on the voucher project  
18 of San Antonio at all. I would refer that to the committee. I  
19 would assume they would be in the best position to judge whether  
20 further study is necessary or is appropriate.

21 I am just speaking to my own experience on that the  
22 Corporation needs to have closure on what it has undertaken to

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1 date.

2 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: And to let you know. Yes, to let  
3 the people -- John, do you think that is fair that we can get  
4 some sort of --

5 MR. BAYLY: I will ask Leslie Russell or --

6 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Charlie is not in the room. He  
7 is here at the moment, I am afraid, but they are the two most  
8 likely.

9 MS. ROGOFF: With everything else, we request the  
10 opportunity to comment on whatever the conclusions are since we  
11 were at the events we feel we have the perspective that may or  
12 may not be privy to the Corporation.

13 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: In response to the first comment  
14 that you made that you are not really able to comment on the  
15 voucher project when we have not presented anything to you yet.

16 I am sympathetic with that but by the same token,  
17 since we were here and since the room was available, we  
18 determined that we would at least open it up.

19 If there questions, if those of you who are out there  
20 who may have been skeptical or may have been very supportive,  
21 want to say, "Look, I think when you look at this, you need to  
22 examine x and x." If you want to set up some parameters for the

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1 committee to look at, some things that the committee needs to  
2 do, if you have not come prepared with those today, again, I  
3 make the invitation to communicate them either to me or to John  
4 or Maureen so that we can include those concerns when we are  
5 looking at this. Randy?

6 MS. ROGOFF: Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Randy?

8 MR. CHAPMAN: How is that report going to be  
9 publicized? Is it going to be distributed among the programs?

10 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Well, I am going to have to defer  
11 a little bit to Mr. Podgers because as I understand the  
12 legalities of the report, the ABA owns the copyright on the  
13 report so we are getting the drafts from them and what drafts we  
14 have are simply that; they are drafts, the preliminary.

15 It would be inappropriate for us to distribute those  
16 prior to the time that they are what they want. I mean, what  
17 they find acceptable, a thorough examination. Obviously, they  
18 want to get -- the ABA wants to make sure that all of the things  
19 that they are concerned about were covered, that it has been a  
20 full examination.

21 I do not mean to be speaking for you, Mr. Podgers, but  
22 -- why don't you come up. I am sorry, I have been

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1 mispronouncing your name. It is Podgers.

2 STATEMENT OF JIM PODGERS

3 MR. PODGERS: My name is Jim Podgers. I am staff  
4 counsel to the ABA Special Committee on the Delivery of Legal  
5 Services. As I am sure everybody in the room knows this special  
6 committee has been conducting a voucher study in San Antonio.

7 The study itself has been conducted by Professor  
8 Steven Cox of Arizona State University. We are now in the stage  
9 of reviewing and finalizing the report on that study which was  
10 the -- and the first draft was submitted to us by Professor Cox,  
11 at about the first of the year. The first draft was reviewed by  
12 the committee in a meeting in early January.

13 The committee at that time decided that it would be  
14 inappropriate to widely disseminate that version of study  
15 report. Its thinking was that since it was in such an early  
16 stage and had some statements in there that many wanted to  
17 revise and made some early major changes in it about both the  
18 style and content, that it would be most appropriate to continue  
19 to work on it internally until it was in a version that the  
20 committee felt more comfortable with.

21 I do not say that to suggest or to hint at any kind of  
22 deep meanings or results, but you simply -- like any report it

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1 needs to be honed and smoothed out and finalized.

2 The second draft of the report, is expected to be  
3 submitted to the committee prior to its meeting on April 15 and  
4 16 in Phoenix.

5 The committee hopes that at that time it will be able  
6 to put the report into close to final shape and at that point,  
7 disseminate it on a limited basis for comment from certain  
8 interested groups.

9 I cannot say how widely it tends to disseminate that  
10 draft. That is a decision that I assume will be made in April.

11 After the April meeting, you will probably have one  
12 more final draft prepared and reviewed by the committee at the  
13 meeting in mid-June in Kennebunk Port, Maine. That draft, the  
14 committee hopes to be able to approve as the final version of  
15 the report.

16 At that time the report will then be printed and we  
17 hope to distribute it and released it in conjunction with the  
18 ABA annual meeting in Toronto that is being held on August 4th  
19 through 11th. We do intend to disseminate it widely at that  
20 point.

21 Again, I cannot say to the committee what type of  
22 disseminate will occur or how extensive it will be, but the

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1 report certainly will be available to any interested parties who  
2 would at that time like a copy.

3 Now, in connection with our work to prepare a report  
4 on the San Antonio study, we have, as you know, been in  
5 communications with until now the Corporation's staff concerning  
6 the possibility of conducting a follow-up study that will build  
7 and possibly expand on the study that was conducted in San  
8 Antonio.

9 Also, as you know, we are in the early stages of those  
10 discussions. On behalf of the committee, I have prepared a  
11 discussion paper that you now have that outlines a possible  
12 approach to the study. It addresses certain administrative as  
13 well as substantive questions. At this time, our feeling is  
14 that that is, as its title, a discussion paper that will lead to  
15 further communications between the two organizations to see if  
16 we can reach an agreement and agree that a follow-up study would  
17 be appropriate, helpful, and necessary.

18 The committee, I think, has not reached a final  
19 conclusion on that, but I think that the committee's feelings  
20 are very strong that there are some areas in which further  
21 research would be extremely valuable.

22 I think, that the committee may reach a conclusion

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1 that we cannot come to definitive answers regarding the use of  
2 vouchers and how they fit into the mix of delivery mechanisms  
3 without some additional study.

4 Our timetable on that is dependant on the discussions  
5 and how they develop with the LSC. We feel that movement can  
6 take place on that prior to the finalization of the report from  
7 the San Antonio study.

8 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Well, as you heard, we have  
9 another project or another experience that we need to examine as  
10 well which is the Orange County Study. Although, that is not  
11 the formal -- it did not have the formal structure that the Cox  
12 Study did. We have to look at the results there as well in  
13 terms of looking at whether not we want to go forward with  
14 anymore funding of the Voucher Project.

15 I certainly -- while I did receive the discussion  
16 paper that you talked about today, let me just make clear for  
17 everyone that whatever discussions were taking place and I know  
18 that Mr. Bayly has, at my request, made this clear to you, that  
19 we are pleased to continue to discuss with the ABA possibilities  
20 and so forth, but I do not think that there should be any  
21 feeling on anybody's part, from the ABA's part or from the Legal  
22 Services Community's part that this has been decided and that we

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1 are going forward because I will tell you, I do not know what  
2 the board intends to do on this.

3 You need to know that up front.

4 MR. PODGERS: I think that has been very clear and I  
5 should add that from the ABA, I do not think it is a done thing  
6 either. Any results of negotiations regarding any kind of  
7 follow-up study that would occur between the Delivery Committee  
8 and the Legal Services Corporation would be subject to review  
9 and approval by the ABA Board of Governors as well.

10 I could not pretend to say how the Board of Governors  
11 would vote.

12 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: That is fine, so we are all in a  
13 exploratory mode right now trying to figure out what we actually  
14 know about what happened and whether or not that is enough to go  
15 forward and, if so, and in what manner.

16 MR. BAYLY: May I inquire?

17 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Yes.

18 MR. BAYLY: Mr. Podgers, I cannot recall what you have  
19 said, if indeed you have said anything about this. Does the  
20 Delivery Committee expect -- as it taken notice of the study, I  
21 will call it, of Orange County? Do you think they will expect  
22 to incorporate or refer to any of those findings, results or

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1 conclusions? What they are doing, if they should become  
2 available before the late spring or mid-summer?

3 MR. PODGERS: I have to express a little bit of  
4 frustration about the Orange County Study because we have had--  
5 we would like to see more about what has been happening in that  
6 study and we have not received much information.

7 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: You and Mr. Smegal. He has been  
8 very concerned about it.

9 MR. PODGERS: We would welcome more information about  
10 what has been going in Orange County and we would also, I think,  
11 welcome information by any similar types of efforts about on an  
12 official study basis or on more informal basis, implemented at  
13 the local level as Ms. Rogoff mentioned.

14 I think that information would be helpful in reviewing  
15 the overall efforts in this area and determining what -- whether  
16 and what kind of study would be appropriate and on a follow-up  
17 basis.

18 As far as what we could do as far as implementing any  
19 -- including any information on Orange County in our report, I  
20 could not say at this time. It might be a little difficult.  
21 The early on thinking has been that the most appropriate way to  
22 report on the San Antonio study is to report on the San Antonio

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1 Study. Report on the San Antonio Study and not get side tracked  
2 in including information on other studies.

3 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: I certainly understand that.

4 MR. PODGERS: The overall effort to review where we  
5 are at in this area certainly we should take into account  
6 everything that has been done up to this point.

7 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Well, I will ask Mr. Bayly if  
8 there is other information besides Ms. Rogoff's program area. I  
9 will need to talk with Mr. Valois.

10 The question came up when you were not in the room  
11 about the contract models that had been completed mostly during  
12 1987. They reached the completion at various times during that  
13 year, I think. We have not had a formal closure to a lot of  
14 those contract models and the question came up whether or not we  
15 could issue some sort of an assessment of how a particular model  
16 in a particular area did, the pluses and minuses and so forth.

17 I think it is an appropriate question. I think people  
18 have a right to know whether or not it worked or it flopped and  
19 I do not know whether your committee -- or whether this is  
20 something we should throw into the voucher subcommittee since  
21 the San Antonio Project dealt with contract model. That is to  
22 your discretion as to who deals with it, but there has been that

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1 request.

2 Do you have further questions?

3 MR. PODGERS: No, I don't. Do you have any other  
4 questions of me?

5 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: As I say, we are kind of in a  
6 preliminary situation here and I agree with you and I will tell  
7 you, I am very sympathetic with the notion that we need to draw  
8 together whatever background we have.

9 I will tell you that for the next meeting that we have  
10 in Baltimore, I have asked the staff to go back even to the  
11 delivery system study, looking for what was attempted in voucher  
12 projects, why they did or did not get off the ground, concerns  
13 that were expressed at that time.

14 This is not to say that those are going to be  
15 conclusive relating to the San Antonio project, but just in  
16 terms of setting the stage in terms of how much research has  
17 been done so if it is a matter of doing research, we will know  
18 what we do not have to cover now.

19 MR. PODGERS: I would like just quickly to confirm  
20 that at this time on the basis of what it knows and is seeing  
21 from San Antonio, the Delivery Committee, at least, of the ABA  
22 feels strongly that there is potential for much value in

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1 additional studies in this area and for that reason we have been  
2 pursuing the initiative that was initially made by the  
3 Corporation's staff into the possibility of doing follow-up  
4 study.

5 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Any other questions or further  
6 comments from anybody? Randy, did you have anything else that  
7 you --

8 MR. CHAPMAN: He answered everything.

9 CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: So, that is where we are. If any  
10 of you have questions that come to mind between now and the  
11 ninth, let us know. We will try to get them on the agenda. I  
12 will tell you that that meeting is not going to be a meeting of  
13 any sort of decision. It is going to be a discussion working,  
14 trying to figure out where we are coming from, kind of approach.

15 There will be time for public comment at that meeting  
16 as well. If there are no other questions, I will not hold you.

17 I know that Mr. Valois has a meeting that starts at  
18 5:00, but you all can get a cup of coffee if you want before  
19 that.

20 MR. VALOIS: I am advised that the form of the notice  
21 in the Federal Register was such that we can begin immediately.  
22 Is that correct, Maureen?

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1           CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Let me see what it looks like on  
2 the program.

3           MR. VALOIS: I have not seen it, but I asked it to be  
4 done that way. Is the form of the notice that was in the  
5 Federal Register such that we can begin immediately upon the  
6 conclusion of this?

7           MS. BOZELL: Yes. If that is what you asked, that is  
8 correct.

9           MR. VALOIS: That is what you put in.

10          MR. BAYLY: You better explain that it is different  
11 from what is in the book then.

12          CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: The book says 5:00 o'clock.

13          MR. BAYLY: You had better explain that. You better  
14 put it on the record here.

15          CHAIRMAN BERNSTEIN: Do you have a copy of the Federal  
16 Register notice with you?

17                 Well, we will adjourn this subcommittee meeting now.

18                 (Whereupon, at 4:45 o'clock p.m., the Voucher  
19 Subcommittee to the Provisions for the Delivery of Legal  
20 Services was concluded.)

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