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Dear Sirs

NOTICE OF FURTHER EVIDENCE

DEFENDANT: Simon Paul CORDELL

COURT AND HEARING DATE: Woolwich Crown Court 4th September, 2013

I enclose a copy Notice of Further Evidence.

Please acknowledge receipt and confirm that you accept service of the Notice and accompanying statement(s).

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**IN THE CROWN COURT
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Simon Paul CORDELL

TAKE NOTICE that, in addition to the evidence given in the Magistrates' Court, further evidence, the effect of which is set out herein, may be given at the trial. Unless you serve notice on me within seven days of receipt of this Notice objecting to this course, I propose that the evidence of the witnesses listed below in Column 'A' shall be tendered in accordance with Section 9 of the Criminal Justice Act 1967, and that the witnesses listed in column 'B' shall be called to give evidence in person.

AND ALSO TAKE NOTE that the Prosecution does not propose to adduce in evidence at the trial such parts of the accompanying copy statements as are contained within square brackets.

'A'

'B'

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Witnesses to be called

EXHIBITS

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Statements	Exhibits	Photographs (served in evidence but not paginated with exhibits)	Transcripts (of Evidence in Chief served on DVD)	Number of Witnesses
25	29	0	0	6

DATED this 9th day of August, 2013

SIGNED:

To: The Court Manager, The Crown Court
 The above named Defendant(s)
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RECORD OF INTERVIEW

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Person interviewed: Simon CORDELL (26.01.1981)

Place of interview: Walworth Police Station

Police Exhibit No.

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Signature of interviewer producing exhibit

Date of interview: 25th June 2013

Time commenced: 1448 hours

Time concluded: 1547 hours

Duration of interview: 59 minutes

Audio tape reference nos.:

Visual image reference nos.:

Interviewer(s): DC Gavin MAYDEW, DC Claire CHRISTMAS

Other persons present: Anthony CLARKE (Solicitor)

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
1.30		Introduction made. Tape procedure explained and advised of his legal entitlement.
1.52	DC M	Caution given and explained.
	CORDELL	"Simon you were arrested this morning by PC ALMY who attended your address to arrest you for a burglary that occurred between the dates of the 1st-8th May 2013 at it's a warehouse on Haymerle Road London SE15 where a number of items have been stolen from a warehouse. Can you tell me anything about this incident".
	DC M	"(inaudible)".
		"Okay we've got a statement from the witness and he's providing this statement in relation to a burglary at Unit 3, Horrisons Industrial Estate, Haymerle Road, SE15 of which he is the owner. Circumstances are that on Wednesday 1st May 1400 hours he left the premises in a secure state. He returned on the 8th May 2013 at 10.30 in the morning and discovered that the premises had been emptied by unknown people. At this stage he checked his stock and he was aware that a number of products had gone missing including a number of trampolines, gazebos, bar stools and beds which amount to around £8,220. There was also a number of damaged that was caused to his property including graffiti etc that were on the walls on stuff and this was estimated

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4.05		between 8 to 10 thousand pounds of damage and he goes on to say that he did not give anyone permission to entry his above premises take property or cause any damage. I am prepared to attend court if necessary; I request that the court makes a compensation order in respect to the above described incident and that's signed by Mr Rakesh PATEL who is the victim of this crime. So again Simon can you explain or do you know anything about this".
	CORDELL	"No I don't know anything about any burglary. I'm not saying nothing to any questions I'm taking my solicitor's advice".
	DC M	"Well obviously you've just said you didn't commit any burglary; can you expand on that Simon".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Do you know this venue that I'm talking about".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you ever been to Horrisons Industrial Estate".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Do you know Haymerle Road".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you ever been to Southwark before".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"It's believed that over the course of that week there was some kind of party rave at this venue and as part of this this is when the damage has been caused to this warehouse adjoining warehouse and stuff have been stolen believed to be on this night. So it is believed that other people have been there and taken stuff as well. Do you know anything about that".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Was there other people there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
5.03	DC M	"Because also a 101 which is a search book which was done at the time this morning when officers arrested you; you spoke to

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5.15	CORDELL	them quite a bit in the back of the car. Can you expand on what you were telling them".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Because you have admitted that you've been there haven't you".
	DC M	"Has it been signed (inaudible); anything that I've admitted to would be signed".
	CORDELL	"Because the officers said that you said if fact the gazebo in the garden I bought before the job lot; I bought it from Focus. My mum has the receipt; do you remember saying that".
	DC M	"Can you repeat that again please".
	CORDELL	"In fact the gazebo in the garden I bought before the job lot; I bought it from Focus my mum has two receipt. Did you say that".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Because when originally when the officers attended your property at 0735 in the porch area outside your house/flat they found the Venice chair and they asked you if that was yours and you said yeah it's mine I bought it as a job lot and you've initialled that as 'SC'; did you do that".
6.29	DC M	"(inaudible)".
	CORDELL	"Well I'll show you its initials 'SC'; did you write that 'SC' in that book".
	DC M	"(inaudible)".
	CORDELL	"And you were then asked how many did you buy and you said 5 for £20; can you remember saying that".
	DC M	"(inaudible) each".
	CORDELL	"And then after that in your garden they found a gazebo and the officer PC ALMY asked you who's the gazebo and you said it's mine I bought a job lot five of them; I paid £100 each. Did you say that".
7.08	DC M	"No comment".
7.12	CORDELL	"It's quite a simple question you answered the first question; do you agree to that".

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7.15	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"It's in the book I'm showing you here it's initialled 'SC' as well which is the same 'SC' as on the top line about the chairs. Did you say that".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Also once left the premises in the car PC ALMY has written a number of notes down that you've said whilst in the car and one of these was I ain't done nothing wrong, I helped someone who went through a hole in the wall".
	CORDELL	"Can I ask you a question if you are going to repeat things that were said today why have you brought me here; there's no evidence nothing you've got no evidence to nothing. Let's all talk constructively we are all intelligent people here".
	DC M	"Simon all I'm doing is my job and I've got to put; at the end of the day this could be evidence in the case okay because it is something that you've said. Simon one minute you are saying no comment when I've asked you if you were there which you've said no comment and now part of this text that has been written actually puts you there".
	CORDELL	"I want to do a no comment now but when I'm prepared I will do a statement to explain myself (inaudible). When I feel that you've presented the right stuff to me to explain myself".
8.28	DC M	"Okay that's understood but I'm just giving you the evidence that I've got at the moment".
	CORDELL	"As I've explained I intend to do a no comment interview because (inaudible)".
	DC M	"Okay I'll come to the evidence in a bit; I'm just going in a chronological order in my case of what I'm going to give to you and tell you. Alright obviously stuff that has happened today in my eyes is more relevant and more recent to other stuff that I'm going to bring in but I just want to cover what happened today. Do you understand, yeah this is to do with the arresting stuff because I don't want to miss out comments that officers have said that you've said if you haven't said them then obviously there's going to be a problem there isn't there but I just want to make sure this is what you've said. As I was PC ALMY has written down that you said I ain't done nothing wrong, I helped someone

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9.27	CORDELL	who went through a hole in the wall. I ain't done nothing wrong I ain't forced any entry and ain't done any burglary. I will tell you all this when I'm in with my solicitor".
	Solicitor	"When are you going to read my statement just give him my statement because I don't want to sit here and listen to the shit (inaudible). In all my years of being nicked I've never done it like this".
	CORDELL	"Simon do you want to ask for a break now".
9.50	DC M	"I'd just rather do a written statement and just get it start out (inaudible)".
10.22		"Mr CORDELL has asked for a further consultation; the tapes are going to be suspended and then we will reconvene once the consultation is finish. The time by my watch is 1457 hours".
10.26		Continuation interview with Mr Simon CORDELL.
11.01	Solicitor	All persons present as in above interview at 1504 hours.
	DC M	"My client does have a written statement that he wishes (inaudible)".
		"Okay no problem so you are happy for me to go along with this. What I'll do I'm reading from the search book which PC ALMY completed on the way back here. I'll go through the one that I was speaking about and that is the one where you are supposedly have said I ain't done nothing wrong I helped someone who went through a hole in a wall, I ain't done nothing wrong. I ain't forced any entry and ain't done any burglary. I will tell you all this when I'm with my solicitor in interview and he's just written at the bottom of this that you refuse to sign. He's then put another entry in here at 0920 hours and it says this ain't a burglary there was a hole in the wall you will have to arrest the whole of London. It can't be a burglary if you don't break in and he hasn't put anything there and the last comment that he's put in the book is he's saying that you said police came four or five times and said we could stay, check the records. Also check the records from a year ago the place got done then and they left it in a state; it's the owner's fault and again he's put that you refused to sign. Simon did you say that".
12.21	CORDELL	"No comment".

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12.25	DC M	"No comment does that mean that you have said that or that you are just going to go no comment".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Simon obviously you've had a consultation with Anthony okay at the end of the day this is your interview; right if there is anything at all that you want to tell me then this is your opportunity; this is your first opportunity to say something to me and explain what's gone on. So again do you want to tell me anything".
	CORDELL	"Why have you got me here".
	DC M	"Simon the reason you are here is the venue in question which I've explained earlier on interview you've been forensically linked to these premises".
	CORDELL	"Which one, which one you (inaudible) two out".
	DC M	"The location of the venue I've got here that is the owner of the premises that has had stuff taken from not the premises that had the rave. There a statement from Mr PATEL; it's in Unit 3 Horrisons Industrial Estate and that's Haymerle Road, SE15 and what I will do I will show you pictures of the premises which was taken by our scenes of crime officer to see if you recognise this place. Do you recognise this place at all; it's photo number one. Do you recognise this warehouse".
	CORDELL	"No".
	DC M	"Have you been there".
	CORDELL	"No".
	DC M	"Ever been there".
	CORDELL	"No (inaudible) no comment".
	DC M	"Do you recognise it".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you been inside there".
	CORDELL	"Not that picture I don't notice that picture".
14.19	DC M	"Photo number two they are the gates; do you recognise that

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14.23	CORDELL	picture".
	DC M	"Do I notice that picture, no".
	CORDELL	"Have you ever been there".
	DC M	"No".
	CORDELL	"No recognise it".
	DC M	"No".
	CORDELL	"This is inside the premises where stuff got stolen Simon was you in there".
	DC M	"Where stuff got stolen".
	CORDELL	"Yeah this is the warehouse where the stock is".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Have you been there before".
14.38	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Did you take stuff from there".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Is stuff from there been found in your house today".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Photo number four this shows, this is believed where the broken wall is and this is where people entered into this warehouse and took stock from. Did you go through this hole in the wall".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Did you go in this warehouse".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"Did you steal anything from there".
	DC M	"No comment".
	CORDELL	"There another picture number five; do you recognise that".
15.10	DC M	"No comment".

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15.11	DC M	"Recognise that trolley".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Recognise any of the stock or anything in there does it look familiar".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you been there before".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Photo number six shows a safe load of boxes it looks like it has been ransacked. Have you been in there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Do you recognise it".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you been to that location before".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
15.35	DC M	"Photo number seven yet another photo shows some stools and that on the floor again some damage; trolley in the middle. Do you recognise that trolley".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you touched that trolley".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Was you there on this night".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Did you go there with anyone else".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Have you got permission to go there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
16.04	DC M	"Photo number twelve again shows the shock; do you recognise

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16.09	CORDELL	that place".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Been in there before".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Did you take anything from there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Do you know anyone that owns it".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Do you know the owner".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Were you asked to go there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Were you forced to go in there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
16.26	DC M	"I've shown you pictures of the warehouse Simon which are the best that I've got and once again I'll ask you did you go into that warehouse".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Did you break entry in there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Did you cause damage to go in there".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Did you go through that hole in the wall".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Did you make that hole in the wall".
16.42	CORDELL	"No comment".

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16.48	DC M	"Simon I'll go through the reason why you were arrested now you've been forensically linked to this burglary because a can of drink found in that warehouse that I've shown you has been swabbed. That swab comes back to your DNA one in one billion chance that that is you. That means that that's you; we are confident that you have drunk from a can that has been found in that scene of the burglary. Okay not only that but when police have come to your address today we found property from that burglary at your address; you need to start talking to me".
	CORDELL	"No comment mate no comment; can you show me proof that that stock there has come from that burglary if you call it a burglary. Can you prove to me that that is that marquee; is there a serial number on it".
	DC M	"We'll go on further; so were you at that burglary".
	CORDELL	"No comment".
	DC M	"Simon I'm going to Special Warn you now okay because your DNA has been found at a scene of a burglary and it's up to you to tell me why your DNA has been at that scene".
18.13	CORDELL	"That building has been squatted for over a year; people have been living in that over a year and there's crime reports from people living in it a year ago. From when there's pictures identical to what you showed me yeah which this bloke is saying has happened now it's from a year ago check your CAD's".
	DC M	"I've dealt with that and I know there was an illegal raid there in February this year".
	CORDELL	"A year before that when the same thing happened that same place that same situation".
	DC M	"The problem is Simon you've got property at your house that belongs to that place".
	CORDELL	"That property don't belong to that place mate".
	DC M	"Okay I've spoken to the victim of that place today and whilst officers were there PC Wayne GOLDEN took a picture of a gazebo that has been put up in your garden. I spoke to the victim and I've sent him that picture and he said that's one of the gazebos that has gone missing from my warehouse".

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18.48	CORDELL	"I'll give you a Focus warehouse that I lived in for over 2 years; listen do you think that's the only Focus building in the world".
	DC M	"You've just asked me to prove that that one's come from here and I've said to you"
	CORDELL	"I'm telling you that is not your proof because I'm telling you as a fact I've got a receipt saying that come from somewhere else (inaudible) I've got police report proving that I was in a Focus building with owners permission".
	DC M	"Okay so you got this from Focus did you".
	CORDELL	"From a Focus".
	DC M	"Okay what is a Focus explain to me what that is".
	CORDELL	"It's a closed down company; it closed down 5 years ago, DIY company that used to be like a B&Q. There was one in Chingford that we lived in we had a New Years party in it 2 years ago and my friend has been using it as a place to live under Section 144 which is not against the law".
	DC M	"I want to know how you purchase this gazebo".
	CORDELL	"I purchased that; my kitchen in my flat plus my cooker plus my washing machine my dishwasher my fridge freezer. Everything in my house come from Focus and I've got receipts bruv".
	DC M	"So how long have you had that".
	CORDELL	"About a year and a bit, two years".
	DC M	"So if I speak to neighbours they can confirm that this has been up for two years".
	CORDELL	"My neighbours can confirm 100% that that has been sitting in a box in the side of my garden for two years; not set up but was laying in a box in my back garden".
	DC M	"How long has it been set up then".
	CORDELL	"It's been set up at least 3, 4 months longer than that".
	DC M	"So this has been set up before May".
20.18	CORDELL	"It's been sitting in my back garden in a box and my neighbours can clearly see it in that box in my garden. Been waiting for me to

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20.27	DC M	set it up for the last year".
	CORDELL	"But that has been set up in your garden before May".
	DC M	"Yeah in my garden".
	CORDELL	"No, yes or no".
	DC M	"Yes".
	CORDELL	"That gazebo the one that's shown in this picture has been set up erected in your garden before May this year".
	DC M	"Yes I would say so yes".
	CORDELL	"Also found outside your premises that you in the 101 have said is yours is a Venice chair barstool and I'll show you a picture here. Can you confirm that's yours".
	DC M	"Couldn't confirm from that picture".
	CORDELL	"And there's just further pictures here; like I said I can go back to the 101 if you want when the officers asked you the question. Number one is this yours; yeah it's mine I bought it as a job lot. So is it yours".
	DC M	"Once you put my statement down in the (inaudible) solicitor (inaudible); but I've done nothing wrong. Everything I've done is in good faith, I had my business card and I had my tax and my receipt it's simple".
	CORDELL	"Well this is the box that they found outside your door and it was the one that you said it's your chair. In the top corner of this you will see a company stamp that in blue and that says What Variety Value Choice and this is the company that own the warehouse that stock has been stolen who owns this chair and that is what identifies it to this warehouse that has been burgled; so".
	DC M	"That's not a problem".
	CORDELL	"That's how I can prove that this chair has come from that burglary Simon; so where did you get that chair from".
	DC M	"From that burglary from the burglary in February that you were on about. Do you remember the one in February as well that you've told me about; so where does this come from February or from that month there. When was that from who bought that; was

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22.19	DC M	that on E-bay was it on Gumtree where was it".
	CORDELL	"You've been arrested today for a burglary that happened between the 1st and the 8th May"!.
	CORDELL	"And you're telling me that same property got robbed in February which you know about which is that same What Variety Value Choice. So this chair this box here could have come out in February when I wasn't even in the country and I've bought it since then".
	DC M	"Did you carry out the burglary in February as well did you".
	CORDELL	"I wasn't in the country February and like I said I had my belongings before this date of this other event. So whoever done that before sold them online and I bought them in good faith; the problem is I've got my receipts, I've got my things I've done everything in good faith. I ain't no thief I ain't done no burglary and that's it straight mate. You see the state of that warehouse are you telling me that's running company. You see them pictures of the warehouse you've just shown me you're telling me that's a running company. When the police officers went into that building on that day of the party the police officers looked in that warehouse and said lads see you later; you know about six police officers come in and see that building on that said day and I suppose if it was you, you might have nicked everyone because you spoke to the people and knew what happened in February but to everybody else it was just a situation that shouldn't have been".
23.31	DC M	"I actually dealt with the one in February that's why I know all about it".
	CORDELL	"Yeah that's what I'm telling you and I agree with you so you would know that that hole should have been sealed up to make them two buildings not separate buildings".
	DC M	"I've spoken to the victim; the victim has told me that he did secure the premises".
	CORDELL	"He should never have bricked that wall up mate because that wall is bricked up today (inaudible)".
23.47	DC M	"How do you know this".
23.49	CORDELL	"Because (inaudible) and I'll put that in my statement in a minute then I'll tell you straight. I went there I've been invited there, it

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24.40		was sectioned the (inaudible) on both premises 144 on both premises. Both premises were being lived in and occupied yeah both of them premises and there was no fault for me to walk in there; I never made the section I walked in there with good faith. I did not steal nothing I did not take nothing yeah and my van was full up with my sound system when I went there and over a 150 people see me leave with my sound system. I got offered a job lot of chairs as a good package in good faith to take some of my money and I've done that legit; I've sold four of them chairs on a legit website in good faith and that's it I had one chair left and I explained that to the copper when he come; I bought them all in good faith and that was it. I ain't here doing nothing, I ain't doing no burglaries and that's it it's simple".
	DC M	"It's not simple because you've totally lost me because obviously one minute you are going no comment you're saying you haven't been in next you are trying to explain February".
	CORDELL	"I've already told you I'm going to put a statement down explaining myself very clearly my position and what I've done and I've not broke no laws I've said that from day one so nothing has changed in what I'm saying".
	DC M	"Simon all I can put to you I wasn't there on the day okay and the problem is I can only give to you what I know and I've put my cards down on the table; I've told you what I know".
	CORDELL	"Yeah which is suspicion of burglary pointing at me".
	DC M	"Why".
	CORDELL	"And I'm telling you it ain't me that done that burglary because there was no burglary because there was a section on that door yeah on both them doors; there were people occupying living in both them buildings when I went there and I showed the police that. Hence no burglary, there was a hole in the wall which made it you could walk from one warehouse to the other warehouse. This hole has been there since February like you know so no one has gone and sealed it and made it that is it against the law to go into it. It is just a walk straight through walk, walk through that is it there is no burglary, where is there a burglary where is there anything; yeah if anything it is theft by finding and I never stole nothing because I bought it and I have receipts. I bought it off the person that put the 144 on both them premises that was living there and was a registered squatter to them buildings. I have

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25.55	DC M	committed no offence".
	CORDELL	"Right hold on right stop there and let me try and put down in my words what I believe is going on here; alright because you've mentioned the sound system and stuff like that. This warehouse on the day that you went was it used as an illegal rave".
	CORDELL	"It was used as a private party".
	DC M	"Okay you've gone along to that party because you are a DJ".
	CORDELL	"Because I owe a sound system and I'm trying to do something professional with my life and help my friends around me rather than turning them all into drug dealers and making a quick living".
	DC M	"So you've made arrangements to play at this private party".
	CORDELL	"I've made arrangements yeah".
	DC M	"And did you take payment for this".
	CORDELL	"I was supposed to have taken a contribution towards it".
	DC M	"Okay and how much was that contribution".
	CORDELL	"I was supposed to have took about £100 to £200 and that was just to cover my expenses of my fuel and my labour and my friend's ladies who help me do what I'm doing".
	DC M	"So you got there did you set up your sound system".
26.49	CORDELL	"I spoke to thethe second I got there before I even went into the building the police were talking to me outside the building. Like hello Simon, I'm talking to them inspectors we are talking and everything is cool. Yeah I explained when the police officer said to me what are you doing tonight are you going to have party here; I said I think they are having a little private party. He said be careful because there's a Gypsy site across the road and that could lead to a few problems. We had a neutral conversation everyone was happy; the police were happy to leave us alone. Kids friends started turning up as they do and we all walked into the building that was squatted 144 both the buildings were squatted the locks were on both gates and opened up bigger gates with padlocks on the gates; so there was no breaking in. The police see us with the keys and they could have come in. We invited the police into the building to have a look around; the police said alright it would be nice for them to have a look around

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		<p>considering we are going to have a party for people's health and safety and so forth because that's something they are quite concerned about. So we showed them in the building let the police officers come in; they see the hole in the wall (inaudible) they see that people were gaining access; they even put their heads through the holes. They walked around the rest of the warehouse and looked in the warehouse and looked at what we were doing. They see that people were occupying that building living in that building; they see the sleeping bags in the corner they see a little bit of electric; they see a good enough reason they felt comfortable enough to leave us there in the situation it was in. Yeah they looked through the hole in that wall as well and they could see that people were living in the other side as well and they could see that it was in a state. No person that cared about their stuff would have left it there from February like you're saying in the condition it was in till that said day. I'm sorry to say that if it was me I would have gave it to my kids; if it broke my heart that much whatever them cunts done in February I would have gave it to my kids or something. That's no excuse here now but them buildings were both sectioned; the police got let in there was never no burglary yeah. The police let us continue to load that building up with 200 people that said night; yeah if you want their badge numbers I've got them on camera on the phone because I always record a conversation a good conversation especially in them situation yeah. Bang about 150 kids turned up from London all of them mostly the poorest in London; half of them I'm trying to stop them from getting in trouble and becoming crack dealers and becoming this becoming that (inaudible); trying to do that with the system as well as trying to do something positive for myself and keep my mistresses happy and pay my mortgage and get nice stuff as well at the same time. They are in and out of this building; people have been going out of this building since February. No one has stopped them since February the doors were never sealed on the other building. Since that last February when you went there no one secured; no one bricked up the hole in the wall, no one secured the other doors they just let anybody that's homeless go in and out of the building. So people have been doing it since February hence the mess of whatever that is now".</p>
29.27	DC M	"What's happened after that".
29.29	CORDELL	"Nothing I've gone there in good faith, I've gone there in good faith. I've had my party I've paid my thing; I've been offered a

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29.38		couple of bits and pieces to proceed in my life and that's it".
	DC M	"What have you been offered Simon".
	CORDELL	"Nothing I'm going to leave it at that (inaudible)".
	DC M	"I need to know more about this property".
	CORDELL	"Well that's it man that's it; I don't even know if that property is the right property mate you're looking for. I know my gazebo isn't my gazebo is mine".
	DC M	"Because like I said to you I've got a statement from the victim and I've spoken to the victim and the walls not been bricked up but the warehouse was secured. They put up wood and stuff to stop people from getting in; yet again that premises has been damaged within the time frame that I've given and stuff has been stolen from that property".
	CORDELL	"From what time frame from February or till that April".
30.41	DC M	"From the 1st May when he was back in there till the 8th May and it's been secured since then on the 1st when he left it was secure; when he returned on the 8th it was in secured again more property more damage had been done and stuff had been stolen".
	CORDELL	"All I know is me personally as I've had from many building you know what I'll put it in a statement bruv".
	DC M	"Simon it's not looking good is it".
	CORDELL	"What's not looking good it's not looking good for what reason".
	DC M	"You've gone for a rave in an empty warehouse, when you start going to another warehouse that's got stock in it where stuff has been stolen where your can has been found inside. You had no reason to go in there".
	CORDELL	"There were people living in there my friends are living in that building; my friends were living in there. I go into million dollar buildings right now yeah just because it's got a plasma on the wall don't mean you can't squat here just because there's a nice plasma (inaudible) it's just a belonging it don't mean you can't squat that building. Just because this bloke here decided to have shit load of million pounds of worth of gear thrown all over the floor like an whole Ikea on the floor since February laying there meaning nothing to him".

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31.21	DC M	"Doesn't give you the right to break in Simon".
	CORDELL	"No, no-one's broke in; no one broke no walls, no one broke nothing people were living in there".
	DC M	"Just because a person has a million pounds worth of profit there doesn't mean you can take it".
	CORDELL	"On the floor all smashed up; I never took nothing I couldn't take nothing my van was searched on the way home. I got pulled over by the police leaving the premises; so when I was leaving if I had stolen property on me it would have been in my van. I don't carry stolen property and I'm not a theft it's simple; I'm a good person trying to do a good thing and that's it".
32.02		DC MAYHEW goes over what Simon stated throughout the interview.
33.32	DC M	"To me you are a sensible and educated person; if you've been called to a rave in an empty warehouse to do a party or private party. The minute you go into another bit through a hole in a wall which to me isn't legitimate access. To me a window isn't a legitimate access; to get into a building to me walking into a door is a legitimate access. Once I start going through holes that shouldn't be there".
	CORDELL	"I fully appreciate but have you seen what 144 actually says on it; if you climb up a ladder and it's three floor high and you don't break a window and you go through it you ain't breaking no law. Why the heck would the government write that on a piece of paper because me and you clearly agree I do not agree that law should be there; I believe that no cunt should be able to climb up your window and go through if it's opened or closed but the government don't seem to think that because they put it down that you are legally allowed to do this; so don't hate me for what the government is putting down".
	DC M	"Simon I'm not hating you I'm just doing my job".
	CORDELL	"I'm a very sensible person I'm right in what I'm saying mate; yeah I'm telling you now I'm not no bad person I'm telling you I'm doing nothing bad man I'm just trying to do something".
34.26	DC M	"What I've got to try and get across on this tape is".
34.29	CORDELL	"I do understand where you are coming from but me and you need to sit down with the government that's screwing you's over

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34.38	DC M	for the first two years of getting paid; we need to stand up for ourselves and tell them all".
	CORDELL	"But I need to know why you felt it necessary to go into that other warehouse which obviously had stuff in it".
	CORDELL	"I never said that I went into that other warehouse but I'm telling you a reason that I would go anywhere. If there's access in a little attic I would put my head in because you never know what a little kid is going to do with on ketamine or pills or whatever you can't stop them. You keep an eye and look on the whole building and that's what I'm a guardian to what I am doing (inaudible) listen to my rhythm come out and I'm telling you what's happened to me in my previous experiences I will search everywhere; I will tell somebody if I see them doing this. I don't drink I don't take Ketamine; I'm always alert and I was alert on that night and that's why I've come alert today".
	DC M	"You've just said you've looked in to make sure no-one was in there".
	CORDELL	"No I will look at any point that I can get access to for any reason and I feel I've got rights when people are in there".
	DC M	"With you looking in there how has a can with your DNA got in there".
	CORDELL	"The police officers went in there on that day and looked; the police officers got invited into the building. They looked through the hole themselves because obviously they've come to see about the thing and they didn't see a problem on that night. If I was a police officer and I thought that this was a problem like you would everyone would be getting nicked for burglary but no-one got nicked because there was not really a problem on that night until whatever has been made up has been made up".
	DC M	"Until people start going into an adjoining warehouse where there are stuff and people start stealing stuff".
	CORDELL	"That warehouse was in a state it was in when I got there; we never done no criminal damage to that warehouse. You know if you went there in February that them pictures ain't no different from what it was from last February. I'm sorry we never done that damage I'm sorry we never done it mate. Yeah we've just gone there and we've seen something in a situation and we were all dishearten in our own life that some cunt could go around and

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36.35	DC M	have that and do that to it. Yeah we were dishearten and disgraceful as what you are on your face now looking at me mate".
	CORDELL	"No I'm not looking at you in anyway Simon".
	DC M	"I'm telling you straight mate I'm a good person; I know what is right and what is wrong and I'm telling you I never done nothing wrong".
	CORDELL	"Obviously the problem that I've got like I said I've explained my evidence and what I am going to say to you now please don't take it personally because like I said Simon I'm just doing my job alright. The problem that I've got if we were sitting here now with an empty place and you had an empty rave the likelihood you wouldn't be sitting here today because that warehouse the owners we've had problems with before. The problem is the other warehouse that there's been the damage; there is a victim there is an owner of that and there is an owner of that property. Just because as you've said in your interview that this guys got 2 million pounds worth of stock in a warehouse doing nothing".
	DC M	"No not doing nothing; not doing nothing, that he has clearly neglected and that ain't the point that I'm making. I just making a point that I overlooked and see that situation I want that clearly made because the pictures that you are showing me right now. When somebody is looking at that, even I'm looking at it and thinking bloody hell is this what I'm being accused of doing. But I want this very clear that this was like this since February that I never done this. This £10,000 worth of damage; if that one bit of writing was a problem so much to him why wasn't it cleaned up in the beginning. Come on man let's be realistic if that is what this is right now we are moaning about a bit of writing on the wall that somebody else has gone into and done because I clearly haven't done that".
	CORDELL	"I'm talking Simon about 8 to 10 grand worth of damage and 8 grand worth of property that gone missing".
	DC M	"I'm talking when I got there the whole warehouse was about; I would have said about 40-50 grand worth of damage before I got there".
38.01	DC M	"And like you said probably another 50 to 100 people should be arrested the unfortunate bit is that we found DNA of you in there and we found property within that warehouse at your house;

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38.13	CORDELL	which is why you are here". "Yeah I understand that; I've done nothing wrong other than buy something in good faith that I believed was the owner. All I've done is bought something in good faith from somebody I thought was the owner. Mohammed I've sat there in front of everybody, I've got my receipt off of him; I wouldn't have got a receipt off of him if I thought I didn't need it. The reason why I clearly got a receipt for my belongings is because I bought them in good faith; I wanted to be able to bring the products back to him if I did have a problem. I can most probably get Mohammed's number and get him to come here it ain't a problem. As far as I'm concerned Mohammed has been there from February and he's still there now".
	DC M	"Well like I said the victim has been back there and there isn't anyone living there like you're suggesting; he's been there recently and he's looked at his stock and there's certainly isn't any squatters in there at the moment, he's re-secured the place again. But Simon obviously you're here I'll put it to you that unfortunately on one of these days on the day of the rave or between the 1st and the 8th May you did enter his premises, his warehouse as a trespasser. You did go in there to steal property because you've been in there before and you knew that there was property in there".
39.18	CORDELL	"I've been in there before".
	DC M	"You had been there before at that property".
	CORDELL	"I've been to that specific place yeah for a rave; for a rave and I never stole nothing at that time there and I never stole nothing this time here".
	DC M	"But you've just said to me that you know apparently there's 1 to 2 million pounds of stock there; so you knew that there was property there".
	CORDELL	"Only because I went there only because I looked at the pictures and you can see on the pictures clearly what is there and I didn't intend to stay there. If I had been there I'm telling you you've got it all whatever you want to make up; you know in your heart I wasn't there in February, you know in your heart that I never created the mess because I've admitted that on the interview tape. You know what there's one can of coke in there, you know that I as a guardian have a very good reason to go and search any

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		building that I'm partying in each section of that building which I clearly have done. You know that I've told you that I've bought something in good faith and I have a receipt for that; other than that I don't understand what the debate is here right now I've not caused no burglary; the buildings were sectioned that is it".
40.14	DC M	"Have I covered everything".
40.18	DC C	"Yeah just to go over again". DC CHRISTMAS goes over what Simon stated throughout the interview.
42.40	DC C	"It was all property from Focus they were a company that was liquidated 5 years ago and property was just left there on the floor; so to you it seemed abandoned".
	CORDELL	"To me it just seemed that it had been abandoned and it's been left there since February and even then I still didn't pay interest on it. I drove home in my van and I got pulled over by the police on the way home; my van was searched and it had no property in it. So therefore I proved on that night I left with the intentions of going there with my sound system and coming home with my sound system and the money that I deserved and that was it".
	DC C	"You said you showed no interest that night but a couple of days later you've met up with Mohammed and".
	CORDELL	"Bought a couple of chairs in good faith and that was it".
	DC C	"And by good faith am I to take that to mean you thought it was okay to buy them because they were liquidated stock".
	CORDELL	"Yeah it's liquidated stock there's no lost owner; I thought Focus has closed down he can't be wrong the stuff that he's selling can't be stole anywhere else because it's got Focus written everywhere that's why no one given a shit since February".
45.50	DC C	"Do you think Mohammed would have a right to sell any property for either of these warehouses".
	CORDELL	"I believe yeah, I believe Mohammed has been given permission to live there I don't see why not".
	DC M	"To live in the empty premises or the empty warehouse or the stock warehouse".
	CORDELL	"He's been given them both; because if you go in there and there's a massive hole in your wall into your warehouse and you

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		know you've got squatters next door and they can just go through the wall. You don't need February, what month are we in now; how long are we talking months. You don't leave a hole in the wall and the squatters are living in there with no padlocks on the other gate and leave them the keys do yah. Because remember Mohammed has got the key to the main gates, you go through the main gate big padlock on that then you go to the red shutters. You lift the big red shutters up he's got a key to that then you go into the warehouse and the second you walk into that warehouse there's a massive hole that you can walk straight through into the other building".
46.37	DC M	"It's not a door though is it".
	CORDELL	"It's as good as a door yeah it used to be a door it used to be a wall that wasn't there; they were interlink buildings they were one building before and someone has just put a thing across it".
	DC M	"A wall".
	CORDELL	"Yeah a shitty wall".
	DC M	"To separate (inaudible)".
	CORDELL	"And now that wall got knocked down god knows when it's been knocked down; so now you can just go into that warehouse and walk into the other warehouse".
50.16		DC CHRISTMAS read over the notes she made in interview of what Simon stated about the gazebo and how long it was in his back garden.
53.17	DC M	"Finished lovely I've got no more questions at all; the date is the 25th June 2013 and the time by my watch is 1547 hours".