

Boston Confidential

OFF THE RECORD, ON THE QT AND VERY HUSH-HUSH...



POLICE SQUAD ROOM

VOICE: Sgt. Williams...Sgt. Williams...

Is anybody up there in homicide?

LT. ED EXLEY: Lt. Exley.

VOICE: We've got a bombing, downtown division, the Marathon.

EXLEY: I got it.

BOMBING SCENE

EXLEY: Sir, I took the call. It's my case.

CAPT. DUDLEY SMITH: Edmund, you don't want it and you can't have it.

EXLEY: Yes, I do, sir.

DUDLEY: It's mine. I'll make you my second in command.



POLICE SQUAD ROOM

DUDLEY: The Marathon bombing... hyperbole aside, this is a heinous crime that requires swift resolution: Eight victims, 144 wounded. Terrorism is the likely motive. We do have some hot leads, so listen well. First, the bombs were pressure-cooker bombs carried in backpacks.

DUDLEY: Second, two Chechen males were seen leaving their packs at the race. We are asking the public help to identify them, so we are blitzing the media with their pictures. No other pictures will be released because that would lead to confusion. Third, a 9mm handgun and pieces of a remote-controlled device were recovered at the scene.





POLICE CHIEF: Just go out and get them. Use all necessary force. The people of Boston demand it.

EXLEY: *(to himself)* Why not just put a bounty on 'em?



POLICE INTERROGATION ROOM

EXLEY: Eight people are dead and 144 wounded. Somebody has to pay.

DZHOKHAR TSARNAEV: I DIDN'T KILL NOBODY! I DIDN'T PLANT NO BOMBS! THEY KILLED MY BROTHER! I'M BEING SET UP!!

BEDROOM OF LYNN BRACKEN

LYNN: Do you like being a cop, Bud?

SGT. BUD WHITE: I used to. What I do now is strong-arm terrorism stuff... No, I don't like it. If I could work homicide like a real detective...



BUD: There's something wrong with the Marathon bombing case. I know it. But I can't prove it. I'm not a detective. I'm not smart enough. I'm just the guy they bring in to scare the other guy shitless.
LYNN: You're smart enough. Be a detective if that's what you want.





POLICE FORENSICS LAB

BUD: I got a few Marathon bombing questions.

FORENSICS CHIEF: I don't know if you read the papers, but that case is closed.

BUD: I'm tying up loose ends.

FORENSICS CHIEF: What do you want to know?

BUD: Anything off. Anything that didn't make sense.

FORENSICS CHIEF: You mean besides the fact that the bomb site was swarming with Craft International private security goons, that nobody was told that a terrorism drill was underway, and that Israeli police barged in uninvited to lend "assistance"? I can't think of anything.



POLICE FORENSICS LAB (a little later)

EXLEY: The Marathon bombing. Anything bothering you about the case?

FORENSICS CHIEF: Yeah. The fact that you guys won't let it get filed away.

EXLEY: What are you talking about?

FORENSICS CHIEF: Bud White grilled me on it this morning. You know, he's not as dumb as I thought.

POLICE SQUAD ROOM

EXLEY: Do you make the two Chechens for the Marathon bombing?

SGT. JACK VINCENNES: What?

EXLEY: It's a simple question.

JACK: I'm trying to figure what angle you're playing this time.

EXLEY: I've given up angles for awhile. I just want to solve this thing.



JACK: The Marathon bombing was solved, Lieutenant.

EXLEY: I want to do it right.

JACK: Okay, college boy, I'll help you, but I want half the collar.

EXLEY: A third. I don't think we can make a case without Bud White.



POLICE RECORDS ROOM (Exley and White got into a fight over Lynn Bracken)

EXLEY: It wasn't the Chechens. Who first said that it was?

BUD: The FBI.

EXLEY: The first responders, when Jack and I got there, were an FBI bomb squad, whose leader was talking to one of the Craft International security contractors.

BUD: Yeah, Dudley's guys. You can tell by the khaki pants and the skull logo on the cap.

EXLEY: They weren't looking for the bombers. They *were* the bombers.

BUD: It all keeps coming back to Craft and the FBI. Probably the Israelis, too.

EXLEY: It's Craft International for the Marathon bombing.



BUD: Also, the FBI lied when they said the Chechens were unknown. It had had a relationship with the Tsarnaev brothers for more than two years.

EXLEY: What's more, their boys' uncle was Ruslan Tsarni, a one-time contractor with Haliburton. He's married to the daughter of a former top CIA agent, Graham Fuller.

EXLEY: How could the FBI *not* have known the bombing was going to happen?

BUD: They were in on it, just as they were in on the 1993 World Trade Centre bombing and who knows how many others that they just happened to thwart at the last minute.

EXLEY: The Israelis figure in this, too: The doctors, the police... That's the angle Jack was working.



BUD: As long as Tel Aviv has the compliant ear of the American political establishment, those who wish for peace and justice in the world should not rest easy. I've been trying to be smart, a detective. But killing those Craft International fuckers—that would be justice.

EXLEY: Stay smart, Bud. We build a case. We play by the rules.



OFFICE OF DA ELLIS LOEW

DA ELLIS LOEW: Well, Lieutenant, what do want? I am rather busy at the moment.

EXLEY: I want DA bureau men to tail Dudley Smith twenty-four hours a day; I want you to get a judge to authorize a wiretap on his home phone; I want authorization to check his bank records, and I want it all in an hour.

DA ELLIS LOEW: Absolutely not. Dudley Smith is a highly decorated member of this city's police department and I won't smear his name without any proof.

EXLEY: The proof had his throat shot by the FBI and is being treated in a hospital by Israeli doctors. Quite the coincidence, don't you think?



LOEW: Don't try this good cop/bad cop with me. I practically invented it. And so what if some Chechen or Arab or any other Allah-lover gets offed. It's not as if anyone's going to get too upset. It gives them peace of mind to see their prejudices reinforced. Now, If you'll excuse me, I've got a Jack Vincennes press conference to prepare for.
BUD: Dudley Smith—spill!

LOEW'S OFFICE BATHROOM

LOEW: Call him off, Exley!

EXLEY: I don't know how.

(Bud hits Loew with backhand after back-hand, holding him by the scruff of the neck. He marches him past Exley and practically throws Loew through the office window.)

LOEW: Okay! You're right! Craft did the bombing, and the FBI knew all about it.



LOEW'S INNER OFFICE

LOEW: Dudley's in with Craft International. It did the bombing because Israel needs to ratchet up "terrorism" hysteria to stampede the U.S. into bombing Syria and Iran. Dudley's handpicked cops'll be allowed to run Boston's new "anti-terrorism" protection racket for Craft. The Tsarnaevs were patsies and supposed to be killed so they wouldn't talk.