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CAST

SONNY CROCKETT RICARDO TUBBS SWITEK ZITO TRUDY GINA RODRIGUEZ CAROLINE CROCKETT BILLY CROCKETT BISNO JANET BUCKLEY FELIX CASTRANOVA SUSAN CASTRONOVA LINUS MONOHAN DON **FIELDS** DOCTOR GUARD

MARIA RODRIGUEZ NURSE MENDEZ MENDEZ'S GIRL OFFICER ROY MAITRE 'D BOB

PHIL PRESCOTT

MAN GIRL YOUNG METZGER

BUSINESS MAN BLACK MAN

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SETS

INTERIORS:

GOLD COAST OFFICES
RODRIGUEZ' OFFICE
STRATEGY ROOM
INTERROGATION ROOM
DOWNTOWN PRECINCT
SQUAD ROOM
INTERROGATION ROOM

CASTRANOVA LUXURY CONDO

MENDEZ LUXURY CONDO

NIGHTCLUB
OFFICE
FLOOR BOOTH
BALCONY
DANCE FLOOR
HOSPITAL
WAITING AREA
CORRIDOR

CAROLINE'S HOUSE
BEDROOM
FRONT DOOR
SURVEILLANCE CONDO
DINING ROOM
BATHROOM
KITCHEN
LINUS' CONDO

EXTERIORS:

CONDO ENTRANCE
CASTRANOVA POOL AREA
COUNTY COURTHOUSE
PATIO
DESERET MOTEL
PARKING LOT
NIGHTCLUB
ST. VITUS DANCE
PIER

SAFEHOUSE CAROLINE'S HOUSE

VARIOUS STREETS, ND
SEDANS, FERRARI
OFFICE BUILDING
BEACH
WATERFRONT PARK
WATERFRONT CONDO
GARAGE
HOSPITAL

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ACT ONE

FADE IN

1 INT. LUXURY CONDO - MORNING - ON CROCKETT

1

shaving himself. The sound of a straight-edge scraping against flesh in slow, steady strokes, as ---

MAN'S VOICE

(thick Jersey
accent; blunt)

(X)

You and I are meeting some people tonight up in Lauderdale. Get some sun today.

2 SAME

2

His face reflected in a bathroom mirror as he stands, barechested, preoccupied with his morning hygenic ritual.

FEMALE VOICE

What's that supposed to mean?

MAN'S VOICE

It means I don't want the world thinking I'm married to a corpse.

Crockett smiles, turns ---

CROCKETT

(to O.S.)

Whoever said coke dealers aren't charming?

This is to ---

3 ADJACENT DINING ROOM - TUBBS

3

who sits before a surveillance box amp and a tape player in this very chic, done in soft-tech, condo. As Tubbs chuckles, he picks up his binoculars, peers out balcony window ---

4 WHAT HE SEES

4

Across a centralized pool area, one of many individualized condo units. On the wide balcony, Felix and Susan Castranova,

4

a midthirties couple, yuppie by virtue of the drug trade, are eating their breakfast.

SUSAN

Maybe I <u>feel</u> like a corpse. I still don't know why we left Jersey to come to this dump.

TUBBS

CROCKETT

Amen.

A woman after your own heart, Tubbs.

FELIX'S VOICE

(X)

Two million extra per annum, good enough reason, sweetheart. This is the land of opportunity.

As a uniformed Latin maid clears their plates, Tubbs' point (X) of view wanders down to a ---

5 BIKINIED BEAUTY

5

Blonde and luscious, towel slung over her shoulder, she passes the cabanas to the pool. As she sets her towel down, rubs herself sensuously with lotion ---

TUBBS

The upside of surveillance.

(X)

-- she is embraced from behind by a sixty-five-year-old swingled-out sugar daddy. She turns into his arms, kisses him passionately. True love.

6 BACK TO CONDO

6

Tubbs sets down his binoculars, deflated.

TUBBS

Unless I inherit about fifteen million dollars, I don't stand a chance in this town.

Crockett, clean-shaven, steps into the room, buttoning up a new shirt. He "presents" himself to Tubbs.

CROCKETT

Well. Do I look like a man who's about to get divorced?

(X)

TUBBS

(sincere)

If there's anything you need, buddy, just name it. I'm here.

As Crockett shows his appreciation with a look, the front door opens. Letting themselves in are ---

7 SWITEK AND ZITO

7

As they swagger in, goofing on some bogus abstract sculpture, we hear ---

SECOND MAN'S VOICE

(younger, more
thuggish)

Nick has the car ready, Mr. C.

SWITEK

(looking

out_window

at Felix

and Susan)

What's new today

with America's

favorite couple?

TUBBS

Nada. He's being pretty tight-lipped about how he's gonna

set up shop.

CROCKETT

(X)

(X)

(to Switek)

We've got north and south tails three blocks short on Biscayne --

(tosses a

walkie-talkie

to Switek)

Let them know he's heading out.

TUBBS

Have a ball, fellas.

(X)

Under which, Crockett and Tubbs have gathered their things. At the door the two factions salute good-byes. As Crockett and Tubbs exit, we stay inside the condo with Switek and Zito.

(X)

CONTINUED

6

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SUSAN'S VOICE

FELIX'S VOICE

Where are you going?

in about an hour.

Teddy's gonna fit me for

a couple suits. Be back

7 CONTINUED SWITEK (X) (in walkietalkie; like an Indy announcer) Gentlemen, start your engines. He's going to his tailor's. Under which, Zito filters into the bathroom, closes door (X) behind him. With an impish look in his face ---SWITEK Zito!! She's taking off her shirt!! Omigod!! She's not wearing a bra!! In a moment the bathroom door barrels open. Zito, zipping up his trousers, nearly topples over chairs, tables, sculpture. Switek hands him the binoculars. SWITEK Look at that!! Zito peers out ---ZITO What? Switek grabs the binoculars back. SWITEK (groans) You missed it. She was unreal. (off Zito's look) Scout's honor. Off Zito's deflation, Switek's private grin ---CUT TO . 8 EXT. BOULEVARD - CROCKETT AND TUBBS (X) As they climb into the Ferrari ---

TUBBS

Look on the bright side, Crockett.

CROCKETT

What's the bright side of divorce?

TUBBS

(shrugs)

It's not root canal.

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	(X)

8 CONTINUED 8 They climb into the Ferrari. We follow the vehicle as it pulls away from the curb. It passes and we hold on a stretch limousine, which has pulled in front of the condo entrance. 9 OMITTED 9 10 INT. CONDO - SWITEK 10 peers through the binoculars. As Zito opens nearby refrigerator door ---ZITO Did you eat all the frozen Snickers yesterday? 11 OMITTED 11 11-A WHAT SWITEK SEES - A UNIFORMED VALET 11-A opens the curbside doors of the limousine. 11-B ON VALET - TIGHT 11-B A lean, chiseled-featured man, named Armstrong, looking vaguely at odds inside the valet getup. He calmly extracts a tiny leather case from his inside pocket, pulls out two mini earplugs. He inserts them in his ears. There is an economy of motion about this man that is at once professional and terrifying. He turns to ---11-C ON FRONT DOOR OF CONDO 11-C as Felix, in tow with his hulking bodyguard, steps out, head toward the limousine. Armstrong ushers the two men into the body of the limousine. He closes the door behind them, his face reflected in the tinted glass. 11-D ON ARMSTRONG 11-D as he swiftly pulls out a shotgun from within his uniform,

11-E INT. LUXURY CONDO - ON SWITEK

11-E

peering through binoculars, spotting the armed valet.

levels it precisely at the backseat of the limo ---

SWITEK

Zito!

Zito rushes to window, looks down on ---

11-F	BACK TO SCENE	11-E
,	As Armstrong fires four rounds into the backseat through the tinted glass The windows explode, glass shatters, mixed with men screaming.	e
11-G	CHAUFFEUR	11-0
	quickly hops out of the limo, only to be hit and killed by two swift rounds by	
11-H	ARMSTRONG	11-E
	who is about to turn away, when	
	MAN'S VOICE Drop it!	
	Armstrong immediately obeys drops the shotgun, turns around with his hands up to face	
11-J	BUILDING SECURITY GUARD	11-5
•	An early twenties rent-a-cop holding a nervous .38 on Armstrong.	
÷.	GUARD	
	Juststand right there.	
,	The Guard surveys the carnage, fights to remain calm, darts his eyes back to	
11-K	ARMSTRONG	11-K
	with a slight smile on his face, he slips his right hand in his shirt lightning-like ships out a handgun, fires at a kills the nervous security Guard. Armstrong turns	
11-L	THE SCENE	11-1
	as Armstrong, with complete ease, walks away from the demolished limo and the four corpses to a nearby	
11-M	BLUE MERCURY SEDAN	11-M
	He climbs into the passenger side	
11-N	INT. BLUE MERCURY	11-N

As Armstrong closes door behind him, he gives a slight satisfied nod to the driver, a dark, mustachioed man, early thirties, named Rudolpho Mendez. Mendez turns the wheel,

drives away ---

ramp ---

	12	CLOSE ON TWO PAIRS OF LEGS	12
		running toward us very quickly, moving past the dead securit Guard, the chewed up limousine steps crunching on shatter glass	
		SWITEK'S VOICE	
		Shots fired!	
		Under which we pull back to reveal Switek and Zito arriving at the street in time to see	
	13	OMITTED	13
	14	BLUE MERCURY SEDAN	14
		turning a corner	
		SWITEK	
		(in walkie-	
		talkie)	
	.*	Blue Mercury sedan! Heading south on Nineteenth.	
,	15	OMITTED	15
	15-A	EXT. BISCAYNE - FIRST ND SEDAN	15-2
		screeches from curb, peels away in hot pursuit, as	
	15-B	OTHER SIDE OF STREET - SECOND ND SEDAN	15-1
		also screeches from curb, makes a daredevil U-turn through traffic, follows the first tail car	
	15-C	INT. BLUE MERCURY	15-0
		Mendez eyes the rearview mirror sees the two tail cars encroaching then looks ahead to see	•
	15-D	VENETIAN CAUSEWAY DRAWBRIDGE	15 - I
		starting to go up. Crossing gates are down red stop lights burn brightly.	
	15-E	BLUE MERCURY SEDAN	15-1
		snaps through the crossing gate, accelerates across the rising bridge jumps	
	15-F	OTHER SIDE OF DRAWBRIDGE	15-1
		as the blue Mercury lands with a bump on the other rising	

15 - G	FRONT OF DRAWBRIDGE - THE TWO TAIL CARS	15-G (X)
	as they arrive at the now fully risen ramp, now up at an 80 angle. The two sedans screech to a halt, stymied.	(X)
	CUT TO	
16	EXT. COUNTY COURTHOUSE BUILDING - DAY	16
	A wide shot encompasses the full swell of activity attorneys, civilians, cops, etc. heading up and down the courthouse steps.	
17	FERRARI	17
	pulls into f.g. frame, stops at the curb. Crockett gets out. Tubbs, behind the wheel, leans across the passenger seat	
	TUBBS You're gonna sail through this, no problem.	(X)
	CROCKETT I appreciate the pre-game pep talk, Tubbs, but I'm fine. Really.	
•	Something catches Crockett's attention from the corner of his eye.	
18	WHAT HE SEES - VOLVO	18
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	as it pulls up to the curb, twenty yards ahead of the Ferrari. Disembarking, Caroline and her young lawyer, Alan Bisno. Caroline notices, shoots a look to	
19	CROCKETT	19
	It's a look he feels in his knees as they go weak. Carolin heads up the steps. Tubbs has noticed the interlude. Beat	e •
	CROCKETT See ya.	
	A look, as Crockett shuts the door. Tubbs watches his partner head up the steps, then turns his attention to the dashboard.	

TUBBS
(pats dash)
Lucille, let's you and I get to know each other.

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ON FERRARI - BACK WHEEL

20

20 .

spinning, as the car peels out, all to the tune of B.B. King's "Lucille."

9

CUT TO

21 EXT. MAIN BOULEVARD - ON FERRARI

21

as Tubbs cruises down the street, letting the world catch a glimpse. Bopping to the music, he winks, finger-salutes, blows kisses to any and all available ladies traipsing down the sidewalk.

TUBBS

(noticing a foxy window shopper)

I am fun waiting for a place to happen.

As he stops at a red light he notices a convertible Mustang that has pulled alongside him. Behind the wheel, a hippie-ish Girl in a scanty blue cotton dress that sums her up beautifully.

TUBBS

Baby Blue!

(off Girl's

attention)

How do you like my new wheels?

GIRL

They're nice.

(off Tubbs'

million-

dollar grin)

Who do you drive it for?

(X)

(X)

Tubbs' grin fades. As the light turns green -- The Girl peels away. Tubbs turns the corner, commiserating with himself, only to be interrupted by a voice over the police band ---

VOICE

Any units in the vicinity of 23rd and LeJeune ---

Tubbs notices a street sign: "10th and LeJeune."

VOICE

...Blue Mercury sedan in the parking lot of Deseret Motel, a suspect in this morning's Flamingo Towers shooting.

Tubbs reacts to "Flamingo Towers."

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(X) 22 ON FERRARI 22 As Tubbs kicks in the V-12, it roars off ---CUT TO EXT. DESERET MOTEL - PARKING LOT - DAY - ON SQUAD CAR 23 23 parked behind the far side of this L-shaped motel. Two rookie cops, Metzger and Young, are staking out a blue Mercury sedan parked in front of a motel room. Under which, Tubbs has parked the Ferrari and come upon the two cops. He shows them his badge as ---TUBBS I was on stakeout at the Flamingo. What happened? YOUNG Four guys were wasted. Preliminary report said it was pretty wicked. A real pro. **METZGER** Should we try to take him now? TUBBS (shakes head) Sit tight till we get some more backup. YOUNG (points) Hey!! He's coming out! 24 WHAT THEY SEE - MOTEL ROOM as door opens Mendez (the driver) steps out, heads across lot toward an ice machine.

24

25 BACK TO SCENE

25

The three officers draw their guns, as Mendez strides unwittingly toward them. Suddenly the sound of screeching tires rivets Tubbs' attention to a squad car racing into the lot.

TUBBS

Idiots!

Immediately anticipating, Tubbs looks back to ---

26 thru OMITTED 28

26 thru

28

28-A	MENDEZ	28-A
	who has already made his break through a passageway in the motel. Tubbs bolts after him	
28-B	PASSAGEWAY - TUBBS	28-B
	In foot pursuit of Mendez, pumping through the motel passageway, arriving	1
29	BEHIND MOTEL	29
	where Mendez is climbing a fence	
30	TUBBS	30
	draws his gun	
	TUBBS Stop! Police!	
·	Mendez fires at Tubbs, who must retreat back into passageway, giving Mendez enough time to climb the fence.	
31	ON TUBBS	31
	Remerges from passageway, bounds over the fence, sees Mendez beyond filtering into an alley. On the other side of fence now, Tubbs rushes to	
32	ALLEY	32
	As he hits the alley, in full stride, he sees Mendez thirty yards beyond approaching, finally disappears onto a very busy boulevard that the alley opens onto. A sweating, out-of-breath Tubbs finally arrives, looks out onto	
33	BUSY BOULEVARD	33
	crowded with cars, pedestrians, congestion. Impossibly vast. The Colombian is nowhere in sight.	
34	ON TUBBS	34
	winded, cursing under his barely-caught breath, as we	
	CUT TO	

35 OMITTED

35 (X)

35-A EXT. COURTHOUSE PATIO - DAY - WOODEN TABLE

35-A (X)

where Caroline and Bisno sip coffee with Crockett and his attorney, Janet Buckley in this outdoor patio adjacent to the courthouse. Caroline and Crockett both sit in uneasy silence, as ---

(X)

BISNO

Real simple, Janet. As custodial parent my client takes the boy with her.

BUCKLEY

Hey! We'll ask for and get a four-county restraining order. She won't take that kid north of Palm Beach.

BISNO

We're being generous. If you'd like, I'll bring up Mr. Crockett's life-style -- a vice cop who deals with dopeheads, pimps and scum all day. He'll be lucky if he gets to see the boy once a year on Christmas.

CAROLINE

(reacts)

I told you, Alan, visitaion stays the way we discussed it.

BISNO

(snaps)

Caroline, please...Let me handle this.

Crockett notices and doesn't like Bisno silencing Caroline with a sharp look.

BUCKLEY

We can play hardball. I'll throw the kid on the stand, let him tell the court how he burned his hand on the stove last month 'cause Mommy was in the other room, talking on the phone.

CROCKETT

(resolute)

My kid is not gonna be dragged into this.

(a look)

Caroline, can I speak to you?

CONTINUED

3	5-A	CONTINUED

BISNO

(wheels on her)

Caroline, there is no need for an extracurricular negotiation here.

She stands, despite his warning ---

CAROLINE

Don't push it, Alan.

The lawyers watch as Caroline follows Crockett away from table -- We hold on their exasperation for two beats, then:

CUT TO

36 ANGLE - FAR SIDE OF PATIO

36 (X)

(X)

35-A

overlooking Biscayne Bay. Crockett and Caroline, in midconversation ---

CAROLINE

Sonny, I had no idea ---

CROCKETT

(over)

Look, Caroline, the only reason we got in with these clowns is because you want to move to Atlanta...

(beat)

If you really think it's for the best, then what the hell -- it's an hour plane ride.

CAROLINE

(touched)

Oh, Sonny...

(beat)

I'm so turned around about all this ... Now I feel like... maybe I am being selfish about it. Billy does need to grow up with his father. I could find a job down here.

(X)

She looks up at him. A look that betrays their deep-rooted love for one another, a realization they can work it out.

(X)

37 BACK TO TABLE

37

Bisno and Buckley, finishing their coffee ---

CONTINUED

BISNO

I also hear your client lives on a boat somewhere with a twelve-foot alligator. A real Mister Rogers.

Under which, Crockett and Caroline return to the table. Buckley looks up ---

BUCKLEY

Come on, Sonny. Five minutes to kickoff.

(to Bisno)

See you in court.

CAROLINE

Actually, I don't think you will.

BUCKLEY

What?

CAROLINE

(to Bisno)

And unless you have another case, Alan, you won't be going to court either.

CROCKETT

(off their

confusion)

What the lady's trying to say is that you're both fired.

Bisno looks to Caroline as if she's a silly little girl ---

BISNO

(sour)

Caroline, let's stop this nonsense right now and get into court.

CROCKETT

(noise-to-nose

with Bisno)

And another thing, scrub, you ever speak to Caroline like that again, I'll wrap you around your briefcase.

BUCKLEY

(trying to

reason)

Sonny, you're agitated. Please...if you waive us now, the judge'll adjourn your case like that.

(snaps her fingers)

Caroline puts her hand on Sonny's arm.

CAROLINE

(to Buckley)

We'll just have to reschedule then, won't we?

CROCKETT

Later, counsellors.

They walk away, leaving the two attorneys temporarily speechless.

38 ON CROCKETT AND CAROLINE

38

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heading out, exhilarated from their flourish....

CROCKETT

Our divorce was a bigger failure than our marriage.

They break into laughter, made heartier by the unleashed tension. As they head out, Crockett and Caroline, two battle-weary soldiers, put their arms around each other for support.

CUT TO

39 EXT. MOTEL PARKING LOT - DAY

39

An aftermath scene in progress -- S.I.D. dusting the Mercury and the motel room for prints, Metro cops fending off a snowballing ring of spectators, squad cars, etc. Off cut, Tubbs fills in a recently arrived Rodriguez. As they walk toward open motel room door ---

TUBBS

The motel owner said he's been here for five days.

Passing the Mercury sedan, where S.I.D. is busy dusting for prints ---

RODRIGUEZ

Anything in the car?

TUBBS

(nods)

They found a real warm shotgun in the trunk.

Under which, Trudy has stepped out of open motel room, an urgency about her manner. Arriving at Tubbs and Rodriquez ---

39 39 CONTINUED (X) TRUDY (speaking rapidly) They found a briefcase in the room. Twenty grand in cash, a couple of pistols, and this ---(X) She hands Rodriquez what looks like an appointment book. TRUDY (X)(continuous) Lieutenant, I think you better take a look. Rodriguez opens the book, scans it, turns a page, then goes ash white. He hands it to Tubbs, who looks, reacts in identical manner. RODRIGUEZ · Where is he? CUT TO 40 40 OMITTED (X) 41 41 INT. CAROLINE'S HOUSE - BEDROOM - DAY Sunlight streams through the slanted Levolors and falls onto the bodies of Crockett and Caroline in bed, in the warm afterglow of lovemaking. A radio plays soft and low to some cool fifties jazz. For the moment, these two are simply lovers, liberated from time or place or past, removed from the weight and reality of the world outside. CROCKETT (quiet) So many nights...I'd lie awake, my hand hovered over the phone like this ---He places his hand inches over the bedside phone. notice it has been taken off the hook. CROCKETT -- a voice inside my head saying, 'call her, call her'...wanting it to be like this again. I never had the courage to do it.

CAROLINE

(holds onto him)

It doesn't matter Sonny. We're here now.

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41 CONTINUED 41

They embrace, passionately. After they break, Caroline leans back into her pillow, stares at the ceiling, lost in thought.

CROCKETT

(noticing her)

What?

CAROLINE

Oh. I was just wondering if there was some other reason for us not going through with it today.

CROCKETT

Fate?

CAROLINE

Guess I'm just still stuck torturing myself, thinking I didn't try hard enough to make it work.

CROCKETT

You tried hard enough.

CAROLINE

Didn't you ever have that thought?

CROCKETT

(nonchalant)

Oh sure. Two, three...hundred times.

(smile; beat)

Looks like today's stay of execution will give us a little more time to torture ourselves about it.

CAROLINE

Guess so.

As they meet lips, the doorbell rings ---

CROCKETT

Don't tell me? Boyfriend?

Caroline gets up, tosses on a robe ---

CAROLINE

Yeah. It's my two o'clock, wiseguy.

A smile, and she is gone. We hold on Crockett as he sprawls across the bed, relaxed. He picks up a bedside framed photograph of he, Caroline and infant Billy, stares at it a beat, when ---

41 CONTINUED - 2

CAROLINE'S VOICE

(concerned)

Sonny?

Off Crockett's reaction ---

42 CLOSE ON RODRIGUEZ AND TUBBS - FRONT DOOR

42

(X)

41

standing behind the screen, worried, intense looks on their faces. Crockett, now in a robe, steps up ---

CROCKETT

(seeing them)

Ever hear of giving a guy a break?

He looks past them, notices three squad cars parked at the curb.

TUBBS

Castronova and his two bodyguards were shot and killed after we left our stakeout this morning.

CROCKETT

(reacts)

By who?

TUBBS

Don't know yet. Looks like a professional job.

RODRIGUEZ

We almost caught up with him down on Bayshore. This was in a briefcase he dropped.

He hands Crockett the appointment book. As Crockett scans it ---

TUBBS

Eight names on a list. You're number eight.

Crockett looks up.

TUBBS

It's a hit list, Crockett.

CROCKETT

(invokes squad

cars)

That's what this is all about.

CONTINUED

CROCKETT (Cont'd)

(relaxes)

Fellas, I'd need about ten hands to count all the times my life's been threatened by lightweights.

RODRIGUEZ

Eight names on the list, Crockett. The first six are already dead.

Crockett, in suspended disbelief, turns to an equally stunned Caroline, standing behind him. Crockett then absently hands the list back to Tubbs. The two meet eyes, exchange a worried gaze, as we ---

FADE OUT

END OF ACT ONE

42

ACT TWO

FADE IN

43 INT. GOLD COAST OFFICES - DAY

43

A small hurricane of activity, as all personnel is riveted to the task of helping Crockett. Off cut, Crockett addresses Patty, the desk officer ---

CROCKETT

Compile a list of everybody I busted in the last three years. Where they live, if they did time ---

Under which, Tubbs has stepped over ---

CROCKETT

(to Tubbs)

How's S.I.D. coming with the finger-prints?

TUBBS

They picked up about six different sets in the motel room.

(off Crockett's

look)

The kind of maid service they have in that dive, most of those are probably from past occupants.

(then,

meaningfully)

One of them matched up with the gun.

(off Crockett's optimistic

look)

We should be getting something back soon.

Under which, Trudy has stepped over carrying two files ---

TRUDY

DEA files just came in on Rivez and Berencia.

TUBBS

Number four and five on the list?

TRUDY

(nods)

Just like Castranova. Midlevel operators in the process of expansion.

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43 CONTINUED

TUBBS

21

Somebody's looking to short-circuit their competition.

RODRIGUEZ'S VOICE

Crockett!!

Crockett looks up to see Rodriguez beckoning him from within open office door. As he heads toward the office, he crosses an incoming ---

44 GINA

44

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who is decked out in her hooker undercover. As she takes off her six-inch heels, exhausted ---

GINA

(to Crockett)

I'll never figure out how these girls can stand out there all day without dropping of exhaustion.

CROCKETT

They're usually not standing.

As Gina pours herself a cup of coffee ---

GINA

Oh, Crockett?

(off his

attention)

I get off shift in a couple hours and was just wondering...

(flirty)

How about your first 'date' as an unmarried man?

CROCKETT

(fumbling)

...I'm not exactly unmarried --

(off her look)

We didn't go through with the divorce.

GINA

(immediately

icy)

I see...

(sarcastic)

Last minute reconciliation?

RODRIGUEZ

(from his office).

Crockett!

(X)

22 (X)

44 CONTINUED

44

Crockett watches her turn away from him, hesitates, then attends to the matter at hand -- Rodriguez' office, under which, Tubbs has crossed to Gina.

GINA

(vents anger)

Your partner sure played me for a fool.

TUBBS

Gina, wait. There's something you don't know.

45 INT. RODRIGUEZ'S OFFICE

45

Rodriguez turns around to Crockett, runs a weary hand across his dome ---

RODRIGUEZ

(grave)

Just got a call from Interpol, of all places. They ran down the prints on our man ---

He picks up pad, reads from it ---

RODRIGUEZ

A beat, as it sinks in to Crockett.

CROCKETT

No other identity?

RODRIGUEZ

(shakes head)

All we know is that he bats a thousand.

Under which, Crockett gazes through office window, sees Tubbs talking to Gina. She reacts, turns to Crockett, mouths the words "I'm sorry." Beat. Crockett turns back in.

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CROCKETT

I guess I should be flattered that someone went to the trouble of hiring the best.

Tubbs enters the office ---

TUBBS

Just got a call from the safehouse -- (off Crockett's

interest)

Caroline and Billy just arrived. They're in protective custody.

CROCKETT

(to Rodriguez)

Who's up there with them?

RODRIGUEZ

Monahan, Sweeney, Hebner and Ferris.

CROCKETT

(flares)

You promised me six!

RODRIGUEZ

Another team from Metro is on their way. That's six. And with you up there with them, that's seven.

CROCKETT

I'm not going up there, Lou. I'm not gonna go and bury my head in the sand like an ostrich.

As Rodriguez exasperates ---

TUBBS

We got it covered down here, Crockett. You should be with your family.

Before he can protest, the phone rings. Rodriguez picks it up ---

RODRIGUEZ

(in phone)

Yeah?..good. Run it through everybody. I'll call Interpol myself...Thanks.

(hangs up; to Crockett

and Tubbs)

They found a passport in the motel room, hidden in the TV set. No photograph, but there is a name -- Rudolpho Mendez.

#59504 24 (X) 45 CONTINUED - 2 45 CROCKETT This guy probably has about fifty names. RODRIGUEZ Beggars can't be choosers. We'll see what we can dig up. 46 46 and OMITTED and 47 47 48 SWITEK AND ZITO 48 enter the office. SWITEK Rap sheet on Linus Oliver just came RODRIGUEZ Next on the list? ZITO (nods) Number seven. Yeah. CROCKETT Got an address? (off Zito's nod; to Tubbs) Let's go! RODRIGUEZ Crockett, you're going into protective custody, dammit! CROCKETT Lou, I've got more at stake here than anybody. Please. Let me do my job. Off Crockett's unwavering resolution ---

CUT TO

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49 INT. NIGHTCLUB - DAY - ON LINUS

A black, midthirties hyphenate: club owner/dealer, with a linebacker's build and self-assuredness. As he pours himself a drink ---

LINUS

(glib)

Number seven on a hit list. Gee, I better try harder.

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Under which, we pull back to reveal Crockett and Tubbs standing at the bar of this empty, coke money-built, glitzy nightclub.

TUBBS

Read the papers, Linus...you do know how to read? -- Minor league dealers like yourself are dropping like flies.

LINUS

Dealer? What do you mean 'dealer'? Like a car dealer.

CROCKETT

Cut the witness stand rap. We've already read your biography as penned by FBI, DEA and Metro.

LINUS

I'm a businessman with better things to do than to have two cops tryin' to pry into my affairs.

TUBBS

(ignores)

Somebody wants you dead, man. Any ideas?

LINUS

My mother-in-law.

TUBBS

(X)

Your mother-in-law must have a lot of bucks 'cause she hired the best; probably laid out about twenty grand for your head on a platter.

Linus reacts with a slight start, composes quickly, pours a drink.

LINUS

(X)

(X)

(smiles)

Why don't I believe you?

CROCKETT

(X)

Look, pal, we could bust you before I say boo. That's not why we're here. We wanna work with you to catch whatever it is that's after you.

(X)

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26 (X)

49 CONTINUED - 2

LINUS

Sounds real tempting, fellas, but I got a nightclub to run.

(showing them the door)

Now if you don't mind.

TUBBS

Your funeral, bro.

CUT TO

50 EXT. FRONT ALCOVE OF CLUB

50

as Crockett and Tubbs walk up the steps to the sidewalk ---

TUBBS

Maybe we should trump something, bring him in.

CROCKETT

Not yet.

As they step onto the sidewalk opening to a rush hour scene filled with traffic, day workers spilling out of office buildings ---

TUBBS

Wait here. I'll bring up the car.

CROCKETT

Forget it, Tubbs. I felt like a jerk when you dropped me off.

(before Tubbs can protest)
I can walk a half block without getting shot.

Crockett steps past an unconvinced Tubbs to ---

51 SIDEWALK - CROCKETT AND TUBBS

51

as, on cut, they begin their walk to the corner. Tubbs sidles beside a parked ND sedan, inside which sits Gina and Trudy, posing as two bored singles ---

TUBBS

(to Gina/Trudy;
not breaking
stride)

stride

Don't let him out of your sight. Maybe he'll lead us to Mendez.

Gina, filing her nails, nods, as Crockett and Tubbs continue.

49

52 52 ON CROCKETT as a slight paranoia creeps into his bearing. He pulls out cigarette pack, starts to light one up, when he is bumped from behind by a passing Businessman. BUSINESSMAN 'Scuse me. Slightly rattled, Crockett lights his cigarette. Tensing, he looks up at ---53 OFFICE BUILDING 53 Its front a checkerboard of window. Behind any one may lie a Cobra. 54 BACK TO CROCKETT 54 as he wipes a bead of sweat from his eyes. Tubbs is about to say a soothing word to his partner, when -- A car backfires. Crockett ducks his head, shoots a look to ---55 VW BUG 55 sputtering as it parallel parks. 56 AT STREET CORNER 56 as they arrive, wait for traffic to clear ---CROCKETT (now agitated) Where the hell'd you park? Kendall? TUBBS Across the street. About to step down, Crockett is tapped on the shoulder from behind ---MAN'S VOICE Hey! Crockett wheels around, his gun drawn, only to find himself confronted by a freaked-out middle-aged man, proffering a pack of cigarettes ---MAN You dropped these.

Off Crockett's coming undone ---

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57 INT. FERRARI

57

as, on cut, Crockett and Tubbs climb in. Crockett's in bad shape, rattled ---

CROCKETT

I don't know what happened to me. I just snapped.

TUBBS -

(adamant)

You're going into protective custody, Crockett. End of discussion.

As Tubbs drives away, Crockett just stares out the window.

CUT TO

58 EXT. BEACH - DAY - ON BILLY

58

Under the sound of gulls cooing, surf pounding, we see Billy in the wet sand digging for sand crabs. As he follows the receding surf ---

CAROLINE'S VOICE

Billy, stay close.

Under which, we widen to include Crockett and Caroline sitting on a ridge of dry sand a few yards away, the picture of isolation.

CROCKETT

It was the longest block I ever walked in my life. I never felt that kind of fear before.

CAROLINE

How do you think we feel, Sonny?

CROCKETT

I know.

CAROLINE

(angry)

Do you? Do you know what it is to explain to your son why he was pulled out of school, away from home? (breaking)

We didn't do anything, dammit.

CROCKETT

(puts arm around her)

I'm here, baby. Nothing's gonna happen to us.

CAROLINE

(softens)

I'm sorry, Sonny. I'm just so scared.

(looks

at him)

Promise me you won't leave us?

CROCKETT

Promise.

CAROLINE

(an ironic laugh)

Do you realize this is the first vacation we've had together in four years.

MAN'S VOICE (MONAHAN)

Sonny?

Crockett turns around ---

59 WHAT HE SEES - FOUR UNIFORMED COPS

standing, toting serious automatic weaponry, stand guard around the Crocketts. Behind them, an isolated safehouse.

MONAHAN

All ready to go?

CROCKETT

(to Caroline;

off her

confusion)

Just going back to the boat to get my things and take care of Elvis.

As Crockett stands ---

BILLY

We going crabbin' now, Dad?

CROCKETT

In about an hour.

Off Billy's disappointed pout, Crockett playfully roughhouses his son, turning on the laughter. The screen whites out and the whirring of a slide projector fades up, as ---

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59

30 (X)

60 STILL PHOTOGRAPH

60

fills a screen. It is a full-faced shot of a dark Latin man, late thirties, wavy hair, dead eyes.

RODRIGUEZ'S VOICE

Rudolpho Mendez.

Widen to locate ourselves in ---

61 GOLD COAST STRATEGY ROOM

61

where Rodriguez and Tubbs and a handful of other OCB officers sit in darkness watching the slide show. Tubbs sits up in his seat, reacting to the slide.

TUBBS

That's him. He's the one from the motel.

RODRIGUEZ

(beat)

Well, it looks as if this mystery assassin finally has an identity. Rudolpho Mendez.

(beat; picks

up a rap sheet)

Says he's in thick with a lot of heavy boys down in Bogota, in what had always been thought of as a low-profile liaison capacity.

Rodriguez clicks forward -- Mendez with an unidentified figure, looking over his shoulder, as he steps into limousine, Times Square in b.g. Tubbs picks up phone, dials ---

TUBBS

(in phone;

sotto)

Gina, it's Tubbs. Any movement on Linus yet? (beat)

Call me if there's any-

thing.

RODRIGUEZ

He doesn't stay in any one place too long. Though it's believed he may have residency set up in New York, Miami and Puerto Rico.

Rodriguez flips past more Manhattan limousine shots, then stops at slide of Mendez in tow with coked-out Blonde, walking out of a restaurant.

RODRIGUEZ

That's Casa Vecchia, right here in Lauderdale.

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61 CONTINUED

Tubbs pulls out slide, hands it to nearby officer ---

TUBBS

Send this downtown, see if we can get an identity on her.

Under which, Rodriguez continues to click forward slides -- Various angles of Mendez talking to an indistinguishable man in what looks like the Bahamas.

TUBBS

(attention

piqued)

Wait, Lou. Go back one.

Rodriguez flips back to slide of Mendez and same man, partially in shadow.

TUBBS

Tha man in the shadows ---

With almost a possessed intensity, Tubbs grabs the remote, clicking slide after slide until he gets a clear view of the man. A familiar face indeed ---

TUBBS

Calderone.

62 FLASHBACK - CALDERONE

62

61

sitting in back seat of limo, looking out window as it rolls up, covering his face.

63 FLASHBACK - TUBBS

63

darts out from his cover in alley, mouth opening in silent scream. Tubbs cradling the lifeless bullet-ridden body of his dead brother.

64 BACK TO SCENE

64

Rodriguez turns to Tubbs, who still reels from the shock ---

RODRIGUEZ

The guy that killed your brother?

Tubbs nods, vacant, absorbed. Snapping, he turns around to other OCB officers.

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TUBBS

Let's get a cross-reference on all the names on the hit list, see who's had dealings with Calderone.

(beat;

to Rodriguez)

He's behind this, Lou. I know it in my bones.

RODRIGUEZ

(trying it out)

Staging a comeback to Miami, wants everybody out of the way, including the cop who busted him.

TUBBS

What's Crockett's number at the safehouse?

Rodriguez hands over the number, under which Don (an OCB officer) enters, a manila envelope in hand ---

DON

(hands it to Rodriguez)

Homicide found this in the trunk of the shooter's car at the motel.

d leafs through photographs,

64

(X)

(X)

As Rodriguez pulls out and leafs through photographs, pocketbooks, scraps of paper, Tubbs dials ---

RODRIGUEZ

He's got Crockett's address.

TUBBS

His undercover address.

RODRIGUEZ

Yep. The boat.

TUBBS

(in phone)

Yeah, Scott. Tubbs. Put Crockett

on, would you...?

(beat;

alarmed)

What?...Yeah, thanks.

(hangs up;

urgent)

Crockett left ten minutes ago. Went to pick up his things at the boat.

Off their alarm, call to action ---

65 EXT. ST. VITUS DANCE - DAY

65

66

Monahan stands on the deck, idly tossing dog biscuits in front of Elvis as, on cut, Crockett heads up the galley hatch, carrying a suitcase ---

CROCKETT (TO O.S.)

One more thing, Fields -- don't let this blanket out of his -- (re Elvis)

-- or you'll have a full-scale riot on your hands.

This to ---

66 ADJACENT SLIP - FIELDS

nods as he repairs a bumper on the slip ---

FIELDS

How long you gonna be?

CROCKETT

Couple days.

FIELDS

Got it all covered, Chief. Don't worry about a thing.

A look of gratitude, then Fields filters off toward the pier, whereupon Crockett turns to Elvis ---

CROCKETT

(sentimental)

Hang in there, old man. Fields here'll spoil you. You'll be a pig in mud.

Elvis whines -- parting is such scaly sorrow.

CROCKETT

(remembering
 something)
I forgot my after-shave.

MONAHAN

You're telling me.

As Crockett smirks, heads back down to the galley, the camera tilts up, zooms to marina-front seven-story building in the distance. On a seventh floor balcony our attention is focused on ---

67 thru OMITTED 70

67 thru 70 70-A 70-A ARMSTRONG looking through the scope of a Model 93 Heckler and Kock heavy barrel rifle, waiting patiently for Crockett to resurface when suddenly his eye flickers, temporarily distracted by something he sees ---70-B 70-B PIER - TUBBS AND RODRIGUEZ walking quickly down pier, passing Fields ---TUBBS (to Fields) Is Crockett still down there? FIELDS (bewildered) He's on the boat. Yeah. Tubbs and Rodriguez don't break stride as they head down the dock. Tubbs sees Crockett stepping up from the galley ---TUBBS Yo, Crockett! 71 71 ON CROCKETT stepping up from galley, looks up at incoming Tubbs and Rodriguez, when suddenly the after-shave bottle explodes in his hand. As he ducks, more bullets rain in ---72 ON BOAT 72 as it gets shot to pieces -- great sense of violence -glass shattering, mast ripped to shreds, mostly following Crockett's movement. 73 73 CROCKETT instinctively pulls out gun, as he bellies past a crouching Monahan ---74 **TUBBS** 74 also flat on the deck, taking cover behind the hatch. Suddenly the reign of terror halts. The bullets stop. 75 OMITTED 75

76 ON BOAT

76

Crockett peers in the direction of the shooter, still behind cover, when ---

TUBBS' VOICE

Crockett!!!

77 TUBBS AND RODRIGUEZ

77

Tubbs is slumped over the dying body of Lou Rodriguez, who has been hit in the chest. A blood soak has absorbed his shirt. Crockett rushes to his side, feels his pulse.

CROCKETT

(to Monahan)
Call an ambulance right away!

Monahan snaps to action as Crockett looks out into the gloaming, then back to Tubbs. Both men sharing a look that betrays their pain and fear.

FADE OUT

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

FADE IN

78 INT. HOSPITAL - VISITORS WAITING AREA - DAY

78

Crockett paces restlessly back and forth past an equally uneasy Tubbs and Monahan. Finally, Crockett leans back against a wall, lights a cigarette. Exhaling ---

CROCKETT

(to Tubbs)

You're sure it was Calderone in the photograph?

TUBBS

Positive. The interbureau computer's running it through now to link him with the first six names on the list.

Under which, a noticeably young Doctor emerges from an adjacent door, looks out into room ---

DOCTOR

(to 0.S.)

Mrs. Rodriguez?

This to ---

79 ANGLE - MARIA RODRIGUEZ

79

Lou's wife, a stately dark woman, stands from a couch where she has been waiting with her two teenage children -- Rebecca and Lou Jr.

MARIA

Yes, Doctor?

As she, Crockett and Tubbs converge upon the Doctor, expectant ---

DOCTOR

One of the bullets nicked your husband's aorta. He lost a lot of blood.

MARIA

What does that mean, Doctor?

DOCTOR

He's going back into surgery in about a half hour. We'll try to patch it up.

79 CONTINUED

CROCKETT

His chances, Doc?

DOCTOR

(noncommittal)

We'll do our best.

Maria nods her head in gratitude, as the Doctor walks off. A long inward moment. Finally ---

MARIA

(hollow)

He just put down a payment on a camper. We were gonna drive across country when he retired next year ---

She breaks off in midspeech, segues into uncontrollable sobs. Crockett puts a comforting arm around Maria's shivering shoulders ---

CROCKETT

He's gonna pull through, Maria.

(X)

79

A hug, then a throttled Crockett watches as Maria returns to the couch and attends to her tear-weary children. Crockett butts out his cigarette in frustration, storms down ---

80 CORRIDOR

80

Tubbs catches up to his partner.

TUBBS

Where are you going?

CROCKETT

(not turning

back)

To find Mendez.

TUBBS

Crockett, don't be crazy. It's way too hot out there. You're going back into protective custody, back to your family.

Crockett wheels on Tubbs ---

CROCKETT

No way am I gonna sit on some damned beach while Rodriguez is back in there hanging by a thread. #59504

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CROCKETT (Cont'd)

80

(beat;

guilt-wracked)

He took four bullets that were meant for me, Tubbs.

TUBBS

(adamant)

Yeah, and if you go back out on the streets, there's gonna be four more!

Crockett dismisses, is about to turn when Tubbs grabs his partner by the shirt front ---

TUBBS

(lifting him)

You're not hearing me, Crockett. You're not out there! I already lost one brother. I'm not about to lose another.

Tubbs, suddenly realizing he has Crockett lifted six inches off the ground, lowers him, surprised and a little embarrassed by the intensity of his emotions. Crockett looks to Tubbs a long beat, then ---

CROCKETT

(soft)

Don't worry, man. You won't.

The two share a look realizing how deeply forged their alliance has become.

TUBBS

Nothing I can say will stop you,

will it?

(off Crockett's slight shake

of head; beat)

Then let's go nail this guy. Now.

As they start off, a Nurse at nearby nurses station spots Tubbs ---

NURSE

Detective Tubbs?

(proffers

phone)

Telephone.

Tubbs takes it.

80 CONTINUED - 2

TUBBS

(in phone)

Yeah...Aladdin Shores?

(looks to Crockett who

acknowledges)

Good. Send three teams of backup.

(hangs up; to

Crockett)

Mendez' girl friend lives there.

Off their hopeful reaction ---

CUT TO

81 INT. LUXURY CONDO - TIGHT ON DOOR

81

80

As it is kicked open from the outside, we hear the scream of a woman, pull back to reveal two teams of uniformed cops, guns drawn, following Crockett and Tubbs inside this expansive penthouse. In the course of which, they scare the wits out of ---

82 MENDEZ' GIRL

82

A pneumatic blonde in a teddy (we saw her in slide with Mendez), in the midst of cooking eggs, freaks out at the trespass ---

GIRL

What do you want?
(off lack
of response;
screams)
You can't do this!!

It falls on deaf ears as the two uniform teams efficiently filter into other rooms to conduct their search, as Crockett and Tubbs begin theirs in the main room -- opening closets, doors, dumping wastebaskets looking for clues ---

GIRL

(near tears)

Why are you doing this to me?

Tubbs grabs the girl violently ---

TUBBS

Where's Mendez?

GIRL

I don't know who you're.talking about.

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82 CONTINUED

82

Under which, a uniformed Officer returns to the room holding up a bloodied shirt and some peroxide.

OFFICER

This was in the bathroom.

TUBBS

(to Crockett)

From yesterday's Cowboys and Indians.

Crockett nods, while rummaging through discards from a wastebasket, while ---

TUBBS

(tightens grip

on girl)

I'm only gonna do this with words one more time. Where is he?

GIRL

(quivering)

... He never tells me where he's going or when he's coming back.

CROCKETT

Tubbs!

Crockett hands an uncrumpled note to Tubbs ---

TUBBS

(reads it)

Four o'clock. Thursday. Linus.

CROCKETT

That's in fifteen minutes.

Under which, Crockett's beeper has gone off. As he dials ---

TUBBS

We gotta warn him.

CROCKETT

(in phone)

Yeah, Gina.

GINA'S VOICE

Linus just came out of the club with his two bodyguards. He's carrying a suitcase that looks like it'd hold about eight keys. 82 CONTINUED - 2

CROCKETT

Gina, he's being set up for a hit! Call in backup right away and tail him. We'll catch up to you. He'll lead us right to Mendez.

(X)

82

As he hangs up phone ---

CUT TO

83 INT. FERRARI - ON TUBBS' HAND

83

as it picks up a walkie-talkie, moves it to his lips ---

TUBBS

We're moving due north on Biscayne.

Under which, we pull back to find Crockett barreling through traffic as Tubbs keeps up contact with Trudy ---

TRUDY'S VOICE

(over walkie-

talkie)

The third backup unit just picked up Linus on 17th.

CROCKETT

(to Tubbs)

We're three minutes away!

TRUDY'S VOICE

(alarmed)

Wait a minute. Linus is making a U-turn. I think he spotted the tail!

Confusion on her end as ---

TUBBS

TRUDY'S VOICE

(pounds dash)

He's turning off. We're

losing him!

Dammit!

CROCKETT

(grabs walkie-

talkie)

What street is he turning onto?

TRUDY

East on 19th toward Biscayne.

TUBBS

He's headed toward us.

8	EXT. STREET SIGN	84
	"Biscayne and 22nd." The Ferrari whizzes past	
8	EXT. BOULEVARD - ON FERRARI	85
	as it jams in the turbo, moves through traffic with intelligent moves zigzagging, busting through an intersection as a light turns red	
8	INT. FERRARI	86
	Through the windshield we see a stretch limousine speeding toward us TUBBS	
	(points) Crockett! There!	
	Crockett turns the wheel quickly	
8	ON STREET	87
,	as the Ferrari suicides across center divider onto lanes of onrushing traffic. The slamming of brakes as it cuts off the limo.	
8	ON CROCKETT AND TUBBS	. 88
	who have popped out of the Ferrari, guns drawn, stepping to the limo, which is now backed in by Gina and Trudy's incoming van	,
8	9 ON LIMO	89
	as Linus and his two buff bodyguards step out.	
	TUBBS Where were you headed, Mr. Club Owner?	(X)
	LINUS	•
	To the car wash. CROCKETT	
•	You always take two bodyguards along?	
	LINUS It's in a bad neighborhood.	
	Under which, Trudy and Gina have stepped over	

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89 CONTINUED

CROCKETT

(to Gina)

Where'd he put the suitcase?

TRUDY

LINUS

The trunk.

(outraged)

You had surveillance on me?

Tubbs pops the trunk, yanks out suitcase ---

TUBBS

The key, Linus.

LINUS

I don't believe this! You're infringing with my constitution! Got no right to open that suitcase!

CROCKETT

(fed up) Probable cause.

And with this, he grabs the suitcase out of Tubbs' hand, puts it on the ground, fires five fierce rounds into it ---

90 CLOSE ON SUITCASE

90

89

Now open, revealing packets of coke, as Tubbs' hand grabs a packet ---

TUBBS' VOICE

With good behavior, you should be out by the twenty-first century...
Now find your voice, my man.

We are in:

91 INT. INTERROGATION ROOM

91

Crockett and Tubbs sit across from a thoroughly caught redhanded Linus Oliver. Beat, then ---

LINUS

... This Latin dude called me last week, set up the deal. We were gonna meet at Bayshore Park.

CROCKETT

(to 0.S.)

Send a couple units over, scour the place.

This to Monahan, who nods, exits, as ---

91 CONTINUED

LINUS

Whattya gonna pick him up for? Being rich?

TUBBS

Think again, GQ man. That 'Latin dude' Mendez had a bullet waiting for you at Bayshore Park ---

As Linus digests this ---

CROCKETT

(cross-

examining)

You set up a deal with a complete stranger?

LINUS

Wasn't no stranger. He's the righthand man to a guy I was trying to put a corporate deal together with.

TUBBS

Guy by the name of Francisco Calderone?

Linus' reaction indicates an affirmative ---

CROCKETT

That 'corporate deal' you put together was your own elimination.

A long beat, as Crockett and Tubbs consider their next move. Finally ---

TUBBS

(to Crockett)

Mendez is a persistent fellow. He's gonna want to reset the deal --

(re Linus)
-- with Jim Brown here.

LINUS

What's the problem? I'll just let the phone ring all day.

TUBBS

(sour)

That's not what I had in mind.

CUT TO

92 and OMITTED 93

92 and 93

91

93-A EXT. WATERFRONT PARK - DAY - ON ARMSTRONG

93-A

sitting on a park bench, facing a large waterfront condo across a street, as he calmly, efficiently munches the last of a hot dog. Two little girls play rather noisily nearby. Armstrong smiles upon them, then turns his attention to ---

93-B WATERFRONT CONDO - GARAGE ENTRANCE

93-B

where an ND sedan, followed closely behind by two Metro squad cars, filters into the underground lot.

93-C BACK TO ARMSTRONG

93-C

stands, tosses crumpled waxed paper into a garbage can, then strolls off past the two playing little girls. Paternally, he pats one of the little girls on the head as he passes, under which we hear the steady ring of a telephone ---

CUT TO

93-D INT. LINUS' CONDO - DAY

93-D

Surprisingly tasteful for Linus, with a view overlooking the water. As, on cut, Linus looks to Crockett and Tubbs, then at the ringing telephone. Off a nod from Crockett, Linus picks up the phone ---

LINUS

(in phone)

Hello...? Rudolpho! Man, I really 'pologize about today. Got tied up with some last minute business -- Yeah, tonight's great.

(looks to a nodding Tubbs)

...Why don't you just slide down to the club...Oh, sure, I do battle there all the time...Yeah, upstairs ...Solid.

He hangs up phone, beams proudly to Crockett and Tubbs ---

LINUS

Guess this is where I check out and you dudes take over.

CROCKETT

(shakes head)
You're going in with us, Linus.

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93-D CONTINUED

LINUS

93-D (X)

No way, no day am I gonna get my face shot off by a stone cold killer. Forget it.

CROCKETT

Yeah, I guess you're better off spending the next fifteen years upstate with an entire criminal population as opposed to about three hours in your own club where there's gonna be twenty-five cops making sure you don't get a hangnail.

Crockett and Tubbs almost enjoy watching Linus squirm as he arrives at the inevitable ---

LINUS

You'll really have all those cops?

CROCKETT

Oh yeah.

CUT TO

94 INT. NIGHTCLUB - OFFICE - NIGHT - ON PHOTOGRAPH OF MENDEZ

94

A portrait head shot ---

CROCKETT'S VOICE

What are your parameters, Roy?

Under which, we pull back to reveal the photograph pegged on the wall of an upstairs manager's office where Crockett peers through the two-way smoked glass window to the club below -- The dance floor is starting to swell, place is kicking to gear with loud disco music. As we pull further back ---

ROY'S VOICE

All good except this back wall here.

-- we see that Crockett shares the office with two S.W.A.T. sharpshooters, Bob and Roy, both toting automatic rifles, scoping the club through slits in the smoked glass.

ROY

They'll have to cover it from the floor.

Crockett picks up the phone, dials ---

CUT TO

95 ON TELEPHONE - BEHIND BAR

Red light on it flashes. As a hand grabs it, we notice the identical photograph of Mendez next to the phone ---

SWITEK'S VOICE

Yeah.

Under which, we pull back to the backside of a bartender taking the call. As he turns around to us, we see it's Switek.

CROCKETT'S VOICE

How's it going down there?

SWITEK

Not bad. Made twenty bucks in tips.

CROCKETT

You're gonna have to cover the south wall from the floor.

SWITEK

No problem.

As he turns around, hangs up phone, stay on his back as a waiter -- face blocked by Switek, steps to the well.

WAITER'S VOICE

Couple of Paulis.

As Switck bends down to get the beers, the waiter is revealed -- Zito.

SWITEK

South wall belongs to the floor. Pass it along...And hurry up with those drinks!

Zito flips off Switek, puts the beers on his tray, turns ---

ZITO

(under)

Always wanted to die a waiter.

We stay on Zito as he passes alongside the dance floor. He whispers to a man dancing, who nods. Zito continues past ---

96 MAITRE D' - AT DOOR

96

95

greeting an incoming party of four. A dapper Tubbs, an uptight Linus and their dates for the evening -- beautifully gowned Gina and Trudy.

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MAITRE D'

(over-solicitous)

Mr. Oliver, how are you tonight?

LINUS

(wry)

Terrific.

As the Maitre d'ushers them in ---

LINUS

Ah, Harv...how about putting us way in the back tonight?

MAITRE D'

Not your usual booth by the dance floor?

TUBBS

(sotto; to

Linus)

I told you, man. Nothing out of the ordinary.

LINUS

(to Maitre d';
not happy

about it)

Yeah, okay. The usual booth.

As they pass and we hold on the full, getting fuller, dance floor. A would-be dance fever contestant swings his female partner wildly over his head to the delight of the crowd, as we ---

CUT TO

97 FLOOR BOOTH

97

As, on cut, Linus, Tubbs, Gina and Trudy sit down. Tubbs flashes a relaxed smile, looks to the fidgeting Linus.

TUBBS

(to Linus)

Somebody oughta tell your deejay -- disco died six years ago.

(to Gina)

Time?

GINA

Six minutes to.

(X)

96

LINUS

(alarmed)

Hey!

(points)

Dude in the red shirt, on the dance floor. That him?

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97 CONTINUED

TUBBS

(looks)

Not even close. Now be cool, brother. We got you covered.

Under which, Zito bellys up to the table, their waiter for the evening ---

ZITO

(sotto)

This whole row of booths is in a blind spot from upstairs.

(off Linus' groan)

We'll cover it from the floor.

(smiles; to all)

Drinks?

TUBBS

(invokes he, Gina, Trudy)

Three club sodas and --(points to Linus)

LINUS

Wild turkey straight up.

TUBBS

Make it a double.

(beat)

How's Crockett doing?

ZITO

He's upstairs.

As Zito filters off, Tubbs looks up to the second floor manager's office. Crockett's face appears at slit in window, nods an acknowledgement to Tubbs.

98 INT. BALCONY - ON CROCKETT

Continuous, nodding down to Tubbs. Beat. Crockett turns around ---

CROCKETT

(to sharpshooters)

You sure they're not gonna be sitting ducks down there?

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98 CONTINUED

BOB

This guy's not gonna make it past the coat rack. We're saturated.

Crockett seems satisfied. As he turns back around ---

99 BOOTH - ON GLASSES

99

98

being held up by all four, toasting ---

TUBBS

Here's to a successful evening.

As all four clink glasses:

TUBBS

(to Linus)
What time is it?

LINUS

(grim) ...It's ten o'clock.

Off the charged emotional atmosphere ---

FADE OUT

END OF ACT THREE

ACT FOUR

FADE IN

100 CLOSE ON DISCO BALL

100

glittering and reflecting the multi-colored nightclub lighting. Rising above the wild clatter of the nightclub, the voice of Ray Parker, Jr. singing "Ghostbusters".

RAY PARKER, JR. S VOICE

'Who you gonna call?'

101 INT. NIGHTCLUB - NIGHT - ON ZITO

101

totting a tray, attempting to maneuver between the jammed-up contingent on the dance floor, as they raise their collective hands in unison, shout ---

DANCERS

Ghostbusters!!!

Zito looks like Jerry Lewis in The Errand Boy as he transits to ---

102 THE BOOTH

102

where Linus fidgets impatiently -- tapping glass, checking his watch -- while Gina, Trudy and Tubbs keep their eyes peeled. Beat, then ---

LINUS

It's ten forty-five, people. The dude ain't gonna show. Whattya say we get outta here?

TUBBS

(looking out
at dance floor;
concerned)

This place is getting too crowded. (to Gina)

Can you make out faces on the floor?

GINA

Not with this roaring twenties light show going on.

Under which, Zito has arrived at the table, sets down another round of drinks.

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TUBBS

Zito, how's your vantage on the dance floor?

ZITO

Lousy. It's snowballing like crazy out there.

Noticing Tubbs' concern ---

TRUDY

(to Gina) Care to dance?

GINA

I thought you'd never ask.

As Gina and Trudy stand ---

TUBBS

Remember -- He could have changed his appearance, worn shades, a hat, anything.

They nod, head off.

103 DISCO BALL

103

Spinning, glittering, distorting colorful reflection, as a hot disco song pumps up the activity on ---

104 DANCE FLOOR - GINA AND TRUDY

104

moving to the beat, manipulating their way between party animals to catch a glimpse of all the faces.

105 VARIOUS SHOTS

105

- -- Gina gets bumped hard by an erratic dancer ---
- -- Turdy cranes neck for a look at man who turns around quickly, laughing. Not Mendez.
- -- Mustache man's face pops out of shadow at Gina.
- -- Strobe light turns on. Crowd roars. Intense display of flickering faces.

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106 ON GINA AND TRUDY

now wending their way back to the edge of the parquet as the song and the strobe show winds down. As Trudy is about to step off, she is grabbed by the arm. She confronts a lit-to-the-gills black Man, leering ---

MAN

Hey, mama, where you running?

TRUDY

My old man just snapped his finger.

MAN

Her attempt to pull back her hand is short-circuited when the Man grabs her arm viciously, whips her toward her.

MAN

Maybe you ain't got no old man.

GINA

(instinctively
tries to break
it up)

Hey!

Angered, the Man jams a hand in Gina's face, catching her off guard, knocking her back into a table -- Drinks fall, glass shatters. Zito quickly moves over, grabs the Man from behind ---

ZITO

Lady don't want to dance, partner!

Spinning around ---

MAN

Outta my face, Busboy!

He swings and misses Zito, who then efficiently takes the Man out with a sharp body blow ---

107 ON CROCKETT

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106

looking down at incident, reacting concerned, looks down
to ---

·108 TUBBS

108

shooting a helpless look back to Crockett, invoking Linus, as if "gotta cover him."

109	ON MAITRE'D AND BOUNCER	109
,	transiting over from front door to further quell the incident. They help Zito usher the drunken Man to the fire exit.	
110	FLOOR BOOTH	110
	Upon Gina and Trudy's return, Tubbs spots the flashing red light on the phone, picks up	
	CROCKETT'S VOICE (urgent) Get somebody at the front door! People are starting to pile in	
	Under which, to hurries over.	
	ZITO There's a guy on the other side of the dance floor who might be Mendez.	
	Tubbs reacts.	
111	ON DANCE FLOOR	111
	A mass of bodies now dancing to the music. Passing along the periphery	•
		•
112	ZITO AND TUBBS	112
`.	moving quickly, intensely, eyes trained across the floor	
	ZITO (points) There he is!	
113	WHAT THEY SEE	113
	toward the back of the club Mendez' face, moving, pops in and out of view over the sea of heads.	
114	ZITO AND TUBBS	114
	moving quickly around the floor behind bar, eyes keen on the slow moving Mendez, encroaching upon him, when	
	TUBBS (alarmed) Peterson's moving in too quickly!	

115	WHAT THEY SEE	115
	An undercover cop flashes his badge to Mendez, who reflex- ively makes a break onto the	
116	DANCE FLOOR	116
F	A chaotic chase ensues Zito and Tubbs draw their guns, insinuate themselves amidst the dancers, searching for Mendez. The fracas goes unnoticed amidst the usual pandemonium on the floor.	
117	CWIMEY	117
117	SWITEK	11/
	seeing what has happened, hops out from behind bar, rifle in his hands	
		110
118	GINA AND TRUDY	118
	crouch down atop Linus, keeping him covered, protected.	•
119	ANGLE - THREE SHARPSHOOTERS	119
	scurrying alongside walls like rats, mobilizing in line, setting up their positions with military precision.	
120	MANAGER'S BOOTH	120
120	As the sharpshooters set up for a clean shot, Crockett looks at	
101	DANGE ELOOD	121
121	DANCE FLOOR	121
	as Mendez breaks formation; temporarily unnoticed, he jumps onto the	
122	DEEJAY BOOTH	122
,	where he pistol whips an unaware disco-jock; as the DJ lands on his turntable, cutting off music, Mendez climbs over him to	
100	PAT CONV	100
123	BALCONY	123
	where, greeting him there is a fierce-looking Crockett, his pistol drawn and aimed at Mendez' head	
	CONTINUED	

123 CONTINUED

CROCKETT

Drop it!

Mendez considers his choice a beat, deciding on a suicidal leap back down to the floor. As Crockett rushes to the rail, he sees ---

124 MENDEZ

124

123

now on his back on the floor with eighteen rifles and pistols pointed to within an inch of his head. We widen to reveal a circle of S.W.A.T. and undercover cops keeping Mendez at the end of their barrel. Among those, Tubbs, who now looks up to ---

125 CROCKETT

125

leaning over the rail, exchanging a satisfied look with Tubbs.

CUT TO

126 EXT. NIGHTCLUB - NIGHT - ON PADDY WAGON

126

Its siren roars to life as the wagon crosses past the aftermath scene -- The usual gamut of enforcement, media, and spectators, as in the fore ---

127 CROCKETT AND TUBBS

127

depart from the scene ---

CROCKETT

We might have to pull out all stops before he gives out a location on Calderone.

TUBBS

(intense; absorbed) Whatever it takes.

CROCKETT

I'll catch up with you downtown in about two hours. Gonna pick up Caroline and Billy from the safehouse.

Tubbs nods, under which they approach the parked Ferrari. Beat, then ---

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CROCKETT

It's nice to be able to walk the streets again without feeling like I got a bull's-eye on my back.

At the car, Crockett opens door, is about to step in, when ---

CROCKETT

(appreciative)

You put yourself in the fire for me, Tubbs.

TUBBS

(waves

it off)

Hey, I help out all my friends on hit lists.

CROCKETT

(a look)

Thanks.

Tubbs watches as Crockett climbs in the car, peels off. As the Ferrari's taillights recede into the night ---

CUT TO

128 EXT. SAFEHOUSE - NIGHT - TIGHT ON FRONT DOOR

128

127

as, on cut, it is opened from within by Caroline. We widen to reveal Crockett standing at the front stoop, exhausted, relieved ---

CROCKETT

It's over.

He steps forward. He and Caroline embrace one another, as Billy rushes over ---

BILLY

Dad!!

-- joins the hug. As the three hold each other -- for one powerful moment a family united, we notice the armed officers inside the house laying down their arms.

CUT TO

129 INT. INTERROGATION ROOM - NIGHT - ON MENDEZ

129 (X) (X)

as, on the cut, he pours himself a glass of water, takes a sip, then ---

CONTINUED

58 (X)

129 CONTINUED

MENDEZ

(casually)

Calderone? Calderone who?

Under which, we pull back to reveal Tubbs sitting across the table from Mendez, his patience dwindling. Switek, Zito and DEA Agent Phil Prescott watch impassively at the sideline.

TUBBS

Maybe this will refresh your memory.

Tubbs picks up a blown-up photograph of Calderone and Mendez (seen previously in slide show), hands it to Mendez. As Mendez checks it out ---

TUBBS

Let's cut the cat and mouse.

Mendez tosses back the photograph, unimpressed ---

MENDEZ .

So what? Trick photography.

Angrily and suddenly, Tubbs kicks over a nearby chair, startling both men ---

TUBBS

Calderone killed my brother. I promise you...this will be the longest night of your life if you don't find your voice real fast.

Mendez shows no sign of being intimidated, lights a cigarette; finally ---

MENDEZ

What's in this for me?

Tubbs shoots a look over to Prescott, whereupon ---

PRESCOTT

(shrugs)

Hard to tell.

(a look)

Could save you from the death sentence.

MENDEZ

Death sentence!!? What the hell are you talking about!?

CUT TO

129

129-A INT. CAROLINE'S HOUSE - NIGHT - CLOSE ON A WINDOW

129-A

as two gloved hands expertly remove the third louver, whereupon the dark form of Armstrong slides into the darkened kitchen. He stands there for one moment, studying the terrain, then ---

CUT TO

129-B INT. INTERROGATION ROOM - RESUME TUBBS

129-B

sitting across from Mendez as, on the cut:

TUBBS

(reading from

list)

Rudolfo Echevierra, Carlos Tiendez, Felix Castenova, etc. etc...

(looks up)

Six murders in the past four weeks. I'd say they'd turn the juice on you for that.

MENDEZ

(incredulous)

You think $\underline{I'm}$ the guy's been doing all those hits?

(starts

laughing)

That's crazy, man, whatever gave you that idea?

TUBBS

(a look)

Where d'you wanna start, Mendez? Your briefcase with the hit list in it? That sedan parked outside your room that was positively ID'd in the Castranova job?

Off Mendez's silence, he rises, then to Switek and Zito ---

TUBBS

Toss him downtown on a no-bail murder one.

(back to

Mendez)

We'll talk some more in a couple weeks.

Whereupon ---

129-C INT. SQUAD ROOM - INTERROGATION ROOM DOOR

129-C

as, on the cut, Tubbs emerges and is met by Gina approaching with a report.

TUBBS

(to Gina)

SID report?

GINA

(nods; handing it to him)

Something's really wrong here, Tubbs. (as he skims

(as he skims the report)

Mendez's fingerprints, they don't match up with the ones on the murder weapon.

Under which, in b.g., Trudy has hung up on a phone call and joined Gina and Tubbs with ---

TRUDY

That was homicide.

(a look)

Linus Oliver was just blown away outside his apartment building one hour ago.

Tubbs and Gina's reaction is one of shock and confusion. Tubbs paces nervously for several tense moments, his knuckles pressed to his temples, then finally stops before the interrogation room door ---

TUBBS

This doesn't make sense....

-- and renters the room, the door closing softly behind them.

CUT TO

129-D INT. CAROLINE'S HOUSE - NIGHT - CLOSE ON ARMSTRONG

129-D

his face lit eerily by a shaft of light from the slightly ajar refrigerator door as, on the cut, he takes a sip from a carton of milk, camera pulling back to reveal in his other hand a fearsome-looking H & K automatic assault rifle. Returning the milk, he gently shuts the refrigerator door, and his form dissolves into the shadows.

CUT TO

129-E INT. INTERROGATION ROOM - NIGHT - MENDEZ

129-E

as, on the cut, he is slammed viciously against the wall again and again under ---

61 (X)

129-E CONTINUED

129-E

MENDEZ

(gasping with

pain)

I'm just the middleman...Sent by

Calderone...

(slammed again)

You're killing me!

TUBBS' VOICE

MENDEZ

You stop talking now and

I will.

I was paying off the Argentinian for the first six hits.

Under which we have pulled back to Tubbs grasping Mendez with both hands as he slams him back into a chair.

TUBBS

The Argentinian! Where is he?

MENDEZ

(finally catching his

breath)

Hard to tell.

(a look)

Where's this friend of yours,

Crockett?

Off Tubbs' horror at the implication:

CUT TO

130 OMITTED

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131 EXT. RESIDENTIAL STREET - NIGHT - ON STATION WAGON

131

as it courses past middle-income housing in this typically suburban subdivision.

132 INT. WAGON - ON CROCKETT AND CAROLINE

132

in the front seat. Crockett, driving, looks back to crashed-out Billy in the backseat.

CROCKETT

(to Caroline)

Sound asleep.

(smiles;

remembering)

Remember we took him on the driving trip up to your folks' so he could

see the countryside?

132 132 CONTINUED CAROLINE (nods) -- And he slept the whole time. What a disaster! Laughing, remembering seems to bring them closer. Crockett cradles Caroline in his arm. As she leans close ---CROCKETT (invoking them) (X)What are we doing, Caroline? CAROLINE (quiet) (X) I don't know, Sonny. Off her meditative look ---CUT TO 133 133 EXT. BOULEVARD INTERSECTION - ON FERRARI as, on cut, it blows through at breakneck speed. We hold two beats, in time to see two follow-up squad cars ---134 INT. FERRARI - ON TUBBS 134 slamming through traffic recklessly, pounding the wheel, keeping his composure ---CUT TO EXT. CAROLINE'S HOUSE - SAME 135 135 as, on cut, Crockett pulls a large suitcase from the back of the wagon, now parked in the driveway. As Caroline hands Billy his fishing gear ---CAROLINE Get all the sand off before you bring it in the house. -- Crockett headed to ---136 FRONT DOOR 136 Crockett fumbles for door key on Caroline's key ring. Looking back ---CONTINUED

136	CONTINUED	136
	CROCKETT (light)	
	Jesus, Caroline what are you, a	
	security guard? Got ninety-two keys	
	on this thing.	
•	He finally finds the right one, pokes it into door	
	CUT TO	
137	INT. FERRARI	137
15.7	INI: PERRARI	13/
	Tubbs, at high speed, races down a residential street, is forced to jam on the brakes, swerve, as a sedan backs unwittingly into the middle of the street.	
138	FERRARI	138
120	PERRAL	TOC
	swerves onto the front lawns of three homes before dove-	
	tailing back to the street	,
	CUT TO	
139	INT. CAROLINE'S HOUSE - ON FRONT DOOR	139
	As, on cut, it opens, Crockett steps through to the vestibule. As he flips on overhead, drops suitcase, he reacts to the sound of incoming police sirens. Hearing car brakes screech, he looks out to see	
140	FERRARI	140
	pulled up to front lawn. As Tubbs alights from it, gun drawn, heads to house	·
	TUBBS	•
	Crockett! Get back!!	
141	CAROLINE AND BILLY	141
	magating on inchingto. Che lista hay are country him area	
	reacting on instincts. She lifts her son, carries him away from the scene, whereupon	
	220m die bodie, Wieleapon	-
142	CROCKETT	142
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	reacting in this split second of suspended time, ducks, just as bullets begin to ring out around him fired from within	
	the house. Tubbs rushes in, tackles the ducking Crockett, falls to ground with him	
	oo ground wrom mr.	
	TUBBS	
	It was Armstrong all along.	

142 CONTINUED

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-- Under which, more bullets fly, knocking out the overhead light -- glass shatters, sprinkles down on them. Now in darkness. Crockett whips out an ankle gun ---

CROCKETT

(points; sotto)
I'll take the back.

Tubbs nods. Crockett hesitates a beat, then, crouched low, dashes forward -- vulnerable for a few yards. Tubbs covers him, shooting toward Armstrong all the way. Crockett disappears into the house, as ---

143 TUBBS

143

now somersaults into the adjacent living room, scurries behind a couch, evading more bullets. As he wipes the sweat from his eyes ---

MAN ON BULLHORN

(from outside)
Come on out! We have you surrounded!!

144 ON CROCKETT

144

slithering alongside hallway wall, coming up on threshold to kitchen. Beat. Poising his gun, he steps into the open doorway, sees Armstrong behind a refrigerator. A quick spray of bullets in both directions and the men return to cover ---

145 ON TUBBS

145

taking the opportunity to bolt from behind living room, closer to the kitchen, boxing Armstrong in. He filters behind living room/dining room partial dividing wall. Suddenly ---

146 ARMSTRONG

146

makes a ram-ahead kamikaze escape attempt -- shooting his way out. He runs through living room, a blinding, terrifying blur, shoots open window, dives through it, as Crockett and Tubbs, a half beat behind, come out from hiding, follow ---

147 147 FRONT LAWN Armstrong lands, running continuously, firing his subautomatic in all directions, as officers scatter behind the squad cars. Abruptly the shooting stops, Armstrong's body jerks, falls and goes limp in a rumpled bloody mass as ---148 CROCKETT AND TUBBS 148 at the cracked-open living room windows, stand, guns smoking. 149 149 LANGUOROUS PAN - THE SCENE In semi slow motion, almost surreal, we pick up these things -- Incoming squad cars. Armstrong's ventilated carcass, Crockett and Tubbs stepping across the front lawn -- Crockett hears the sound of a crying boy, looks across the street to ---150 CAROLINE AND BILLY 150 huddled beneath a tree. Nearly in shock herself, she tries to calm her shivering, screaming son ---CAROLINE Shhh...It's all over. -- She looks up to Crockett -- fear, shock, and blame cast in her eyes. 151 151 ON CROCKETT hangs his head, feeling nothing but guilt and pain, as we ---CUT TO 152 152 OMITTED thru thru 163 163 163-A INT. HOSPITAL WAITING AREA - DAY 163-A Crockett paces near anxiously waiting Rodriguez's family, conspicuously avoiding eye contact with Caroline, who sits

on the couch with Maria and the kids. Crockett butts out cigarette, turns to Tubbs ---

CROCKETT

He should have been out of surgery an hour ago.

DOCTOR'S VOICE

Mrs. Rodriguez?

163-B ANGLE - DOCTOR

163-B

emerging from surgery door ---

163-C MARIA

163-C

stands, rather fearfully approaches the Doctor ---

163-D CROCKETT AND TUBBS

163-D

watch her across the room, out of earshot, as the Doctor fills her in ---

163-E ON MARIA

163-E

suddenly breaks into tears, steps back to the couch ---

MARIA

He's gonna make it!

Arms out, she embraces the first person in her path -- Caroline.

MARIA

He's gonna live!

Crockett and Tubbs step over, become part of the instant celebration. Maria moves over to her children where more tears and hugs are exchanged, leaving Crockett, Caroline and Tubbs all standing together. Caroline and Crockett exchange a look -- these two have unfinished business. Tubbs notices.

TUBBS

(to Crockett)

I'll be downstairs.

Tubbs moves off.

CUT TO

163-F EXT. HOSPITAL - DAY - ON CROCKETT AND CAROLINE

163-F

as they emerge from the hospital, in midconversation ---

CAROLINE

It was wonderful to think we'd get back together, but now I know in my heart that it's wrong for me to keep drifting in and out of your life.

163-F CONTINUED

CROCKETT

If it's last night, Caroline ---

CAROLINE

(over)

It's not last night, Sonny.

(beat)

It's everything.

They share a long, poignant look. It's over, sadly. Finally ---

CROCKETT

I'll reschedule our court date for next week.

Caroline nods. A long beat. Then she turns. Crockett watches her as she walks out of his life for good. A long, painful moment. Then Crockett turns in opposite direction, walks to nearby parked ---

163-G FERRARI

163-G

As Crockett climbs in behind wheel, Tubbs finishes a conversation on the mobile phone ---

TUBBS

(in phone)

Yeah, thanks Phil.

Hanging up, Tubbs is rather affected by what he's just heard ---

CROCKETT

Phil?

TUBBS

Prescott. They just broke down

Mendez.

(off Crockett's

interest)

Calderone's in Bimini.

CROCKETT

Bimini? That's sixty miles off the

coast.

(a look)

How long will it take you to get ready?

TUBBS

I've been ready since I came down here.

163-F

163-H EXT. FERRARI - DRIVING

163-H

(X)

As it pulls away out of the hospital parking lot, we pull (X) up and back -- crane shot -- to reveal the Atlantic coastline in the distance, the Ferrari heading toward it. Toward what lies ahead -- Bimini.

Title.

"TO BE CONTINUED"

END OF ACT FOUR