

WATTS: Right.

KELLY: Not my idea of controversial Cos it does comment on the mobile lab, it does comment on some of the finds that they have –

WATTS: Right.

KELLY And the destruction of the Al-Samouds.

WATTS: Okay Erm, have you – well, I'm sure since you've been in New York – I don't know whether you've been following the kind of – the rumpus that's erupted here over the, er, spat between the Intelligence Service and the erm –

KELLY. Well, I guessed something was up, but I read the Times this morning and I could see that there was something there. I assume that it follows on from what was happening with Bates(?) and Rumsfeld's comments.

WATTS Yes, well it's partly prompted by Rumsfeld. Two statements by Rumsfeld: the first one saying that erm – his phrase is it was possible that the weapons had been destroyed before the war started. Then he went on. I think in another speech yesterday, to say that the use of the argument over – the position of WMD was for bureaucratic reasons rather than being the prime motive for war, which is a rather amazing statement

KELLY: Yeah, yeah.

WATTS: Erm, but what intrigued me, and which prompted me to ring you, was the quotes yesterday on the Today programme about the 45 minutes –

KELLY: Yeah, yeah

WATTS: - part of the dossier.

KELLY. Er, we've (*inaudible*) about this before of course.

WATTS: We have

KELLY I think you know my views on that. Er –

WATTS: Yes, in fact you were, you were quite – I've looked back on my notes, and you were actually quite specific at that time. I may have missed a trick on that one, but er –

KELLY: (*laughs*)

WATTS: (*laughs*)

KELLY. Er, and it was –

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