

Start Up

Agent Rask is waiting for Nick to take his call.

Nick:
Agent Rask?

Rask:
Call me Phil. (Noticing Fishing Pictures) Don't mean to snoop.

Nick:
No, no not at all that's what they're there for.

Rask:
You fish?

Nick:
Um, you know, I used to, hard to find the time.

Rask:
What is that, Tuna?

Nick:
Uh, Yeah, that is a Blue fin!

Rask:
All the way out here?

Nick:
No, No, no, Cape Hatteras, actually.

Rask:
You're kidding I used to go there every summer. I dint know there was good tuna.

Nick:
There's some of the best actually.

Rask:

Thats gotta be satisfying right, pulling something that big
out of the water?

Nick:

Oh, yeah it is.

Rask:

Always meant to learn but just can't get away. You know I
haven't had a vacation in seven years.

Nick:

Thats Brutal.

Rask:

Seven!

Nick:

Wow.

Rask:

Mind if we talk?

Nick:

Please, please.

Rask:

You're not in trouble by the way.

Nick:

Huh?

Rask:

You know i'm a federal agent, right?

Nick:

Yes, thats what Selby said when she forwarded the call.

Rask:

You look nervous is all. As if you're in trouble. You're not.

Nick:

No, no I think I'm, maybe the gun? I don't know.

Rask:

OH right. So is that you're girl?

Nick:

Yes Uh, Taylor is her name.

Rask:

Wife? Fiancé? What?

Nick:

Just Girlfriend for now, we're not putting labels on it, I meant that's a label but I dont...

Rask:

Whats a label.

Nick:

'Girlfriend'. I was gonna say we're not putting labels on it, but we are as she's my girlfriend, but..

Rask:

Right.

Nick:

That's all for right now.

Rask:

Well lock that down she's a knock out.

Nick:

Yeah, hey, i'm working on it.

Rask:

Good, good. Wheres your dad? We had a meeting. He didn't show. Cant find him. It's like he skipped town. So I'm wondering where'd he go?

Nick:

huh? Well, I don't... I.. i can't say we talk anymore..so

Rask:

Except for the other night.

Nick:

We did. We did talk the other Night.

Rask:

So what did you guys talk about, your dad and you?

Nick:

I think it was mostly, if I recall, it was mostly a catch-up.
Um, he definitely didn't say anything about leaving town.

Rask:

So just small talk then? Again, you're not in trouble.

Nick:

Is he in trouble?

Rask:

He teach you how to fish, your dad?

Nick:

Um, he did, a long time ago.

Rask:

Thats great. It's nice, you know, it's important to have those memories of your old man. See, my dad, he shot himself when I was off at school. .38 under the chin, pow.

Nick:

Jesus.

Rask:

Dumb bastard, couldn't even do that right. The bullet ricocheted off his jawbone, took out his left eye, ripped off a piece of his brain, didnt kill him straight away, he had to be on a vent from two whole months before he

passed. Two goddamn months with all of us just standing around watching him fill a bag with shit waiting for him to go .

Nick:
My God!

Rask:
Huh?

Nick:
I said, My God, that's, thats awful.

Rask:
If there is a God. What kind of god right?

Nick:
Right. It's a great question for another time, maybe.

Rask:
There'll be another time. I don't want to keep you.

Nick:
Oh, uh, listen, no problem, let me know if there's anything I can do okay?

Rask:
if you hear from your dad it's really important that I speak to him.

Nick:
Yeah absolutely.

Rask:
So what'd you use?

Nick:
What did I use?

Rask:
To catch him, the tuna? Not just worms, I'm assuming.

Nick:

No, not worms. I use herring. Sometimes I go with scad.

Rask:

So just smaller fish then?

Nick:

Yeah?

Rask:

Right. Hmmm. You know one of these days I'm going to retire, you're going to take me out there, show me a thing or two.

Nick:

Okay, its a deal.

Rask:

What?

Nick:

I will. If you want, I can...let me know

Rask:

Huh?

Nick:

Let me know. I mean, like, let me know and I will, anytime really. I mean, I have to find the time, but, you know ... you know, doesn't sound like you're retiring anytime soon so...im just saying you haven't had a vacation. It seems like you work really hard. They work you. I know the feeling, so..but if you find the time, I will also find the time.

Rask:

Thanks, Nick.

Agent Rask closes the call.

