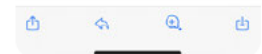


What?



Right

She's staying on the same floor as you

She's not staying on your floor

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You free?

Hi mate,

I have finished my meeting with Bruce Lehrmann's advisor John McGowan who is looking after his public strategy.

Bruce wants to do one big exclusive sit down interview at the end of this (assuming he is found not guilty) and then move on.

He is also going to do interviews with Piers Morgan and Tucker Carlson but they will be after the Australian exclusive.

John says we are the only ones who have offered what they want so far, in terms of format, so we are in front and that if we can come to a mutually agreeable deal the story is ours.

They have six hours of audio recordings with Brittany Higgins and Lisa Wilkinson in which Brittany is apparently coached and says "don't worry I can turn the waterworks on and off like a tap". They also have text messages where Brittany is frustrated with how the AFP is running the case and says "if they don't start toeing the line I'll go on the Project and start crying".

They also have documents from the AFP saying the charges should not be prosecuted as there is not enough evidence and that legal proceedings would be deleterious to Brittany Higgins. Despite this the ACT DPP pursued the charges.

Bruce is planning massive defamation cases against Ten and other outlets in every state of Australia and also eyeing malicious prosecution.

He has received a lot of pro bono legal support but has huge debts. John MacGowan is helping to fund things as well and has set up a trust. There is thought that Bruce should not receive money for the story directly but that money could be paid into John MacGowan's trust (which is used to pay legal fees etc.)

Due to the nature of needing money, we are on a shortlist of two - with Nine.

We are ahead of Nine because the Bruce camp likes us and we are offering what they want in terms of style and format. They want to do a deal that gives us domestic exclusivity over everything until we go to air (then they do Tucker and Piers).

John MacGowan's words: "how much are you able to offer?"

I said I needed to talk to you first to get sign off on anything.

He said: "ok fair enough. I know what Vikki Campion got (he's very good friends with Vikki) so it would need to be up around there and adjusted for inflation. So we'd be looking at \$200,000".

I said I would go away and talk.

It was a meeting entered into by both of us in good faith and all strictly off the record and I gave him my word this would remain confidential with me and my bosses.

He also indicated that their preference would be to shoot the story over the course of a weekend somewhere quiet near a golf course (Bruce is big on golf) after a short break following the verdict.

I've watched his police interview in court, he's good talent.

We would also get Bruce's mum who is a character I'm told. His father passed away when he was 17 months old. Most other friends have abandoned him. We'd probably get his lawyers too.

Around to talk if you would like to discuss.

Cheers,

Taylor

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"Thanks, How are you? Uh I don't know you there." Message2Text

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To be sent home

Everyone's coming back again

Yeh

Sent home

Got mail