

**FIRST REPORT OF
THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
(2004 - 2005 SESSION)**

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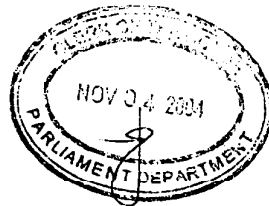
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November 04, 2004

Ms. Jacqui Sampson Jacent
Secretary
Committee of Privileges of
the House of Representatives
The Red House
Abercromby Street
Port-of-Spain

Dear Madam

RE: REQUEST FOR RECORDS

I refer to your letter Part: 14/1/1 Sub. I dated October 29, 2004 on the subject and forward the attached documents as requested.

Yours faithfully,



Trevor Paul
Commissioner of Police

Wednesday 15TH September 2004

STATION DIARY EXTRACT

STATION DIARY - DAY DUTY

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NUMBER	REFERENCE NUMBER	SUBJECT	HOUR	NATURE OF RECORD
41	44	Members of Parliament In	3:30pm	CHANDRESH SHARMA MP for Fyzabad KAMILA persad BISSESSAR MP for Siparia and also in the capacity of Attorney for Mr. SHARMA and GANGA SINGH MP for Caroni East arrived at station and reported that around 1:10pm on 15/09/04 the former was sitting in the tea room at the Parliament in company with RODDALL MOONILAL MP for Oroponche, KELVIN RAMNATH MP for Couva South, KEITH ROWLEY MP for Diego Martin Central and Stanford Callender MP for Tobago East. Mr. ROWLEY and Mr. SHARMA at the time were both having a conversation about housing arrangements in Trinidad and Grenada when Mr. Keith Rowley became aggrieved and proceeded to pelt a coffee cup at Mr. SHARMA. It is also alleged

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE EXTRACT TAKEN FROM THE STATION DIARY AT Caroni West PAGE 70 PARA 1 DATED 15/9/04

Signature of Shells P. Ford

Signature _____

Central Police Station

Sunday 19th September 2004

Nizam Mohammed States,

I am a Police Corporal Number 10081 attached to the Central Police Station. On Wednesday 15th September 2004 I was on duty at station dressed in police uniform when at 3:30pm CHANDRESH SHARMA the member of Parliament for Fyzabad, GANGA SINGH the member of Parliament for Caroni East and KAMLA PERSAD BISSESSAR the member of Parliament for Siparia all came to station and CHANDRESH SHARMA made a report I recorded what he had to say and give him a medical report form to seek medical attention at the Port of Spain General Hospital. I then left on enquires at the Red House in company with Number 8039 Ag. Sgt. Ramrattan and Number 16573 PC Mitchell together with the three members of Parliament. On arrival at the Red House CHANDRESH SHARMA took us to the tea room of the Parliament building where he pointed out a spot to me and told me something about the spot I observed that there were two couches facing each other one on the southern side and the other on the northern side of the tea room I also observed a television set on the eastern side of the tea room with two remote controls. I also observed a cordless phone in the said tea room soon afterwards while at the tea room an east Indian woman who give her name as PRABHA SINGH, a food and beverage hostess at attached to the said tea room handed me a broken cream and green tea cup which was broken into pieces and she told me something about the tea cup. I requested a statement from her and she said that she will give one at a later date I also interview one WILMA SPENCER the supervisor in charge of the kitchen at the said tea room who stated that she was not in the tea room at the time of the incident but she give the price of the tea cup as thirty dollars. A statement was requested from her and she refused to give one. I further interview CHANDRESH SHARMA and he give me certain information. I then made a check in the area for Mr. KEITH ROWLEY, ROODAL MOONILAL, STANFORD CALLENDER and KELVIN RAMNATH with a view of obtaining a statement from them but they were not seen I also requested a statement from CHANDRESH SHARMA but he said that he will give one at a later date as he is in a state of shock at the moment and not feeling well. I also requested statements from KAMLA BISSESSAR and GANGA SINGH and they both said that they will prepare one at a later date. I then returned to station with the broken tea cup in company with No. 8039 Ag. Sgt. RAMRATTAN and No. 16573 PC MITCHELL where I wrote the markings NM15/09/04 on two pieces of masking tape and stuck it on the two pieces of tea cup.

10081 Cpl. Nizam Mohammed
15/09/04

I hereby certify that I received this statement from No. 10081 Cpl. Nizam Mohammed at 8:30a. on Tuesday 21st September 2004 at Port of Spain Divisional Office, Serpentine Road Port of Spain. He said that it is true and that he signed it.

Ag. Sgt. Morrain
21/09/04

Central Police Station
St. Vincent Street
PORT OF SPAIN

20th September 2004

Balkissoon Ramrattan states,

I am an Ag. Sgt. of Police #8039 attached to the above station.

At around 3:30pm on Wednesday 15th September 2004 Chandresh Sharma, MP for Fyzabad, Kamla Persad Bissessar MP for Siparia, Ganga Singh MP for Caroni East, came to the Central Police Station and the former reported that at around 1:10pm on Wednesday 15th September 2004, he was sitting in the tea room lounge of Parliament at Knox and Abercromby Streets Port of Spain, in company with Roodall Moonilal MP Oropouche, Kelvin Ramnath MP for Couva South, Keith Rowley MP for Diego Martin Central and Stanford Callender MP for Tobago East.

Both Mr. Sharma and Mr. Rowley were involved in a conversation relative to housing in Trinidad and Grenada when it is alleged that Mr. Rowley became annoyed and poked his hand in his face. Mr. Rowley further threw a tea cup at Mr. Sharma which he defended by raising his hands. In so doing the tea cup fell on the glass table and broke.

Mr. Rowley further threw two TV remote controls and a Panasonic cordless telephone at him which struck him in his stomach Mr. Rowley then left the tea room.

At around 3:40pm, I left station on enquiries to visit the scene in company with No. 10081 Cpl. Mohammed, 16573 PC Mitchell, MP's Sharma, Ganga Singh and Kamla Persad Bissessar.

On arrival at the scene of the tea room MP Sharma pointed out certain spots in the Lounge and told us something.

Sharma further stated that he was sitting in a couch at around 2:40pm on 15/09/04 on the southern side with Mr. Rowley on the opposite side of the tea room when Mr. Rowley became annoyed over the housing conversation and poked his hands in his face. Mr. Rowley then threw a tea cup at him which he defended by raising his hands which caused the cup to fall on the glass coffee table and broke.

He further stated that Mr. Rowley further threw two remote controls and a Panasonic cordless telephone at him, which struck him in his stomach. They were all seen in the room

Mr. Rowley then left the tea room. Several persons were interviewed including Food and Beverage hostess of the tea room Mrs. Prabha Singh who handed Cpl. Mohammed a broken tea cup and said she picked it up from the tea room lounge and threw it in the bin she opted to give a statement later on.

Mrs. Wilma Spencer the kitchen supervisor at the time of the incident said she did not see anything as she was out of the room at the time of the incident. She stated that the tea cup is valued about thirty dollars (\$30.00TT).

Efforts to interview Keith Rowley, Kelvin Ramnath, Roodall Moonilal and Stanford Callender proved fruitless.

Mr. Sharma said he will give a statement at a further date as he was in a state of shock and was given a medical form to see the doctor. Certain observations were made and noted. Enquires are continuing.

Balkissoon Ramrattan
8039 Ag. Sgt.
20/09/04

I hereby certify that I received this statement from No. 8039 Ag. Sgt. Balkissoon Ramrattan at 8:40am on Tuesday 21st September 2004 at the Port of Spain Divisional Office Port of Spain. He said that it was true and that he signed it.

Ag. Supt. Murrain
21/09/04

Central Police Station
St. Vincent Street
PORT OF SPAIN

20th September 2004

Marlone Mitchell states,

I am a police constable number 16573 attached to the Central Police Station. On Wednesday 15th September 2004 at around 3:30pm, I was on duty at station dressed in police uniform when CHANDRESH SHARMA M.P for FYZABAD, KAMLA PERSAD-BISSESSAR MP for SIPARIA and GANGA SINGH MP for CARONI EAST came to the Central Police Station and the former reported that around 1:10pm on Wednesday 15th September 2004, he was sitting in the tea room lounge of Parliament in company with ROODALL MOONILAL MP for Oropouche, KELVIN RAMNATH MP for Couva South, STANFORD CALLENDER MP for Tobago East and KEITH ROWLEY MP for Diego Martin Central.

Mr. SHARMA reported that both himself and Mr. ROWLEY were having a conversation relative to housing in Trinidad and Grenada when Mr. ROWLEY became annoyed and poked his hand in his face and chest. Mr. SHARMA further reported that Mr. ROWLEY then threw two TV remotes at him and a cordless phone which struck him in his stomach. It is alleged that Mr. ROWLEY then threw a tea-cup at Mr. SHARMA which he blocked with his hands, and the cup fell on the ground and broke. After which Mr. ROWLEY left the tea-room.

A medical report form was given to Mr. SHARMA and he was told to seek Medical attention at the Port of Spain General Hospital.

I then left station on enquires relative to the report made by Mr. SHARMA in company with No. 8039 Ag. Sgt. RAMRATTAN and No. 10081 Cpl. MOHAMMED and MP's GANGA SINGH, KAMLA PERSAD-BISSESSAR and CHANDRESH SHARMA.

On arrival at the tea room lounge Mr. SHARMA pointed to certain spots in the lounge and told us something. I observed that there were two couches facing each other, one on the southern side and the other on the northern side. I also observed a television set on the eastern side of the tea room and two remote controls. A cordless phone was also noticed in the tea room.

Several persons were interviewed including a Food and Beverage Hostess who gave her name as PRABHA SINGH who handed Cpl. MOHAMMED a broken green and cream tea cup and said she picked it up from the floor of the tea room and placed it in the bin when she saw it on the floor. She agreed to give a statement at a later date. Mrs. WILMA SPENCER the kitchen supervisor at the time of the incident said that she wasn't around at the time of the incident and she did not see anything but that the broken tea cup is valued at about (\$30.00TT) thirty dollars.

Checks in the area was made for Keith Rowley, Kelvin Ramnath, Stanford Callender and Roodall Moonilal so as to interview them, but those efforts proved futile.

Mr. SHARMA was asked to give a statement but he said that at the time he was still in a state of shock and shaken so a statement would be given at a later date.

Police Constable No. 16573
Marlone Mitchell
20/09/04

I hereby certify that I received this statement from No. 16573 Constable Marlone Mitchell at 8:35am on Tuesday 21st September 2004 at the Port of Spain Divisional Office Port of Spain. He said that it was true and that he signed it.

Ag. Supt. Murrain
21/09/04

STATEMENT TO THE POLICE ON THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE AT THE PARLIAMENT TEA ROOM IN THE RED HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2004.

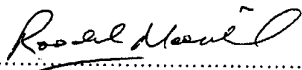
I, **DR. ROODAL MOONILAL**, Member of Parliament for Oropouche, hereby state as follows:-

At around 1.00 pm on Wednesday 15th of September 2004 I was sitting in the Tea Room, in the lounge area, in the company of M.Ps Kelvin Ramnath, Stanford Callender and Dr. Keith Rowley. M.P Chandresh Sharma came into the room and sat down in the single sofa chair. Within minutes of his arrival an argument developed between Dr. Rowley and Mr. Sharma.

As the argument got increasingly intense Dr. Rowley got up from where he was sitting and confronted Mr. Sharma who then stood up from where he was sitting. Dr. Rowley violently struck Mr. Sharma first on the face and then several times on his chest.

I intervened and held Dr. Rowley on his right hand and encouraged him to return to his seat, which he did. The argument continued and Dr. Rowley then threw several items at Mr. Sharma namely two remote controls, a cordless phone and a tea cup which hit Mr. Sharma on his hand. The tea cup after hitting Mr. Sharma's hand fell unto the table, broke and fell to the floor.

At this point Dr. Rowley appeared to become more violent and I felt that he was on the verge of inflicting further blows to Mr. Sharma. I again intervened and firmly requested that Dr. Rowley leave the tea room and accompany me out. He obliged and I escorted him to the Parliamentary Chamber.



Dr. Roodal Moonilal

21/9/04

I hereby certify that I received this statement
at 4:15 pm on Tuesday 20th September 2004 from Sonia
Rees at the office of the leader of The
Opposition. Thomas D. Burt
20/9/04

STATEMENT TO THE POLICE ON THE INCIDENT AT THE PARLIAMENT TEA ROOM IN THE RED HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2004.

I, **KELVIN RAMNATH**, Member of Parliament for Couva South, hereby state as follows:-

M.Ps Dr. Roodal Moonilal, Dr. Keith Rowley, Stanford Callender, and I were seated in the lounge in the tea room at about 1.00pm. Soon thereafter M.P Sharma entered the lounge area. He and Dr. Rowley began speaking and the conversation quickly developed into a heated argument with Rowley accusing Sharma of calling him a racist. At no time did Sharma call Rowley a racist.

Rowley became enraged, got up and lunged forward towards Sharma simultaneously shouting among other things "You calling me a racist, I fed up with all yuh and this Indian talk" and struck Sharma on the right side of his face with his left hand at this time Sharma was standing.

Sharma remained controlled and said "Keith look what you reducing yourself too". Rowley became further infuriated and responded by striking Sharma on the chest several times and again on the face.

By this time Dr. Moonilal attempted to restrain Dr. Rowley who returned to his seat and continued shouting at M.P Sharma. In anger, he began throwing items at Sharma namely a cordless telephone, two remote control and a tea cup which struck Sharma fell and broke.

Dr. Moonilal eventually succeeded in restraining Dr. Rowley and took him out of the lounge.



Kelvin Ramnath

2004/09/21

I hereby certify that I received this statement
at 4:15pm on Tuesday 21st September 2004, from Soule
Rees, at the Office of the Leader of the
Opposition, Manuscript
21/9/04

**REPORT OF INCIDENT AT THE PARLIAMENT TEA ROOM IN THE RED HOUSE
PORT OF SPAIN ON WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2004.**

I, CHANDRESH SHARMA, Member of Parliament for Fyzabad, hereby states as follows:-

I arrived at the Parliament at about 1.00 p.m. I went to the Parliament Library and then to the tea room where I joined M.P's Keith Rowley, Stanford Callender, Dr. Roodal Moonilal and Kelvin Ramnath.

I sat in the single seater sofa chair. M.P Ramnath and Callender sat in the two-seater sofa chair. M.P Rowley and Dr. Moonilal sat in the 3-seater sofa chair on the other side. Minutes after sitting down Dr. Rowley made reference to an article that appeared in the Newsday accusing me of bringing race into everything.

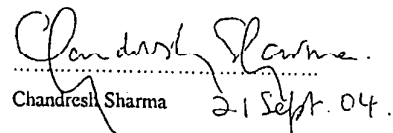
I replied that his Ministry was doing nothing for Fyzabad and rural communities to which he replied, "He was fed up with this Indian race talk". I went on to say that it is true "you all do nothing for Fyzabad and rural communities, check for yourself".

At this point he asked if I was calling him a racist and got up from his chair and rushed across to where I was sitting. On seeing this I stood up. Rowley then struck me with his left hand on the right side of my face. He continued threatening me and using abusive language, threatening to knock off my teeth.

After he struck me the first time I said Keith look what you reducing yourself too he then struck me on my chest several times and further struck me on my face. At this time Dr. Moonilal held onto Dr. Rowley's hand saying "Keith behave yourself, stop doing that.

He returned to his seat and continued arguing with me and then pelted me with the two remote controls, a cordless phone and a tea cup which hit me on my hand, fell on the edge of the table, broke and fell to the floor.

At this time Dr. Moonilal insisted that Dr. Rowley leave the tea room area and he escorted him out.


Chandresh Sharma 21 Sept. 04.

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

MEDICAL REPORT

(Section 127 of the Summary Courts Act, Chap. 4:20)

This is to certify that on 15th September 2004

I examined Chandresh Sharma

at Ave ROSA and found him/her

to be suffering from the following injuries:

Soft tissue injury to face
distal right hand

(State the nature and extent of the injuries).

(Do not use abbreviations).

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[P.T.O.]

(State the nature of the instrument with which the injuries were probably inflicted and the probable degree of force which was used).

The injuries were probably inflicted with a Hande Djed
with mild to moderate
force

(Strike out the one that does not apply).

(Signed) [Signature]

- (a) Medical Practitioner registered as a member of the Medical Board.
- (b) Medical Practitioner, named in the Register of Provisional Medical Registration.

Number, rank and signature of escorting policeman, and date.

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT
PORT OF SPAIN
GENERAL HOSPITAL
DATE:

Dated this 15th day of September 20 04

Central Police Station
St. Vincent Street
PORT OF SPAIN

27th September 2004

Marlone Mitchell further states,

Reference to the previous statement I had given on 20/09/04 relative to entry at page 70 para 41 dated 15/09/04 I returned off enquires at 4:30pm on 15/09/04, having read over the report made by Mr. SHARMA, I observed that I had left out in human error where it was reported by Mr. SHARMA that Mr. ROWLEY had pushed him in his face and chest several times with his hand.

I immediately made an additional Entry at 4:31pm which reads as follows:

Reference to the entry at page 70 para 4. Mr. SHARMA also reported that before he was pelted with the tea cup Mr. Keith Rowley pushed him in his face and chest several times with his hand. This entry is at page 71 para 44 dated Wednesday 15th September 2004.

This entry is true and correct.

Marlone Mitchell PC 16573
27/09/04

I hereby certify that I received this further statement from No. 16573 Constable Marlone Mitchell at 5:45pm on Monday 27th September 2004 at Central Police Station. He said that it was true and that he signed it.

Ag. Supt. Murrain
27/09/04

Central Police Station
St. Vincent Street
PORT OF SPAIN

Friday 27th September 2004

Nizam Mohammed further states,

Reference to report and para 41 page 70 dated 15/09/04 having read one the report made by CHANDRESH SHARMA together with Number 16573 PC Mitchell observed that PC Mitchell had omitted where Mr. SHARMA reported that Mr. ROWLEY push him in his face and chest several times with his hand.

Nizam Mohammed
No. 10081 Cpl.

I hereby certify that I received this further statement from No. 10081 Cpl. Mohammed at 5:50p.m. on Monday 27th September 2004 at Central Police Station. He said that he signed it and it was true.

Ag. Supt. Murrain
27/09/04

September 21, 2004

Clerk of the House *21/9/04*
 1st. Marshal of the Parliament
 Office of the Parliament
 Red House
 Abercromby Street
 PORT OF SPAIN



Dear Madam,

Report of Incident in the Member's Lounge on
Wednesday September 15, 2004

My name is Prabha Singh. I am a Food and Beverage Hostess employed on a Part-time basis by the Clerk of the House, Office of the Parliament, Red House, Abercromby Street, Port of Spain. I normally report for duty on days that there are meetings of the Senate and the House of Representatives and on special occasions or whenever my services are required.

On Wednesday September 15, 2004, there was a meeting of the House of Representatives scheduled for 1.30 p.m. I arrived for duty at 10.00 a.m. on that day and reported to Mrs. Wilma Spencer, Manager, Dining Room Services, Office of the Parliament, Red House. As is customary, I was assigned to my normal duties in the Member's Lounge. Sometime between 12.45 p.m. and 1.00 p.m., there were four Members of Parliament seated in the T.V. Room Area of the Member's Lounge having snacks and refreshments. These Members were Dr. Keith Rowley, Dr. Roodial Moonilal, Mr. Kelvin Ramnath and Mr. Stanford Callender and they were conversing. Shortly after, Mr. Chandresh Sharma entered the Lounge and joined the group of MP's.

The Members continued speaking to each other. I was serving them and from what I heard the conversation was low keyed and appeared to be very cordial. At that point, I was standing in front of the *Bain Maire* (Food Station) in the Main Dining Area of the Member's Lounge. Approximately five minutes or so after Mr. Sharma joined the group the conversation became heated at which point I began hearing raised voices. I heard Mr. Sharma say in a loud tone of voice that PNM is racist and you are racist. I then heard Dr. Rowley say, are you accusing me of being racist? This was also said in a loud tone of voice. Mr. Sharma replied "yes".

From where I was standing I could have seen Mr. Sharma, Dr. Rowley and Dr. Moonilal but I was unable to see Mr. Ramnath or Mr. Callender because of where they were seated. When Mr. Sharma said yes, Dr. Rowley got up from his seat and walked towards Mr. Sharma who stood up. The argument became even more heated as both Dr. Rowley and Mr. Sharma were speaking loudly. I cannot remember the exact words that were being said at that time because of the loud voices and also because I was becoming uncomfortable.

Dr. Rowley suddenly turned and glanced in my direction. Continuing my work, I quickly took up two glasses with napkins and straws and moved to my left to the Coffee Station in the Main Dining Room. Immediately after, I heard a sound that I cannot identify. From where I was standing I could not see anyone but I heard Dr. Moonilal say "Sharma keep quiet; Keith ignore him and walk away". At this point I left where I was standing by the Coffee Station and briskly walked past the Members in the T.V. Room Area and into the Pantry. As I passed I kept my head straight.

As I entered the pantry Ms. Carter asked me if something broke I said "no". We continued our work and after approximately fifteen minutes, I returned to the Member's Lounge and discovered a broken tea cup lying on top the Coffee Table. Mr. Ramnath and Mr. Callender was sitting in T.V. Room Area, I removed the broken tea cup and swept up the splinters which were on the floor. I noticed the cordless telephone lying on the floor in front of the T.V. and two television remotes lying on a sofa.

At or about 4.00 p.m., four policemen in uniform entered the Dining Room accompanied by Mrs. Persad-Bissessar, Mr. Ganga Singh and Mr. Chandresh Sharma and asked for the person in charge. Shortly thereafter I was summoned into the Dining Room Area and a Police Officer asked me if I was the one who removed the broken tea cup to which I replied "yes". He also asked me where it was positioned and I replied "on the Coffee Table". He requested and I indicated to them where on the Table I found it. He also asked me if I could recall the location of the cordless phone and television remotes at the time I cleared the Coffee Table and I indicated to them where I found the items.

Prabha S. Singh
Prabha Singh
Food and Beverage Hostess

I hereby certify that I received this statement at 1.00pm on Thursday 14th October 2024 at The Red House, Port of Spain.

Munshi Singh
14/10/24

STATEMENT OF STANFORD CALLENDER

My name is Stanford Callender. I live at Black Rock Trace, Black Rock Tobago. I am the Member of Parliament for the Tobago West Constituency and I am the Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister with responsibility for Tobago Affairs.

I recall Wednesday 15th September 2004, I arrived at the Parliament building at about 12.30 p.m. and I went into the Main Chamber where we normally meet and left my bags. I then went down to the Tea Room. I entered the Tea Room around 12.40 p.m. and I met Dr. Rowley and MP. Moonilal chatting and looking at cricket. No one else was in the room at the time. Rowley and Moonilal were sitting on the northern couch. I came in and sat on the eastern couch and joined them. The tea-lady came in and asked me if I was okay and if I needed something. I asked her for a cup of tea and she brought it for me. I was in the room between five to ten minutes when Ramnath came in. He sat next to me.

The conversation continued, and then Chandresh Sharma came in. He greeted everyone and I observed him tap Keith Rowley behind his head. Light conversation continued and somewhere along I heard Keith say to Sharma that he read his comments on the hurricane in Grenada and if it is that every-time he speaks he had to introduce politics and race. Keith spoke to Moonilal and Ramnath and said 'all yuh must talk to this boy, everything he talks he has to introduce this element of race. It is a disaster and whatever can be done to assist, you have to do what is necessary'. Sharma went on to say 'all you building house for Grenadian and that is for PNM', 'you all never build any house for any Indian, you is a racist'! Keith then responded, 'what have I done for you to call me a racist'? Sharma kept calling him a racist along with other colourful adjectives like 'fucking, mother cunt racist'!

Keith got up and said 'don't call me a racist'! Are you calling me a racist'? Sharma also got up. Keith advanced towards him. Sharma advanced towards Keith as well. Keith put up his hand to stop Sharma's advance. That is the only bodily contact that I witnessed.

Moonilal got up and said 'gentlemen cool it'. Approximately one minute after Keith went back to his seat. Sharma sat back down as well, but Sharma continued his tirade of verbal abuse replete with obscenities and racial accusations against the PNM party and Keith and then he told Keith 'think I afraid you, I will buss you (so and so) head'.

I heard Keith say 'since you want to buss my head, then buss it with this'. The remote and telephone were on the coffee table in front of Keith. I saw him push them towards Sharma across the coffee table.

Sharma was sitting leaning. I did not see where they fell. Sharma carried on with his threats and Keith said, 'well come and buss it with this', and pushed the teacup which was in front of him across the table towards Sharma. Sharma then batted the teacup away and it fell on the eastern side of the coffee table right in front of me. I saw the teacup break. When the teacup broke both Sharma and Keith stood up.

Moonilal then put his hand around Keith and said something to him and they walked out of the Tea Room together.

Ramnath and I were just looking on during the entire incident.

When Keith and Moonilal left the Tea Room, Ramnath, Sharma and I remained. A few minutes after, the tea-lady came in and wiped down the table, re-arranged the phone and remote and swept up the broken cup. I had seen this tea lady walking in and out during the heated discussion.

Sharma sat back down and we continued looking at the cricket. Sharma did not look in any way distressed to me. He sat down as if nothing had happened. Bereaux came in about five minutes after nothing was said to him by any one of us about the incident. Bereaux started to talk about the opportunities when one is trained outside - studying out of the country and Ramnath said that the experience he had was helping him now. Ramnath said that this period of work at Petrotrin was the best of his life and Bereaux was saying that when he worked under the previous administration it was just as good. Bereaux said to him that he knew Sharma had spent some time in Canada, Sharma agreed and joined the discussion with them. The mood had completely changed. Rahael came into the Tea Room at about 1.20 p.m. and he joined the conversation - the mood was light. I left the room at approximately 1.25 p.m., I left Ramnath, Bereaux, Rahael and Sharma there.

Sharma came into the Parliament and participated in his usual way in the proceedings. During the session I observed Ganga Singh went up close to Sharma and was saying something, then he started talking to Moonilal, then he came back to his seat and started talking to Panday. While they were talking I noticed that they were looking in Keith's direction. When the session was adjourned at around minutes to three, I said to Keith that 'I am looking at these guys and these guys are planning something'. Keith dismissed the issue. I went back to the Tea Room - there were about six of us there at the time - no one brought up the issue because there was nothing to bring up. At no time at all did I see Rowley strike Sharma or pelt items (i.e teacup, remote or phone) at him. He merely shoved the items along the coffee table. I did not hear Keith using any obscene language.

Stanford Callender 1/10/04
Stanford Callender

I hereby certify that I received this statement from Stanford Callender at 1200pm on Friday 10th October 2004 at the Red House Post Office. He said that it was true and what he signed it.

REPORT

Mr. Chandresh Sharma further states after making the report at Central Police Station, I returned to Parliament with police officers from Central Police Station then went to Port of Spain General Hospital where I received medical attention.

At the Port of Spain General Hospital I was attended to by a doctor and thereafter I saw the doctor prepare and sign a medical report in my name which was handed over to me. On the 21st September 2004, I handed the said medical report to Acting Superintendent Morrain.

Ch. Sharma

Chandresh Sharma
MP for Fyzabad

I hereby certify that I received this (written) statement from Chandresh Sharma at 2:45 pm on Wednesday 20th October 2004 at The Office of The Leader of The Opposition. He said that it was true and that he signed it.

Morrain
20/10/04