South by Southwest

This scambait started with Usman Dogo; same old routine, bank official that has millions but can't access them. I didn't include his letters here because they were uneventful and routine. The one point the needs to be known is that he wanted me to travel to South Africa to sign for the money or use his lawyer on my behalf (knowing I wouldn't want to travel across the world...). Well, I opted to travel to South Africa, messing up his plans. He originally said that I would just have to sign some papers at the bank... The conversations start below and with his lawyer;

Attention: Greg Wilson.

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your mail. I would have preferred you to visit South Africa to handle this transaction personally and my assistance/directives than involving a third party. Also this will give us the opportunity to meet face to for a round table understanding meeting with and Mr.Usman Mohammed Dogo. This transaction will only take three to four working days to conclude upon your arrival to South Africa.

But if it is not possible for to be present in South Africa for the transaction, our office can represent your interest. Kindly down load the attached draft agreement I drafted that would guide and protect you and Mr. Usman Mohammed Dogo from any breach of the law, you are expected to study this agreement very well, sign return the pages back to me for my follow up, as soon as I received the signed copy from your end, I will proceed to the Johannesburg high court and notarize the copy , return back to you for your attention and for safe keeping till my clients comes over there for investment arrangement which you will give him a help hand .

Thanks

Mr. Cliff M.Adams Senior Advocates

I received the Partnership Agreement and I will take it to my lawyer's office on Wednesday for him to go over. If everything is ok, you can expect it to be signed and sealed by the end of this week. Thanks for your help.

Greg

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

I hope you are in receipt of the draft agreement I sent to you about few minutes ago? Which you are expected to study carefully sign return the pages back to me through email attachment for my urgent follow up , the agreement will protect both of you from any breach of the law ,

obviously I know about you from Mr. Usman Mohammed Dogo who recommend your good self, as a professional lawyer.

I promised to help you and my client till the sum of US \$28Million hit your custody but you have to follow my instruction to enable us achieve 100% success , the reason I sent the draft agreement unsigned is that you can study, if there is any error or mistake you should correct and notify me immediately for my attention . Find also under this mail, the attach power of attorney you should fill in the date complete the missing details , sign return through e-mail attachment along side with the draft agreement , this power of attorney will help me to work on your behalf as your legal representative in any office here in South Africa .

I would advise you to maintain the utmost confidentiality this transaction required to enable us achieve 100% success, do not make it a public discussion keep what ever you are doing within your self, I will give you full details on how we shall achieve our goal once I receive the signed power of attorney and please if you get confuse along the way , it is your duty to ask me a question where you do not understand , this will help us achieve our goal as I wouldn't like you to involve any third party not involve in this business as his/her idea might ruin the whole effort . I am here to guide you and direct you on what to do at every point in time, this is for security purpose and before you succeed in life as a man/woman you must learn how to do things on your own by being a secretive person, I hope you understand my predicament in this regards

Your further communication should between me and Mr. Usman Mohammed Dogo from today on therefore arrange yourself and let me know within this month when you will be able to visit us here in South Africa to sign out the final release order fund in the bank, book your flight and get me your flight schedule time of arrival and departures, this will help me to pick you up at airport down to your hotel room from there to the bank for formalizing and your stay in south Africa is only take you three to four working days from the day of your arrival. I wait for your immediate response,

Best Regards Mr. Cliff M. Adams Esq. Senior Advocate Direct

I just sent you an email about an hour ago, did you not see it? Here's what I wrote in case you didn't receive it...

"I received the Partnership Agreement and I will take it to my lawyer's office on Wednesday for him to go over. If everything is ok, you can expect it to be signed and sealed by the end of this week. Thanks for your help."

I couple of things I do not understand concerning the Power of Attorney. First, is that you have been hired by Mr. Usman Mohammed Dogo to work on his behalf, so why do you need a PoA from me? Nothing is in my name until it is changed, so you should not need a PoA from me, but from

Mr. Usman Mohammed Dogo. Also, the PoA is invalid anyways, because there is no designated space for a second signature. As a lawyer, you should know that a PoA requires TWO signatures, one of the Grantor and one of the Grantee, qualified witness, or notary public. So whoever drew up that document must not know very much about the law and I can only assume that you didn't view it before you forwarded it to me.

You still haven't explained to me the need for "absolute secrecy" on my end over here. Your requests for me not to tell anyone makes it seem like we are doing something illegal, here which I hope is not the case.

I have a lawyer who will be accompanying me to South Africa when I make the trip.

Thanks,

Greg

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

This is to confirm the receipt of your mail , I want you to understand something , the law that guide you in your country is not the same applies here in South Africa and as your legal representative , it is your duty to follow my directive to enable us achieve 100% success in this regards because I know South Africa law very well as you do .

Power of attorney mean that you are powering me to representative you in any office in South Africa till your arrival, with the copy of the power of attorney, I will be able to meet the bankers and also the authorities where the fund are lodged and do all the necessary arrangement on your behalf before your arrival, without the power of attorney, I will never be allow to work on your behalf. Please understand

My Friend , I want you to understand that power of attorney is issue by you is authorizing me to move on your behalf and can not be sign by my client or two party , please ask your local lawyer to explain more about power of attorney , although he might not know much about South Africa law as I do not know much about your country,s law therefore , go ahead and sign the power of attorney for me and also the contract you have to sign them officially on your arrival with your lawyer before we proceed to the bank to formalize all the modalities and while you are here your local bankers will confirm the total sum into your bank account in your country.

Regarding the secrecy , you know about the nature of the transaction you have with my client therefore I advise you to keep what ever you are doing a highly confidential to avoid jeopardizing the whole effort , you can start announcing the business when the whole transaction has been completed, please maintain the confidential even your lawyer will explain to you the important of confidential in business , I hope you will understand so that we will be able to move on as time is no longer in our side.

Keep well and I am waiting to hear from you today Thanks

Mr. Cliff M. Adams Esq.
Senior Advocate Direct
(for some reason, he thinks he is my lawyer...)

I know what a Power of Attorney is, but you are not my lawyer, you are Usman's Family lawyer. You need to represent him to sign over the account into my name. My lawyer will handle all of my details. I still don't understand the need for secrecy on my end? Who am I going to tell that will affect you? I do not know any Africans. How could it jeopardize the transaction? I will not keep secrets from my lawyer or my family, and I will need to tell my work why I will need the time off to come to South Africa. This makes the whole transaction seem suspicious or illegal. Anyway, I will sign a Partnership Agreement detailing our arrangement, but the Power of Attorney I will not sign, as I have never met you before, and I will not give anyone this authority on my behalf.

Greg

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

Thanks for your mail , you are a man and I can not control you but because I am a lawyer , I was train to give people advise especially in times of law and their implications , I want you to understand that everything is okay , a true business man maintain secrecy for his business otherwise if you tell some one that you are going to buy goods worth's of million tomorrow in so so place , the person you tell might tell someone else and someone else might plan with criminal to rob you on the way ,that was the reason the secrecy have to maintain when ever you are doing business because you never know the mind of people to you , I mean what someone is thinking about you , it is good to tell your lawyer and your wife and not all your family members and your co-workers

You should understand the situation of my client and his position as bank manager , if you start telling people about the whole thing , it might fly into any South Africa government worker ears and from there the news will continue until the president of South Africa perfume the news , investigation will carry out , when they find out that you are not the real next of the kin to the sum , they might tell your government to bring you to the book, Mr. Greg the Bible said that you should not talk against the King in the secrecy because the bird in the bush will take the story to the Kings bed , please let understand ourself and follow up the same , I hope that you will understand and we move forward, do not make the business a public discussion to enable us achive 100% success in this regards .

Regarding the power of attorney , there is no problem if you will not sign them , Just study the contract , if it is okay with you , then let me know , on your arrival we shall sign them together in my office before proceed to the bank , let work together as one family to enable us achieve our goal

I hope to hear from you soonest

Cliff M. Adams

Your explanation almost made sense, but not quite. If I tell my friends and co-workers, you think that the President of South Africa will find out (or perfume the news, whatever that means)? That is the silliest thing I have ever heard. And if you're worried that someone I would tell would plan to rob or harm me, then you are also wrong. I don't know what kind of people you call friends or family, but I don't associate with such people. My friends and family are true people and I will not keep secrets from them. I will start to make arrangements to come to South Africa - I first have to secure my Passport. When is a good time to schedule the trip?

Greg

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

Thanks for your mail, we do not have to fight for something that is not meant for, I have a lot of reference to give you that the worst enemy one can have today is your brother or close friends because it is who know man can kill a man , anyway there is a lot of places in the Bible where brother betray brother and friend betray friend and since you do not have such family members and friends glory be to God

The most important thing now is when will you be in South Africa to open a non-resident and investment dollars account in your names in the bank? Time is no longer in our side thus kingly let me your earliest to meet us here so that I will be able to arrange and pick you up at the airport down to your hotel rooms from there we shall proceed, I hope to hear from you today

Thanks

Mr.Cliff M.Adams

As I said before, I don't know what kind of people you associate with, but my friends and family are true people. Looking at my work schedule, it would be best for me to fly down on December 12. That would give me a minimum of 5 days to complete this transaction and do some sightseeing. Will you prepare the hotel reservations or shall I? Please let me know the exact amount of money I will need to settle the charges and fees for this transaction so I will be enough money with me. Thanks a lot,

Greg

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

I have received your mail and I wish to let you know that everything concerning the transfer of this money into your bank account has been concluded , the bank officials that will assist us in banking system on your arrival has also been tips as they required so that there will be no delay on your arrival, I want you to scan your passport copy to me to enable me arrange reservation for you where there is 24 hour camera monitoring unit and also it will also assist me to come with my security to pick you up at the air-port down to your hotel room from there to the bank where you will open a non-resident and investment dollars account in the bank in your name where the fund will first keep for onward transfer into your nominated bank account in your country and also make sure you arm yourself with the sum of \$15,500,00 to assist you for the expense throughout your 3 days stay in Johannesburg South Africa , I hope to hear from you soonest

Thanks

Mr. Cliff M Adams

I appreciate your help and everything you said in your last email but I will go ahead and make the reservations and all arrangements for the trip. I'm getting a package deal from the Travel Agency for the flight and room and board (plus a safari/tour), so you don't have to bother with any arrangements. I think all of us are actually staying for five days so we will have time for some sight-seeing and stuff. I will let you know the exact details when I receive them.

Thanks,

Greg

(I said "all of us", meaning I am coming with a group of people...)

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

Thanks for your mail, I have taken note of your mail and I wish to let you know that without me coming to pick you up at the air-port , your visiting is in vain thus I have to discuss with you on the phone , I want you to re-confirm your mobile line for me so that I will be able to call you and also make sure you get me your flight schedule to Johannesburg South Africa , I do not have time to argue with you for this procedures because I have to pick you up at air-port and take you to the hotel your agent have make reservation for you , if you do not want me to pick you up at the airport please cancel your trip .

Secondly I am urgently waiting for your numbers

Thanks

Cliff M. Adams

What are you talking about? You have to pick me up at the airport? Why? And I told you before that I don't have a cell phone, but someone in the group will. Please explain why you have to pick me up at the airport and to cancel my trip if you don't - that doesn't make a bit of sense.

Greg

Attention M r. Greg Wilson

Thanks for your mail, it is my duty to ensure your 100% security during your visit and as long you are coming for the execution of this transaction, it is a must that I monitor your movement till you go back to the states unless you are coming here for another thing.

If you do not have a cell phone , call me on this numbers 27 82 58 98 433 and also get me a reliable telephone line where I can reach you at any time of my choice , I repeat if I do not pick you at air-port your coming is in vain , thus get me your flight schedule to Johannesburg , time of arrival and departures so that I will be able to pick you up at the air-port down to your hotel room and also get me your reservation details for our follow up , I hope you will understand for us to move forward

Thanks

Mr.Cliff M.Adam

Cliff:

You seem to be confused. You are not my lawyer and you are not a Security Company or a bodyguard. You are Usman Dogo's lawyer and your job to effect the paperwork to commence this transaction. My security, safety, and itinerary are of no concern of yours. All you have to do is meet me at the bank with Usman so we can transfer this money and complete this transaction. Let me repeat, you are Usman's lawyer, not my bodyguard, so just do as you are paid to do and follow his instructions. I find it highly suspect when you dare to terminate this transaction by overstepping your bounds. You are an employee of Usman, and you must follow his instructions, and have no right to dictate anything about me. If I don't receive a positive response by you or Usman by Monday at the latest, I will consider this transaction over.

Greg

Monday, I pick up my passport and will make my flight reservations unless I don't hear a positive response from you.

Attention: Mr. Greg Wilson

Thanks for your mail and your explanation, this is South Africa , full of gang with evil mind therefore your security is my concern , you don't need to go to the bank to complete the transaction first therefore we have to formalize all the formalities in my office before we proceed to the bank , if you feel you can do it alone without me , that no problem proceed , if you think you need my help while you are in South Africa , please call me for us to discuss this matter before your arrival , I hope to hear from you accordingly

Cliff M. Adams

Thanks

Well, I appreciate the sentiment about my safety, but as I said before that is none of your concern. As far as safety goes, I don't think it's a good idea for me and my group to get in a car with someone I have never met before at the airport anyway. If I read your email correctly, you agree with my wishes and the business we have together is still on, correct? If this is a yes, then I'll pick up the tickets and plan on being there on Friday night. Let me know - hopefully today, so I can make the proper arrangements.

Thanks,

Greg

Attention : Mr. Greg Wilson

I doubt your ability and personality, if you can show me any prove that you are in the United States, then I will allow you make your arrange to visit, if you can not prove to me please do not even care to come as we will not meet you for what ever condition

I hope to hear from you for the prove , get me your mobile and land line in United States ,Your passport copy , if you can not afford to provide the above cancel your trip and do not come, if you can provide the above , then come and we shall meet in your hotel and not in air-port Thanks

Cliff M. Adams

I sent you my driver's license, didn't I? I will send it again, but I am getting sick of your insults and incompetence. I have told you that I do not have a cell phone and I have given you my phone number already. You are the most unorganized lawyer I have ever seen. If you do not believe I am from the United States, just trace my IP Address from this email. Or look at my driver's license. Can you do something simple like that? Or do you like just giving orders or throwing insults?

Once you are satisfied with the proof (notice the spelling - not prove) - I want to know what happened to the original plan of just meeting at the bank to sign over all of the papers? Or

perhaps meeting at your office? Seems like that would be a lot more appropriate. Or is your office in the basement of your mother's house or in a garage?

Usman surely picked a good one...

Greg

After repeated attempts to keep this bait alive, I gave up. I emailed Usman a few times to complain about the stupidity and ignorance of his lawyer, but he never replied. I guess Cliff the Lawyer wasn't prepared to kidnap and murder a whole group of people...