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Transcript

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C. MACDONALD: Air/sea rescue, bonjour.

P. PEDDLE: Yes, good morning, it's Paul Peddle calling from Fire and Emergency Services over in St. John's. How are you?

C. MACDONALD: Fine, thank you.

P. PEDDLE: That's good. We've got an issue this morning in Makkovik in Labrador. We have a 14-year-old boy missing. He has been missing since yesterday. The community has done a search; they can't find him. They're afraid he might be gone out on the water, you know, on his Ski-Doo over the ice and God knows what has happened to him then.

The weather is down in the area and we can't get a small chopper or a plane in the sky to head to Makkovik. I don't know whether you can do it or not, but wondering if you can to do a humanitarian mission, go have a look and see if you can find the young fella.

C. MACDONALD: Makkovik. I'm just going to try – can you spell where that is?

P. PEDDLE: M-A-K-O-V-I-K, I think it is.

C. MACDONALD: I'm sorry, say that again (inaudible).

P. PEDDLE: M-A-K.

C. MACDONALD: M-A-K.

P. PEDDLE: O-V-I-K. It's up on the Labrador coast.

C. MACDONALD: All right, let me take a look here.

P. PEDDLE: It's north of Hopedale. I was there for a weekend one afternoon.

C. MACDONALD: (Inaudible) village, yeah, it's up there all right.

P. PEDDLE: Yeah.

C. MACDONALD: So a 14-year-old boy has been missing since yesterday?

P. PEDDLE: Yeah.

(Redacted.)

C. MACDONALD: (Inaudible.)

P. PEDDLE: And, so, he took off on a Ski-Doo and hasn't been seen. They've done a search of the community, they've gone out around, you know, outside the community. He is on a Ski-Doo, but where is he?

C. MACDONALD: Okay, and you say the weather is bad there.

P. PEDDLE: The weather is bad. Now, they're saying the weather is down for a small helicopter and a small plane. I don't know what you can do there or not.

C. MACDONALD: Let me see if I can pull up Goose Bay and see what they got.

P. PEDDLE: Goose I think is fine, but you're a good hour-and-a-half flight north of Goose, an hour anyway.

C. MACDONALD: Well, I'm just trying to find a weather station that's reporting.

P. PEDDLE: Yeah.

C. MACDONALD: Goose Bay, Newfoundland. It's showing – they seem to be pretty good.

P. PEDDLE: Yeah, Goose is fine.

C. MACDONALD: What's your number there?

P. PEDDLE: You can get me – I'll give you my cell is the best.

(Redacted.)

Now, if you want to call – I got an RCMP contact in Makkovik.

C. MACDONALD: Yeah, it's got to come through EMO.

P. PEDDLE: Well, we are EMO.

C. MACDONALD: You are, okay. I thought you said fire and rescue services.

P. PEDDLE: No, Fire and Emergency Services. We are EMO.

C. MACDONALD: Okay, and what's the RCMP in -?

P. PEDDLE: Corporal Kimbel, K-I-M-B-E-L, Vardy, V-A-R-D-Y.

C. MACDONALD: V-A-R-D-Y.

(Redacted.)

Okay, what I have to do is, I have to run this by my boss.

P. PEDDLE: Sure.

C. MACDONALD: And then he will kind of come up with whether we're able to assist or not.

P. PEDDLE: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: Because we are very fragile for resources ourselves right now.

P. PEDDLE: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: But I'll get back to you shortly.

P. PEDDLE: Please do.

Thank you.

C. MACDONALD: I'm just going to verify your number: 709-699-4573.

P. PEDDLE: That's right. Paul Peddle.

C. MACDONALD: Paul Peddle.

All right, Paul, I'll get back to you.

P. PEDDLE: Thank you.

C. MACDONALD: Thank you.

P. PEDDLE: Bye, bye.

(Redacted.)

OPERATOR: We're sorry but you have to dial 1-(redacted).

(Phone ringing.)

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: RCC Halifax, Major (inaudible), bonjour.

C. MACDONALD: Hey, Boss, it's KC, do you got a minute?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yup.

C. MACDONALD: Can you come in the office room?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yup, coming in.

(Call ended.)

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UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: You will be transferred shortly.

(Phone ringing.)

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Morning, (inaudible).

C. MACDONALD: Yes, good morning. It's KC from the RCC. How are you doing?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Good, and you?

C. MACDONALD: Good, thanks.

I got a request: you guys SAR capable?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Just a second there now. (Inaudible) work schedule, there, please.

I have to look on the paper because we only get a piece of paper saying when and - that's for today?

C. MACDONALD: Okay.

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UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: The 30th: SAR available.

C. MACDONALD: Okay. Can you give me the number to the office and transferred me over there. It seems like it's the only number I've got is yours here.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yup, just a second now, I'll get you Captain Gillis's number.

C. MACDONALD: Yup.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: (Inaudible.) Do you want me to call?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Or Fred Eidt.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Eidt? Cell?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Okay, Major Eidt would be the best one to call on his cell.

C. MACDONALD: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: 896.

C. MACDONALD: 896.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: 1637.

C. MACDONALD: That's Major (inaudible)?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Eidt, E-I-D-T.

C. MACDONALD: E-I-D-T.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah. And Captain Gillis' cellphone number (redacted).

C. MACDONALD: Okay, Captain Gillis, and that's 709, right?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yes, Sir. You got it.

C. MACDONALD: Okay, thanks.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Sure.

Is that a tasking for this area?

C. MACDONALD: Well, we're looking at it: maybe.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: All right, thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Okay, Sir.

C. MACDONALD: Bye.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Bye.

(Dial tone.)

(Redacted.)

OPERATOR: The person you have dialed is currently not available. Please try your call again later.

(Dial tone.)

(Redacted.)

(Phone ringing.)

C. MACDONALD: You might as well go and grab (inaudible) for me, if you don't mind, thank you.

(Phone ringing.)

D. GILLIS: Captain Gillis.

C. MACDONALD: Hey, it's KC at the RCC. How are you doing?

D. GILLIS: Not too bad.

C. MACDONALD: I got your number from ops: you guys SAR capable today?

D. GILLIS: We should be, depending what (inaudible) now. I just have to check one thing, but we should be, yes.

C. MACDONALD: Okay, can you go in and call and verify and then give me a call back? We may have –

D. GILLIS: Okay, no problem. Anything doing or ...?

C. MACDONALD: Yeah, we got something up in Makkovik.

D. GILLIS: Oh, the missing 14-year-old or (inaudible)?

C. MACDONALD: Yeah –

D. GILLIS: (Inaudible.)

C. MACDONALD: – so we're –

D. GILLIS: (Inaudible.)

C. MACDONALD: – considering sending you guys up to have a look.

D. GILLIS: Okay, I'll probably be about 20 minutes and I'll get back to you.

C. MACDONALD: Okay, thanks.

D. GILLIS: Right on.

Cheers. Bye.

(Call ended.)

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UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Air/sea, bonjour.

D. GILLIS: Good day, Captain Gillis calling back from 444.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, one second.

D. GILLIS: (Inaudible.)

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: This is 444, right?

D. GILLIS: Yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, 444 for, yeah, 102. We're getting the air controller, one second.

D. GILLIS: Oh, no worries.

C. MACDONALD: Air/sea (inaudible), air controller.

D. GILLIS: Good day, Captain Gillis, 444. How are ya?

C. MACDONALD: Yeah, good.

D. GILLIS: Good. I just called (redacted).

(Call ended.)

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C. MACDONALD: Air/sea (inaudible), air controller.

D. GILLIS: Good day, Captain Gillis, 444. How are ya?

C. MACDONALD: Yeah, good.

D. GILLIS: Good. I just (inaudible) some work and right now, my aircraft is (inaudible).

C. MACDONALD: (Inaudible.)

D. GILLIS: I'm working on finding out when the estimate of that coming back serviceable for ya.

C. MACDONALD: They're reporting 600/1 in Makkovik anyway.

D. GILLIS: Okay, so – oh, yeah. I'll be keeping an eye on it and I'll give you a call (inaudible) the aircraft.

C. MACDONALD: Okay, I'll –

D. GILLIS: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: – call EMO and tell them that we're not sending anything up right now.

D. GILLIS: Okay, thank you.

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C. MACDONALD: Thanks. And do you have an idea of when you'll get back to me? Any idea?

D. GILLIS: Oh, I'm still heading into work right now, they just (inaudible) me –

C. MACDONALD: Okay.

D. GILLIS: – if it is US. So I'll give you a call probably within the next (inaudible).

C. MACDONALD: Sure, that's great. Thank you.

D. GILLIS: Okay, thank you.

C. MACDONALD: Bye now.

D. GILLIS: Bye.

(Call ended.)

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(Dial tone.)

(Redacted.)

(Phone ringing.)

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible)
RCMP Makkovik.

C. MACDONALD: Yes, I'm sorry; I've dialed the wrong number.

(Redacted.)

(Phone ringing.)

OPERATOR: Please hang up and try your call again. If you need assistance, dial your operator.

Please hang up (redacted).

(Phone ringing.)

P. PEDDLE: Hello.

C. MACDONALD: Yes, Paul Peddle, please.

P. PEDDLE: Speaking.

C. MACDONALD: Hi, it's Captain MacDonald from the RCC. How are you doing?

P. PEDDLE: Not too bad. Yourself?

C. MACDONALD: Not too bad.

P. PEDDLE: Good.

C. MACDONALD: We don't think we're going to be able to do much for you right now.

P. PEDDLE: Oh.

C. MACDONALD: Our Hercules is US.

P. PEDDLE: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: In 444, they're broken at the moment in Goose Bay.

P. PEDDLE: Really?

C. MACDONALD: They're on their way to see – the weather is 600/1 right now in Makkovik and doesn't support flight ops for 412 anyway.

P. PEDDLE: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: The boss is not willing to send a Cormorant that far north, with no Herc available to back them up.

P. PEDDLE: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: Okay?

P. PEDDLE: All right, Sir. Thank you very much.

C. MACDONALD: I'll keep – if it comes up and you're still looking in the next three or four hours, just give me a call back and maybe the weather will have cleared and the aircraft may be fixed.

P. PEDDLE: Okay, good enough.

C. MACDONALD: All right then.

P. PEDDLE: Thank you. Bye, bye.

(Call ended.)

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January 30, 2012, 1446:21.

C. MACDONALD: Air controller.

D. GILLIS: Good day, it's Captain Gillis. How are you?

C. MACDONALD: Good, how are you?

D. GILLIS: Good.

Our chopper here at 444 will be down until approximately 2 o'clock local.

C. MACDONALD: Yeah, we – I called them back and said we're not able to really do much for them.

D. GILLIS: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: The weather isn't very good there anyway with 600/1.

D. GILLIS: Okay.

C. MACDONALD: So you guys in the mountains up there, the hills up there, I don't think you – well, you couldn't legally, I don't think.

D. GILLIS: You could go around the shoreline, but that's a long trip around the shore.

C. MACDONALD: Well, I mean we don't know – I mean the guy is over land more than likely.

D. GILLIS: Yeah, I think the route up there too they follow along the inlets (redacted).

Oh, okay. Yeah, no problem. Yeah, because we were originally going to go to Cartwright today and the weather isn't going to improve until I think about now or a little bit (inaudible).

C. MACDONALD: Yeah, so at least – I'm sorry; the time again was 2 o'clock this afternoon?

D. GILLIS: Yeah.

C. MACDONALD: What time is it there now?

D. GILLIS: We're the same as you guys.

C. MACDONALD: Oh, you're the same as us. Okay.

D. GILLIS: We're still in Atlantic.

C. MACDONALD: So another (inaudible) hours and a bit.

D. GILLIS: Yeah.

C. MACDONALD: Okay, thanks.

D. GILLIS: No worries.

C. MACDONALD: All right, bye.

D. GILLIS: Okay, bye.

(Call ended.)