UNLICENSED (BASED ON TRUE EVENTS)

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FOCUS ON:

C/U: CASIO WATCH

WATCH -- TIMER: 00:08 -- 8 SECONDS

CUTS TO:

INT. TOP FLOOR OF CONGRESSMAN'S HOME - DAY - 2012

SAHIL -- Sharpshooter -- HOLDS: Automatic Sniper Rifle -- sits down at a desk and looks at Timer.

TIMER: BEEPS

SAHIL looks at the Watch. Gets up.

RESET TIMER: 05:00 -- 5 MINUTES

WEARS: t-shirt, jeans, sunglasses.

SAHIL goes to the corner of a staircase.

Puts WEAPON in position -- Looks through SCOPE at CONGRESSMAN -- is calm

(SLOW-MO) BREATHING HEAVILY. RELOAD.

SAHIL RELOADS.

Takes the shot -- LOUD -- Headshot: CONGRESSMAN.

POLICE SIRENS -- OUTSIDE HOME.

2 COPS -- not uniformed -- regular clothes -- barge into HOME -- see SAHIL

COP 1

Freeze!

SAHIL puts the gun down and his hands on his head.

COP 2 --

takes out handcuffs. Climbs up stairs. Tries to cuff SAHIL.

Punches COP 2. Grabs handcuffs, "counter-cuffs" COP, grabs HANDGUN and kills both cops.
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2 more COPS -- barge into the home -- SAHIL is gone and COPS are dead.

COP 3
Jeez!
COP 3 looks at COP as if he is stupid.

COP 4
It's our mystery killer.

SAHIL
Yeah, you picking that up Einstein?

COPS turn around and SAHIL isn't there.

COP 3
Where are you?

SAHIL
Find me and I won't kill you.

SAHIL is upstairs holding a HANDGUN.

SAHIL (CONT'D)
Too bad so sad officers.

SAHIL shoots them both with a HANDGUN. Ejects MAGAZINE. RELOADS. HOLSTERS weapons.

TRANSITION TO:

INT. LIVING ROOM, SAHIL'S HOME - DAY - 2014

SAHIL -- sits on his couch and watches T.V. -- doorbell rings -- looks confused.

WEARS: T-SHIRT (SPORTS), SHORTS (SPORTS)

SAHIL grabs a HANDGUN -- Load + Reload -- puts it in the back of his pant and covers with his shirt.

Opens door.

PRANAY -- lawyer -- is outside -- WEARS: collared t-shirt and jeans.

SAHIL
Who are you?

PRANAY
Someone who needs your help pronto.
SAHIL
Why? Did you become broke?

PRANAY
No.

SAHIL
Never mind. Please come in.

PRANAY takes off his shoes and comes inside the house.

SAHIL (CONT'D)
You want something to drink?

PRANAY
I'm fine. Thanks.

PRANAY sits down in a chair across from SAHIL.

SAHIL
What is it I can help you with Mr. Pranay?

PRANAY
First. I want you to watch this.

PRANAY takes a tablet from his bag. Puts it on the table right in front of PRANAY.

ANURAG -- Soldier (Unknown Yet) is is killed by RAHUL-Contract killer (Neither are revealed yet) -- near PATIO.

SAHIL
Who is the guy who was killed?

PRANAY
Anurag. He was a doctor and my neighbor.

SAHIL
Why didn't you go to the Baltimore police?

PRANAY
They wouldn't help me. They believed the video was a fake.

SAHIL
So you came to me because you heard that I was an unlicensed private investigator?

PRANAY
Exactly.
SAHIL
From what I see. This assassin is no doubt former military. 148 radio attached to his belt. Beretta M9. Whoever killed your friend didn't do it randomly. Looks like he took a lot of trouble to break into his house and kill him. That just doesn't happen.

PRANAY
Exactly. This guy was my friend. I want you to find the men who did this and eliminate them.

SAHIL
Okay. What's his address?

TRANSITION TO:

EXT. ANURAG'S HOME (THROUGHOUT) - DAY

SAHIL -- WEARS: grey t-shirt, shorts -- walks around the house with a small notepad and writes stuff down (random times)

INT. ANURAG'S HOME - DAY

SAHIL -- walks around house -- downstairs.

SAHIL
(talks to himself)
Big place. Must have some security cameras. How did he not notice the killer?

SAHIL takes out a VOICE RECORDER --

RAHUL(UNKNOWN ASSASSIN)(V.O.)
You really think I wouldn't catch up to you?

ANURAG(V.O)
It can't be you.

GUNSHOTS. CANS EXPLODE.

SAHIL
Near a fridge. Near a window.

HE then takes out a TABLET -- watches VIDEO -- near Patio.

GOES near the Patio.

Takes ZIPLOCK from pocket. Puts BULLET in it. Looks at IT.

SAHIL (CONT'D)
Fired from a Beretta M9. Fired 2 shots. One missed and one killed him. But why would this assassin kill a doctor?

ACTUAL ASSASSIN DOES THIS

(SAHIL GETS THIS FROM VID AND THOUGHT EXCEPT FOR DIALOGUE)

EXT. BACK OF HOME - EARLIER - THOUGHT

RAHUL (Assassin -- unknown at the moment) hides behind a wall.

Loads BERETTA M9.

Stealthy: crawls towards the house.

Takes a pin. Unlocks the door. Goes inside.

INT. LIVING ROOM, ANURAG'S HOME - AFTERNOON - THOUGHT

RAHUL takes a clip, gets in the home -- stealthy -- ANURAG enters (other door).

RAHUL hides behind a massage chair.

INT. OUTSIDE MEDIA ROOM - AFTERNOON - THOUGHT

RAHUL runs -- fast -- tackles ANURAG (his head hits the fridge -- small amount of blood).

ANURAG elbows RAHUL -- head -- shoots the wall (reflex)

ANURAG looks at RAHUL who grabbed GUN back -- POINTS

RAHUL
You really think I wouldn't catch up to you?

ANURAG
It can't be you.

RAHUL shoots and kills ANURAG
(ISN'T THOUGHT OF) -- GUESTS ARE GONE.

BACK TO:

EXT. PATIO, ANURAG'S HOME - DAY

SAHIL walks around the patio -- observes very carefully -- shoe-skids, broken glass, glasses of water.

SAHIL
3 guests. Maybe 4.

Two shoe-skids so close (hard to identify if from 2 people or 1)

SAHIL crouches.

SAHIL (CONT'D)
3 guests. Probably his friends.

SAHIL sees a coin/token. Picks it up. Looks at it. Puts it in his pocket.

GOES TO:

INT. OFFICE ROOM, SAHIL'S HOME - DAY - 3 HOURS LATER

SAHIL scans the token -- looks at computer

INFORMATION ON DOCUMENT:

RANK: Sergeant Major

TYPE OF ARMED FORCES: United States Marine Corps

UNIT: Infantry, Sea Service, Air Strike (I.S.S.A.S.)

SAHIL -- goes to GOOGLE --

SEARCH: SERGEANT MAJOR ANURAG GUPTA U.S.M.C. I.S.S.A.S

He gets several links. Clicks on one. Reads to himself.

SAHIL
(quietly)
SAHIL (CONT'D)
highly trained mercenary.

SAHIL picks up his CELL PHONE. Calls PRANAY.

PRANAY(V.O.)
What is it Sahil?

SAHIL
We need to meet.

PRANAY(V.O.)
Can't you just tell me what you want?

SAHIL
It would be better if you saw it.

TRANSITION TO:

INT. OFFICE ROOM, SAHIL'S HOME - DAY

SAHIL sits in a chair and PRANAY thoroughly reads PRINTED sheet in front of computer.

PRANAY
How did you find this?

SAHIL
That's beyond the point. What is on that sheet is just the tip of the iceberg.

PRANAY
What does that mean?

SAHIL
He's done this before. And he'll do it again.

PRANAY
Who's he?

SAHIL
Our killer.

PRANAY
Who is that?

SAHIL
He goes by Rahul. Former Spec Ops soldier. Is currently a contract killer. He was hired to kill Marine soldiers.
PRANAY
By whom?

SAHIL
I don't know. He's a ghost. Why, you want me to go after him too?

PRANAY
I might.

SAHIL
When Rahul came to Baltimore he had 4 Marines to kill. Anurag was the 1st and now there are 3 left.

PRANAY
I can do the math. Where is he?

SAHIL
Don't worry Pranay. I'll figure it out.

PRANAY
I asked you a question. Where is he?

SAHIL
I don't know that yet.

PRANAY
Then what's with all the standing around? You working for the government?

SAHIL
You asked me for my help. I will catch him. Give me time.

PRANAY
I'm giving you 6 hours to close the case.

CUT TO:

INT. OFFICE ROOM, ANUARG'S HOME - DAY

SAHIL takes a clip, opens a drawer and finds a bunch of documents (reads them). He finally finds a sheet that has pictures.

SAHIL
(to himself)
Suraj - former Master Sergeant.
Vivik - former Major. Dinesh - Captain.
SAHIL picks up a document. Looks at it.

       SAHIL (CONT'D)
       (to himself)
       So these guys were threatened by
       their Marine general and went
       missing. Now, their ex general
       hired a contract killer to get rid
       of them. I've got to get to them
       before Rahul.

The PHONE rings. SAHIL picks up.

       RAHUL(UNKNOWN ASSASSIN)(V.O.)
       Looks like there's a new player in
       the game.

       SAHIL
       Who is this?

       RAHUL(V.O.)
       Do I really have to tell you Sahil?

       SAHIL
       Don't test me Rahul. I'm going to
       ask you once. Where are the
       Marines?

       RAHUL(V.O.)
       Let the countdown begin my friend.

The PHONE hangs up.

SAHIL looks at the latest phone number. Types it in the
computer. The address is shown.

TRANSITION TO:

INT. ROOM, SAFE HOUSE - DAY

EX - MARINES -- tied to chairs (WEAR: t-shirt and shorts) --
mouths: duct-tape -- wire around chair.

RAHUL walks in.

       RAHUL
       5 minutes till you guys get blown
to bits

       SURAJ
       If you want to kill us. Why are you
       waiting?

RAHUL walks to SURAJ. Punches SURAJ in the face really HARD.
Takes his GUN and shoots SURAJ in the shoulder.
RAHUL
You have 5 minutes to live.

CUT TO:

EXT. FRONT YARD, SAFE HOUSE - DAY
SAHIL takes a HANDGUN (BERETTA 92FS) from his PANT HOLSTER. LOADS and RELOADS -- Puts in Pant Holster.
SAHIL sees security cameras.

SAHIL
Jeez. This place is infested with cameras.

SAHIL goes through the back fence. ASSASSIN looks other way. Holds ASSAULT RIFLE.

SAHIL -- wraps his elbow around ASSASSIN -- chokes him -- grabs ASSAULT RIFLE -- drills it into back -- ASSASSIN falls down.

SAHIL stands against a wall. Hides from CAMERA. Moves along wall. Gets inside the safe house.

INT. MAIN PART OF SAFE HOUSE - DAY
SAHIL hides behind a couch as 4 SHOOTERS fire at him non-stop.
SAHIL lays on the ground. Shoots 2 in the leg. Last 2: chest. Ejects MAGAZINE. LOADS Again.

SOUND OF BOMB ARMING TO EXPLODE.
SAHIL gets up. RAHUL grabs him.

SOUND STOPS.
Stabs him and throws him to the ground. SAHIL holds his shoulder -- bleeds.
RAHUL: beats SAHIL: kicks him: chokes with Elbow: SAHIL -- squeeze gun
-- Shoots RAHUL -- arm, shoulder, leg -- RAHUL: falls back: BLEEDS -- SHOT AGAIN: DEAD.
SAHIL: limps and walks over to ROOM: SEVERE PAIN
INT. ROOM, SAFE HOUSE - DAY

SAHIL unties SOLDIERS and takes off DUCT TAPE.

    SURAJ
    Are you Sahil?

    SAHIL
    (pants)
    Yeah.

    SURAJ
    Thanks for the help.

SAHIL falls but the SOLDIERS grab him and help him WALK.

    DINESH
    We need to get him to a hospital.
    He's looses any more blood he will go into a coma.

GOES TO:

INT. BEDROOM, SAHIL'S HOME - THE NEXT DAY

SAHIL -- arm cast -- watches T.V -- DOORBELL RINGS.

SCREEN GOES BLACK

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