

1 date in other countries and -- just as you would from the USA
2 to Europe.

3 Q. Mr. Racz, did you form a company to start developing or
4 building the idea?

5 A. I did, sir -- actually two companies.

6 Q. What were those two companies?

7 A. The first was Smartflash Limited, which is to hold the
8 intellectual property, the patents. And the other company
9 was Internet Plc, which was to develop, manufacture, and
10 commercialize the invention.

11 Q. In the '99 and early 2000 time frame, approximately how
12 many employees did you have at Internet Plc and Smartflash?

13 A. Very few. I would say 10 to 20 employees at that time.

14 Q. Are you personally a computer programmer?

15 A. No, I'm not, sir.

16 Q. Did you hire any additional technical help?

17 A. Yes, I did, sir.

18 Q. Who did you hire?

19 A. One of the first people we hired was a gentleman by the
20 name of Hermen Hulst. He was previously at Philips
21 Semiconductors, and he had a good understanding and knowledge
22 on encryption and e-commerce and I felt that he would be a
23 valuable addition to the team.

24 Q. Is he also named as an inventor on the patents?

25 A. Yes, Mr. Hulst assisted in the development of several