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BOMBERS' AIM

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THERE IS NO DOUBT!

JUST AS I THOUGHT !

*P.B.=POST BOX

G... GOOD IDEA!

SINCE TIME WAS ALSO RECORDED.. WOULDN'T WE KNOW IF WE CHECK THE VIDEOTAPE?

NO ONE REMEMBERS THE TIME!

CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT TIME MITSUHIKO WAS ON TOP OF IT?

SOMETHING WRONG WITH THE P.B. ?

B, BUT WHAT ABOUT IT...

SINCE THEN, WE STAYED HERE IN FRONT OF THIS P.B. UNTIL 2:38 PM WHEN DETECTIVE SATO CAME BY AND MITSUHIKO STOPPED FILMING, RIGHT?

THERE! 2:23 PM!

LET'S SEE... I BELIEVE IT WAS WHEN I SHOT HIDE IN DISTANCE WITH ZOOM ...

WELL, THEN TAKE A LOOK !



BUT...
8 MINUTES
DALAY'S
EXPECTED
IN TRAFFIC
....

IN FACT, ONLY
HALF OF THE LANES
WERE OCCUPIED
BY THE PARADE.
I DON'T SEE WHY
A MAIL TRUCK
COULDN'T COME...

NO...
THE PARADE
ROUTE MUST'VE
BEEN CHOSEN
SO THAT
ANY PUBLIC
AFFAIRS
WON'T BE
INTER-
FERED...

BUT IT'S
POSSIBLE IT
COULDN'T
COME SIMPLY
BECAUSE
THE PARADE
BLOCKED
ROADS
....

YET NO TRUCK
CAME FOR 15 MIN.
SOMETHING
MUST'VE HAPPENED
HOW ELSE WOULD
YOU EXPLAIN THE
DISCREPANCY?

THERE WAS
NO TRAFFIC
BACKUP AND
THE TIME INTERVAL
INDICATED ON
THE P.B. IS
5 MINUTES...

THAT
CAN'T
BE IT
....

TRUE...
AND I'M SURE
THEY WOULDN'T
HAVE DONE
THAT...

BESIDES, WHY DID
THE CULPRIT BOTHER
TO TRY TO STEAL IT?
THAT'S JUST AS SAME
AS SAYING
THERE'S SOMETHING
UNUSUAL ABOUT
THE TAPE!

SHE'S
RIGHT...
HOW IS A
MAIL TRUCK
CONNECTED
TO THE
EARLIER
INCIDENT
....

BUT DIDN'T
YOU SAY
IT WAS
THE BOMBER
THAT TRIED
TO STEAL
MITSUHIKO-
KUN'S
VIDEOTAPE?

O,
OH...
I SEE!

...
IF WE WERE
REGULAR KIDS
WATCHING
THE PARADE
...





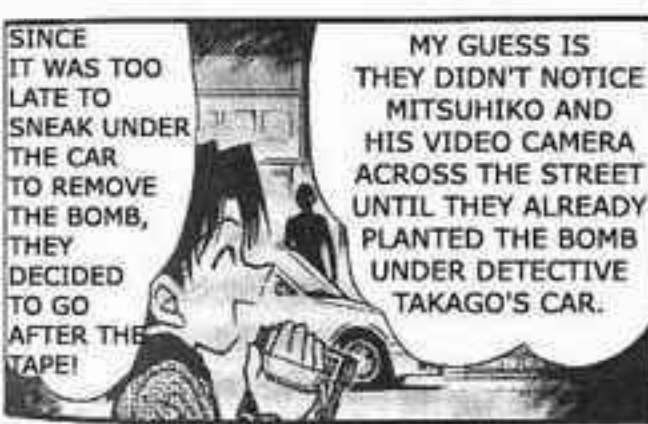
THEY WERE AFRAID POLICE WOULD GET THEIR HANDS ON THE TAPE SO MUCH FASTER BECAUSE WE'RE ON FAMILIAR TERMS WITH OFFICERS!

RIGHT... IT WAS WELL EXPECTED THAT POLICE WOULD EXAMINE THE VIDEOTAPE IF AN EXPLOSION OCCURRED NEARBY...



THEY ATTEMPTED TO DESTROY THE VIDEOTAPE BECAUSE THEY SAW YOU GUYS TALK CLOSELY TO A POLICE OFFICER NEAR THE POST BOX!!

IT'S YUMI-SAN'S PATROL CAR!!




SINCE IT WAS TOO LATE TO SNEAK UNDER THE CAR TO REMOVE THE BOMB, THEY DECIDED TO GO AFTER THE TAPE!

MY GUESS IS THEY DIDN'T NOTICE MITSUHIKO AND HIS VIDEO CAMERA ACROSS THE STREET UNTIL THEY ALREADY PLANTED THE BOMB UNDER DETECTIVE TAKAGO'S CAR.





MAYBE THEY WANTED TO MISLEAD POLICE BY PLAYING CULPRITS FROM THE CASE 3 YEARS AGO...

THEY'D PULLED IN POLICE AND BLEW UP AN OFFICER'S CAR... THEY SHOULD'VE KNOWN POLICE WOULD FRANTICALLY GO AFTER THEM ...




Y, YES THEY DID ...

BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND... DIDN'T THOSE CULPRITS SEND A FAX TO SHADOW PERPETRATION?



WHATEVER THE CASE WAS ...




LOOKS LIKE
THE ONE
SHE WAS TRYING
TO RESCUE
WAS...

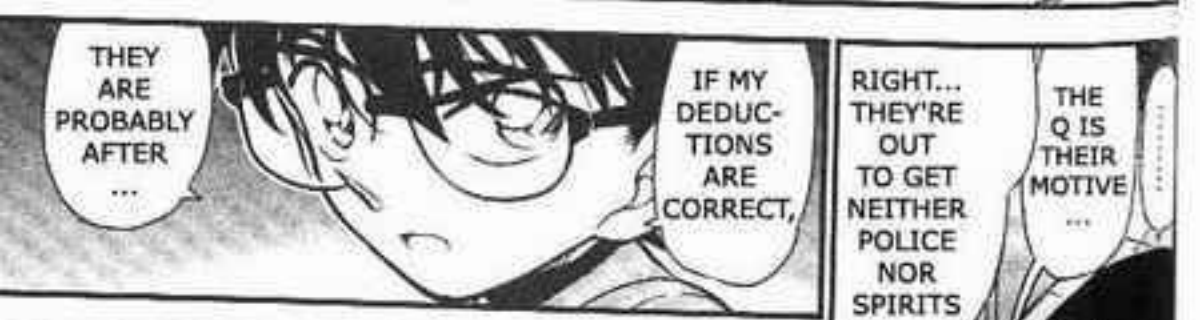
JUST
NOW
...

YOU
LOOKED
LIKE
HIM
...

LIKE THE CASE
3 YEARS AGO,
IT IS HIGHLY
POSSIBLE THAT
THIS BOMBER IS
AFTER LIVES OF
US POLICE
OFFICERS!!



WE NEED
TO TALK
LATER
...



THEY
ARE
PROBABLY
AFTER
...

IF MY
DEDUC-
TIONS
ARE
CORRECT,

RIGHT...
THEY'RE
OUT
TO GET
NEITHER
POLICE
NOR
SPIRITS
...

THE
Q IS
THEIR
MOTIVE
...



Y,
YES
...

DETECTIVE
TAKAGI,
ARE YOU
LISTENING
?

SURE!
COUNT
ON US!

BUT I'M STILL
OUT OF DECISIVE
PROOF. SO I NEED
YOU GUYS AND
DETECTIVE
TAKAGI TO
DO SOME
INVESTI-
GATION
...

IT'S BY THE FOOTBRIDGE TWO TRAFFIC LIGHTS AWAY FROM THE FIRST POST BOX. IT SAYS "AROUND 14:35" ...

TIME AND PLACE ARE?

YEP! I FOUND A POST BOX!!

THIS IS AYUMI !!

C.S. = CONVENIENCE STORE

TIME IS 14:55 ...

GENTA HERE! I FOUND ONE NEAR THE PLAYGROUND ON 3RD BLOCK...

TIME IS APPROX. 14:45!

THIS IS MITSUHIKO! THERE IS ONE IN FRONT OF THE C.S. ON 2ND BLOCK!

WHY ARE YOU WHISPERING?

IT'S HERE!

THERE'S ONLY AI-KUN LEFT...

I, I SEE ... TAKE CARE ...

WHY NOT? I TRESPASSED SOMEONE'S PROPERTY TO TAKE SHORTCUT. NOW I'M HIDING FROM THIS MISSY WHO THOUGHT I WAS A LINGERIE THIEF!

LOCATION OF THE POST BOX IS NEXT TO A BUS STOP APPROXIMATELY 150M AWAY FROM THE 3RD BLOCK POST OFFICE TO ITS LEFT... PICKUP TIME IS 16:25...

HEY ...

THIS IS A WOMAN IN BLACK ...

...SO
IF I PUT
ALL
INFORMATION
ON THIS
MAP...

THIS ONE
HERE AT THE
POST OFFICE
SAYS 16:30 PM
...

CAN
YOU
SEE
ME?

YEP
!

I
SPOT-
TED
YOU
TWO
JUST
NOW
...

THIS IS THE
EXPECTED
ROUTE OF
A MAIL TRUCK
...

Haibara
16:25

Post Office
16:30

Genta
14:55

Ayumi
14:25

Mitsuhiro
14:45

First
P.B.
14:30

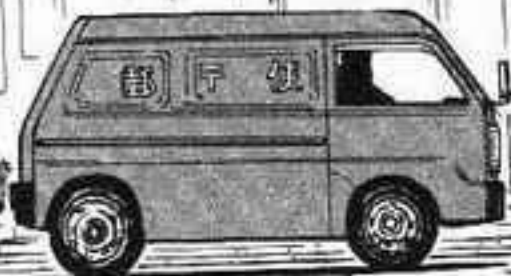
Parade
Route

THE
PROBABLE
REASON
WHY
NO MAIL
TRUCK
CAME WAS
...

IF THERE'S BEEN
NO ACCIDENT OR
CONSTRUCTION
IN THIS
NEIGHBORHOOD
TODAY
...

PLUS TODAY'S
SUNDAY
THE 24TH...
I'M STILL
WAITING FOR
DETECTIVE
TAKAGI'S
REPORT
BUT...

JUST AS
YOU SAID,
THE POSTAL
ROUTE GETS
FARTHER
AWAY FROM
THE PARADE
ROUTE
...



OH
TSUTSUI-KUN,
WHAT'S UP?
COLLECTED MAILS
SHOULD GO
TO THE
BACK...

UM...
UH...



O... OH
SURE...
JUST YOU
WAIT...

I... I'D LIKE
YOU TO TAKE
A LOOK AT
THEM NOW.
COULD YOU
OPEN THE
FRONT
ENTRANCE?




WHAT?

TH, THERE
WERE MANY
UNUSUAL
OBJECTS MIXED
WITH OTHER
MAILS
...

A,
ACTU-
ALLY
...






A,
A GUN
!?

WHAT
YOU SEE
IN MY
HAND
...



WE'RE
POST
OFFICE
ROBBERS
!!

C'MON!!
EVERYONE
RAISE
YOUR HANDS
AND COME
FORWARD!!!

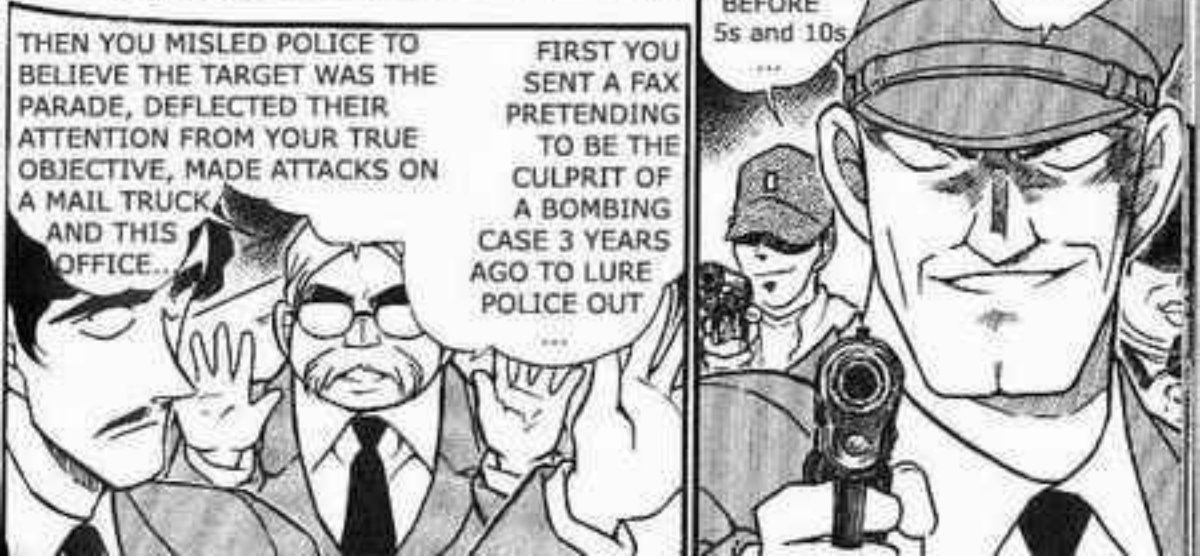


KNOWING
THERE'D
BE FEWER
CLERKS ON
HOLIDAYS!
...

I SEE... THAT'S WHY
YOU CHOSE THIS DAY
ESPECIALLY
BECAUSE
IT OVERLAPS WITH
TOKYO SPIRITS
VICTORY PARADE
...

YOU MUST'VE
PREPARED
PLENTY SINCE
IT'S A DAY
BEFORE ONE
OF THOSE
DAYS
BEFORE
5s and 10s
...

NOW,
BRING
OUT THE
MONEY
...



THEN YOU MISLED POLICE TO
BELIEVE THE TARGET WAS THE
PARADE, DEFLECTED THEIR
ATTENTION FROM YOUR TRUE
OBJECTIVE, MADE ATTACKS ON
A MAIL TRUCK
AND THIS
OFFICE...

FIRST YOU
SENT A FAX
PRETENDING
TO BE THE
CULPRIT OF
A BOMBING
CASE 3 YEARS
AGO TO LURE
POLICE OUT
...



YOU HEARD HIM
...
EVERYONE HURRY UP...

HEY! WHAT'RE YOU BUBBLING ON ABOUT!? COME FORWARD NOW!!

I WOULDN'T EXACTLY CALL IT AN INTEL-LIGENT PLAN THOUGH ...



COME, QUICK-LY ...



HEY ...

H,



SURE WE'RE BOTH CIVIL SERVANTS, BUT UNLIKE POST OFFICE THAT HAS SPECIFIC HOLIDAYS...


HUH ?



OH YOU DIDN'T KNOW?

HOW COME THIS MANY CLERKS ARE IN ON A SUNDAY ...?

WHAT'S GOING ON?!



C,
COPS
!?

EVERY
DAY
THROUGH-
OUT THE
YEAR!


WE
POLICE
ARE IN
24/7,




DON'T
...

D,
DAMN
...


GOOD
!!



SIR! ALL POSTAL
EMPLOYEES THAT
WERE TIED IN
THE TRUCK ARE
NOW UNDER POLICE
PROTECTION!



WHAT YOU'RE
ABOUT TO DO
WOULDN'T DO
ANY GOOD
TO YOU...



AND WAS
WAITING
FOR THEIR
RETURN
...



ALONG
WITH ALL
THEIR
ACCOMPLICES
THAT
PLANTED
THOSE
BOMBS

THOSE
ROBBERS
WERE
PUT
BEHIND
BARS,



SEE,
BECAUSE
I'M
CURSED
AND
ALL
...

LET'S
CANCEL
OUR DATE
NEXT WEEK!

I DON'T
WANT TO
GO THRU
THAT
KIND OF
PAIN
ANY
MORE
...

AND
SO IS
HE...

THERE'S
DAD,
A GYM
TEACHER
FROM
ELEMENT-
ARY,
A SENIOR
FROM
B.B.
CLUB
...

WELL,
EVERYONE
I CARED
FOR
ARE
GONE
...

C,
CURSED
?

SATO-
SAN
...

SA
...

HUH
?

LIKE
WE'VE
ALWAYS
BEEN
...

SO I
WANT US
TO BE
OFFICER
FRIENDS





LET'S BEGIN QUESTIONING ON THE POST OFFICE ROBBERY ALREADY ...

ARE YOU EATING PROPERLY?

YOU DON'T LOOK TOO WELL ...

WHAT'S WRONG, DETECTIVE TAKAGI ...?



H, HOW DID YOU ...!?

H, HEY ...

I'D SAY YOU'RE STILL UPSET ABOUT GETTING DUMPED THE OTHER DAY ...



HUH ?

HEY TAKAGI! HOW YOU DOING?



UM... I'M NOT SO SURE ABOUT THAT ...

AMAZING! DETECTIVE TAKAGI IS EVERYONE'S FAVORITE!

TAKAGI, WANT SOME COFFEE ?

OH YOU'VE GOT A STIFF NECK!

I, IT'S OKAY ...

I'LL TAKE OVER THE QUESTIONING IF YOU'RE SICK!

I'VE GOT RICE CRACKERS TOO!