

## Annex 43

**CLASSIFICATION: SECRET**

**TRANSCRIPT: TELEPHONE INTERCEPT  
AUGUST 7, 2008  
CALL INIATION: 03:41:09  
CALL DURATION: 38 SECONDS  
FORMAT: MAGTICOM**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>Correspondent</b>	<b>Gassiev</b>	<b>South Ossetian Duty Officer at the Roki Tunnel</b>	<b>899 671821</b>
<b>Respondent</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>South Ossetian de facto Border Guard Headquarters in Tskhinvali</b>	<b>899 691580</b>

### **Language of conversation is Ossetian**

Respondent: I'm listening.  
Correspondent: Topol. Their commander – the colonel came over here - and told me that his people, together with mine, must control it. Do they have the right to do so?  
Respondent: Together with you?  
Correspondent: Yes.  
Respondent: I will ask about that and who is the colonel?  
Correspondent: I do not know. It's their military commander. They have moved BMP's out and the tunnel is full and they say they we must check it. I do not know, they said so. They told us to move down.  
Respondent: Ok, I will find out and call me.