GARY BETTMAN

118 INT. BOARDROOM, NHL HQ, NEW YORK - DAY

Start Sc. 1

Dawn leads Jim into the boardroom. Gary Bettman (55) greets him with a handshake.

GARY BETTMAN

Good to see ya again Jim? Thanks for coming down.

JIM

I've got plenty of time for you, Gary.

GARY BETTMAN

Well that's good because I think we'll be seeing a lot more of one another.

JIM

Don't tease me.

GARY BETTMAN

The Penguins had us review your offer, and it looks good.

Jim can't help but smile -- a childhood dream come true --

JIM

That's great Gar. Okay. Wow. I gotta tell you I just about sweat through my shirt in the lobby.

GARY BETTMAN

The other owners need to weigh in but that's typically pretty painless.

JIM

Woo! Okay. Sorry. Great. I can't wait to meet everybody.

GARY BETTMAN

You should let Mario introduce you.

JIM

To the other owners?

GARY BETTMAN

To everybody. It'd be good to make some appearances together. Let them know he still has a hand on the wheel, you know?



GARY BETTMAN

JIM

Right.

GARY BETTMAN

And don't worry, I talked to him. He's happy to shepherd you in. I know he wants to stay involved. Board seat or something. Not stepping on toes, obviously, but, you'll want to keep him in the spotlight. At some level the Pittsburgh Penguins are always going to belong to Mario Lemieux.

JIM Of course.

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BUDGIE

End Sc. 1

INT. LIMOUSINE, NYC - DAY 119 Jam slams the door -- turns to Austin JIM Get me on the phone with Copps Coliseum. AUSTIN Mamilton? Jim's phone vibrates: Mike (BBM): Apple announced phone. Call He puts it away. JIM Tell them I want to ouy the arena. Okay. Um. (beat) I thought you were buying the Pittsburgh Penguins. JIM 120 EXT. CAMPUS, RIM 2, WATERLOO - DAY expanded RIM Campus is impressive. Twin jet-black highrige buildings stand in a huge open field. Ground is broken other buildings nearby. It has the feel of a University campus under construction.