

**Preliminary Findings Continued:
Eight Shell Casings Found Near Crooks' Body According to First-Hand Information
Obtained by Senator Ron Johnson's Office**

On Sunday, July 21, 2024, Senator Johnson released preliminary findings based on conversations and information obtained by his office following the July 13, 2024 assassination attempt on Donald Trump.¹ The senator's office has continued to speak with witnesses and is appreciative of the individuals who have come forward to share what they saw and experienced.

On July 22, 2024, during testimony before the House Oversight and Accountability Committee, then-Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle, refused to answer questions about the number of shell casings found near the body of would-be assassin Thomas Matthew Crooks.² Although Cheatle confirmed that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) told her how many shell casings were recovered on the roof, she withheld the specific number from lawmakers due to the ongoing FBI investigation.³

Today, July 23, 2024, in testimony before the House Homeland Security Committee, Christopher Paris, the commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police, was asked how many rounds Crooks fired before he was killed.⁴ Commissioner Paris responded, "I believe the number is 8, 8 casings have been recovered."⁵

This testimony is consistent with eye-witness information Senator Johnson's office has received to date.

1. Multiple local law enforcement officials report eight shell casings found near Crooks' body.

At least three local law enforcement officials reported to Senator Johnson's office that there were eight shell casings located near Crooks' body. Two of these individuals saw the shell casings first-hand. The third individual told Senator Johnson's office that the FBI informed him that there were eight shell casings found on the roof.

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Senator Johnson is releasing this material—even though it is preliminary—to ensure transparency and to keep the public well-informed.

¹ Press Release, *Senator Ron Johnson, Sen. Johnson Releases Preliminary Findings on Review of July 13, 2024 Assassination Attempt on Former President Trump* (July 21, 2024), <https://www.ronjohnson.senate.gov/2024/7/sen-johnson-releases-preliminary-findings-on-review-of-july-13-2024-assassination-attempt-on-former-president-trump>.

² Trump Assassination Attempt: Hearing before the House Oversight and Accountability Committee, 118 Cong. (2024) (response by U.S. Secret Service Director to question regarding the number of shell casings found), transcript available at <https://plus.cq.com/doc/congressionaltranscripts-8055606?5>.

³ *Id.*

⁴ Examining the Assassination Attempt of July 13: Hearing before the House Committee on Homeland Security, 118 Cong. (2024).

⁵ *Id.*