ESTEBAT
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CAST

ESTEBAT - ESTEBAN REYNA COMMISSIONER GORDER - DAN BELL

(City rooftop.)

COMMISSIONER GORDER

Estebat! Thank goodness you are here. The pigeon escaped Arkan Asylum. And he stole the red ruby laser! I think he is going to war with the sewer gangs.

ESTEBAT

That is crazy.

COMMISSIONER GORDER

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That's why I called you.

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The pigeon escaped.

ESTEBAT

That guy?

COMMISSIONER GORDER

Yeah

. . .

You're not giving me anything right now.

ESTEBAT

What do you mean? I showed up.

COMMISSIONER GORDER

I want you to say "I am on it. The pigeon will be off the streets before dawn. The city has nothing to fear, Estebat is here!"

ESTEBAT

That rhymes.

COMMISSIONER GORDER

It doesn't have to rhyme! Just tell me that you are on the case.

ESTEBAT

I'm on the case.

COMMISSIONER GORDER

Are you saying you are on the case or are you telling me what I want to here.

ESTEBAT

I don't know.

COMMISSIONER GORDER

You are killing me smalls.

You are the only superhero we have. There is no one else. Batman isn't on the other line. He doesn't give a shit about Evanston.

ESTEBAT

Just give me a second to get into character.

Red leather, yellow leather. Red leather, yellow leather.

COMMISSIONER GORDER

It's done. It's over. My subordinates captured him.

ESTEBAT

Cops are great.

(Blackout.)