

PLANNING THE ROBBERY

DIONISIO RODRÍGUEZ MARTÍN ALIAS EL DIONI

EL DIONI WAS AN ENTHUSIASTIC YOUNG MAN. HE WANTED TO DO GOOD, SERVE SOCIETY, AND DEFEND THE LAW

A DREAM ESCAPE

OVERNIGHT, AN ANONYMOUS WORKER BECOMES EL DIONI, SPAIN'S MOST FAMOUS FUGITIVE MILLIONAIRE

WHEN:
JULY 28, 1989

WHERE:
MADRID, SPAIN

WHO:
DIONISIO RODRÍGUEZ MARTÍN,
NICKNAMED EL DIONI

LOOT:
320 MILLION PESETAS
(\$2.23 MILLION)

OUTCOME:
ACCUSED OF MISAPPROPRIATION,
HE WAS SENTENCED TO
THREE YEARS AND FOUR
MONTHS IN JAIL

THE ARMORED TRUCK BELONGING TO THE SPANISH COMPANY CANDI S. A., WHERE EL DIONI WORKED AS A SECURITY GUARD ON JULY 28, 1989.



Dionisio Martín started his career working as a security guard, but his energy and dedication quickly helped him get promoted to the position of bodyguard.

THE VALLE DEL NARCEA CAFETERIA

It was a huge blow for El Dioni. He tried everything possible to get his previous job back, but he was unsuccessful.

THE BODYGUARD

El Dioni was thought to be among of the country's best bodyguards. But one fateful day, a client whom he was protecting died in a strange accident, ruining El Dioni's reputation.

His boss at the security company Candi S. A. promptly demoted him to the position of driver.

AT THE WHEEL OF ARMORED TRUCKS

Martín's new role would be to drive the company's armored trucks.

El Dioni had gone from earning 250,000 pesetas and wearing a stylish bodyguard suit to earning just 70,000 pesetas and wearing a second-rate blue driver's uniform.

El Dioni became angry, and one day at the Valle del Narcea café, he told his friends that he was going to rob an armored truck. So goes the legend... And that same evening, El Dioni decided to take the law into his own hands.

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EL DIONI WAS USED TO FREQUENTING BARS AND HAVING A FEW DRINKS AFTER WORK.