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Subject: Re: A very brief update and a question [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]
Date: Tuesday, 13 December 2016 10:52:45

Thanks Middo,

I agree on all matters.



/Assistant Commissioner Anthony Crandell | Commander

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▼ Craig N Middleton---13/12/2016 09:19:26---Sir As discussed, I am happy with the below proposal. I dont think that we will be that far apart f

From: Craig N Middleton/[REDACTED]/Staff/NSWPolice
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Date: 13/12/2016 09:19
Subject: Re: A very brief update and a question [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Sir

As discussed, I am happy with the below proposal. I dont think that we will be that far apart from the academic review. I am sure that once we sit down and discuss with Derek those matters can be resolved through discussion. I gather below if for some reason we cant reach agreement then the disputed matters will be reviewed by the Bias Crimes Coordinator to adjudicate/resolve ?

However as you mentioned this morning the Bias Crime Coordinator also has an opinion as to some matters. I am happy to meet with him to discuss those matters. I am sure that those issues can also be resolved. However if they cannot, who shall adjudicate on those ?. My proposal is that it should be you as the figure head to Parrabell ?.

In reality I dont think that we will be all that far apart between the 3 teams (Parrabell, Bias Crimes, Academic) and the majority if not all of those discrepancies can be resolved easily. After all, now matter how hard we try and be impartial when it comes to placing matters in categories alot of it comes down to opinions. Thats just the way it works. I expected that differences of opinion would cause different results. But I have faith that a round table discussion can resolve all if not most of those opinions to provide one consistent set of results.

I will contact Geoff Steer at Bias Crimes and see when he is available - hopefully before Christmas.

Middo



Craig Middleton | Detective Chief Inspector
 Crime Manager | Surry Hills Local Area Command



▼ Anthony Crandell---12/12/2016 17:34:54---Hi mate, I just wanted to run this proposal past you before forwarding to the academics etc.

From: Anthony Crandell/[REDACTED]/Staff/NSWPolice
To: Craig N Middleton/[REDACTED]/Staff/NSWPolice@NSWPolice
Date: 12/12/2016 17:34
Subject: Re: A very brief update and a question [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Hi mate,

I just wanted to run this proposal past you before forwarding to the academics etc.

The way forward:

Whilst the purpose of Operation Parrabell is to provide the LGBTI community with comfort around the proposition of 88 gay hate deaths from the late 70's to 2000, it should also, wherever possible assist guidance for NSW police officers seeking to classify bias crimes.

1. The position of Operation Parrabell investigators regarding all cases reviewed has been indicated
2. The Bias Crimes Coordinator has also conducted a review of specific cases which require further discussion with Operation Parrabell investigators to determine a NSW Police Force position
3. Any position taken on any case by the NSWPF will be subject to further discussions with the research team
4. The Bias Crimes Coordinator will review specific cases where agreement cannot be reached between Operation Parrabell investigators and the

Research Team to enhance further discussion around appropriate classifications

5. The Research Team will bring their position on all cases to a meeting between Operation Parrabell investigators and the Bias Crimes Coordinator for further discussion prior to final positions being taken

6. Prior to final reports being submitted it is important that each entity (NSWPF and Flinder's University) are aware of positions on each case together with reasons for the positions taken so that if divergent findings are made, they can be reported upon with complete understanding.

Can you let me know your thoughts

Thanks



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▼ Craig N Middleton---12/12/2016 15:42:24---Hi Derek Thanks for the update much appreciated - Ive just returned from cruising the South Pacific

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To: Derek Dalton <derek.dalton@flinders.edu.au>
Cc: Paul Grace <[redacted]>
Date: 12/12/2016 15:42
Subject: Re: A very brief update and a question [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Hi Derek

Thanks for the update much appreciated - Ive just returned from cruising the South Pacific for the last two weeks so Im still catching up with things. I believe that Paul Grace forwarded you the rest of the review forms, albeit still in draft.

To answer your last question first. The matters marked returned to UHT - are matters that are currently either under active 're-investigation' or before the Coroner. Whilst there is a component of approximately 30 unsolved cases listed in the 88 cases, the fact is that, whilst they will always remain 'open cases' not all of them are currently actively being re-investigated by the UHT. Additionally some of the matters returned to UHT are also currently before or are due to be before the Coroner for inquest (such as the Johnson matter) which I believe is about to be reviewed by the Coroner a 3rd time.

The original agreement we had with UHT was that we would not review any 'active' matters to avoid any conflict or jeopardising any judicial proceedings/outcomes or current investigations by UHT.

As to the 13 cases you mention you might classify differently - I did expect there to be some differences, as I had previously discussed with you some of the difficulties and robust discussions we had amongst ourselves as a review committee in classifying some of the cases into certain categories. There were some that were quite tricky and not as simple as it seems, particularly those where there was no clear offender motive (especially the unsolved ones) or in some instances possibly more than one motive. If I remember correctly most of the difficult ones were around the Suspected Bias Crime/Insufficient Information categories ?.

I really look forward to seeing the 13 you have selected and comparing it to see if they are the same as the ones that we had some difficulty/discussions with. At some point in the future it would be great to sit down with you again (if possible) and discuss those matters as Im sure that it would make for some interesting discussions from differing perspectives. I really dont think we would be too far apart.

Regards



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▼ Derek Dalton ---12/12/2016 13:57:39---Dear Craig and Paul, I hope you are both well and had a relaxing w/e (Christmas shopping perhaps? or

From: Derek Dalton <derek.dalton@flinders.edu.au>
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Cc: Paul Grace <[redacted]>
Date: 12/12/2016 13:57
Subject: A very brief update and a question

Dear Craig and Paul,

I hope you are both well and had a relaxing w/e (Christmas shopping perhaps? or are you guys "last minute shopper" types like the fellow featured in the *David Jones* advertisement?) [This joke will only make sense if you have seen the TV advertisement]

Anyway, to more serious matters.....

Just a quick update. I have read all 70 cases, Willem has read 50 and I am yet to touch base with Danielle to ascertain her progress. We are not conferring with each other [about our classifications] until we have finished (so as to preserve our objectivity).

For what it is worth, I have approximately 13 cases that I might classify differently. As Craig alluded to, this was always likely to be the case.

This morning, Willem and I had a fruitful discussion with Jackie, Superintendent Crandell, Shobha, and Geoff Steer this morning for one hour (as instigated by NSW Police).

I think the Superintendent is going to send us all an email clarifying a way forward (as this project is so complex and fluid).

I have a question about the category RETURNED TO UHT. Can you clarify precisely why these cases got sent back to UHT? I seem to recall that Strike Force *Farradale* (excuse my spelling if incorrect) was a factor. I just want to be 100% clear why these cases – as a cohort – have been diverted (Given that we have other unsolved homicide cases in the grouping)

We may have touched upon it already but I could not find it in my hand written notes.

Thanks

Derek

From: Craig N Middleton [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 17 November 2016 7:31 AM
To: Derek Dalton <derek.dalton@flinders.edu.au>
Cc: Paul Grace <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Parrabell documents [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Hi Dr Dalton

I have sent you a further 10 completed review forms this morning (Thursday 17/11). Definitely 2 copies to yourself and 1 copy to Dr Tyson.

I will be away for the next two weeks (20/11 to 4/12). In my absence Detective Sergeant Paul Grace (whom you met with me) will be doing my job. He will continue to send you the completed review forms as he finishes proof reading them. He can be contacted through email above or on the same phone number listed in my signature block.

Just so I can double check. Is it possible that you could please send me the list of forms that you already have. By my calculations it should be 13 but I just want to double check thanks.

Just a thought - but is it easier if we email the forms to you or do you prefer a hardcopy being sent. We could also email both Dr Tyson and Prof de Lint the forms as well if you provide me their email. The choice is yours - happy to oblige either way.

Regards



From: Derek Dalton <derek.dalton@flinders.edu.au>
To: Craig N Middleton <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Anthony Crandell <[REDACTED]>
Date: 03/11/2016 14:18
Subject: Re: Parrabell documents [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Hi Craig,

Hope your Thursday is going well.

Thanks. No, I may have confused you. Please send ONE copy to Dr Tyson and TWO copies to me:

I will then hand deliver one of my copies to Prof de Lint.

Many thanks

Derek

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To: Derek Dalton
Cc: Anthony Crandell
Subject: RE: Parrabell documents [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Hi Dr Dalton

Thats ok - I have spoken to Cameron Bignell - we should be in a position to send you the first batch of 20 to 30 reviews by Monday 7/11. The rest should be completed by the end of the week. I will email you to confirm once I have sent them.

I gather all 3 copies are being sent to Dr Tyson's address listed below ?

Kind Regards



From: Derek Dalton <derek.dalton@flinders.edu.au>
To: Craig N Middleton <[REDACTED]>
Date: 02/11/2016 16:40
Subject: RE: Parrabell documents [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Hi Craig,

I am back at work – not 100% - but well enough to get back to my long list of “to do” tasks.

I concur with you summary of the value of chatting to all of you and getting a nuanced insight into the process. And I imagine you are right to predict there will be a difference of opinion in relation to some of the assessments.

My illness aside, I was under the impression that we would have received the bulk of the cases much sooner. I am not trying to be “pushy” but the sooner we get some to read, the better. Maybe Cameron could send 30 or so by next Wednesday. To be able to make a start would be great.

I just worry that if the 10th of 11th turns into the 15th, I will be burning up lots of precious time.

I wish to amend Daniele Tyson’s courier address from the one I sent the other day:

Sorry that it is so convoluted – but these details will ensure a courier can locate the right place.

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Subject: Re: Parrabell documents [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Dr Dalton

That is no good at all - hope you are feeling better. Although I must say despite you not feeling well on the day of our meeting you certainly soldiered on throughout the day. It was a pleasure to meet with you and discuss our work and your academic review. I am glad we managed to sit down with you and take you through our processes as I have found from previous experience that sometimes our 'detective's' world and the systems and processes we use, methodology etc can be somewhat confusing. Explaining the background and the actual processes we used to review and interpret information is an important step in having an understanding of how we went about our 'core business' reviewing these matters and how we came to the conclusions that we did. As you can appreciate - reviewing and categorising these deaths was at times not quite that simple when you take into account the whole ambient of rationales being applied, apart from the motivational factor of the offender. So it was good to discuss your academic review and what that entails directly with you. I am very keen to see/read your review and your conclusions. As I said to you in our meeting I would expect a few questions and differences of opinion, as even amongst ourselves some of the matters were subject of some robust discussion and opinion.

I have spoken to Cameron concerning the progress of the completed indicator forms. He assures me that he will have them all finished (all very close to it) by next week, so we should be in a position to send them down (or the bulk at least) to you towards the end of next week (around 10 or 11 November). I will make sure we send 3 copies of each form. Currently we have 5 that we are having difficulty locating, however I believe that may come down to perhaps 2 at the most. I am hopeful we will track the rest down in the coming month and we will forward them to you as soon as we have reviewed them. Other than that you will pretty much have the bulk of all our matters inside the next 2 weeks.

Happy reading

Regards



From: Derek Dalton <derek.dalton@flinders.edu.au>
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Date: 31/10/2016 13:25
Subject: Parrabell documents

Dear Craig,

I hope you are having a good start to the week. If I have seemed conspicuous by my email silence there has been a reason. That illness that affected me while in Sydney turned really serious and I have spent a good week in bed. Even with lots of rest and medication I am still far from well. It's a real shame, but there is not much I can do about it.

I am going back to doctor today.

I hope (realistically) to be back at work wed or Thursday.

Anyway, just wanted to let you know what has been happening. I let Jackie know I have been sick and she will keep Superintendent Crandell in the loop.

When you are ready to send the documents, please use the address below in bold. Please send **TWO copies** to me (I can then hand deliver one of them to Prof d Lint).

I am still awaiting the best courier address for Dr Danielle Tyson **[a third copy]**. Will have that in a day or 2. It will be based on the address below:

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You can provide notes to courier that car park 4 is best place to park and that ladies in office can be reached on 08 8201 3539.

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