STATE CRIME COMMAND INVESTIGATION PLAN

SITUATION

Unsolved Homicide review of the Murder of Walter John BEDSER born 03.09.1939.

MISSION

To review the Murder of Walter John BEDSER at Parramatta on 2/12/1980.

A review of the original investigation was conducted for the purpose of determining the solvability of this crime. The syndicate took into account the likelihood of the crime being solved which was weighted with a cost benefit analysis. With this in mind the syndicate has prepared the following investigation plan which has been divided into four phases. With each phase the likelihood of the crime being solved is increased whilst the cost of implementing these phases is also increased.

STRATEGIES/EXECUTION

TACTICAL

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6 Investigators / Installed Listening Device

3 Investigators / Telephone Interception

Staff to be provided by State Crime Command in Negotiation with Investigation

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Conclusion:

This investigation would depend on the preliminary results of the DNA and forensic exhibits that were re tested as mentioned in phase 1.

The final three phases would require a substantial amount of monies and resources to complete the inquiries that has been mentioned by this syndicate. There is a likelihood that no further information would be forthcoming from the major suspects.

• Information Management

The current brief as it stands should be loaded onto e@glei for future reference and further investigation. This should be done on the unit that takes carriage of this matter.

• Investigative Roles & Responsibilities

This would be dictated by the terms of reference when the strike force is established.

• Forensic Evidence Management

This could e established with the assistance with staff from Forensic Services Group as well as DAL.

Persons of Interest

To be profiled by intellegance analysts via e@glei

• Constraints (Actual)

The are major restraints that are associated with this type of investigation. Firstly is the time frame. This offence occurred 26 years ago. Secondly the location of the retained exhibits, from the crime scene. Can they be located or have they been destroyed? Other constraints are witnesses, location and are they in fact alive.

Investigative Opportunities

This would be dependant upon phase 1 review of the retained exhibits and the information that could be gleaned from intelligence holdings on suspects.

REVIEW OF AN UNSOLVED HOMICIDE CASE SCREENING FORM

You have been selected to undertake a review of an unsolved homicide. The review should be conducted in accordance with this 'Case Screening Form'. Once completed, the Case Screening Form will be forwarded to the Coordinator, Unsolved Homicide Review Team, Homicide Squad, State Crime Command. Your assessment of the available evidence and recommendation is necessary to assist in determining opportunities for re-investigation

1. Location of Brief of Evidence.

The original investigation documents must be located. The current location of these documents may depend upon the date of the murder you are reviewing and who conducted the inquiry. If the investigation is relatively recent, it may still be stored at the Local Area Command, which had carriage of the matter. Inquiries which were conducted by the former Major Crime Squads and investigations that are considerably more historical, will most likely be located at the Corporate Archives Records Repository, Bridge St, Stanmore, Ph: 95198189.

A manual inspection of the investigation records must be conducted as experience has shown that in older cases, exhibits are sometimes stored in the boxes along with the documents.

Many investigations will be voluminous and the transport of the entire investigation to an LAC office may not be viable. Facilities exist at the Archives for the documents to be inspected and an inventory conducted. Depending on the type of investigation management used during the inquiry, the investigation may be reviewed electronically. All former TIMS inquiries located by the Investigative Systems Support Unit have been converted into E@gle.i investigations. Secondary investigations into the same murder may also be recorded on E@gle.i. To obtain 'read only' access to the investigation contact should be made with the SSU on E/N 53909.

Victim:

Name:	Walter John BEDSER			
Gender	Male D.OB 3/9/33			
Relative contact	ct (if known)	Shirley DRISCO	LL	

Homicide Details:

Time & Date	2.15pm 2.12.80		
Location:	4 Darcy St Parramatta		
COPS Event/P40 No.	80/6998	Attached	Υ

Previous Investigation Name: (Strike Force/Task Force/Operation)	Does not appear to have been given an operational name.
Command in charge:	Parramatta and Homicide Squad CIB

2. Cause of death

If the Post Mortem results are not contained within the investigation documents, contact may be made with the relevant Coroner's Court. A request in writing with NSW Police letterhead must be forwarded to the Registrar of the court, outlining the information required.

Post Mortem Results:	Yes		
Exhibits Retained:	Unknown	Location:	
Further Examination:	If located		

Comment: P.M Conducted by Dr Naaman Graham MALOUF on 3.12.80. Cause of Death given as Blood Loss, and lacerated liver and left lung.

Injuries:

- 1. 12 cm irregular laceration outer aspect left forearm (Consistant glass)
- 2. 8cm irregular laceration inner aspect left arm involving lower third bicep area (Consistant with knife)
- 3. Stab wound 3 x 2cm regular and gapping 2nd left intra costal space outer third clarical 2nd rib penetrating to chest.
- 4. Regular stab wound 7cm long mid clavicular direction 45 degrees superiorly to horizontal penetrating between ribs 8 and 9. This appeared to have lacerated the liner and diaphragm large laceration of intra costal muscles.
- 5. Internal bleeding

3. <u>Investigation Records</u>

Investigation Records relate not only to the statements taken from witnesses etc; but to all documents generated during the investigation. For investigations conducted prior to 1990 the investigation will be recorded by way of running sheets typed on occurrence pad forms. From about 1990 onwards, the TIMS system of investigation management was used. In 1999 the conversion to E@gle.i began.

Investigation Records Located:	Yes	

Comment:	Three Volumes of original running sheets located as well as numerous witness
statements.	No police statements were included in these records.

During the 1960's, 1970's and early 1980's, 'Investigation Resumes' were formerly completed by the Officer in charge of a homicide investigation that was not solved. It was a summary of the investigation, highlighting suspects, significant inquiries and evidence and was forwarded to the Superintendent of the Criminal Investigation Branch.

Investigation Resume:	Y			
Comment: Investigative summary loca TREBLEY.	ited completed by John McGregor and Graeme			

Progress Reports have been used by the former Crime Agencies since 1997 and the State Crime Command since 2002. They are a monthly report submitted by the officer in charge of an investigation, detailing the progress of the inquiry and significant events. Copies are maintained by Operations Co-ordination, State Crime Command.

Progress Reports:	N	
Comment:		

Post Operational Assessments are the current replacement for an Investigation Resume. They are submitted by the Officer in Charge of the investigation to Operations Co-ordination, State Crime Command, at the completion of an investigation.

Post Operational Assessment:	N	·
Comment:		

4. Coroner's Inquest

Details of Coroner's Inquests, including Coroner's Findings, may be obtained from the Registrar of the relevant Coroner's Court by submitting a request in writing with NSW Police letterhead.

Coroner's Inquest Held:	Unknown	Date:

Court:		Coroner:
Inquest Brief Located	Y/N:	
Findings: Enquiries to be made v		vith the Coroners Office.

5. Original Case Officer

Attempts should be made to locate and interview the original Case Officer even if they are no longer employed by the NSW Police Department. In the event that they are not located, another senior investigator from the inquiry should be approached. A list of investigators significantly involved in the investigation should be compiled.

OIC Name:	Det Sgt McGregor		Interviewed:	N
Serving Member:	No.	Location:		
Comment:				

Other Investigators:

Name:	Current Location:	
D/S/C Trebley		
Det Sgt HAMILTON		
Det Sgt TOOHEY		
Det Sgt 1/c Bryant	100 30000	
Det Broad		
Det Sgt SMITH		
Det S/C McHUGH		
Det Sgt 3/C WAKEFIELD		
Det S/C FESZCUK	Superintendent at Penrith LAC	
Det Broad		

6. Weapons

The Ballistics Unit, Sydney Police Centre has a large store of firearms, ballistic material and exhibits with ballistic damage held in their office from historical murders. For other weapons see point 7.

Туре:		,
Recovered:	Y/N	Location:
Further Examination	Y/N:	
Action:		
Comment:		

7. Exhibits

The original Exhibit Book is obviously the best place to begin to track the movement and location of exhibits. Many homicide exhibits however were never entered into Station exhibit books as they were recovered from crime scenes by Crime Scene Officers and entered into Registers at the particular office at which the Officer was attached. From there, many were forwarded to DAL and other experts. Inquiries have revealed that there is still a large store of exhibits held at the CSU Satellite Offices. DAL are in possession of thousands of samples taken from exhibits for the period 1986 –1997. These samples were not analysed and a DNA sample placed on the data-base. From 1997, all DNA profiles obtained from samples were placed on the database.

Attempts should be made to locate all exhibits and determine what examinations have already taken place. The table below should be completed.

Exhibits located

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Exhibit	Location (exhibit No.)	Previous Examinations	Status
Knife	80/1903	To DAL on 10/12/80	
P.M Samples	80/1903	To DAL on 10/12/80	
Blood Swabs	80/1903	To DAL on 10/12/80	
Doll			

8. Fingerprints

There was no electronic fingerprint database in existence prior to 1986 when N.A.F.I.S. (National Automated Fingerprint Identification System) was established. All fingerprints were categorised and searched manually. When N.A.F.I.S. was established this enabled the capability of searching fingerprints electronically rather than by manual means. Palm prints for serious crime were back-captured on N.A.F.I.S. Fingerprints retrieved from homicide crime scenes were collected and filed in unsolved homicide files at the Fingerprint Latent Unit – Major Crime. All historical Fingerprint Major Crime Files are held with the Records Unit on Level 1, Tower B of Police Headquarters. (A list of these case files are in possession of the Commander, Latent Print Section, Fingerprint Operations, Criminal Identification Specialist Branch (C.I.S.B.)). Contact can be made with staff at the Major Crime Response Section on 27388 For cases occurring after 1986 results can be viewed through FCSR. In May 2001 N.A.F.I.S. was upgraded (N.A.F.I.S. 2) which allowed the capability of searching palm print impressions. It would appear that there are no archived records dating back to prior to 1971.

Fingerprints Available:	Yes
Fingerprint Case Number:	No number
Major Crime Reference Number:	No number
Person Identified:	

Comment: Fingerprints were located on a doll within the shop in the office area. It is believed that the doll may have arrived on the day of the murder. Prints were taken by Det. Brendan Williams from Fingerprints and he took a photograph of this.

FINGERPRINT RESULTS:

Item:	Forensic Ref:	Obtained:	Status	Elimination	Suspect:
1. Cash Register	Sgt Roberts	Store	2 Prints Developed (Court ?)	All cops requested.	
2. Bowl/vase	S/C Smith	Store	Prints developed	Mrs Turner (Employee) All cops requested	
3. Unknown Fragments from shop	S/C Smith	Store	Prints developed (Suitable for comparison)	All cops requested	?

9. Witnesses

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Witnesses are not to be contacted during this process, as the relationship between witnesses and suspects is not always known. The relationship between them may have changed over time and there is the possibility that the suspect may be alerted to a renewed investigation.

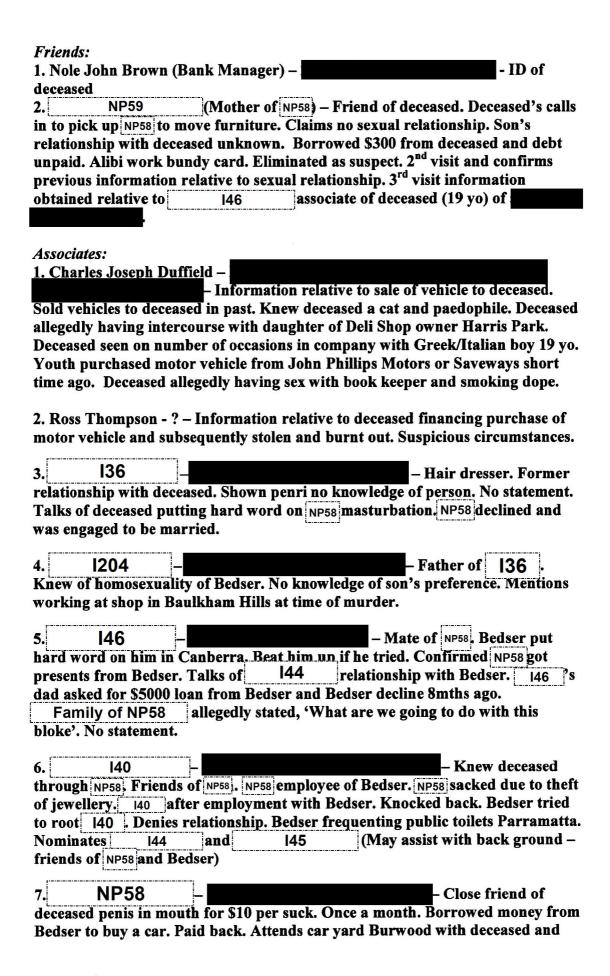
Also, it will not be desirable to raise the hopes of relatives, secondary victim's etc; that their matter will be re-investigated when it may be the case that nothing further can be done.

Witness lists must be extensive however inquiries will only need to relate to witnesses who provide significant evidence. Inquiries regarding witnesses should be confined to COPS, Intelligence Reports, RTA, Electoral Roll, Registry of Births Deaths & Marriages etc.

2.]	Jean Daniels — ——————————————————————————————————
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2	Brant Warland Browne — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
3. I	Phillip Stephens – Fruit Shop across road Darcy Arcade
	Rofiena Mary Davis – Walking in Darcy St.
5. A	Amani Youssef – Antique shop window (Additional information provided 13.12.80 Re: Wing back chair)
	Clive Mervyn Watt – Antique shop window
f	Athole Aldwinckle – P'matta Arcade – At front of shop when incident was occurring and male person left the shop and she spoke to male.
	Charles Evans Wheat – Least Shop earlier on day of murder
9. V	Wendy and Ross Calkim – Shop at 11am-12pm day of murder
10. (Gordon Connell – Rear shop 1.30pm 2.12.06 (Lunatic with the letter)
	Elizabeth Beck – ———————————————————————————————————

Family:

1. Sister – Shirley Driscoll – Search of shop no items missing. Provides background.



argument 3 mths before death. Bedser refused to give money. Parted company.

NP58 does not fit suspect description. Elimination prints taken. Bedser supplies

NP58 pot. Deceased would only masturbate NP58 No pillow biting. Friends at Le

Girls Kings cross. 138 visit deceased at shop and used to wears suits. Worked

Psychiatric Centre near Parramatta Gaol and lives with another male. NP58 and

deceased falling out outside NP58 shome. NP58 shown penri and unable to

identify image. Purchase of motor vehicles by Bedser. Travelled to Melbourne

with Bedser. Should be a suspect even though does not fit the description – may
have put someone up to it.

8. John Cincotta – Knew deceased. Mother won lottery. Deceased suggested it was himself.

9.Accountant – Neil HARRISON or Neil Baxter Harrison and Co. Deceased last saw on the 26/9/80 doesn't associate socially or no person associated with Bedser. Gross turn over was \$133,000 for 78/79 tax year. Stock - \$40,000 and gross profit – \$39,000. Therefore net profit is \$9,500.

10. Gauseppe Pellizzeri – hairdresser in Darcy St, Parramatta

Known deceased for a number of years and purchased a diamond ring for \$2,500 which was cross referenced and also purchased a gold chain for an amount but Pellizzeri denied it. Was working in the salon and shown penri but couldn't assist.

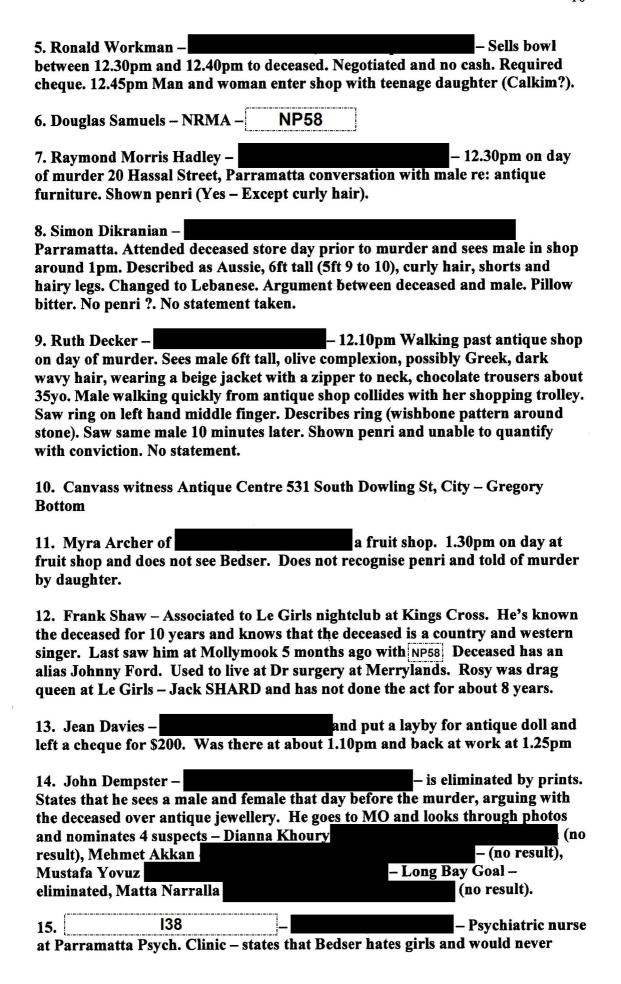
11. Beverly Carn — Has known the deceased for about 9 years when he was a country and western singer and his stage name was Johnny Ford. She spent many hours chatting with him in the shop. He rung her on the day that he died to collect an antique phone — she later gets a phone from Myra Archer telling her that he is dead. In past conversations, she remembers him telling her about a greek woman owing him about \$500 and that she didn't want to pay. He says that he was going to tape record their conversation. She says that he was addicted to Vincents powder - asprin.

Witness:

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Additional:

- 1. Debbie Faye Smith Toyworld Arcade Sports Store purchase of knife by POI. Penri shown.
- 2. Emma Clarke Customer arcade when knife purchased. Shown penri (Similar curlier hair and untidy)
- 3. Elizabeth Beck Saw male running from shop and few seconds saw deceased leaving shop and bleeding.
- 4. Yvette Quinlan 8mths ago in deceased shop



have slept with one. He is also gay and would sometimes mind the shop while the deceased would go to toilets and see boys. Mentions NP58 and that the deceased had nearly given up on him - as in NP58 wouldn't sleep with him. The deceased offers money to 138 for sex. 138 also says that he rips his customers off people who don't know what they are talking about with antiques - he will charge them the world.

16. Other antique dealers that deal with the deceased. He had been to look at stuff they advertised. Police says that one of them resembles the penri. Ron Collins identified but leads no where Oaks diner at Peats Ridge. No one likes the deceased anyway. Collin Campbell also nominated but goes nowhere.

17. G murd	wen Nobl er.	ett –		- was in shop da	y prior to
Emple	oyees:				
1. Mr	s Turner				
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10. Suspect/s

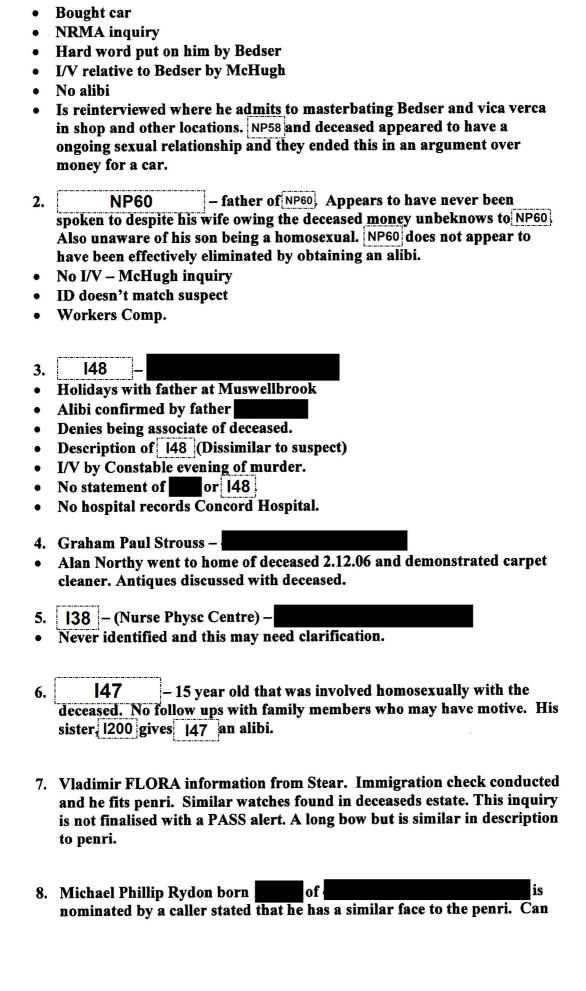
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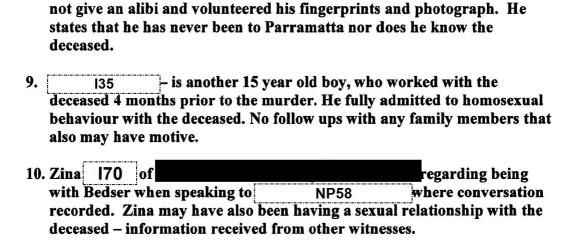
Inquiries regarding the location and status of suspects should be confined to those listed above. Of particular importance to the Review is the fact whether suspects have been charged with other offences since the original investigation (particularly sexually related offences). If suspects are identified, a current profile is to be completed listing address, phone number, intelligence reports, marital status, associates, employment and any other relevant information. Checks should be confined to COPS, Intelligence Reports, RTA, Electoral Roll, Registry of Births Deaths & Marriages etc.

Suspects:

NP58

Associate of deceased





11. Synopsis:

A synopsis of your review should be completed detailing the circumstances of the murder

ines of inquiry and any known suspects.
Synopsis: Between 1.55 and 2pm on Wednesday 2 nd December 1980, Mr Walter John BEDSER DOB: 3 rd September 1993 of was working inside his antique Shop at 4 Darcy Street Parramatta, when the offender entered the deceased's shop. At this time an argument ensued, and numerous passers by observed BEDSER and the offender in a fight within the store. A short time later the offender exited the store into Darcy Street and was heard to call out to witnesses to call an Ambulance. He was last seen hurrying down Darcy Street, crossed Church Street and was last seen walking through St Johns Park. A short time later the deceased BEDSER staggered from his shop, and walked across the footpath and collapsed in a fruit shop about 20 feet from his store. Police and Ambulance were summonsed to the scene. BEDSER was revieved at the scene and conveyed to Parramatta District Hospital, where he was pronounced deceased. A P.M was conducted on 3/12/80 by Dr MALOUF where the cause of death was Blood Loss and a secondary Cause of Death was Lacerated liver and Left Lung. There was also other lacerations from falling through a glass display case to the arms and chest of the deceased. Enquires at the scene revealed that a male fitting the description of the offender entered the Toy World Shop in an arcade which is about 50 feet from the deceased's shop, and purchased a knife from the shop assistant at 10am. There was a knife located inside the store. This knife was subsequently sent to DAL for examination. Scientific and Fingerprint Police where in attendance at the scene. A number of fingerprints were located at the scene.

12. Recommendation:

You must submit a recommendation on the potential for any further investigation, including the scope of any subsequent investigation eg; opportunity for DNA link, potential for Undercover Operative to be employed, witnesses to be reinterviewed due to change of circumstances. If you recommend that further investigation should take place, list the most appropriate contact person should be listed.

Recommendation:

The syndicate has determined that this case should not initially be reopened as such, but if the following phases are followed, then finalisation may be reached.

The syndicate identified a four phase process as set below. The progression of each phase is dependant on the results obtained from the preceding phase.

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REVIEWER'S CERTIFICATION

I certify that the review has been conducted thoroughly and I have accessed all available documents and exhibits.

Signature:

Name:
Rank:
Date:

CO-ORDINATOR'S CERTIFICATION

I certify that sufficient time and opportunity has been provided to the case reviewer to conduct the attached review. I am satisfied that the reviewer has accessed available documentation and agree with their recommendations.

Signature:

Name:

Rank:

Position:

Date:



NSW POLICE SERVICE

Education Services

Detective Training Unit. New South Wales Police College, Westmead Campus University of Western Sydney Building P, Level 1 Hawkesbury Rd, Westmead, 2145

Tel:

Between the 27 March and 7 April, 2005 the Senior Detectives Course was held at the Police College, Goulburn. An assessment criteria for students is probing an unsolved murder investigations.

- 1. Senior Detectives Course No 9 was tasked with probing the death of the following persons-
 - Alan MAUNDER found deceased on the 17 August, 1980 at
 - Walter John BEDSER found deceased on the 2 December 1980 at 4 Darcy Street, Parramatta.
 - Wanda AMUNDSEN found deceased on the 21 November 1986 at
 - William John MELTON found deceased on the 6 April, 1979 at
 - Ivanka MILOVCIC found deceased on the 29 February 1976 at
- 2. Attached to this report are various documents from the five syndicates groups that formed the class participants. The documents attached include a summary of the investigation, an Investigation plan and a homicide case screening form.
- 3. The assessment was presented to three commissioned officers including Detective A/Inspector M. ASHWOOD from the 'Unsolved cold case Unit' Homicide Unit, State Crime Command.
- It is requested that this report with attachments be forwarded to the Commander 4. of the Homicide Unit S.C.C. then for dissemination to relevant officer within the 'Unsolved cold case unit'.

Paul Matthew GRECH **Detective A/S/Sergeant**

Principal Tutor

Senior Detectives Course

10 May 2005

