

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q1 The time is 5.48pm, eastern standard time. It's Wednesday, the 20, 31st of December, 1997. My name Detective Sergeant Bryan Matthes. Also present is Detective Senior Constable O'Reilly. Please identify your name, please?

DETECTIVE SENIOR CONSTABLE O'REILLY

Detective Senior Constable O'Reilly, O-R-E-I-L-L-Y.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q2 Also present is Ian Rose. Can you identify your name, please for the record.

A Ian Rose, R-O-S-E.

Q3 Thank you. As I've already explained to you, Mr Rose, I am making inquiries into the murder of David Samuel Rose - - -

A Yes.

Q3 - - - on the weekend of the 20th and 21st of December, 1997. I'm going to ask you certain questions about this matter. You are not obliged to answer unless you wish to do so, but whatever you say or do will be electronically recorded and may be used in evidence. Do you understand that?

A Yes, I do.

Q4 Do you agree that prior to the commencement of this interview I told you that I intended asking you further questions about this matter?

A Yes, you did.

Q5 Do you agree that I also told you that my questions and

any answers given by you would be electronically recorded both on video and audio tape as the interview took place?

A Yes.

Q6 Do you agree that I also told you that at the conclusion of the interview you would be provided with a master audio tape of the interview?

A That's correct.

Q7 Do you agree that I also told you that if required later you may view the video tape, would be arranged?

A Yes.

Q8 For the purpose of this interview, what is your full name; and please spell your, your family name, date of birth, address and current occupation?

A My name is Ian Grant Rose, R-O-S-E, my address is [REDACTED] Francis Street, Bondi. I'm currently employed by a company by the name of Masa Technology, M-A-S-A, and I am employed there as a computer sales representative.

Q9 And whereabouts is that situated?

A [REDACTED], Sydney.

Q10 How long have you been working for that company?

A Just over two years.

Q11 What is your normal hours of work?

A 9.00 til 5.30, Monday to Friday.

Q12 Any days off recently?

A The last, I don't think so, not in the last two months. I have had the odd day off, here and there.

Q13 O.K. Thank you. All right. I wish to ask you is if you can explain to me your, your, your friendship and your, your knowledge of your brother, David?

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Q14 Starting from the beginning and -?

A Well, what do you call the beginning?

Q15 Well, -

A You know what I mean?

Q16 Growing up with him.

A Well, I mean it was, I suppose you could call it a typical older brother, younger brother relationship. We, we fought like cats and dogs when we were kids, we got a little bit closer as we grew older and, and although I wouldn't say we were really close, I'd say we were reasonably close. It's difficult question to answer. Not quite sure what sort of thing you require. We spoke to one another a minimum of once a week, be it either on the phone or at my parents place or if we went out to dinner together, when mum and dad were away. We did not socialise in the same circles, he, he, he tended to be a fairly private individual when it came to his social life. I didn't know a lot about it. I'd occasionally go and see him at his place of employment and vice versa. I guess that's really about all I can tell you with regard to the relationship, because I, I don't really know what other information you might need.

Q17 How often did you speak?

A Well, as I said the minimum of once a week. If one or the other was unwell, obviously more often, because, you know, like any family we check to see how the other person is.

Q18 O.K. How often would have you been to David's place?

A Not very often. I think in the past three years, it may have been on three or four occasions total, over that full period of time.

Q19 All right. Over the last, how long, sorry?

A Three or four years.

Q20 Three or four times?

A Yeah.

Q21 And what, what were the purpose of those visits?

A Either to pick something up or to drop him home after he was coming back from a trip overseas. Normally what he would do would be lend me his car while he was overseas, I would pick him up from the airport and drop him, he would either, if it was late at night and he, he didn't want to drive home again I would drop the car over the next day, but basically it would just be tap on the door, here's the keys and that's it. The only other times I was there would have been if he had something that he wanted me to pick up, you know, like a, a present or something like that. We didn't see a lot of one another in regard to being in one another's residences. So, it's, it's difficult to say that we in any way socialised. It was mainly, you know, family dinner type situation where we saw one another.

Q22 Do you know anything about his death?

A Other than the fact, or the facts that you have told me, no. I know absolutely nothing about it.

Q23 Do you know who's responsible for his death?

A I've got no idea.

Q24 Were you responsible for his death?

A No. Definitely not.

Q25 Did you, did you, you'd know that David was sick?

A He had said that he was sick. I initially found out because I phoned him at work with regard to a present we were going to be getting for my mother and father for Hanukah, which I suppose is the Jewish equivalent of Christmas. And he had his voice mail on saying he was on a day off. I rang him at home and he said that he was unwell, he told me he had a very bad nauseous headache, so I didn't continue the conversation for more than one or two minutes, basically just asking him how he was. Plus, if I remember correctly he said he'd only just woken up, so obviously with not feeling well you tend to keep it brief.

Q26 What date was that do you think?

A I think that occasion was on the Thursday the, what would it be the, the 8th, 18th, 18th or 19th, I can't remember what date the Thursday was.

Q27 Prior to that when was the last time you spoke to him on the phone?

A Probably a week before that.

Q28 How often would you speak to him, again?

A Minimum of once a week. In, on an occasion like where we were talking about the present, it would probably be more often because we would want to co-ordinate things like when we were going to give it to mum and dad and things like that, but normally it would, would only be once a week, unless there was some other reason for increasing the frequency.

Q29 O.K. Did you attend any family get togethers with him recently?

A I'm just trying to, well, there was the normal Friday night dinner, that would have been probably I think two weeks before his death.

Q30 Was that a regular thing?

A Yes. It tended to be a regular thing.

Q31 Did you go every Friday?

A Most Fridays. There are the odd occasions where I don't go and there are occasions where he doesn't go.

Q32 What was, can you explain to me what happened on these Friday nights?

A Sorry, which Friday night?

Q33 The, the normal - - -

A The last Friday night we were together? Basically a normal Friday night dinner. Just trying to remember. I met my father at Circular Quay. We caught the ferry to Mosman, got in dad's car, went up to Neutral Bay Junction, bought some flowers for mum in Woolworths, I think it was. And we went home, I can't remember

whether dad was David was there before us or whether he arrived after us. We sat down and had some dinner, had a chat over dinner, which was quite normal. And then I caught the 20 to 8.00 ferry from Mosman to Circular Quay and then caught a bus home from Circular Quay.

Q34 You didn't get a lift with David?

A That, oh I'm sorry, yes. I, I didn't get a lift with David, I gave David a lift because I had the, the car. That, I had my father's car that weekend because mum had wanted me to do some shopping at Harris Farm Markets on, at Edgecliff on the Sunday because they have the specials on the Sunday.

Q35 All right. So, that, so that Friday would have been the, the, do you know what date that would have been?

A (NO AUDIBLE REPLY)

Q36 The weekend before David's death, would that be -?

A No.

Q37 Before that was it?

A No, two weeks, I'm sorry, it would have been, yeah. I think, it was two weeks before his death.

Q38 Was that the last time you actually saw him in person? According to you.

A Yes. Yes.

Q39 You didn't attend his place between then and discovering that - - -

A No.

Q39 - - - David was dead on the Monday?

A No.

Q40 But you had contacted him - - -

A I'd spoken to him on the phone.

Q41 And what days were they again, do you - - -

A Well, I'm pretty sure that it was Thursday and Friday mornings, now looking back I can't remember, I know that I spoke to him on at least two occasions and the answering machine was on once, but I can't remember the exact sequence of that. Whether the, the answering machine was on, on the Friday when I first rung and I spoke to him later on in the day or what I, you know, that, unfortunately I can't remember the exact sequence in which that occurred.

Q42 Did you try and contact him again during the weekend?

A When mum said that the phone was engaged, yes I tried to contact him.

Q43 How many times would have you done that?

A Gee, probably two or three times, that would have been once on the Saturday, maybe twice on the Sunday but each time the phone was engaged. Mum said that, I can't remember whether it was it was on the Saturday evening or the Sunday that she had rung Telstra's faults and difficulties and had been told that the phone was off the hook. And I just rang, excuse me, periodically to see if the phone was back on the hook, and to see of course how David was, because he had said that he hadn't been feeling well.

Q44 All right. Did you go around to his house at all?

A No.

Q45 To check on him?

A Other, other than when we were notified of his death, no. Mum and dad said they'd been around and the place was, to use their term, "All locked up".

Q46 Is this, had David ever done anything that was similar to not, not, not contacting you at all over a weekend when people were trying to get him?

A Not in my experience. Whether that was the case with mum and dad or not, I don't know. But to the best of my knowledge, no.

Q47 So, did you, did you think it was unusual that you couldn't get hold of David over the weekend?

A Considering that I don't normally have a lot of contact with David over the weekends I have no experience to really be able to answer that. I considered it unusual that the phone was constantly engaged and the answering machine wasn't on. But I've got no means of knowing what's normal and what's not for David, normally, well, with regard to the phone being off the hook. But, to, in my experience if he wasn't home, the answering machine was on.

Q48 Now, you, you mentioned before that you had a conversation, the last time you had a conversation with was possibly the Thursday, is that right?

A Either the Thursday or the Friday.

Q49 Which would have been the 18th or 19th. 18th is the Thursday - - -

A That's right, yes.

Q49 - - - Friday is the - - -

A That's, that's correct.

Q49 - - - is the 19th.

A Yeah.

Q50 Can you tell me the exact words that you, you said to David and he said to you on that occasion?

A Oh -

Q51 Just take it slow.

A That's going to be difficult. Do you want it as in verbatim or - - -

Q52 I said, he said, if you can.

A Yeah. When the phone was answered I said, "Hi, it's me, how are you feeling?", I think he said, "Well, I've just woken up, I've got a very bad nauseous headache", I said, "O.K. I won't hold you up, just rang to see how you were". Mum, I can't remember whether I said on that particular occasions that mum was unwell and we wouldn't be going over there on the Friday night. The first time I spoke to him, yes I definitely mentioned it. He said, "Well, I won't be going anyway", and I figured that that was logical considering that he was, he had said that he was unwell. I asked him if there was anything he needed in the way of shopping or anything else. He said, "No", he'd been able to do some shopping. And I basically said, "Well, if you need anything give me a call", and he said, "O.K.", and we said good bye.

Q53 Did he mention when he'd shopped?

- A No. He would normally either shop at the, if he wanted fruit or just something small, he would normally just go over Anzac Parade to the IGA supermarket that's just next to the NRMA there. Or, and, if he wanted to do sort of weekly shopping he would go up to Randwick, the main shopping centre there on Belmore Road.
- Q54 Right. How do you know that?
- A Because I've asked him and on at least one occasion I've seen him up there.
- Q55 All right. Did you ever socialise with David at all?
- A Only if mum and dad were away we would get together on a Friday night for dinner, that would be the extent of our socialising.
- Q56 You wouldn't meet him for a coffee anywhere or anything like that?
- A Not as a normal rule, as I said, I, I would occasionally have lunch with him, that had normally happened while I was unemployed between the period of June '94 and September '95 when I began work with Masa Technology. Dad and I would have lunch on a Wednesday normally, and David would sometimes join us, that would be the extent of our socialising.
- Q57 All right. And how is David's relationship with his parents?
- A It was a loving relationship. Difficult to say how close they are because I've got no real gauge to mark it against, but I would say they were close. They were always able to talk to one another. Mum commented on

his mode of attire on occasion and it did cause some tension but that would only be what is normal between a family.

Q58 Can you just expand on that, that tension?

A Well, for example he would, he would paint his nails, which upsetted mum, and she would basically say, "Look I don't want you to come here with nail polish on your fingers". And it would just cause an air of tension and David would quite often make some sort of sarcastic remark, you know, like, "Well, if you can do it, so can I", or something like that, but it was never more than, than what I would consider to be verbal repartee.

Q59 Can you tell me about David's mode of dress, according to what you saw?

A Well, I knew that he wore make-up.

Q60 How did you know that?

A You could see it. He would come over with things like eye shadow and eye liner on, nail polish, sometimes you could see traces of lipstick. He, at, at home, he, he cross dressed. I don't know whether he did it outside the home or not. It upset mum. I don't know the rhyme or the reason behind why it upset her, but as far as I was concerned if that's the way David felt comfortable that was his choice and I, I accepted him for what he was, if he, you know, if he felt comfortable that way, good luck to him.

Q61 When you say he wore female clothing at home, how do you know that?

A Because he had been dressed that way when I had been over there.

Q62 How many, and when was the last time you were over there?

A It would have been at least six months ago. I can't be more exact than that because it never really occurred to me that I would have to be, so I didn't take any note of exactly when it was, but it would have been at least six months.

Q63 How long were in there, the house?

A A maximum of half an hour, and we had a cup of coffee I think, if I remember correctly. I think he'd just returned from a trip, I can't remember the exact, in fact it may even be longer than six months thinking back on it. But I stayed for a cup of coffee and, and then I went. I'd, I'd picked David up from the airport, we had a cup of coffee and then, then he drove me home. And that was the last time I was over there apart from the, the day of his death. In which case, I didn't, didn't enter the unit until I was asked to do so by yourself.

Q64 O.K. Did you ever use his car?

A Yes. I have used his car on numerous occasions, as I said the last time that I used it would have been the last time I was at David's place.

Q65 Is that because he lent you the car?

A Yes.

Q66 When, when he went overseas

A Yes. That's correct.

Q67 And how long did he lend you the car for?

A On that occasion, I think, that it was two or three weeks. I can't remember the exact time frame it may have been longer, but I, I've got a feeling it was two to three weeks.

Q68 Did he ever, ever lend you anything else?

A No. I had on occasion lent him my video recorder, but that was more because of the fact that I, either I was going away or his unit was away for service. We, we didn't normally borrow things from one another because we didn't have the need to.

Q69 Did he lend you money?

A He has on occasion lent me money. He has also obliged me with cashing cheques for me, for example, tax return cheques and stuff like that. I have signed them over to David's account and he has given me the cash for them.

Q70 Did you pay him back the money you owed him?

A Of course.

Q71 What was the sum of these money?

A Total or individual?

Q72 Individual, on occasion.

A Ten, \$20, something like that. Never, you know what I mean, I wouldn't consider it a major amount, never, never exceeded \$50.

Q73 He was obliging if you ever needed any money

A As a normal rule, yes. You know, I mean there was the

odd occasion where he said, "Look, I can't do it right now, it will have to be tomorrow", or whatever, but yeah, he was normally obliging with regard to the loan of money.

Q74 How often would you borrow money from him?

A I couldn't really put a time on it, you know, I mean, it would just be here and there. It's been a long time since I last borrowed money, I can't even remember exactly when it was. It, it, looking back on it, you know, I would say it was once in a blue moon, but it was, it was perhaps a little more often than once in a blue moon. But I couldn't sort of put it as once a month or, or whatever.

Q75 How did your father feel about the way that David looked and dressed?

A I think he didn't necessarily agree but accepted that that was how David was comfortable.

Q76 When he was younger, did they ever question him more about the way he was dressing?

A They may have done, there, there were comments exchanged on more than one occasion with regard to his, his mode of attire and basically more to do with colours I think, if, than anything else. But it was more from mum's instigation than dad's. I mean, obviously they discussed the situation and the discussions were lively but they never got above that. And, at, at - - -

Q77 Did you ever enter into these discussions? Did you

ever - - -

A Well, I may have mentioned something once or twice to David, but I basically got told to mind my own business.

Q78 What was, what sort of things did you tell David?

A I just said that it was upsetting mum and I basically got told to mind my own business.

Q79 His clothing, had it started to change over the more recent times?

A I would need possibly a, a more exact time frame when you, for you to define recent times. I mean are you talking in the last 12 months or - - -

Q80 Yeah. The last 12 months has he started to show any difference in the way he dresses in front of you or your mother?

A Not to my memory. You know I mean, the, the in, it's, it's been over such a, an extended time frame, from, from my point of view, that the changes have occurred, that it's, it's been a, a gradual process. One thing that I did notice he seemed to do more often was wear ladies style shoes. But that would be about the only change that I could nail down that it would be apparent more over, over the past 12 months.

Q81 So, could you describe what would be a normal sort of outfit that David would wear, from, from the head, as in make-up through to earrings or anything that

A Well, the, I know that he had both ears pierced. Exactly what type of earrings he may have worn varied.

He wore roundish style spectacles, in a plastic frame. I would probably define it as a feminine style frame, but whether it actually is or not I have no knowledge. Excuse me, on the occasions that I saw him he was at least 50 per cent of the time wearing eye shadow, he would normally wear a pink jumper, if it was cold enough for a jumper. His torso and arms were normally shaved, and he normally wore jeans and ladies shirts. What he had on his feet with regard to socks or anything I'm really not sure, certain whether they were socks, stockings or whatever. You know what I mean I, I never bothered to look to find out.

Q82 Did his voice change at all in more recent times?

A Not that I'm aware of. I'm not saying it, it didn't, but if it was it was so gradual that it didn't occur to me that there would have been change. Naturally enough one doesn't look for these things unless, you know, there is a specific reason to, to want to. In his answering machine, he always used to use a falsetto voice.

Q83 Describe that?

A High pitched. Whether he was trying to imitate a female voice or not I really couldn't say, but he had been doing that falsetto type thing for a long, long time when he was, first started working at the radio he used to do this, a character depiction of a sparrow that he used to call Sammy Sparrow and yeah, well I, I just got so used to hearing that falsetto being used

that I don't, it in no way seemed unusual for him to use it on the, the answering machine.

Q84 Did you ever have any arguments with David about the way he looked? Dressed?

A I cannot answer that positively or negatively because I really can't remember. I don't think so, we may have had some discussions about it but then it never degenerated to an argument.

Q85 What did you tell him then?

A Just that it was a, a matter of concern to, to mum and dad. They, mum was less than happy about it. I don't know whether she thought it reflected on her rearing of David or not. But it was never a matter of great consequence to me, so -

Q86 Did that worry you that it was concerning your mum?

A Not any more than one would normally be concerned. And it's, I basically just accepted it, you know, I mean, as I said, the, my attitude was very similar to my father's, if that's the way he felt comfortable that was up to him. But as I said, as far as I'm aware with regard to the cross dressing, he only did it in his own unit.

Q87 You described him wearing a pink top, is that a - - -

A Yeah. A pink, a pink woollen jumper.

Q88 He wouldn't have worn a woollen jumper every Friday night, would he?

A No. No. No. As I said, if it was cold enough to wear a jumper.

Q89 What would he wear if it wasn't cold enough?

A He'd wear a long sleeved or a short sleeved shirt or a T-shirt. The T-shirts varied in colour which was, you know, standard for, for T-shirts. If he had a day off he'd come over in the, on, on a Friday he would come over in a T-shirt, if not he would come over in a collared type shirt, colours varied, you know, I mean anything from green through grey, blue, pink, whatever. Normal standard wear, I would say.

Q90 Male shirts or female's?

A He made his own so it was probably more along the lines of unisex. I never really took that much notice to be perfectly honest.

Q91 But you did say before he generally always wore make-up that you saw?

A Yeah, well, as I said, eye shadow, yes. Occasionally I noticed mascara and occasionally what appeared to be traces of lipstick.

Q92 Earrings?

A Yeah.

Q93 Do you recall those, what they looked like?

A Well, they weren't always the same, I know that the had some that had Snoopy on them. He also had some others that, that had some type of jewel in them, I can't remember the colour or what type of jewel, gem stone they were. I think he had some, some ruby ones, but you know, I mean the, the ones that he wore on any given time would vary. He, I can't remember if he wore

any jewellery around his neck, he, of course, he, he, he had a large string of bangles, bracelets, whatever you'd like to call them that he had on his left hand, if I remember correctly. And they would basically stay on there all the time, never come off.

Q94 What about his glasses, you mentioned?

A Yeah.

Q95 Did he wear glasses in normal - - -

A Yes. He - - -

Q96 Always?

A He suffered from myopia. As far as I'm aware he wore the glasses all the time. I know that he did need them for driving. They were in a rounded style plastic frame with the frame being blue and red in colour, if I remember correctly. I would regard it as being a feminine style frame, but as I said, I, you know, I'm no real judge of that sort of thing, so I can't say for certain.

Q97 All right. Can you tell me anything about his friends?

A I know of two, one of whom that I didn't mention in the initial interview because I didn't know that he was still friends with her. One is Rosanna Solomans, I'm not quite sure of how to spell her first name but her last name is, S-O-L-O-M-A-N-S, if she's still single. She is the sister of a fellow that David went through New South Wales University with and he became very friendly with her, and the other one is a lady by the name of Faye, who lives down in Victoria, I think

Melbourne. I spoke to her last week sometime. It was after the funeral, I remember that much. She said that she had just been notified of David's death through a friend and she couldn't believe it, and she said she known, an old Sydney phone book, she looked up my number because she knew that I used to live in Bondi and she hoped that, that I still lived there and that's how she managed to get my phone number. And actually, I'm sorry, it was before the funeral because I can remember saying that I doubted that she would be able to fly up in time for the funeral. It would have been the, the Tuesday night, because it was after the media statement had come out, so that would have been, what, the 20, let's see, 23rd, would that be right?

Q98

Could be.

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She said that she was extremely upset to hear about it. I agreed that it was a terrible shock. She said, she requested mum and dad's address so that she could send a letter of condolence, which I gave her. I also asked her, asked her to contact yourself as she probably knew David a lot better socially than what I did.

Q99

All right.

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Whether she did or not I don't know.

Q100

Did David ever discuss his friends with you on these nights you got together, like the Fridays?

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No, no. The, the subject of his social life was very much his own, if he said he wasn't coming on a particular night, we'd say, "What are you doing?", and

he would say, "I'm going out to a party", or "I'm going out", and if we asked him where, he would not disclose the location, and if we asked him with whom he would not disclose any names other than to say they were friends.

Q101 Do you know if anyone lived at David's flat?

A Not as far as I'm aware. I know that there, well, there were occasions when people had either house-sat or had stayed there for short occasions, but there was no permanent resident other than David, as far as I'm aware.

Q102 And do you know these persons that house-sat?

A I'm sorry?

Q103 Do you know these persons that house sat?

A No, I've, I've never met any of the people that house-sat for David.

Q104 Who told you that, David or your - - -

A David. Dad has on one occasion met one of the people that house-sat for David. He may have mentioned the name. I can't recall whether he did or not, as, as in my father mentioning - - -

Q105 How long ago was that?

A It would have been quite some time ago. Five, six years ago.

Q106 You ever mind the flat?

A No.

Q107 Do you know much about David's financial situation?

A As far as I knew he was financially independent. It

was not something we discussed because the subject never came up. The last time David cashed the tax return for me he had his pass book open in front of me and at that stage, this was June/July, July/August I should say, he had what I would regard as quite a creditable balance in there, in - - -

Q108 How much would that be?

A In excess of \$30,000. You know, I mean, obviously

- - -

Q109 Was that in one account was it?

A Yes. Don't ask me which account it was - - -

Q110 How long ago was that?

A I beg your pardon?

Q111 How long ago was that?

A I, I'm, I'm pretty sure it was the, as I said, in July/August, but it's possible it may have even been the year before that, as I said, you know, - (Tape beeping) - doesn't take a huge note of it.

Q112 Excuse me, Ian, these, these tapes are about to run out, what I propose to do is to, to suspend the interview at this stage - - -

A M'mm.

Q112 - - - for the purpose of obtaining another set of tapes

- - -

A Sure.

Q113 Now, would you like a drink, another drink or a break?

A I wouldn't mind having a cigarette, if that's O.K.

Q114 Sure, yeah, that's O.K. I can arrange that. This

interview is temporarily suspended at 6.32pm, eastern standard time.

INTERVIEW SUSPENDED

INTERVIEW RESUMED

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q115 The time is 6.39pm, eastern standard time. Interview recommenced between Detective Sergeant Bryan Matthes and Ian Grant Rose. Do you agree that, do you agree, Ian, that the tapes concluded, were about to conclude and we - - -

A Yes.

Q115 - - - we changed the tapes?

A Yes.

Q116 Do you agree also that you went downstairs and had a cigarette?

A I do.

Q117 And a break?

A Yeah.

Q118 I just want to let you know that you, we're going to continue the interview and that you're not obliged to say anything unless you wish to do so, but whatever you do say will be electronically recorded and may later be used in evidence - - -

A Sure, I understand that.

Q119 O.K. Now, we, we were talking about, I asked you a couple of questions in relation to you had seen David's passport, is that passport, is it?

A No, bank book.

Q120 Bank book, was it. You claimed you'd seen \$30,000

- - -

A In excess of \$30,000.

Q121 All right.

A The exact date I wouldn't be able to tell you. Whether it was more than 12 months ago or less than 12 months ago, is something that I can't remember. The only reason that I thought..... saw it was because it was open in front of me and he was filling out a withdrawal form at the time. So, that's the, the only reason that I saw it, I was standing next to him, so, while we were, while he was filling out the withdrawal slip.

Q122 Right. Where, where was that at?

A It was at the Westpac bank on the corner of Martin Place and Phillip Street.

Q123 O.K. You said before that you, that you cashed cheques into David's account, or something, what, what - - -

A Well, because I needed the cash at the time, I asked David if he would cash the cheque for me and he agreed. I think, if I remember correctly, the last time we did it, which was for my tax return, I had just had an upgrade done to my computer, my boss is generous in that he allows me, if I have a major upgrade done to pay it off, rather than pay it in one lump sum. And there was that and I think some other bills that I had to pay, so, I basically needed the cash straightaway rather than putting it through the bank and waiting for

the cheque to clear. I got David to cash the cheque for me and signed the cheque over to his account.

Q124 When was the last time you got any money off David or asked David for money?

A That would have been the last occasion.

Q125

A I think it was July, August.

Q126 This year?

A No, last year. This year the tax return was paid into my own bank account.

Q127 Do you have any financial problems?

A Normal, shortage of money during tight periods, no. I own my own unit, I'm getting a decent wage, at the moment I'm able to cope with whatever debits I incur, during the period of my unemployment, obviously things were a lot tighter, but also I, I tended to try and live within my budget. Wasn't always successful, I'll freely admit that. But at the moment I'm, I'm coping. There are, obviously the routine bills that come up but at this stage I've had no real difficulty in paying them. I might have paid them a little bit late because of the pay periods involved, but, you know, they've always been paid.

Q128 All right. Do you know anything about David's beneficiaries?

A No, I - - -

Q129 David's will?

A We were unaware of whether there, or, unaware of the

possible existence of a will. And I have no idea of who David's beneficiaries are.

Q130 Who do you think that might be?

A Well, my presumption would probably be my parents and myself. Possibly some relations in England, possible, possibly but unlikely my grandmother would have been mentioned. One normally expects that one's grandparents will pre-decease oneself, so, yeah, my personal guess would be it's unlikely that my grandmother would be mentioned as a beneficiary.

Q131 You know David owned another unit, don't you?

A Yes, yeah, I, if I remember correctly the address is [REDACTED] Anzac Parade, Kensington.

Q132 Do you know who rents that?

A No, I've got no idea. David did mention it at one stage, I have a feeling that they may be of Oriental original or Asian origin. Whether they are university students or what, I don't know.

Q133 Do you know how he, how the rent was received?

A No, I don't.

Q134 David never discussed that with you?

A No. I saw no need to discuss it with him because it had absolutely nothing to do with me, it was his decision, he could do it however he want.

Q135 All right. The way David dressed, did he up at all anywhere, or did he -?

A Not that I was aware of, as I said, as far as I knew he only ever cross-dressed inside his unit. It's possible

he, there, there, sorry, there's two possibilities that I'm aware of. One is that he may have padded himself around the groin area to disguise his penis. The other is that he may have had himself surgically altered.

Q136 Why do you think that?

A When my grandfather passed away in 1993 we had to sleep in the same room because my grandparents' place was not big enough to accommodate in separate rooms. And the bulge in his pants wasn't there. I know it sounds silly but one notices a radical difference like that compared to what one is previously used to seeing when, on the occasion one sees their brother in a state of undress or semi-undress.

Q137 Did he try and disguise something from you?

A I really don't know, I didn't mention it with him. I didn't feel it was worthy of mention, so -

Q138 Did you discuss it with anyone else?

A No. I knew, well, I thought that the possibility might distress mum and dad so I didn't mention it to them.

Q139 You mentioned, did you ever see him with say, padded bras or -?

A No.

Q140 All right.

A No.

Q141 Booster -?

A Not at all. You know, as far as I was aware, the only cross-dressing he did, excuse me, was to put on a dress at home, as I said, I was unaware of any other cross-

dressing, so -

Q142 Did he speak recently about any changes in his - - -

A Not to me.

Q142 - - - dress or did you - - -

A Not to me, it's possible he may have discussed it

- - -

Q143 Have you learnt from your parents or anyone else that he was a cross-dresser?

A Well, Deborah O'Reilly did mention that he had discussed with mum the possibility, well, mum and dad I should say, the possibility of him having a sex change, I was completely unaware of that. I don't discount that that may have been a possibility. He gave the appearance of being reasonably comfortable with his way of life, whether that was just a, a surface facade or not, I really couldn't tell you.

Q144 So nothing in the last few months he discussed with you about his - - -

A No.

Q144 - - - sexuality?

A No, no, nothing at all.

Q145 Did he ever discuss any preference for male or female?

A No.

Q146 Did you ever discuss it with him?

A Never really came up.

Q147 Have you ever known him to have a girlfriend?

A Not to the best of my knowledge, that doesn't mean that one didn't exist. He had numerous friends that were

female but to, as to how deep the relationship might have gone I, I couldn't give you any indication. And the same would apply to male friends.

Q148 Did you have any opinion on his sexuality?

A I thought he was straight but cross-dressed.

Q149 Why did you think that?

A I had no reason to doubt he was anything other than heterosexual.

Q150 Wouldn't the surgical removing of - - -

A Well, I didn't know that for a fact. As I said the only reason I noticed was that the, the bulge wasn't there in his pants, so, although it was a possibility it was never, the subject was never brought up, so, and I never really discussed it with him. You know, as far as I was concerned he, he was my brother and what he felt comfortable with was, was his business. I wouldn't criticise him for it because I don't believe that it's fair to do so. You know, I mean there's plenty of people that will vilify people for their sexuality. A classic case of course, is people such as Ted Noffs that sound off in the paper, I mean, as far as I'm concerned to each their own provided they don't try to persuade me out of my sexual preference or, or make a pass at me, for want of a better term, they can do what they like, provided it's not criminal of course. So, yeah, it's a, it, it was not a subject that was of great concern to me.

Q151 Did David ever try to have an influence in your life,

persuade you to do something?

A In what way?

Q152 Any way.

A Only when I was still at school, you know, he used to try and persuade me to study more, I left school when I was 15, he suggested it might be a good idea to stay on at school, he also suggested that it might be a good idea if I continued some course of study. But, other than that, no.

Q153 Recently, has he sort of tried to - - -

A No.

Q153 - - - persuade you or talk you into doing something?

A No, no. As I said, the, the last few times that I spoke to him it was only with regard to a present that we were getting from mum and dad for, for Hanukah, which was a fax modem for their computer and a sound card. We sort of tentatively made arrangements with regard to him giving me his share of the money towards it, you know -

Q154 And your mother knew that?

A No. Obviously and I'm, I'm not going to insist on receiving it, it would be stupid to do so. We had originally planned that, that he would give me the, the money on the night of the 19th, when, before we knew that we wouldn't be going over to mum and dad's.

Q155 The 19th?

A Yeah, the 19th.

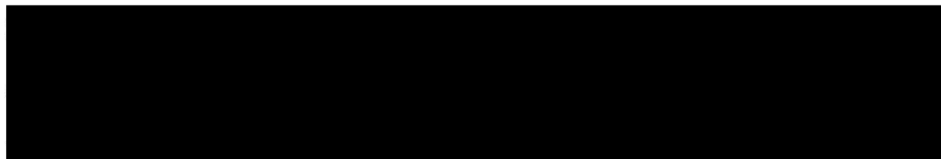
Q156 Do you know whether he was - - -

A Well, the original plan was that we would go over there, but because David was unwell and mum had pneumonia the night was, was cancelled.

Q157 I'm just going to temporarily suspend this interview for the moment. I just have to make an important phone call.

A Sure.

Q158



A Sure, sure.

Q159 Just make it quite clear to the, for the record. The time is now 6.54pm. I intend continuing this interview, but I wish to just check, I've been called for a phone call.

A Sure, yeah.

Q160 I won't turn the tapes off, I'll just leave the room.
O.K.

INTERVIEW SUSPENDED

INTERVIEW RESUMED

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q161 I'm returning, the time is 6.56pm, eastern standard time. Recommence this interview. Just a couple more questions.

A Sure.

Q162 O.K. Did you listen to any of David's radio programs?

A No, he was normally either on late at night or early in the morning, and I'm not a big radio listener anyway.

Q163 Right.

A I had on occasion heard some taped interviews that he had done while he was overseas where he had interviewed local people from the areas where he had been travelling, but that was not on the radio, he had actually played them for us and I was in the company of my parents at the time.

Q164 Did you, did David ever give you a spare set of keys to
- - -

A No, to the best of my knowledge there was not a spare set.

Q165 Do you know if anyone had a set?

A Well, as I said, to the best of my knowledge, there was only the one set of keys.

Q166 And could you describe what they looked like?

A They, exactly how many keys were on the keyring I couldn't tell you, I didn't take that much notice. There, whether they were in a, a key wallet or not I can't remember, I know that he did have a spare set of car keys that he kept in a key wallet. But, how he kept his house keys, I can't remember.

Q167 O.K.

A I didn't take any real notice.

Q168 Can you tell me what your movements were on the, Saturday, the 20th of December, 1997?

A I was home most of the day, I think I did some shopping around about lunch time. But the rest of the time I was home. I live alone, I was probably out for an

hour, hour and a half tops.

Q169 How do you remember this weekend?

A It's pretty typical weekend as far as I was concerned, at the time, other than the fact that we, that is my parents and I, believed my brother to be unwell and my mother was worried because she was unable to contact him.

Q170 Right. So you remember it for that reason?

A Well, obviously for the, the outcome of the weekend on, on the, the 21st, because of the events we found out later. I mean, something that's burned into my memory, one doesn't normally the, the, that one was going about one's business and, and their brother died.

Q171 So you went shopping, do you know what time that was?

A Around about lunch time. I can't be more exact on that because as, as I said, I, I think it was probably around about quarter to 12.00 that I left my place and I think I was home by about 1.30, 2 o'clock.

Q172 Did you see anyone when you went shopping, that you knew?

A I can't remember. It may, I may have seen somebody that I knew.

Q173 Where did you shop at?

A Bondi Junction.

Q174 Which shops?

A Whichever department store's in Eastgate, I can never remember whether it's Coles or Woolworths. I went down to have a look in K-Mart because I had considered

purchasing the Star Wars Trilogy on video, they were out of stock. Had a, did a little bit of window shopping, and then I caught the bus home.

Q175 Did you, did you buy anything?

A I bought some raw peanuts, some corn chips, some meat from the butcher's inside Eastgate, and a six-pack of 1.25 litre Coke.

Q176 How did you pay for this?

A Cash.

Q177 All of it, cash?

A As far as I can remember.

Q178 Do you keep receipts?

A I think I've got a, a receipt at home for the purchase from Coles, I don't know about the butcher.

Q179 What did you do after you came home from shopping?

A Sat down and watched TV. And that's normally what I, what I do on the weekend, I normally just veg out, as, as they say. And fairly inactive, watched TV, read a book, whatever the case may be, I may have even spent some time on my computer, I can't remember.

Q180 Is the e-mail or -?

A No, no, playing games.

Q181 Playing games?

A Things like, got PGA Golf on the computer, I may have installed a new game called Fifa '98 which is a, a soccer game. That's about it.

Q182 Did you speak to anyone on the phone?

A I spoke to mum, as to whether I spoke to anybody else,

I, I don't think I did. I, actually I may have spoken to a friend of mine by the name of Alex Ellis.

Q183 Alex Ellis. Have you got his number, telephone number?

A Yes. His mobile number's [REDACTED]. And his home phone number is [REDACTED], I think.

Q184 You may have spoken to him or you've -?

A Well, I normally speak to him on a Saturday. He is a taxi driver by profession, he drives the night shifts, and we normally speak on, on a Saturday, but whether he rang me or I rang him, I can't remember.

Q185 All right. Did you speak to anyone else that night, that you recall?

A Not that I can recall.

Q186 What time did you go to bed?

A Late, by comparison to during the week because I'd been working that week. Midnight or later. I can't be more exact than - - -

Q187 Is that, is that normal for you?

A For a Saturday night, yes. During the weekends I, may sleeping, normal sleeping habits go right out the window. I tend to stay up late and sleep in. I mean that, that's a typical pattern for me, I don't regard myself as being a loud pattern, a loud person, I don't have my TV or radio up loud, so, I guess there's probably no way of anybody else being able to verify that. Because as far as I'm aware, it would not have disturbed any of the neighbours.

Q188 Did you speak to any of the neighbours on that Saturday

night?

A I may have done, but it would only have been because I happened to see them, I wouldn't have gone to them deliberately to, to speak to them.

Q189 What about the Sunday?

A, the Sunday, I think I did some shopping at east, Eastpoint at Harris Farm at Edgecliff, I went over to my parents' place for lunch because I had some bought some groceries for my mother. And then after lunch I got on the ferry and came home. From then on it was basically a repeat of Saturday, in so far as I sat down and watched TV.

Q190 Did you speak to anyone else?

A I may have spoken to Alex again, unfortunately I can't remember for certain. That would have been by phone if we had spoken. Apart from anybody else, I don't think so, I can't remember, or I don't recall having spoken to anybody else. Mum had told me, at that stage, if she hadn't heard from David on the Monday that she was going to contact the police and get them to open the unit so that we could find out what was going on. And you obviously know the results of that. On - - -

Q191 How did she - - -

A On the, the Monday morning my mother phoned me before she left home, said that she was going to the police and requested that I accompany her - - -

Q192 Excuse me, just hold it there. We Video's run out. O.K. We'll just stop there for the video.

A Sure.

Q193 Yeah, the time is 7.00, 7 past 7.00.

INTERVIEW SUSPENDED

INTERVIEW RESUMED

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q194 Yeah, the time is 7.00, 8 past 7.00, we stopped the interview for the purpose of changing the video tape. Ian, on the Sunday, sorry, the, the Monday now.

A Yeah. My mother rang me at approximately 9.40am, said that she was going to contact the police to see if they could get into David's unit. She requested that accompany her. We went to Randwick Police Station, spoke to a Senior Constable Dunnitt, who arranged that police would attend the unit and endeavour to find out what the story was with regard to David.

Q195 Yeah. The Saturday night, can you tell me what you were watching on TV?

A No, I can't.

Q196 Take, take your time, think about it.

A I watched The Bill at 8.30, that much I do know because I watch it every Saturday night.

Q197 Do you remember what was on that particular Saturday night?

A I watch so many episodes of The Bill, I, it would be very difficult to, to tell you. No, I, I really can't recall. I watched Xena previous to that, I think that starts at 6.30 from memory. On that particular night,

let me think, gee, I think she was involved, I think that was the night that they had the episode with Bacchus, but that could easily have been the week before.

Q198 When did you intend to purchase the gift for your parents?

A I had already purchased it.

Q199 When did you intend to collect the money from David?

A On the night of the 19th of December.

Q200 O.K.

A Which was the Friday night, that had been the original intention.

Q201 And when is the Hanukah?

A Hanukah?

Q202 Yes.

A The first night of Hanukah was last Tuesday, so, be, what would it have been, the 23rd, I think.

Q203 How did you pay for the gift?

A Cash.

Q204 Is that how you normally purchase product?

A Yes. The transaction is written up in the cash sale book at my office. The sound card I already had, I had upgraded my own sound card and I was giving mum and dad my old one.

Q205 Would you allow Detective O'Reilly and myself at the conclusion of this interview to search your premises in your presence?

A Yeah, by all means.

Q206 O.K. Just a couple more questions. Were you jealous at all of, of David?

A I guess to a certain extent I, I was, only in so far as that he was more overtly successful with regard to material things than I was. But I don't feel that, that it was anything more than a very vague feeling, I mean, he and I respected what we could and couldn't do, I respected that we had differences. If there was any jealousy it would have been on a severely subconscious level I would, you know, I don't feel that it, that it, that it ever surfaced. There was obviously sibling rivalry when we were younger, but, that had subsided, it would never flare up to more than a sharp word here and there.

Q207 Did youse ever fight physically?

A We, we used to fight when we were kids, as I said, but we had not come to blows for well over 15 years. In fact it's probably even longer than that. You know, I think there's the, the normal sarcastic repartee that tends to take place between brothers, but, it was never anything more than that, never degenerated to anything other than, you know, just the odd sharp word here and there. You know, like, piss off, or something like that. It would never be anything more than that. You know, we, we respected the differences in one another and just accepted each other for what we were.

Q208 Were you concerned that the way David was becoming, in the terms of his dress and that, that he was causing

your parents great distress?

A I may have been concerned about it, but I didn't think there was anything I could do about it. And I did not believe that I had any place to say anything to him, along to, on the odd occasion draw his attention to the fact that my parents were concerned about it.

Q209 Were you concerned enough to try and stop him from, from expressing his normal clothing?

A I had suggested on occasion to him that perhaps it might be more diplomatic to not wear nail polish and/or eye shadow to mum and dad's, but that was the extent of it.

Q210 Had you done that recently?

A No, not for some time.

Q211 This, this, excuse me for my pronunciation, Hanukah?

A Hanukah, yeah.

Q212 Was there going to be many people there?

A I don't know, I don't know what mum and dad had planned. On previous occasions it had only been mum, dad, David and myself. Whether they had something more planned or not, I don't know. Obviously we were not in any mental state to talk about it when Hanukah occurred on the Tuesday, because it was the day before the funeral. And it, Hanukah's actually spelt, H-A-N-U-K-A-H, U-K-A-H.

Q213 Did David tell you how he was going, what he was going to wear, did you try to tell David - - -

A No.

Q213 - - -?

A No, no, David would have worn whatever he wanted to. I did not make any suggestions to him, in fact the subject never even came up, so, I would have no idea of what he intended wearing.

Q214 Were you embarrassed about how he was - - -

A No.

Q214 - - - what he was wearing?

A No. As I said, as far as I was aware, David only cross-dressed in the home, so, you know, and as far as I was concerned it was what he felt comfortable with in the home, so, it didn't, it didn't worry me. I was not upset or embarrassed in any way.

Q215 O.K. Do you agree that this afternoon around about 5.10pm we attended your home residence at Francis Street?

A I didn't take much notice of the time but that would be approximately, the approximate time, yes.

Q216 Do you agree that I requested that you accompany us to, if you wished - - -

A Yes.

Q216 - - - and then you volunteered to come with us to the police station?

A That's correct.

Q217 O.K. Do you agree that you also, on the 22nd of December, 1997 at Maroubra Police Station made a typewritten statement with the assistance of a police officer, policewoman?

A Yes, that's correct.

Q218 Have you read that statement?

A I have, I, I read it before I signed it, I don't think I've looked at it again other than to look to see that it was all together in one spot. For obvious reasons that's not something I particularly want to look at again.

Q219 Is there anything that you wish to add or, or - - -

A Well, without actually going through it - - -

Q220

A - - - I, I couldn't say.

Q221 Would you like to go through it now?

A Yeah, if you, if you don't mind, I would like to - - -

Q222 Yes.

A - - - go, just read through it again.

Q223 Can you just a paragraph for me, please, just so that I, I can identify to the electronic device that you can read?

A Sure. "I moved to Australia in 1961 with, mum, dad, David" - - -

Q224 That's fine, you can read the rest yourself.

A Just in paragraph 6 it's probably more in the lines of clarification, while David was at university he did suffer an allergy to some prescribed drugs and had a reaction which is the equivalent of lockjaw. He did go to hospital for that, as far as I can remember, but it's just that in there, in that particular paragraph I did say that he suffered from no major illnesses or

depression, I just think it might be as well to clarify that - - -

Q225

Sure.

A

- - - point. But there were no major illnesses as far as I'm aware.

Q226

Before you make any more comment I'll just draw your attention to paragraph 1.

A

Sure.

Q227

You have nothing, I want to make it quite clear that at paragraph 1, you have nothing to fear or favour in what the content of that paragraph says.

A

M'mm.

Q228

I don't wish you to be influenced by that paragraph

- - -

A

Yeah, sure.

Q228

- - - in any way.

A

Well - - -

Q229

Do you understand that?

A

Yes - - -

Q230

For the purpose of this interview, I wish you to, for the purpose of what I'm going to ask you, I wish you to, to assume that that paragraph doesn't exist.

A

Right.

Q231

And not be influenced at all by - - -

A

M'mm.

Q231

- - - Do you understand what I'm saying?

A

Yes, yeah, I understand.

Q232

And I want you to be aware also that you're not obliged

to make any comment in relation to what you read in this statement, as any comment you do make will be electronically recorded and may later be used in evidence - - -

A Yeah.

Q232 - - - Do you understand that?

A Yes, I understand that.

Q233

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DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTES

Q234 O.K, the time is 7.25pm, eastern standard time. Ian, do you agree that we've just had, experiencing difficulty with the tapes?

A Yes, the tapes have been changed.

Q235 All right. And we've changed the tapes accordingly.

A Yes.

Q236 This is our third set of tapes. O.K, do you - - -

A I haven't bothered to count them.

Q237 I'll just, I'll just, just confirm that you're reading your statement which was made at Maroubra Police Station on - - -

A 22nd.

Q237 - - - 22nd.

A Yes, that is correct.

Q238 If you could continue, please?

A Righto. Read the statement. I don't feel that I need to add anything add anything and I believe it correctly

states my recall at the, the time of making the statement.

Q239 And is there anything you wish to subtract from it?

A No.

Q240 Other than paragraph six which you mentioned?

A No, the, the paragraph six, the, the comment I made was actually in clarification - - -

Q241 Yep. That's good

A Yeah.

Q242 O.K.

A But no, there's, there's nothing else that I wish to change.

Q243 Detective O'Reilly, is there anything further you wish to ask?

DETECTIVE SENIOR CONSTABLE O'REILLY

Q244 Mr Rose, earlier you mentioned that you think your last physical fight was with your brother Ian about 15 years ago.

A You mean David.

Q245 Is that correct? Sorry, David. Is that correct?

A At, at least 15 years ago.

Q246 Do you recall how old you were when you had your last physical fight with David?

A No. I really can't remember. In fact it was almost certainly longer than that because the last time I can actually recall coming to blows with David, I was still living at home, at, at Balgowlah Heights, which was, we have not been there for well over 20 years, so, it

would be even longer than 15 years ago.

Q247 How old were you when you left home?

A Well, when I was 17 I went over to the Middle East for six months by myself and then I went into the navy in 1980 and I was in there until 1984, then I moved home for a short while again and in '86 I bought my own unit.

Q248 Mr Rose, would you mind removing your glasses, please?

A Certainly.

Q249 I notice on the outside corner of your right eye there appears to be a black mark.

A That's a mole as far as I'm aware.

Q250 No, I'm not referring to, to a mole. It actually appears to be more of a bruise.

A I was completely unaware of it.

Q251 So, has - - -

A Without actually having a look in the mirror I couldn't
- - -

Q252 Sure.

A - - - couldn't say what it is there.

Q253 You actually have a mole on the left side - - -

A What, - - -

Q253 - - - of - - -

A I'm not even sure what's, yeah.

Q254

A I do have, I have a number of moles on my face.

Q255 Have you sustained any injury to your face at all, in

the past two weeks?

A Not that I'm aware of. I may possibly have bumped myself in my sleep but I'm not aware of anything.

Q256

A As far as I know. I, as, as, as I said I, I didn't even know that mark existed.

Q257 Right. It, it may be a physical feature - - -

A Yeah.

Q257 - - - of, of your own.

A Mm.

Q258 Nothing further?

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q259 O.K. The time is now 7.30. I will leave the, the room to obtain a senior officer to ask you a number of questions about the way we've conducted the interview.

A Certainly.

Q260 O.K. Thank you.

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I had no idea there was a mark on, on that side. I knew that, that I had the mole. It didn't occur to me what side it was on.

DETECTIVE SENIOR CONSTABLE O'REILLY

Q261 No, it, it may be the case that there's a faint mole, again, under your right eye. I was referring to a mark that, that appears above that, but as I said it may be a physical feature of, of yourself.

A Without actually having a look in the mirror, I couldn't tell you.

Q262 Mm.

A Is there a mirror around?

Q263 No, there's not but you can no doubt do that when you get home.

A Yeah, it's just that I thought you might want it for the record, that's all.

Q264 No.

A I give you fair warning. My place is an absolute rubbish dump at the moment.

Q265 Mr Rose, what's your date of birth?

A [REDACTED], '58.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q266 Matthes returns with Sergeant Howard. It is now 7.00, 7.35pm. Ian, this is Sergeant Howard. He's the officer in charge of the police station at the moment. He's going to ask you a number of questions in relation to this interview. Detective O'Reilly and myself are going to leave the room.

A O.K.

SERGEANT HOWARD

Q267 All right, as they said my name is Sergeant Howard and I'm going to ask you some questions in relation to this record of interview that you just had Detectives Matthes and O'Reilly. Are you Ian Rose?

A Yes, I am.

Q268 Have you made this record of interview of your own free

will?

A Yes.

Q269 Was any threat, promise or inducement held out to you to give the answers as recorded in this interview?

A No.

Q270 Have you any complaints to make in the manner in which you have been interviewed or the way in which you have been treated?

A No.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MATTHES

Q271 All right. Matthes and O'Reilly return. That was the door closing. Do you agree with that?

A Yeah.

Q272 O.K. The time is now 7.37pm, eastern standard time. We're going to conclude this interview. Just, sorry, prior to concluding is there anything further you wish to say?

A No, there are obviously some details that I would like to know. For example, has there been a will found? I asked you that question prior to this interview and you said that you would answer that either during or after the interview. I also asked you whether any progress had been made with the investigation and you appeared to indicate to me that some progress had been made but details had not, excuse me, had not been forthcoming and obviously may not be forthcoming.

Q273 Well, I can't answer the second question. I can answer the first question - - -

A Yeah.

Q273 - - - for you and that is, yes, a will has been located.

A Now, as, the reason I'm asking this is because we didn't know if there was a will and I believe that was indicated to you by both my parents and myself on the 22nd of December.

Q274 All right. I, I can tell you a will has been located. It's not relevant to our, that, this inquiry and I think that's something that we can discuss at a later point in relation to things that have been found in it. As far as the - - -

A Yes, of course.

Q274 - - - second question, I can't answer all of that - - -

A Yeah, of course, I understand.

Q274 - - - certainly aware conducting our inquiries.

A I, I can understand that.

Q275 O.K, that's, that's all. If you wish to -

A Yes.

Q276 O.K, that's, the time is now 7.39pm. This interview is now concluded.

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