New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:

Place: Willis Street, Kingsford

Date: 15 January, 1998

Death of David ROSE

Name: GUILHAUS, Michael

Tel No.:

Address:

Occupation: Associate Professor

States:-

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

- My age is 43.
- 3. I am an Associate Professor for the Department of Chemistry at the University of New South Wales. I have held this position since 1993. I have been a member of staff of the university since 1986. I am married with two children and live in Kingsford. I have been at my current address since 1994.
- 4. On the weekend of the 20th and 21st of December, 1997 I was at home at my house at Kingsford. I spent most of the weekend working on the front garden and associated trips to hardware shops. I was installing an automatic watering system in the garden. This involved burying irrigation pipes within the front garden and the associated electrical and plumbing work. The Saturday was overcast in the morning and sunny in the afternoon and the Sunday was sunny all day.
- 5. At one stage during the weekend I saw a person walking along the footpath in Willis Street. This person was on the eastern side of the street and was walking south from the university

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end. He walked past me on the footpath and continued south in the street. He crossed Willis street to the western footpath around the intersection of Willis and Norton Streets. I remember looking at the back of him as he walked down the street. I recognised this person as being the same as an individual I remember seeing around the University of New South Wales in the 1970's. He had the same walk and demeanour that I remembered him having.

- 6. This person was wearing a straw sun hat with a wide brim. It had a ribbon on the top and was obviously a ladies hat. I think that the ribbon was under the chin. He was wearing a shirt of light colour and pants of some description. These pants were long and met a pair of running shoes. The running shoes were white with a pink trim. When I first looked up from the garden work and saw this person I thought it was female. As he walked closer I saw that it was obviously a male. He passed within a metre or so of me and I saw light facial hair. It was obvious that this person was a male wearing female clothing. He also had a walkman on and I saw a pair of cables going dangling from his ears. The walkman appeared to be bulky. He was not carrying anything and was walking fairly quickly. He could have been wearing glasses and had bangles on his wrists. He also had longer, dark frizzy hair that was visible underneath the hat.
- 7. One of the things that struck was that he looked almost the same as he had when I had seen around the university some 20 years before. On the 15th of January, 1998 Constable KITCHING showed me a photograph of a male person wearing a hat and holding a snake. I recognise this person as being the same as the individual I saw walking down Willis Street.
- 8. The time that I saw this person was either early Saturday afternoon, late Saturday afternoon or Early Sunday morning. My

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best recollection is that it was later on Saturday afternoon because the sun was shining on him through the trees as he walked. I say this because he was in the shade when I saw him and this could only have been later the day as the footpath at the front of our house is in shade for most of the afternoon. I also remember that the shadows when I looked at him further down the street were longer.

- These periods are the only time I was working alone in the front part of the garden on that weekend. At the time I saw him I was bending down in the garden and remember digging at the This fits with either later Saturday afternoon of late Sunday morning. I believe it was late Saturday because I recall thinking about the event at the dinner table on either Saturday or Sunday evening and was going to say something about it. remained quiet because other conversations were taking place at the time. This fits with dinner on the Saturday evening as my mother was over for a BBQ.
- On Tuesday the 13th of January, 1998 I read an article about the murder of a gentleman in Kensington. This was in the local Messenger newspaper. I recognised the photograph in the paper and contacted the police.

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