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STATEMENT in the matter of:

Death of Scott MILLER

Place: The Rocks
Police Station

Date : 4 March 1997

Name:

Jason Trenton ELVY

Address:

Occupation: Shop Attendant.

Tel. No.:

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 anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.
- 2. I am 23 years of age.
- 3. I have been living in the Sydney area since I was born. In early 1995, I was working for Liqourland at _____. About this time Nathan WHITE starting working at Liqourland. Over this time we started a friendship and fairly regularly we went out together at night with a group of friends.
- 4. In May last year Nathan celebrated his twenty first birthday with a party in Orange, which was his home town. During this party I met Scott MILLER. I only sort of said hello to him that night and had a short conversation with him. From our conversation I knew that Scott was from Orange and was a long time friend of Nathans.
- 5. The next I saw of Scott was New Years Eve 1996/7 at Nathans house at Willoughby. Nathan was having a New Years Eve bash and I just met up with Scott again. I got to know him a bit better

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that night and we all spent the next day together. From what I remember Scott was staying at his Aunty's house in Sydney. From the time after the party I hadn't seen or spoken to Scott over the phone.

- 6. On Saturday 1st March 1997, a group of friends had organised to go to Nathans house for drinks before heading into the Mardi Gras. Nathan had previously told me that Scott was going to be at his place and was going to be coming out with us later on. When I arrived about 7.30pm at Nathans house I met up with Scott, Sean KELLY, Nathan and his flatmate. We stayed at Nathans house for approximately three to four hours. While we were there we were all drinking beer and tequila. The beer was Boags Original, it is full strength beer about 4.9%. We were playing a couple of different card games that included drinking. The games basically were if you lost the card game you had to have a nip of tequila.
- 7. Throughout the night I would had about five nips of tequila and about six full size beers. I noticed that Scott was losing a fair bit at the game and probably would have had anywhere between six to eight nips of tequila. He might have had roughly the same amount of beers of me. Also throughout the night we each had a cone of marijuana. I didn't see Scott have a cone but I'm pretty sure he had one.
- 8. Anywhere between ten thirty and eleven thirty that night we left Nathans by taxi and were dropped off just down from Taylor Square. There was Sean, Nathan myself and Scott. We walked up to the corner and watched the last half to an hour of the parade. We then made our way to The Rocks before stopping to buy a stubby of beer and a can of bourbon at a place that looked

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like a make up bar. Scott bought the beers for all of us and Sean bought the bourbon. I didn't see how much money Scott had but thinking about it now he probably wouldn't have bought the drinks if he didn't have any money left. On the way down we stopped off to get sausage sandwiches and met up with two English girls. The girls names were Clare and Lisa. We started walking with them towards the Rocks and when about half way Sean, myself and the two girls got into a cab and drove to the Orient. Five minutes later Scott and Nathan turned up at the Orient and we met them outside. I'm not sure if Nathan and Scott came directly into the orient or went straight to the other Hotel. Sean and I definitely went into the orient with the two English girls and stayed with them until Nathan came back about half an hour later. Nathan said something like, "I just got asked to leave the other hotel, I havn't seen Scott have you." We hadn't seen him so Nathan, Sean, myself and the two girls stayed at the Orient waiting for Scott to turn up.

After an unknown period of time we all ended up leaving the Orient. One of the girls gave me their phone number. The number . We then put them into a cab and walked up the Paragon where we met up with two more friends of Sean's and Nathan's. I'm pretty sure they were both from Orange. We all then went to McDonalds somewhere on the way to a place called Patricks or Saint Patricks. We stayed there until roughly four o clock, hopped in a cab and went to Nathans at Willoughby. When we arrived home we looked through the house for Scott but couldn't find him. We mucked around for half an hour and fell asleep. The following day when Sean left Nathans and arrived at his house at Maroubra he rang up and said something like, "Have you heard from Scott."

I said, "No and had you."

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He said, "No. He's car is still here. All of his gear that he brought with him is still here."

I said, "Nathan and I will be leaving in about fifteen minutes and will be over."

- 10. Myself and Nathan arrived at Maroubra and noticed Scott wasn't there. About four 'o' clock we went to the beach for about an hour. I later left with Nathan about eight 'o' clock and went home.
- 11. About midday yesterday (3.3.97) I was contacted by a friend Andrew CRUICKSHANK. He said, "I got some bad news. really, really bad news. Millsy had been found dead." I was in shock and stayed talking to Andrew for about ten
- minutes.
- 12. From what I had seen of Scott he liked a good time. Meaning that he was a genuine country bloke, full of life and looked after his friends. He wasn't the bloke who would go looking for trouble.
- 13. On the Saturday night, I would say that I was pretty drunk, but still had most of my sensors with me. Scott was a little bit worse than the rest of us. He seemed to be a bit louder and less in control. He wasn't at the stage that anyone had to help him walk. I'm under the impression that Scott maybe lost us and in trying to find us was taken out. I have been told that Scott was found with no underpants on. I have no explaination as to why. I have also been told that Scott was discovered with no money. I would have thought that Scott would have had money on him as we planned to get a cab home together to Willoughby.

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