NEW SOUTH WALES STATE CORONER

NSW Attorney General's Department

27/05/97

Mrs. C. Miller,

Dear Mrs. Miller,

Re: Death of Scott MILLER Our reference: 409/97.

On behalf of the State Coroner, Mr. Hand, I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 21st. May, 1997 and wish to advise that your concerns have been noted.

A brief of evidence has been called from the Police. When that brief of evidence and other reports are received the State Coroner will make a decision as to whether an inquest will be held or an inquest may properly be dispensed with. When the brief of evidence has been seen by the State Coroner it is available to the next of kin upon written request, which I note you have already made.

The target date for finalisation of the brief at this stage is the 20th June, 1997. This date may be extended if further investigation is required.

Coronial inquiries are often protracted and I realise this may cause stress to families, however the Coroner does need to be satisfied that all avenues of the investigation have been covered.

A copy of your letter and my reply have been forwarded to the case officer allocated to oversee this investigation so that he may ensure your concerns are covered in the brief.

If you require further information kindly contact this office.

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs.) C. Hopping, Clerk of the Court.