

CRIME AGENCIES PROGRESS REPORT

To be submitted fortnightly unless otherwise directed
 Period ends Saturday - to be lodged with Operations Coordination by C.O.B. Monday

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Strike Force Name		CAC No	97-0440	Review Date	12/1/97	Report Period	9/12/97	To	13/12/97
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No. of Staff	1	Staff Changes (Y/N)	N	No. of Vehicles	1	Vehicle Changes (Y/N)	N	Investigative Hours	26
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(If there are changes to staff &/or vehicles please attach a 'Notification of Resource Alteration' form)

BACKGROUND

This investigation was initiated from a letter received at the Office of the State Coroner from the parents of Scott Stuart MILLER who was found deceased in suspicious circumstances on the 3/3/97 at the bottom of a cliff face within the confines Patricks The Australian Stevedore container terminal, Darling Harbour. This letter accompanied by a covering report, dated 11/11/97 under the hand of the Senior Deputy State Coroner Mr. J B Abernethy was received at Crime Agencies. Mr. Abernethy in his letter requests an officer be appointed to address a number of concerns raised in the MILLER letter, which in effect is seeking a further investigation to be undertaken into the death of their son.

The covering letter also makes reference that Mr. Abernathy conducted an inquest into the death of Scott Stuart MILLER and concluded on the evidence that MILLER was the victim of a homicide by person or persons unknown (open finding).

The MILLER family in their letter raised several issues which are:-

interview certain witnesses (security guards) from the container terminal

interview ship crews

canvass an interview staff of Hotels in the vicinity of 'The Rocks'

and examine Police and Taxi records.

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ACTIONS PERFORMED SINCE LAST REPORT	PROPOSED ACTIONS
FIRST REPORT	OBTAIN A FULL BRIEF OF EVIDENCE AND SUMMARY FROM THE CORONERS COURT PERUSE ALL SUCH MATERIAL CONVERSE WITH THE OIC OF THE MATTER D/S/C LANE OF THE ROCKS
	VISIT THE SCENE AND RE TRACE THE LAST KNOWN MOVEMENTS OF THE DECEASED CONVERSE WITH THE MILLER FAMILY ON A REGULAR BASIS ON THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

Signature		Name & Rank	K J DESMOND DET SGT	Date	24/12/97
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