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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 97-04	40 Review Date 1	2/1/97 Report Period	14/12/97 to 27/12/97	
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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

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.

ACTIONS PERFORMED SINCE LAST REPORT	PROPOSED ACTIONS		
OBTAIN A BRIEF OF EVIDENCE FROM THE CORONERS COURT	INTERVIEW SECURITY STAFF AT THE CONTAINER TERMINAL - DARLING HARBOUR		
OBTAIN RUNNING SHEETS FROM THE ROCKS DETECTIVES			
OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS FROM SCIENTIFIC UNIT	EXAMINE RADIO LOGS AT THE COMMUNICATION SECTION		
	ENQUIRIES WITH CAB COMPANIES		
EXAMINE CRIME SCENE AND RETRACE LAST KNOWN MOVEMENTS OF THE DECEASED	CONTINUE TO EXAMINE WITNESSES STATEMENTS		
CONVERSE WITH OIC CONCERNING THE INVESTIGATION	ENQUIRIES WITH LOCAL HOTELS IN THE ROCKS DISTRICT		
EXAMINE WITNESSES STATEMENTS	BLOOD ON THE BACK OF DECEASED SHIRT TO BE EXAMINED BY THE FORENSIC SECTION LIDCOMBE TO IDENTIFY BLOOD GROUP		
	CONVERSE WITH THE MILLER FAMILY ON A REGULAR BASIS ON THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION		

Signature | Name & Rank | K J DESMOND | DET SGT | Date | 30/12/97