



## Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Hodgetts,

### **Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes: Scott Miller**

I refer to the above Inquiry.

I also refer to the death of Scott Miller, who was found deceased near Wharf 5, Hickson Road in Darling Harbour, Sydney on Monday, 3 March 1997.

#### **Further forensic examination of debris**

As you are aware, a piece of debris was recovered from Mr Miller's right hand at the time of the post mortem examination (X0000542512).

Inspector Andrew Brady of the Forensic Evidence and Technical Services ("FETS") Command of the NSW Police Force ("NSWPF") examined the debris on 2 June 2023 and provided a statement dated 7 June 2023. In this statement, Inspector Brady noted that the debris had the appearance of rust, reacted to magnets and had metallurgical properties, but that further analysis would be required to definitively conclude the nature of the debris.

The Inquiry considers it important to ascertain the exact nature of the debris, including whether it is consistent with the metal fence at the location where Mr Miller was found (see X0000639817). To this end, please advise whether there is a forensic officer within the NSWPF who is able to conduct the further analysis referred to by Inspector Brady in order to ascertain the exact nature of the debris.

In the event that the NSWPF do not have a forensic officer with this specific expertise, the Inquiry will take steps to brief an expert outside the NSWPF and would seek your assistance in making this exhibit available for examination.

#### **Timeframe for response**

I would be grateful to receive your response in relation to this request by **10am on Wednesday, 5 July 2023** so that appropriate arrangements can be made in a timely manner.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Please do not hesitate to contact Kate Lockery on [REDACTED] or at if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

Yours faithfully,



Enzo Camporeale  
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**Solicitor Assisting the Inquiry**