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DETECTIVE CONSTABLE 1ST CLASS CALLANAN

Q1 Interview between Detective Constable 1st Class Mark Anthony Callanan and **NP220** at the Surry Hills Police Station on the 23rd of March, 1995. Time commenced, 5.36 pm. Also present, Detective Constable 1st Class Shaun Tonnet. **NP220**, do you agree that there are no other persons present in this room apart from yourself and those I have introduced?

A Yes.

Q2 As I have explained to you, Detective Tonnet and I are making in - making inquiries in relation to the death of Mr James Meek. I'm going to ask you further questions about this matter. You are not obliged to answer, unless you wish to do so, but whatever you say will be electronically recorded and that it - may be used in evidence. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q3 Do you agree that prior to the commencement of this interview I told you that I intended asking you further questions about this matter?

A Yeah.

Q4 Has any threat, promise or inducement been held out to you to partake in this interview?

A No.

Q5 Do you agree that I have also told you that my questions and any answers that you gave to those questions would be electronically recorded on audio and video cassette tapes as the interview took place?

- A Yeah.
- Q6 Do you agree that I also told you that at the conclusion of the interview you would be given an audio cassette tape of the interview?
- A Yes.
- Q7 Do you agree that I also told you that at the conclusion of the interview one of the audio cassette tapes would be sealed in your presence?
- A Yes.
- Q8 Do you agree that I also told you a viewing of the video cassette tape would be arranged if it were required?
- A Yes.
- Q9 Did you then agree to be electronically interviewed?
- A Yes.
- Q10 For the purpose of this interview, what is your full name?
- A NP220
- Q11 What is your date of birth?
- A [REDACTED]
- Q12 What is your current address?
- A [REDACTED] Belvoir Street, Surry Hills, Northcote Units.
- Q13 Do you agree that you first attended the Surry Hills Police Station at around about 3.30 pm this date?
- A Yes, I do.
- Q14 Do you agree that then Detective Tonnet and I asked you further questions in relation to the death of Mr Meek?



A Yes.

Q15 Do you agree then that we accompanied you to your place of residence?

A Yes.

Q16 And whilst there Detective Tonnet and I searched your room in relation to further evidence regarding the death of Mr Meek?

A Yeah.

Q17 Do you agree that then we returned to the Surry Hills Police Station and photographs were obtained from specialist police of yourself?

A Yep.

Q18 As I have already explained, Detective Tonnet and I are making inquiries in relation to the death of Mr Meek. What can you tell me about Mr Meek?

A I knew him pretty well. I used to go up to his place sometimes and have coffee. He - he was a pretty nice guy. A few people didn't like him. And people would - just stole his car and, you know, they said they were going to get 'im and stuff like that. We were pretty good friends.

Q19 Before we go on, I just omitted to ask you one further question.

A Okay.

Q20 Can you describe yourself, for the purpose of this interview?

A About 6 foot 2, blue hair - blue eyes, blond hair, fair complexion and pretty skinny. Yeah.

Q21 Can you tell me when you first met Mr Meek?

A About 2 years ago.

Q22 And where did you meet him?

A In the park downstairs from the Northcote Units.

Q23 And that park's name is?

A I'm not sure what's the name of the park.

Q24 Would you agree with me if I told you that it was Eddie Ward Park?

A Yeah, I agree with you.

Q25 So how long had you known Mr Meek?

A About 2 years.

Q26 Okay. Have you ever been to Mr Meek's room?

A Yeah.

Q27 Right. Can you tell me how many occasions?

A Twice.

Q28 Can you tell me when the last time you saw Mr Meek was?

A Well, a week and a half ago walking his dogs in the park.

Q29 Can you estimate a date?

A No.

Q30 Considering the death of Mr Meek was on the 8th, that was Wednesday?

A Yeah, probably the 1st or something - 31st.

Q31 So do you agree with me if I said to you some 5 to 8 days prior to his death?

A Yeah.

Q32 Is that right?

A Yeah, that's right.

- Q33 And where did you see Mr Meek?
- A Down the park walking his dogs, from my unit.
- Q34 And what sort of dogs does he have?
- A He has a white Maltie and a little black bitzer.
- Q35 Maltie, do you refer Maltie? What - - -
- A Maltese, or whatever they are. I don't know.
- Q36 Maltese terrier?
- A That little white - Maltese terrier, yeah, I think that's it.
- Q37 Was he by himself at this time?
- A Yep.
- Q38 Did you see him speaking to anyone in the park?
- A No, didn't look at him long. Just saw him and that's it.
- Q39 It has been alleged that an argument ensued between yourself and Mr Meek in the foyer of the Northcote Flats building, Belvoir Street, Surry Hills, some one week prior to the death of Mr Meek. What do you say about that?
- A No, that's not true because I didn't even speak to - I haven't spoken to Jimmy for 3 weeks, something like that. About 3 weeks was the last time I had a conversation with Jim.
- Q40 What was that conversation about?
- A About whether I would come up have a coffee and I never get there. I just tell him I'll come up and have coffee but I ended up never going up. Just telling me, you know, about the car, if I knew about the car that

I bought which I sold ..... Just things like that.

Q41 For the purpose of the interview, could you just keep your voice up?

A Yep, okay.

Q42 Okay. You said that you bought a car. Did you buy the car off Mr Meek?

A Yeah, I bought a car from Mr Meek, a red Datsun 200B for \$100.

Q43 When we spoke earlier you mentioned an incident that occurred with Mr Meek's car.

A Yeah, it got stolen the night before I bought it by [1318] and [1319] and they ruined it so that he sold it to me for \$100 which he was going to sell it to me for 500 but because they ruined it and he couldn't start it, which I did, he gave it to me for \$100, the day after it was stolen.

Q44 Do you agree that you said to us in the interview prior to this interview - - -

A Yeah.

Q44 - - - that these two persons had a grudge against Mr Meek?

A Yeah, [1318] had a grudge against Mr Meek. Yep.

Q45 Can you explain that further?

A Well, he told me that because of what Jimmy done and went and made the statement and everything against 'em and - because when they got caught they told the police that Jim borrowed - let them borrow the car and when



Jim come down and made the statement against 'em I saw [1318] a couple of days later - I don't know what happened to that [1319] kid - and he told me that he was going to get Jim but he never told me how or in what way but he just said he's gunna get Jim back in some way.

Q46 And when did he say this?

A About 2 days after his car got stolen.

Q47 Can you estimate when the car was stolen?

A Just about November last year. I think it was about November or September.

Q48 Can you tell me where it was stolen from?

A Yeah, the Northcote Flats in the car park.

Q49 The car park out the front?

A No, at the back.

Q50 At the back?

A Yep. And I saw the car getting stolen from my window.

Q51 Can you tell me the surname of these two young persons?

A I'm not sure. I don't know their surnames but - no, I don't know their surnames.

Q52 Do you know where they may reside or hang out?

A I know one of 'em's got sent back to Melbourne because Jim told me.

Q53 Which one's that?

A That's that little [1319] kid.

Q54 Mm.

A And the [1318], I wouldn't - I'm not sure. I haven't seen him. I don't know ..... .

Q55 Have you seen him lately?

A No. No.

Q56 Can you - can you estimate the time you last saw him?

A Yeah. As I said, 3 days after Jim's car got stolen, which was about September, November, or something like that. October.

Q57 Can you tell me who you reside with?

A Me?

Q58 Mm.

A My mother and my mum's boyfriend.

Q59 For the record, can you just mention their names?

A I378 and [REDACTED].

Q60 Do you reside anywhere else?

A Sometimes at a friend's place, Matthew Hark(?).

Q61 Who's he?

A A friend.

Q62 Do you stay anywhere else?

A No.

Q63 Do you agree that earlier you told me that you sometimes visit a person by the name of NP219?

A Yes, I did.

Q64 Can you elaborate on who NP219 is?

A She's [REDACTED] and she's a bit mad when she has beer and alcohol mixed together - I mean, alcohol and pills mixed together. She does some crazy things.

Q65 Can you tell me where she lives?

A She lives on the Northcote Flats on [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

Q66 Okay. You said that she is a bit mad?

A Mm.

Q67 Can you elaborate any further on that?

A Well, one day she got drunk when she come back from Melbourne and Jimmy was minding her dog, Bindy, and she hung Jimmy over the balcony from the 12th floor and - that's just one thing she's done. She's bashed my mother up and she just - when she's got pills and alcohol she just starts on anyone and she can pick her reason to start .....

Q68 So you're saying that she mixes the alcohol with the pills?

A Yeah, every time.

Q69 And how often does this occur?

A Every fortnight, once a fortnight, and if she's got money, spare money to buy beer from somewhere or - that's about it.

Q70 Do you agree - - -

A But mostly once a fortnight.

Q70 - - - do you agree with me when I - if I say to you that it's on her pension week?

A Yeah, it's on her pension week. On her pension day.

Q71 And what day's that?

A Wednesday.

Q72 Is there anything else you want to tell me about  
NP219?

A No.

Q73 Can you tell me her real name?

A NP219, [REDACTED].

Q74 Can you possibly spell that?

A No, I wouldn't have a clue.

Q75 Say it again for the record?

A NP219.

Q76 Okay. Thank you.

A And also - yeah, NP219, like, had a big grudge against Jimmy because her dog, Bindy, before she had her new dog now, got killed and when she walked outside Jimmy's car was like, you know, a couple of centimetres away from the dog and it died so she thinks that Jimmy's the one that killed the dog, her old dog.

Q77 When did the dog die?

A March last year. About March last year.

Q78 And she stills holds a grudge up until now?

A Yeah. She - until he died, and then she sort of changed attitude a bit.

Q79 Till who died? Jimmy died?

A Jimmy died, yeah.

Q80 Did James Meek - also known as Jim - - -

A Yeah.

Q80 - - - ever go to your house?

A Yeah, plenty of times.

Q81 Can you tell me the last time he visited your home?

A He brought down an asthma spray for me about 2 months ago and that was about the last time he come down. I



don't know why but. That was the last time he come down to my place for a while.

Q82 Jim Meeks was last seen alive, at this stage - - -

A Yeah.

Q82 - - - at 8.30 pm on Tuesday the 7th of March, 1995.

A At the shop.

Q83 Can you tell me where you may have been on Tuesday the 7th of March, 1995?

A 8.30 in the morning?

Q84 No, no. Tuesday or Tuesday night?

A Just - I'm not - I'm not real sure where I was. I could have been anywhere. I could have been at a friend's place, I'm not real sure. I can't remember.

Q85 Can you nominate that friend?

A No, I said I can't remember where I was at that date. Honestly I can't.

Q86 Can you tell me where you were on the Monday the 6th, which was the Monday after the gay Mardi Gras some 2 days later.

A Yeah. Probably at home, I'm not sure.

Q87 Can you tell me where you would have been on Wednesday the 8th of March?

A Maybe at [NP219]'s having a few beers. I'd say I was at [NP219]'s having a few beers.

Q88 Would she have - or did she, whilst you were there - - -

A Yeah.

Q88 - - - mix any pills and alcohol together?

A No, but when I left to get away from her she went upstairs and had some pills with my mother and then I went to a friend's place named Sue at the time of that and she went upstairs and mixed some pills with her grog with my mother - not that my mum drinks but she mixed the pills. And I was just coming back from doing some shopping with Sue and I saw [NP219] staggering up the road. Must have come looking for me, I think.

Q89 So can you estimate the time you arrived at [NP219]'s place?

A Yeah.

Q90 The time that you left [NP219]'s place?

A Probably about 3.00ish. In the afternoon she would have come up to my place and got me, and I left about, say, 5.00. I went down to Sue's and she went up to my place because I didn't come back down, to look where I was and she mixed some pills with mum so I don't know what time she got back. And then I saw her about 6.30, or something, walking up the street from Sue's place and she was staggering all over the road and she saw me and she was starting to come back, which I didn't want her to come back, so I went up to her and said, "Just go home, I'll come and see you later." And I helped her carry - Sue carry the shopping and then I went back to - back up to [NP219]'s, for about 10 minutes.

Q91 Did you ever have sexual relations with Jim Meek?

A No, never. He tried to put an advance on me but I said no and he never tried ever again and that was when I first met him about 2 years ago.

Q92 Do you know any people that Jim hung out with lately?

A Just this guy named Bob, big - he's a big guy, Bob.

Q93 Can you describe Bob?

A He's about 5 foot 6, he's big and fat - I mean very fat - and he's got blackish hair, it's pretty short. He lives at St Marys. That's about all I can say.

Q94 Do you know what sort of vehicle he drives?

A He did have a van, like with a van with a bed and everything in the back and - but something happened, it broke down or something so he - the last few times he come and visit Jimmy he'd come and visit Jimmy through train from St Marys.

Q95 Did you - do you - do you agree that when Detective Tonnet and I spoke to you earlier that you stated that big Bob - - -

A Mm.

Q95 - - - made passes at you?

A Yeah, he did.

Q96 Can you explain that further?

A He said, "Come for a ride in my van, I'll give you \$20", you know, something like that, "Come for a ride in the van, let's go for a" - and I just, "Go away", you know, "Leave me alone." Then Jimmy - Jimmy said, "Leave him alone, you know, he's a good - he's all right."



Q97 Did you know anyone else that James Meek hung around with?

A In sexual intercourse sort or - - -

Q98 No, no, just any associate that you know of.

A Yeah, Tony downstairs, he was hanging around with this - down on [REDACTED] Block in the Northcote Flats on the ground [REDACTED], he was a friend, Tony.

Q99 Do you know his surname?

A No, I'm not sure, but they ended up arguing, for - for some reason, I don't know.

Q100 Can you tell me when and where that argument occurred?

A I don't know what happened but I know that they had an argument and they stopped talking from then on and that was about 3 months ago, about 2 months ago.

Q101 Mm.

A They never talked since.

Q102 Anybody else that James associated with?

A Just people down the pub when he used to take his dogs for a walk, as far as I know. Yeah, and one more person, Michael. I'm not sure of his last name. He lives in the Northcote Flats but over the other - back sort of of the Northcote Flats and he's got a crew cut, very skinny, [REDACTED]. Yeah, that's the only people I know that he mostly hanged around with. And when he bought his car, the girl named Barbara on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] drove him out to buy it, I know that.

Detective Tonnet?



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Q103 Yeah, I've just got a few questions for you, [NP220].  
Mate, first of all, you agreed with us that we went and  
searched your house today?

A Okay. Yeah.

Q104 Yeah. We did that with your permission, is that  
correct?

A Yes, that's right.

Q105 Secondly, mate, you've mentioned [I319] and [I318].

A Yeah.

Q106 Who were they?

A One was [I319], one was - like, Jimmy used to take him  
to bed and he was a little boy, I think he was about 15  
but he was saying he was saying he was about 18. He  
had, like, whitish-blondish hair. [I318] was another  
guy that used to go up Jimmy's just to have a smoke or  
he had nowhere - you know, have a smoke and he was a  
big - very big guy. And they're the ones that pinched  
Jimmy's car.

Q107 And where was [I319] from?

A Melbourne.

Q108 And where did [I319] live in Sydney?

A He lived in [REDACTED], he lived with some  
other old man but I don't know who it was.

Q109 And is it true that [I319] was a street kid?

A Yeah.

Q110 And a male prostitute?

A Yeah.

Q111 Is that correct?

A Yeah, that's correct.

Q112 And did Mr Meek often get young people from the wall, to your knowledge?

A To my knowledge I've never known him to go to the wall.

Q113 Right. And was 1318 a male prostitute, to your knowledge?

A No, I don't think so. I'm not sure.

Q114 Right. Did you see Mr Meek with any other young males - - -

A Um - - -

Q114 - - - during the time that you knew him?

A Yeah. I've seen people - this guy in a red [REDACTED] fully done up. He said his name was Jason, or something like that. And he said that this was his new love and this was recently.

Q115 When did you see him?

A I'd only seen him pull up once and I asked Jimmy, I - this was about 3 months ago - and I asked Jimmy, "Who was it - who was that that pulled up in a red car one" - 'cause I saw Jimmy walking back down to the car and that's how I knew Jimmy was with him.

Q116 Mm.

A And I said, "Who was that?" And he goes, "Oh, just one of my boys."

Q117 Did Mr Meek often boast about his - - -

A He - - -

Q117 - - - sexual activities?

A Yeah, he did.

Q118 And what sort of things would he tell you?

A He'd just tell me, "Oh, this guy I used to love and" - his other friend, Michael, who lived in [REDACTED] [REDACTED], he told me that he was - one day I said, "How's Michael?" And he said, "Oh, he's upstairs in my bed" and just stuff like that.

Q119 Did that offend you?

A No, not really because I knew what sort of person he was.

Q120 We've also spoken about - today about [REDACTED] named **NP219**.

A Yeah.

Q121 And you've mentioned that **NP219** used to drink, or does drink - - -

A Does drink.

Q121 - - - when her pension comes in - - -

A Yeah.

Q121 - - - on fortnightly - - -

A Yeah.

Q121 - - - Wednesdays. Can you tell me what time she normally starts drinking?

A As soon as - like, I mean, she's down the bank at 6 o'clock in the morning so as soon as the pub opens she'll go buy a carton of beer, start drinking from the morning till about 12 at night.

Q122 So she'll go all day?

A Yeah. And - - -

Q123 And do you know what time the pubs are normally open around there?

A 8.30, 9.00, in the morning.

Q124 Right. And - - -

A But I think she goes to an early opener or something like that.

Q125 Right.

A The Clock Hotel, or something.

Q126 Right. You've also stated that NP219 can go off the deep end a little bit when she gets in these moods and go a bit crazy.

A Yeah. Well, I've - - -

Q127 And you've mentioned that - - -

A I've witnessed it myself.

Q128 And you've - and you've mentioned a time when you saw her hang Mr Meek - - -

A I didn't actually see her hang Mr Meek but - - -

Q129 Right. But - - -

A But she did, she did.

Q130 Right. Well, what things have you witnessed then?

A I've witnessed her bash up my mother of - that's it, that's all I've witnessed her do but - - -

Q131 Right. What other things have you been told?

A She's also - she's also been bashed up by - because she took a hammer up to this Paul McGuinness on the second floor and when she put the hammer down Paul McGuinness come out and bashed her up. I don't know why she went up there with a hammer. And, yeah, she just - if she



can find any little excuse to go off at someone when she's mixed the pills and alcohol together she will.

Q132 Right. And I believe that you've told us that **NP219** didn't - wasn't very fond of Mr Meek.

A No.

Q133 Would you say that that was to a degree of hate?

A Yeah. Well, she loved that dog so, yeah.

Q134 Did you ever hear **NP219** threatening to assault or do anything to Mr Meek?

A No. All - all she said is - because there were some rumours going around that Jimmy was spreading rumours about her and she said, "When I see Jimmy I'm gunna have a go at him and tell him to stop spreading rumours about me." That's all she - I never heard her say - that's about it.

Q135 Right. Also I believe that you're a - at this stage you're addicted to heroin, is that correct?

A Yeah.

Q136 And how long have you been addicted to heroin?

A For the last 3 weeks I've been getting back into it again.

Q137 And can you tell me how you support your habit?

A I get credit off my dealer and pay her back on my cheque day.

Q138 When is that? When's your cheque day?

A On Wednesday, this is on the - on **NP219**'s off week.

Q139 Right.

A Yeah.

Q140        So you got paid your pension - - -  
A            I get paid by - - -  
Q140        - - - last Wednesday?  
A            Yeah. Yeah.  
Q141        Which would have been the 5th - 16th?  
A            Yeah. Yeah.  
Q142        16th of March?  
A            Yeah.  
Q143        I've been told that you have hocked property - - -  
A            Yeah.  
Q143        - - - to support your habit, is that correct?  
A            Yeah. My mobile phone I've hocked in to .....  
             and - - -  
Q144        I've also been told that at times you have been so  
             desperate for heroin that you have stolen property off  
             your mother which you have hocked?  
A            No, that's not true. I've never stolen property off my  
             mother.  
Q145        Have you ever hocked any jewellery?  
A            No, never. Nah.  
Q146        Have you - - -  
A            My mum has. Her jewellery.  
Q147        Right.  
A            But not me, no. I got no jewellery.  
Q148        Okay. Mate, there's one final thing and that is that  
             we have been informed that on Monday the 6th - - -  
A            Yeah.

Q148 - - - a male person fitting your description was seen in the room in Mr Meek's - - -

A ..... .

Q148 - - - premises and was watching a video with Mr Meek.

A Mm.

Q149 That person's description fits yours.

A No, it was not - - -

Q150 Can you tell me anything about that matter?

A No, I've - no, it wasn't me. I have told you, I haven't seen Jimmy since he died for about 3 weeks. There's no way in the world I was up at his unit, no way. No. It's not me.

Q151 Did you ever go to Mr Meek's unit to watch videos with him?

A On TV, yeah. We watched - you know, went up and watched whatever, whatever he was watching. But not videos. When I - one - when I used to go up there he didn't have a video at that time. He only got his video recently when he got his compensation because he asked me to connect it up for him.

Q152 Did Mr - what was the compensation for that Mr Meek - that you just mentioned? Do you know?

A What - pardon?

Q153 You just mentioned that Mr Meek received some form of compensation.

A That was because when he was a security guard he got shot and - I don't know why he got - yeah, that's why,

because he got - he got shot when he was a security guard.

Q154 And did Mr Meek tell you that he was rich, or anything like that?

A No. He just - he told me he got 20 grand. He showed me his bank book, he had \$1000 left in it after he bought the car and done everything else and he said that's all he got. That's when he got no money.

I don't have any further questions.

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Q155 A couple of - a couple of things I want to clarify. Detective Tonnet mentioned the times the banks opened - - -

A Mm.

Q155 - - - in relation to **NP219** getting her - - -

A She's got a keycard.

Q156 She has a keycard.

A She's got a keycard.

Q157 Do you know what bank that keycard was, or is?

A Where she purchased it from?

Q158 No, no. What sort of keycard it is. Is it an ANZ, is it Commonwealth Bank, is it Westpac?

A It's the Commonwealth Bank. Commonwealth - - -

Q159 It's the Commonwealth Bank.

A Commonwealth Bank, Strawberry Hills, Commonwealth Bank.

Q160 Commonwealth Bank, Strawberry Hills?

A Yeah. You know the one on Elizabeth Street?



Q161        Yeah.

A            It's called the Strawberry Hills Commonwealth Bank, or something.

Q162        Yes.

A            Yeah, that one.

Q163        And does she access when her pension goes in on the Wednesday?

A            Yeah.

Q164        My belief is that pensions and Government deposits - - -

A            Yeah.

Q164        - - - go in midnight - - -

A            Yeah.

Q164        - - - on the Tuesday. Do you agree with that?

A            Yeah, they do sometimes. All depends. Sometimes midnight, sometimes 2.00. All depends. But she goes about 6.00ish. As soon as she wakes at 6.00.

Q165        6.00 in the morning?

A            Yeah. About 6.00 in the morning. Sometimes - - -

Q166        To access her account?

A            Yeah.

Q167        That's the day of the - - -

A            Pension.

Q167        - - - her pension goes in?

A            Yeah.

Q168        Okay. Thanks. Also the relation - you touched on - and Detective Tonnet touched on the relationship between NP219 and Jimmy.

- A Yeah.
- Q169 Do you agree with me that - it's alleged that Jimmy may be well involved in the paedophile movement.
- A Yeah. Well, there was a lot of - I mean, like, him and Bob used to always go out together and there was a lot of rumours that he was a paedophile and - I mean, like, [1319], that's one of them - you know, he's 50 something years old and [1319] was only 15, 16.
- Q170 And do you agree that the conversation we had earlier that you stated that it's common knowledge that [NP219], being [REDACTED] - - -
- A Mm.
- Q170 - - - or [REDACTED], did you say?
- A [REDACTED].
- Q171 [REDACTED]. Hates paedophiles and that that - - -
- A Hates gays, I said.
- Q172 And that - okay. Can you clarify the relation between [REDACTED] and the gay or paedophile movement, can you explain that?
- A Well, she just tells me that she hates gay people, they do not get it on with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and gay people just do not get along. That's what she told the police when they come and seen her. And that's what she tells everyone.
- Q173 Would that also be a basis of her - of some of her aggression towards Jimmy?
- A Yeah, I think so.

Q174 As well as the death of her - - -

A Dog.

Q174 - - - dog?

A Yeah.

Detective Tonnet, anything further arising?

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Q175 Just one more thing. You - can you think of any reason why anyone would want to assault or bash Mr Meek?

A Maybe he picked up some - well, this is what - like, I think and my mum thinks too, like, maybe he picked up somebody on the Mardi Gras night or something and told them he had money, or something like that and - because somebody told me that there was someone staying there for the weekend, that's what I got told. Someone's staying over there for the weekend and that's - then he got killed or something because the - they wanted his money. I don't know.

Q176 And who told you that he was staying - someone was staying there for the weekend?

A **NP219**. **NP219** said also she knows who killed him - she knows who killed him but she doesn't want to say anything because she doesn't want to get involved. But you heard that today - - -

Q177 When did she say that?

A - - - by yourselves, from Audrey Pearson, my next door neighbour.

Right. No, I don't have anything else.

DETECTIVE CONSTABLE 1ST CLASS CALLANAN

Q178        Okay. NP220 do you have any ideas of who may have caused the death of James Meek?

A            No, I've got no idea in the world.

Q179        Jimmy(sic), did you assault James Meek either on the evening of the 7th of March, 1995, or the morning of the 8th of March, 1995, causing the death of Mr Meek?

A            No. No, I never even saw Mr Meek.

Q180        Is there anything further you wish to tell me about this matter?

A            No.

Q181        Do you wish to make a handwritten statement about this matter?

A            No.

Q182        Have the answers that you have given as recorded in this interview been made of your own free will?

A            Yes, they have.

Q183        Has any threat, promise or inducement been held out to you to give the answers which have been recorded in this interview?

A            No.

Q184        Interview concluded 11 minutes past 6.00. I will now - how - I will now have an officer not connected with this investigation speak to you about this interview. His function is to ensure fairness in the conduct of the interview. Do you understand that?

A            Yes, I do.



Q185        **NP220** even though I have stated the interview is concluded, the audio and video cassette tapes are still recording any conversation in this room and any conversation recorded may be used in evidence. Do you understand that?

A            Yes, I do.

6.12 Detective Callanan leaves the room.

INTERVIEW SUSPENDED

DETECTIVE CONSTABLE 1ST CLASS TONNET

Are you all right to get home after this?

SUSPECT

Yes.

DETECTIVE CONSTABLE 1ST CLASS TONNET

Hey?

SUSPECT

Yeah.

INTERVIEW RESUMED

DETECTIVE CONSTABLE 1ST CLASS CALLANAN

Q186        **NP220** this is Sergeant Pearce - - -

A            Okay.

Q186 - - - he's a - officer in charge of the station at the time. He's going to ask you further questions in relation to the interview we've just conducted. Okay?

A Okay.

SERGEANT PEARCE

Q187 Right. As you've been told, I'm Sergeant Pearce. Right? I'm an officer not connected with the matter about which you've been interviewed. Do you understand that?

A Yes, I do.

Q188 My function is to ensure fairness in the conduct of the interview. Do you understand that?

A Yes, I do.

Q189 Are you NP220?

A Yeah.

Q190 Have you made this interview of your own free will?

A Yep.

Q191 Has any threat, promise or inducement been held out to you to give the answers recorded in this interview?

A No.

Q192 Have you got any complaints to make about the manner in which you've been interviewed?

A No.

DETECTIVE CONSTABLE 1ST CLASS CALLANAN

Interview concluded.

TAPE RECORDING CEASED