

NEW SOUTH WALES POLICE

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STATEMENT in matter of: DEATH OF KENNETH BRENNAN

Place: ST. KILDA ROAD POLICE COMPLEX

Date: 29th December, 1995.

Name: NP207

Tel. No:

Address: [REDACTED], East St. Kilda.

Occupation: Blacksmith. STATES:-

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. I am 32 years of age.

3. My full name is NP207, I have used other names, they are NP207, and on the odd occasion NP207 or NP207 I have used several other common names as well sometimes NP207 I have been residing at my current address for 12 years. I have lived in Sydney back and forth for six and twelve months at a time. When I was in Sydney, I've been there six or seven times, I would stay at the Backpackers in Kings Cross.

4. When I was living in Sydney I was renting a unit in Drummoyne with a friend of mine, the address was [REDACTED] Drummoyne and my flat mates name was Ibrahim Ibrahim. I was working off and on as a blacksmith.

5. I am currently self employed in Melbourne as a Black Smith and I do shop fittings and bits and pieces for

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restaurants when people ask for it. I usually earn on average about \$1000 per fortnight.

6. I have a history of criminal offences which have occurred in both Sydney and Melbourne over the past 15 years. I've been charged mainly with shoplifting. I was in Long Bay Gaol for shoplifting in 1994 I did six months. This was the last time I was in Sydney.

7. I met **NP188** at the Backpackers in Kings Cross about six years ago, he was with two people Chris and Angie they were all from Brickston England. We became friendly while we were staying there and used to hang around together. During this time we did some shoplifting together and just hung around together.

8. **NP188** and I became very good friends, we hit it of more or less straight away, within the first week. He was very quiet and reserved when I first met him. The name I call him is **NP188**, there was one period through our friendship that I had not seen him for about a year and then he reappeared and I ran into him in the street in Sydney.

9. The last time I saw **NP188** would have been in Kings Cross, I can't remember what month it was but I know it was this year. I remember we had to get out of Sydney, because **NP188** nicked some watches from Jorg Jensons in the city. I remember it was about six or seven at night we came out of the Myers complex and went to King Cross in a taxi . I was staying at a hotel room at the Kirkton Hotel which is in Darlinghurst Road, going towards oxford street, opposite the big church. Kirkton Road clinic was on the corner, so that is how I remember the name of the Hotel. I had the room on and off for weeks. I was booked in under the name of **NP207** . I was staying there

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by myself and I was in room 204. NP188 I went to my motel room and we looked at the watches. He hid one watch in the room and took the other to Kings Cross, NP188 sold the watch to some bloke in the Cross, I remember he short, Australian appearance, black hair big nose, I don't know his name. NP188 got \$900 and seven caps of heroin or something like that.

10. He owed me money so he gave me some money and we shared the heroin. We still had one watch left in the room. NP188 and I then went back to the Kirkton and stayed for one night. We checked out the next morning and we travelled into the city and booked into a Hotel room there. The Hotel was opposite the Cental Railway station, I can't remember the name of the Hotel or what we booked in under, I remember it was on the third or fourth floor and we payed about \$45 up front for the room.

11. We went to the bus Depot and bought two bus tickets from McCaffertys liner service to travel to Byron the next day. We booked the tickets under a false name, I'm sure we would not have used our own. I think it was NP188 NP188 but I'm not sure. I can't remember what day it was. The bus was booked for early the next morning , I think we payed \$65 for each ticket, the tickets were only booked one way. We then went back to the Motel opposite Central Railway station and just bombed out all day. I remember NP188 went for a walk at some stage during the day and came back much later, I don't know where he had been.

12. We slept all night and was supposed to be woken up early next morning but we did not get our wake up call, so we realised we had missed the bus by accident. We went back to sleep and waited until a bit later when we woke up. We then went to McCaffertys Bus terminal at Central and transferred the previous booking to the next bus available to travel to

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Byron. We waited at the terminal, I had a bag of luggage and **NP188** had two or three bags. We got on the bus some time during the day, and travelled to Byron Bay, it took about fourteen hours and we arrived up there at night, I don't remember the time. We booked into a backpackers Youth Hostel, I don't remember what it was called, but it was not in the main street, it was about a kilometre out of town, sort of in a side street off the main drag. They had push bikes at the backpackers and it was packed, very busy. We had been to one Backpackers before which was in the main street it was too busy, we wanted some peace and quiet so we went to the other one. I still can't remember what day it was.

13. We stayed in Byron for two or three nights at the most. During our time there we tried to dry out, we were both really sick from using heroin. We could'nt dry out so we decided it was time to go back to Sydney. We rang the bus company, I think it was Greyhound and we booked the first bus back. I can't remember what time it was but we went to the bus depot and caught the bus back. We arrived in Sydney, I can't remember the day, but I remember it was about 5.00am or 6.00am in the morning. We got off at Chatswood shopping centre and a taxi with a Chinese driver drove us to Kings Cross.

14. **NP188** sold the other watch he had to some guy in Kings Cross, he was slim guy with a bald head. He sold it for \$120, we went to Adam's Hut in the Cross and we scored two caps of heroin, then we went to Porky's and shot up. After we came out of Porkys we had an argument because I took more of the gear. Then we separated because we were fighting and things were becoming a bore. The time was still fairly early in the morning, I can't remember much about the day but I was alone, I was not with **NP188**, we decided to split up somehow, but I cant remember how. I remember **NP188** went off with some other

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guys, some real street junky heavy guys. They look like they were into house breaking. I kept saying to him come with me but he was ignoring me and went off with them. He looked like he snapped silently, did not want to talk to me and ignored me. I saw him much later in the day with the same people, he was fairly bombed out and he kept away from me. That was the last time I saw him in the company of these blokes.


15. I have never seen these men he was with before and I don't know how he knew them, I could'nt really give you a good description just that they were sleazy looking.

16. I remember the whole time we were in Byron **NP188** was saying that he wanted to contact his wife and kids and see them when he got back and he never did or never made an effort, I thought that was strange.

17. I know the bottle shop in Oxford street, but I don't know if **NP188** has been in there.

18. I know that **NP188** is not a homosexual and as far as I know has never worked as a male prostitute. I used to ask him to go into gay bars, so I could get some money or whatever and **NP188** would never go in. Several times I would ask him to go in and he would say, "I can't stand Faggotts, they should all be burnt." He hates their guts, like full on, he would say, "I hate poofers, I fucking hate them." I really noticed his hatred for them because I had a lot of gay friends, even though I am not gay myself. He just could'nt stand the whole set up and dead set hated their guts. I think maybe he had some association in the past that has turned him right off, because he could'nt even stand in the same room with a queer, he really hated them.

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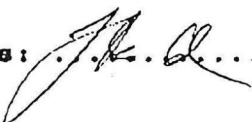
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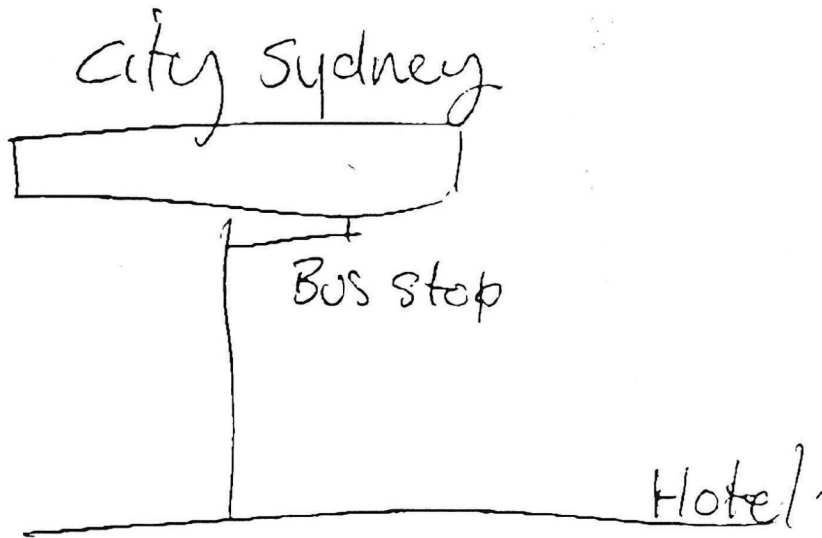
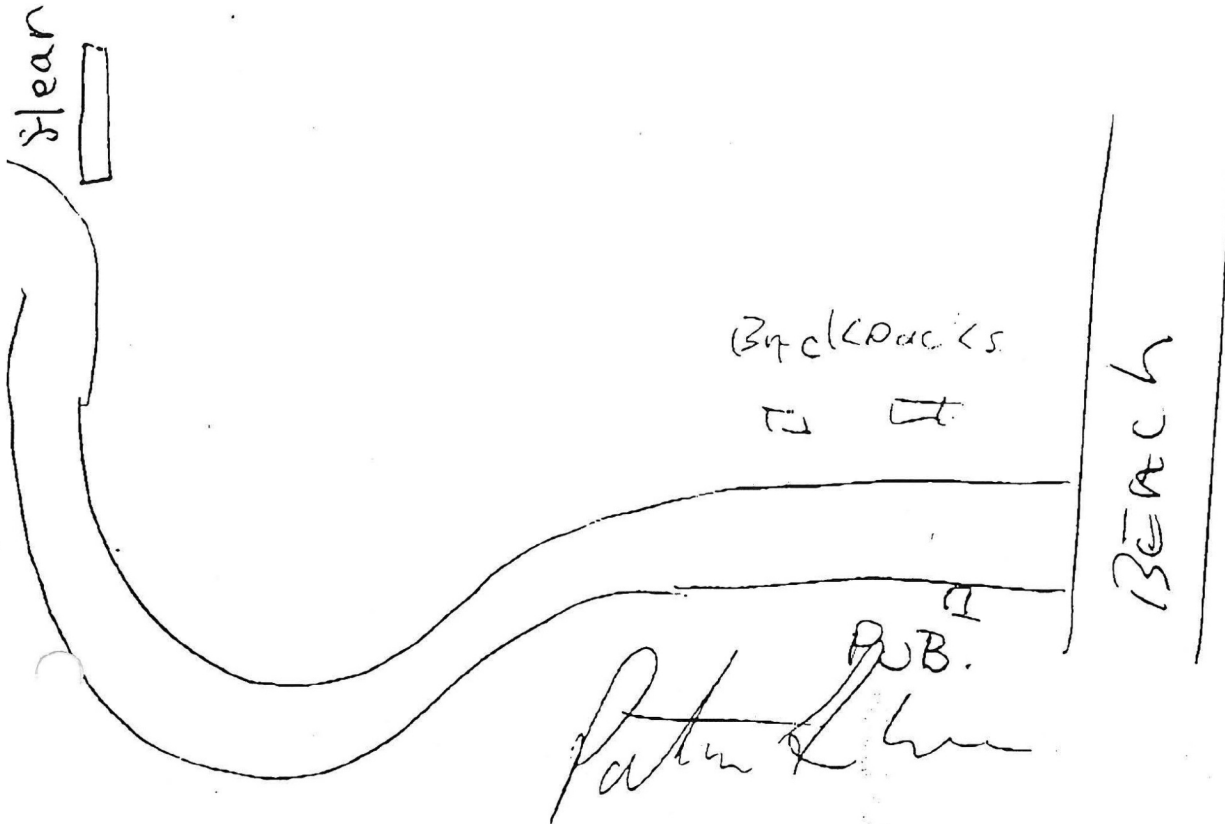
19. **NP188** did not have a bad temper normally but when I started talking about homos he would tell me to shut up and just snap.

20. I have no knowledge of the murder of Kenneth BRENNAN prior to today, and I have no knowledge what so ever of **NP188** being involved in it.

21. I have drawn a sketch of the Backpackers location in Byron Bay to the best of my knowledge.

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