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STATEMENT in the matter of:

Place: Kings Cross

Murder of Kenneth BRENNAN

Detectives Office

Date : 5 July 1995

Name:

NP186

Address:

[REDACTED], NEWTOWN

Tel. No.:

[REDACTED]

Occupation: Unemployed

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 anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. I am 45 years of age.

3. I reside at [REDACTED], Newtown and the telephone number is [REDACTED]. During April, 1995, I purchased a copy of the Gay magazine Capital Q. I perused the personal classified section and found an add similar to, 'Two guys looking for a third person for fun, Elizabeth Bay'. There was a telephone mailbox number to contact. This works by contacting the 0055 telephone number, you are then asked to 'key in' the particular voice mailbox number on your own press button telephone and you are then connected to the advertisers personal mailbox.

4. About one day after reading this advertisement I telephoned the voice mailbox and spoke to the mailbox and stated something similar to 'My name is NP186, read you add in Capital Q, my phone number is [REDACTED], give me a call if you wish', I then hung up.

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5. By contacting the advertiser my intentions were to initially speak on the telephone to the advertiser to see if we had things in common. If the case was that I did not like the person I would tell them that I did not wish to see them. If however, I had things in common and felt that I would like to know the person better, we would arrange to meet.

6. The same day I left the message, or the day after I received a telephone call from a person by the name of Ken, who stated that I had replied to his advertisement in Capital Q. I received the call during the morning. We spoke on the telephone for about 5 minutes. During the conversation he told me that he was from Adelaide and went on to describe himself physically. He stated that he was not that big, but trying to loose weight, he said that his lover was slim. I think he asked me what I looked like also. Ken suggested that I meet him and his lover at his home at Elizabeth Bay. During the conversation I formed the impression that I would like to meet Ken and his partner. Sex was not mentioned during the call, however, I took it for granted that sex may take place, if we all got along once we had met face to face.

7. That afternoon I went to Kens unit in Elizabeth Bay. I don't recall the address, however it was a very small unit with one bedroom, bathroom, kitchen and lounge/dining room. Once I arrived I sat down had a cup of coffee. Before I finished the coffee Ken started making advances towards me. After a while I had sex with Ken and his partner. I was at the unit for about one hour. During this time I became aware that Ken had a more dominant personality then the other fellow. Ken seemed very eager to have sex and during sex Ken would give his partner instructions. When I left there were no set arrangements made

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to meet again, however, Ken stated that he would contact me by phone. This was the last time that I saw Ken and his partner.

8. About one week to ten days later I received a telephone call from Ken. He suggested that I again come to his home to visit him. I assumed that this meant seeing him and his partner. I did not want to continue the relationship or return to there unit, so I made up some excuse that I was busy and couldn't make it. That was the last time I spoke to Ken.

9. About 3 weeks ago I read an article in either the Star Observer or Capital Q magazine. The article consisted of a photograph which I recognised as being Ken. The article stated that Ken had been murdered.

10. On Sunday, 12 June, 1995, I spent the evening at the Newtown Hotel in King Street, Newtown. I was at the hotel from about 11.00pm to mid-night. During the evening I would have spoken to a barman by the name of Chris, who works at the hotel, however, was a customer on this night.

11. Prior to going to the Newtown Hotel, I was at the Clock Hotel in the Stronghold Bar. I was here between 8.30pm and 9.30pm and spoke to Peter TOMINSON during the evening. Peter works for the Australian Opera in Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills in the costume department. Prior to going to the Clock Hotel I was at home in Newtown.

12. I would describe Ken as being in his early 50's, about 5'9" tall, solid build, caucasian, brown coloured hair, moustache. His partner was also caucasian, early 40's, about 5'8" tall, slim build, black, wearing seeing glasses.

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