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Mr Enzo Camporeale  
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 Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes  
 121 Macquarie St  
 SYDNEY NSW 2000

By email ONLY: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Camporeale

**Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes (Inquiry): Kenneth Brennan**

We refer to your letter dated 15 June 2023 and your requests for clarification in respect of the relevance of:

- a) the persons against whom the fingerprints graph "B2" (Forensic Case No. 313808) was compared; and
- b) the reference to a "white handled knife" in the Expert Certificate of Kate Reid dated 9 June 2023 (**Expert Certificate**).

I set out a response to your requests below on instructions from Detective Sergeant Andrew Hamill.

**Relevance of individuals**

The individuals identified in the Expert Certificate were listed on the Major Crime Running Sheet within Major Crime Folder 95/214, and were subsequently compared to the outstanding fingerprint graph "B2". These individuals were either listed as suspects or persons of interest in the investigation into the death of Mr Brennan.

**White handled knife**

The reference to the "white handled knife" is a reference to the knife referred to in Exhibit Book reference **NPL.0170.0001.0001**, produced to the Inquiry on 30 May 2023. This knife was collected from [REDACTED] Little Bay on 1 March 1996.

We are instructed that the "white handled knife" and the "white and green handled knife" are references to the same knife.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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