

## Updated Investigation Plan for BAUMANN

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**Brief Description:** An updated Investigation Plan has been created for the investigation of the disappearance of Peter BAUMANN.

## INVESTIGATION PLAN 2

### SITUATION

Missing Persons file- C 5602949, COPS E 909939200037 of Peter Karl BAUMANN.

In 1992, BAUMANN was reported missing to the Missing Persons Unit. Mr BAUMANN has allegedly been missing since 1983. At the time he resided at ■ Cross Street, Waverley. Mr BAUMANN was a German National who arrived in Australia in late 1981.

Mr BAUMANN married an Australian citizen on the 12/6/82 at Glebe for the purpose of obtaining permanent residency. At the time of his marriage, BAUMANN was involved in a homosexual relationship which would seem to have commenced around the time of his arrival in Australia until his disappearance. BAUMANN's homosexual partner was, Alan SMYTH, who was already in a relationship and living with another homosexual at the time of his relationship with BAUMANN.

**Police have been informed that at the time of his disappearance, his homosexual lover had allegedly been making arrangements to sever ties of his then current relationship, sell the common house and set up house with BAUMANN.** Police have also been informed that allegedly, the male companions of his wife were attempting to blackmail BAUMANN, with threats of exposure and possible violence. This information has not been verified at this stage, as to its correctness.

On the evening of his disappearance, BAUMANN was contacted by a female acquaintance by telephone and during mid conversation the telephone call was terminated. The female companion then attended his flat and found the premises wide open and in disarray, with no sign of BAUMANN. All of BAUMANN's personal affects being left in the flat. There has been no trace of BAUMANN since that unknown date in 1983.

The initial investigator, in this matter, Senior Constable GRIBBLE of Blue Mountains LAC, has been contacted and is of the belief that BAUMANN's sudden disappearance was suspicious.

### MISSION

To investigate the disappearance of Peter Karl BAUMANN.

### STRATEGIES/EXECUTION

1. Establish resources to investigate the disappearance, comprising of investigators attached to Eastern Suburbs LAC.
2. Interview and obtain further statements of involved parties, these include:
  - Cherie Foster who has a last known address in Coffs Harbour.
  - Alan Smythe who is now residing in Joondalup, Western Australia
  - Oliver Keasbery who resides with Smythe in Joondalup, WA.

- Ruth Binney - landlady who leased unit to Baumann –current whereabouts unknown)
  - Attend [REDACTED] and speak to FISCHER who may be a witness to sighting BAUMANN in 1996. (Suggested by Seneviratne)
  - Contact Baumann's family in Germany to obtain any further information that may assist with the investigation.
3. Compile comprehensive profiles on any identified suspects.
  4. Utilise the Telephone Intercept Branch if suspects identified.
  5. Listening Devices may be required to assist with the investigation. LDs to be used at Smythe's residence in W.A. and Foster's residence in Coffs Harbour.
  6. Establish potential crime scene through investigations.
  7. Seize and examine/view exhibits if any.
  8. Identify tenants of the unit complex in which BAUMANN resided and was last seen, then interview re disappearance.
  9. Provide constant information flow to family of the missing person.
  10. Utilise E@gle I Information Management System
  11. Prepare P79a report to the coroner.

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