

STATEMENT

In the matter of: Death of John Alan RUSSELL
at Bondi on or about Thursday, 23.11.1989

Place: Sydney, New South Wales – (my residence)

Date: Wednesday, 26th April, 2017

Name: Adrian Macdonald INGLEBY

Address: Not disclosed

Occupation: Retiree – a former Senior Sergeant of Police

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 69 years of age.

3. I retired from the New South Wales Police Force on 30th January, 2008 and at that time I was stationed at Marrickville Local Area Command holding the rank of Senior Sergeant having completed 38 years of service.

4. In November, 1989, I was stationed at Bondi Police Station holding the rank of Sergeant of Police and working in the position of Shift Supervisor. I referred to my Official Police Notebook Number F 63108, the reverse side of Page 11 through to Page 17 inclusive, which was issued from Bondi Police Station on 31.05.1989, to assist me in the preparation of this statement and also to assist me in regard to my taking of the photographs at Bondi in 2017. I also referred to a statement that I made

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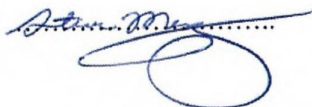
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and prepared for a Coronial Inquest into the death of John Alan RUSSELL. That statement consisting of six (6) pages was dated and signed by me on the 26th February, 1990.

5. On Monday, 31st October, 2016, Detective Sergeant Steven Morgan of the Unsolved Homicide Team spoke with me in regard to my involvement in the investigation into the death of John Alan RUSSELL. Detective Sergeant Morgan told me that he was reinvestigating the circumstances surrounding the death.

6. The statement prepared by me on 26th February, 1990 for the Coronial Inquest outlines in some detail my observations at the scene and enquiries I conducted. On Thursday, 23rd November, 1989, I was rostered for duty at Bondi Police Station as Shift Supervisor between the hours of 7.00am through to 3.30pm inclusive. About 10.10 am I attended Fletcher Street, Bondi at the intersection of Marks Lane and Marks Park. I there spoke to Neville Francis SMITH and Rick Joseph SAXBY who told me certain things as outlined on Page 1, paragraph 3 of my Inquest statement. I accompanied Constable Michael Barrett, Brad Scanlan, Ambulance Officers Dennis Keegan and Lyn Richards from Randwick Ambulance Station and Mr Saxby to the position where the body of John Alan RUSSELL was located.

7. My description of the area and the coastal footpath that we walked along to get to the body is set out in my Inquest statement on Page 1, paragraph 4, Page 2, paragraph 5. My observations in regard to the body were recorded in my Official Notebook number F 63108 and are set out in my Inquest statement on Page 2, paragraph 6 and 7 and Page 3, paragraph 8. I drew a sketch of the position of the body on the Reverse side of Page 12 and on Page 13 of my notebook and another on the reverse side of Page 15 of my notebook. About 10.29am Plain Clothes Constable Sally Dunbar and Detective Constable 1/c David Owens arrived at the scene. About 11.23am Detectives Manny Rivera and Carl Cameron from the Crime Scene Unit arrived at the scene. I noted on Page 15 of my notebook that the reference number for

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the crime scene photographs taken by those detectives was 89/2332.

8. In the 1990 statement I prepared for the Coronial Inquest when describing my observations of the body of John Alan RUSSELL, I referred to a number of photographs taken by the Detectives from the Crime Scene Unit [ref # 89/2332], such photographs have been identified alphabetically. Those photographs are:

Photograph J - My statement Page 2, paragraph 7, states, "There was a 50 cents coin in the pool next to the body, (Photograph j) and a one dollar coin further across at the pools edge.

Photograph I - My statement Page 2, paragraph 7, states, "A 50 cent coin was on the rock further across from the top of the body (Photograph I). A 20 cent coin was found near the left shoulder under the rock pool ledge.

Photograph M - My statement Page 3, paragraph 8, states, "I noted that there was some hair adhering to the left hand of the body behind the left index finger. (Photograph M).

Photograph S - My statement Page 3, paragraph 8, states, "I saw a packet of Peter Stuyvesant Filter 20 cigarettes, which was later found to contain 14 cigarettes, under the cliff face overhang (Photograph S) in a pool of water and a blue disposable cigarette lighter was further under the same over hang (Photograph S)

Photograph I - My statement Page 3, paragraph 8, states, "There was an empty Coca Cola bottle with screw cap on the top of the large Rock just south of the body. (photograph I).

9. As a result of the reinvestigation into the death of John RUSSELL by Detective Sergeant Morgan, I made a decision that I would attend the Bondi area where John RUSSELL's body was found in 1989 and take a series of digital photographs with the aim of showing the layout of the whole area, that is the cliff area above where the body was located, the coastal walking path, the stairs etc., It was my intention that once completed I would supply Detective Sergeant Morgan with copies

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of the photographs and retain copies for my own reference.

10. About 8.00 am on Sunday, 16th April, 2017, I went to the vicinity of the Bondi coastal walkway bounded and/or bordered at the north end by Notts Avenue, Hunter Park and at the south end by Marks Park on Mackenzies Point at Fletcher street, Bondi. At the time I attended there was a low tide. I took a total of 169 digital photographs of that area which are numbered DSC 02282 to DSC 02450 inclusive.

11. About 7.40 am on Wednesday, 19th April, 2017, I revisited the same area described in paragraph 10 above. At the time I attended there was a low tide. I took a total of 63 digital photographs of that area which are numbered DSC 02451 to DSC 02513 inclusive.

12. I prepared a photo display book, now identified as "Book 1" and in the photo display book on Page 1 to Page 13 inclusive, I placed 51 of the photographs taken on Sunday, 16th April, 2017, as set out below:

Page 1	-	2307	2311	2429	2427	
Page 2	-	2369	2375	2372	2384	2374
Page 3	-	2388	2377	2395	2398	
Page 4	-	2414	2407	2405	2412	
Page 5	-	2399	2413	2406		
Page 6	-	2415	2416	2417	2420	
Page 7	-	2389	2418	2419	2390	
Page 8	-	2391	2394	2393	2392	
Page 9	-	2397	2381	2383	2382	
Page 10	-	2385	2387	2386		
Page 11	-	2344	2342	2433	2448	
Page 12	-	2442	2441	2437	2440	
Page 13	-	2434	2431	2435	2360	

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13. In "Book 1" on Page 14 to Page 18 inclusive, I also included 23 of the photographs taken on Wednesday, 19th April, 2017 as set out below:

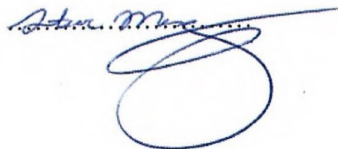
Page 14	-	2459	2460	2461	2462	2463
Page 15	-	2451	2467	2469	2470	
Page 16	-	2480	2481	2478	2476	2477
Page 17	-	2482	2483	2484	2486	
Page 18	-	2488	2487	2490	2489	2491

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14. I prepared a photo display book, now identified as "Book 2" and in the photo display book on Page 1 to Page 10 inclusive, I placed 39 of the photographs taken on Sunday, 16th April, 2017, as set out below:

Page 1	-	2330	2317	2318		
Page 2	-	2313	2340	2339	2310	
Page 3	-	2308	2348	2319	2333	
Page 4	-	2320	2334	2324	2329	
Page 5	-	2363	2362	2421	2422	2423
Page 6	-	2443	2425	2424	2436	
Page 7	-	2359	2356	2355	2358	
Page 8	-	2354	2302	2351	2361	
Page 9	-	2303	2304	2306	2305	
Page 10	-	2312	2338	2316		

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EXHIBIT: I PRODUCE OFFICIAL POLICE NOTEBOOK NUMBER F 63108,
THE REVERSE SIDE OF PAGE 11 THROUGH TO PAGE 17
INCLUSIVE. Exhibit No.

Witness: ~~John M. ...~~ Signature: *A. M. Ingleby*
Name: ~~Stephen ...~~ A. M. Ingleby
Rank: ~~Detective Sergeant~~ Date: 28 / 04 / 2017
Time: 4 / 00 ~~am~~ / pm
Date: 28 / 04 / 2017
Place: *Henriksen ... Police Station*