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Hello Mr willing,

Hope you are well Sir and the girls are going great.

The Unsolved Homicide Exhibit report was allocated to me last year to address for St George LAC. As mentioned by Paul Simpkins, we have been in the process of addressing a room at Riverwood Police Station that basically was a dumping ground for a lot of the Commands old, old exhibits for a very long time. Until 12 months ago the exhibits were still being managed via the old Exhibit Books and basically forgotten about. To give you an idea we recently disposed of exhibits from an extortion in 1994 where the OIC was a Det Sen Con. No names but he recently became our Commissioner. Just an example of what we have been coming to terms with.

As part of a greater exhibits project for the Command, I have had a part time officer at the location that has been back capturing and re-bagging the exhibits into the modern bags and placing as many details as she possibly can onto those bags - information she has to draw from COPS and in some instances she has to do iAsk's for the old CIR's. As of two weeks ago, all exhibits and that officer have been moved from Riverwood back up to Hurstville, however, it is a rather arduous process which the officer is doing a commendable job with. As it stood Sir [REDACTED] would not accept the exhibits as they are as they are not on EFIMS and the bags have deteriorated over time, some you would pick up and the contents would spill onto the floor.

Importantly to your Unsolved Homicide officers, there is definitely going to be items that relate to the file generated by D/C/Insp Lehmann.

I do apologise Sir, I have always taken this request seriously, I was just holding off as long as I could so my response back to Detective Lehmann and his staff was as complete as it possibly could be. I did e-mail Detective Lehmann back in December (see below), committing to have something to him soon after that, but after meeting with the officer at Riverwood I realised it would be incomplete as her back capture was still underway and the spread sheet I referred to, although helpful, wouldn't assist Det Lehmann very much.

I commit to you though Sir that I will provide a response as complete as it can be by next week. I will continue to advise after the submission of that report of the back capture by my officer identifies anything further until the back-capture is complete and I am satisfied any exhibit that should be reported to Det Lehmann has been done so.

Kind regards

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Date: 14/12/2016 07:55AM  
Subject: St George Exhibits [DLM=Sensitive]

Good morning John,

I have a report seeking advice on any possible Unsolved homicide Exhibits on hand at St George.

I just wanted to let you know that I haven't forgotten about your request.

A few years ago we identified a room at Riverwood Police Station that was, for all intents and purposes, a dumping ground of the old Hurstville LAC for long term exhibits for serious crime including murders, attempted murders, sexual assaults and robberies. It was put there and forgotten about, no enquiries ever made with OIC's about the exhibits. They were all recorded under the old exhibit books.

We have had a part time officer at that location for the past 12 months back capturing all of the exhibits onto EFIMS and at the same time making contact with OIC's seeking to dispose of exhibits no longer required and if they are required, what can be transferred to the MEPC.

There is, amongst all of those exhibits some that relate to old homicide matters. The officer undertaking this project has been keeping a spreadsheet, which contains the details that may be relevant to your investigators.

I should have a response that I will forward as a report with the spreadsheet in the next week or so.

Thanks,

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