

Sensitive: Law Enforcement

D/2016/584219

ISSUE:

Request for inventory of all unsolved homicide exhibits on hand at Penrith LAC.

BACKGROUND:

See attached papers.

CURRENT POSITION:

In October 2016, the Penrith Local Area Command received a file relating to the required audit of all exhibits on hand relating to homicide investigations that had not been entered onto EFIMS.

The file was allocated to Inspector Kylie Koenig who had recently facilitated the back capture of all exhibits onto the EFIMS system. The audit process was completed and Inspector Koenig made contact with a female officer at the Unsolved Homicide Unit, advising them that the Penrith Local Area Command had a nil return. Advice was provided to Inspector Koenig that the Unsolved Homicide Unit would update their spreadsheet records and the return file was not required.

On the 7 April 2017 I received email correspondence from Detective Superintendent Michael Willing, Commander, Homicide Squad concerning the status of this file. That same date, I facilitated confirmation of the aforementioned information and returned email advice to the Commander, Homicide Squad. This reaffirmed the Penrith Local Area Command had a nil return. I have provided a copy of that email to this report.

On the 12 July 2017 I received the attached file indicating that the Penrith Local Area Command were yet to respond to the initial inquiry in 2016 and the follow up in early 2017.

COMMENT:

I am well satisfied that the Penrith Local Area Command has completed their obligations and provided verbal and written advice to the Homicide Squad, State Crime Command for their records to be updated.

I seek that this formal response be provided through the chain of Command and a notation is returned to the Penrith Local Area Command via the records management system acknowledging the receipt of information.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. It is recommended this file be forwarded to the Detective Chief Inspector Chris Olen, Unsolved Homicide Team, Homicide Squad, State Crime Command for its records.

Brett McFadden,
 Detective Superintendent,
 Penrith Local Area Command.
 12 July 2017.

- 1. Commander, North West Metropolitan Region
- 2. Commander, State Crime Command
- 3. Director - Serious Crime, State Crime Command
- 4. Commander, Homicide Squad, State Crime Command
- 5. Unsolved Homicide Team, State Crime Command

John Kerlatec APM 18/7/2017
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 John Kerlatec APM 20.7.17
 Detective Chief Superintendent
 Director, Serious Crime Directorate
 State Crime Command

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ISSUE:

Request for inventory of all unsolved homicide exhibits on hand at Penrith L.A.C.

BACKGROUND:

There are approximately 650 recorded unsolved homicide cases in NSW.

The Unsolved Homicide Team (UHT), State Crime Command is conducting a project to recover, record and centralise all unsolved homicide case exhibits at the Metropolitan Exhibit and Property Centre (MEPC). It is envisaged the centralisation of all exhibits will provide opportunities for further forensic analysis and minimise the risk of misplacement of the exhibits particularly in relation to long term unsolved homicide cases.

To facilitate this process correspondence was sent to all Local Area Commands and Crime Scene Sections on 4 October 2016 requesting a full audit of all homicide related exhibits on hand that had not been converted to EFIMS.

In early 2017 a reminder to complete this request was emailed to Local Area Commands and Crime Scene Sections by the Commander, Homicide Squad Michael Willing APM.

CURRENT POSITION:

At this time no response has been received from Penrith L.A.C. It is requested that every effort is made to comply with this request to enable completion of this phase of the homicide exhibit recovery project.

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend this report is forwarded to the Commander, Penrith L.A.C. for attention.

Christopher Olen
Detective Chief Inspector
Unsolved Homicide Team
State Crime Command
5 July 2017

- 1. Commander, Homicide Squad, State Crime Command

Forwarded for attention and direct response. Previous correspondence has gone unanswered. This is an organisation wide strategy aimed at improving handling & management of unsolved homicide exhibits and investigations. LAC engagement is critical to facilitating this.

- 2. Director Serious Crime, State Crime Command *Forwarded to attention filed 10/7/17*

John Keifatec APM
Detective Chief Superintendent

- 3. Commander, State Crime Command *Suppater. Day 11/7 Act*
- 4. Commander, Penrith L.A.C.

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Thanks mate. Will chase up my end.

MJW

Brett Mcfadden---07/04/2017 09:51:46---Mick, For your information.

From: Brett Mcfadden, [REDACTED]/Staff/NSWPolice**To:** Michael Willing, [REDACTED]Staff/NSWPolice@NSWPolice**Date:** 07/04/2017 09:51**Subject:** Fw: Unsolved Homicide Exhibits [DLM=Sensitive:Law Enforcement (SLE)]

Mick,

For your information.

Regards,

Brett McFadden

Detective Superintendent | Commander | Penrith Local Area Command | NSW Police Force

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From: Kylie Koenig, [REDACTED]Staff/NSWPolice**To:** Brett Mcfadden, [REDACTED]Staff/NSWPolice@nswpolice**Date:** 07/04/2017 09:36**Subject:** Re: Unsolved Homicide Exhibits [DLM=Sensitive:Law Enforcement (SLE)]

Hi boss,

Yes, I remember this one. One of the projects we undertook in exhibits was the back capturing of all our exhibits not on EFIMS. In total over 400 exhibits were put on EFIMS.

When this file came in I contacted the unsolved Homeside team and advised them of this and that Penrith was a "nil return". I was advised they would make a record of this and there was not a need to return the file.

Regards,

Kylie

Sent from my iPad

On 7 Apr. 2017, at 9:10 am, Brett Mcfadden <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hi Kylie,

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Hi Kylie,

Are you able to advise the status of this file?

October 2016?

Thanks,

Brett McFadden

Detective Superintendent | Commander | Penrith Local Area Command | NSW Police Force
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----- Forwarded by Brett Mcfadden, [REDACTED]/Staff/NSWPolice on 07/04/2017 09:09 -----

From: Michael Willing/[REDACTED]Staff/NSWPolice
To: Brett Mcfadden/[REDACTED]Staff/NSWPolice
Cc: Connie Tse, [REDACTED]/Staff/NSWPolice@NSWPolice
Date: 07/04/2017 09:07
Subject: Unsolved Homicide Exhibits [DLM=Sensitive:Law Enforcement (SLE)]

Hello Brett,

Hope you are well mate.

Sorry to be a hassle but the attached file was forwarded through to your LAC last year and we have not received a reply yet.

A lot of our 'Unsolved Homicide' results have come from the testing of old exhibits that have been located in various locations across the state and what what we are trying to do is to reconcile all homicide exhibits into one central location at [REDACTED] so down the track into the future we don't lose them.

This file might not have cross your desk last year but would you mind having someone chase it up for us please as we are getting pressure from various stake-holders to get the project finished.

Thanks heaps and sorry to be a pain.

Any problems please let me know.

Kind regards

Mick Willing

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