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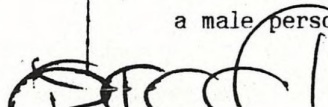
STATEMENT in matter of:
SERIOUS ASSAULT - 11/1/92

Place: Redfern Police Station.
Date: 13 January, 1992

Name: MALCOLM Robert McPherson
Address: [REDACTED] JANNALI.
Occupation: Retired.

Tel. No: [REDACTED]
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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.
2. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I made 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.
3. I am 69 years of age.
4. I live at the above address with my wife, Edith and son Robert Hart MALCOLM. My son is 41 years of age and his date of birth is 8th of March, 1950.
5. On Saturday, 11 January, 1992, I was reading the newspaper and listening to the wireless. I then became aware that my son Robert, had not come home yet and I was getting a bit worried about it although he has been known to stay at friends for a couple of days, sometimes without telling us. Lately he has been ringing me at home and telling me that he was staying at friends or working back at work.
6. On Sunday, the following day, I was reading the Sun Herald and I read about a male person, closer to my son's description than the previous day's paper,




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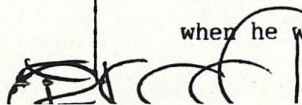
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that had been seriously assaulted and that he was unidentified. I still decided to wait till the following day, Monday morning, before I contacted the Police or where my son works.

7. On Monday morning, Robert still had not returned home so I rang his work at the G.P.O Pay Section, Martin Place in the city. I spoke with one of the girls at that number and she told me that Robert had not turned up to work. I then rang Redfern Police Station and spoke with the front desk and then with Detective Sergeant BANFIELD. I had a short conversation with him and then got on a train and went to Redfern Police Station.
8. At Redfern Police Station I was shown a photograph sketch of a person that partly looked like Robert. I was then shown a number of polaroid photographs of a male person which also looked like Robert.
9. Sometime later, I went with Detective YANNAKIS and Detective BULLOCK to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital at Camperdown. We then went up to the seventh floor where I saw a male person laying in a bed. I recognise this person to be my son Robert Hart MALCOLM and I identified him to the Detectives and Hospital Staff. At that time Robert was laying in a bed and he had tubes and wires attached to him. He was also unconscious. I stayed with him for a couple of hours and spoke with the Doctor there. I think it was Doctor MORGAN. After that I went back to Redfern Police Station.
10. To my knowledge, Robert used to like drinking quite a bit. He never used to worry about exactly how much he drank and I think he used to mainly drink beer. When he did drink to excess he was never violent and all he wanted to do was sleep. On occasions, he got on the train after drinking and then miss his stop. He never used to drink when he was driving but when he wasn't driving he did drink. I know that Robert never drove to




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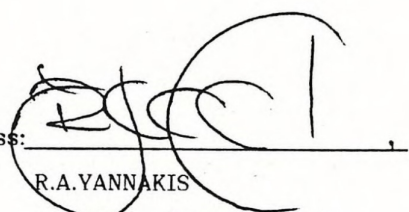
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work during the week except when he worked on Sunday's.

11. Robert rarely carried any identification or jewellery after having his watch and wallet pinched some time ago.

12. The last time I saw Robert was on Thursday night when he took the dog out for a run around. On Friday morning I heard him playing with the dog again but I never actually saw him and then at about ten to seven he left for work. At the time he went to work, after speaking to my wife and looking through his wardrobe, I can say that he was wearing a pair of grey trousers and a creamy/fawny colored shirt. I can also say for sure that Robert never came home on Friday evening to change his clothes and I have not seen him since that Thursday until today.

Witness:


 R.A. YANNAKIS

Detective Constable 1/C

Redfern Police Station.

13 January, 1992.

Signature:


 R. MALCOLM

Witness:

Signature: