NEW SOUTH WALES POLICE

STATEMENT in matter of:

Place: East Sydney Zone

Death of Crispin DYE

Crime Scene Unit

Job No. 93-1505

Date:

15 November, 1994

Name:

VAN LEEUWEN Lyle William

AGE: 32

Address:

Tel.No.

Occupation:

Detective Senior Constable of Police

STATES:-

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 prosecutions if I have stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

(1)I am attached to the East Sydney Crime Scene Unit, where part of my daily duties include the examination of scenes of crime. Duties at the scene include the collection of Physical Evidence, preparation of plans, the taking and processing of photographs and the macroscopic examination of objects and articles requiring considerations of minute detail. I have completed the Crime Scene Examiners Course and The Disaster Victim Identification Course conducted by the New South Wales Police Force. I have completed the Police Bomb Technicians Course conducted by the Australian Army, the Explosives Course and the Police Drafting Course conducted by the Department of Technical and Further Education at Sydney Technical College. I am a holder of a Powdermans Certificate of Competency for the use and disposal of commercial explosives. I am currently undertaking an Diploma in Applied Sciences (Forensic Investigation) at the Canberra Institute of Technology and have completed the second year of this course. I have been carrying out crime scene examinations for seven years.

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- About 6.20am on Thursday 23 December, 1993 I attended the intersection of Little Oxford Street and Campbell Street, Surry Hills where I spoke to Constable JOHNSON of the Surry Hills Police Station. I then examined the roadway during which I took a number of colour photographs and collected some exhibits.
- The intersection of Little Oxford Street and Campbell Street is located on the western side of the Kinsella's Night Club. On the roadway of Campbell Street. 33.6 metres west of the western kerb of Bourke Street and 0.6 metres south of the Northern kerb of Campbell Street I saw a pool of freshly congealed blood on the roadway. This pool of blood was approximately 200 millimetres by 100 millimetres in size. Near the pool of congealed blood I saw some Australian coinage totalling \$3.30. I also saw some medical wrappers. I searched the area but was unable to locate and items relevant to this inquiry. I collected a swab of blood from the roadway and handed the \$3.30 to Constable JOHNSON. I also spoke to Detective SINADINOVIC and ALWERT from the Ultimo Police Station.

EXHIBIT... I produce 6 colour photographs labelled 1 to 6 showing the intersection of Little Oxford Street and Campbell Street, Surry Hills.

- 1. View west, in Campbell Street, towards the intersection of Little Oxford Street.
- 2. View North, across Campbell Street into Little Oxford Street.
- 3. View east, in Campbell Street, Surry Hills.
- 4. View of the congealed blood and the \$3.30 in coinage.

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- 5. View of the medical wrappers near the pool of congealed blood.
- 6. Further view of the pool of congealed blood.
- (4) About 8.30am I attended the Casualty section of St Vincents Hospital where I photographed a male person I now know to be Mr Crispin DYE. Mr DYE was dressed in a hospital gown and was unconscious. There were some grazes to his left cheek, a 2.5 centimetre laceration to the underside of his left eyelid, some grazes to his forehead and he has suffered a blackened and bruised left eye. He was wearing a cervical collar and was on a ventilator. His hair was blood stained.

EXHIBIT... I produce 3 colour photographs labelled 7 to 9 inclusive showing Mr Crispin DYE and his injuries.

- 7. View of the injuries to the left side of Mr DYE's face.
- 8. View of the injuries to the right side of Mr DYE's face.
- 9. Front view of Mr DYE's face.
- (5) About 9.20am at the Crime Scene Unit I received the following items of clothing from Detective Paul TAYLOR of Surry Hills Police Station:
 - 1. A pair of blue denim jeans and a brown belt.
 - A denim shirt.
 - 3. A pair of maroon coloured shoes.

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- 4. A pair of maroon coloured socks.
- 5. A white T shirt.

I later examined these items of clothing. The trousers and shoes were soiled with faeces and the front of the T shirt was blood stained. I was unable to locate and shoe prints or other trace evidence on the clothing. The clothing was undamaged and appeared to be intact.

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I produce 5 colour photographs labelled 10 to 14 inclusive showing the clothing that I received from Detective Taylor on 23 December, 1993.

- 10. View of the pair of blue jeans.
- 11. View of the blood stained blue denim shirt.
- 12. View of the blood stained white T shirt.
- 13. View of the maroon shoes.
- 14. View of the maroon socks.
- (6)About 10.00am on Monday 27 December, 1993 I attended the Institute of Forensic Medicine at Glebe and was present during a Post Mortem examination conducted on the body of Crispin DYE by the Government Forensic Pathologist, Doctor L SCHWARTZ. Prior to and during the Post Mortem examination I took a series of colour photographs. During the post mortem examination I saw a number of injuries that I was unable to see when I photographed Mr DYE in hospital. These injuries

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included a graze above Mr DYE's top lip, a graze to his left hand and a graze to his left elbow.

EXHIBIT... I produce 27 colour photographs labelled 15 to 41 inclusive taken during the Post Mortem examination of Crispin DYE.

At the conclusion of the Post Mortem examination I received from Dr SCHWARTZ, a blood sample in the name of Crispin DYE.

- On Tuesday 28 December, 1993 I received from Detective McCARTHY of the Surry Hills Police Station a blood sample in the name of Crispin DYE and labelled in part, "St George Hospital".
- (8) On Wednesday 29 December, 1993 I accompanied Detective Sergeant KNIGHT to Little Oxford Street, Surry Hills where I conducted a number of presumptive test for blood on some stains on the pavement. These tests gave a negative indication.
- (9) The blood sample received from Detective McCARTHY was conveyed to the Division on Analytical Laboratories at Lidcombe on 15 February, 1994 for analysis.

EXHIBIT... At the time of preparing this statement a certificate setting out the results of the blood examination had not been received.

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2. View North, across Campbell Street into Little Oxford Street.



3. View east, in Campbell Street, Surry Hills.



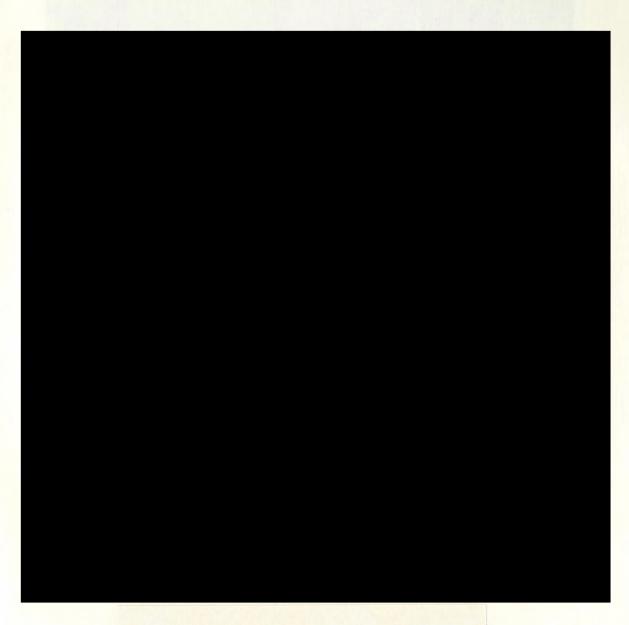
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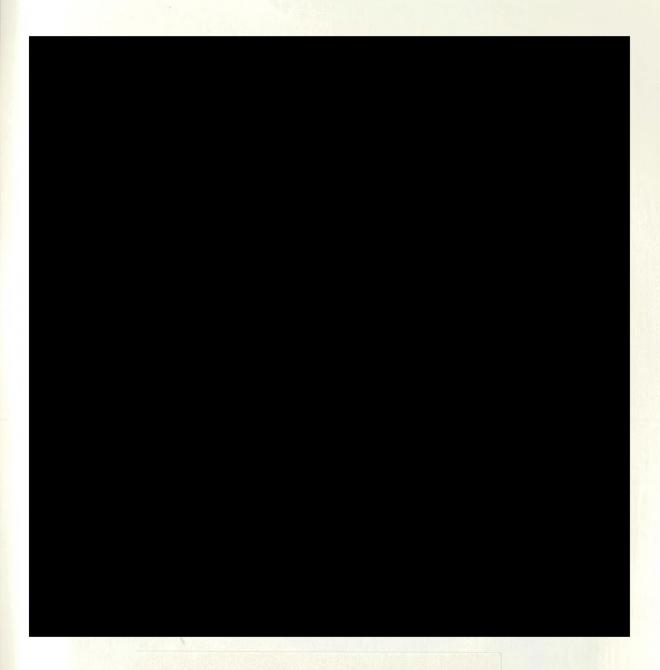
5. View of the medical wrappers near the pool of congealed blood.



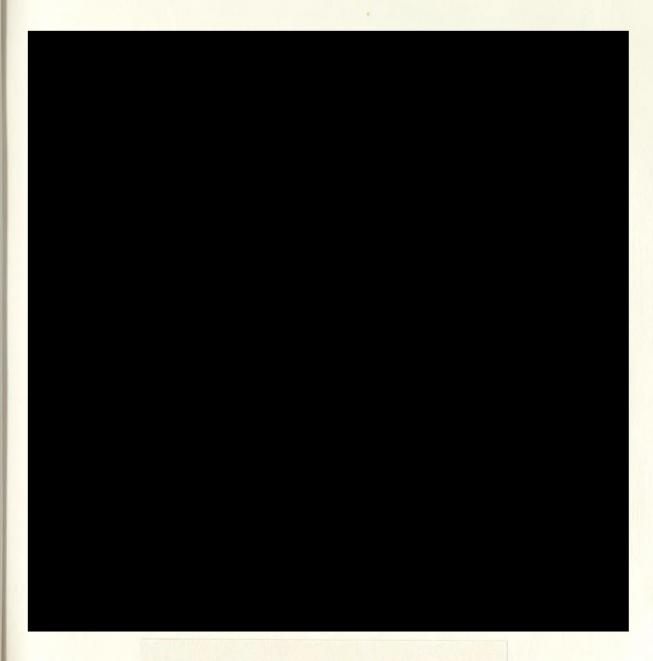
6. Further view of the pool of congealed blood.



8. View of the injuries to the right side of Mr DYE's face.



7. View of the injuries to the left side of Mr DYE's face.



9. Front view of Mr DYE's face.



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