

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:
Murder of Crispin DYE.

Place: Surry Hills Police Station.
Date: 4th July, 1994.

Name: [1321]

Tel No.: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Bondi

Occupation: Retired.

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.

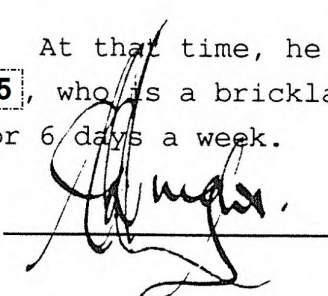
2. My age is 72.

3. I am the grandfather of [NP128], born [REDACTED], my son [1334], being the father of [NP128]. The boys mother [1323], and my son are divorced. [1334] lives somewhere in the Cross, and [1323] lives somewhere in Moree, I don't know where, I haven't seen her for about 2 years. [1334] re-married about 5 years ago to [1336] (known as " [1336] ") [1336], however they separated about November, 1993.

4. Last Tuesday evening the 28th June, 1994, I spoke to Detective Sergeant KNIGHT and Detective MILLIGAN, at my home together with [1336], in relation to my grandson. At that time I informed those Police that [NP128] had stayed at my home on occasions, sleeping on the floor, from about September, to November last year.

5. At that time, he had been working for my other son [1335] [1335], who is a bricklaying contractor, as an apprentice, working 5 or 6 days a week.

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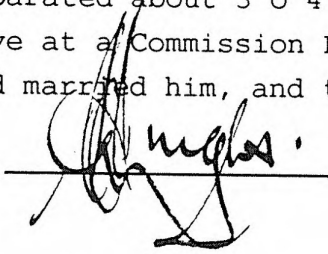
6. He was working on a number of sites, one at North Sydney that I know of and I think one at Parramatta. I don't know exactly where he was working. After November, they laid him off because business was slack, that was the end of November.

7. During that time, sometimes he would stay at my place and sometimes he would stay with a cousin at Woolloomooloo, but I don't know his name, or the address, I've never been there. The cousin is a female, and some sort of relation of **NP128**'s mother, they got a Commission house there. His mother used to have a Commission House there too, but she give it away, four or five years ago.

8. Sometimes while he was working he would stay with me 3 or 4 times a week, sometimes two or three weeks I haven't seen him, sometimes he might stay two times a week, it would depend on where he was working. While he was working he would come home about 9pm at night, he would come and have a shower, maybe have something to eat. He would sleep there and get up in the morning and go to work from there. He did not have a car, and was going to work with my other son **I332**, who lives at Flat No. **I**. He have to go about 5 o'clock in the morning.

9. After he got laid off from work, he would still come to my place at night, and sometimes I would see him in the day, to do some washing his clothes, but not often. I think most of the time he stayed at Woolloomooloo, because they got a crowd staying there, all his friends there, and my place is too small to spend a day there.

10. **I323** and **I334** married about 21 years ago, but they separated about 3 o 4 years after **NP128** was born. She went to live at a Commission Flat at Waterloo, and she met a Chinese boy and married him, and they lived together there for about 6 or 7

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years. Then they separated because she got another boyfriend, and she stay there at Waterloo, with the boyfriend for 2 or 3 years and they have a son.

11. She break up with the boyfriend and she applied for a house and they give her a house, two storey place at Woolloomooloo.

NP128 was about 14 or 15 by then, going to School at Randwick High. She got another boyfriend after that and got a farm place near Newcastle and they moved away to there. **NP128** got into some trouble up there and went to a Youth Centre, or Institution of some kind for 6 or 7 months I think. I think **I323** had a fight with the boyfriend and broke up, then she went to Moree, and Dubbo and Newcastle with a girlfriend, to a different place. After that I don't know anything about her.

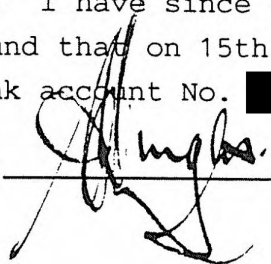
12. I haven't seen **NP128** for a while after that, until he come to work with my son **I335** last year. He had been working with **I335** before he came to stay with me, and I think he was living at Woolloomooloo, he was paying board there, that's his cousin's place.

13. As I indicated to Sergeant KNIGHT on 28th June, **NP128** would occasionally borrow money from me, twenty dollars only, and pay me back on pay day, until the day I remember he wanted to borrow \$70 or \$80 to go to Moree.

14. After **NP128** got laid off he still come to say, but not as often as when he was working, and as I told the Police previously, I thought he went to Moree a couple of weeks prior to Christmas.

15. I have since that time checked my Banking records, and found that on 15th December, 1993, I took \$70 out of my Westpac Bank account No. [REDACTED], at the Hall Street Branch, and I

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remember that was a Wednesday and that was when I gave **NP128** the money.

16. I gave him the \$70 from the bank and another \$10 for him to go to the station by Taxi. I couldn't take him, because I played tennis that night. He took his bag and all the clothes and everything other than the things he left there, that I showed the Police last week. I didn't see him leave in the Taxi but he walked out about 5.30pm.

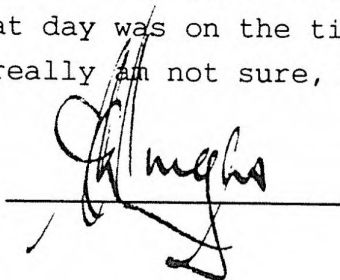
17. As far as I know, he went to Moree to stay with his mother's sister and I didn't hear from him again, although **I335** and me tried to get in touch with his mother, who was also in Moree by then, because **I335** wanted him to come back to work. That was after February, this year but we didn't get any response. I think **I334** tried to get hold of him, but I don't know what happened.

18. Before he left, **NP128** told me that he was going to get a job in Moree picking cotton, we accepted that he was all right there and that was the reason he didn't come down.

19. While the Police were at my house last week I checked some diaries I keep on a daily basis to see whether there was anything to indicate when **NP128** left, but I couldn't find anything. I am definite that the day I gave **NP128** the money was the 15th December, 1993, and that that was the day he left to go to Moree.

20. Some time before giving him the money, **NP128** showed me a train ticket for travel from Sydney to Moree, but I am not sure what day was on the ticket. I thought it was a blue ticket, but I really am not sure, but I know it was to Moree.

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21. I understand that while **NP128** was in Moree, he had a fight with his mother, but I don't know any more about that, I don't know if his mother went to the Police, that would be up to her.

22. Last week or the week before, **NP128**'s mother **I323**, rang **I336** and told her that he was in Long Bay Gaol, but I don't know where she rang from, I didn't speak to her myself.

23. Since he left Sydney, I have not seen or spoken to **NP128** at all.

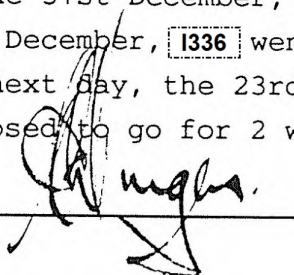
24. I have supplied Sergeant KNIGHT with a photocopy of my Bank Statement showing the withdrawal of \$70 that I referred to previously. I withdrew that money from the Automatic Teller Machine as it was after the Bank closed.

25. I do not know any of **NP128**'s associates in Sydney, and the only time he came to my place is to sleep, because he was too tired, but he didn't get out of a night while he was at my place.

26. At the time that I gave **NP128** the money on the 15th December, 1993, **I336**, his stepmother was also there.

27. On that date, that is the 15th December, my stepson, **I337** **I337**, was supposed to arrive to stay with me from New Zealand, where he lives, but he went straight to Melbourne instead and stayed there for a week. I went to the airport with **I336** on the 22nd December, at night time, to pick him up and he came and stayed at my place until the 30th. He flew back to New Zealand on the 31st December, 1993. On the day he arrived here, the 22nd December, **I336** went to a Hotel in Sydney to stay, and left the next day, the 23rd on the early plane to Perth. She was supposed to go for 2 weeks, but came back a week early on the

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30th, while I337 was still here.

28. NP128 was not there at all during that time, and as I have indicated had left previously to go to Moree.

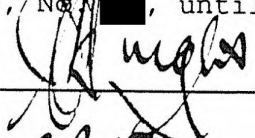
29. While he was staying with me, I only saw him wearing work clothes, black trousers track suit ones and white singlet. I never see him wearing cap or anything on his head. He had a short hair cut like army, and he is supposed to wear glasses, but doesn't like to, because he is short sighted. He got glasses with him, because I335 used to pay for him, a few hundred dollars but he always leave them at home, on the T.V. or something. He was supposed to wear them when he was working I think. He must have took them with him when he left, because there's nothing in the place, but I don't see him wearing them.

30. I haven't spoken to any of NP128's relatives, other than my son's about him, since he went to gaol just recently, and haven't spoken to anyone in Moree. As I indicated previously though, I think I336 spoke to his mother on her phone, and was told he was in Gaol in Sydney.

31. From my Bank statement I can indicate that I did not make any other withdrawals from the account at the Westpac until the 5th January, 1994. The only other account I have is with CITIBANK, however that is an investment account, and there are no withdrawals from that account in that time.

32. The block of units where I live, is owned by [REDACTED], who is my brother in law, and I am employed there since I retired as a caretaker. The flat at [REDACTED] is my place, but I sleep either at No. [REDACTED] or another flat where I am a caretaker [REDACTED]. My daughter in law I336 stays temporarily at my place, No. [REDACTED], until she finds somewhere else.

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