

## DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 1 Right. This is an interview between Detective Sergeant Knight - Geoffrey Roy Knight - of Surry Hills Police Station and [NP128] at the Surry Hills Police Station, on Wednesday, the 6th of July, 1994. Do you agree, [NP128], that the time is now 11.53 am?

A Yes.

Q 2 Do you agree that the time on this device appears to be incorrect?

A Yes.

Q 3 And also present is Detective Sergeant Mulherin of the Homicide Squad. And Detective Milligan also of Surry Hills. Do you agree that there are no other persons present in this room apart from yourself and those persons I've introduced?

A Yes.

Q 4 As I've already explained to you, Detective Sergeant Mulherin, Detective Milligan and myself are making inquiries in relation to the death of a man named Crispin Wilson Dye at Surry Hills as a result of an incident that occurred on the 23rd of December 1993. I am going to ask you further questions about this matter. You are not obliged to answer unless you wish to do so, but whatever you say and do will be electronically recorded and may be used in evidence. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q 5 Do you agree that prior to the commencement of this interview, I told you that I intended asking you further questions about this matter?

- A Yes.
- Q 6 Do you agree that I also told you, that my questions and any answers that you gave to those questions would be electronically recorded on audio and video cassette tapes as the interview took place?
- A Yes.
- Q 7 Do you agree that I also told you that at the conclusion of the interview, you would be given an audio cassette tape of the interview?
- A Yes.
- Q 8 Do you agree that I also told you that at the conclusion of the interview, one of the audio cassette tapes would be sealed in your presence?
- A Yes.
- Q 9 Do you agree that I also told you, that a viewing of the video cassette tape would be arranged if required?
- A Yes.
- Q 10 Did you then agree to be electronically interviewed?
- A Yes.
- Q 11 Right. For the purpose of this interview, can you tell me your full name?
- A NP128.
- Q 12 And your date of birth, thank you?
- A [REDACTED].
- Q 13 And you were living as at the 14th of June this year, at [REDACTED] Kempsey. Is that correct?
- A Yes.
- Q 14 And I understand you were living with your uncle, a 1339. Is that correct?
- A Yes.



Q 15 Do you agree, NP128, that I interviewed you in the company of Detective Milligan at Kempsey Police Station on the 15th of June this year?

A Yes. Yeah.

Q 16 Do you agree that you had also previously been interviewed by detectives from Kempsey Police Station prior to my speaking to you?

A Yes.

Q 17 Do you agree that at that time - or at the time I interviewed you, that you indicated to me that you were in the vicinity of Campbell Street and Little Oxford Street, Surry Hills, in the early hours of the morning on the 23rd of December 1993?

A Yes, I said that - then.

Q 18 Do you agree that during that interview, you indicated to me that you would be willing to accompany myself and others to that area, to indicate certain matters concerning the area and the matters that you had indicated that you have seen?

A Yes, I did say that.

Q 19 Are you now willing to accompany myself and the other police with a video unit to continue this interview and indicate those areas to me, or not?

A No, because I don't know.

Q 20 Can you explain to me why you don't know?

A The area - ah - the area that I was in, was a completely different area I was talking about when I was talking to you, but then when you showed me the map just to try and get bail, I then, to go along with the story, I said, "Yeah, that - around that

area." You know yourself, I was muckin' up with it on the map.

Q 21 Right. Can you explain to me, what the position is currently, in relation to you're saying that you were present in that area on the 23rd of December '93. Is that the truth, or is it not?

A No. I was talkin' about a completely different time.

Q 22 I understand then, that what you are saying is that you were not in that area on the 23rd of December. Is that correct?

A Yes, that is correct.

Q 23 Can you explain to me why you indicated to police that you were, in fact, present on the 23rd of December, '93, in that vicinity?

A Yeah. Yes - um - because my memory was bad and another couple of weeks before that, not in the same street, but before, off the street, I did see - um - a bit of a struggle take place, but was drunk at the time and never thought much of it. Then - that's what I thought youse were talkin' about, but I wasn't there.

Q 24 Are you in a position to indicate to me now, where you say you were on the 23rd of December 1993?

A Yes.

Q 25 Would you explain that?

A I was in Moree in mid-December. I was working before Christmas, cotton-chipping for [1325] as a sub-contractor and -

Q 26 Can you tell me where [1325] is in Moree?

A No, couldn't tell ya the address, but everyone knows him and it wouldn't be hard to look it up.

- Q 27 Can you tell me when you commenced working with [1325] [1325]?
- A Ah - about - oh - two weeks before Christmas - maybe two and a half.
- Q 28 And can you tell me where you were working?
- A Yes. Out on the cotton fields - a number of 'em.
- Q 29 Can you be specific in relation to the job that you were doing?
- A Yeah. Um - walking along rows and chipping the weed from the cotton.
- Q 30 Can you indicate the name of the properties that you were working on?
- A Oh, no, because I've got a bad memory. I can't say any of the names I saw - the names of the property I'm not going to remember them.
- Q 31 Can you indicate the location?
- A I think one of them was "Bularoo" or something like that, you know.
- Q 32 I'm sorry? What was the name of that?
- A Ah - "Bularoo", I think.
- Q 33 Can you indicate the location of any property?
- A They're all at the back of me tongue. Pardon?
- Q 34 Can you indicate the location of any properties that you worked?
- A Well, just outside of Moree - some an hour - an hour outside Moree, some 10 minutes outside Moree.
- Q 35 Can you tell me where it was that you spoke to [1325] [1325] in relation to your employment?
- A Yes, at [1324]'s - at my auntie [1324]'s place. He was - he was parked out the front and I went over to him and asked him for a job and he says, "Yes, you should



be able to start" - because he grew up with my mother and all that.

Q 36 I understand that's your auntie is [ 1324 ].  
Is that correct?

A Yes. Yes.

Q 37 And can you tell me where she was living at that stage?

A Yeah, [REDACTED].

Q 38 Can you explain to me how you were paid by [ 1325 ]?

A Yes, by cheque and then cashed for me at the pub.

Q 39 Can you tell me how much you were paid?

A Yeah. Ah - \$75 a day, \$80 a day. Hard work.

Q 40 And on how many days were you working for [ 1325 ]?

A Um - sometimes six, sometimes five, sometimes four, sometimes three. It depends if - because you had to get up 4 o'clock in the morning, sometimes I just wouldn't go, you've got to start just as the sun's comin' up. Sometimes I'd go out all night and get back at 4 o'clock and sleep half an hour and have to get up, that's on pay day.

Q 41 Do you recall the name of a bank on which the cheques were drawn?

A Yeah, I think they were Westpac.

Q 42 Can you indicate how the cheques were made payable to you? In what respect they were made payable to you?

A Um - just gave to me with an amount and name - an amount of money on it and me name.

Q 43 And which hotel did you cash the cheques in?

A At - um - McElones (?) - [ NP128 alias ].

Q 44 Sorry - [ NP128 ]?

A [NP128 alias] There was another [redacted] there - he was white, so he went under [redacted] and I went under [NP128 alias] [NP128 alias] - but you don't have to put your real name on it.

Q 45 So you're - what you're saying is, as I understand it, is that you cashed the cheques in the name of [NP128 alias]. Is that correct?

A Yeah. Yes.

Q 46 And that's McElones Hotel?

A Yeah.

Q 47 Is that in Moree?

A Yeah.

Q 48 And how many cheques would you have cashed at the hotel?

A Oh, all-up about six - maybe six. Before Christmas it was just that two.

Q 49 Do you agree that when I spoke to you at Kempsey previously, you indicated that you had caught the train from Sydney to Moree between the 23rd and the 25th of December, last year?

A Yes, I agree, but I wasn't thinking at the time.

Q 50 Can you tell me now - - -

A I was ..... ..

Q 50 - - - what you recollection is in relation to your mode of travel from Sydney to Moree?

A Yes. I got [170] to buy the ticket at Redfern Railway Station to Moree, so it would be cheaper - then he gave me the ticket and I caught the train to Moree. Left at night-time and got there in the morning. Yeah.

Q 51 Do you recall what time the train left?

A            Yeah, about - um - seven, I think.

Q            52        Do you know what time it arrived in -?

A            Yeah, in the morning, about 6 o'clock.

Q            53        Were you alone on the train, or did you catch the train on your own?

A            Yeah, I caught the train on me own. There were a lot of blacks and that up - I mean, goin' up there.

Q            54        Right. Can you tell me who [170] is?

A            Yeah, I - um - [1327]'s nephew.

Q            55        And [1327] is the lady you referred to previously that has apparently since died. Is that correct?

A            Yeah.

Q            56        And [1327] was living at number [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at Woolloomooloo?

A            Yeah. Yeah.

Q            57        Can you tell me where [170] was living?

A            At the same place - [REDACTED].

Q            58        And how old's [170]?

A            Ah - about 13, 14.

Q            59        Have you spoken to [170] since I spoke to you?

A            No. No.

Q            60        Now, you've indicated here now that you've caught the train from Redfern. Is that correct?

A            No, I've bought the ticket at Redfern and caught the train from Central Terminal.

Q            61        All right. Can you tell me the date that you caught the train?

A            Mid-December, so I'd say the 16th, or it could've been even the 18th. It could be the 16th, 18th or



19th - somethin' like that. Like I said, because I smoke ganja, my memory's always wrong.

Q 62 Can you tell me in whose name you purchased the ticket?

A [redacted] 170.

Q 63 What was the reason you used [redacted] 170's name and not your own?

A Um - because at the time, I was on probation and did kick in probation, you know and knew that if did get caught I was going to go, so I got [redacted] 170 to buy the ticket, so no-one would know that I went to Moree.

Q 64 And can you tell me how much the ticket cost?

A \$21, I think - yeah, \$21.

Q 65 And how was that paid for?

A I gave him the money to buy it. I was workin' seven days - six days as a brickie's labourer and a brickie's apprentice at the same time, at the time, and work finished on the 3rd of December. I had holiday pay and all, so I'm right for grass - because it was getting close to Christmas and I wanted to be with my family and wanted to be in the city area around ratbags.

Q 66 You were working for your uncle [redacted] 1335, I understand. Is that correct?

A Yeah. Yes.

Q 67 Were you working at the time - well, you said - I'm sorry, I'll re-phrase that. You've indicated previously that you - that work finished on the 3rd of December. Is that correct?

A Yeah. I - yeah, I think it was. Yeah.

Q 68 I - I have - I have made inquiries with - - -  
A [1335]. Yeah.  
Q 68 - - - [1335] and I understand that your term - your  
employment was terminated on or about the 22nd of  
October '93. Have you anything to say about that?  
A October? No, I haven't got anything to say about  
that, but I'm sure it was the 3rd of December, or it  
could've been late November. What? Did he say 23rd  
of October?  
Q 69 As I understand it, yes. That's correct.  
A Oh -  
Q 70 After your termination was completed with [1335],  
did you make application for Social Services?  
A No.  
Q 71 Were you -  
A I went in and that, but they just mucked me around  
too much, so I never worried about it till I got to  
Moree.  
Q 72 And you made application to the Social Services in  
Moree. Is that correct?  
A Yes.  
Q 73 Can you recall when that was?  
A I think that was a week before Christmas.  
Q 74 Right. And can you explain how you made that  
application?  
A Yeah. I went and got ID off Aboriginal Liaison and  
that and went - went in with the ID and the lady in  
the Social Office knew my mother and my family and me  
- and she's known me since I was a kid and she  
vouched for me who I really was, [NP128]. And I  
went under the right name.

- Q 75 And who was it that you attended the office with?
- A Um - me auntie.
- Q 76 That's [1324], is that correct?
- A I'm not - yeah, I'm - I'm not sure. Yeah, I think it was auntie [1324], yeah. Yeah. I - I would say it was, anyway. It might be one of me aunties. They all look similar.
- Q 77 And what about the Aboriginal Liaison Officer, can you tell me his name or her name?
- A No, I can't.
- Q 78 Is it a male or a female?
- A A male.
- Q 79 And about how old would he be?
- A Oh, late forties.
- Q 80 And at the time you made application at the office in Moree, do you recall the person to whom you spoke?
- A Yeah - um - Weenie - oh I can't think of her last name.
- Q 81 I'm sorry, what was the Christian name?
- A Weenie, I think.
- Q 82 Weenie. That's a female - is that correct - or a male?
- A Yeah, a female. She's the Aboriginal worker in the Social Office. They'll - they'll know who it is straight away - short, kind of chubby, fairly heavy.
- Q 83 Did you complete an application form at that time?
- A Yes.
- Q 84 Did you write the form out yourself?
- A Yes.
- Q 85 And where did you complete the form?
- A At the Social Office - in the office itself.



- Q 86 That's the Department of Social Security Office. Is that correct?
- A Yes. Yeah.
- Q 87 And what identification was produced?
- A Ah - um - an identification supplied by Aboriginal Legal Aid - they should know, 'cause all my paperwork at Moree, so that's how -
- Q 88 Did you receive a payment subsequent to that from the Social Services?
- A Yeah, I think I got one - um - yeah, yeah, I - yeah, I did receive one.
- Q 89 Do you recall when that was?
- A Ah - about - I'm not sure if I got it - no, I think it was just before New Year's Eve that I ended up getting my first payment.
- Q 90 Did you receive any payment -
- A Or before Christmas. Yeah, I think it was before Christmas - the day before Christmas or somethin'. The day when the banks are open before Christmas.
- Q 91 Did you receive a payment - or that payment that you received that you're referring to - - -
- A Yeah.
- Q 91 - - - was that on the same day that you made the application or a different day?
- A No, no - a different day.
- Q 92 Can you tell me how long after you made the application did you receive a payment?
- A No.
- Q 93 Can you tell me in what form the payment was?

- A A cheque, 'cause I had to open up a bank account too, I remember that and stuff like that. Yeah, it was a cheque.
- Q 94 And how did you - well, how were you given the cheque?
- A A counter cheque.
- Q 95 Was that at the Social Services Office?
- A Yes, at the Social Security Office. Yeah.
- Q 96 Right. And was that cheque put through a bank account?
- A No, I got the cash for my first cheque. And I think the next one but - then after that when - because I never had a bank account for it to be put in, but as soon as I got a bank account that's when my money started going into my bank account.
- Q 97 Right. And what's - can you tell me the name of the bank account?
- A Yeah - ah - Commonwealth.
- Q 98 And the branch is at?
- A Moree.
- Q 99 At Moree. You opened the account in Moree. Is that correct?
- A Yes.
- Q 100 Have you had a bank account with any bank prior to that?
- A Yeah, the National Australia Bank.
- Q 101 And what branch was that?
- A Um - Waterloo. Only there because that's where I knock around, Waterloo. I opened one there when I was a little kid. And I thought - oh - then I changed it to Kings Cross.

- Q 102 Whilst you were living in Sydney - - -
- A Yeah.
- Q 102 - - - were you using the National Australia Bank account?
- A Ah - yeah.
- Q 103 Have you still got possession of the passbook?
- A No.
- Q 104 Is the account still open?
- A No.
- Q 105 Can you tell me when you closed the account?
- A About a week after - um - in January - early January, say, the 5th - because they were muckin' round and they wouldn't believe who I am, so I went to the Commonwealth Bank and I started - opened an account there.
- Q 106 What do you mean by, "They didn't believe who you were"?
- A Well, I never had enough ID - not enough points.
- Q 107 Whilst you were working for your uncle - - -
- A Yeah.
- Q 107 - - - were you using the bank account in conjunction with your wages at the time?
- A No, I was getting paid and a pay slip - tax. Never got to save any of it - just goin' shoppin' and that.
- Q 108 Do you recall when the last transaction would've been in relation to the National Australia Bank?
- A Um - no. A while ago.
- Q 109 Before you left Sydney, did you have any conversation with any of your relations about where you were going?
- A Ah - yeah.



- Q 110 And can you tell me who that was?
- A [1342] and [1341], my auntie.
- Q 111 Who's [1342], please?
- A Ah - that's her husband.
- Q 112 [1342] and [1341]?
- A [1341], yeah. She lives at [REDACTED], Woolloomooloo.
- Q 113 Can you tell me if you had any conversation with your grandfather, [1321]?
- A Yes. Um - say about - yeah, I did.
- Q 114 All right. Can you indicate what that conversation was?
- A Yeah. I asked him for some money - to help me because I was going to - going to Moree. And so he gave me \$80.
- Q 115 I understand from what you've told me you purchased the ticket at Redfern. Is that correct?
- A Yes.
- Q 116 And you've caught the train the same day. Is that correct?
- A Ah - yes. Well - no, I think when I bought the ticket there, I waited an extra day and went the next day because I lost me ticket or somethin' like that. I lost me ticket, so I went and got a new one, and then went that next day. Yeah, I went that day when I got it, yes. Yeah, I did.
- Q 117 So -
- A At night.
- Q 118 Right. Can you explain again what the circumstances are? Did you leave Sydney on the same day that you purchased the ticket at Redfern?

- A Yes.
- Q 119 And you've just mentioned something about losing the ticket - losing the ticket and repurchasing it.
- A Ah - forget that.
- Q 120 Do you know approximately the time of day that you purchased the ticket at Redfern?
- A No.
- Q 121 You indicated the train left Central around 7 pm that evening - do you recall in relation to that time of day, how long before that, the ticket had been purchased?
- A Yeah, that morning, about 10.30.
- Q 122 And can you tell me what your movements were between 10.30 that morning and when you caught the train at 7 pm?
- A Yeah. I was hangin' around Redfern, down there, seeing all the boys and that before I left - had a smoke and that. Just got whacked before I left on train.
- Q 123 On the morning that you went to Redfern, can you explain to me where you had spent the previous evening?
- A Yeah, in Redfern in the streets - in the ghetto.
- Q 124 Prior to leaving for Moree, can you tell me how long prior to that was the last occasion that you had stayed at your grandfather's flat?
- A About a couple of weeks, I think - two weeks, 'cause I stayed in Moree for a while.
- Q 125 Can you tell me in relation to the date that you indicated that you'd purchased the ticket and subsequently left Sydney - - -

- A           Yeah.
- Q     125     - - - in relation to that date, when - when you borrowed the \$80 from your grandfather?
- A           Yeah, about - ah - about a week before, I think - I'm not sure. You'd have to ask him, he'd know.
- Q     126     Can you tell me the term - or the terms of the conversation you had with your grandfather in respect of borrowing the money from him?
- A           Yeah, I just asked him , saying "How you going, pa?" and that - give him a kiss and then, "Give us a loan?"
- Q     127     Can you tell me the time of day it was that you borrowed the money from your grandfather?
- A           Ah - no.
- Q     128     Do you recall whether it was in the day or in the evening?
- A           Day.
- Q     129     And can you tell me -
- A           I've got a loan off him a couple of - a number of times. If I ask him ..... ..
- Q     130     And you indicated that you had explained to him that you were travelling to Moree and he loaned you \$80. Is that correct?
- A           Yeah.
- Q     131     Right. Can you tell me how he came to loan you the money?
- A           Yeah, he just pulled it out of the bank - out of the Keycard next door to his flat. Whenever he gives me money, he's never got cash money on him. He just goes with the Keycard next door and he grabs it out, no matter what it is, \$20, \$40 or \$80. But \$80 is



the limit I get off him until, I pay that back and then I'm right again.

Q 132 And that was approximately to your knowledge, about a week before you purchased the ticket at Redfern?

A Ah - I don't know. No, I can't say.

Q 133 Well, do you agree that you went -

A I don't like tellin' lies.

Q 134 Do you agree that you indicated previously that you purchased the ticket at Redfern about - in the morning of the same day that you caught the train at Central at 7 pm?

A Pardon?

Q 135 Do you agree that previously you indicated that you'd purchased the ticket at Redfern - - -

A Yeah.

Q 135 - - - in the morning of the same day that you caught the train at Central?

A Yes. Yes, I got - yes, I agree.

Q 136 And that you borrowed the money - the \$80 from your grandfather about one week previously?

A No, I don't. I don't.

Q 137 Do you agree that that's what you told me a short time ago during this interview?

A Yeah, I agree that's what I told you but - well, I - if it was wrong or not, I don't know.

Q 138 Can you tell me what your recollection is as to when you borrowed the \$80 from your grandfather?

A No.

Q 139 Do you agree that during the conversation that you had with Detective Mimnaw, at Kempsey Police Station on the 14th of June, you indicated to him, verbally,

that you had been in the vicinity of Little Oxford and Campbell Street, Surry Hills?

A No, I told him I was in Bourke Street.

Q 140 I can indicate that my understanding of a recorded interview that you had with Detective Mimnaw is that you indicated to him that you were in Little Oxford Street and Campbell Street. Do you understand that?

A Yes - at the time.

Q 141 Do you agree that you indicated to Detective Mimnaw that you had been in Little Oxford Street and Campbell Street at that time?

A Yes.

Q 142 My understanding of that interview is that you were the first person to indicate the site of Little Oxford Street in relation to that incident. Do you understand that?

A No.

Q 143 As I understand it -

A Yeah, I indicated and that, on the TV and that - but I never knew what I was talkin' about.

Q 144 Do you agree that -

A I never knew what I was lookin' at.

Q 145 Do you agree that during the interview between Detective Milligan, myself and you on the 15th of June at Kempsey, you described in considerable detail, an event that you stated occurred in the early hours of the morning on the 23rd of December?

A Yes. The - the story was easy because youse told me how many blokes were there, so all I had to say, "Yeah, right, there's five blokes there."

Q 146 Do you agree that I did not tell you how many people were there?

A No - but they did. The other dude ..... .

Q 147 Do you agree that you indicated to me during our interview, that at the time you left the scene of the "scruffle", I think, you - that was the term that you used, you and 1327 separated?

A Yes.

Q 148 Do you agree that you indicated that you ran down Campbell Street towards Crown Street?

A Yes.

Q 149 Do you agree that -

A Yeah.

Q 150 I'm sorry?

A Yeah - like, in the - in the other tapes and things, I said that I ran down Bourke Street, I think.

Q 151 Do you - excuse me, agree that you indicated to me that once in the area of Crown Street - - -

A Yes.

Q 151 - - - you made your way from that area, eventually, to Bourke Street and then ran down Bourke Street to [REDACTED]?

A Yes.

Q 152 Where you met up with 1327?

A Yes, that's what I said. Yeah. And I did.

Q 153 Is it correct that what you are saying at the present time, is that you were not present in the vicinity of Little Oxford Street and Campbell Street, Surry Hills, at all on the 23rd of December 1993?

A Yes, now I am saying that, because I - I know what I'm doing - I know what - this is my third time to go



in around about six months too. At the time I got told that I'm on bail and if I never said anything, they could sit there all night.

Is there anything further you would like to say, Sergeant Mulherin?

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MULHERIN

Q 154 Yes. Just a couple of questions. Mate, just listen to what I'm saying to you now.

A Yeah.

Q 155 When [ 170 ] purchased the ticket at Redfern - - -

A Yeah.

Q 155 - - - did they write his name on the ticket?

A Yeah.

Q 156 When he purchased the right ticket at Redfern was a reservation made for a seat on the train?

A Yes.

Q 157 How much did that cost?

A Ah - \$21, I think.

Q 158 Normally when you buy a ticket, that costs you a certain amount of money for the train. Do you understand?

A Yeah.

Q 159 But then if you want to reserve a seat, you've got to pay additional. So was there a seat reserved?

A Yeah. No, it wasn't reserved.

Q 160 Okay. Does [ 1325 ] (sic) live in Moree?

A Yeah, [ 1325 ].

Q 161 [ 1325 ] - lives in Moree?

A [ 1325 ].

Q 162 Right. He lives in Moree?

- A Yes.
- Q 163 You said earlier on, you used the name **NP128 alias**?
- A Yeah.
- Q 164 That name was endorsed on the cheque that was given to you by **I325**?
- A Yes.
- Q 165 Were all the cheques that you cashed - - -
- A Under **NP128 alias**?
- Q 165 - - - under **NP128 alias**?
- A Yes.
- Q 166 Just before you went to Moree, you went over and you saw your grandfather to borrow some money, did he have any visitors staying with him at that time?
- A No.
- Q 167 Did - do you know if he intended having people come over and stay with him?
- A No.
- Q 168 You said at that time, just before you left for Moree you were living at Woolloomooloo?
- A Yes.
- Q 169 Where were you living down there?
- A Um - **I342** and **I341**'s.
- Q 170 Who's **I342**?
- A **I341**, my auntie.
- Q 171 **I341** (sic) - is that their surname?
- A **I341**, my auntie.
- Q 172 **I341**, your auntie?
- A **I341**, my auntie.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MULHERIN

- Q 173 **I341**. How do you spell her surname?

A [341]

Q 174 And what address does she live at in Woolloomooloo?

A [REDACTED] Woolloomooloo.

Q 175 [REDACTED]

A [REDACTED] Woolloomooloo.

Q 176 Have you ever played kick-boxing at all?

A Oh - yeah, as a kid, of course, I have. Every kid does.

Q 177 Do you still play kick-boxing?

A No.

Q 178 Do you play karate?

A No.

Q 179 You were saying that when you were up in Kempsey there that you were told that if you got bail, you got told that - I'm sorry - it was suggested that you'd get bail if you spoke to the police. Who told you that?

A The "Ds" did.

Q 180 What Ds were they?

A The bloke - oh - the one that -

Q 181 It wasn't - it wasn't Detective Knight?

A No, it wasn't none of these - um - the other one - the other two came. 'Cause I never wanted to go to gaol - I was shitting meself.

Q 182 When the police - when the police interviewed you, you suggested that they nominated the name of Little Oxford Street. Is that right?

A Yeah.

Q 183 Did they suggest the route you took to go to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]?

A Yeah.



Q 184 How would the police know where you went?

A Because they know whoever done it - well, because - ah - I wouldn't know how would they know - I don't know.

Q 185 You hadn't spoken to Detective Knight at that stage?

A No, the other ones, see.

Q 186 They didn't know that?

A Yeah, that's why.

Q 187 The National Bank account you had, what name was that in?

A NP128.

That's all I've got to ask.

SUSPECT

All right.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 188 Have you any objection to my making inquiries at the National Bank in relation to your account?

A No, there's nothin' I can say anyway.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MULHERIN

Commonwealth Bank.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 189 And the Commonwealth Bank?

A No.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT MULHERIN

Social Security.

SUSPECT

Yeah.

(TIME SIGNAL)

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 190 Have you no objection to my making inquiries to Social Security?

A No. No.

Q 191 NP128, this tape is shortly going to complete. The time is now 1238.

A Yes.

Q 192 I will suspend this interview whilst we insert some fresh tapes, just prior to the conclusion of the interview. Do you understand that?

A Yes. Do I have to go through another whole tape?

Q 193 Right. The time - the time is now 1238.

A Isn't that enough - all you need to know?

TAPE RECORDING CEASED

TAPE RECORDING RESUMED

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 194 NP128, the time is now 12.43 pm. Do you agree to that?

A Yes.

Q 195 This interview is being resumed. You - do you agree that the time as shown is incorrect on the machine?

A Yes.

Q 196 In the time that these - the interview was suspended, Detective Sergeant Mulherin has since left the room.

Do you now agree that there is myself, Detective Milligan and yourself are the only persons present?

A Yeah.

Q 197 When - when you arrived in Moree after travelling from Sydney by train, can you tell me where you went after you alighted from the train?

A Yeah, I already told you - straight to my auntie's. I walked there.

Q 198 And your auntie was living then at [REDACTED]?

A She was there - she was there when I got there.

Q 199 Right. Was she awake at the time when you arrived?

A Yeah, they were just wake - no, they were a bit sleepy. They just woke up, like, it was just morning and they were just startin' to get up, yeah. When I knock, they all wake up, you know.

Q 200 And can you tell me who was there when you arrived?

A Yeah, my auntie, Jock, [REDACTED] 1326 - her husband - um - [REDACTED] her - my little god-daughter, my niece - her - her daughter, that's my god-daughter, and [REDACTED], my little cousin, first cousin.

Q 201 Right. Now - your auntie [REDACTED] 1324 - [REDACTED] 1324, her husband is [REDACTED] 1326. Is that correct?

A [REDACTED] 1326, yeah.

Q 202 He is related, I gather, to [REDACTED] 1325. Is that right?

A Yeah, yes.

Q 203 And what relation is he?

A Brother.

Q 204 Right. Was there any other person -

A He was a ganger up there - a ganger up there. Right?



- Q 205 All right. And was any other person present?
- A No, nuh.
- Q 206 All right. Can you tell me where your mother was living at that time?
- A Yeah, somewhere in Moree.
- Q 207 Right. Can you tell me, did you see your mother while you were in Moree?
- A Yes.
- Q 208 Can you tell me when that was?
- A Before Christmas - about two weeks before Christmas or a week before Christmas - two weeks.
- Q 209 And where was that?
- A She come over to Auntie [1324] s.
- Q 210 And do you remember when that was in relation to the day that you arrived?
- A Yeah. Say about - about the next day. Yeah.
- Q 211 When you were working for [1325], were you working under your correct name or working in the name of [NP128 alias]?
- A Working under the name of [NP128 alias].
- Q 212 Right. And did [1325] keep any records that you're aware of in relation to your employment?
- A I don't know. He should've. All workers keep records.
- Q 213 Were you paying tax in relation to the money that you were earning?
- A Yes, I'd say so - everything is tax.
- Q 214 In relation to the cheques that were made payable to you that you've indicated and cashed at the hotel -
- A Yeah, at McElone's pub.

- Q 215 In?
- A I don't know - in Moree. There's only one McElone's in Moree.
- Q 216 Right. In what amount was the - were the cheques made out in general?
- A Some \$200, some just a simple two day, \$140. I got some at - some a day, \$90, \$70 - yeah. Anything else?
- Q 217 I omitted to ask you earlier on in the interview, but do you agree that prior to commencing the interview I - yeah - asked you whether or not you wanted the services of your solicitor?
- A Yes.
- Q 218 And do you agree that you indicated you did not?
- A Yes.
- Q 219 All right.
- A 'Cause I only have to tell the truth, that's why. Pretty much and she's is all right.
- Q 220 On the day that you have indicated you went to the Social Services office in Moree - - -
- A Yeah.
- Q 220 - - - and said you were in the company of your aunt - is that correct - 1324?
- A Yeah.
- Q 221 Or an aunt that you think was 1324 - is that correct?
- A Yeah.
- Q 222 A female, Aboriginal welfare officer - or liaison officer. Is that right?
- A Yeah.

Q 223 And you spoke to a female Aboriginal social security worker?

A Yes.

Q 224 And on that date - is it correct that that is the date that you physically made the application for social security whilst you were in Moree. Is that correct?

A Yes.

Q 225 And you were subsequently paid a counter cheque at a later stage. Is that correct?

A Yes. Oh - home now?

Q 226 As I understand it, you stayed whilst you were in Sydney and you were working for your uncle,

1335 - - -

A Yeah.

Q 226 - - - you were staying occasionally at your grandfather, 1321's, premises?

A Yes. Yes.

Q 227 And that's at [REDACTED] Bondi. Is that correct?

A Yes. Yes.

Q 228 I think you indicated to us previously a different address?

A Yeah, because I forgot.

Q 229 I've since established that that's the address. Do you agree to that?

A Yes.

Q 230 Right. And you've now indicated that you were also staying intermittently, I gather, at [REDACTED].

A Yes.



Q 231 Is that correct?

A Yes - occasionally.

Q 232 Is that address near or in the vicinity of a Housing Commission house that your mother used to have in Woolloomooloo?

A Yes. Yes.

Q 233 And [1342] and [1341] are related to you. Is that correct?

A Yes.

Q 234 In what regard?

A My mother and [1341] are first cousins.

Q 235 Okay.

A So she's my second cousin. I just call her Auntie [1341] for respect.

Q 236 Were there any other people staying at that address on the occasions that you stayed there?

A No.

Q 237 And where were you sleeping when you were staying there?

A Ah - in the room upstairs. Yes - the answer's on the page. Oh, gawd, it must be under this one.

Q 238 If you could just sit down please, [NP128], and - so that you keep in the range of the camera?

A Yeah. *MULLIBAN*

Right. Detective Mulherin, is there anything you wish to ask?

*MULLIBAN*  
DETECTIVE SERGEANT MULHERIN

No, there isn't.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 239 Right. NP128 is there anything further you wish to tell me about this matter?

A Yes, just that - um - because of my memory and that, the - the day when I was talking - when I did tell 'em, the reason why I thought I was there at the time you're saying it, because it was a different scene altogether and because I never remember the date because I smoke gunja - I never got to speak to anyone to remember me when I was in Moree, until after I gave the tapes - until after I told you on the tapes that I was there. I needed to ring up people to refresh my memory. It sounds stupid but I don't know, I might be just a bit mixed up because of the nationalities in me, I don't know.

Q 240 And do you wish to make a handwritten statement about this matter?

A No.

Q 241 And have the answers that you have given as recorded in the interview been made of your own free will?

A Yes.

Q 242 Has any threat, promise or inducement been held out to you to give the answers which have been recorded in the interview?

A No. No.

Q 243 Do you understand that an inducement is an attempt to persuade you to do something - in this case to answer my questions. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q 244 Right. Was an inducement held out to you to give the answers?

- A No.
- Q 245 Right. The time is now 12.53. Do you agree with that?
- A Yes.
- Q 246 Right. I will now have an officer not connected with this investigation speak to you about the interview. His function is to ensure fairness in the conduct of the interview. Do you understand that?
- A Yes.
- Q 247 All right. NP128, even though I have stated that the interview is concluded, the audio and video cassette tapes are still recording any conversation in the room and any conversation may be used in evidence. Do you understand that?
- A Yes.
- Q 248 All right. Well, now - Detective Milligan leaves the room and obtain a witnessing officer.

INTERVIEW SUSPENDED

- A Can you get 'okes made for us? ..... now, buddy?

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

No, if you can just - the machine is still recording. If you can just sit quietly, please, until the officer comes in.

- A Right - yeah.

INTERVIEW RESUMED



## DETECTIVE MILLIGAN

Q 249 [NP128], this is Senior Sergeant Lapworth. For the time being he is in charge of Surry Hills Police Station.

A Right.

Q 250 He will now ask you a number of questions in relation to the interview.

A Yep.

## SENIOR SERGEANT LAPWORTH

Q 251 As you've been told, I am Senior Sergeant Lapworth. I'm temporarily the officer-in-charge of police here at Surry Hills.

A Yes.

Q 252 I am an officer not connected with the matter about which you've just been interviewed. Do you understand that?

A Yes. Yes.

Q 253 My function is to ensure the fairness in the conduct of this interview. Do you understand that?

A Yes. Yeah.

Q 254 Have you made this interview of your own free will?

A Yes.

Q 255 Has any threat, promise or inducement been held out to you to give any answers recorded in the interview?

A No.

Q 256 Have you got any complaints about the manner in which you were interviewed?

A No.

Q 257 Thank you very much. I'll just call the other ones back in again.

A All right.

Q 258 And they'll ask you a few more questions.

A All right.

DETECTIVE SERGEANT KNIGHT

Q 259 Right. NP128, the time is now approximately 12.56 pm. Do you agree with the time?

A Yes.

Q 260 Right. This interview is now concluded.

A Yes.

Q 261 I'm going to ask you to - once the - once the interview is concluded and the tapes are removed from the machine they will be witnessed and sealed and so forth. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

TAPE RECORDING CEASED

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