

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

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By email:

Dear Mr Hodgetts

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes: exhibits relating to the death of Crispin Dye

As you are aware, the Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes ("the Inquiry") is inquiring into the death of Crispin Dye (born 1 June 1952) on 25 December 1993.

In order to determine the investigative steps to be taken by the Inquiry in relation to Mr Dye's death, including possible further forensic testing and analysis, I would be grateful for the assistance of the NSW Police Force, and in particular the Unsolved Homicide Team ("UHT"), in undertaking enquiries to identify and locate the physical exhibits in this matter.

I provide the following background information by way of assistance:

- In relation to the forensic exhibits:
 - The exhibits included at least the following items:
 - Blue denim jeans taken from Crispin Dye;
 - Brown belt taken from Crispin Dye;
 - Denim shirt taken from Crispin Dye;
 - Maroon shoes taken from Crispin Dye;
 - Maroon socks taken from Crispin Dye;
 - White t-shirt taken from Crispin Dye;
 - Blood sample taken from Crispin Dye;
 - Health Care and Frequent Flyer cards belonging to Crispin Dye; and
 - Items from Crispin Dye's wallet and items belonging to

NP221

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- The location of Dye's clothes at the time of the incident (blue denim jeans, brown belt, denim shirt, maroon shoes, maroon socks and white t-shirt) is unknown. It appears these items were examined by Sydney Crime Scene Unit (Job 93-1509 or Job 93-1309 or Job 93-1505). I enclose a copy of the relevant precis notes for reference.
- The location of Dye's blood sample appears to be 14/A07795 (Sydney Crime Scene).
- The location of Dye's Health Care and Frequent Flyer Cards is unknown. It appears they were collected by Fingerprints on 9 February 1994. I enclose a copy of the relevant running sheet for reference.
- o The location of Dye's wallet and items belonging to NP221 appears to be MPB Surry Hills (C29965) as at 28/03/1994. I understand the oldest MPB books at Surry Hills are from 1995. I enclose a copy of the relevant running sheet for reference.

I would be grateful if the UHT could please confirm whether the above exhibits are able to be located. If the UHT is unable to locate the above exhibits, please confirm whether the relevant exhibit books have been retained. If the exhibit books have been retained, please provide copies of the relevant entries to the Inquiry.

Timeframe for response

I would be grateful if the above information as to the location of the exhibits and/or (if necessary) the exhibit books could be provided to the Inquiry by no later than **5 October 2022**. Please let me know as soon as possible if you anticipate any difficulties with this timeframe.

I confirm that separate enquiries will be made with the Forensic and Analytical Science Service of NSW in relation to the location of the forensic exhibits.

Please do not hesitate to contact Elizabeth Blomfield on ______, or by email at if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

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