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Dear Enzo

Thank you for your letter of 14 February regarding the extendable baton exhibit (X0001547254) in relation to the death of Crispin Dye.

Our instructing officers from the UHT have made the following further inquiries with a view to obtaining any further information related to the questions contained in your letter:

- Searches of the NSWPF 'Exhibits Forensic Information and Miscellaneous Property System' (EFIMS);
- Searches of the all NSWPF electronic investigative holdings including WebCOPS, Historical COPS Data, Pre-COPS data, E@glei and KODA (being the overarching 'Google' type search engine across all NSWPF systems);
- Enquiries with the Forensic Evidence & Technical Services (FETS), Cold Case DNA Management Unit.
- Enquiries with NSW Forensic and Analytical Science Service (FASS).

We are instructed in response to each of your further questions as follows:

• ***When was the extendable baton seized?***

There is no record available that can be identified indicating when the extendable baton was seized. It appears from a review of the investigative files that the baton was not referenced at the time of the coronial brief of evidence being prepared and served on 8 August 1995. The first reference to the baton that can be identified is a letter from NSWPF to Dr Schwartz (being the original Pathologist) dated 9 July 1997 requesting a comparison between the baton and the injuries sustained by Crispin Dye.

• ***Where was it seized from?***

There is no record available that can be identified indicating where the extendable baton was seized from.

• ***Was the extendable baton previously in the possession of any known person/persons?***

There is no record available that can be identified indicating whether the extendable baton was previously in the possession of any known person/persons.

• ***What was the alleged connection with the death of Crispin Dye?***

There is no record available that can be identified indicating a direct connection between the extendable baton and the death of Crispin Dye. We are instructed however that contained in the transcript of the ERISP of [REDACTED] 1269 of 14 February 1996, [REDACTED] 1269 refers to a conversation while in gaol with a cell mate who disclosed being involved in the murder of Crispin Dye and using a baton. A copy of that ERISP interview is contained within the full SF Parrabell E@glei brief of evidence that was provided to the Inquiry in August 2022.

• ***When was the baton entered into EFIMS?***

The baton was entered into EFIMS on 9 November 2012.

• **Has the baton been subject to any forensic testing previously?**

There is no record available that can be identified indicating that the baton has been subject to forensic testing previously.

• **Is the baton linked with any other cases?**

There are no records available on WebCOPS in respect of the baton, and there are no records available that can be identified indicating that the baton is linked to any other cases or investigations.

• **Are there any entries on any other NSWPF system (such as the COPS database) related to this baton?**

There is no record available that can be identified relating to the baton.

Our instructing officers are of the view that all available avenues of enquiry have been exhausted in relation to this issue and that no further information is able to be obtained at this time.

Kind regards



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Dear Ms Garaty

Please see attached letter dated 14 February 2023, together with enclosure.

Regards,



Enzo Camporeale *(he/him)*
Director, Legal
Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes



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