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STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

In the matter of:

Death of Crispin DYE - 1993

Place:

State Crime Command - Unsolved Homicide Squad

Date:

11 September 2014

Name:

Janet O'MEARA

STATES:

- 1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that 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 will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
- 2. I am 62 years of age.
- 3. About 8.30am Tuesday 9th September 2014, I received a call from Detective Senior Constable Patricia WALSH from Unsolved Homicide Squad. I had a conversation with Detective WALSH and told her that I had previously telephoned New South Wales Police Crimestoppers and provided information in relation to the unsolved murder of Crispin DYE in 1993.
- I explained to Detective WALSH that I previously worked with Crispin in the late seventies (70's) at Chapel Music Publishers in York Street, Sydney. I was employed in the capacity of a book keeper.
- 5. In 1995, I found myself in circumstances which lead me to seek accommodation

6. I lived in the house together with three other women Kerrie, NP253 and Sharon. I do not recall their surnames.

Witness:

Signature:

Patricia WALSH
Detective Senior Constable
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7.	I remember clearly around February or March 1995 I was in the dining room one evening together with Kerrie and NP253 when for some reason I can't recall I started talking about Crispin and his murder.
8.	It was at this time NP253 said naturally, "I know who did that" I was shocked I thought she had no reasons to say something like that out of the blue. I believed that she did in fact know who killed Crispin.
9.	I did not pursue the conversation with her or ask her who because although I got on well with her I thought she was a bit rough because
10	was in her late twenties (20) or early thirties (30) I think. I remember she I would described her
11.	I do not remember any other details about Kerrie other than her husband was a police officer.
12. 	About 11am Tuesday 9 th September 2014, Detective WALSH came to my home at (Maroubra). I gave her a colour polariod photograph taken at in February 1995. The photo depicts NP253 who I have described Sharon the other resident is in the middle and I am on the right Jessie my son is in the bottom left corner.
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13.	I also gave Detective WALSH a photograph of Sharon and her son. I can not remember the child's name though.
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	I didn't come forward with the information earlier because I just didn't realise the significance of the information.
15.	I genuinely believed she was telling the truth, she had no reason to comment otherwise.
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	Patricia WALSH Detective Senior Constable State Crime Command - Unsolved

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- 16. I also remember that Kerrie had mentioned that her husband was involved in Crispin's investigation.
- 17. I don't think NP253 would have any other reason to say that.
- 18. I have not seen NP253 since 1995. I did not maintain a friendship with her.
- 19. After showing Detective WALSH the photographs I signed each with my signature and dated both. I watched as Detective WALSH witnessed my signature.
- 20. I decided to ring Crimestoppers after seeing the investigation presented on the news. It made me so very very sad for him and it broke my heart so I decided it was the right thing to do to help.

SIGNED STATEMENT CONTAINED IN OFFICIAL POLICE NOTEBOOK OF DSC WALSH F375957PAGES 85-91 INCLUSIVE AND ATTACHED HERETO.

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Patricia WALSH
Detective Senior Constable
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Signature:

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