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STATEMENT in matter of:

Murder of Ernest Alan HEADPlace: Scientific Investigation Section,
SYDNEY.Date: 26th September, 1976.Name: MUNDAY Robert Henry
(Surname in capitals)Address: Scientific Investigation Section, Sydney Tel. No. _____Occupation: Senior Constable of Police STATES:—

1. About 2.45 a.m. on Wednesday, 23rd June, 1976, I attended Unit ■, No. 49 Grosvenor Crescent, Summer Hill, where on my arrival I had a conversation with Detective Sergeant Fagan, Detective Sergeant Peter and other Police.
2. The unit consisted of a lounge room, dining room, two bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, laundry and two balconies and is on the top floor of the block of units.
3. On the floor of the kitchen I saw the body of a deceased person I now know to be Ernest Alan Head. The deceased was naked and was lying on his stomach, with his head turned to the right with his left cheek resting on the floor. The top of his head was up against the bottom of the refrigerator where the kick plate normally fits. His right arm was extended out from his body at an angle of about 45° and his right fingers were on top of the refrigerator kick plate which was on the floor near the kitchen door. His left arm was bent at the elbow with the lower forearm parallel to his body. Both legs were extended with the toes of his right foot on the sole of his left foot. A pair of men's underpants were on the floor near his head. There was a large amount of blood smears and blood splashes covering the kitchen floor around the body, and the deceased himself was partly covered with blood smearing. There were blood splashes on the walls, refrigerator, stove, cupboards and on the back of the kitchen door. On the western wall of the kitchen was a palm print in blood, above where the body was lying.
4. An examination of the deceased revealed a number of stab wounds on the left arm, left side of the buttock and the inside of his left leg. A large gash was below his left knee.
5. I then took a number of photographs showing the position of the deceased, blood smearing to the floor and walls of the kitchen and the furniture layout of the kitchen. On rolling the deceased over onto its back a number of further stab wounds were revealed on the chest, face and abdomen of the deceased. I then took additional photographs of the deceased after being rolled over.
6. I produce an album containing 11 photographs, numbered in the bottom right hand corner and labelled at the bottom of each photograph,

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showing the position of deceased, furniture layout of the kitchen, and blood smearing and blood splashes on walls, doors, floors and furniture within the kitchen. EXHIBIT.....


7. A further examination of the premises revealed blood splashes on the carpet, closet door and room divider in the lounge room. Further blood splashes were located on the hallway carpet and wall, bathroom door, the door jamb and door of the main bedroom. A number of blood splashes were located on the bed sheets and pillows on the double bed within the main bedroom. A number of hair fibres were removed from the bed for further comparisons. Blood smearing and blood splashes were on the eastern wall and blankets on the floor beside the bed in the main bedroom. On removing the blankets from the floor blood splashes were located on the carpet under where the blankets were.

8. An examination of the bathroom revealed what appeared to be diluted blood smearing on the vanity unit, power point above the vanity unit, light switch near the door. Several small blood splashes were located on the walls inside the shower recess. Blood smears were also located on a pair of men's trousers, which were hanging on the bathroom door. In the toilet pan in the bathroom was what appeared to be human vomit. In the bath was a wet navy blue long sleeved men's shirt and a green two gallon plastic bucket containing water and items of men's clothing. A pair of white men's buckle type shoes, which were damp were resting against the hob of the shower recess. A number of hair fibres were located and retained for further comparison, from the bath, shower recess and vanity unit. A green/white dish washer was found on the floor of the shower recess and a green/brown towel was found over the shower recess. Both these items were retained for examination purposes.

9. A number of cigarette butts and partly used cigarettes were located on the floor and in an ashtray in the lounge room, also on floor of the main bedroom was a partly used cigarette with staining thereon, and in second bedroom was a cigarette butt. These were retained for further examination. In the dining room was a H.M.V. radiogram which had a 'Decca' long playing record on the turntable. The record was still rotating on the turntable and the stylus had worn a deep groove into the middle track of the record. Blood smears were also located on the knobs of the radiogram. The radiogram and record was retained for further examination.

10. In the cutlery tray on the kitchen sink was a 'Gerber Shorty' brand knife. Also on a shelf above the sink was a 'Gerber French' brand knife in a wooden sheaf. Both these knives appeared to be cleaned, and were retained for further examination purposes. The underpants near the

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deceased's head were all retained for examination.

11. Blood scrappings were retained from a number of different locations in the kitchen, lounge room, hallway, bathroom and main bedroom for examination and grouping purposes.

12. Whilst at the scene I took a number of further photographs showing the furniture layout of the premises, location of cigarette butts in ash tray in lounge room and on floor of main bedroom, position of blood staining throughout the premises, the position of the Gerber knives in the kitchen and the radiogram and record in the dining room. I produce an album containing 32 photographs, numbered at the bottom right hand corner and labelled at the bottom of each photograph. EXHIBIT.....

13. At 9.15 a.m. on Friday, 25th June, 1976, I attended the City Morgue where I received from Detective Sergeant Peter one dark brown men's handkerchief for further examination purposes.

14. Whilst at the City Morgue, I was present when Doctor Oettle conducted a post mortem examination on the deceased. This examination revealed a total of 35 stab wounds to the head, arms, abdomen and legs of the deceased. At the direction of Doctor Oettle I took a number of photographs of the deceased. I produce an album containing 14 photographs numbered in the bottom right hand corner of each photograph. EXHIBIT.....

15. On 25th June, 1976, I submitted to the Division of Forensic Medicine for examination, comparison and grouping purposes, the radiogram; the two 'Gerber' knives from the kitchen; blankets, sheets and pillow slips from main bedroom; clothing, towel and washer from bathroom; the cigarette butts from floor and ash tray in lounge room; the part used cigarette with staining thereon from floor of main bedroom; the cigarette butt from floor of second bedroom; all the blood scrappings from the kitchen, lounge room, hallway, main bedroom and bathroom; and the hair fibres from the main bedroom and bathroom; and the dark brown men's handkerchief handed to me by Detective Sergeant Peter at the City Morgue.

16. At 2.20 p.m. on Sunday, 27th June, 1976, I returned to Unit 49 Grosvenor Crescent, Summer Hill, with Detective Knight where I collected a plastic bag from the second bedroom of the premises. This bag had what appeared to be blood spots thereon. I retained the plastic bag and submitted it to the Division of Forensic Medicine for grouping purposes.

17. I then went with Detective Knight to a lockup garage on the ground floor of the block of units where I photographed tyre tracks on the floor of the garage. I produce four photographs showing the garage

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