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PRE-RELEASE REPORT:

Case of Prisoner:	Engin SIMSEK
Date of Birth:	[REDACTED] 1943
Location:	Malabar Training Centre
Non-parole period:	31st July, 1986
Classification:	C3

SIGNIFICANT SOCIAL BACKGROUND:

Born in Turkey, Mr. Simsek arrived in Australia in 1972 to join [REDACTED] I451. An elder sister is still living in Turkey.

After the death of his mother, when he was aged 13 years, his father remarried and Mr. Simsek was looked after by his [REDACTED] I451 and I459. As a result of this relationship, he formed a particularly close bond with [REDACTED] I452, who later emigrated to Australia. [REDACTED] I452 assumed the role of father and is still regarded as such by the prisoner. Since his arrival in Australia Mr. Simsek has lived at varying times with [REDACTED] I451 and [REDACTED] I452 and has accepted advice and occasional financial assistance from them.

Mr. Simsek lived in a defacto relationship from 1975 until he visited Turkey, on holiday, in mid 1984. On his return he did not contact his girlfriend, who had moved to Victoria, and he was arrested on the current charges a few months later. Mr. Simsek has a daughter aged 7 years from this relationship. Both mother and daughter are unaware of his imprisonment and think that he is still in Turkey. The prisoner hopes to re-establish contact on his release.

It has been difficult to assess Mr. Simsek's level of education but he states that he left school aged 17 years after which he completed two years national service in the Turkish Army. Following a period of unemployment, Mr. [REDACTED] I452 was instrumental in him obtaining employment as a clerk for a national sports organisation; a position he held until his arrival in Australia in 1972. Until 1979 he worked mainly as a labourer in a vehicle assembly plant. Following hospitalisation for a kidney operation, he was receiving Sickness Benefits until 1982/3 after which he worked casually as a builder's labourer.

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Engin SIMSEK:RELEVANT ATTITUDES:

While in the Malabar Training Centre, Mr. Simsek has received excellent industrial and conduct reports. At present he is working for External Maintenance in an isolated and unsupervised position and has proved fully responsible and very diligent in that capacity. With prison officers he is always cheerful, co-operative and respectful. In his wing he is very quiet and prefers to keep to himself.

According to his [I451] and [I452] this tendency to be introverted and uncommunicative is typical of his normal behaviour; even though they have an acknowledged close relationship with him they stated that he rarely discusses his feelings with them. [I452] maintains that he has a good influence over the prisoner and that both he and [I451] will be able to offer him emotional and financial support. They feel that he only became involved in the offences because, at that time, they were both on an extended visit to Turkey. Under normal circumstances they would have been able to provide him with sufficient financial assistance.

OFFENCES:

When discussing the offences Mr. Simsek appeared to be frank about the reason for his involvement. He maintained that he had only recently returned from a trip to Turkey, initially with [I451] and [I452]. He had experienced financial difficulties and had been offered the opportunity to make some quick money.

His first time in prison, Mr. Simsek expressed his deep regret at his involvement in the offences and shame that it had brought his family. He stated that he has lost many friends because of his involvement in the offences.

FUTURE PLANS:Accommodation:

On his release the prisoner will be living with [I452] and [I452] at:

■ 58 Grosvenor Crescent, Summer Hill.

Employment:

Mr. Simsek appears confident that he will be able to find work, with the help of [I452], on his release.

EVALUATION:

A quiet, co-operative and conscientious individual Mr.


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Engin SIMSEK:

Simsek has given every indication within the prison system that he intends to abide by the law on his release. He has the support of his family and it is hoped that he is able to obtain gainful employment on his release.

Release to parole is recommended.


Graeme Stokes
Probation & Parole Officer

Mr. Stokes' assessment is supported *and*.

Brad Miles
A/Officer-in-Charge
Long Bay Parole Unit
29th May, 1986

The Secretary
Parole Board