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POLICE MEMBER / VETERAN CONTACT

NAME: John GIBSON

RANK: Sergeant 20780

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SUMMARY OF CONTACT:

The following is the investigator's note of conversations with the named member or former member. The conversations were informal for the purposes of directing enquiries only. Members and former members were not given notice of the issues to be discussed and did not have access to source material. They were not provided with this report to confirm the accuracy of the notes.

Phone contact 1630 hours 12/02/2019 – CUNNINGHAM

GIBSON called back on CUNNINGHAM's mobile after message left earlier in afternoon. GIBSON obviously aware of topic of conversation. GIBSON wary and chasing specific timeframes. He stated the following:

- He ran a lot of big jobs around that time but when I dropped the name "Fargo" he recalled working on it.
- He ran a lot of gigs in the day and his bosses actually had to tell him to cull some of them.
- He believed Trevor ASHTON was from Altona DSG, when I said maybe Russell Street he said that wasn't possible because he was already at St Kilda Road which meant they would have moved out of Russell Street.
- He has his diaries from that time and will have a look at the involvement and call back tomorrow.

He made no concession to having ever met or spoken to 3838.

Phone contact 0915 hours 13/02/2019 – CUNNINGHAM

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GIBSON called back and provided the following information:

- He spoke to his offsider Brian MALLOCH last night and they agreed they didn't have any independent recollection of meeting 3838.
- He checked his diary and has an entry on 12/07/1995 which states that ASHTON attended the SRS office in St Kilda Road with "Informer Nicole GOBBO".
- She provided intel on a gun trafficking job where the target was Brian WILSON.
- Neither he nor MALLOCH had any recollection of WILSON which would indicate he wasn't someone of significance.
- His diary shows an investigation plan was developed and S/Sgt Brian RIX was notified.
- On 13/07/1995 he received a phone call from 3838 and he and MALLOCH conducted a drive over of 250 Rathdown Street, Carlton. No further details regarding content of phone call.
- He noted that between 12/07/1995 and 15/07/1995 he had himself marked as on availability re: WILSON, after that he said the job must have petered out because there is no further mention of WILSON or 3838.
- In relation to Op FARGO he said that this was a job regarding the fencing of stolen cigarettes which was a flow on from Op ██████ regarding the burglary of 7/11 stores.
- 3838 had no involvement with Op FARGO it was already being run before he met her.
- ASHTON helped them with Op FARGO but that was purely from a manpower point of view, he believes he probably would have asked him to help because he introduced 3838 around the same time they needed assistance with Op FARGO.
- He recalls Op FARGO vividly because they had flipped an offender from Op ██████ whose name was in the affidavit for the Op FARGO warrant and that someone left that affidavit at a search warrant and the person was burnt.
- Neither he nor MALLOCH identified it was her until contacted by CUNNINGHAM. MALLOCH in fact did not have her name in his diary.

CUNNINGHAM – S/T GIBSON 1730 4/03/19 to arrange for WW and BP to pick up his diary. Initially denied having the diary and said he only had a copy, once I explained the process further he said he had the original and would hand it over if he could get it back. Agreed for WW and BP to attend 1000-1100 on 05/03/19.

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