

Royal Commission  
into the Management of Police Informants

THIRD STATEMENT OF ANTHONY MICHAEL BIGGIN

1. My full name is Anthony Michael Biggin.
2. I have previously made two statements to the Royal Commission. I make this third statement in response to a request from the Royal Commission for information concerning entries in my diary on 27 May, 24 November and 5 and 8 December 2003.
3. I have referred to my official police diaries in making this statement.
4. During 2003 I was the officer in charge of the Major Drug Investigation Division (MDID).
5. On 27 May 2003 my diary records that I spoke to Acting Commander Danyne Maloney. At that time, Mr Maloney was in charge of the Ceja Taskforce, which was investigating police corruption at the former Drug Squad. Mr Maloney informed me that Taskforce Ceja had information from Nicola Gobbo regarding an affidavit to do with Mokbel. I can't recall why I was told this. We were not actively investigating the Mokbels at this time.
6. On 24 November 2003 Acting Superintendents Murray Fraser, Peter De Santo, Acting Inspector Peter Brigham and I attended a meeting at 565 Lonsdale Street with Jeremy Rapke and lawyers from the OPP. My diary records that the meeting was about Strawhorn issues, which involved access by the OPP to Drug Squad investigations in which Wayne Strawhorn had been involved. My diary includes the note "conflict issues re Nicola Gobbo to be raised". I can't recall what this was about.
7. On 5 December 2003 I received a phone call from Acting Commander Steve Fontana advising me of the arrest of Paul Dale with respect to the Dublin Street burglary. I recall that I was out jogging when I received this call. My diary also records that I advised Steve Fontana of "incident at court with Nicola Gobbo 04/12". I don't recall what the incident was but believe that someone else would have informed me of the incident, as I was not in court on 4 December 2003.
8. On 8 December 2003 my diary records Acting Inspector Adrian White briefed me about "Gobbo issue" and I then spoke to Acting Commander Fontana about the same issue, which he already knew about. There is also a reference in my diary to \$10,000. I remember at this time that Paul Dale's wife was trying to find \$10,000 to pay for a bail application to be made for Mr Dale, as funding from The Police Association had not yet been approved. I am not sure now whether the references to Gobbo and \$10,000 are related or not. My diary indicates that I was attending a full day senior managers development program on 8 December 2003.

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