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- Approval granted for [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] (re [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED])

- Ballistics Examination completed [REDACTED] – Nil value.

- [REDACTED] (including [REDACTED]) – examination to be conducted on 13 March.

- [REDACTED] – examination to be conducted on 26 March

- [REDACTED] – examination to be conducted on 27 March.

- **Ongoing – pending further ballistic examinations.**

- [REDACTED] – to be held in relation to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Liaison established with personnel re same.

- Applications currently with [REDACTED] – nil dates as yet for the hearing.
- Hearings likely to be held in May / June 2008.

- **Ongoing – pending [REDACTED].**

- Investigators have again spoken with Mandy HODSON, specifically about the inconsistencies with A HODSON's version of events.

- Mandy has stated that she also has issues with Andrew's account
- Mandy has also said that Nicola KOMIAZYK (their sister) has similar concerns.
- Mandy has stated that her cousin, Emma LUCAS (resides in Perth) has spoken with Nicola – stated she thinks Andrew knows more about the murders. (Andrew spoke with Emma and her mother Linda while in Perth doing interviews with Four Corners)

- **Enquiries conducted with Emma LUCAS – denied having any concerns with Andrew HODSON. Further denied voicing any concerns to Nicola KOMIAZYK.**

- Approach to be made to [REDACTED] Andrew HODSON.

- **Approach pending.**
- Telephone Intercept material received from AFP relating to Op. BROCADE (Target – Tony MOKBE)
 - Calls and SMS currently being analysed.
 - **Ongoing.**
- Andrew HODSON rang office on Thursday 28 February –
 - Stated that he had received information that MOKBEL [REDACTED] had [REDACTED] in relation to HODSON murders and [REDACTED] the ‘shooter’.
 - Stated that MOKBEL knew who murdered his parents and that MOKBEL paid for the murders – he was not able to substantiate how he knew this.
 - HODSON was agitated and nervous – investigators believe that HODSON was deliberately seeking information relating to MOKBEL.
 - **Andrew HODSON further interviewed – denied any prior knowledge of his parents murder – any involvement in parents murder – consented to participating in polygraph examination.**
 - **Polygraph examination organised for 28 March 2008 – Andrew HODSON notified.**
 - **Examination to be conducted by Australian Polygraph Services – Steven VAN APEREN – previously used by Vicpol, Homicide Squad.**

Op. BERIME

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- TI re COLLINS (D70277-00) continues to be monitored. TI warrant extended.
- **General drug talk**
- [REDACTED] re Roma POTTER continues to be monitored.
- Further persons of interest are being approached / identified for approaches.
- Further investigation continuing to corroborate statements obtained.
- Original Information Reports – Full review of reports being conducted in light of current information acquired. Many new avenues of inquiry now being established.
 - Review of IR’s completed.
 - Numerous IR’s make reference to information provided by unregistered human sources. Enquiries being conducted to identify these sources, via ex-members, Official Diaries etc...
- Original Statements – Full review now being conducted in light of additional information.
 - Review completed and relevant statements for proposed brief of evidence identified. Further enquiries being made with proposed witnesses.
- Brief preparation has commenced in relation to charges of murder against COLLINS, utilising existing holdings and recently obtained statements.
 - High priority being given to preparation of brief of evidence for consideration of charges against COLLINS.

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- **Brief type document completed and submitted for checking – D/Sgt. SOLOMON attending..**
- [REDACTED] – preliminary discussions held with solicitor, Jo SMITH re [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
- **Report prepared and submitted for establishment of [REDACTED] determination relating to Op. BER**
- POI – [REDACTED] – identified. Information provided that COLLINS made admissions of involvement in ABBEY murders to [REDACTED]
- Investigators spoke to [REDACTED] Refused to confirm conversation with COLLINS. Reluctant to co-operate.
- Further approaches to be made to [REDACTED]
- Telephone enquiries conducted with [REDACTED] – not returning calls – investigators to attend place of residence to speak with [REDACTED]
- **Investigators spoke to [REDACTED] – agreed to further meeting with investigators. Meeting pending.**
- Enquiries conducted with D/Sgt. Peter TRICHIAS re potential evidence from [REDACTED] witness. Old IR suggests this witness was [REDACTED] when COLLINS made admissions of involvement in ABBEY murders.
- Enquiries pending with D/Sgt. TRICHIAS.
- **Ongoing.**
- [REDACTED] has been identified from old IR. IR contains accurate information previously provided by [REDACTED] around time of ABBEY murders.
- Enquiries conducted with [REDACTED] have identified that source is currently registered, however, [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED] have agreed to arrange for investigators to [REDACTED]
- Awaiting contact from [REDACTED] Handler.
- **Further e-mail forwarded to [REDACTED] – nil reply as yet.**
- **Further enquiries being conducted with POI – Dean POTTER**
- POTTER is evading police – has left Queensland – Bank Records indicate he is in Sydney (unknown address)
- POTTER has dropped his known mobile phone.
- Girlfriend identified as – Melanie GIFKIN (Caloundra, Qld.) Phone checks being conducted on same to locate new POTTER phone, including a Virtual Intercept on her mobile.
- **Enquiries conducted with GIFKIN – stated she has no ongoing contact with POTTER.**
- [REDACTED] obtained re GIFKIN phone.
- **POTTER bank records indicate he is still in North Sydney area – address not known.**
- **Enquiries continuing to locate POTTER.**
- Investigators to attend QLD to speak to POI's – [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] – identified from previous [REDACTED] brief of evidence.
- [REDACTED] – reaffirmed previous statements which indicate that [REDACTED] reported the car stolen, knowing that [REDACTED] was in some type of trouble, but didn't know exactly what.
- [REDACTED] – denied knowledge of firearms and stolen property from ABBEY murders. Stated [REDACTED] – [REDACTED] – did live with her and had possession of a handgun.
- Enquiries pending with [REDACTED].

Personnel

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- Detective Inspector RYAN returned to PETRA Task Force – currently on rest days.
- DSC Cherie ARNELL, Criminal Proceeds Squad has submitted IEOI, but not yet matched to a vacant position within the task force.

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Petra Taskforce
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