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Petra Taskforce

Weekly Update: 08 December 2008

Op. LORIS

Investigation relating to double murder of Terence and Christine HODSON.

Update (as per Interpose) –

- **IR 44 – Active investigative avenues.**
 - Investigators located a copy of IR44 and other police documents, which were part of a THASM file relating to Wayne STRAWHORN with GALBALLY and O'BRIEN Solicitors.
 - Document seized from Galbally and O'Brien to be forensically examined. Document lodged with VPFSC for examination.
 - **Nil value re prints / DNA**
 - **Ongoing.**

• **ACC hearings -**

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

- DALE – 26 November 2008
 - Admitted use of safe phones
 - Admitted to relationships with GOBBO and female Vicpol members
 - Denied corrupt relationship with WILLIAMS

[REDACTED]

• **“WATERGARDENS PHONE CALL” - WILLIAMS to DALE**

- CCR's obtained on all public phones at Watergardens S/C identify call to [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED] identified as phone used by Paul DALE
- CCR's obtained on [REDACTED] identify 2 phone numbers of specific interest –

- [REDACTED] (Alex KOSKAREV) and
- [REDACTED] (Kolya VALERSKY)
- All contact between above phones occurs for two week period only pre-HODSON murders (16 May 2004)
- Analysis of intelligence holdings on these three phones indicate that the KOSKAREV and VALERSKY phones may have been used at the time by Nicola GOBBO and were supplied to her by Azzem AHMED.
- **GOBBO spoke to investigators on 7.12.2008**
 - **Confirmed she has recently spoken with DALE**
 - **He told her about attending coercive hearing**
 - **General discussion about hearing – discussion about COLLINS, WILLIAMS**
 - **DALE speculating about evidence against him**
- **ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE –**
 - Surveillance Devices
 - [REDACTED] – **LD de activated and not renewed.**
 - [REDACTED] currently activated and being monitored. **Renewed for further 3 months.**
 - [REDACTED] – currently activated and being monitored [REDACTED] **Expires 21.12.2008**
 - [REDACTED] engaging in whispered conversation with [REDACTED] about all PETRA matters, including HODSON murders
 - Enquiries on going re audio enhancement
 - **Further Listening Device product identified for enhancement**
 - Arunta Phones
Prison calls re MOKBEL, WILLIAMS, COLLINS, MIECHEL being accessed and monitored via Corrections, Victoria.
 - Telephone Intercepts
 - TI on DALE
 - General conversation only
 - TI for HAGGAR
 - [REDACTED] commenced – [REDACTED] further [REDACTED] with HAGGAR. Nil further escalation of [REDACTED]
 - Conversation between COLLINS and HAGGAR, in relation to HAGGAR assisting COLLINS to set up a false alibi re the HODSON murders. Believed that this amounts to Conspiracy to Pervert the Course of Justice.

Avenues of Enquiry –

- Concentrated approach to criminal associates of COLLINS
 - Investigators have spoken to
 - Kylie HAGGAR
 - Nil further contact with HAGGAR
 - Tony MOKBEL
 - Refused to speak with PETRA investigators

- Nil further advice from MOKBEL or solicitors about wanting to meet with PETRA.
- Rod COLLINS
 - Nil further contact with COLLINS
- Carl WILLIAMS
 - Nil further

Op. BERIME

Investigation relating to double murder of Ramon and Dorothy ABBEY. Offender – Rodney COLLINS, charged with Murder (2 counts)

Update (as per Interpose) –

- **WITNESS REVIEW / BRIEF PREPARATION**
 - Significant commitment to re-canvassing existing witnesses.
- Further witness – [REDACTED] – located and interviewed by investigators.
 - PETRA Investigators attending [REDACTED] Monday 17 November – and obtained statement – further evidence of admissions by COLLINS to ABBEY murders.
 - **Significant work required in relation to witness [REDACTED] / classification.**
 - **Conference with OPP HORGAN and PRAPPAS on 03/12/08 re witness list and issues.**

Op. HETMAN

Armed Robbery / Serious injury shooting on 14th May 1987 at Samco Meats 5 Lyon St, Coburg North. Suspects: Ray ABBEY (deceased) and Rodney COLLINS.

- Further statement obtained from witness BUCKLEY neighbouring worker at time of Armed Robbery. ID from photoboard of COLLINS and IRVING.
- **Brief preparation ongoing**

Mention date – 23 Jan 09

Brief Service – 12 Dec 08

Op. MINCER

Investigation into the murder of Brian KANE in November 1982 at the Quarry Hotel, Lygon Street, Brunswick. Two unknown males, wearing balaclavas, observed committing the murder. Nominated Suspects – Russell COX and Rodney COLLINS.

- Investigation file obtained and all Information Reports are currently being reviewed.

- Proposed to conduct meeting with previous lead investigator – James O’HALLORAN
- Identified witnesses to be re-canvassed.
- Witness – [REDACTED] – has provided information that COLLINS admitted involvement, with COX, in the murder. Statement obtained from [REDACTED]
 - Nominates COLLINS and COX – COLLINS as the “shooter”
 - COLLINS admits to murder [REDACTED]
 - Describes background / lead up to the murder and the associations of those involved.
 - Also provides evidence of admissions made by COLLINS to the ABBEY murders.
- IR identified as being submitted (by then) S/D MULLETT of ARS on 17/01/1983, [REDACTED]. Request approval to speak to MULLETT regarding this information and IR submission.
 - Contact made with MULLETT, Nil Value. No recollection of IR.
- **Strategy re COX will most likely not be reached until New Year.**
- **Original Exhibits located at Collingwood store**
 - **Currently being assessed for further analysis.**

Op. DANDER

Investigation relating to conspiracy to murder –

- **Incident 1** - LEA Document located in execution of search warrant on Rodney COLLINS.
- **Dragan RANDJELOVIC** -
 - **Ongoing**
- **Incident 2** - Further Copy of LEA Document (Copy 2) handed to Epping Police Station by [REDACTED], intended recipient Dale JEFFREY.
- **Incident 3** - Further copy of LEA Document (Copy 3) in possession of Sonny OTENE.
- **Incident 4** - Further copy of LEA Document (Copy 4) in possession of John HIGGS.
- **Incident 5** - Further copy of document (Copy 5) in possession of [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]
- **Avenues of Investigation –**
 - **Covert Operation re [REDACTED]**

- UC strategy to be revisited. UC returned to [REDACTED] for 7 day period commencing [REDACTED]/08 with the intention of having UC in contact with [REDACTED] during [REDACTED]
 - UC has since [REDACTED].
 - **UC has had further phone contact with [REDACTED] – [REDACTED] indicated he knows the source of the documents**
 - [REDACTED] served with OPI summons
 - **Further contact pending by UC**
- “Neil” – Ex Armed Robbery Squad member / Lawyer, nominated by DOUGLAS
 - Neil Arthur HUTTON identified as possible
 - **Nil further**
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- Telephone Intercepts obtained re PONIEWAZ and GANGLEHOFF
 - **Currently being monitored – limited value**
 - [REDACTED] identified and located at [REDACTED] premises.
 - **Ongoing**
 - **Proposed Investigation targeting POI – Alan GANGLEHOFF**
 - OPI / ESD surveillance on same
 - LD for home installed on 22/11/08 – currently being monitored.
 - Re visit to source of Crime Stoppers call on [REDACTED]/08 – [REDACTED]
 - **Nil evidentiary value from LD so far**
 - POI – Dayle JEFFREY – re visited on 21/11/08 – little further value other than to reiterate GANGLEHOFF’s name.

Operation KRISES

Investigation targeting – Darren HAFNER

- **POI identified – Darren HAFNER**
 - Identified in original ESD complaint file re [REDACTED]
 - Known to [REDACTED] and have common associates ([REDACTED])
 - Criminal links established to OTENE / HIGGS / HICKEY via [REDACTED] (WAPol / AFP operation)
 - Criminal links established to RANDJELOVIC / MARGUGLIO
 - TI obtained for HAFNER.
- [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED] spoken to on 27/11/08, stated,
 - **Stated he has seen three document overall. Everyone has seen them.**
 - **Denied retaining any copies.**
 - **Shown first copy by [REDACTED]**
 - **Shown second copy by [REDACTED]**
 - **Went to [REDACTED] primary school with [REDACTED]**
 - **No contact since [REDACTED]**

- Stated that he was warned by one of the [REDACTED] that he was being worked on and that the information came from [REDACTED]
- This was about 9 months ago.
- States that he has no other relationships [REDACTED] or able to obtain information.

Op. PLYERS

Investigation into the unlawful disclosure of document to Mohammed OUEIDA

- Target – Mohammed OUEIDA identified on 10.10.2008 as being in possession of police document.
- Investigators believe that OUEIDA may have possession of a further SSU profile titled, “Job: S144/2007- AGAMAS – 31/03/2008 08:22:15.” Which is an SSU generated profile on Mohammed Sherif Lobau OUEIDA
- From [REDACTED] – OUEIDA has ascertained that a criminal associate, Omar ABOUEID has [REDACTED] who works for Victoria Police at [REDACTED]
 - D/Insp. ARISTIDOU located file at ESD – disseminated to PETRA for investigation. Nil further.
- OPI Hearings conducted as a result of [REDACTED] arrests -
 - Steven ANDRIANAKIS – Solicitor for OUEIDA and AWAD
 - Nadine AWAD
 - Mohammed OUEIDA
- Investigation conducted by PETRA TIO – SC Natalie McGRATH – identified possible “Bubs”
 - **Dean Patrick PIESCICK** [REDACTED], of [REDACTED] Street, Pascoe Vale
 - Current interest to Clan. Lab. Squad re Op. SHRIMP
 - Girlfriend identified as – Nuria LOPEZ [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Street, Brunswick East
 - [REDACTED] TI identified AWAD speaking to Danny EL-TAWIL [REDACTED] with reference to a “Bubsy”
- Meetings conducted with [REDACTED] on 15 November. Following this meeting, met with [REDACTED] at city location.
 - [REDACTED] offered to assist investigators.
 - Offer was for [REDACTED] to meet with [REDACTED] in company with [REDACTED]
- Investigators met with [REDACTED] on 17 November.
- Investigators again met with [REDACTED] on 25 November.

- [REDACTED] attended Carlton area where they [REDACTED]
 - Attended at the [REDACTED] Shop [REDACTED] Street, Brunswick. Met [REDACTED] in vicinity of shop.
 - Attended shop and met with [REDACTED] Meeting went for 35 minutes where they requested further [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED] indicated that he is able to source further [REDACTED] and that it should take a "couple of days."
 - Surveillance on [REDACTED] and continued monitoring of his phone has not revealed anything of significance.
- Contact with [REDACTED] by investigators on 30 November.
 - [REDACTED] attended [REDACTED] Shop on [REDACTED] and inquired in relation to the status of their request for further [REDACTED]
 - Spoke to [REDACTED] who stated that he had been talking to [REDACTED] who said "all is good and we will get there."
 - No specific time frames were given.
- Investigators have had further contact with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED] states that he has spoken with [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED] has told him that he spoken with [REDACTED] who stated that he was still sourcing [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED] aware of media interest, but still sourcing [REDACTED]
 - Further contact pending with [REDACTED]
 - Further contact with [REDACTED] on 05/12/08; [REDACTED] states that he can still source [REDACTED]

INQUIRIES

- Significant phone analysis being undertaken.
- Substantial number of calls from PIESCIK to Graham WATTS
- Significant calls between WATTS and [REDACTED]
- Call from WATTS to PIESCIK on arrival back from Thailand on 08/10/08 (date [REDACTED])
- There seems to be a pattern, that every time WATTS calls PIESCIK, he calls [REDACTED] either immediately prior or immediately after.
- PIESCIK and WATTS contact WATTS on 13/09/08 and 14/09/08, PIESCIK then attends Broadford on 15/09/08 (WATTS in Thailand).
- On 16/09/08 AWAD tells ANDRIANAKIS that she can source information about her case.
- [REDACTED] resides in [REDACTED] close to WATTS, ESD intel revealed allegations of inappropriate relationship between WATTS and [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] difference.
- TI on [REDACTED] intercepted by OPI mainly on Purana related information.

OVERT PHASE

- **Maintain surveillance coverage on PIESCIK.**
 - Coverage by OPI and ESD Surveillance – Nil value at this stage
- **TI monitoring to continue on WATTS, PIESCIK and [REDACTED]**
 - WATTS – still overseas – nil evidentiary value
 - PIESCIK – nil evidentiary value
 - [REDACTED] – nil evidentiary value
- **Efforts being made to install LD in PIESCIK home address.**
 - Nil install
- **Search warrant on John and Sam HIGGS**
 - Executed – 6 pages of document retrieved
 - John HIGGS stated he got the document from OUEIDA
 - Both served with OPI summonses
- **Search Warrant on Peter PONIEWAZ**
 - Executed – nil document located
 - Admitted possession, but stated he found it in a bus stop
 - Served with OPI summons
- **Search Warrant on Scott HAMILTON**
 - Executed – nil located
 - Stated he had a copy but gave it to an associate
 - Volunteered to retrieve document
 - Later met investigators and handed back document
 - Enquiries pending with same
- **GANGLEHOFF – Search warrant deferred**
 - Ongoing monitoring of electronic surveillance
- **DOUGLAS –**
 - OPI Summons served on same