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Dear Ms Giles,

### **ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE MANAGEMENT OF POLICE INFORMANTS**

We refer to your letter addressed to our office dated 10 May 2019.

On 17 May 2019, we corresponded with you via email addressing, in particular, Items 1 and 3 of your request.

In relation to Item 2, we had hoped to have documentation to you earlier than today and we apologise for the delay. We now respond to this request.

#### **Request for Antonios Mokbel Documentation**

##### **Summary**

On 18 April 2011, Antonios Mokbel was arraigned and pleaded guilty to one count of trafficking in a large commercial quantity of methylamphetamine (Count 1 on Presentment C0705786.11) in relation to Operation Magnum.

Mokbel was further arraigned and pleaded guilty to one count of trafficking in a large commercial quantity of 3,4-Methylenedioxy-*N*-Methylamphetamine (MDMA) and one (Commonwealth) count of incitement to import a prohibited import (Counts 1 and 2 respectively on joint Presentment / Indictment C0907076).

On this date, the Crown indicated that the prosecutions in relation to Operations Kayak, Landslip, Matchless and Spake would be discontinued.

On 24 May 2012, the Crown formally announced a Nolle Prosequi in relation to each of Operations Kayak, Landslip, Matchless and Spake.

There are no physical copies of any individual Nolle Prosequi. A transcript of the hearing on 24 May 2012 reveals the following:

14 MR KIDD: Then I will finish, the last thing I was going to say  
 15 on this particular part of the submissions, Your Honour,  
 16 the Crown announces nolle prosequi, because these matters  
 17 are pre CPA, for presentment Nos P01884825 which is Kyack,  
 18 C0806384 which is Matchless, C0806379, Landslip, and  
 19 C0706005.1 which is Spake.  
 20 HIS HONOUR: All right. We will note that on the various  
 21 presentments. All right, so I will adjourn then until  
 22 2.15.

The transcript suggests that although the Crown announced the entry of a Nolle Prosequi in relation to the various matters, a formal notice was not provided to the court. The announcement of a Nolle Prosequi without the filing of a formal document was consistent with the practice at the time.

#### **Operation Kayak (Presentment P01884825)**

This prosecution commenced in 2001 and was ongoing at the time Mokbel absconded from his trial before the Honourable Justice Gillard. Whilst it had been subject to plea negotiations in 2005, upon Mokbel's extradition and return to the jurisdiction, he distanced himself from the previous negotiations and indicated that he wished to contest the charges.

It was alleged that [REDACTED] was supplied a commercial quantity of MDMA (in the form of [REDACTED] tablets) by Mokbel and his associates. Subsequently, [REDACTED] was supplied with a further amounts of methylamphetamine at various times including [REDACTED] tablets, [REDACTED] tablets, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Further, [REDACTED] was supplied with [REDACTED] grams of cocaine.

In relation to this matter, charges were withdrawn in relation to Milad Mokbel and Robrabih Karam. Mark Lanteri and Joseph Parisi pleaded guilty.

#### **Operation Landslip (Presentment C0806379)**

It was alleged that <sup>Mr Cooper</sup> [REDACTED] manufactured methylamphetamine for Mokbel at a clandestine laboratory in Rye. At the time, <sup>Mr Cooper</sup> [REDACTED] was cooking for a number of syndicates in addition to Mokbel.

It was alleged that <sup>Mr Cooper</sup> [REDACTED] manufactured methylamphetamine on five occasions for Mokbel. It was alleged that <sup>Mr Cooper</sup> [REDACTED] was supplied the necessary precursor chemicals and equipment by others; principally members of the Mokbel family.

The evidence against Mokbel was essentially intercepted telephone calls purportedly arranging meetings as well as coded conversations about delivery dates. Optical surveillance at the Rye lab captured conversations about work that <sup>Mr Cooper</sup> [REDACTED] was doing for Mokbel and

referred to quantities of drugs manufactured, chemicals supplied and Mokbel's role in the enterprise. A number of meetings were also observed by surveillance police.

In relation to this matter, a Nolle Prosequi was announced in relation to Kabalan Mokbel.  
Mr Cooper pleaded guilty.

### **Operation Matchless (Presentment C0806384)**

It was alleged that Mr Cooper and PII manufactured methylamphetamine for three separate syndicates, each of which supplied him with the necessary precursor chemicals. These syndicates included (1) Tony Mokbel and Kabalan Mokbel; (2) Milad Mokbel (on behalf of Nick Radev); and (3) Jacques El-Hage and Mr Thomas (on behalf of Carl Williams). Initially a clandestine laboratory was established in McCrae. Later, the laboratory was moved to Rye.

In relation to Mokbel, it was alleged that Mr Cooper manufactured methylamphetamine for Mokbel after reacquainting himself with the Mokbel family. Mokbel would supply chemicals and glassware to Mr Cooper and would meet with him to discuss the manufacturing process.

In relation to this matter, Mr Cooper, Rodney Davis, Rasim Tezer, Noel Laurie, PII, PII, Rimond Kachab, Kabalan Mokbel, Milad Mokbel, Jacques El-Hage and Ibrahim Kurnaz pleaded guilty.

### **Operation Spake (Presentment C0706005.1)**

It was alleged that Mokbel arranged for Mr Cooper to manufacture methylamphetamine in a shed on a property at Toolern Vale. Mr Cooper established a clandestine laboratory at this location. Mr Cooper to manufacture the drug and attended at the farm on a number of occasions. Mokbel sourced the precursor chemicals from a chemical company whose director was Mr Bickley. then provide the drugs to Mokbel.

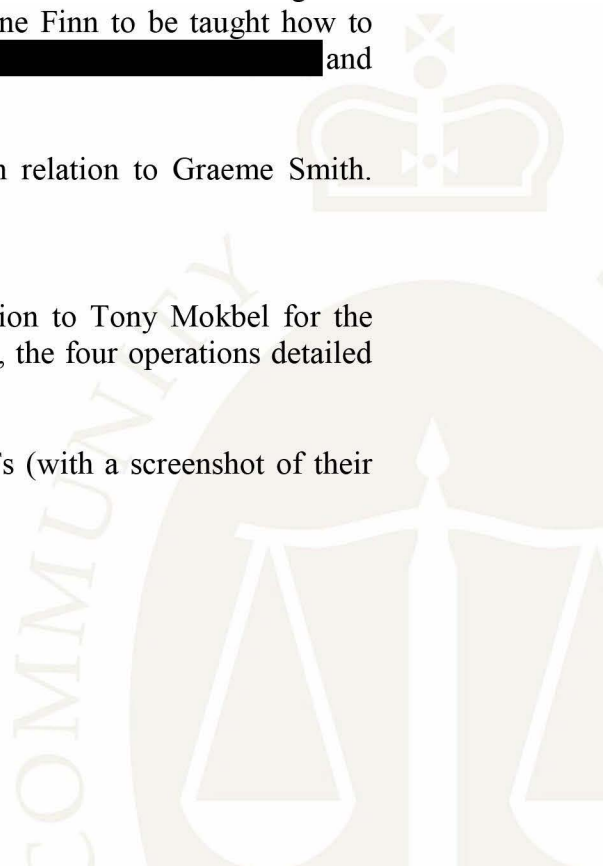
Mokbel then personally took over the manufacture of the drug with the assistance of others. Eventually, Mokbel arranged for Wayne Finn to be taught how to manufacture the drug. The clandestine laboratory was moved and was later found at a factory site leased by Finn in Springvale.

In relation to this matter, a Nolle Prosequi was announced in relation to Graeme Smith. Wayne Finn and Matthew Finn pleaded guilty.

### **Provision of Documentation**

In your correspondence, you requested documentation in relation to Tony Mokbel for the operations for which he was charged but not convicted; namely, the four operations detailed above.

Please now find enclosed a USB containing the following PDFs (with a screenshot of their contents):





***Tony Mokbel – Operation Kayak – Key Documents – 29 May 2019***

- ▲ TONY MOKBEL DOCUMENTS
  - Presentment
  - Further Presentment
  - Police Summary - Mokbel, Lanteri, Parisi and Karam
  - Statement of Facts
- ▲ MILAD MOKBEL DOCUMENTS
  - Remand / Bail Application Summary
- ▲ MARK LANTERI DOCUMENTS
  - Statement of Facts
  - Submissions on behalf of the Crown in relation to sentence upon Count 4 - Possession of a drug of dependence
  - Submissions on behalf of the Accused
- ▲ JOSEPH PARISI DOCUMENTS
  - Presentment
  - Further Presentment
  - Crown Summary for Case Conference
  - Statement of Facts
  - Defence Response to the Prosecution Opening
  - Crown Opening for Plea Hearing
  - Return of Prisoners Convicted
  - Notice of Application for Leave to Appeal Against a Sentence
  - Summary of Proceedings
  - Summary of Evidence
  - Outline of Submissions for the Applicant
  - Respondent's Outline of Argument

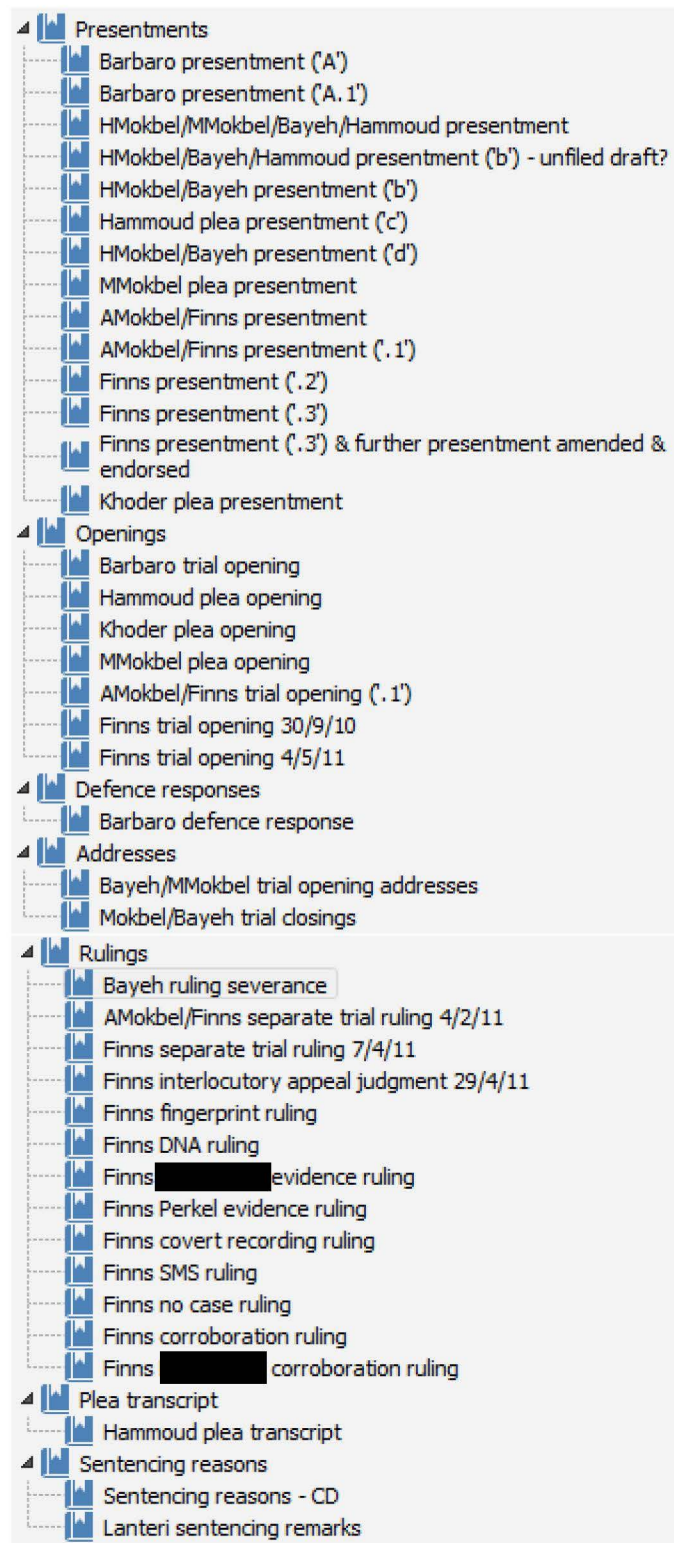
***Tony Mokbel – Operation Landslip – Key Documents – 29 May 2019***

- Supreme Court Presentment - Tony Mokbel and Kabalan Mokbel
- Police Summary - Tony Mokbel, Milad Mokbel and Kabalan Mokbel
- Summary for Committal Hearing - 1 June 2009
- Summary for Section 5 Hearing - 26 June 2009
- Summary of Prosecution Opening for Trial - 3 September 2010
- Outline of Submissions on behalf of the Crown in the Separate Trial Application by Kabalan Mokbel - 7 October 2010
- Argument / Ruling re Separate Trial Application - 18 October 2010
- County Court Presentment - Kabalan Mokbel (only)

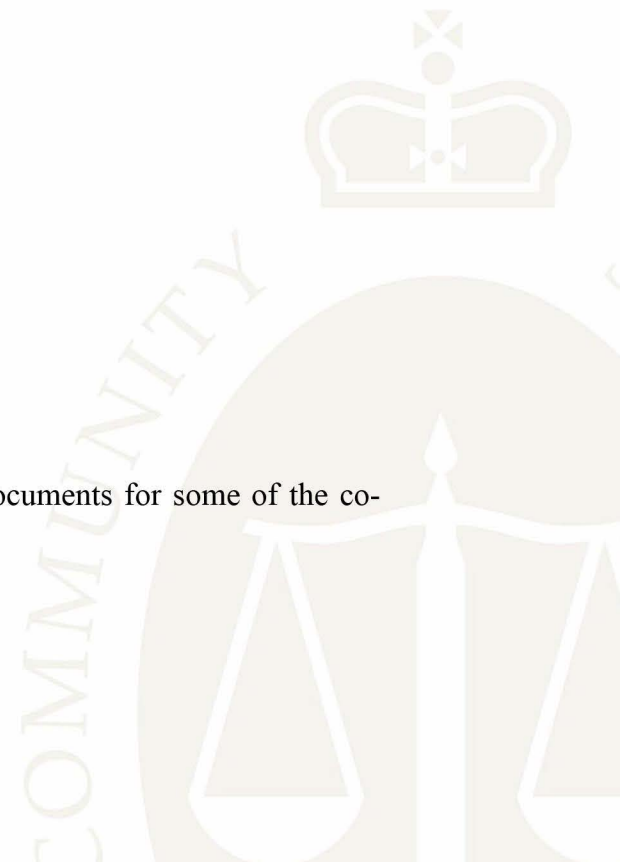
***Tony Mokbel – Operation Matchless – Key Documents – 29 May 2019***

- Presentment - M Mokbel, A Mokbel, El-Hage and Kurnaz
- Police Summary
- Summary of Prosecution Opening - M Mokbel, A Mokbel, El-Hage and Kurnaz - 3 September 2010
- Ruling (re Separate Trials) - 4 February 2011 - [2011] VSC 14T
- Revised Summary of Prosecution Opening - M Mokbel and El-Hage - 4 April 2011
- Revised Summary of Prosecution Opening - M Mokbel and El-Hage - 19 April 2011
- Plea Presentment - M Mokbel
- Plea Opening - M Mokbel
- Plea Transcript - M Mokbel - 30 June 2011
- Plea Presentment - El-Hage



*Tony Mokbel – Operation Spake – Key Documents – 29 May 2019*

You will note that we have endeavoured to include the key documents for some of the co-offenders of the various operations.



Finally, for completeness, we note that Tony Mokbel was charged with the murder of Lewis Moran as part of Operation Gotta. A Supreme Court jury returned with a not guilty verdict in relation to this matter on 25 September 2009.

Further, we note that Tony Mokbel was charged with the murder of Michael Marshall as part of Operation Dozer. A Nolle Prosequi was announced in relation to this matter on 3 April 2009.

Please advise if you require documentation in relation to either of these matters.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,



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