
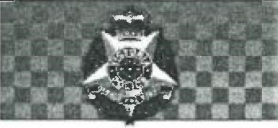


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	 VICTORIA POLICE	<b>JOINT AGENCY AGREEMENT</b>
Operation Reference:		FILE NO 9660 - Operation Khadi

### 1. Background

- 1.1 On the evening of August 16<sup>th</sup> 2004, Brighton Police members Leading Senior Constable [REDACTED] and Constable [REDACTED] arrested Azzam Ahmed and Terrence Wood outside 102 The Esplanade, Brighton. The arrest was made whilst Wood and Ahmed were making a drug transaction.
- 1.2 On September 9<sup>th</sup> 2004, police from Brighton executed a search warrant at 102 The Esplanade, Brighton. This was the home premises of Scott Faragher and Sophie Fraid. Amongst other things, \$11,700 in cash was seized. Farragher was arrested and charged with drug related offences and possessing proceeds of crime, to wit \$11,700.
- 1.3 In early December 2004, after attending a Bail Hearing of Ahmed at Melbourne Magistrates Court, Senior Constable [REDACTED] was approached by former Victoria Police members David Waters and Steven Campbell who made statements to the effect of "Mate I think she (Nicola Gobbo) has done you a huge favour." Further that "Mate trust me she has probably saved your job." [REDACTED] pointed out that this was in regard to Gobbo representing Ahmed, an associate of Tony Mokbel.
- 1.4 On the evening of 17<sup>th</sup> June 2005 at Kyhatts hotel Steven Boyle approached Senior Constable [REDACTED] and said words similar to, "Tell [REDACTED] to stay sick and not give evidence. It's Mokbel's money and he's very pissed off about it." Senior Constable [REDACTED] advised Senior Sergeant Shields of this conversation. Shields advised he would obtain the security video tapes from the hotel and report the matter to his superiors. It appears that he did not do this.

### 2. Substantive Offences

- 2.1 The operation is an investigation into an attempt to pervert the course of justice.

### 3. Suspects

- 3.1 Primary suspects:
  - Former Detective Sergeant David Waters
  - Former Detective Senior Constable Steven Campbell
  - Mr Steven Boyle
- 3.2 Associate suspects:
  - Senior Sergeant Richard Shields

### 4. Operations Management Group

- 4.1 The Operations Management Group will consist of
  - Detective Superintendent Rod Wilson (ESD)
  - John Kapetanovski (OPI)

- 4.2 The Operations Management Group will be responsible and accountable for the overall conduct of the operation.
- 4.3 The Operations Management Group, comprising appropriate members of each agency, will:
- develop a concept of the operation, including operational objectives and incorporate that concept in the Joint Agency Agreement;
  - oversight the preparation and implementation of Operation Orders;
  - prepare monthly briefing reports for senior management of participating agencies;
  - maintain coordination of the operation and enhance cooperation and information sharing between participating agencies;
  - monitor progress in identification of proceeds of crime;
  - monitor results of the Operation against the objectives;
  - ensure the efficient collection and timely dissemination of information and intelligence;
  - be responsible for post operations assessments.

## 5. Role Of Agencies

- 5.1 Victoria Police Ethical Standards Department (ESD) – to include:
- conduct of investigations;
  - to provide the necessary personnel to conduct all aspects of this investigation
  - responsibility for the presentation of evidence of offences against Victorian legislation;
  - assistance in target development;
  - consultation and liaison with participating agencies, outside of this agreement;
  - collection and dissemination of information for intelligence purposes;
  - where appropriate, provide specialist support, e.g. special projects and Special Operations Team involvement;
  - identification and control of crime scenes.
- 5.2 Office of Police Integrity (OPI) – to include
- conduct of investigations;
  - to provide the necessary personnel to conduct all aspects of this investigation
  - assistance in target development;
  - consultation and liaison with participating agencies, outside of this agreement;
  - collection and dissemination of information for intelligence purposes.
  - where appropriate, the provision of specialist support e.g. financial analysis, special projects;
  - arrange and conduct coercive hearings;
  - where crime scenes are identified, adhere to ESD directions in relation to access and activity within that crime scene;

- pass real time intelligence to ESD which may assist in the identification and recovery of evidence against nominated targets;
- support in the brief preparation phase.

## 6. Mission

- To investigate an allegation of an attempt to pervert the course of justice; and
- To look at the involvement of members of the Brighton Police Station and their association with persons with criminal backgrounds involved in the commission of criminal offence.

## 7. Execution

### 7.1 Concept of Operation

This investigation will be conducted in eight phases;

Phase 1 Information/intelligence gathering

Phase 2 Coercive hearings

Phase 3 Assessment and statement taking

Phase 4 Interviews

Phase 5 Prosecution

Phase 6 Post Operation Analysis

Phase 7 Review

Phases will be subject to review by the Operations Management Group.

This operation will be focussed on the prosecution of the principal suspects identified above.

The Operations Management Group will determine when the operation has been finalised.

ESD and OPI will supply the necessary resources to meet the objectives of the operation.

### 7.2 Estimated duration

3 months

### 7.3 Investigation Plan:

<p>DETAILS OF ALLEGATION(S)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AUD\$5000 belonging to Tony Mockbel was taken by Leading Senior Constable [REDACTED] when he arrested Azzam Ahmed outside 102 The Esplanade, Brighton on 16 August 2004.</li> <li>• An MDIU investigation involving Azzam Ahmed identified corruption (Police? Nicola Gobbo?) called Operation Gallop - linked with Senior Sergeant Shields?</li> <li>• [REDACTED] was approached by Dave Waters and Steve Campbell (former member and member suspected of corruption) at Melbourne Magistrate's Court and advised Nicola Gobbo had done him a favour and saved his job by not mentioning the allegation he had stolen \$5000 from Ahmed when arrested.</li> <li>• Senior Constable [REDACTED] was approached by Steve Boyle at Kyatt's Hotel and advised to tell [REDACTED] he should not give evidence (against Ahmed) and that the money (money seized lawfully at the time of the arrest of Ahmed or \$5000 allegedly stolen) belonged to Mockbel.</li> <li>• Security Video at Kyatt's Hotel with vision of the meeting between Boyle and [REDACTED] was intentionally misplaced.</li> <li>• Sergeant [REDACTED] is engaged in an inappropriate relationship with a person called William Dobell and intends purchasing the Daily Planet Massage Parlor in partnership with Dobell.</li> <li>• Integrity of the THASM file concerning [REDACTED] Sergeant [REDACTED] and Det.S/C [REDACTED]</li> <li>• Detective Senior Constable [REDACTED] of South Melbourne CIU and formerly of Brighton Police Station has access to ecstasy and had supplied ecstasy to female friends, including female staff at Brighton Police Station.</li> </ul>
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COMPLAINANT/ SOURCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various confidential statements and reports provided by police and OPP (already in existence).</li> <li>• Statements provided by Leading Senior Constable [REDACTED]</li> </ul>
PURPOSE AND METHOD OF INVESTIGATION	<p>To determine if Vicpol members have engaged in criminal conduct or serious discipline misconduct and gather sufficient evidence to conduct a successful prosecution and/or discipline hearing against each of those members. Investigation methodology will include :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint investigation with OPI (subject to Agency Agreement);</li> <li>• Coercive hearings conducted by OPI;</li> <li>• Surveillance of key suspects and associates as required;</li> <li>• Telephone Interception and Reverse CCR's as required;</li> <li>• Financial and Risk Assessments as required;</li> <li>• Conducting interviews of potential police and civilian witnesses as required.</li> </ul>
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Identify issues to be addressed during investigation</i></li> <li>• <i>Define parameters of investigation.</i></li> <li>• <i>Identify issues to be referred to other areas i.e. management issues etc.</i></li> </ul>


ISSUES IMPACTING ON COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are multiple allegations involving serving and former members of the Force.</li> <li>• A potential witness resides interstate.</li> <li>• Required technical support or surveillance may be used in other operations at time required for progressing this operation.</li> <li>• Potential police witnesses taking Recreational Leave or otherwise unavailable.</li> <li>• Potential use of forensic examination of exhibits and time taken to complete such examinations and receive examination reports.</li> <li>• Investigators taking Recreational Leave.</li> <li>• Other commitments by OPI investigators.</li> </ul>
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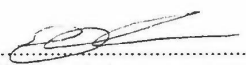
## 8. Administration and Logistics

- 8.1 Reporting
- Operations Management Group to keep senior management of participating agencies informed of progress;
  - Regular meetings to be convened between members of the Operations Management Group to ensure the operation is progressing aligned with agreed strategies;
- 8.2 Operation/Investigation Costs
- Each agency to meet own costs.
- 8.3 Location
- This operation will be conducted from the premises of ESD at Victoria Police Centre, Flinders Street, Melbourne. Support will be provided from OPI offices at 495 Collins Street, Melbourne.

## 9. Command and Communication

- 9.1 Operations Management Group members are;
- Detective Superintendent Rod Wilson (ESD)
  - John Kapetanovski (OPI)
- 9.2 ESD and OPI recognize the importance of the contributions and technical expertise made by each agency. The Operations Management Group will ensure that a consultative approach will be adopted during the course of this operation.
- 9.3 Communications
- To be determined by the Operations Management Group and in accordance with the operational circumstances.
- 9.4 Security
- Each agency will employ a high level of security measures to ensure:
- the physical safety of all officers involved in the operation; and
  - the security of relevant information.
- 9.5 Media
- No media release will take place until both agencies have been briefed and can activate agreed media policies. Any media release will acknowledge each agency's role in the operation.

  
Signed: ..... *S.C.C.* ESD  
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