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Subject: 28/08/2014 - Body found Barking Abbey Cemetery - Mr Gabriel KOVARI

Boss,

A brief report regarding the above

The deceased has been initially identified using his Slovak passport found amongst his belongings. (The picture matches)

Name: Gabriel KOVARI
D.O.B: 17:06:1992 - 22yrs old
Nationality: Slovakian

CID assessment DS Sweetman.

28/08/2014 - Called to the scene as shown above where body was still present as found by witness whilst walking her dog (MG11 requested via CAD). The witness states she regularly walks her dog through the cemetery and did so at 5pm last night at which point the body was not present. The body had been pronounced deceased at 09:27hrs by LAS. Briefed as to action at the scene so far by uniformed officers. On inspection of the scene and body there was nothing to indicate suspicious circumstances. Insp Harman agreed. The deceased had been fingertip bodily searched by LAS which indicated no marks or injuries consistent with an assault of some kind. The deceased was sat on what appeared to be a jacket underneath a tree which clearly offered shelter from the rain. He was also sat propped against the west side cemetery wall. There was blood visible which had run from his nose. It is my opinion that the deceased placed himself in that position.

There was no sign of a struggle or anything to indicate the presence of a 3rd party. He had some items of property which would have been stolen if this was a robbery or similar for instance an electronic tablet (Kindle), Passport, Bank cards.

He had a suitcase with personal clothing inside, and some documents. Many of the docs were hand written and were what appeared to be food shopping lists. One of the letters was from HSBC bank (UK) which gave an address;

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A HSBC bank card was also found which looked new and had a start date of 08/14. A receipt from HSBC cash point in Barking dated 24/08/2014.

Medication was also found in standard boxes but in a foreign language. Initial checks indicate at least one of the boxes was antibiotics. (the medication was found safe and dry within the suitcase not next to/near the body).

Conclusion

Photographs have been taken by SOCO and on initial attendance by uniform officers. The body is to be released and the scene closed when appropriate, CID do not require it to remain open. CCTV does cover a small part of the church, this has been viewed and offers no assistance.

The evidence suggests an unexplained non suspicious death. Naturally the coroner will conduct his investigation and we may get the answer from that.

DS Sweetman

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