

Continuation of Statement of John PAPE.....

whilst I was on the ISLE OF WIGHT. On TUESDAY 26TH AUGUST 2014 I texted Gabriel "HEY, HOWS IT GOING IN BARKING?" but got no response. On THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2014 I was informed that Gabriel KOVARI had been found dead in a church yard in Barking. After the initial shock, I felt a need to know more about what happened. At this point I did not know who Cosmo CUPID was. Gabriel had never mentioned him or mentioned having a friend near to me in Lewisham. All I had was a mobile number so I texted it asking if he was a friend of Gabriel KOVARI and to ring me. On SATURDAY 30th AUGUST 2014 Cosmo rang me back. I told him Gabriel had been found dead and he reacted very shocked and upset. Over several conversations over three days his emotional response was not suspicious to me. However, Cosmo divulged that he had been in the army and was currently on leave with post-traumatic stress. He also informed me he had been in my flat with Gabriel KOVARI and they had drunk some of my alcohol. He said he had first had contact with Gabriel two years ago when they had met online. During one of the conversations he started talking about intimate details to do with his physical relationship with Gabriel. However, Cosmo said he had recently told Gabriel that he did not want a relationship with Gabriel at this time. Whilst Gabriel was looking for somewhere else to stay in London, Cosmo said he had taken Gabriel to meet his grandmother and had told Gabriel he could stay with her or him. However, he said Gabriel became intent on moving to BARKING. Cosmo said he had driven Gabriel on FRIDAY 22nd to Upton Park, Stratford area and dropped him off. Gabriel was going to meet another male and would go onto BARKING where he would be staying. Cosmo thought Gabriel had used his phone to send a text message to the person he was staying with. Cosmo could not find the text message on his phone and believes Gabriel may have deleted it. Cosmo then called his phone provider and there is a number that was called at approx 1020hrs on FRIDAY 22ND AUGUST 2014 from Cosmo's phone which he does not recognise. He thought the call was probably made by Gabriel as he was with him at this time. The number is [ DPA ]93. Cosmo gave me the number to call because he said he could not think straight. At 14:54PM on 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2014 I texted this number to contact me in regards to Gabriel ( I did not say he had been found dead) but have received no reply.

After finding out about Gabriel's death, I repeatedly checked his Facebook page to see if there was any indication his friends or family knew of his death. I was worried that his family did not know. On MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OF SEPTEMBER 2014, I friended Gabriel's former boyfriend THIERRY AMODIO via Facebook and he immediately engaged me in an online messaging conversation. I did not reveal that Gabriel was dead at this time but expressed concerns for his whereabouts in the hope that it would become clear if Thierry and the family knew. Thierry did not know, and whilst I was trying to ascertain if he was in contact with Gabriel's family, he mentioned that he had not heard from Gabriel for a week. He also said that Gabriel had been seeing two black males. Cosmo and someone else called 'KARL'. Thierry said he had 'broken up' with Gabriel 'a week ago' because of Gabriel's involvement with the two males. At present I receive occasional messages from Thierry regarding Gabriel's death on facebook. I am no longer receiving or instigating contact with Cosmo.

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