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SUNDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2014 – ongoing enquiries into the death of Daniel Peter WHITWORTH DOB 22/03/1993

A/DI Stuart Denley South HAT team contacted and he requested a copy of details – ND OB emailed across.

Contact number for A/DI Denley is DPA 734

A/DI Denley has requested a family member sees the suicide note and confirms if it is Daniels handwriting. To conduct further research on Gabriel KOVARI DOB 17/06/1992 who was found deceased in the same location the 28th August.

It has been established DS Pete SWEETMAN dealt with the suicide of KOVARI. It was deemed at the time to be non-suspicious. A message has been left for DS Sweetman at 1024 hrs

A message has been left for the coroner's officer Jané DAY DPA 851 to call me at 1100 hrs.

Part of the suicide note has been scanned to Adam WHITWORTH the father of Daniel WHITWORTH (dec'd). At 1102 hrs today Adam has confirmed the handwriting to be that of his sons. A/DI Delaney has been updated.

At 1119hrs I have spoken to Jane DAY. Jane will update the coroner's officer on Monday to stop any PM in relation to Daniel WHITWORTH until they have been notified otherwise. She is aware of Gabriel KOVARI. Teresa Steadman is the coroner's officer for KOVARI – Teresa is however currently on compassionate leave. Jane has informed me that Gabriel's body was repatriated to Slovakia last week and was due to be cremated. Toxicology and Histology was conducted, she recalls seeing the report and nothing glaring came out from memory. I will arrange to obtain a copy of that from Jane on Monday.

Jane has stated she did recall that Teresa said that the brother of KOVARI came over from Slovakia, as coroners officer they do not normally view the bodies with families but as she felt sorry for him she did view the body. Despite being hot weather Teresa did mention she thought the body was a lot more decomposed having just been found.

Intel on the Merlin report has indicated that Gabriel did reside in a Hostel on the Isle of Dogs prior to moving in with John PAPE in Lewisham in July 2014. John indicated he met Gabriel on the Grinder & Bender website a known Gay website for meeting other Gay males.

At 1148hrs Ricky WAUMSLEY rang police; Ricky is the partner of Daniel WHITWORTH. He confirmed they have been partners for 4 years. Daniel has been a chef for ISS Headquarters in South Quay for the last two months. Ricky wanted an update and I have advised him there is no further update since yesterday the death of Daniel remains non-suspicious but unexplained. He is concerned that the police are withholding info from him and will not inform him of the content of the suicide note. I have informed Ricky that he is not the next of kin and Daniels father is being kept updated.

At 12 noon DCI Kirby has been updated – KG .

TDC Adeyemo-Phillips has been tasked to contact Slovakia to establish if the body of KOVARI has been cremated as yet. Enqs have been made with the Slovakian Embassy 0207 313 6470. An emergency contact number is provided as [DPA] 783.

Iveta has been spoken to on the emergency number and advised to contact the office hours number Mon-Fri. She has advised to email corns.london@mzv.sk so that they will be aware when the call is put in on Monday. TDC Adeyemo-Phillips has sent the embassy and email - TDC Adeyemo-Phillips will follow this am on Monday 22/09/14.

A/DI Denley rang DCI Lyons has requested a Special PM on Daniel WHITWORTH. This is just to confirm no foul play and that this was just a suicide. This will remain on Borough at this time but advice still be provided by SC&O(1). A call with details of the special PM on the HAT number who will then advise who at EAST team this has been forwarded to and who will attend the PM.

I have spoken to Jane DAY who states the request has to come from a CSM. I have therefore emailed ADI Denley to confirm who this will be and for them to proceed this request for a Special PM. She has asked if it is required today and I have said it does not have to be done today. ADI Denley will inform the CSM to get this organised.

ADI Pearson (KF) on call DI has been notified out of courtesy.- copy of KG OB has been forwarded to him.

TDC Adeyemo-Phillips is arranging for MIB to conduct checks on subjects names that have come up for any possible links and also to consider the WALGATE death in May 14 that also involved the Gay community and links with the website Grinder & Bender.

At this time WHITWORTH'S mobile phone has not been located.

ADI Osborne and ADI Schamberger have been emailed to notify them of Special PM. TDC Berry will be the borough exhibits officer.

ADI Denley rang with reference number for CSM to authorise the Special Pm – 1450hrs. PATH/182/2014.

I have contacted Jane DAY the coroners officer and left the details of the CSM reference to organise the special PM.

John Foster the CSM North has rang it will be one of his CSM who will attend the special PM. Once details confirmed he is to be contacted on [DPA] 958 to arrange photog, CSM etc to attend.

DCI Kirby has stated Supt Wilson has requested we make further arrangement to contact next of kin for KOVARI to establish if the funeral has already taken place and if not to make a request if they will put it on hold.

I have spoken to Jane Day the coroner's officer at 1515 hrs that has to get authority from the coroner to open the office during out of hours. She will make this phone call and call back. She is an hour away from the office but may get a colleague to do this on her behalf who resides nearer.

TDC Slaymaker in the process of making further enqs to establish if there is any other means to establish next of kin in Slovakia.

PC Brown who identified WHITWORTH deceased will be on Annual Leave on Monday 22/09/14. PC Yexley is on L/T the statement provided does not clearly identify the deceased as the person on the photo ID driving licence. I have contacted Charlie Yexley via text as aware Mark on route home awaits contact.

Jane DAY has provided a contact number for the brother as Adam KOVARI [DPA] 082 and an email address of [DPA]@gmail.com

It has been decided there is no point in obtaining a copy of the toxicology report today as we cannot get hold of a toxicologist today in order to confirm if GHB has been tested for or not. Jane has spoken to a colleague who does not believe it is standard toxicology tests for GHB. Jane will scan the toxicology report over to DS Turrell on Monday.

TDC Adeyemo-Phillips has made attempts to contact Adam the next of kin in Slovakia without any response. TDC Slaymaker who is L/T KG5 will email the brother to try and ascertain if the funeral has taken place of KOVARI.

TDC Adeyemo-Phillips has spoken to an ex-partner of KOVARI Thierry ANODIO on [DPA] 953 who resides in Madrid. Thierry has indicated that there was a ceremony on Saturday 20/09/14 to celebrate the passing of KOVARI but was unable to confirm if the actual burial/cremation had taken place.

Adam KOVARI has contacted KG5 at 1600 hrs – he does speak English but does not understand all the technical terms. They did have a ceremony service yesterday but his brother has not yet been buried/cremated. He did not understand this but it is clear the funeral directors have his brother. He has stated he wishes to speak to his mother and also the funeral directors and will get them to ring DS Turrell on Monday. I have explained to Adam that we do not wish to alarm him but due to another death of