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**SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 Jane 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.