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At the bottom of this email are the initial details on the HAT return of the Unexplained Death of Anthony WALGATE in which the MIT 20 and DCI Chris Jones. have assisted KG BOCU death occurred on 19/06/2014

Recent Update on the Investigation

The deceased was found by a man (Mr Stephen PORT) returning home to the block of flats and claimed to have found the deceased by the doorway to the flats. He called an ambulance and returned to his flat. A SPM was held in relation to the death which was inconclusive at this stage. There were no physical injuries present that would have caused his death. Due to the fact that some organs were enlarged the pathologist suspected that he may have died from a drug overdose and we await toxicology to determine whether this is the case. The case remained one that the BOCU had primacy for but with the support and assistance from SCO1 MIT 20.

In the last few days it has been established that Mr Stephen PORT was a client of the deceased who was a sex worker. They may be reasons why he did not tell the police at the time, such as he did not want a deceased sex worker found in his flat. However the facts need to be established the BOCU have a prisoner in custody and the flat is now a potential crime scene. Mr PORT has been arrested on one occasion in the past for alleged non consensual sexual activity with a sex worker but was never charged.

I was informed of the above last night at 9pm and the local DCI wanted me to take on the investigation. I have not taken that decision but have made what I consider a pragmatic decision to ensure that we clear the ground in front of us at present and then decide where that leaves us. I will then be able to make a proper assessment

In the meantime I have appointed Det Insp Andrew Kelly (MIT22 at Barking) to attend KG with DS Stuart Reeves and as many DC's from Support Team (MIT7) that are required to support the BOCU in the investigation and in particular: -

Interviewing Mr PORT
Dealing with the Crime Scene
Family Liaison Strategy
Tracing the victims Missing Phone
Reviewing the enquiries already undertaken.

DI Eugene McCathy is the contact at KG. I have also spoken to the BOCU Superintendent and is aware of what is to take place.

The above measures are to ensure that nothing is missed and that the investigation has sufficient expertise to undertake the tasks. As these tasks are completed it will hopefully shed light on the