

From: Campbell, Ian L (INSP)
Sent: Mon, 31 Mar 2014 08:22:56 +1100
To: Frewen, Michael
Cc: De Santo, Peter
Subject: RE: Witness F

Mate totally agree have been up all night trying to convince her not to top herself. Please speak with Steve and Peter we need a meeting this morning. She is now at extreme risk!!! I ave to see her later this morning

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From: Frewen, Michael
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2014 07:29 AM AUS Eastern Standard Time
To: Campbell, Ian L (INSP)
Subject: RE: Witness F

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[In light of todays article - we might have to do another updated risk assessment?](#)

[Cheers](#)

[Mick](#)

From: Campbell, Ian L (INSP)
Sent: Friday, 28 March 2014 2:16 PM
To: De Santo, Peter
Cc: Buick, Boris; Frewen, Michael
Subject: FW: Witness F

Peter,

'F' has asked me to meet with her next Tuesday PM to discuss her giving evidence at the inquest in May. I think she will agree. I am happy to meet with her before she goes back into hospital next Thursday,

FYI

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From: Buick, Boris
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 02:01 PM AUS Eastern Standard Time
To: Fontana, Stephen
Cc: Frewen, Michael; Campbell, Ian L (INSP)

Subject: Witness F

Background

In October 2010 I was in charge of Driver Taskforce Team 4.

In this capacity I was responsible for a number of investigations including but not limited to:

The investigation of Paul Dale's involvement, if any, in the 2003 Dublin Street burglary
The investigation of the 2004 murder of the Hodsons
The investigation of Paul Dale for misconduct in public office
The investigation and preparation for the prosecution of Paul Dale for giving false evidence at the ACC

Witness F was intimately involved as a witness (and equally possibly an active party) in each of these matters.

To this end, at this time I was responsible for the engagement and management of F and was authorised to be so.

Over this time I was having regular phone and physical contact with F. All meetings were attended with Det/Sgt Lebusque or DSC Measham and all were **covertly** recorded. All recordings are retained.

On 21 October 2011 I met F with Lebusque in the CBD. At this time she was listed a witness in the pending Cth prosecution of Dale for giving false evidence at the ACC. During this meeting F disclosed that she had some years previously had a sexual relationship with then AC Pope, a member the Driver Taskforce Steering Committee.

I reported these matters to DI Frewen and Supt Fryer. I later provided a copy of the 21/10/11 meeting audio recording to Supt Fryer.

On 27 October 2011 I attended a Driver Taskforce Steering Committee meeting, at which the F disclosure was discussed (and denied by AC Pope) and at which AC Pope stood down from the Committee in light of a potential conflict of interest.

On 8 November 2011 I was directed by Supt Fryer to have no further contact with F. Supt Fryer wrote a letter to F to that effect, which I hand delivered to F. On 9 November 2011 F was formally withdrawn as a witness in the Cth prosecution of Dale. Since November 2011 I have had no contact with F.

Today

At 1115 this day (28/03/14) I was briefed by D/S/Sgt O'Connell as to the following:

Herald Sun journalist Anthony Dowsley has in recent days contacted Det/Sgt Sol Solomon, as Solomon was formerly a member of the Petra Taskforce. Dowsley conveyed to Solomon that F had disclosed to him (Dowsley) that she had previously had a sexual relationship with AC Pope. Dowsley conveyed to Solomon that he (Dowsley) had sought comment from Pope about this matter and that Pope denied the allegation. Dowsley conveyed that Pope disclosed to him Dowsley that F was a registered human source and that it was DC Ashton who had intervened and arranged the withdrawal of F as a witness in the Dale prosecution. Solomon provided no information to Dowsley, diarised the contact and briefed O'Connell.

Forwarded for information.

NB

F is listed as a witness in the 19 May 2014 Hodson Inquest, at the request of the Coroner.

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