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Our Ref: AL:MA
Your Ref:

11 March, 1998

Federal Agent ██████████
Australian Police Headquarters
Southern Division
Latrobe Street
MELBOURNE VIC. 3000

Dear Sir,

RE: HORTY MOKBEL

We refer to the status hearing at Melbourne Magistrates Court on the 10th of March and we thank you on behalf of the Defendant for your help and courtesy of forwarding to the Registrar of the Court photocopy of Title search so that copy of the Title search may remain on the Court file.

We have been requested by our client to urge you to amend the records on all the charges and documents so as to delete reference to person by the name of Moustafa Ahmad Mokbel.

We believe it is common grounds that our clients name is Horty Mokbel and he was never known by the name of Moustafa Ahamad. We are sure you have noted that our client finds description of our client by the name of Moustafa Ahamad as offensive. We understand that this originates back to the place of our client's birth where Christians and Moslems not always agreed and lived in harmony.

They name Moustafa Ahamad appears to be offensive to Mr. Mokbel who is a Christian.

We trust that appropriate arrangements will be made to amend the proceedings to refer to our client's correct name.

Yours faithfully,
ALEX LEWENBERG

Per. ██████████

7/4/98: 12.28. Nicola Gobbo → Advice Alex.

██████████ 13.22 Nicola Gobbo

Thursday 10am.



Date: 9 April 1998

STATEMENT in the matter of:
Police v Tony Mokbel and Marie-Rose Kabalan

Full Name: **Nicola GOBBO**

Home Address: **N.A**

Phone Home: [REDACTED]
Work: 03 [REDACTED]
Fax: 03 [REDACTED]
Mobile: [REDACTED]

Occupation: **Solicitor**

Employer: **Alex Lewenberg**

Work Address: [REDACTED] Street, Richmond, 3121

STATES:

My full name is Nicola GOBBO. I am 25 years of age. I am employed by Alex Lewenberg as a Solicitor. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Laws degree with Honours from the University of Melbourne and I have almost completed my Masters of Law at Monash University. I have been so employed since February 1997 and was admitted to practice as a Barrister and Solicitor on April 7 1997. My duties include all those associated with the running of criminal matters and the conduct of criminal files including attendences upon clients, police and appearances at Court.

I have spoken to my firm's client Mr Horthy Mokbel and as a solicitor, I rely on my client's privilege which he has waived enabling me to make this statement.

On Tuesday 3 March 1998, I was instructed by Mr Alex Lewenberg to attend the Melbourne Magistrate's Court to assist in relation to the sureties required for the bailing of Mr Horthy Mokbel. My understanding was that the sureties had been advised to bring with them appropriate documentation to secure bail for Mr Horthy Mokbel including certificates of title, rates notice to establish the value of the property and identification.

On the afternoon of the Tuesday 3 March 1998, at about 3 pm, I waited on the ground floor foyer area of the Melbourne Magistrate's Court for the sureties who had been advised to meet me there. A male person whom I now know as Tony Mokbel approached me and made himself known to me. He was accompanied by a female who is described as being five and half foot tall, dark shortish hair, large build, olive white complexion, aged about 30 years old. I would recognise her again. I don't recall being formally introduced to her.

I then proceeded to the second floor of the Court, accompanied by Mr Tony Mokbel and his female companion. We attended the Criminal Enquiries counter and I advised the Registrar that we were there for the purpose of lodging security for Mr Horthy Mokbel who had been granted bail in Court One earlier that day, by Magistrate Patrick Street. Alex had supplied me with these details. The female companion of Mr Tony Mokbel produced some documents from a bag she was carrying, including a title document contained within a Section 32 statement and a Rates notice. I understood that the title was for the property proposed as the security by the sureties being Mr Tony Mokbel and his female companion. The female companion handed the whole Section 32 to the Registrar and indicated that the Certificate of Title contained within was from the purchase of the property. I believe the Registrar asked if there was a mortgage on

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Nicola GOBBO (continues...)

the property. There was some discussion by both Tony Mokbel and his female companion as to how much money was owed on the property. The female then used her mobile phone to contact a financial institution and she requested the most recent account statement be faxed to the Court. From my recollection the Registrar was preparing the appropriate documentation while we waited for the facsimile to arrive. During this period I had a conversation with both of the proposed sureties and I remember the female commenting on how hot and bothered she was, and Tony Mokbel commenting on not being sure if they had brought the correct title document because he had twenty eight different titles and had not been able to go to the bank and collect one.

The Registrar then told us that the facsimile had arrived and checked it to ascertain whether there was adequate equity in the property. He stated that there was adequate equity, and then produced an Affidavit for each of the proposed sureties to sign. Prior to signing the Registrar explained what being a surety meant. I am pretty sure the Sureties signed their respective Affidavits and then the Oath was administered to each of them. The Registrar then handed to me a copy of the Undertaking of Bail and explained that the Defendant - Mr Harty Mokbel would be brought into the Bail Room on the ground floor of the Court. I and Mr Tony Mokbel and his female companion then left. We went to the ground floor where I told them that Mr Harty Mokbel would be released from the Lonsdale Street exit of the Custody Centre shortly and to call me if there were any problems. I then left the court. Since then, I have had no contact with either of the Sureties.

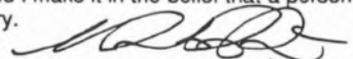

9/4/98
4:15pm.

Statement taken and signature witnessed by me
at 383 La Trobe Street Melbourne.
on Thursday 9 April 1998
at 4:15pm.

FA 1


I hereby declare that this statement is true and correct and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Acknowledgement made and signature witnessed by me
at 383 La Trobe Street Melbourne.
on Thursday 9 April 1998
at 4:15pm.


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4:15pm.

FA 1


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Case Note: (9026552) Gobbo, Nicola.

Case Note

ID: 9026552
Date Created: 13 May 1998 19:56
Title: Gobbo, Nicola.
Note Type: GENERAL
Applies To: FA 1
Details:

Approximately 1500 hrs, Wednesday 13 May 1998 Nicola Gobbo, Solicitor for Alex Lewenberg who is acting as counsel for Horthy Mokbel telephoned AFP RHQ and spoke with FA 2 [REDACTED] about recruiting details regarding the AFP. She then asked to be put through to myself, informant for the defendant Horthy Mokbel. Gobbo indicated to me that she had telephoned previously about 3 week ago and I had not contacted her back. I explained that I had not received the message. A brief discussion was had about the fact that I was compiling a computerised brief of evidence re: horthy Mokbel. Gobbo indicated that she knew what that was all about as she had experience in this area because her office had received the Goldberg briefs. (Operation Flange [REDACTED]). She then stated that she had not seen me around the hotel known as Katarina's. (Opposite DPP on Queen Street, Melbourne). Gobbo then asked when we might next be frequenting there as she has some issues she wished to discuss. An arrangement was made for a meeting to take place about 7 pm on Thursday evening, 14 May 1998.

I discussed her request with FA 2 [REDACTED] the with Federal Agent [REDACTED] Meeting approved, [REDACTED] Further discussion was held with FA [REDACTED] Federal Agent [REDACTED] approved 8 hrs O.T [REDACTED]. Federal Agent [REDACTED] contacted and given short briefing. [REDACTED]

Involvements:

Case ID	Log #	Title	Created By	Date Created
8968	558	OPERATION VIRUS	FA 1 [REDACTED]	13 May 1998 19:56

Attachments:

No Attachments.

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Case Note: (9955113) Nicola Gobbo

Case Note

ID: 9955113
Date Created: 22 May 1998 16:11
Title: Nicola Gobbo
Note Type: GENERAL
Applies To: FA 1 [REDACTED]
Details:

Case Note Entry: Thursday 21 May 1998.

FA 1: Telephoned Nicola Gobbo on [REDACTED] approximately 0950am. Short discussion re: Gobbo's request previously for a meeting. Identified need to keep meeting short due to AFP current work load. Gobbo explained that she may be getting tickets to a show and may not be able to meet. Gave her the number to AFP mobile - [REDACTED] and told her to call me back and let me know if she was able to meet. She stated that she would probably be able to have a short meeting with myself (and FA 2 [REDACTED]), just as a trust building exercise. (Laughed). She stated she would call me back.

Informed FA 2 [REDACTED] (present during the call anyway), FA [REDACTED] and then FA [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] Available to be picked up about 3 pm.

3pm: Briefed FA [REDACTED], [REDACTED], FA 1 [REDACTED] and FA 2 [REDACTED] obtained two audio recorders from FA [REDACTED].

16.25: FA 1 [REDACTED]. Received call from Gobbo to AFP mobile phone. Short discussion about meeting that evening. She stated that she was happy to meet where ever AFP wanted. She identified the fact that she had a hard day. She wanted to meet for 2-3 hour period. I identified that this was not possible due to commitments. She said she could meet at 5.45 pm but did not want to meet for only fifteen minutes. I stated to her that if she intended to 'compromise' the AFP I would not be interested. She claimed that this was not the case. She claimed that she did not wish to be compromised by the AFP either. She then suggested that we (FA 1 FA 2 [REDACTED]) meet sometime next week. I asked her if she had court commitments during the week to which she said everyday. I suggested we meet during her lunch break. She agreed.

[REDACTED] meetin was off. Informed FA 2 [REDACTED] (Present during call) FA [REDACTED] and FA [REDACTED].

Returned audio recorders [REDACTED].

Friday 22 May 1998.

FA 1: Gobbo called at 2.12 pm on AFP mobile. She sounded tired and emotional. She stated that she has been thinking about my statement about not compromising AFP. She was concerned about that and did not want me to think the wrong thing. She reinforced her position and said emphatically that she was the one that approached me, not the other way around. She had something confidential to say, which was creating a problem for her (emotionally/morally) and that she wished to divulge it. I asked her if she was crying. She said yes, that it was the end of the week and this issue (her 'problem') and her work were just built up and she was having trouble coping with it. She stated that it was a problem for me, not you (AFP) and that she was the one that approached me. I informed her that I was simply putting my position clearly to her as there had been a lot of round-about talk previously and I did not wish there to be any misunderstandings. She assured me that was not the case, and that was not her intention. I asked her if she wished to have a short meeting today, but she stated that she was (tired and emotional) and would get over it and then we would have a meeting next week.

Informed FA 2 [REDACTED] and FA [REDACTED]. (FA [REDACTED] absent). Informed FA [REDACTED] and FA [REDACTED].

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Case Note: (9955113) Nicola Gobbo

Involvements:

Case ID	Log #	Title	Created By	Date Created
8968	670	OPERATION VIRUS	FA 1	22 May 1998 16:11

Attachments:

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FA 2

[Redacted]

Rank

[Redacted]

No.

[Redacted]

Date

Completed and returned to —

Date

Instructions to be observed in keeping this Diary

Object

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- (i) To afford accurate information to Inspecting Officers of the manner in which duties are carried out.
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Nature of Entries

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Checking of Entries

3. The diaries must be examined by the Officer-in-Charge, or an Officer authorised by him at least once a month, and should be initialled and dated by the Officer after examination.

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Date 19	Particulars of Duty, Places Visited or Searched, Names of Persons Interviewed and Criminals or Suspects Seen
12 May 1980 Wed	On Duty Office Duties re Operation Virus Phoned 50880 re AFP recruiting as requested by her. Informed her of Nat Page. Spoke to [redacted] re meeting at Caterina's Thursday 14 May. Relevant paperwork entered [redacted] Continued office duties.
14 May 1980 Th	On Duty Office Duties - Operation Virus Worked on Virus spread sheets Nov, Dec, Jan 76. About 1900 With [redacted] turned on tape & proceeded to meeting with 50880 at Caterina's, 221 Queen St. Melbourne. 50880 expressed concern of tapping of conversation and brought up morality & ethics, republicanism & lawyers. Also expressed concern that she not be I.D. in records - official diaries & notes. She mentioned possible info to police. About 1000hrs Departed Caterina's

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	to Celia's Club. Conversation continues. 50880 continues to allude to possible info & express concern of records kept. Mentioned fear of 4/2's in her house. Departed Celia's at 2400. Escorted 50880 to her veh in Bourke St. 2100 closed duty
15 May 1980 Fri	Stand down till 1000. Operation Virus station. Attended meeting with F/As [redacted] & [redacted] re 50880. agreed to further meeting between 50880, [redacted] & Self. Pass Th. Attended [redacted] her tape copy with [redacted] Returned to office duties
16 May 1980 Sat	Attended meeting with [redacted] - discussed 50880 & Virus. Office duties re spread sheets - Virus.
17 May 1980	RDO
18 May 1980 Mon	On Duty [redacted]

Date	Particulars of Duty, Places Visited or Searched, Names of Persons Interviewed and Criminals or Suspects Seen
19 May 0800 Tues 1600	[Redacted]
20 May 0600 Wed 1600	On Duty [Redacted]
21 May 0800 Th 1600	On Duty Operation WALLS. Continued office duties. About 9:50 [Redacted] FA1 dispatched 50120 on meeting re meeting to be arranged by phone on future date.
22 May 0800 Fri 1600	[Redacted]
23-24 May	[Redacted]
25-29 May	[Redacted]
30-31 May	R 111

Date	Particulars of Duty, Places Visited or Searched, Names of Persons Interviewed and Criminals or Suspects Seen
19 June 0800 Mon 1600	[Redacted]
2 June 0800 Tues 1600	[Redacted]
3 June 0800 Wed 1600	[Redacted]
4 June 0800 Th 1600	[Redacted]
5 June 0800 Fri 1600	[Redacted]
6 June	[Redacted]
7 June	[Redacted]
8 June	[Redacted]
9 June	[Redacted]
10 June 0800 Wed 1600	[Redacted]
11 June 0800 Th	[Redacted]



AFP

AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

OFFICIAL DIARY

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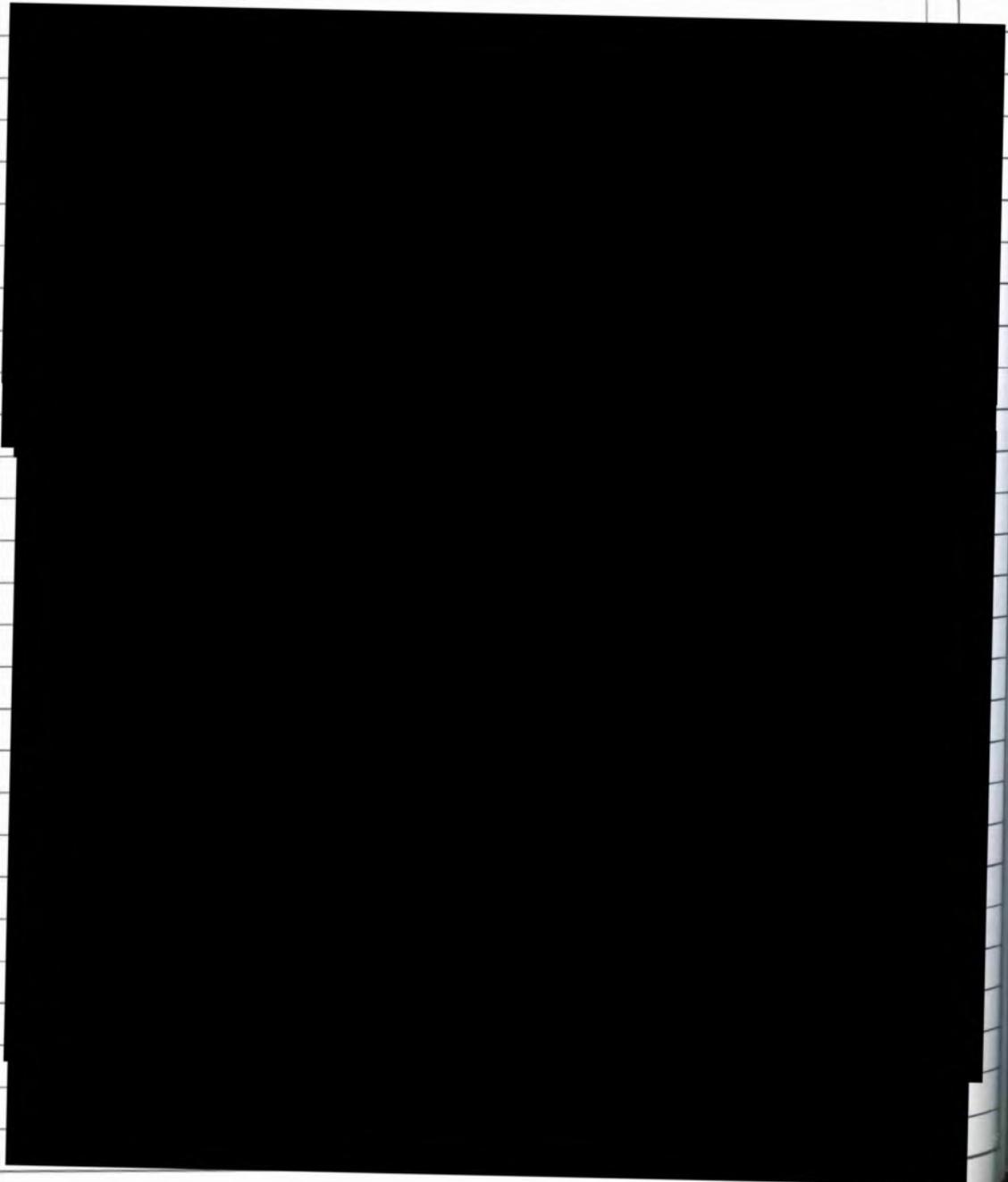
Date / Time	Particulars of Duties, Places Visited or Searched, Names of Persons Seen	Claims
WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2017.		
0800		
0905	<p>TIC to retired mbr ^{FA2} [redacted] re</p> <p>Op VIRUS / Lawyer X.</p> <p>^{FA2} [redacted] advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lawyer X was purporting to provide information - Lawyer X met w AFP on one occasion - Celtic Club? - may have related to Lawyer X providing statement re Marty MOKBEL misleading Court re surety details, in bail application - Lawyer X regarded as totally untrustworthy by AFP. - Lawyer X not registered as MS by AFP. - ^{FA1} [redacted] would have more detail. 	T PII
0914	<p>TIC to retired mbr ^{FA1} [redacted] re Op VIRUS / Lawyer X.</p> <p>^{FA1} [redacted] advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lawyer X approached AFP offering to provide information - AFP had 1X "meeting" w Lawyer X only - Celtic Club restaurant? - AFP assessment that Lawyer X wished to elicit information from AFP - Lawyer X did not provide any information of substance - nothing re Marty MOKBEL? - Lawyer X was never registered as MS by AFP 	

Date / Time

Particulars of Duties, Places Visited or Searched, Names of Persons Seen

- AFP concerns re corruption in Op VIDUS
- corrupt Vic Pol / ATO and MOURBEL family
 oo took care to record everything
 carefully - should be on PROMIS
- lawyer X provided (induced) witness
 statement against Horby MOURBEL
 (bail severity issue) - fear of loss
 of licence.

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12-6	of 00 1600
13-6	
14-6	
15-6	of 00 1600
16-6	of 00 1600
17-6	of 00
	2000
18-6	of 00 1600
19-6	of 00 1600
20-6	

Date 19... ⁹⁸	Particulars of Duty, Places Visited or Searched, Names of Persons Interviewed and Criminals or Suspects Seen
21-6	
22-6	of 00 1600
23-6	of 00 1600
24-6	of 00 1600
25-6	of 00 1600
26-6	of 00 1600
27-6	
28-6	
29-6	of 00 1600
30-6	of 00 1600
	Common Duty - [redacted] office duties [redacted] Met Informant/Contact in STH Melb area with [redacted] CA4 [redacted] CA4