

# TOULERN VALE

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**States:-**

1. My full name is <sup>Mr Cooper</sup> I am [REDACTED] years of age.
2. I make this statement in the belief that the information I provide to the police cannot be used against me in any future court proceedings.
3. At my meeting with Tony Mokbel at the New Years Eve party (2005) as his house on the [REDACTED] floor of the [REDACTED] in South Bank, we discussed our situation and made peace with each other and basically buried the hatchet between us. We were both in high spirits having watched the fireworks from his balcony. This conversation happened at 4.30 in the morning, 1 January 2006, after everybody had left.
4. We discussed the Gisborne deal and how I felt I had been taken advantage of. We also discussed all the proceeds that I had given to Milad Mokbel on his request from jail in the times he was in custody concerning pending matters such as his incarceration for the conspiracy charges. Tony told me he had not received any monies from Milad and that I was stupid to have believed Milad for one minute, that Tony would ever need money. I explained that Milad had convinced me that Tony was unable to access monies and that he needed these funds for a short term, only until Tony got bail. I asked Tony what I expected to have done? I then asked Tony if he was sure this is the truth. Tony suggested to me that on our next meeting with Milad and himself and I, that I should bring this matter up and that Tony would prove Milad was lying. This made me angrier toward Milad as once again he had taken advantage of a situation from which only he stood to gain.
5. Our original arrangement over the Gisborne laboratory was that I would show Tony's new crew the art of manufacturing amphetamine to the best of my ability to receive a lump sum payment for my efforts and an ongoing payment for my

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time on bail until my time of incarceration. The lump sum was to have been \$250,000.00. I only ever saw \$110,000.00 of this amount. The ongoing payment was to be \$80,000.00 per week. I did not receive one payment of the \$80,000.00 per week Tony said he would pay me. Tony and I had discussed at that time that it would be a round about one year before my plea would take place, however two years later the plea had still not gone ahead, and we re-negotiated a fair and doable payment, honouring our original agreement. This was the sum of \$3.3 million. Tony made it clear to me that these monies would be sorted before and close to my plea date, which was set for 4 months from this discussion, on [REDACTED] May 2006.

6. Tony said he would need some time to raise the monies as most of these funds were offshore. He told me they were in Hong Kong. That's all he said about them. However he made it clear that he was going nowhere as he had pending matters at the same time mine were to occur. We both agreed we would need these monies to pay legal fees along the way. He also knew my financial obligation to [REDACTED] PII for his matters were to come out of these proceeds. I made a promise to [REDACTED] PII I would foot the bill for his legal fees, as he was in the process of [REDACTED] PII
7. A further financial obligation was made to me by Milad Mokbel as a token of appreciation for all I had helped him with, whilst on I was on bail. All the profits he made from my efforts in the manufacture of methylamphetamine was to be equally aided to me once he was in control of our operation. In this case Milad's debt to me would be in the vicinity of \$2 million which is about the figure he had made from my services to him in the time I manufactured for him.
8. Milad made it clear that whatever it was we made together he would continue to be active and contribute the same amount back to me once I was in custody. As a token of his appreciation and a form of [REDACTED] PII whilst I was away. It was never determined the length of time it would take for Milad to pay me back,

though we did discuss whatever deal he had going came through first, i.e. 'the petrol deal' where Milad and Horty have invested in a independent petrol co-op, or the shares in the coal mines in Queensland have taken off, or from the sale of the apartments in Safety Beach and Dromana, or in the future manufacture of amphetamine.

9. I have explained to the police that any and all my financial assets were pretty much at the Strathmore laboratory in the form of pre-cursors which would have multiplied those funds dramatically and eventuated in product. I estimate the pre-cursors were purchased by me for \$300,000.00 over the period of those three weeks and the outcome of those chemicals could have measured \$3 million.
10. No monies were found at my premises during the police investigation, as no money exists, as this was my last shot to make good any dealings as Tony had skipped bail and Milad was being very difficult. Strathmore was initially intended to convert 26 litres of ketone for the Mokbels. This was however seized by police. A contingency plan was formed by myself in redeeming the costs of all that was owed on behalf of myself. This never eventuated as I was arrested.

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Statement taken a                      ssed by  
Me this 6 da, 21 August 2000 at Melbourne.



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