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MOD Form 266A/B
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Case No: 64872/04

**SERVICE POLICE
WITNESS STATEMENT**

(CJ Act 1967, S.9; MC Act 1980, ss5A (3a) and MC Rules 1981, r70)

Statement of: Ahmed Abdul-Hadi SUFAR

Rank/Status: Civilian

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Surgeon

This statement (consisting of two page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signature: ABH SUFAR

Dated: 20 January 2005

I am Dr Ahmed Abdul-Hady Sufar, currently employed as a Surgical Doctor within the Casualty Department of Basrah Teaching Hospital. I am a qualified Doctor of general medicine and surgery holding the qualification of Bachelor of Surgery, which I obtained from the University of Basrah in 2003.

About 2000 hrs, on a date in Dec 2004, the exact date I cannot recall, I was on duty within the Casualty Department, when a male aged between 36 – 44 years old, was brought into the department, who was later identified to me as a man named Hassan.

The patient was immediately treated by me, who appeared to have extensive damage/injury to the side of his throat. I checked the man's pulse, his breathing, his gag reflex and the reaction of his pupils to light. He had no pulse, he was not breathing with no gag reflex and his pupils were dilated, indicating to me that he was dead. I did not observe any other injury to the patient.

The injury to his neck area looked like a crush type injury, which in my experience may have been caused by a gunshot at close range. No exit wound was evident. The wound had produced a great deal of blood, which had stained the man's clothing. I attempted to resuscitate the patient by carrying out Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), but to no avail.

At the time of the patient's arrival at hospital, he was brought in by several people who appeared to be unrelated to the man. A woman was present who later identified herself as the man's wife, but I do not know her name. Some of these people explained that the patient had been injured on the road between Basrah and Az Zubayr, whilst travelling in a vehicle. No timings of the incident were given.

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Continuation of statement of: Ahmed Abdul-Hady SUFAR

The patient was dressed in a shirt and a jacket, wearing grey coloured trousers. I cannot recall the exact details. I recall that the people who arrived with him explained that he had been armed with a pistol on his belt, which had been removed prior to his arrival at hospital. I did not see the pistol.

Following my examination, the patient was declared to be dead, but I cannot recall at what time this occurred. Later that evening, other family members arrived at the hospital, who identified the patient as Mr Hassan, a member of the Iraqi Police Service.

After the declaration of death, arrangements were made for the body to be transferred to the nearby Department of Forensic Medicine, where further examinations were to be conducted into the cause of death.

It is normal procedure for the body to be released to the family from the Department of Forensic Medicine after examination and subject to the required authority.

Signed: ABH SUFAR

Signed: JL WRIGHT
Sgt
RMP (SIB)

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