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SUBJECT:ROBERT HAMILL - CAJ DOCUMENT (SEE NO EVIL, HEAR NO EVIL)

TO:D/CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT McBURNEY

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Having examined the attached document, the majority of the issues raised directly concern police actions in responding to the incident, the conduct of the murder investigation in 1997 and the prosecution decisions which were made in 1997. I would suggest that this document be forwarded to D/Inspector Irwin

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who has an intimate working knowledge of the murder investigation which was conducted in 1997 for his assessment on whether this document raises new evidence.

In so far as the current investigation is concerned and which is focusing on allegations made by Andrea McKee on the 20th June 2000 concerning alleged criminal conduct by R/Constable R Atkinson and Michael McKee, the document raises a number of issues which may have relevance to the investigation of these allegations and I would appreciate your comments:

- (1) Page 20 highlights concerns about the retraction of evidence by witness (A) and (B) and raises the issue of intimidation.

Comment

Within the context of the current investigation and when one considers the apparent close relationship between the McKees and witness (A), as indicated in the analysis of itemised telephone billings, the possibility of R/Constable Atkinson playing some part in causing witness (A) to retract cannot be overlooked.

It would be helpful to know the full circumstances surrounding the retraction and when the intentions of witness (A) were first made known to investigating officers.

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(2) At pages 3, 31 (para 1) and page 33 (final paragraph), the document introduces the issue of collusion. Reference is made to 2 anonymous calls being made to [REDACTED] (Solicitor acting for the Hamill family) and a local Priest by an individual believed to be a Police Officer. It is alleged that this officer named Atkinson and detailed his connection with one of the suspects. In addition to this, the document claims that a member of the Hamill family was told that R/Constable Atkinson had advised one of the suspects to dispose of his clothing following the attack on Mr Hamill.

Comment

If this did happen as is reported in the document, the possibility that there is a police officer who could assist this investigation with information regarding the alleged conspiracy between R/Constable Atkinson and a suspect (believed to be Alistair Hanvey) cannot be overlooked.

It would be helpful to know what information investigating officers had concerning this in 1997.

Forwarded for any comments you can add regarding the issues raised and which may assist in progressing the current investigation. I will then undertake to forward these papers to D/Inspector Irwin for his assessment and inclusion on the HOLMES Account.

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