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INCIDENT REPORT
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THE FOLLOWING IS THE FIRST SUPPLEMENT REPORT SUBMITTED BY DETECTIVE MARK SMITH.

AS OF AUGUST 1994, THIS DETECTIVE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED THE ABOVE CASE. SINCE BEING ASSIGNED THIS CASE, THIS DETECTIVE HAS FIELDDED NUMEROUS CALLS REGARDING POSSIBLE SUSPECT INFORMATION. THE FACT THAT THESE CALLS HAVE OCCURRED HOWEVER, IS NOT UNUSUAL AS SINCE THE HOMICIDE, THIS AGENCY HAS RECEIVED MANY OF THE SAME TYPE CALLS.

ON 08/17/94, THIS DETECTIVE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM A [REDACTED] MS. CASEY WAS INCLUDED IN THE ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION AND MUCH OF WHAT SHE TOLD THIS DETECTIVE HAD ALREADY BEEN COVERED IN THE ORIGINAL SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT. WHAT SHE DID INFORM THIS DETECTIVE IS THAT WHAT IS DIFFERENT IS THAT SHE BELIEVED WHAT SHE HAD OBSERVED WAS IN FACT AT THE SEARS MALL IN HOLLYWOOD, WHEN SHE HAD ORIGINALLY STATED THAT IT WAS ANOTHER STORE. HER INFORMATION HAD ALREADY BEEN INVESTIGATED AS SUCH, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

IN EARLY AUGUST OF THE SAME YEAR, THIS DETECTIVE REVIEWED THE CASE FILE OF THIS INVESTIGATION. BASED ON THIS REVIEW, THIS DETECTIVE SUBMITTED RECOMMENDATIONS TO SERGEANT DUNBAR, LIEUTENANT FUTCH, AND MAJOR MAHER. THESE RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDED REVIEWING ALL EVIDENCE RELATING TO THE OTTIS TOOLE INVESTIGATION, AS WELL AS, A RE-INTERVIEW WITH PREVIOUSLY DOCUMENTED WITNESSES. BECAUSE OF THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THIS INCIDENT, THIS DETECTIVE BELIEVED IT TO BE DIFFICULT TO ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH A NEW OR DIFFERENT MOTIVE FOR THE HOMICIDE, AND SOUGHT OUT TO SIMPLY EXPOUND UPON THE PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED POSSIBLE MOTIVES AND SUSPECTS. NEW OR DIFFERENT MOTIVES WILL BE EXAMINED IF GENERATED.

A REVIEW OF THE EVIDENCE REVEALED THAT [REDACTED] EVIDENCE REGARDING THE INVESTIGATION OF OTTIS TOOLE. THESE ITEMS INCLUDED A [REDACTED] CONFISCATED FROM THE CUSTODY OF A SPENCER BENNETT IN JACKSONVILLE IN 1983. FDLE LAP REPORTS REVEALED TESTS PERFORMED ON SAID ITEMS IN JACKSONVILLE AND TALLAHASSEE REGIONAL LABS. ALSO NOTED WERE TESTS PERFORMED ON [REDACTED] IDENTIFICATION #4834910134601. THIS VEHICLE, RECOVERED FROM WELLS BROTHERS USED CARS IN JACKSONVILLE ON 10/20/83, WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN OPERATED BY OTTIS TOOLE DURING THE TIME THIS HOMICIDE/ABDUCTION WAS TO HAVE OCCURRED. NOTED IN EVIDENCE WERE [REDACTED] OF THE FRONT OF SAID VEHICLE WHICH HAD BEEN [REDACTED]. THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWED A [REDACTED] IN AN AREA OF THE DRIVERS SIDE FRONT, AS WELL AS, THE DRIVER SIDE REAR FLOOR BOARD. IN ONE OF TOOLE STATEMENTS, HE HAD MENTIONED THAT HE PLACED THE SEVERED HEAD OF THE VICTIM ON THE REAR FLOORBOARD OF THIS VEHICLE AT ONE POINT BEFORE DISCARDING IT INTO THE WATERWAY ADJACENT TO THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE. PRESUMPTIVE BLOOD TESTS REVEALED THE PRESENCE OF BLOOD IN THE LUMINESCED AREAS OF THE CARPET, AS WELL AS, TRACES OF BLOOD ON THE [REDACTED] PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED. ACCORDING TO THE FDLE LAB REPORT OF THESE TESTS PERFORMED IN OCTOBER OF 1983, NO FURTHER TESTS COULD BE PERFORMED ON THESE ITEMS, BEING SEVERAL YEARS BEFORE THE INCEPTION OF DNA, THIS MAY HAVE BEEN AN ACCURATE STATEMENT. THE REVIEW OF THE EVIDENCE REVEALED THAT THERE WERE [REDACTED] CARPET SAMPLES IN THE CUSTODY OF THE HOLLYWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT AT THIS TIME. FDLE LAP REPORTS REVEALED THAT THE CARPET IN QUESTION WAS CUT

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INTO [REDACTED] TO BE TESTED ON THE [REDACTED] IN JACKSONVILLE. THESE TEST RESULTS ARE THE ONES WHICH DISCOVERED [REDACTED] AND STATED THAT NO FURTHER ANALYSIS COULD BE PERFORMED. THE TRACK OF THESE ITEMS REVEALED THAT THEY WERE SENT BACK TO JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON 05/24/84, AND INTO THE CUSTODY OF DETECTIVE J. W. TERRY. THIS TRACK WAS CONDUCTED BY GLENN ABATE OF FDLE JACKSONVILLE REGIONAL OFFICE AND NOT CONFIRMED THROUGH PAPERWORK. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] POLICE DEPARTMENT IS BELIEVED [REDACTED].

THIS DETECTIVE MADE PHONE CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] TERRY, WHO HAS SINCE RETIRED AND CURRENTLY WORKING AT THE DUVAL COUNTY COURTHOUSE. DEPUTY TERRY HAD NO RECOLLECTION OF RECEIVING THE PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED CARPET SAMPLES AND/OR PLACING THEM INTO PROPERTY AT THE JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. [REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE SIGNED OUT SEVERAL ITEMS OF EVIDENCE IN THE CUSTODY OF THE HOLLYWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT TO BE DELIVERED BY THIS DETECTIVE, TO THE GENETIC DESIGN LABORATORY IN GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA. [REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE STOPPED AT THE JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT PROPERTY EVIDENCE SECTION ENROUTE TO NORTH CAROLINA, AND WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF DEP. TERRY, [REDACTED] TO LOCATE SAID ITEMS. THE PROPERTY CLERK SUPERVISOR ADVISED THAT SHE WOULD MAKE AN EFFORT TO LOCATE PAPER WORK ON THE ITEMS AND/OR THE ITEMS THEMSELVES.

ARRIVING [REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE SIGNED SEVERAL ITEMS OVER TO JOHN RADER, OF THE GENETIC DESIGN LABORATORY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTRACTING DNA FOR POSSIBLE COMPARISONS WITH KNOWN SAMPLES OF THE VICTIM IN THIS CASE. [REDACTED] OVER TO BE RADER WERE AS FOLLOWS: [REDACTED] ENVELOPE OF TAPE OF DEBRIS FROM [REDACTED] AND A STANDARD OF HEAD HAIR FROM THE VICTIM. THE TEST RESULTS WILL BE COVERED LATER IN THIS SUPPLEMENT REPORT.

[REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE HAD RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM A W/M BY THE NAME OF TERRY GREEN, PHONE #(407) 723-3700, OF MELBOURNE FLORIDA. MR. GREEN STATED THAT HE BELIEVED THAT HE SAW ADAM WALSH IN A BLUE FORD VAN AT A MR. DOUGHNUT ON BADCOCK ROAD IN MELBOURNE AFTER THE ABDUCTION. MR. GREEN COULD NOT PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE SUSPECT. IT IS THIS DETECTIVE'S OPINION AFTER SPEAKING WITH MR. GREEN ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS THAT HE APPEARS TO BE SOMEWHAT UNSTABLE AND CAN NOT PROVIDE WORTH WHILE INFORMATION AT THIS TIME, AND IT IS UNCLEAR ABOUT HIS SINCERITY. MR. GREEN WILL NOT BE IGNORED, HOWEVER, AND FURTHER CONTACT WITH HIM MAY OCCUR IF NECESSARY. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT MR. GREEN DESCRIBES THE VICTIM WHEN HE OBSERVED HIM EXACTLY LIKE THE PICTURE OF THE VICTIM THAT HAD BEEN CIRCULATED IN THE MEDIA. WHAT SHOULD FURTHER BE NOTED IS THAT THE FORD VAN WAS ALSO THE VEHICLE PROVIDED TO THE MEDIA AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT VEHICLE. ACCORDING TO THE SUPPLEMENT REPORT REVIEWED BY THIS DETECTIVE, A BLUE VAN WAS SEEN LEAVING THE AREA OF THE SEARS MALL ON THE DATE IN QUESTION. THE PERSONS OBSERVING THE VAN, PLACED ITS PRESENCE THERE AT APPROXIMATELY 1:30 P.M., WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR AFTER THE VICTIM WAS DISCOVERED MISSING.

[REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM A WHITE MALE SUBJECT WISHING TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS. THIS SUBJECT, LISTING A RECONTACT NUMBER OF 961-4862, STATED THAT HE BELIEVED HE OBSERVED THE ABDUCTION OF ADAM WALSH WHEN HE WAS AT THE SEARS STORE ON A SATURDAY EVENING AT APPROXIMATELY 8:30 P.M. THIS SUBJECT STATED THAT HE WORKED CONSTRUCTION AND THAT HE WAS AT SEARS PICKING UP CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND OBSERVED A HELICOPTER OVERHEAD. THIS SUBJECT FURTHER STATED THAT AS HE ENTERED SEARS, HE OBSERVED A W/M CARRYING A YOUNG W/M FROM INSIDE THE STORE, TOWARDS A

HOLLYWOOD K MART JUST PRIOR TO THE ABDUCTION AT THE SEARS STORE. THE
[REDACTED] THE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE LOCATION OF TOOLE [REDACTED]
LOCALS [REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE WILL ATTEMPT TO
[REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE WILL ATTEMPT TO
RELOCATE THESE INDIVIDUALS FOR RE-INTERVIEW. THIS DETECTIVE WILL PLAN A
RE-INTERVIEW WITH OTTIS TOOLE WHO IS CURRENTLY HOUSED IN RAYFORD. THIS
INTERVIEW WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER ALL EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PHYSICAL EVIDENCE
MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY IN THIS SUPPLEMENT REPORT HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED. THE
RE-INTERVIEW OF TOOLE WILL BE CONDUCTED TO FURTHER IMPLICATE HIM OR TO
POSSIBLY EXCULPATE HIM.

[REDACTED] THIS DETECTIVE RESPONDED TO THE CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE TO
MAKE CONTACT WITH B/M [REDACTED] SAFWAT, REGARDING THE INVESTIGATION. AS
PREVIOUSLY STATED, MR. SAFWAT IS LISTED AS THE LAST REGISTERED OWNER OF THE
VEHICLE MENTIONED IN THE ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN
OPERATED BY OTTIS TOOLE AT THE TIME OF THE ABDUCTION/HOMICIDE. ACCORDING
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS, SAFWAT OWNED THE 1971 CADILLAC,
BUT SHOWED THAT THE REGISTRATION HAD NOT BEEN RENEWED SINCE 1985. AT
APPROXIMATELY 1430 HOURS ON THIS DATE, THIS DETECTIVE MADE CONTACT WITH
SAFWAT AT HIS RESIDENCE ON LOVETT STREET. MR. SAFWAT WAS INFORMED OF THE
PURPOSE FOR THIS CONTACT AND STATED THAT HE REMEMBERED OWNING THE VEHICLE
IN QUESTION. SAFWAT STATED THAT HE PURCHASED THE VEHICLE FROM AN UNKNOWN
CAR DEALER IN JACKSONVILLE AND WAS TOLD BY THE DEALER THAT IT WAS THE
VEHICLE PREVIOUSLY DRIVEN BY A HENRY LEE LUCAS AND OTTIS TOOLE. SAFWAT
STATED THAT SOMETIME IN THE LATE 1980'S, HE HAD THE VEHICLE TOWED AWAY TO
AN UNKNOWN JUNKYARD IN JACKSONVILLE. [REDACTED] SAFWAT STATED THAT THE VEHICLE DID
NOT HAVE CARPETING IN IT WHEN HE PURCHASED IT AND WAS UNSURE IF IT
CONTAINED A TRUNK LINER. BASED ON THIS INFORMATION, IT IS BELIEVED THAT
THIS VEHICLE IS NO LONGER ACCESSIBLE AND ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE IT FOR THE
PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED TEST WOULD BE FUTILE. ONE MORE ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE
TO LOCATE THE VEHICLE, HOWEVER, VIA A BODY FILE SEARCH WITH THE DEPARTMENT
OF MOTOR VEHICLE. IF THE RESULTS OF THIS SEARCH ARE POSITIVE, A FOLLOW UP
SUPPLEMENT REPORT REGARDING ITS RESULTS WILL BE GENERATED BY THIS
DETECTIVE.

[REDACTED] TIPSTER HAD PHONED THE AMERICAS MOST WANTED IN
WASHINGTON REQUESTING TO TALK TO JOHN WALSH ABOUT THIS HOMICIDE. THIS
TIPSTER LEFT HIS NAME, PETER GENOVESE, AS WELL AS A CONTACT NUMBER. THIS
MESSAGE WAS RELAYED TO THIS DETECTIVE ON 03/16/95 AND THIS DETECTIVE MADE
CONTACT WITH MR. GENOVESE. MR. GENOVESE STATED THAT HE BELIEVED A SUSPECT
IN THE HOMICIDE OF A YOUNG W/F, FOUND ON A HOLLYWOOD GOLF COURSE IN 1980,
MAY BE INVOLVED IN THE HOMICIDE OF ADAM WALSH. THIS DETECTIVE MADE
ARRANGEMENTS WITH GENOVESE AT A LATER DATE FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION, AND
THE RESULTS WILL BE COVERED IN A FOLLOW UP SUPPLEMENT REPORT.