

November 14, 1997

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT #23

TO: RALPH J. RAY, JR.  
Chief Assistant State Attorney

FROM: PHILIP J. MUNDY  
Investigator

SUBJ: HAIR/DNA Evidence

RE: Homicide Investigation of Adam Walsh

ENCL: (1) Copy of F.D.L.E. memo of March 24, 1997 from serologist  
Suzanne Livingston  
(2) Copy of F.D.L.E. report dated October 21, 1997 from serologist  
Suzanne Livingston

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The hair evidence that had been collected in this case as enumerated in enclosure (1) had never been examined for potential DNA matching. After conferring with Ms. LIVINGSTON arrangements were made for the hair evidence to be delivered to her for examination.

Enclosure (2) contains the results of Ms. LIVINGSTON's examination which unfortunately did not result in any DNA match being made.

A conversation was had with Ms. LIVINGSTON in which she explained that many of the hairs had degraded to the point of being of no use. This is the case in the hair standards of the victim. She also advised that some extraction's were made but of insufficient quantity and/or quality to be of use. It should be noted that the extracts that were made have been retained by F.D.L.E. and Ms. LIVINGSTON explained that this is done to ensure their proper preservation and in the event further inroads are made in this field that might warrant further examination of the evidence.

It was noted that Ms. LIVINGSTON's report listed the exhibits somewhat differently than in her March 24<sup>th</sup> memo. Ms. LIVINGSTON assured me that all of the hair evidence had been examined.

INV. PHILIP J. MUNDY

cc: Det. John Kerns, Hollywood P.D. ✓

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**ENCLOSURE  
ONE**



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James T. "Tim" Moore  
Commissioner

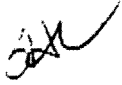
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March 24, 1997

MEMORANDUM

TO: Investigator Phil Mundy  
Broward State Attorney's Office

FROM: CLAS Suzanne H Livingston   
FDLE Tallahassee Regional Operations Center

SUBJECT: Examination of Hairs from the Adam Walsh Case

I have reviewed the hair examination file from the Adam Walsh Case (FDLE 831043357) and have found the following in regards to the number of hairs present on each exhibit:

- Exhibit 15A: Machete and sheath - 4 hairs present
- Exhibit 1: Hairs from backrest - 10 hairs present
- Exhibit 2: From front seat area - More than 5 hairs present
- Exhibit 3: From rear seat area - 1 hair present
- Exhibit 5: Carpet under front seat - 27 hairs present
- Exhibit 6: Carpet under front seat - More than 5 hairs present

The notes indicate that some of these hairs have roots present. It is possible for us to examine all of the hairs for roots and then to do PCR DNA on those hairs which are suitable and that you deem necessary. We would also need the hair standard from Adam Walsh (Exhibit A) to be submitted to the laboratory.

If you determine that you want to proceed with this examination request, please send the exhibits and standards to the Tallahassee Regional Crime Laboratory under FDLE Case #831043357. Please put the submission to my attention.

If there is any further information you need please contact me at 904-488-7071.

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**ENCLOSURE  
TWO**



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October 21, 1997

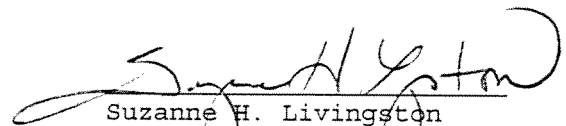
TO: Honorable Michael J. Satz  
State Attorney's Office  
201 Southeast Sixth Street  
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FDLE Lab No. 000831043357  
Agency No. 8156073

ATTN: Inv. Philip Mundy

SUBPOENAS PERTAINING TO THIS  
CASE SHOULD REFER TO THE FDLE  
LAB NUMBER.

RE: OTIS TOOLE  
Death Investigation  
ADAM WALSH  
Broward County  
07/27/81

  
Suzanne H. Livingston  
Crime Laboratory Analyst Supervisor  
Serology/DNA

REFERENCE:

This report has reference to items received in this laboratory on April 23, 1997 via Inv. Philip Mundy.

EXHIBITS:

- 1 Hairs from backrest of front passenger seat
- 2 Hairs from vacuum sweeping of front seat area
- 5 Hairs from carpet under front seat
- A Head hair standard of Adam Walsh

RESULTS:

Each of the hairs in the above listed exhibits were extracted for DNA, amplified by PCR and typed for six genetic markers. Each hair gave no result.

REMARKS:

Abbreviations used in this report were:

DNA deoxyribonucleic acid  
PCR polymerase chain reaction

The DNA extracts will be retained frozen in the laboratory.

Honorable Michael J. Satz  
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The exhibits were returned to Investigator Phil Mundy of the Broward County State  
Attorney's Office.

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