

Exhibit One

EVIDENCE IN AMANDA KNOX TRIAL QUESTIONED DURING APPEAL HEARINGS

During the appeal of Amanda Knox, jailed for the murder of her British flatmate Meredith Kercher, independent experts identified more than 50 alleged mistakes during the original investigation.

Among the findings, police officers were said to have worn dirty gloves whilst handling vital material evidence.

During the original trial Knox's DNA was said to have been found on a kitchen knife and that Ms Kercher's DNA was found on the blade of the knife. Court appointed independent experts reviewing the evidence and the procedures used to obtain said evidence said that the knife was not properly sealed up and therefore was open to possible contamination. They also claim that the material found on the blade could not, with any certainty, be attributed to the victim as the amount found was below the minimum requirement for the tests to be deemed reliable.



The appeal is ongoing and we will bring you the results of this, and all conclusions drawn from it about the handling of the evidence in the original trial in our next issue.

INDIAN FORENSIC EXPERTS IN FAKE CREDENTIALS SCANDAL

It is alleged that nearly a quarter of all the scientists at Delhi's top forensic investigation laboratory either submitted fake documents or exaggerated their credentials when applying for the job.

For more on this story and ongoing problems with forensic services please see the following links:

<http://www.globalpost.com/dispatch/news/regions/asia-pacific/india/110706/csi-india-crime-scene-forensic-science-scientists-forensics>

<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/site/story/dud-scientists-working-at-delhis-forensic-lab/1/143249.html>

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NEWS OF THE WORLD HACKING SCANDAL PROMPTS THE TOP POLICE OFFICER IN THE UK TO STEP DOWN



The Metropolitan Police in London have begun a search for a new commissioner after Sir Paul Stephenson stepped down amidst the News of the World hacking scandal. Sir Paul Stephenson had been facing criticism for the Metropolitan Police's handling of the original hacking inquiry and also for meeting journalists from the paper. There is no suggestion that Sir Paul Stephenson divulged information about the investigations to them.

The officer in charge of the original investigation, Assistant Commissioner John Yates has also resigned his post. John Yates was the country's top counter terrorism officer.

The scandal engulfing the News of the World and News International is now subject to not only police investigation, but the United Kingdom Government has set up a judicial inquiry into hacking, the police and relations with the media and politicians relationships with the press.

Here are a few links relating to all the relevant allegations and news that has been breaking about this scandal:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2011/jul/18/john-yates-met-police-resigns-quits>

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2015779/Sir-Paul-Stephenson-resigns-phone-hacking-scandal-shifting-spotlight-David-Cameron.html>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/search/news/?q=hacking%20scandal>

The Daily Mirror newspaper and its parent company Mirror Group have also been put in the spotlight after Heather Mills alleged that a Mirror journalist telephoned her to say that they had intercepted a voicemail from Sir Paul McCartney. The story however, was not printed. These allegations have prompted a media storm that threatens to engulf former Mirror editor and current CNN personality Piers Morgan.



MORE TROUBLED TIMES FOR UK POLICE

Sean Price, Chief Constable of Cleveland Police and his Deputy Chief Constable, Derek Bonnard have been suspended following an investigation into the force by Warwickshire Police. Both officers are being investigated over allegations of corruption and misconduct in public office.

Sean Price and Derek Bonnard were arrested and interviewed under caution on 3rd August and have been bailed pending further investigation.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2021706/Chief-Constable-Sean-Price-Deputy-Derek-Bonnard-arrested-corruption-probe.html>

NORWAY MASSACRE AFTERMATH

On 22nd July, Norway experienced its worst ever terrorist related incident. A car bomb in the centre of Oslo killed eight people and later the same day a gunman shot dead 69 people on Utoya Island. The gunman was arrested at the scene and has confessed to the killings both on the island and in Oslo.



Anders Breivik, 32, was recently taken back to Utoya Island to recreate what happened that day. A large scale investigation into the incidents is currently underway with countries from around the world offering forensic expertise and assistance. Mr Breivik is currently awaiting trial.



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SOCIAL MEDIA: ARE WE READY TO DEAL WITH THE CONSEQUENCES?

Over the past decade social media services have become an ever more present use of communication in our society. With the introduction of sites such as Facebook, Bebo and MySpace, we are able to communicate with family, friends and even relative strangers instantly and with ease. So far this year, social media has hit the headlines for various reasons, and used in conjunction with sites like You Tube, has provided insight into political struggles and criminal activities.

The use of social media generated wide ranging media attention early this year during the so-called Arab Spring movement. Protestors in countries such as Tunisia and Egypt used the technology to successfully demand changes to their political establishments. Facebook was one of the sites used to arrange the demonstrations and footage from the affected countries was posted on You Tube for the world to view. Although many of these videos can not be verified, it made conventional media outlets and world statesmen take notice.

The most recent use of social media was in England where it was used to organise rioting and looting in some of the country's most well known cities. Beginning in the capital, London, and then escalating to cities such as Birmingham, Liverpool and Manchester, people were sent messages telling them where to go and when to be there. This type of organised rioting and looting has not been seen before and shows how effective social media is.

Blackberry's messenger service has come under close scrutiny during this period as it is believed that it was used quite prevalently by organisers. This new form of organised disorder caused multiple problems for the police as it meant that protestors moved from area to area on a moments notice, stretching police resources and causing police and other emergency services to be given the run around. Copycat riots, as they have been dubbed, then spread to other parts of the country by using the same methods of communication.

Although the police in England have long used Facebook pages and Twitter feeds to relay information to members of the public, it is only now that we are hearing of the same sites being used to arrest suspects for incitement to riot etc. In the business world social media has long been used to take disciplinary action against employees. People have been disciplined and even fired for behaviour a business deems damaging to their interests. There have even been instances where disgruntled former employees have criticised and potentially slandered their former place of work and been reported to the police for doing so.

If the Arab Spring movement and the riots in England have taught us anything, it is that all law enforcement agencies will need to be far more media savvy and will need to use social media in the same way as protestors or criminals in order to combat the threats the technology can pose.

Do you have an opinion on this? If so please feel free to let us know what you think about the use of social media and how you, your company or your law enforcement use the technology, whether it be to investigate or to inform the public.

Email us at exhibitone@evidencepartnership.com

EXHIBIT ONE IS LOOKING TO BECOME MORE INTERACTIVE WITH OUR GLOBAL READERSHIP

In an effort to encourage our readership to get involved with both us here at Exhibit One, and our global readership, we are asking you all to help us share stories, news and views about the world of forensic science and crime scene investigation.

If you have any news or stories you think the forensic community would be interested in, why not email it to us at: exhibitone@evidencepartnership.com

Also if you have had any funny experiences whilst working in this field or have been involved in any investigations that have moved you in any way and you would like to share your experiences, please email us and will place them in the next available edition of Exhibit One.

If you are an academic institution, law enforcement agency, government agency or forensic institution and have a vacancy that needs filling why not let us know.

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SUSPECT ARRESTED IN AUSTRALIAN 'COLLAR BOMB' ORDEAL



On 3rd August in Sydney 18 year old Madeleine Pulver was subjected to a horrific ordeal. While she was at home studying, a man in a balaclava broke in and strapped and locked a black box to around her neck. The device was an elaborate fake bomb.

Paul Douglas Peters, aged 50 was arrested on 15th August by a joint US/Australian operation at the home of his ex-wife near Louisville, Kentucky and is now awaiting extradition hearings.

ABC News in Australia can give you more insight into this case:

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2011-08-17/collar-bomb-suspect-faces-court/2842508>

USEFUL LINKS TO ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, FRIENDS OF EXHIBIT ONE AND SITES ADVERTISING JOB VACANCIES.

To help our readership locate websites that may be of use to them, Exhibit One has decided to place some useful links here for you to use.

Academic Institutions:

University of Central Lancashire School of Forensic and Investigative Science, Preston, United Kingdom

http://www.uclan.ac.uk/scitech/forensic_investigative/index.php

Forensic news and forensic conferences:

The Investigator, Essential Reading for Today's Investigators

<http://www.the-investigator.co.uk/>

Forensic Forums:

The Forensic Forum

<http://www.theforensicforum.co.uk/>

Organisations:

International Association for Identification

<http://theiai.org/>

International Homicide Investigators Association

<http://ihia.org/>

If you would like a link to your academic institution, company or association placed in Exhibit One or would like to advertise a vacancy that you wish to fill, please email exhibitone@evidencepartnership.com and title your email 'Links and Vacancies'.

TURKEY GETS EXPERTISE FROM UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE

From BBC News Website

The University of Dundee's expertise in forensic identification is set to help Turkey deal with child abductions.

Ozgur Bulut spent a year in Dundee tutored by Prof Caroline Wilkinson at the Centre for Anatomy and Human Identification. Mr Bulut has now established the Forensic Art and Anthropological Examination Unit in Ankara.

This unit will help in the investigation of the whereabouts of about 1,700 children who are missing. It is Turkey's first department dedicated to specialist age progression and facial reconstruction techniques learned at Dundee University.

Dundee University's Centre for Anatomy and Human Identification has become an authority in facial anthropology and forensic facial reconstruction. **For the full story go to:**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-tayside-central-14505083>

INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWING CONFERENCE

APPLYING RESEARCH TO CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS
6 OCTOBER 2011 - UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

The Investigator is hosting the latest in it's successful series of conferences looking at best practice around investigative interviewing.

Our latest conference will look at current research being conducted into this area and discuss how it can be practically applied to every day policing.

The aim of the day is to provide investigators with new ideas and concepts that might enable them to plan, prepare and deliver a more effective investigative interview.

The conference will be opened by Gary Shaw MBE, ACPO Investigative Interviewing Steering Group.

Other speakers and topics will include:

Dr. Lorraine Hope, University of Portsmouth: applying self administered interviews to witness interviews best practice.

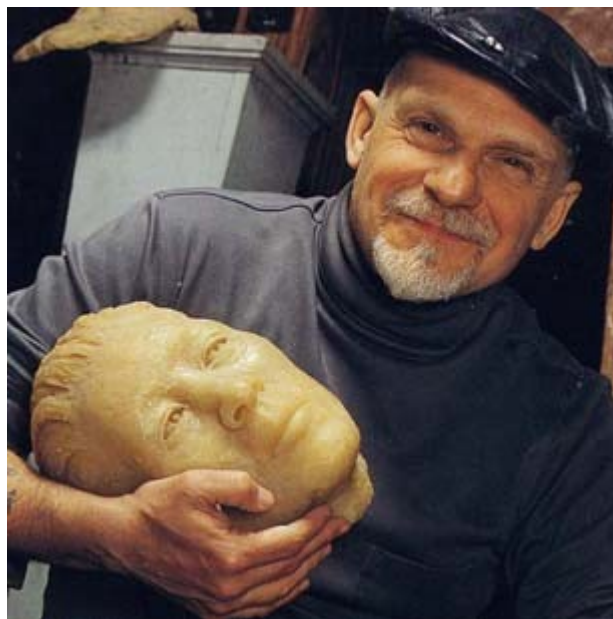
Nicky Miller, ACPO Investigative Interviewing Steering Group: principal research officer latest research in investigative interviewing a national overview.

Lynsey Gonza, University of Lincoln - New developments in the CHAMELEON approach to investigative interviewing.

DS Martin Vaughan, Gwent Police and ACPO approved interview advisor: research into effective use of interpreters in suspect interviews.

For further information go to:

http://www.the-investigator.co.uk/files/6_October_2011_Investigative_Interviewing_conference.pdf



FRANK BENDER DIES, AGED 70

Forensic sculptor Frank Bender has passed away at the age of 70 following after losing his battle with cancer. The Philadelphia artist's sculptures helped to catch criminal and helped in the identification of victims of crimes.

Mr Bender created sculptured faces of crime victims using skulls from decomposed bodies to great effect. Bender also made busts that envisioned how fugitives would look.

His artwork even led to the arrest of John List who was accused of killing five members in New Jersey in 1971. List was arrested in 1989 just eleven days after Frank Bender's work was shown on American television show 'America's Most Wanted'.

Frank Bender also helped in the formation of a cold case group in Philadelphia called the Vidocq Society along with Society co-founder William Fleisher.

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