PROOF IN LITIGATION

R v TAYLOR¹

You have been briefed to prosecute the defendant, Heidi Taylor, who has been charged by the Australian Federal Police with three offences under the Customs Act 1901 (Cth). A copy of the relevant section of the Act is included with these instructions, and the Act itself can be accessed electronically at Austlii, at http://www.austlii.edu.au. For the purposes of this assessment, you are instructed that 3-4 Methlyenedioxymethamphetamine is a "prohibited import" to which section 233B of the Customs Act applies.

The matters have been set down for trial in the Country Court of Victoria, commencing on Tuesday 18 June 2002. At the committal,² the defendant indicated that she intended to plead guilty to the first two offences, namely the import a prohibited import, and possess a prohibited import charges, on the basis that she did import and was in possession of the drugs handed to Federal Agent De Stefano on 13 June 2001 (see page 50 of the brief).

The defendant also indicated that she intended to plead not guilty to the attempt charge, which relates to the drugs contained in the parcels intercepted by the Australian Customs Service. You should therefore concentrate on this charge. The defendant has only been charged with an attempt in relation to these drugs because of the fact that drugs were intercepted by Customs, thereby preventing their importation. For the purposes of this assessment, you are instructed that the defendant will be guilty of the offence of attempting to import a prohibited import if:

• Her conduct was more than merely preparatory to the commission of the offence.

¹ Please note that although this brief is based on a real brief, all names, addresses, identifying details and some of the facts and locations, have either been removed or changed in order to preserve anonymity. Because of this, none of the persons referred to in this brief are real persons. You should also be aware that because of the way in which this document has been produced – by scanning and then modifying an existing document – there are a number of infelicities in the layout, and it is more than possible that there are a number of undetected typographical or editing errors: please use your common sense and intelligence to work these out!

² The fact that there has been a committal would ordinarily mean that the brief would contain depositions based on any evidence given at the committal. This brief does not, however, contain any depositions, and you should make nothing of this omission.

- Her conduct was immediately and remotely connected with the commission of the offence.
- She intended that the offence be committed.
- She intended or believed that any fact or circumstance the existence of which was an element of the offence would exist at the time the offence was committed.

In the circumstances of the present case, it will be sufficient to prove that the defendant was knowingly involved in the attempt to import the drugs, although you may prefer to analyse the case in terms of the probanda set out above.

Please note that only those documents listed as exhibits in the "witness and exhibit list" are to be tendered in evidence; this does not include the witness statements. The witness statements are not to be put into evidence, but are instead provide an indication of the oral evidence which the particular witness is likely to give when he or she testifies.³ Please also note that where an exhibit described in the "witness and exhibit list" has not been included in the brief – and this is the case with almost all of them – you should assume that the exhibit will conform to the description of it contained the exhibit list and/or in the statement of the witness who will produce it. If, however, you are of the view that you require more information about any such exhibit before being able to determine how it might be used, please indicate what information you require, and why you believe you require it.

As part of your preparation for trial, please prepare an **Advice on Evidence** which includes (although not necessarily in this order or under these headings):

- A statement of the prosecution theory of the case. You should identify what it is that you
 have to prove, and how you will go about proving it. You should identify what the real
 issues in the case are likely to be, and focus your analysis on them. You should attempt
 to anticipate the likely defence theory or theories of the case and indicate how you would
 deal with them
 - NB: In deciding what to include in your theory of the case, you should be guided by the requirement of relevance and the desire to produce the strongest possible

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³ Incidentally, while details of signature, witnessing and acknowledgement etc have not been included in respect of all of the statements, you should assume that all statements have been properly signed and witnessed.

case, rather than by the rules of admissibility. In other words, while you may wish to make brief comment on any admissibility issues which you anticipate arising (brief, because admissibility is not the focus of this subject), you should not leave an item of evidence, or a particular way of using an item of evidence, out of your case because of the fact that it might, in your view, be ruled inadmissible.

- An evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the opposing cases.
- Any other matters which you consider to be worthy of discussion.
- In light of the above, an indication of the likelihood of conviction.
- Please append the following to your Advice:
 - O An event chronology. For the purposes of this assessment, you do not need to include an aspect of the investigation in this chronology unless that aspect of the investigation is in someway relevant to the guilt or innocence of the defendant; in other words, there is no need for you to prepare a procedural/investigation chronology. Please note that while a chronology should be included with your advice, only a very small proportion of the marks for the assessment will be allocated to it.
 - An articulation or representation of the reasoning you will use in attempting to persuade the court to accept your theory of the case. This may take the form of either a **chart** or an **outline** of evidence. The main requirement is that your chart or outline clearly, and logically, sets out the evidence, inferences and (where appropriate) generalisations which you will rely upon to prove your case.

It should not be necessary for the prose components of your advice to exceed 5000 words, but this is merely offered as an indication of appropriate length, not as a strict word limit.

CUSTOMS ACT 1901 SECT 233B

233B Special provisions with respect to narcotic goods

- (1) Any person who:
- (a) without any reasonable excuse (proof whereof shall lie upon him) has in his possession, on board any ship or aircraft, any prohibited imports to which this section applies; or
- (aa) without reasonable excuse (proof whereof shall lie upon the person) brings, attempts to bring, or causes to be brought, into Australia any prohibited imports to which this section applies;
- (b)
 imports, or attempts to import, into Australia any prohibited imports to which this section applies or exports, or attempts to export, from Australia any prohibited exports to which this section applies; or
- (c) without reasonable excuse (proof whereof shall lie upon him) has in his possession, or attempts to obtain possession of, any prohibited imports to which this section applies which have been imported into Australia in contravention of this Act; or
- (caa)
 without reasonable excuse (proof whereof shall lie upon him) conveys, or attempts to convey, any prohibited imports to which this section applies which have been imported into Australia in contravention of this Act; or
- (ca) without reasonable excuse (proof whereof shall lie upon him) has in his possession, or attempts to obtain possession of, any prohibited imports to which this section applies which are reasonably suspected of having been imported into Australia in contravention of this Act; or
- (cb)

 conspires with another person or other persons to import, bring, or cause to be brought, into Australia any prohibited imports to which this section applies or to export from Australia any prohibited exports to which this section applies; or
- (d)
 aids, abets, counsels, or procures, or is in any way knowingly concerned in, the importation, or bringing, into Australia of any prohibited imports to which this section applies, or the exportation from Australia of any prohibited exports to which this section applies; or
- (e)
 fails to disclose to an officer on demand any knowledge in his possession or power concerning the importation or intended importation, or bringing or intended bringing, into Australia of any prohibited imports to which this section applies or the exportation or intended exportation from Australia of any prohibited exports to which this section applies;

shall be guilty of an offence.

- On the prosecution of a person for an offence against the last preceding subsection, being an offence to which paragraph (c) of that subsection applies, it is not necessary for the prosecution to prove that the person knew that the goods in his possession or of which he attempted to obtain possession had been imported into Australia in contravention of https://doi.org/10.1081/jhb/4.21 but it is a defence if the person proves that he did not know that the goods in his possession or of which he attempted to obtain possession had been imported into Australia in contravention of https://doi.org/10.1081/jhb/4.21.
- On the prosecution of a person for an offence against subsection (1), being an offence to which paragraph (ca) of that subsection applies, it is a defence if the person proves that the goods were not imported into Australia or were not imported into Australia in contravention of this Act.
- (1C) Any defence for which provision is made under either of the last 2 preceding subsections in relation to an offence does not limit any defence otherwise available to the person charged.
- The prohibited imports to which this section applies are prohibited imports that are narcotic goods and the prohibited exports to which this section applies are prohibited exports that are narcotic goods.

- (3) A person who is guilty of an offence against subsection (1) of this section is punishable upon conviction as provided by section 235.
- (4) This section shall not prevent any person from being proceeded against for an offence against any other section of this Act, but he shall not be liable to be punished twice in respect of any one offence.



NAME: Heidi Jane TAYLOR

DATE OF BIRTH: 17 July 1975

ADDRESS: 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn Victoria.

OFFENCES: Import a prohibited import, namely 3-4

Methlyenedioxymethamphetamine contrary to section

233B(1)(b) Customs Act 1901

Possess a prohibited import, namely 3-4

Methlyenedioxymethamphetamine contrary to section

233B(1)(c) Customs Act 1901

Attempted to import a prohibited import, namely 3-4 Methlyenedioxymethamphetamine contrary to section

233B(1)(b) Customs Act 1901

INFORMANT: Georgina DE STEFANO Federal Agent

POLICE V HEIDI TAYLOR

WITNESS & EXHIBIT LIST

Page No	WITNESS	TO PROVE	PRODUCING	EXHIBIT NO
9	Andrew Richard SULLY Bank Officer Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Taylor on 10 April 2001, 9 May 2001 and 14 May 2001.	1x International Money Transfer Application in the name of Heidi TAYLOR dated 10 April 2001 for \$1991.08 AUD	EB/01
	, tuoti unu	• Withdrawal of funds on the 13 June 2001 in the amount of \$750.00 from CBA ATM located at 77 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda	1x International Money Transfer Application in the name of Heidi TAYLOR dated 9 May 2001 for \$3041.29, 1x CBA Memo dated 11 May 2001 advising invalid account number and 2x Notice of Non Receipt- Refund for International Funds with instructions to redirect funds to Timothy Dempster	EB/02
			1 x print out of 'Credit Card Details' in the name of Heidi Taylor for Mastercard number 5353 2516 9983 9743	EB/03
			1x List of Transactions for Mastercard number 5353 2516 9983 9743 between 20 April 2001 and 20 June 2001	EB/04

12	Kate Emilia	Travel movements for	1x Copy of an Incoming Passenger card	EB/05
	BOLTE International Records Movement Officer	Heidi TAYLOR	in the name of Heidi Taylor dated 6 June 2001	
	Department of		• 1 x Copy of an Outgoing Passenger card the	EB/06
	Immigration and		name of Heidi Taylor dated 20 May 2001	
	Multicultural Affairs		1x Copy of an Incoming Passenger card in the	EB/07
			name of Heidi Taylor dated 30 March 2001	
			1x Copy of an Outgoing Passenger card in the name of Heidi Taylor dated 24 May 2000	EB/08
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			Heidi Jane TAYLOR	
15	Murray William Deering	Taylor stayed at Bayview on the Park Hotel from 8 June	• 1 x Print out of an email dated 31 may 2001	EB/10
	Bayview on the Park Hotel 52 Queen Rd Melbourne	2001- 13 June 2001	confirming the accommodation for Heidi TAYLOR at the Bayview on the Park	
	oz gacon na moiscamo	Taylor's accommodation	• 1 x Print out of an email dated 3 June 2001	EB/11
		Mail items accepted by Taylor	Bayview on the Park from Timothy DEMPSTER	
			1xPrint out of an email dated 4 June 2001 from Timothy DEMPSTER to Murray Deering stating the reservation "is actually for Heidi Taylor Heidi is arriving at 6.00am on the 8 th June 2000	EB/12
			• 1 x Print out of telephone records for 12 June 2001	EB/12A

17	Alice May FOSTER Customs Officer Melbourne Airmail Transit Centre Australian Customs Services	Importation of x 3 mail items addressed to Heidi TAYLOR/TAILOR on the 7th June 2001 containing quantity of white tablets		
19	Annie Beatrix NOYCE Federal Agent Australian Federal Police	Continuity of the narcotics Continuity of the narcotics		
20	Lleyton George JOHNSON Federal Agent Australian Federal Police	Continuity of the narcotics		
29	Craig Peter GARLAND Scientific Officer Australian Federal Police	Prohibited import namely 3-4 MDMA Continuity of narcotics and mail items	1X Photo book containing photos of the 3 mail items addressed Heidi Taylor which contained 829 MDMA tablets with a w/eagle logo printed on each tablet; and of 1 glove containing a further 60 MDMA tablets with a w/eagle logo printed on each tablet	EB/13
29	Alison Talia BALLACK Federal Agent Australian Federal Police	Continuity of the mail items		

31	Vito Bertrand ZANETTI Federal Agent Australian Federal Police	Delivery of mail items	1 x Australia Post delivery card	EB/14
33	Joanna KOUTSOUKIANIS	. Transfer of funds by Heidi		
	Bank Officer Bank Of Melbourne	TAYLOR	1X Overseas Telegraphic Transfer Office Copy from Heidi Taylor to Timothy DEMPSTER	EB/15
			1x Bank of Melbourne note paper with the following hand written notes: "HEIDI TAYLOR 54 CADBURY RD LONDON AT 52 Queen RD MELB; TIMOTHY DEMPSTER BARCLAYS PO 11345 LONDON W12 8GG SORT 20.71.64 ACC 902817450"	EB/16
35	Thomas George	Continuity of mail items		
	MCTAVISH Federal Agent	Executed 3E Search warrant for Bayview on the	 Search warrant for Bayview on the Park Hotel, Queen Rd Melbourne 	EB/17
	Australian Federal Police	Park Hotel, 52 Queen Rd Melbourne	 Search warrant for 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn 	EB/18
		Executed 3E Search	1 X 'msn' Email print out from Heidi TAYLOR to	EB/PSR
		warrant for 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn	'Si' dated 3 June 2001	0017222

38	Dennis BARTON Federal Agent	Property seized at Bayview on the Park Hotel on 13 June 2001	AFP Property Seizure Record	EB/19
	Australian Federal Police	Tark Hotel of Hoteland 2001	1 x AFP Fingerprint Form in the name of Heidi Taylor	EB/20
40	Bruce Michael NEVILLE	Corroboration of search	Statement	
	Federal Agent	warrant	1 x Expedia envelope containing airline ticket in	EB/PSR
	Australian Federal Police	Property seized at Bayview on the	the name of Heidi TAYLOR and email	0017214
		Park Hotel	correspondence in the name of Timothy DEMPSTER	
			1x Business Card in the name of Timothy DEMPSTER	EB/PSR
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			• 1x Red 48 page exercise book containing	EB/PSR
			handwritten notes	0017218
			• 1x Australian Passport numbered L87942185 in	EB/PSR
			the name of Heidi Jane TAYLOR	0017221
			1xSearch warrant for the Bank of Melbourne	
			52 Queen Road Melbourne	EB/21
			1x search warrant for the Commonwealth Bank	EB/22
			of Australia Lvl 1 367 Collins St Melbourne	
			2xAFP Property Seizure Records	EB/23

43	Lisa Michelle BRACKS	Importation and possession	Transcript of taped record of admissions by Taylor recorded on 12 June 2004	EB/24
	Federal Agent Australian Federal Police	of prohibited import namely 3_4 MDMA	Taylor recorded on 13 June 2001 • Audio tape	EB/25
		Taylor imported the 60x		
		MDMA tablets		
		Property seized at Bayview		
		on the Park Hotel		
		Corroboration of search		
		warrant executed at Bayview		
		on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Rd		
		Melbourne		
		Corroboration of Taped		
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		Record of Interview		
49	Georgina Mia DE	Taylor in possession of 60x	• 1 x glove containing 60 white tablets	EB/26
	STEFANO	MDMA tablets	Transcript of Taped record of interview	EB/27
	Federal Agent	Corroboration of search	between TAYLOR and DE STEFANO	
	Australian Federal Police	warrant	Audio tape	EB/28
		Taped record of Interview		
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60	Murray George PARK Federal Agent Australian Federal Police	Taylor's fingerprint found on internal wrappings of mail item	1 x Advertising Document for "'Heaven The Arches" with Taylor's thumb print marked as FPS 9123.	EB/29
62	Rebecca LARSEN Chemist Australian Government Analytical Laboratories	Prohibited import namely 3,-4 MDMA	2 x Certificate of Analysis	EB/30



STATEMENT in the matter of: Heidi TAYLOR

Full Name: Andrew Richard SULLY

Occupation: Bank Officer

Employer: Commonwealth Bank of Australia

STATES:

My full name is Andrew Richard SULLY. I am employed by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, as a compliance officer. I have been employed in this position for about 1 year.

My duties include the liaison with law enforcement and government agencies. I am authorized to speak on behalf of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia in relation to customer accounts and records.

At 2.30pm on 19 July 2001, Federal Agent Bruce NEVILLE attended my offices at 1/367 Collins Street, Melbourne and executed a search warrant. I had a conversation with Federal Agent NEVILLE and as a result of that conversation I produced items relating to the account of Heidi Jane TAYLOR. I saw Federal Agent NEVILLE record those items on an AFP Property Seizure Record. I signed that Record and was given a copy of that Record. Included in those document was:

1 x Credit Card details for account 5353 2516 9983 9743.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THAT DOCUMENT.

Date: 24 July 2001

At 11.00am on 24 July 2001, Federal Agent Bruce NEVILLE again attended my offices at 1/367 Collins Street, Melbourne and executed a search warrant. I had a conversation with Federal Agent NEVILLE and as a result of that conversation I produced items relating to the account of Heidi TAYLOR. I saw Federal Agent NEVILLE record those items on an AFP Property Seizure Record. I signed that Record and was given a copy of that Record.

Included in those documents was:

1 x International Money Transfer Application by Heidi TAYLOR dated 10 April 2001 for \$1991.08 Australian Dollars which converted to 670 Great British Pounds. Beneficiary's name being Timothy DEMPSTER, Barclays Bank, Sort Code 207164, Account Number 902817450, PO Box 11345, London W12 8GG, United Kingdom; and

1 x International Money Transfer Application by Heidi TAYLOR dated 9 May 2001 for \$3041.29 Australian Dollars which converted to 1090.00 Great British Pounds. Beneficiary's name being Nobo-Valley Properties, Sort Code 207217, Account Number 89123456, Richmond, London, United Kingdom. Attached to that Transfer is a Commonwealth Bank Memo dated 11 May 2001 advising invalid Account Number and Notice of Non Receipt - Refund for International Money Transfer, with instructions to redirect those funds to Timothy DEMPSTER, Sort Code 207164, Account Number 902817450, Barclay bank, Piccadilly Branch, P011345, London, W12 8GG, UK; and

1 x List of Transactions for Account Number 5353 1652 7343 8088 highlighting a withdrawal of \$750.00 from 77 Fitzroy Street on 13 June 2001.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THOSE DOCUMENTS.

Signed:

Andrew Richard Sully

Statement taken and signature witnessed by me at 2.45pm on 24 July 2001 7 Collins Street, Melbourne.

Bruce NEVILLE Federal Agent

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Andrew Richard Sully



Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs

Benjamin Offices

Chan St Belconnen, A.C.T. 2617

I am aware that if I sign this statement and any part of this statement is untrue to my knowledge I may be liable to punishment.

The statement 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.

My full name is Kate Emilia Bolte. I am an officer of the International Movement Records, Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA), Canberra, A.C.T.

The Section has, amongst other things, responsibility for the maintenance of DIMA's computerised Movement Records System, the safe custody of passenger cards and the retrieval of information from the Movement Records System and from incoming and outgoing passenger cards.

The Australian Government requires that:

- movements across Australia's international borders be recorded;
- all international movements through Australian ports be checked against alert lists; eligible persons be facilitated through our international ports in a courteous and timely manner and with a minimum of disruption;
- ineligible persons be identified and excluded;
- persons who enter Australia for temporary stay and who overstay their permitted time be identified; and
- the data base of movements has the capacity to operate as a resource for data retrieval for, amongst other things, law enforcement purposes.

The Migration Act and Regulations made pursuant to that Act requires that all passengers entering or leaving Australia present, amongst other things, their passports and passenger cards to an officer for the purposes of the Migration Act.

The officer is required to register details from passports and any relevant visas, check to ensure that the person is not included in any special alert list, check that the passport and/or visa is valid, check that the physical appearance of the passenger compares favourably with the photograph attached to the passport and that the traveller's details are correct. This

process includes checking that the identity details on the passenger card presented are consistent with the documents and passport and/or visa records associated with the person,

Prior to 1 July 1998 when a traveller was permitted to enter or depart, evidence of that, which included the port name and the date, was stamped in the passenger's passport and on the passenger card.

Since 1 July 1998, an Australian citizen travelling on an Australian passport has not had either their Australian passport or their passenger card stamped, on arrival or departure. All other traveller's passports are stamped but not their passenger cards when arriving and departing.

Prior to 1 July 1990 the data base of movement records was compiled from the information on passenger cards which are collected from all travellers. Since 1 July 1990 movement information has been collected electronically in respect of all movements through Australia's major international airports. This accounts for around 99% of total passenger movements into and from Australia. Passenger card information is no longer the source of record information in respect of these movements but the cards are still required as they provide information which is not included in the electronically captured movement record and which is necessary for the statistical requirements of government.

The passenger card is still the source of movement record data in respect of passengers travelling through Australian ports other than the major international airports. The information is keyed from the cards to the data base when the cards are received in the Movement Data Section and, while the movement record is created contemporaneously with the arrival/departure through an "automated" port, the making of the record from a "non-automated" port is delayed until the cards are received in the Section.

Passenger cards contain, in concise form, information about a traveller's personal particulars, travel documents and other relevant details. The cards are in the possession of the traveller until lodged at the port of arrival/departure where they are collected and collated by officers of the Australian Customs Service (ACS) and DIMA officers. They are maintained in a restricted area of the port and afforded the level of protection appropriate to "privacy information".

The cards are transferred to bags which are locked by DIMA staff at the port and then freighted direct from the ports to the Movement Data Section at DIMA's Central Office in Canberra where the bags are unlocked by DIMA staff. Processing of the cards takes place in restricted areas at the Benjamin Offices of DIMA and at the premises of Hermes Precisa Australia (HPA) at Fyshwick. The cards are at all times afforded a level of security appropriate to "privacy information".

All cards are microfilmed as part of processing and the microfilm images are retained permanently.

In response to a request by Federal Agent Georgina De Stefano Australian Federal Police Southern Region, to produce documents relating to the arrivals in and departures from Australia by Heidi Jane Taylor, I present the following certified true copies of the incoming and outgoing passenger cards.

Heidi Jane Taylor	-	DOB	17/07/1975
Arrived - 08/06/2001	-	Melbourne	Flight BA7316
Departed - 20/05/2001	-	Melbourne	Flight BA18
Arrived - 30/03/2001	-	Sydney-	Flight AC3133
Departed - 24/05/2000	-	Sydney-	Flight TG992

I also produce a printout of the electronically captured movement records relating to the arrivals in and departures from Australia by Heidi Jane Taylor, which confirms the arrivals and departures listed above.

I declare that no part of this statement is untrue to my knowledge. I know that it may be used in legal proceedings. It accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness.

Kate Emilia Bolte
International Movement Records
Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs
28/06/2001

Signature witnessed by me at 07.35 hrs on 28/6/01 at Belconnen ACT.

Australian Federal Police Australian Capital Territory Austin Standish

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement under the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Kate Emilia Bolte

Acknowledgement made and signature witnessed by me at 07.35 hrs on 28/6/01 at Belconnen ACT.

Australian Federal Police Australian Capital Territory Austin Standish



STATEMENT in the matter of: Police v TAYLOR

Date: 25 June 2001

Full Name: Murray Deering

Address: c/o Bayview on the Park Hotel

52 Queen Road Melbourne

Occupation: Hotel Manager

My full name is Murray William Deering. My date of birth is 7 June 1948. I am currently the hotel manager for Bayview on the Park Hotel, located at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne. My duties include running and operating this hospitality business.

On 31 May 2001, I received an email on our computer system confirming a reservation for Heidi TAYLOR of 54 Cadbury Road, Notting Hill, London, England, to check in on 8 June 2001 and to check out on 9 June 2001. The cost for a single room is \$76.00AUD, and this amount was paid for by Master Card number 5353 1652 7343 8088, which expires in May 2003. This email also contained a request, being "Non-smoking room requested. Please hold any documents sent through the post until my arrival". After receiving this email, I booked Ms. TAYLOR to Room 18.

EXHIBIT: I NOW PRODUCE THE EMAIL DATED 31 MAY 2001.

On 3 June 2001, I received an email on our computer system confirming a reservation. A person by the name of Timothy DEMPSTER of 12 Bud View Road, London, England booked a single room, to check in on 7 June 2001 and to check out on 8 June 2001. The cost for a single room is \$76.00AUD, and this amount was paid for by Master Card number 5345 8901 5567 9876, which expires in September 2003. This email also contained a request, being "I have made a booking for the 8th June 2001, but due to my early arrival on the morn of 8th June, guest name Heidi Taylor".

Attached to this confirmation, is an email from Timothy DEMPSTER, dated Monday 4 June 2001, stating that "the reservation is actually for Heidi Taylor, who is arriving at 6.00 am on 8th June 2001".

EXHIBIT: I NOW PRODUCE THE EMAILS DATED 3 JUNE 2001, AND 4 JUNE 2001.

On 13 June 2001, I spoke with Federal Agent Lleyton JOHNSON. I handed him the above exhibits, as well as a print out of Ms. TAYLOR's telephone calls made on the 12 June 2001.

The telephone account for the period between 8 June 2001 and 11 June 2001 cannot be retrieved from our computer system as this account was paid for by Ms. TAYLOR on 11 June 2001 and automatically deleted from the system.

EXHIBIT: I NOW PRODUCE THE TELEPHONE ACCOUNT FOR 12 JUNE 2001.

Murray Deering

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Murray Deering



AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

STATEMENT

STATEMENT IN MATTER OF: Heidi Taylor

<u>PLACE</u>: Melbourne Airmail Transit Centre

<u>DATE</u>: 25/06/01

STATE: Victoria

NAME: Alice May Foster

ADDRESS: MATC, 2-6 Sperry Drive, TEL: (03) 93391531

Tullamarine

OCCUPATION: Customs Officer

STATES:

My full name is Alice May FOSTER and I am 30 years old. I am an officer of the Australian Customs Service, currently stationed at the Melbourne Airmail Transit Centre.

On the 7th of June 2001 at approximately 1430 hours I was x-raying an envelope from Great Britain that had been selected for examination.

The letter was addressed to: Heidi Taylor

Bayview on the Park Hotel 52 Queen Rd

Melbourne Australia 3004

The sender details were: London School of Publishing, Game House

69 Notting Hill Gate W11 3JS UK.

The letter was a standard business size envelope which was white in colour. I noticed that the name and address were hand written in pen.

Upon opening the package I saw that inside the envelope was a black cardboard folder held closed on the corners. Inside the cardboard folder I observed torn up newspaper and a magazine picture. Taped under the magazine picture was bubble wrap. I counted approximately 270 off-white tablets taped under the bubble wrap to the black cardboard with what appeared to be a "W" logo imprint.

I conducted an Iron scan test on one tablet from this parcel and it produced a positive reading for MDMA (Ecstasy).

Two other parcels were also detected of the same size and addressed to the same area.

They were addressed to: Bayview on the Park Hotel,

Heidi Taylor,

52 Oueen Rd Melbourne

Australia 3004

Bayview on the Park Hotel

Heidi Tailor

52 Queen Rd Melbourne

3004 Australia

The sender details were: The Method School

Conway Hall

Red Lion Square London

The London Film Academy 86 Old Brompton Rd London SW7 3LQ

ENGLAND U.K.

I ran these envelopes through the x-ray and it revealed that they also contained what appeared to be Ecstasy tablets. These packages were not opened.

I observed that the addresses on all three envelopes were in different handwriting and using different pens. The surname "TAYLOR" was also spelt differently on one envelope.

I referred the packages to C.P.R. officer Thomas Preece for transferral to Australian Federal Police.

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Signature:

Alice May Foster



STATEMENT in the matter of: POLICE v TAYLOR

Date: 02 July 2001

Full Name: Annie Beatrix NOYCE

Occupation: Police Officer

Employer: Australian Federal Police
Work Address: Australian Federal Police

Melbourne Airport Tullamarine Vic

My name is Annie Beatrix NOYCE. I am a Federal Agent with the Australian Federal Police (AFP) holding the rank of Constable. I am currently attached to Response Team B located at the Melbourne Airport, Tullamarine Victoria.

At 4.35pm on the 7 June 2001, I attended the Melbourne Airmail Transit Centre; Tullamarine with F/A Steven HOUGHTON where Australian Customs Service (ACS) officers had seized three white OA sized envelopes containing white tablets, suspected of being ecstasy.

Approximately 200 tablets, which were white in colour with a 'w' symbol on one side, were contained in one envelope; the other two envelopes had not been opened. Two of the envelopes were addressed to a Heidi TAYLOR and one to an Heidi TAILOR, all three envelopes were being sent to the Bayview on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Road Melbourne Victoria.

At 4.45pm I took possession of the three envelopes from ACS officers and transported them to the Melbourne Airport AFP office. I then placed the envelopes in AFP audit bags, numbers B 123672, B 123673, and B 123674, and sealed them.

At 5.30pm I secured the audit bags in the AFP Airport safe.

A.B. NOYCE

Federal Agent



STATEMENT in the matter of: Police V TAYLOR

Date: 27 June 2001

Full Name: Lleyton George JOHNSON

Occupation: Federal Agent

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Work Address: 383 La Trobe Street STATES:

Melbourne VIC 3000

My full name is Lleyton George JOHNSON. I am a Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police (AFP) holding the rank of Constable. I am currently stationed at the AFP, Southern Region Headquarters located at 383 Latrobe Street, Melbourne.

On Tuesday 12 June 2001, about 8.15am, in company with Federal Agent Lisa BRACKS, I attended at the AFP Southern Region Headquarters, Drugs and Property Registrar.

About 8.30am, I took possession of three packages. I can describe these packages as being white A4 size postal envelopes. They were sealed within AFP Audit Bags. Package one (1) was sealed in an audit bag numbered 123674; package two (2) was sealed in an audit bag numbered 123672 and package three (3) was sealed in an audit bag numbered 123673. I then took these packages to the AFP Physical Evidence Unit and gave them to Mr Craig GARLAND - Scientific Officer.

About 9.00am, I observed Scientific Officer GARLAND conduct a deconstruction of these packages. Also present was Australian Customs Service Officer Alice FOSTER.

About 11.19am, Federal Agent Alison BALLACK of the Police Technical Team took possession of packaging from packages two and three and departed with this packaging for the purposes of installing monitoring devices.

About 11.40am, all suspected narcotics had been removed from the packages and re-sealed within audit bags numbered 123674, 123672 and 123673.

About 11.50am, these audit bags were re-lodged with the Drugs and Property Registrar at AFP Headquarters, Melbourne.

I then undertook other duties.

On 13 June 2001, about 6.00pm, I attended at Bayview on the Park Hotel located at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne.

About 7.20pm, I departed from these premises in company with Federal Agent Georgina DE STEFANO and a person I now know as Heidi TAYLOR for the purposes of transporting her to AFP Headquarters, Melbourne.

About 8.00pm I departed company with Federal Agent DE STEFANO and TAYLOR at AFP Headquarters, Melbourne.

I then undertook other duties.

Lleyton JOHNSON Federal Agent

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Lleyton JOHNSON

Federal Agent

Statement made and signature witnessed by me, Georgina DE STEFANO on 27 June 2001 at Melbourne, Victoria.



STATEMENT in matter of : TAYLOR

Date: 16th July 2001

Forensic Services Case No. FM010066

Name: Craig Peter GARLAND

Address: 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne Telephone:

Occupation: Scientific Officer

Employer: Australian Federal Police

States

My full name is Craig Peter GARLAND. I am an employee of the Australian Federal Police holding the position of Scientific Officer, currently attached to the Forensic Services Team (Melbourne).

I hold a Bachelor of Science Degree from La Trobe University and have been employed as a Forensic Scientific Officer since February 1995 with both the Australian Federal Police and formerly with Victoria Police (Victoria Forensic Science Centre). During this time I have completed extensive in-house training programs as well as the Preliminary Illicit Drug Identification course, run by Australian Government Analytical Laboratory (AGAL), Sydney.

My duties entail the provision of all aspects of crime scene investigation, photographic support and preliminary illicit drug identification services to the

Australian Federal Police and other Commonwealth investigative agencies. Those

duties include the unpack, recording and examination of illicit drug concealments,

preliminary illicit drug identification and substitution of drugs for the purposes of

controlled delivery operations.

I am currently a member of the Clandestine Laboratory Investigating Chemists

Association (America) as well as the Victorian Branch of the Australian and New

Zealand Forensic Science Society and subscribe to their professional codes of

conduct. The Australian Federal Police Forensic Services Southern Region

(Melbourne) Laboratory is an accredited facility, holding certification from both the

National Association of Testing Agencies (NATA), and from the American Society of

Crime Laboratory Directors - Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD-LAB).

About 8:55am on Tuesday 12th June 2001, I was on duty at the offices of the Forensic

Services, 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne. At that time Federal Agent JOHNSON and

Alice FOSTER (Customs) attended the area with sealed audit bags numbered B

123674 containing Item '01', B 123672 containing Item '02' and B 123673 containing

Item '03' in their possession forming part of AFP seizure 666250 (V01/127). On that

date I conducted an examination of these items and their contents, during which

procedures I took a series of photographs.

EXHIBIT:

I PRODUCE THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS

(Negative Reference Numbers: 3916 & 3917)

Item '01' consisted of one (1) white padded envelope measuring 260 millimeters x 232

millimeters and was addressed in hand writing with blue ink

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BAYVIEW ON THE PARK HOTEL

HEIDI TAILOR

52 QUEEN RD

MELBOURNE

AUSTRALIA 3004

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with a postage mark (unreadable), three (3) stamps and two (2) blue 'BY AIR MAIL par avion Royal Mail' stickers.

On the reverse side the package was labelled in hand writing with blue ink:

THE LONDON FILM ACADEMY
86 OLD BROMPTON RD
LONDON SW7 3LQ
ENGLAND U.K.

This package contained one (1) inner black cardboard A5 portfolio having the markings 'EUROPA' and measuring 190 millimeters x 240 millimeters and secured with multicoloured elastic on two corners, containing twelve (12) pieces of newspaper with markings indicating originated from England, containing three (3) pieces of bubble wrap measuring 225 millimeters x 175 millimeters, 120 millimeters x 170 millimeters and 120 millimeters x 150 millimeters respectively, secured with adhesive tape, containing two hundred and seventy-six (276) tablets. Each tablet was white in colour, round with bevelled edges and bore an impressed symbol on one face consisting of an eagle and a half score on the other face. The tablets were 9.0 millimetres in diameter and 5.0 millimetres thick.

The total net weight of the tablet bulk of Item '01' was 87.42 grams.

About 10:20am I commenced examination of **Item `02'** consisting of one (1) open (customs) white padded envelope as described for Item '01' and addressed in hand writing with blue ink

Documents Only

Heidi Taylor

Bayview on the Park Hotel

52 Queen Rd Melbourne

Australia 3004

with two (2) postage marks dated '4 JNE 2001 5- 30 PM', three (3) stamps and two (2) blue 'BY AIR MAIL *par avion* Royal Mail' stickers.

On the reverse side the package was labelled in hand writing with blue ink

London School of Publishing
Thomas Game House
69 Notting Hill Gate
London W11 3JS U.K

This package contained one (1) inner black cardboard A5 portfolio as described for Item '01', as well as what appeared to be a page from a color magazine, containing two hundred and seventy-six (276) tablets as described for Item `01'.

The total net weight of the tablet bulk of Item '02' was 87.56 grams.

About 10:50am I commenced examination of **Item '03'** consisting of one (1) white padded envelope as described for Items '01 and 02' and addressed in hand writing

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with one (1) postage mark 'CA..... MAIL CENTRE', dated '4 JNE 2001 5- 30 PM', two (2) stamps and one (1) blue 'BY AIR MAIL *par avion* Royal Mail' sticker.

On the reverse side the package was labelled in hand writing with blue ink

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Conway HaLL
25 ReD Lion
SQuare LonDon

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This package contained one (1) inner black cardboard A5 portfolio as described for Items '01 and 02', as well as twelve (12) pieces of color printed cards and one (1) purple plastic envelope, all located on top of bubble wrap, containing two hundred and seventy-seven (277) tablets as described for Item '01'.

The total net weight of the tablet bulk of Item '03' was 88.03 grams.

I conducted a presumptive and subsequent pre-analytical chemical test on each of the tablet bulks of Items '01, 02 and 03', the results of which each indicated the presence of Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), commonly referred to as 'Ecstasy'.

I sealed each of the tablet bulks from Items '01, 02 and 03' into audit bags numbered B 123672, B 123673 and B 123674.

About 11:10am Federal Agent PARK attended the area and collected some items of packaging material from Items ' 01, 02 and 03' for the purposes of fingerprint analysis, which he later returned at about 12:30pm.

About 11:20am Federal Agent BALLACK attended the area and collected the black cardboard A5 portfolio from Items '02 and 03'.

About 11:35am Federal Agent JOHNSON departed the area with the sealed audit bags numbered B 123672, B 123673 and B 123674 containing the tablet bulks of Items '01, 02 and 03' in his possession.

About 2:15pm Federal Agent BALLACK attended the area and returned the black cardboard A5 portfolio from Items '02 and 03'.

I then prepared substitute materials for the purposes of a controlled delivery operation. The substitute materials comprised non-illicit white tablets, bubble wrap, and adhesive tape. The original black cardboard A5 portfolios, pieces of newspaper,

(12) pieces of color printed cards and one (1) purple plastic envelope were

repackaged to resemble their original form and each black cardboard A5 portfolio

was then wrapped in the respective original outer white padded envelope containing

the original labelling and stamps.

The reconstructed packages containing the substitute tablets were heat sealed in a

plastic bag and secured in the Forensic Services Exhibit Store.

About 8:25am on Wednesday 13th June 2001, Federal Agent MCTAVISH attended

the area and collected the heat sealed in a plastic bag containing the substitute

packages.

About 9:00am Friday 15th June 2001, Federal Agents MCTAVISH and BALLACK

attended the offices of the Forensic Services with a plastic bag containing Items '01,

02 and 03' in their possession. On that date I conducted an examination of these

items and their contents, during which procedures I took a series of photographs. I

identified these as being substitute packages I had previously reconstructed.

EXHIBIT:

I PRODUCE THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS

(Negative Reference Numbers: 3920)

About 11:20am on Tuesday 26th June 2001, Federal Agent De Stefano attended the

offices of the Forensic Services with audit bags numbered B 123672, B 123673, B

123674 and B132785 containing the tablet bulks from Items '01, 02 and 03' and Item

'0017213' forming part of AFP seizure 777199 (V01/130) in her possession. On that

date I conducted an examination of these items and their contents, during which

procedures I took a series of photographs.

EXHIBIT:

I PRODUCE THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS

(Negative Reference Numbers: 3931)

Item '0017213' consisted of sixty (60) white tablets as described in Items '01, 02 and

03' and one off-white latex glove.

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I conducted a presumptive and subsequent pre-analytical chemical test on the tablet bulk of Item '0017213', the results of which each indicated the presence of Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), commonly referred to as 'Ecstasy'.

About 1:10pm Federal Agent PARK attended the area and collected the off-white latex glove from Item' 0017213' for the purposes of fingerprint analysis.

I prepared representative samples the tablet bulks of Items '01, 02, 03 and 0017213' for full analysis by the Australian Forensic Drug Laboratory (AFDL), Pymble, Sydney. I removed two samples from each of the tablet bulks of Items '01, 02, 03 and 0017213', Sample A (the analyst's sample) and Sample B (the defence sample). I placed each sample into a separate sample bag which I marked in part "Seizure: V01/127 (or V01/130) Sample A (or B) 26/06/2001...".

I then placed the Sample A sample bags into an audit bag numbered B123687 (or B123689) and the Sample B sample bags into an audit bag numbered B123688 (or B123690) and sealed these bags.

I sealed each of the tablet bulks from Items '01, 02, 03 and 0017213' into audit bags numbered B123672, B123673, B123674 and B132785.

About 2:45pm I handed the eight (8) sealed audit bags containing samples and remaining bulks of Items '01, 02, 03 and 04' to Federal Agent De Stefano who then departed Forensic Services with all audit bags in her possession.

C.P. GARLAND Scientific Officer



STATEMENT in the matter of: Taylor

Date: 28 June 2001

Full Name: Alison Talia BALLACK

Occupation: Federal Agent

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Work Address: 383 Latrobe St

Melbourne Vic

STATES:

My full name is Alison Talia BALLACK. I am a Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police and am currently attached to the Police Technical Team in Melbourne Victoria.

About 1100hrs on Tues 12 June 2001, I attended at the Physical Evidence Unit offices at 383 Latrobe Street, Melbourne and liaised with Mr Craig GARLAND in relation to controlled delivery, Promis No 733 899.

About 1120hrs this date, I took possession of two black cardboard fold downs measuring approximately 17cm x 21.5cm and labelled 02 and 03 for identification.

About 1300hrs this date, I commenced the installation of equipment capable of capturing and transmitting sound into the black fold down labelled 02 for identification. I then tested this equipment and found it to be working correctly.

About 1330hrs this date, I commenced the installation of equipment capable of capturing and transmitting sound into the black fold down labelled 03 for identification. I then tested this equipment and found it to be working correctly.

About 1405hrs this date, I returned to the Physical Evidence Unit office at 383 Latrobe

Street, Melbourne_and again liaised with Mr Craig GARLAND.

About 1450hrs this date I tested all equipment which I had installed into the black

cardboard fold downs labelled 02 and 03 respectively and found all equipment to be

working correctly.

About 1500hrs this date I departed the Physical Evidence unit office and attended to other

duties.

Signed: Alison Talia Ballack

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STATEMENT: Date: 28 June 2001

Full Name: Vito Bertrand ZANETTI

Occupation: Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Address: 383 Latrobe Street Melbourne

STATES:

My full name is Vito Bertrand ZANETTI and I am a Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police stationed In Melbourne.

About 10 AM on 13 June 2001 I took possession of two white coloured padded post packs from Federal Agent Trudy BRACKS at Federal Police HQ Melbourne. Those two items were marked:

'Heidi Taylor, Bayview on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Road, Melbourne Sender: The Method School, Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square, London WC1 R4RL'

'Heidi Taylor, Bayview on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Road, Melbourne Sender: London School of Publishing, Thomas Game House, 69 Notting Hill Gate, London W113JS UK'

I then put on some clothing items used by Australia Post employees and drove to the South Yarra area in a van marked with Australia Post insignia.

About 11 AM I parked the Australia Post van in St Kilda Road at the front of the commercial premises of the Bayview on the Park Hotel at 52 Queen Road Melbourne. I then walked inside with the two postal items.

Inside the hotel I spoke to a male person at the reception counter.

I said, "Post here. I've got two packages for a Heidi TAYLOR.

He said, "Yes she's a guest"

I said, "I'll need her to sign for these."

He then made a telephone call and a short time later a female person I now know as Heidi TAYLOR walked down the hotel stairs to the reception desk from upstairs.

I said, "Heidi TAYLOR?"

She said, "Yes."

I said, "I'll need you to sign for these."

I then opened a blue folder containing an Australia Post form PP315/Mar'93 marked 'Sorry we missed you ..'

I said, "Just put your signature there please."

I pointed to the bottom right of the form containing a box marked 'Signature of Addressee' and she signed her signature there.

EXHIBIT: I PRODUCE THAT CARD

I then handed her the two packages and left the hotel, got back into the van and returned to AFP Headquarters.

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Signed:

Vito ZANETTI Federal Agent



STATEMENT in the matter of: Heidi TAYLOR

Date: 20 July 2001

Full Name: Joanna KOUTSOUKIANIS

Occupation: Bank Officer

Employer: WESTPAC Banking Corporation

Work Address: 409 St. Kilda Road. Melbourne.

STATES:

My full name is Joanna KOUTSOUKIANIS I am employed as a Bank Officer with the Bank of Melbourne. I have been employed as a Bank Officer for approximately 7 years.

At 3.10pm on Wednesday 13 June 2001, a young lady with blonde, short hair wearing a pinky purple top, came into the bank and requested to do a Telegraphic Transfer to Timothy DEMPSTER, account number 902817450, Barclays Bank London W12 8GG, England for the amount of 250 Pounds. She asked what the cost of that Telegraphic Transfer would be, at which point I told her 250 Pounds converts to \$663.83 Australian Dollars plus she would be charged \$26.00 bank fees. The total amount coming to \$689.83. She then gave me a cash amount of \$700.00 in fifty dollar denominations. I gave her the change and we proceeded to process the Telegraphic Transfer. I requested the young lady write down her personal details on a piece of A5 receipt paper. She then wrote down her London address being 54 Cadbury Road London. I told her that she needed to provide a local address at which point she told me that she was staying at Bayview on the Park, 52 Queen Road Melbourne.

She then asked what cash amount she could transact on before the bank required identification.

I told her that transactions over \$10,000.00 required identification.

I then asked her if she wanted to place a message on the Telegraphic Transfer.

She said "Yes, 'Hi see you soon, Heidi"

Again she said "so if I do \$9999.00 would it be ok"?
I said "Yes, it would be ok"
Again she said if I send "\$9,000" one day and "\$1000" another day; would that be OK?"
I said 'yes'.
She then asked what identification she needed to open a bank account.
I said "If you are from Overseas and have been in the country less than 6 weeks you only need your passport."
She said "I am Australian, but I live in England. I come backwards and forwards often & I will need to have an account here.
I said "A drivers License and Passport would be enough points.
I then got her to verify the details of the Telegraphic Transfer and got her to sign the form. I then printed her a customer copy of the Telegraphic transfer. She then said "I will be back later to open the account"
I then saw Ms Taylor depart the premises.
Signed:
Joanna KOUTSOUKIANIS



STATEMENT in the matter of: Police -v- Heidi TAYLOR

Date: 20 July 2001

Full Name: Thomas Courteney MCTAVISH

Occupation: Federal Agent

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Work Address: AFP Southern Region Headquarters

383 La Trobe Street Melbourne VIC 3000

My full name is Thomas Courteney McTavish and I am 26 years of age. I am a Federal Agent in the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and am currently attached to Operations Response Team 1 at AFP Southern Region (Melbourne) Headquarters, 383 LaTrobe Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

About 9:05am on Wednesday 13 June 2001, I attended the offices of AFP Forensic Services Team in Southern Region Headquarters and took possession of a sealed plastic bag containing three white postage packages. These packages appeared identical in size and shape and all were addressed to Bayview on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Road, Melbourne. The specified recipient written on two of these packages was "Heidi TAYLOR" while the third was specified as "Heidi TAILOR".

About 9:30am, I handed the sealed plastic bag containing three white postage packages to Federal Agent Vito ZANETTI who then took possession of these items.

About 9:45am, I attended the Melbourne Magistrate's Court and obtained two Section 3E Crimes Act 1914 Search Warrants for the premises of Bayview on the Park Hotel at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne VIC, and 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn VIC. These warrants were issued to me by Justice David O'Dwyer.

EXHIBIT: I NOW PRODUCE THE TWO SEARCH WARRANTS.

About 10:40am, I arrived in the vicinity of Queen Road, Melbourne VIC, and rendezvoused with Federal Agent Dennis BARTON. At this time I commenced monitoring two envelopes (that I had previously handed to Federal Agent ZANETTI) by way of electronic transmission devices, placed within the envelopes, and receivers held by me. These devices indicated when either or both of the packages were moved or opened by triggering an audible alarm at the receiver.

About 5:00pm, I departed the company of Federal Agent BARTON and rendezvoused with Federal Agent ZANETTI. I retained possession of the receivers and maintained my monitoring of the envelopes. About 5:45pm, I ceased monitoring the envelopes.

About 5:50pm, in company with Federal Agents Dennis BARTON, Georgina DE STEFANO, Lisa BRACKS, Bruce NEVILLE and Vito ZANETTI, I traveled to the premises of Bayview on the Park Hotel at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne VIC. About this time, we entered the foyer of the hotel and I heard Federal Agent BRACKS have a conversation with Mr Murray DEERING, the hotel manager.

About 5:55pm, I entered room 18 on the second floor of this hotel by virtue of a Section 3E Crimes Act 1914 Search Warrant. At this time, I saw that a woman with short blonde hair, aged in her mid twenties and wearing a mauve/pink top and black trousers was present inside the room. I now know this woman to be Heidi TAYLOR. I then gave a copy of the Section 3E Crimes Act 1914 Search Warrant in addition to a copy of the Occupier's Rights to TAYLOR. I then heard Federal Agent DE STEFANO have a conversation with TAYLOR.

A short time later, I assisted in a search of this premises. During this search I found several documents including an e-mail printout. The sender of the email was shown as Heidi Taylor, and it was addressed to bull88y@hotmail.com. The text of the email was as follows:

"Hi Si

Ok babe, listen up. Meet mee on Friday at 3.39 pm at 300 St Kilda Road. Please email me if you can or can't do this because I'm hoping to see you. I am really scared, worried, concerned and nervous about many things in my life right now. I hope it through to the other side. Babe, something is seriously wrong with me. I wish I could see someone but it is really naff as well.

Email me soon, please.

Love you heidi xoxoxoxox"

I handed these items, including the email, to Federal Agent BARTON who was performing the duties of AFP Property Officer.

EXHIBIT: I NOW PRODUCE THE DOCUMENTS.

I then saw Federal Agent BARTON place these items in plastic bags and write a description of them on an AFP Property Seizure Record. About: 7:05pm, I ceased searching room 18 of the Bayview on the Park Hotel. I was present when Federal Agent BARTON identified the items that had been located and seized by police during the search and explained this process to TAYLOR. I then signed a copy of the Property Seizure Record and saw TAYLOR countersign this document.

About 7:15pm, Federal Agents ZANETTI, NEVILLE, and I departed the Bayview on the Park Hotel at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne, and traveled to 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn VIC.

About 8:00pm, I approached the front door to the premises at 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn VIC. After knocking several times, the door was opened by a woman I now know to be Ms Prudence TAYLOR. At this time, Federal Agents ZANETTI, NEVILLE, and I entered the premises of 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn. Also present at the premises at this time was Prudence TAYLOR's husband, Mr Bob TAYLOR. I then had a conversation with Ms Prudence TAYLOR and I gave her a copy of the Section 3E Crimes Act 1914 Search Warrant in addition to a copy of the Occupier's Rights.

About 8:30pm, Federal Agents ZANETTI, NEVILLE, and I departed 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn VIC, and returned to AFP Southern Region Headquarters.

Thomas Courteney McTavish Federal Agent 20 July 2001

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury. Signed:

Thomas Courteney McTavish Federal Agent 20 July 2001



STATEMENT: Date: 05 July 2001

Full Name: Dennis Brian BARTON

Occupation: Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Address: 383 Latrobe Street Melbourne

STATES:

My full name is Dennis Brian BARTON and I am a Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police stationed In Melbourne holding the rank of Constable. I am currently attached to Response Team 1, Melbourne Office, 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne, Victoria.

On 13 June 2001, about 10.00 am, I arrived in the vicinity of the Bayview on the Park Hotel located at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne. A short time later I rendezvoused with F/A MCTAVISH. Our task was to monitor the two envelopes addressed to Ms Heidi TAYLOR for movement.

About 5.00 pm I left the monitoring vehicle.

At about 5.50 pm on the same day, in company with Federal Agents DE STEFANO, MCTAVISH, BRACKS and NEVILLE I entered the premises located at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne, Victoria.

About 5.55 pm I entered room 18 of these premises in company with Federal Agents DE STEFANO, MCTAVISH, BRACKS and NEVILLE to assist in the execution of a Section 3E

Crimes Act Search Warrant. Present in the room was a person I now know to be Heidi

Taylor. At this time a search of the premises commenced.

During the execution of the search warrant I was designated the property officer. My duties in

this role included recording any seized property onto an official AFP Property Seizure Record.

Each item was allocated an item number from 0017027 to 0017223 inclusive. These items

were placed into exhibit bags with the corresponding item number placed on the bag. I then

retained possession of these items.

EXHIBIT: I PRODUCE THE PROPERTY SEIZURE RECORD

About 7.05 pm, at the conclusion of the search, I showed Heidi TAYLOR the AFP Property

Seizure Record as I showed her the corresponding property. I then signed the property

seizure record and then witnessed her sign that record. I then handed her a copy of both

pages.

About 7.20 pm I departed the premises and returned to AFP Headquarters with all property.

About 8.00 pm I transferred custody of all property to Federal Agent, Georgina DE

STEFANO.

About 9.00 pm I recorded three copies of Miss Taylor's fingerprints with her permission on

official AFP fingerprint records. I was present when F/A JOHNSON filled out the details on

these records. I then handed them to F/A DE STEFANO.

EXHIBIT: I PRODUCE THOSE FINGERPRINT RECORDS

About 9.00 am on 14 June 2001 I was given the property by F/A DE STEFANO. I lodged the

property with the drugs and property register located at Melbourne Headquarters.

Signed:

Dennis BARTON

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STATEMENT in the matter of: Heidi Jane TAYLOR

Date: 24 July 2001

Full Name: Bruce Michael NEVILLE

Occupation: Federal Agent

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Work Address: AFP Melbourne Office

383 Latrobe Street Melbourne Vic 3001

STATES:

My full name is Bruce Michael NEVILLE. I am a Federal Agent with the Australian Federal Police (AFP) holding the rank of Constable. I am currently attached to Operations Response Southern, located at 383 Latrobe Street in Melbourne, Victoria.

At 5.55pm, Wednesday 13 June 2001, together with Federal Agents BRACKS, DE STEFANO and MCTAVISH, I attended the premises located at Room 18, 450 St. Kilda Road, Victoria for the purposes of executing a Search Warrant pursuant to Section 3E of the Crimes Act 1914.

I entered through the front door of the premise and saw a female person, who I now know to be Heidi TAYLOR standing in the doorway. I then heard Federal Agent DE STEFANO say certain things to Heidi TAYLOR.

I then heard Federal Agent BRACKS ask TAYLOR if any of the things listed in the Search Warrant were situated on the premises. I heard TAYLOR make certain admissions and I saw TAYLOR walk over to the bed and take possession of a handbag. TAYLOR then pulled a glove from the handbag and handed it to Federal Agent DE STEFANO.

I then commenced a search of the single room apartment. During that search I located 1 \times British Airways Ticket and Boarding Pass from London to Bangkok dated 6 June 2001, and

e-mail correspondence in the name of Timothy DEMPSTER confirming flights departing London 6 June 2001, arriving Bangkok 7 June 2001 and departing Bangkok 7 June 2001, arriving Melbourne 8 June 2001 then departing Melbourne 21 June 2001 arriving Bangkok 21 June 2001, departing Bangkok 22 June 2001, arriving London 22 June 2001. These items were situated in a black suitcase on the floor.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THESE ITEMS.

1 x Business Card in the name of Timothy DEMPSTER situated in a black suitcase on the floor.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THAT ITEM.

1 x Red 48 page exercise book containing several pages of handwritten notes situated in the bottom of the wardrobe. Those notes included, under the heading "Storyline", "Doing big e scam in Oz, making loads with him. Returning to London and own place with money", & "Just as her east money comes to an end, she meets Jim again, he is off drugs. Together they talk and make a plan to go to Australia, but Jasmine must carry extacy hidden on her. The plan is to talk to the much older man who wants to fuck her and make an arrangement to carry the pills on her if he gives her a business class seat, one way to Australia, followed by flights to New Zealand on his frequent flyer points".

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THAT ITEM.

1 x Australian Passport numbered L8794218 in the name of Heidi Jane TAYLOR situated in a black suitcase on the floor.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THAT ITEM.

About 7.05pm, 13 June 2001, the search of that premises concluded.

At 8.00pm, 13 June 2001, together with Federal Agents MCTAVISH, and ZANETTI, I attended 26 Hawthorn Avenue, Victoria for the purposes of executing a Search Warrant pursuant to Section 3E of the Crimes Act 1914.

About 8.30pm the search of that premises was concluded.

At 2.40pm on 19 July 2001, 1 attended the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) at 1/367 Collins Street, Melbourne for the purposes of executing a Search Warrant pursuant to Section 3E of the Crimes Act 1914. Each seized item was allocated an individual item number (from 0005815 through to 0006932) and listed on Property Seizure Record A75757. These items were then placed into exhibit bags with the corresponding item number placed on the bag.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THE PROPERTY SEIZURE RECORD

At 3.00pm on 20 July 2001, I attended the Bank of Melbourne, 409 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne for the purposes of executing a Search Warrant pursuant to Section 3E of the Crimes Act 1914. I had a conversation with Bank Officer Joanna KOUTSOUKIANIS and as a result of that conversation she made a statement.

At 11.00am on 24 July 2001, I again attended the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) at 11367 Collins Street, Melbourne for the purposes of executing a Search Warrant pursuant to Section 3E of the Crimes Act 1914. Each seized item was allocated an individual item number (from 0006933 through to 0006935) and listed on Property Seizure Record A75758. These items were then placed into exhibit bags with the corresponding item number placed on the bag.

EXHIBIT - I NOW PRODUCE THAT PROPERTY SEIZURE RECORD

I then attended to other duties.

Bruce NEVILLE Federal Agent



STATEMENT in the matter of Heidi TAYLOR

Date: 19 July 2001

Full Name: Lisa Michelle BRACKS

Occupation: Federal Agent

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Work Address: AFP Headquarters

383 La Trobe Street Melbourne 3000

STATES:

My full name is Lisa Michelle Bracks. I am a Federal Agent of the Australian Federal Police (AFP) holding the rank of Detective Constable. I am attached to Operations Response, Melbourne.

About 10.30 am, on Wednesday 13 June 2001, in company with other members of the AFP, I attended at the vicinity of the Bayview on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Road, Melbourne. There, I had a number of conversations with other members of the AFP. I also made and received a number of telephone calls and had conversations with other AFP members over the Police radio.

About 5.50 pm, on Wednesday 13 June 2001, in company with other members of the AFP, I attended at the Bayview on the Park Hotel, 52 Queen Road, Melbourne, Victoria.

About 5.55 pm, in company with Federal Agents De Stefano, Neville and McTavish, I knocked on the door of Room 18 of the Bayview on the Park Hotel. A short time later a female person, described as approximately 25 years of age, short died blonde hair, approximately 5'4" tall and of slim build, wearing black pants and a pink and mauve top, answered the door. I now know this female to be Heidi Jane Taylor, the

defendant before the court. I explained to Taylor that I was from the Australian Federal Police and showed her my police identification. I explained that we had a search warrant to search the room and I then entered the room. I then heard Federal Agent McTavish read and explain the search warrant to her. He then handed Taylor a copy of the search warrant and a copy of the occupier's rights. I then heard Federal Agent De Stefano have a conversation with Taylor during which Taylor was cautioned. That conversation was tape recorded.

A short time later, I had a conversation with Taylor. During that conversation Taylor informed me that she had some ecstasy tablets in her handbag. I then saw Federal Agent De Stefano commence a search of the handbag. Taylor then reached inside the handbag and removed a white rubber glove, which contained a number of white tablets. I then heard Federal Agent De Stefano have a further conversation with Taylor in relation to the tablets. Federal Agent De Stefano then commenced to count the tablets.

At 6.08 pm, I conducted a taped record of conversation with Taylor. At 6.12 pm, the record of conversation was suspended.

EXHIBIT: I NOW PRODUCE A TRANSCRIPT OF THAT TAPED RECORD OF CONVERSATION

I then assisted with the search of Room 18.

About 7.15 pm, in company with other members, I departed the Bayview on the Park Hotel and returned to AFP Headquarters, 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne.

At 8.11 pm, Federal Agent De Stefano conducted a taped record of interview with Taylor. I was present throughout the interview. The interview concluded at 8.28 pm. I then continued other duties.

About 9.25 pm, Bail Justice Young attended at AFP Headquarters office for the purpose of conducting a bail hearing in relation to Taylor. I was present during the bail hearing. Taylor applied for bail, which was opposed by the AFP. Bail Justice Young later remanded Taylor into custody.

About 10.30 pm, in company with Federal Agent De Stefano I escorted Taylor to the Moonee Ponds Police Station where she was processed and remanded into custody. I then returned to AFP Headquarters and attended to other duties.

Signed

Lisa Michelle Bracks

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

ROC BETWEEN DE STEFANO/TAYLOR

RECORD OF CONVERSATION

TAPED RECORD OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN FEDERAL AGENT GEORGINA DE STEFANO AND HEIDI TAYLOR CONDUCTED AT ROOM EIGHTEEN BAYVIEW ON THE PARK HOTEL FIFTY TWO QUEEN ROAD MELBOURNE ON THIRTEEN JUNE TWO THOUSAND AND ONE

PERSONS PRESENT: FEDERAL AGENT GEORGINA MIA DE STEFANO

FEDERAL AGENT LISA BRACKS FEDERAL AGENT BRUCE NEVILLE FEDERAL AGENT THOMAS McTAVISH

MS HEIDI JANE TAYLOR

TIME COMMENCED: FIVE FIFTY FIVE PM

DE STEFANO:

Q --- room twenty seven - what room is this?

A Eighteen.
Q Room sorry?
A Eighteen.

Q Room eighteen with - sorry, could you state your full name?

A Heidi Jane TAYLOR.

Q Okay Ms TAYLOR, we're here actually investigating the importation of a prohibited import, namely ecstasy in international mail items. Before you say anything I'd just like to caution you you're not obliged to say or do anything as anything you say or do

will be recorded and may be used in evidence.

A Yes.

Q What's going to happen here is now you've been given a search warrant and explain

the details of that search warrant. We'll be conducting a quick search of the room, we'll then be escorting you down to the Australian Federal Police Headquarters in Latrobe Street. Would you be interested in participating in a taped record of

interview?

A No.

Q Okay, that's fine. What we'll do now is actually just search this room and the time is

seventeen fifty five. Persons present are - -

BRACKS:

Lisa BRACKS, Federal Agent.

NEVILLE:

Federal Agent Bruce NEVILLE.

McTAVISH:

Federal Agent Thomas McTAVISH.

DE STEFANO:

This record of conversation is suspended.

ROC SUSPENDED AT FIVE FIFTY FIVE PM

ROC RESUMED AT SIX O EIGHT PM

BRACKS:

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Q

from London?

And how did you bring them back to Australia?

Yeah, yeah.

Federal Agent Lisa BRACKS at eighteen O eight in a taped field conversation with Heidi TAYLOR at the Bayview on the Park Hotel.

Q	Heidi, can you just explain to me what you explained to me previously in relation to Katrina and what was intended to happen with the packages?
Α	She said she'll call me when she got here. I thought she'd be here by now but she, she isn't. Um, I got the packages today, they were to my name, I thought they'd have her name on them or something like that um, I am willing that, to meet her and give her these packages because I'm angry that she's, that she did this to me because she seemed like a quite intelligent um, intelligent girl who wouldn't be involved in something like this although- although she did um, I did - I did take um, take fifty pills from her because I wanted to have -I do take pills, I have fun, I go out ah, with my friends and have them.
Q	Do you know anything more about Katrina?
Α	She went to school at Wesley ah, that's all I know really. The rest of the conversation was all about life and death and spirituality.
Q	Do you know her surname?
Α	It started with an H it was um, HARRSION or HAR, HAR - I don't know, I don't know.
Q	Do you know her phone number or where she lives?
Α	No.
Q	Didn't you have - have you had any contact with her since you've been here?
Α	No.
Q	Is there anything further you want to tell me at this stage?
Α	No.
Q	What can you tell me about the fifty pills that, ecstasy tablets that you showed us that were in your handbag?
Α	I had one um, the night before I left ah and it was really mellow, it didn't, didn't - and I had - and I had - I didn't you know, just - just -I was just really mellow on it and it was really nice and I thought my friends really like it and she said um, "Here, you can have these because I get 'em for fifty P each" so I said "Cool" and that was it.
Q	So she gave them to you?
Α	Yeah.

And you agree that you bought those back into Australia with you when you arrived

A	They were in, they were in my bra.
Q	And how many approximately?
A	Fifty, I'm saving them for a party this weekend.
Q	And what was the concealment, how did you get them into Australia - like how were they placed in your bra?
A	I put them in the, in the bra where pads use - used to go.
Q	Okay. Do you understand it's illegal to import prohibited substances such as ecstas into Australia?
A	Yeah, yeah I do.
Q	Record of conversation temporarily ceased at eighteen twelve.

ROC CONCLUDED AT SIX TWELVE PM



Date: 20 July 2001

STATEMENT in the matter of:

Police -v- Heidi TAYLOR

Full Name: Georgina Mia DE STEFANO

Occupation: Federal Agent

Employer: Australian Federal Police

Work Address: AFP Southern Region Headquarters

383 LaTrobe Street
Melbourne VIC 3000

STATES:

My full name is Georgina Mia DE STEFANO and I am 25 years of age. I am a Federal Agent in the Australian Federal Police (AFP), currently posted at Southern Region Headquarters, 383 La Trobe Street Melbourne, Victoria 3000.

On the 13 June 2001, approximately 5:50pm, in company with Federal Agents Lisa BRACKS, Bruce NEVILLE, Thomas MCTAVISH, Dennis BARTON, and Vito ZANETTI, I attended the Bayview on the Park Hotel located at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne VIC.

A short time later, I knocked on the door of room 18 of this hotel, a woman with short blonde hair, aged in her mid twenties, wearing a mauve and pink top with black trousers opened the door. I now know this woman to be Heidi TAYLOR.

Approximately 5.55pm by virtue of a Section 3E Crimes Act 1914 Search Warrant Federal Agents BRACKS, NEVILLE, MCTAVISH and myself entered Room 18.

Federal Agent MCTAVISH explained the contents of the search warrant and gave TAYLOR a copy of the Section 3E Search Warrant and a copy of the Occupier's Rights.

I then had a taped conversation with TAYLOR in words to the effect of:

DE STEFANO: "Okay Ms TAYLOR, we're here actually investigating the

importation of a prohibited import, namely ecstasy in

international mail items. Before you say anything I'd just like to caution you you're not obliged to say or do anything as anything you say or do will be recorded and may be used in evidence"

TAYLOR: "YES"

DE STEFANO: "What's going to happen here is now you've been given a

search warrant and explain the details of that search warrant we'll be conducting a quick search of the room, we'll then be

escorting you down to the Australian Federal Police

Headquarters in Latrobe Street. Would you be interested in

participating in a taped record of interview?"

TAYLOR: "NO"

At the commencement of the search Federal Agent BRACKS had a conversation with TAYLOR as a result of that conversation TAYLOR moved towards the bed where I began searching her bag, which was placed on top of the bed. TAYLOR reached into her bag and handed me a rubber glove containing a number of white tablets.

I then had a conversation with TAYLOR in words to the effect of:

DE STEFANO: "How many did you say were in here?"

TAYLOR: "About 50 tablets"

DE STEFANO: "What are they?"

TAYLOR: "Ecstasy"

I then counted the white tablets and placed the glove and the 60 tablets in an AFP Audit bag number B123689 I then sealed the bag and handed the items to Federal Agent BARTON who recorded the items on an AFP Property Seizure Record.

I continued to assist in a search of Room 18. During this search I found several items that were seized and recorded by Federal Agent BARTON in the AFP Property Seizure Record.

<u>EXHIBIT</u>: I NOW PRODUCE THE RUBBER GLOVE CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 60 WHITE TABLETS.

Approximately 7:05pm, I ceased searching room 18 of the Bayview on the Park Hotel.

Approximately 7:15pm, Federal Agents ZANETTI, NEVILLE, and MCTAVISH departed the Bayview on the Park Hotel at 52 Queen Road, Melbourne.

Approximately 7:20pm Federal Agent Lleyton JOHNSON and I escorted TAYLOR to AFP Headquarters located at 383 La Trobe Street Melbourne where TAYLOR participated in a taped record of interview.

Approximately 8.00pm Federal Agent BARTON handed me all property that had been seized during the search warrant executed at the Bayview on the Park.

The taped record of interview commenced at 8.11pm and concluded at 8.28pm; persons present during the interview were Federal Agent BRACKS, Heidi TAYLOR and myself. At the conclusion of the taped record of interview TAYLOR was handed a copy of the taped record of interview in the form of an audiocassette tape. TAYLOR signed a receipt for the copy of the interview.

<u>EXHIBIT</u>: I NOW PRODUCE A TRANSCRIPT OF THAT TAPED RECORD OF INTERVIEW

<u>EXHIBIT</u>: I NOW PRODUCE AN AUDIO TAPE OF THAT TAPED RECORD OF INTERVIEW

<u>EXHIBIT</u>: I NOW PRODUCE A VIDEO OF THAT TAPED RECORD OF INTERVIEW

Approximately 9.00pm Federal Agent BARTON handed me 3x copies of TAYLOR's fingerprints, which had been recorded earlier on AFP Fingerprint records.

Approximately 9.25pm Bail Justice YOUNG attended AFP Headquarters for the purpose of conducting a bail hearing regarding Heidi TAYLOR. Bail Justice YOUNG remanded TAYLOR into custody until the 14 June 2001 where TAYLOR was to appear before the Melbourne Magistrates Court.

Approximately 10.00pm I locked all property of into a secured AFP overnight safe and kept possession of the keys to that safe.

Approximately 10.30pm Federal Agent BRACKS and I escorted TAYLOR to the Moonee Ponds Police Station for remand. I then returned to AFP headquarters and attended to other duties.

On the 14 June 2001, approximately 9.00am, I handed all of the property to Federal Agent BARTON for lodgement into AFP Drugs and Property.

On 26 June 2001, approximately 1100am I attended signed the AFP Drugs and Property Registry and signed out exhibits 777199 and 666250. I then attended the AFP Physical Evidence Unit where Mr Craig Garland conducted an analysis of the white tablets.

About 2.45pm I returned to the AFP Drugs and Property Registry and signed back in exhibits 777199 and 666250.

Signed

Georgina Mia DE STEFANO Federal Agent July 2001

IN-CONFIDENCE

ROI BETWEEN DE STEFANO/TAYLOR

RECORDOF INTERVIEW

TAPED RECORD OF INTERVIEW BETWEEN FEDERAL AGENT GEORGINA DE STEFANO AND HEIDI TAYLOR CONDUCTED AT AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS THREE EIGHT THREE LATROBE STREET MELBOURNE ON THIRTEEN JUNE TWO THOUSAND AND ONE

PERSONS PRESENT: FEDERAL AGENT GEORGINA MIA DE STEFANO

FEDERAL AGENT LISA BRACKS

MS HEIDI JANE TAYLOR

TIME COMMENCED: EIGHT ELEVEN PM

DE STEFANO: Taped record of interview between Federal Agent Georgina DE STEFANO and Heidi

TAYLOR conducted at Australian Federal Police Headquarters located in Latrobe Street Melbourne on the thirteenth of June, two thousand and one. Persons present

are Federal Agent BRACKS and Heidi TAYLOR. For the purposes of voice

identification could you please state your full name?

BRACKS: Federal Agent Lisa BRACKS.

DE STEFANO:

Q And Heidi?

A Heidi Jane TAYLOR.

Q Okay, do you agree the time is now eight eleven?

A Yes.

Q

Heidi, Federal Agent Bracks and I are making inquiries into the allegation that you were and are knowingly concerned in the importation of a prohibited import being a narcotic substance, namely MDMA also known as ecstasy, into Melbourne Australia on the seventh of June, two thousand and one by means of international mail and that on the thirteenth of June you were in possession of a prohibited import being a narcotic substance, namely MDMA, Ecstasy, contrary to two three three B (one) C of the Customs Act. Do you understand that allegation that I've put towards you?

A Yes.

Q Okay. I intend to ask you further questions in relation to this matter but before I do I must caution you that you are not obliged to say or do anything as anything you do say or do will be recorded on the audio and also on the video and may be used in

evidence later. Do you clearly understand that caution?

A Yes.

Q I must inform you of the following rights. You may communicate with or attempt to communicate with a friend or relative to inform that person of your whereabouts. Do

you understand?

A Yes

Q Do you wish to communicate with a friend or relative?

A Yes.

Q Okay, who is that?

A Ah, my sister

Q Okay, do you agree that prior to this taped record of interview that you attempted to communicate with your sister? Α Yes, yes. Q And what happened there? Α She wasn't at home. Q Okay. Was there a time that she was actually going to be home? Α Okay. So there was no answer? Q Α Ah, her flatmate was there and said she was out, she didn't know where she was. Q Did you leave a message for her? Α Just that I, I said that I'd called and that was all. Q Okay, would you like to try again? Α Yes Q Okay, I'll just get through the rest of the rights and then we'll give you the opportunity to give your sister a call. You may communicate with or attempt to communicate with a legal practitioner of your choice and arrange or attempt to arrange for a legal practitioner of your choice to be present during the questioning. Do you understand? Α Q In other words would you like to - have you -Α If I have my solicitor here now? Q Yes, would you like to have your solicitor now, would you like to contact legal representation? Α I have contacted, yes. Q Okay. So the next question was do you wish to communicate -Α Ah-Or I'll say do you agree that earlier on prior to this taped record of interview you Q spoke to your solicitor? Α Yes, yes I did. Q And who was that solicitor? Α Martin SEARBY (?) Q Okay. Are you an Australian citizen? Α Yes. Q Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? Α Q What is your date of birth? Α Seventeenth of the seventh, nineteen seventy five Q Have you been interviewed by an investigating official in the last forty eight hours? Α No. Q In other words any other police, Customs or anything? Α No.

Q Okay. Do you agree that prior to this taped record of interview commencing I told you that I intended to ask you some questions in relation to this matter and what occurred this evening? Yes. Α Q Do you agree that prior to this tape recorded interview I told you that my questions together with any answers you may care to make to those questions will be recorded as the interview takes place? Α Q Do you agree that prior to this taped record of interview commencing I told you that at its completion you would be given a copy of the tapes of the whole interview? Α Q Do you agree that prior to this taped record of interview commencing I told you that should you wish to view this video that arrangements would be made for you to do so? Yes. Α Q Do you agree that prior to this taped record of interview commencing I told you that should a transcript be made of this record of interview you will be provided with a copy within seven days of that transcript being made? Α Yes. Q Okay. What is your current address in Australia? Α My bankcards - my bank um statements go to my parents' house yet I do not live there. Q Okay and what address is that? That is twenty six Hawthorn Avenue, Hawthorn. Α Q So how do you collect your mail? Α I don't collect it, it just goes there. Q Okay. So when was the last time you lived there? Α Ah, ah I never lived there. Q Okay. So do you actually have a residence in Australia? Α No, the last time that I lived in Australia was um, in um, I was ah two thousand and I think it was from December until March - December ninety nine until March two thousand. Q And where -Α And that was at - I can't remember the number - Beaconsfield Parade, Middle Park and from there I went travelling. Q Okay so whereabouts are you staying overseas? Α Fifty four Cadbury Road, Notting Hill yet I'm - it's been - I, I mean I never - the last five years I haven't been in one location longer than four months. I- I've, I haven't been anywhere longer than four months in the last five or six years so. Are you renting at these places or just staying there? Q Α I'm just staying there. I was. I did have a place at Notting Hill for six months in my name but I was only there for four months and then I came here for two months and rented the - a friend stayed at the place. Q And when was that? Α That was from November - November two thousand to May two thousand and one. Q And what was the address of that place sorry?

Α Eighteen Cherbridge Gardens, Notting Hill. Q So that would be your last known address in England? Α Yes. Under my name, yes. -Q So if you were to go back tomorrow, where would you be staying? Α At fifty four Cadbury Road with Basil AITKEN(?) Q Could you spell Cadbury? Α Cadbury, Cadbury. Q Okay - what is your marital status? Α Single. Q Okay, so who is Basil? Α He was my boyfriend from um, July ninety nine ah and then I came back here for six months, travelled for about four months, went back to London, stayed with him again, left went back, left went back. Q Okay, so if you were to go back tomorrow you'd be staying with Basil? Α Yes, I mean he - he's a friend but you know he's a, he's a male friend. Q And what is his full name? Basil AITKEN. I don't - Basil Michael Richard AITKEN. Α Q And what is your occupation overseas? Α I don't work. Q When was the last time you did work? Last time I worked was - I don't remember really. I, I've been getting a fortnightly Α pension from TAC for- since I was twenty one. I think the last job I had was in Sydney in um, ninety - ninety six I think in a cafe as a waitress. Q So you're still obtaining this TAC pension? Α Yes. Q And what was that for? Ah, future loss of earnings for a car accident and a head injury when I was fourteen Α and the - a thirty per cent impairment damage so that I get future loss of earnings because of the changes it created. Q Okay. Do you have any outstanding loans or anything? Α No. Q Do you owe people any money anywhere? Α Only, only um the bills in London. Okay - and what kind of bills would they be? Q Α Gas, electricity, phone. Q For what address, which address would this be? Α Cherbridge Gardens. Q So just to clarify, somebody else has moved into Cherbridge Gardens? Yes, it's -Α Q Is it still in your name?

Okay, so these are from - these bills are still outstanding from when you were there?

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No, it's not in my name.

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Α Yeah - but I only left there on the twenty sixth of May so - and I've begun paying them(indistinct)..... Q Do you own a vehicle? Α No. Q Do you have a drivers licence overseas? Α No. Okay, when do you intend on going back? Q Α I intended on going back next Thursday. Q That's the twenty -Α First. Q First of June - and is that-with what airline? Qantas. Α Q Is that straight through? Stopping in Bangkok and I wanted to try to stay there for a month so I could um, ah Α save money because it's cheaper in Thailand and I could save up my pension Okay. Do you agree that earlier this evening, police attended Bayview on the Park Q Hotel? Α Yes. Q Do you agree that at that time you were shown a search warrant? Α Yes. Q And you were explained the details of that search warrant? Α Yes. Q Do you agree that a search warrant was then executed on your room? Α Q Okay, do you agree that you were present during that search? Α Yes. Q Do you agree that during that search warrant a number of items were located? Α Q Do you agree that you were asked a number of questions in relation to those items? Yes. Α Q Do you agree that police seized those items? Α Yes. Do you agree that those items were recorded on a police Property Seizure Record? Q Α Yes. Q Do you agree that you later read the contents of the Property Seizure Record? Α Yes. Q And do you agree that you signed that record as being a true and accurate record of the property seized? Yes. Α O For the purposes of the recording, I'm now showing Heidi two packages approximately A four size, both addressed to Heidi TAYLOR at the Hotel, fifty two Queen Road, Melbourne, Australia. One of the A four packages is sent by The

Method School, Conway Hall, twenty five Red Lion Square, London and the other package was sent by London School of Publishing, Thomas Gain House, sixty nine Notting Hill Gate, London. Have you seen these packages before Heidi?

I saw them at - at the hotel. Α

Q And whereabouts were they in the hotel?

Α I had to go downstairs this morning and sign for them from the postman.

Q And were you expecting these packages?

Α Yes, I was expecting them because a person told me, asked me if she could have the

mail sent to me and if I could forward it to her when she arrived here.

Q Okay, and who is this person?

Α I girl who I met out - but this, this isn't - I don't - I mean I, you, I agreed - said before

that I -

BRACKS:

Heidi, if you don't wish to answer any questions just simply say "No comment." Q

Α Okay.

Q That might make it simpler.

Α No comment.

DE STEFANO:

Q Okay, are you willing to answer any further questions about the allegation that I put

towards you?

Α Ah, it depends on what they are.

Q In relation to the importation and the possession of the ecstasy tablets.

Α No. Q

A. All right so.

Are there any questions that you want to ask?

Okay.

BRACKS:

Q Heidi, you had an allegation put to you at the start of the interview in relation to the

attempted importation of ecstasy tablets. Earlier in the room you informed AFP members - when the search was being conducted you informed AFP members that

you had ecstasy tablets in your possession.

Yes. Α

Q --- and you indicated where they were located in your handbag?

Yes. Α

Q Is there anything you'd like to tell us about that allegation and I do caution you again

that you are not obliged to say or do anything, that the earlier caution Georgina gave

you stands.

Α I feel that I've already told you so I don't want to repeat it, I'm - no comment, no

comment.

Q That's okay, that's fine - and do you agree that you did speak to me -

Α

Q --- in relation to those tablets and that was recorded on a field tape recorder?

Α Yes. Okay, thank you. That's all thanks.

DE STEFANO:

Q Is there anything further you wish to say or?

A No.

Q Okay, that's fine. Have the answers you have given during this interview been made

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A Only that have you noticed where - that these are not posted from London?

Q Why do you say that?

A Well I was just looking at it then, that it says Cambridge up there.

Q Okay. So that's a Cambridge stamp is it?

A Well, it says Cambridge.

Q Okay - and how far is Cambridge from where you live?

A I don't know, I've never been there.

BRACKS:

Q Do you have any explanation for them being posted from Cambridge, do you –

A No.

Q --- anything you would like to explain to us or?

A No, I don't - but I was just looking at then and I noticed it.

Okay.

DE STEFANO:

Q Have the answers you have given during this interview been made of your own free

will?

A Yes.

Q Has any threat or promise or inducement been held out to you to make these

answers?

A No.

I've nothing further, if you have nothing further Federal Agent BRACKS?

BRACKS:

Q Heidi I asked you - I explained to you prior to the interview that at the conclusion I'll

be taking your fingerprints or your fingerprints will be taken. Do you agree to - do you

consent to your fingerprints being taken?

A Yes.

You do, thank you. Thank you for participating in this taped record of interview.

DE STEFANO:

Q I'll now suspend the interview. The time is now eight twenty five - eight twenty eight,

do you agree?

A Yes.

Okay, this taped record of interview is now completed.

ROI CONCLUDED AT EIGHT TWENTY EIGHT PM



STATEMENT In matter of

Police v Heidi Taylor

Name: Murray George PARK

Address: 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne

Occupation: Federal Police Officer

STATES:

My full name is Murray George PARK. I am a Federal Agent holding the rank of Sergeant in the Australian Federal Police attached to the Fingerprint Section, Melbourne.

I have had over eighteen (18) years experience in the identification of persons by means of ridge characteristics, commonly called fingerprints.

I am fully qualified to classify, search, file and identify fingerprints, to search for, preserve and develop fingerprints at scenes of crime.

I have passed all examinations set by the Victoria Police Department on the science of fingerprints.

I have performed duty at the New South Wales Police Fingerprint Bureau and there passed all examinations set and conducted by the Australian Board of Examiners.

I have lectured on the science of fingerprints to outside groups and police trainees. I have assisted in the training of other fingerprint personnel.

I read the available text books and magazines on the science of fingerprints.

I have previously given evidence in Victorian, New South Wales, Tasmanian and West Australian Courts on the identification of persons by means of fingerprints.

On Tuesday 12 June 2001 I collected a number of items for fingerprint examination from Scientific Officer GARLAND. These items comprised packaging

materials from Items "01", "02" and "03", referred to by Forensic Services Case No FM010066. I later treated these items for latent fingerprints. Latent fingerprints were developed on a plastic wallet. I placed a label next to the latent fingerprints and photographed them with a polaroid camera.

On Friday 15 June 2001 I collected a further item from Scientific Officer GARLAND for fingerprint examination. This item comprised an off-white latex glove from item "0017213", referred to by Forensic Services Case No FM010066. I later treated this item for latent fingerprints. Latent fingerprints were developed. I placed a label next to the latent fingerprints and photographed them with a 35mm camera.

I have examined sets of fingerprints bearing the name Heidi Jane TAYLOR. These sets of fingerprints are marked as having being taken on 13 June 2001 by Federal Agent BARTON at the Australian Federal Police Headquarters, Melbourne.

By means of comparison of all the ridge characteristics appearing in the latent impressions on a card "Heaven", which formed part of the packaging materials from Item "03", obtained from Scientific Officer GARLAND on 12 June 2001, and those on the fingerprint forms, I say that the latent impression was made by the Left Thumb of Heidi Jane TAYLOR.

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

M.G.PARK Sergeant

CERFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Client: Australian Federal Police (AFP)

AFDL ref: 022667 Client ref PS 777199

My full name is Rebecca LARSEN.

I hold a Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Chemistry (Forensic Science) from the University of Technology, Sydney, NSW.

I am a chemist employed at the Australian Forensic Drug Laboratory (AFDL) Sydney, NSW. I have over three years experience in the analysis of prohibited drugs with AFDL.

I am an appointed analyst for the purposes of the Australian Customs Act 1901.

I do hereby certify:

- (A) On the 28th of June 2001 this laboratory received from TNT Courier R.CLOKE a sealed police audit bag no. B 123689 containing the item described below:
- (B) Between the 28th of June and 5th of July 2001 this laboratory analysed this item for prohibited substances with the following result:

MDMA is the abbreviation for the substance 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine.

AFP	AFDL	Substance analysed	Net wt	
Item	em No. and presentation		(g)	Result of Analysis
No.				
0017213		Off white powder in plastic bag and five off white speckled round tablets half scored one and eagle logo other side in bag. Each plastic bag marked SAMPLE A SEIZURE No 777199 V01/130 ITEM No 0017213.	2.54	It contains 21.8% MDMA.

- (C) The following analytical techniques were used: colour tests, thin layer chromatography (TLC), gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) and gas chromatography (GC).
- (D) After analysis the unused portion of each item was sealed and secured in this laboratory.
- (E) AFP Preliminary Illicit Drug Identification (PIDI) forms for this seizure accompanied these items. These forms identify each analysed item as being

a sample taken from a stated bulk net weight from this seizure. The equivalent weight of pure drug for each item has been calculated from this stated weight and the determined drug purity. These results are tabled below:

AFP Item	AFDL No.	Stated bulk net weight	MDMA purity %	Weight of pure MDMA
No.		(g)		
0017213	022667	19.07	21.8	4.1

Result Summary

The one item of AFP seizure PS 777199 contains an estimated total weight of pure MDMA of $4.1\ g.$

Dated this fifth day of July 2001

Signature of analyst

CERFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Client: Australian Federal Police (AFP)

AFDL ref: 022664 - 6 Client ref PS 666250

My full name is Rebecca LARSEN.

I hold a Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Chemistry (Forensic Science) from the University of Technology, Sydney, NSW.

I am a chemist employed at the Australian Forensic Drug Laboratory (AFDL) Sydney, NSW. I have over three years experience in the analysis of prohibited drugs with AFDL.

I am an appointed analyst for the purposes of the Australian Customs Act 1901.

I do hereby certify:

- (A) On the 28th of June 2001 this laboratory received from TNT Courier R.CLOKE a sealed police audit bag no. B 123687 containing the items described below:
- (B) Between the 28th of June and 5th of July 2001 this laboratory analysed this item for prohibited substances with the following result:

MDMA is the abbreviation for the substance 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine.

AFP	AFDL	Substance analysed	stance analysed Net wt	
Item No.	No.	and presentation		Result of Analysis
01	022664	Off white powder in plastic bag five off white round tablets half scored one side and eagle logo other side in plastic bag. Each plastic bag marked SAMPLE A SEIZURE No 666250 V01/127 ITEM No 01.		It contains 21.9% MDMA.
02	022665	O22665 Off white powder in plastic bag five off white round tablets half scored one side and eagle logo other side in plastic bag. Each plastic bag marked SAMPLE A SEIZURE No 666250 V01/127 ITEM No 02.		It contains 21.9% MDMA.

03	022666	Off white powder in plastic bag five off white round tablets half scored one side and eagle logo other side in plastic bag. Each plastic bag marked SAMPLE A SEIZURE No 666250 V01/127	2.57	It contains 21.7% MDMA.
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- (C) The following analytical techniques were used: colour tests, thin layer chromatography (TLC), gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) and gas chromatography (GC).
- (D) After analysis the unused portion of each item was sealed and secured in this laboratory.
- (E) AFP Preliminary Illicit Drug Identification (PIDI) forms for this seizure accompanied these items. These forms identify each analysed item as being a sample taken from a stated bulk net weight from this seizure. The equivalent weight of pure drug for each item has been calculated from this stated weight and the determined drug purity. These results are tabled below:

AFP Item No.	AFDL No.	Stated bulk net weight (g)	MDMA purity %	Weight of pure MDMA (g)
01	022664	87.42	21.9	19.1
02	022665	87.56	21.9	19.1
03	022666	88.03	21.7	19.1

Total: 263.01 57.3

Result Summary AFP PS 666250

The three items contain an estimated total weight of pure MDMA of 57.3g.

Dated this fifth day of July 2001

Signature of Analyst