

WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1)

Statement of: ALLAN ALEXANDER RICHARD

Age if under 18: (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: FORENSIC SCIENTIST

This statement (consisting of 1 page(s) each signed by me) 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 anything in it, which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signed: Date: 17/09/2003

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)

Further to my statements dated the 21st July 2003 (21/07/2003) and the 18th August 2003 (18/08/2003) concerning the toxicological analyses on the post-mortem samples for Dr David KELLY, I have received the results of the blood analysis for beta-hydroxybutrate (BHB) from the Royal Hallamshire Hospital in Sheffield.

The blood item NCH/47 contained 30 micromoles of BHB per litre of blood.

The BHB level is low and normal, and is consistent with the trace of acetone previously reported. Such levels of ketone bodies (the products of fat metabolism to produce energy after the depletion of glycogen from the liver) indicate that there may have been some minor switch to metabolism of fats in Dr KELLY'S body at some time before death because of insufficient carbohydrate availability from glycogen. It could indicate that Dr KELLY may not have eaten carbohydrates frequently or in quite sufficient quantity in the days before his death. Severe cases of fasting or starvation present with much higher levels of ketone bodies in the blood and other body fluids.

Signed:
2006/07(1)

Signature Witnessed by: