#16A Florida Turnpike Crime Scene
DIVETRAM REPORT
(Adam Walsh)

Investigative Assignment #96-02-262

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT #16A

TO:

RALPH J. RAY, JR.

Chief Assistant State Attorney

FROM;

PHILIP J. MUNDY

Investigator

SUBJ:

Florida Turnpike Crime Scene

ENCL:

1) Broward Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue Team Mission Report 97-2-6765

During an interview on October 20, 1983 (See Inv. Report #4) Ottis TOOLE told Inv. Paul RUIZ and Det. TERRY that the police should find blood on the dock and the rest of the body should be found where the head was. Det. Sgt. Don COLEMAN, Indian River county Sheriff's Office, was consulted as he was the lead detective at the scene when Adam WALSH's partial remains were discovered. Det. Coleman advised that no forensic examination of the footbridge had been done and primarily because of a large and active alligator population an underwater search was not done. Further, for unexplainable reasons TOOLE's statements to RUIZ were not immediately communicated to Hollywood Police detectives. Examination of the footbridge is the subject of

After consultations with several authorities on the subject it was decided that an underwater search of the area was feasible and despite the passage of many years might still prove productive.

On Wednesday, February 12, 1997 an underwater search was conducted by the B.S.O. Dive Rescue Team. Some material, suspected to be bones, was recovered which required examination by the Broward County Medical Examiner. B.S.O. Deputy FERGUSON reports that he transported the bones to the Broward County Medical examiner's Office and was informed that the bones were of animal origin. FERGUSON further reports that this opinion was confirmed by a bone specialist.

Details of the dive mission are reported in enclosure 1.

Photogram III and I

cc: Det. John KERNS, Hollywood P.D.

investigative memo #16 dated October 16, 1996.

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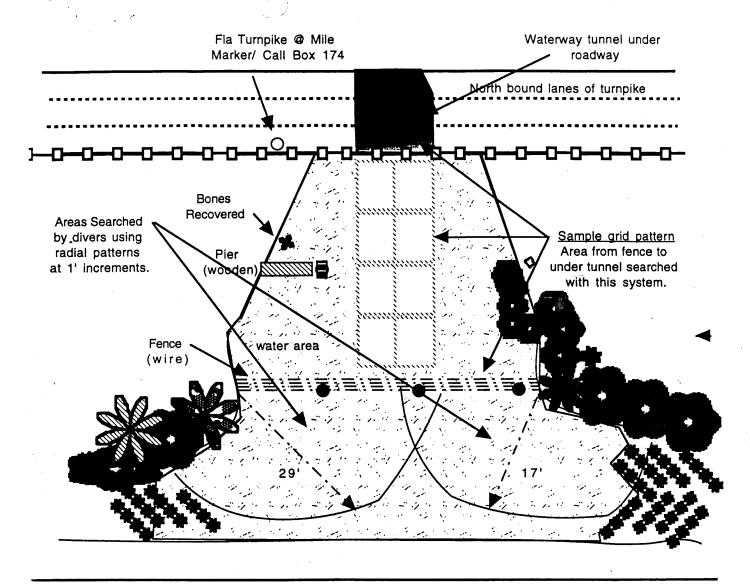
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97-2-6765 BROWARD SHEP FF'S OFFICE DIVE SCENE MAGRAM Not to scale



DIVE SCENE DIAGRAM:

X= TENDER POSITION

--- = VECTOR LINES

* = SPECIAL OBJECTS OF INTEREST (LABEL)

DIAGRAM KEY CONTENTS:

TENDER POSITION FIX
FOUND OBJECTS FIX (ONE VECTOR & DISTANCE)
PERTINENT OBJECTS ON LAND (FIX & LABEL)
NOTE RADIUS OF SEARCH AREA
NOTE AREA OF SEARCH AROUND FOUND OBJECTS
MEASUREMENT OF SEARCH PATTERN (SIZE, ARCHS, ETC.)
SURFACE WEATHER CONDITIONS



CURRENT(DIRECTION & VELOCITY)
WATER & AIR TEMPS
DEPTHS (AVG, DEEPEST & POINT WHERE OBJECT FOUND) WATER QUALITY AND VISIBILITY (SURFACE, AT DEPTH)

DETAILS OF OBJECTS WHEN FOUND
NOTES ON RECOVERY TECHNIQUES USED
NOTE DAMAGE DONE DURING RECOVERY
SAMPLES OF BOTTOM SOIL, WATER, CONTAMINATES
EVIDENCE ON SHORE IF NOT HANDLED BY CRIME SCENE
WITNESS NAMES AND STATEMENTS NOT TAKEN
BY DETECTIVES

OTHER PERTINENT FACTS, OBSERVATIONS, ACTIVITIES, OR OPINIONS OF NOTE TO INVESTIGATORS.

Investigative Report Supplement

Case # 97-2-6765

Date: 2/12/97

Location: #174 Marker @ Fl. Turnpike

AOA to Broward SA Office

Requested by: P Mundy State Atty. Ofc.

This deputy after receiving suspect bones from Dep. Hagen of the Dive Team, took the bones to the Broward County ME's Office for further examination. Upon conferring with a ME the bones were deemed to be animal not human in nature. This evaluation was later confirmed by a second evaluation by a specialist in animal bone recognition.

No further investigative action is required.

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DATE: Tuesday, June 3, 1997

TO:

Phil Mundy, State Attorney's Office

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