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Establishing identity: cross matching the lost and found in the UK

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Bureau Services

The Bureau is the UK national and international point of contact for all missing persons and unidentified bodies cases. It is the centre for information exchange and expertise on missing persons issues. The Bureau provides integrated operational services for missing people in support of law enforcement and other agencies

- defining the UK rich picture of missing and found persons
- provision of tactical advice and support
- national and international reconciliation of the lost and found
- data provided under statutory code of practice

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Bureau notified via Interpol of a 26 year old male missing from Oslo, Norway.



Circumstances:

Last seen 17/05/2011. Known to be depressed and had said to friends he may go abroad. He was reported missing by friends when he did not turn up for work. Police found he had withdrawn the equivalent of £600 at Oslo airport and flew to the UK on 17/05/2011.

Description:

- White
- Height: 185cm
- Hair: dark brown
- Eyes: blue
- Build: medium
- Tattoos: "Arsenal" on right lower arm. Cartoon dog on back of calf

A cross match search was conducted and indicated a possible physical match to a man found dead on 24/05/2011.

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Man found dead after jumping in front of a train near Wembley Stadium 24/05/2011.



Description:

- Est. age: 30
- White
- Height: 172cm – 177cm
- Hair: Mousey
- Build: medium
- Possibly wearing glasses
- Clothing: Dark blue Arsenal training jacket with red piping and "Fly Emirates" logo
- Tattoo: Symbol on lower right arm in the shape of a 50p piece with a triangle inside and a solid circle inside this.



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UKMPB Liaised with BTP and Interpol to assist the identification.



Arsenal 1930's crest



Missing persons tattoo

- Liaison with BTP to see if the tattoo may be an Arsenal crest and provided details of the missing man.
- Liaison with Interpol requesting further images of the missing mans tattoos.
- Requested the local Police obtain fingerprints from the missing persons home address and forwarded them to BTP for the comparison to be completed. Also assisted in obtaining the associated statements for the file to be presented to the Coroner.
- His identity was confirmed by fingerprints and his body repatriated.

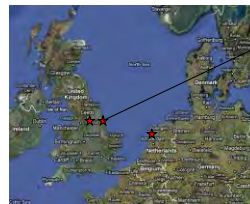
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Cross matching services - DNA



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Long Term Missing Person



Name: Dorothy IRVING
DOB: 11/08/1925 (aged 55 when missing)
Date missing: 12/03/1981
Missing from: Carlisle
Force: Cumbria Police



Circs:
 Telephoned sister Fiona at 0730hrs stating she was very worried and was going to run off somewhere. Has not been seen since.

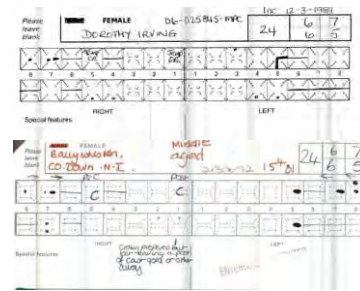
Further info: Dental records available

Area found: Sea, Ballywhisken, Northern Ireland
Date found: 15/04/1981
Force: PSNI

Circumstances:
 Female found floating in the sea. Believed to have been in the water 3-4 weeks.

Further info: Dental records available

Identification confirmed by dental comparison



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COME TO NOTICE



Name: William John O'LEARY
DOB: 06/07/1935
Hermes ref: 08-035187-CTN
PNCID: 65/1773Q

Areas visited:
 Bath, Welford North Wales, Darlington, Boston Lincolnshire, Birmingham/East Midlands, Heathrow and Stansted Airports.

MO:
 Presents at hospitals claiming to have taken an overdose. Leaves guesthouses without paying. Claims to have had a brain injury that makes him forgetful. Often located at airports.

Physical description:
 White, 6'0", medium build, brown eyes, glasses, grey balding hair, London/southern accent.

Distinguishing features:
 Deaf/hard of hearing-wears a hearing aid. Scars on scalp and right leg.

Info markers:
 Susical, Mental health issues, Deaf/hard of hearing.



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John	BOOTH
John	DOBBS
Alan Sydney	FORD
John	FORD
John	JONES
JN	LEWIS
John	LEWIS
John Pieter	OWENS
John	ROSSER
John	ROWE
John	SOMMERS
John	SUMMERS
John	WELLS
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