

United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

AUTOPSY REPORT

KOZLUK GRAVE SITE

CASE NO: KK3 864B

AUTOPSY DATE: 30.08.99

MORTUARY: Visoko

SUMMARY:

A complete body, with additional small pieces of skull from another person mixed in. Most of the upper part of the body was skeletonized and disarticulated but there was still skin and soft tissues in the pelvis and legs.

As established from anthropology data, the person was male, aged between 31 and 71, and measured from 164 to 179 cms in height. The only additional identifying feature was an old fracture of one of the bones of his left wrist, presumably from a fall in the past.

He head been shot in the arms and legs, with bullets passing through the right upper arm bone near the shoulder, the middle part of the left upper arm, and the left leg below the knee, the last of these with the bullet still present.

There was a further bullet in the soft tissues of the back of the left side of the abdomen, but without any associated bony injury. It may therefore have been a bullet which had passed through something or someone else first.

The only other injuries were a number of fractured ribs on both sides of the chest and a fracture of the left side of the pelvis. The latter was likely to have been post mortem in nature from crushing or moving the body after death. The rib fractures may or may not have been similar or have occurred before death.

High velocity gunshot injuries to the arms and legs would not necessarily be fatal, but if the person was left untreated and unattended, he could well have eventually died as a result. They were thus a minimal cause of death in this person, albeit that something else may have intervened in the meantime.

The only other significant finding was that, when found, there was a ligature wrapped around his wrists.

CAUSE OF DEATH:

It is my determination that the cause of death in case number KK3 864B was:

Gunshot wounds of arms and legs

This formal report is based upon the autopsy report that I prepared at the time of my examination. Both reports truly and accurately reflect my findings.

Signed:

Dr John Clark MB ChB FRCPath Dip FM

Date: 31.08.99