United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

AUTOPSY REPORT

GLOGOVA GRAVE SITE

CASE NO: GL05 015B **AUTOPSY DATE:** 13.10.99

MORTUARY: Visoko

SUMMARY:

A complete body, missing only the breastbone and some of the small bones of the hands and feet. The remains were skeletonized apart from a little greasy material attached to some of the bones.

As established from anthropology examination the person was male, young – aged between 15 and 20 – and measured from 172 to 188 cms in height. There were no particular identifying features.

He died from a gunshot injury to the head, the track of the bullet being from below upwards, passing first through the left side of the lower jaw before entering the base of the skull and exiting through the top. The relative lack of fracturing around the exit site indicated that the bullet had lost much of its energy before coming out of the skull.

There was a probable additional shot to the chest, fragmenting the middle of the left collarbone and the adjacent first rib, and there was a possibly associated fracture of one of the bones in the middle of the spine. The only other injury was a fracture of the upper end of the left thigh bone. This did not appear to be a gunshot injury, resembling more likely blunt force trauma, but whether this occurred before or after death was difficult to say.

There were no other significant findings.

CAUSE OF DEATH:

It is my determination that the cause of death in case number **GL05 015B** was:

Gunshot injury of head

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: 13.10.99

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A. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF REMAINS:

Largely complete body, with clothing, almost totally skeletonized with only a little pultaceous and muddy material still attached

B. CLOTHING:

- Front or back of a brown jersey, the edges tattered
- Blue trousers with leather belt, extensively tattered
- Pale blue shorts
- Shredded remnants of an unidentifiable garment

OTHER ITEMS:

None

C. <u>IDENTIFYING FEATURES</u>:

Sex:

From examination of soft tissues: Not possible

From anthropology details: Male

Age range (from anthropology data): 15 - 20

Build: Not possible

Height (cm):

From estimation of intact body: Not possible

From anthropology data: 180.4 +/- 7.7

Hair:

Head hair: Not possible Facial hair: Not possible

Teeth:

General description: Natural teeth in both jaws in good condition

Retained for dentist: No

Tattoos: Not possible

Scars: Not possible

Other features: None

D. <u>BODY PARTS MISSING</u>: See Anthropology Report

E. INJURIES:

i. Findings on fluoroscopy: Radiographer: Patricia Campbell

No metal fragments seen

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ii. Main injuries described:

Probably Probably Can't ante-mortem post mortem tell

Head and neck:

- Gunshot injury to head with the track passing through the lower jaw and base of the skull and exiting through the vault:
 - fragmentation of left side of mandible involving posterior part of body and lower part of ramus
 - irregular defect in left middle fossa involving the sphenoid bone, with fracture lines radiating backwards through mastoid and upwards through temporal bone, continuing backwards through parietal to midline, also running across base to right middle and posterior fossae
 - diagonal oval defect, 3 x 1.5cms, in right parietal bone close to midline, with pronounced external bevelling all round and only a single short fracture radiating backwards

Trunk:

- 2. Probable gunshot injury to chest producing:
 - fragmentation of middle third of left clavicle
 - fragmentation of anterior half of left 1st rib
- 3. Thoracic spine fracture of T9 through laminae

Limbs:

4. Left femur – comminuted fracture of upper third

F. INTERNAL TISSUES:

None

H. SAMPLES AND ITEMS RETAINED: SOCO: Ronnie Govender

Bullets/Shrapnel:

None

Anthropology:

Right clavicle Right 4th rib

DNA:

Right femur Tooth

Other:

None