



United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for
the former Yugoslavia

AUTOPSY REPORT
GLOGOVA GRAVE SITE

CASE NO: GL05 080B

AUTOPSY DATE: 15.10.99
MORTUARY: Visoko

SUMMARY:

A largely complete body apart from several of the wrist and hand bones and the lower legs which appeared to have been sheared off post mortem. There were, however, additional bones from the spine of another person or persons mixed in, plus a rib and a portion of skull. All the remains were totally skeletonized, with no soft tissue surviving.

As established from anthropology examination the person was male and aged between 18 and 29. There were no other particular identifying features.

He died most probably from a gunshot injury to the head, which had fragmented much of the skull and the top two bones in the spine. The bullet would appear to have entered low down at the back of the head and exited through the front part of the top.

There was a probable additional shot to the chest, fracturing three of the bones in the middle of the spine and a number of ribs on both sides, all of them at the back.

The only other significant injury was the already noted shearing off of both legs at the level of the lower thigh, almost certainly a post mortem injury from moving or otherwise cutting through the body. Of note was the fact that the exposed lower ends of the fractured bones showed burning, clearly indicative of damage occurring after death and after the legs had separated.

There were no other findings.

CAUSE OF DEATH:

It is my determination that the cause of death in case number **GL05 080B** was:
Gunshot injuries of head and chest

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: 19.10.99

A. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF REMAINS:

A largely complete body but missing the lower part of both legs from above the knees where they have clearly been severed. Completely skeletonized.

B. CLOTHING:

- Brown and orange zipped anorak
- Fawn sweatshirt, extensively tattered
- Upper part of blue denim jeans with heavy leather belt. Burning of lower edges.
- Blue and purple shorts with burning of lower edges
- Fawn underpants with burning of lower edges

OTHER ITEMS:

None

C. IDENTIFYING FEATURES:

Sex:

From examination of soft tissues: Not possible

From anthropology details: Male

Age range (from anthropology data): 18 - 29

Build: Not possible

Height (cm):

From estimation of intact body: Not possible

From anthropology data: Not possible

Hair:

Head hair: Not possible

Facial hair: Not possible

Teeth:

General description: Natural teeth in both jaws

Retained for dentist: No

Tattoos: Not possible

Scars: Not possible

Other features: None

D. BODY PARTS MISSING: See Anthropology Report

E. INJURIES:

- i. **Findings on fluoroscopy:**
No metal fragments seen

Radiographer: Patricia Campbell

ii. **Main injuries described:**

Probably <u>ante-mortem</u>	Probably <u>post mortem</u>	Can't <u>tell</u>
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Head and neck:

1. Possible gunshot injury of head causing extensive fracturing of anterior half and right side of skull, with additional linear fractures radiating upwards from region of foramen magnum, the probable entry site. Most of anterior half of skull missing, with area of bevelling at one edge in right parietal region. Bones of face and mandible intact. Fractures of atlas and axis through laminae.

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Trunk:

2. Ribs right – fractures of 6 and 7 at spine
3. Ribs left – fractures of 2, 3, 4 and 5 at angle with apparent defect in upper border of 2
4. Thoracic spine – fragmentation of right half of body and lamina of T6, and fractures of spinous process of T5 and right lamina of T7
5. Left scapula – horizontal defect in middle part of blade involving medial margin

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Limbs:

6. Right femur – transverse fracture of lower third with burning of exposed end but not of bone above
7. Left femur – transverse fracture of lower end with burning of exposed end but not of bone above

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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