# United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

# **AUTOPSY REPORT**

**GLOGOVA GRAVE SITE** 

**CASE NO:** GL05 107B **AUTOPSY DATE:** 20.10.99

**MORTUARY:** Visoko

#### SUMMARY:

A complete body but with an additional rib and two hands bones from another person also included. The remains were only partly skeletonized, a substantial amount of greasy material still being attached in places.

As established from anthropology examination the person was a young man aged between 17 and 29. who measured from 168 to 184 cms in height. The only additional identifying feature was a displaced and probably protruding tooth on the left side of his upper jaw.

He would appear to have died from a gunshot wound to the back of the chest, which had fractured two of the bones in the middle of the spine. No bullet fragments were seen but there was a very suggestive bullet hole in the overlying clothing.

There was extensive fracturing of the left side of the front of the skull, leaving a large central hole with fracture lines running from it. It was not clear what caused this. It was not typical of a gunshot injury and resembled more a blow from some heavy object, but whether this occurred before or after death is very difficult to say. The only other injury was an obviously post mortem fracture of the left side of his pelvis.

His clothing showed clear evidence of burning, particularly down the left side. Presumably it occurred after death.

There were no other significant findings.

#### **CAUSE OF DEATH:**

It is my determination that the cause of death in case number **GL05 107B** was:

**Gunshot injury to 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: 21.10.99

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# A. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF REMAINS:

Largely complete body, in clothing. Partly skeletonized but with substantial amount of greasy tissue still attached.

## **B. CLOTHING:**

- Grey sweatshirt with small round hole, 0.5 cm diameter, in centre of back to right of midline. Also burning down right side and a little on folds on left side of front.
- White T-shirt will small hole in back and burning of right sleeve corresponding to sweatshirt
- Light coloured denim jeans with extensive burning of right leg and front of left thigh. Heavy black leather belt attached.
- Blue shorts with burning of right side of front
- Brown underpants with small burning hole in centre of front
- Dark blue socks
- Brown leather boots

## **OTHER ITEMS**:

- Pair of wire rimmed spectacles with slightly tinted lenses
- Metal tobacco tin from trouser pocket
- Cream coloured disposable lighter showing burning of one surface

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

<u>Sex</u>:

From examination of soft tissues: Not possible

From anthropology details: Male

Age range (from anthropology data): 17 - 29

**Build:** Not possible

Height (cm):

From estimation of intact body: Not possible

From anthropology data: 175.8 +/- 7.7

Hair:

**Head hair:** Not possible **Facial hair:** Not possible

Teeth:

**General description:** Natural teeth in both jaws in generally good condition. Left upper 5

is displaced laterally beside 4.

Retained for dentist: No

**Tattoos:** Not possible

Scars: Not possible

Other features: None

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

## **E. INJURIES:**

i. **Findings on fluoroscopy:** Radiographer: Mark Viner

• No metal fragments seen

Main injuries described: ii. Probably Can't Probably ante-mortem post mortem tell

#### Head and Neck:

1. Skull – extensive comminuted fracture of left fronto-temporal region, leaving large defect at front with surrounding radiating fractures. One of these is stopping a fracture running upward from behind the left mastoid

#### Trunk:

- 2. Thoracic spine fracture of right half of bodies of T6 and 7, and fracture of adjacent right 6<sup>th</sup> rib at spine
- 3. Pelvis transverse fracture through middle of left side

# F. <u>INTERNAL TISSUES</u>:

None

H. <u>SAMPLES AND ITEMS RETAINED</u>: **SOCO:** Ronnie Govender

## **Bullets/Shrapnel:**

None

### **Anthropology**:

Right clavicle Right 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> ribs

#### DNA:

Right femur Tooth

#### Other:

None