Appendix 3

Comments of Experts on The Nature of Questioning at Hackney Police Station

1. Gudjonnson 14/10/91. P1493

"There may be even grounds to argue that some parts of the interviews were "oppressive" because of the manner of Officer B's interrogation. But this does not apply to the critical interviews."

2. Tunstall 16/6/1994. P1515

He "appears to me to have had no effective support during several hours of assertive questioning during which he was not infrequently belittled and told he was lying"

3. Thomas – Peter 20/4/91. P1535

He described Officer B's tactics as follows "He adopts a very dominant style in which control of the situation, personal intimidation (such as demanding eye contact) precipitating confusion, implying the existence of corroborating evidence, encouraging the individual to feel the interrogation will be enduring and persistent until capitulation is achieved and assaulting the interviewee's integrity, are all features."

4. Thomas – Peter 2/9/2002. P1559

After hearing the interview tapes. He said "....the tapes reveal, in very helpful detail, the intensity and relentless characteristic of B's enquiries. His inferences and beliefs are clearly revealed in his interpretation of everything Campbell says, much of which has alternative explanations, which B appears not to have explored. It seems likely that Campbell would struggle to provide reasonable accounts of himself in circumstances in which every comment was interpreted in this way.

5. Gudjonnson. 26/5/2003. At p1590 - 1

In interviews 4 - 5 B presents Oliver with two alternative scenarios (lookout or gunman). This is a highly manipulative and dangerous technique because he was presented with two alternatives, one much more attractive than the other, neither of which may apply to him

In interview 8 he "places great pressure on Oliver to confess to the murder".

6. At P1614

"The "off record" conversations with police is another area of concern, as well as the highly manipulative and relentless tactics pursued by B. Looking at the interviews as a whole there remains a question mark over whether Mr Campbell, significantly vulnerable suspect was treated fairly and properly by police".

7. Gudjonnson. 7/10/2021. At para 279.

The interviewing technique of B and G is "guilt presumptive, accusatory, confrontational, psychologically manipulative"

8. At para. 342

"The tactics used were guilt presumptive and psychologically manipulative and in my view were in breach of the spirit, if not the letter of PACE"

9. Beck. 30/4/2022. Lines 947 – 52

She agrees with point 5 in Gudjonnson 2003 report.

At line 2010 she describes his 2021 report as "very helpful and thorough".

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