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SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF RYAN DOWNING
71 BOSTON STREET, SOMERVILLE, MA
DOB: 7/30/78

1. On 7/24/95 at 1910 hours this officer interviewed Ryan Downing at the Somerville Police Department.

2. Ryan told me that he was at his home about 1930 hours with Joe Dion, Chris Ford, and Ed O'Brien. He brought some grocery bags into the kitchen and he did not believe they were in the house for more than ten minutes. He said that no one went into the cellar. He also said that Ed told him about the kitchen door knob being broken and Ryan said you must use the dead bolt to lock the door. Ryan said that the cellar door lock was difficult to open and that he never showed O'Brien how to open the cellar door. He believed he may have told his friends that the cellar door was difficult to open.

Ryan told me that the two towels in the dining room belonged to him and to Seth Dion. Seth had a green and white striped towel and he thought his towel was a yellow and white towel with a lion on same.

Ryan was unsure if he had locked the dead bolt on the rear door. He also said he last saw Ed walking towards his house at approximately 2000 hours after leaving his house.

At sometime around 2145 Ryan returned home and used his key to unlock the front door and he walked in and saw his mother on the dining room floor. He ran out of the house and over to Ed O'Brien's house for help.

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