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July 22, 1992Jose Maria de Paulo Correia
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Ref: EVANDRO RAMOS CAETANO

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your request, discussions have been held with FBI Laboratory personnel regarding the possibilities of conducting DNA analysis of evidence gathered in this case.

As you may be aware, the first determination to be made is whether or not the three items mentioned in your letter ie the bowl, knives and hammer contain human blood. However, without physically inspecting each of these items it is impossible to determine if the stains are in fact human and whether there is sufficient material for conducting the analysis.

The FBI Laboratory could conduct the necessary inspection and analysis of these items for determination if the stains have human origin; regrettably, the FBI Laboratory has not prepared appropriate protocol for establishing paternity. Nevertheless, private laboratories exist that could conduct all of the analysis. For the sake of maintaining the chain of evidence and limiting the number of links in this chain, FBI Laboratory experts are of the opinion that all examinations should be conducted by one laboratory.

We have contacted one of these private laboratories to determine approximately what would be the cost in conducting the requested analysis. We spoke with Jim Warner, President, Cellmark Diagnostics, 20271 Goldenrod Lane, Germantown, Maryland 20876, telephone # (301) 428-4980, FAX # (301) 428-4877. According to Mr. Warner, his laboratory can conduct the requested DNA Analysis at a cost of approximately \$3,000.00 including the preliminary serology examinations. He advised that he has conducted some work for clients in Brazil including the Police Laboratory in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Mr. Warner further stated that he has a correspondent medical doctor in Curitiba by the name of



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Rui Pilotto, Rua Padre Agostinho 666, Curitiba CEP 80430, telephone 041 223-4454, FAX # 041 224-0807. Mr. Warner advised that Dr. Pilotto is presently in the United States but is expected to return to Curitiba in a week or two.

Mr. Warner advised that depending on the available evidence, preliminary results could be realized within four to six weeks.

The above information is being furnished for your assistance/consideration and should not be taken as a recommendation for Cellmark Diagnostics.

We understand that Lifecodes Corporation, Saw Mill River Road, Valhalla, New York 10595 phone # (914) 784-2600 is another private laboratory, which you may wish to contact.

We would again like to express our regrets in not being able to assist you further in this matter. However, it is our understanding that appropriate protocol is being prepared for our laboratory to conduct in the not to distant future, DNA analysis regarding paternity issues arising out of criminal cases.

We wish you and your agency best of luck and God's speed in investigating this heinous crime.

Sincerely,

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