

STATEMENT OF SUSAN MARGARET SUTTON

Dunedin.

I am making this statement to Mr Colin Withnall about my involvement with former Detective Sergeant Milton Weir. This statement records what I have told Mr Withnall in interviews on 13 and 16 December 1999.

I first met Milton Weir in 1995 when Joyce Blondell asked me to perform a foursome with her and Doyle and Weir and myself at the Golden Fleece Hotel, Waikouaiti. After that first night, I saw Weir on a number of occasions. He sent me flowers after that first night and subsequently would visit me at my home or at work. Initially, there was no sexual relationship but after about 12 months we began having a sexual relationship. He would buy me presents, including a bracelet, and often talked about leaving his wife to live with me.

The main thing I want to talk about is his unstable nature. He was, what I call, abit 'flippy' by which I mean he had a very short fuse and would fly off the handle over virtually nothing at all, would rant and rave. He would have to take pills to get himself back under control. The pills would take about half an hour to work but he was quite frightening when this happened. Some particular occasions that I recall was one night he took me to a barbecue at a house at Waverley, the address of which I have not yet been able locate but I remember it because there two ornamental lions at the entrance to the drive. There were about 20 people present at this barbecue and in the bathroom in the house was a supply of cocaine there for people to use. During the night we were out by the barbecue and there was a cat which started rubbing up against Milton Weir's leg - Weir reacting by grabbing a barbecue tool and chopping the cat to death in an absolute frenzy. I was just horrified but other people there just laughed.

When he wanted to see me he would often insist on picking me up