



VERDICT AT CORONER'S INQUEST

File No.: 2005:0210:1025

An Inquest was held at Chief Coroners Court, in the municipality of Burnaby in the Province of British Columbia, on the following dates August 25 - 29 and September 2 - 5, 2008 before Liana Wright, Presiding Coroner, into the death of Kyle Andrew Tait, 16, Male, and the following findings were made:

Date and Time of Death: August 23rd, 2005 at 0246 hours

Place of Death: 6800 block Burns Street, Burnaby, BC

Medical Cause of Death

(1) Immediate Cause of Death: a) Cardiac Arrest due to loss of blood DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

Antecedent Cause if any: b) Gunshot wound to the torso DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

Giving rise to the immediate cause (a) above, stating underlying cause last. c)

(2) Other Significant Conditions Contributing to Death:

Classification of Death: Accidental, Homicide, Natural, Suicide, Undetermined

The above verdict certified by the Jury on the 5th day of September AD, 2008.

LIANA WRIGHT Presiding Coroner's Printed Name

Original Signed By Liana Wright Presiding Coroner's Signature



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### FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS A RESULT OF THE INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF

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TAIT

SURNAME

Kyle Andrew

GIVEN NAMES

*Pursuant to Section 38 of the Coroner's Act, the following recommendations are forwarded to the Chief Coroner of the Province of British Columbia for distribution to the appropriate agency:*

#### **JURY RECOMMENDATIONS:**

TO: Commanding Officer New Westminster Police Service  
Ministry of the Solicitor General of BC – Police Services Division  
Commanding Officer 'E' Division RCMP

We recommend the following:

1. Mandatory annual physical, sight and hearing testing for all law enforcement personnel in the province of BC.
2. Mandatory annual participation in stress and anger management workshops for all law enforcement personnel in the province of BC.
3. Annual review and update of Code 5 Takedowns, Use of Force and Pursuit Policies with annual retraining of all law enforcement personnel, including supervisory staff, on said policies.
4. Communication amongst relevant agencies during internal/external/criminal investigations of police personnel must be made at timely intervals not exceeding one month throughout the period of the investigation.
5. Police officers must be reassigned or suspended with pay immediately upon the initiation of any internal, external and/or criminal investigation involving lethal use of force or grievous bodily harm.
6. Mandatory psychological evaluations for all police personnel every 5 years as well as immediately upon initiation of any investigation involving lethal use of force or grievous bodily harm.
7. Review of patrol car on-board communication equipment as well as review and update of all communication procedures and policies.
8. Placement of dashboard video cameras in all police patrol vehicles.