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Supplement of Sgt Rod Timmerman. Crime Lab Unit. 5-16-04

On todays date at approx 1330 hrs, FS Cliff Johnson advised me that a homicide had occurred at 3300 Lyndale Av N and Crime Lab personnel would soon be requested to the scene after K-9 officers had cleared the area.

At approx 1345 hrs, dispatch contacted our office and advised that Sgts Mattson and Keefe were now requesting Car 21 to this scene. I arrived at this scene at approx 1405 hrs and was briefed by uniformed officers and by Sgt Keefe. ( I contacted Off Norris at approx 1430 hrs, he arrived at this scene at approx 1500 hrs.)

Color photos were taken showing various views of the victim on the floor of the main showroom area. The victim is laying supine, his head in a northerly direction, his feet in a southerly direction. I was advised that firefighters had attempted to revive the victim, his shirt had been cut off.

Photos show views of a hallway area east of the victim showing a large amount of BLS ("blood like substance") on the floor and spatter on the main showroom flower refrigerators north surface. It is believed the victim was dragged by firefighters from the small hallway to the main showroom to have a larger area to work on him.

Northeast of the victims head, a fired deformed bullet was marked by an officer with a blue MPD victim information card. The was also photographed.

On the east end of this hallway area, along the south wall is a shelving unit. A support beam appears to have been struck by a bullet. The track of this bullet is followed through an open door into the rear office type area where a bullet strike is observed on the west side of a filing cabinet. The east side of this cabinet has a bullet exit. The bullet then struck the east office wall, passed through and entered a cardboard box in the east / rear storage room. Photographs document these areas.

Photos show views of two separate greeting card displays. The main display is on the south wall of the main showroom area. A witness states the suspect may have touched cards on this display. It was determined that the scene will be secured until the witness is able to return to the scene to show investigators which items she believes the suspect may have touched.

The second card display is a revolving type rack east of the cash register counter. BLS is photographed on this rack.

A 2" X 3 1/2" "Happy Birthday" card in a plastic holder is photographed on the work table area in the main hallway. It was believed that the suspect picked this card up from the main cash register counter area and brought it back to this location.

This business is located on the northeast corner of 33rd Av N and Lyndale Av N. Photos show views looking east down the north 33rd Av sidewalk, the path the suspect is believed to have fled. Photos then show views north up the alley between Lyndale Av and 6th St N. Behind 3343 and 3345 6th St N, officers point out what appears to be disturbed dirt possibly caused by a vehicle tire spinning out in this area. Rubber marks on the east alley edge possibly caused by a spinning tire are also photographed in this area.

A video and a scene sketch were also prepared of this scene.

The front business door interior glass and handle is dusted for latents. No latents were developed on the handle area. Partial latents were developed on the glass. These were photographed and three separate lifts were made. These will be examined and an additional report will be entered at a later time.

The northeast business door that leads to the rear alley was found unlocked and ajar. Norris dusted the handles and lock with negative results.

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The bullet from the main showroom floor and the bullet recovered from the east storage room were collected as was the birthday card and plastic holder.

The birthday card was processed for latents. Ridge detail was developed but contained insufficient minutiae for comparison.

Sgt Keefe turned custody of "flower wrapping" paper/tissue that the suspect may have touched over to Timmerman. This item was used by dog handlers to attempt to track a possible suspect scent. This will be examined to determine if this material is suitable to process for latents.

All collected items will be property inventoried. Video will be retained in our files. Photos and sketch will be retained in our major case file.