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**INTEGRITY ASSESSMENT CENTRE  
ASSESSMENT REPORT:**



**Ms Michelle van der Merwe**

**ID number:** [REDACTED]

**Company:** N/A

**Status:** N/A

<b>Reference Number:</b>	GA31-A8977.20	<b>Annexure A</b>		
<b>Client:</b>	Forensics for Justice			
<b>Contact:</b>	Ms Ashley Brosnan (CFE)			
<b>Type of Assessment:</b>	Polygraph	WRAS	Profile Assessment	Verification
<b>Date of Assessment:</b>	10 June 2020			
<b>Purpose of Assessment:</b>	Specific: Verification of Statement			
<b>Admissions / Confessions:</b>	None			
<b>Result of Assessment:</b>	<b>No Deception Indicated</b>			
<b>Comments:</b>	It is the opinion of the polygraph examiner that Ms Van der Merwe <b>had been truthful</b> on her written statement.			

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## **MANDATE:**

The examination was administered on request of Ms Ashley Brosnan (CFE) on behalf of Forensics for Justice. The purpose of the examination was to verify Ms Van der Merwe's written statement pertaining to allegations made by herself.

## **CASE FACTS:**

Ms Ashley Brosnan (CFE) provided the following case facts in writing prior to the examination:

Ms Van der Merwe wrote a statement detailing allegations she had made against Mr Anthony Kilroy Beamish. The statement is attached as Annexure A. Ms Van der Merwe was requested to voluntarily undergo a polygraph examination in order to determine whether she had deliberately lied, or falsified any information, on her written statement.

## **FITNESS OF THE SUBJECT FOR A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION:**

There were no significant and visible physiological problems that could have had a negative influence on the responses of the examinee.

The polygraph examination process was explained to the examinee. The examinee was warned that agreeing to the examination when involved in the matter under investigation could have negative consequences.

The examinee agreed to the examination and signed a statement to the effect that the examination was being taken voluntarily. This statement is on record at our office.

## **PRE-EXAMINATION INTERVIEW:**

Ms Van der Merwe confirmed that she was aware of the reason for the examination. She read and confirmed that she was the author of the statement for which the examination was conducted. She confirmed the authenticity of the written statement and the veracity of the information included in the statement. She confirmed that she was aware of the fact that the interview and examination was recorded on audio and video and that the recording would be made available to the investigating team.

Ms Van der Merwe denied that she lied on the written statement or falsified any of the information as presented on the statement. She denied that she deliberately withheld relevant information or misrepresented any of the information as provided by her on the statement.

Ms Van der Merwe insisted that she was being completely truthful and that she was not withholding any information pertinent to the matter under investigation.

Ms Van der Merwe agreed to answer the questions as indicated below during the polygraph examination.

## EXAMINATION

Ms Van de Merwe was examined in accordance with the US Air Force Modified General Question Technique. It is generally accepted as a reliable question technique. An acquaintance test was conducted prior to the examination in keeping with the standards of practice of the American Polygraph Association and the Southern African Polygraph Federation.

The Limestone Computerised Polygraph System was used. The system records physiological responses using four channels and recorded the responses in the cardio-vascular system, skin activity and breathing patterns. Before the examination, a routine functionality check was performed on the equipment to ensure that it is in proper working order.

The examination was conducted in English. It was done in accordance with the prescribed code of conduct of the Southern African Polygraph Federation in keeping with internationally accepted standards.

The following relevant questions were asked:

1. Did you falsify any information on this statement? (No)
2. Did you lie on any part of this written statement? (No)
3. Is any of the information on this statement not true? (No)

Ms Van der Merwe answered the questions as indicated above.

Five charts were recorded during the examination.

## FINDING:

A careful review of the recorded physiological activity of the examinee took place subsequent to the completion of the tests. It is the opinion of this Institute that Ms Van der Merwe displayed **no indication of deception to any of the questions** indicated above.

In view of the case facts supplied, it is the opinion of the polygraph examiner that the examinee **had been truthful** when answering the questions indicated above.

**Assessment result: NO DECEPTION INDICATED**

## POST-EXAMINATION INTERVIEW:

Ms van der Merwe did not reveal anything during the post examination interview that would further assist in the investigation.

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