



MEDIA STATEMENT

CRIMINAL JUSTICE BRANCH

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OAK BAY HOMICIDES

VICTORIA – Yesterday the police attended at a residence in Oak Bay with respect to the death of five individuals. The police investigation into these deaths remains an active one and efforts are ongoing to locate and advise the next-of-kin of those who died.

The Criminal Justice Branch has received a large number of media enquiries seeking the details surrounding the deaths and the personal backgrounds of those involved. For the time being the Branch will be withholding any comments on this incident in order to avoid influencing the police investigation and out of respect for those family members who have been impacted by this tragedy.

While the police investigators continue their work to determine the identity of those who died and the circumstances of their death, senior police officers and officials with the Branch are examining the chain of events relating to this incident.

Once the investigation is complete and its findings are known, the police and Crown Counsel will be in a position to provide accurate information about this tragedy directly to the family members and to respond to media enquiries.

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