



MEDIA RELEASE

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STATEMENT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS LLOYD BABB SC

MATTER OF ATTWATER AND MARIS – DEATH OF LYNETTE DALEY

On 11 May 2016 I released a statement announcing that I was taking the unusual step of seeking advice from independent counsel prior to making my decision about whether this matter should proceed to trial.

I am now able to advise that I have made a decision in this matter.

I have decided - significantly assisted by advice from independent counsel - to proceed with a prosecution against Adrian Attwater for the offences of manslaughter and aggravated sexual intercourse without consent. I have also decided to proceed with a prosecution against Paul Maris for aggravated sexual intercourse without consent and accessory after the fact to manslaughter.

I acknowledge the distress this matter has brought to Ms Daley's family, and the concern it has caused the community.

The matter is now before the court and no further comment will be issued.