

Date: March 10, 1999
Investigation: Adnan Syed
Investigator: Andrew Davis
Interview With: Stephanie [REDACTED]

Narrative:

After several attempts on the telephone, PD Andrew Davis was able to conduct an interview with Stephanie [REDACTED] at her residence in the presence of her mother and father.

PD Davis was advised that Ms. [REDACTED] has known Adnan since second grade where they attended Woodbridge Elementary School together. Adnan and her became very close friends since high school.

Stephanie advised that Adnan "is one of my best friends."

Stephanie first met Hae Min Lee during her freshman year. Ms. [REDACTED] also advised that she was in several of Hae and Adnan's classes.

Adnan and Hae started dating in spring 1998.
They sat across from each other in English class.

Ms. [REDACTED] thought their relationship was somewhat odd as she described Hae as being "shallow". She also thought it was odd because of Adnan's religious beliefs. She did advise that they had a close relationship.

PD Davis was advised that Adnan's parents showed up at a dance in the Fall, possibly the Home Coming Dance, and took Adnan away from the location. She believes his parents were showing up in an attempt to find Adnan with a woman which is against their religion. This made Hae very uncomfortable. Adnan did return back to the dance after his parents left.

Ms. [REDACTED] advised that in November or December of 1998, Hae became somewhat strange. She advised that Hae had another boyfriend and Adnan was said to be upset because this was a surprise to him and he didn't see it coming. Hae and Adnan did terminate their dating before Christmas. Adnan really wanted to meet the guy that Hae was now dating. After Adnan met Don, Adnan was okay with their dating because he didn't feel as though Don was a threat to his manly hood. He felt as though Hae's choice in Don was a step down from him.

Ms. [REDACTED] advised that Adnan stated that he was happy that he and Hae had broken up so he wouldn't feel guilty about talking to other girls and hanging out with his friends.

Ms. [REDACTED] remembered when Adnan got his cell phone. She advised that Adnan was the only one who had ever phoned her from Adnan's cell phone. She spoke to Adnan just about every night. She stated that none of their cell phone conversations stick out in her mind.

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January 13, 1999 was a normal school day for Steph although it was her birthday. She remembered receiving balloons first thing in the morning. She could not remember anything out of the ordinary from first period. Second period was English class which she had with Hae and Adnan. She remembered Adnan bringing her a stuffed reindeer. Ms. [REDACTED] could not remember anything about Hae during second period. Lunch was at approximately 10:40 a.m. She believes Adnan was at lunch with her but she could not be certain. She further advised that Hae was very quiet at lunch.

At approximately 2:15 p.m., Stephanie left school to go to her car. She drove up the front of school, picked up her sister and then drove home arriving at 2:55 p.m. She went back to school and went on a bus to her basketball game which was at Parkville High School. She believes she got on the bus approximately 3:30-3:45 p.m. She did not remember any other involvement with Adnan that day.

Ms. [REDACTED] advised that Friday, January 15th, they had a big snowball fight at her house. The following persons were present: Adnan, Jeff [REDACTED], Janice, Justin, and a subject she knew as Lee. Ms. [REDACTED] was then advised by her mother that the snowball fight was possibly the following week. This was remembered because on Thursday the 14th into early the 15th, the power was out due to a power failure.

PD Davis asked Ms. [REDACTED] if she attended a party in Randallstown on Friday the 15th. She advised that she did attend Krista's birthday party with Adnan. PD Davis asked if anyone else went with her and then for the first time she brought up the name of Jay Wilds who was her boyfriend. Ms. [REDACTED] downplayed Jay's relationship with Adnan. She advised that Adnan was not any different on Friday night, January 15th than he was any other time and Adnan had not mentioned Hae's disappearance. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that Aisha Pittman first mentioned that Hae was missing on Wednesday or Thursday of the following week. Ms. [REDACTED] did not realize Hae was missing until Wednesday of the following week. She was advised that Hae had run away.

Ms. [REDACTED] said something to Adnan when she first heard about Hae's disappearance. Adnan's response was that he had heard that Hae had run away. Ms. [REDACTED] was quick to point out that none of Hae's best friends were initially worried about Hae's disappearance. She advised that Hae's best friends were Debbie [REDACTED] and Aisha [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that a lot of time elapsed before anyone did anything about her disappearance.

The police found Hae's body on February 9, 1999. Ms. [REDACTED] remembered asking if Adnan knew. She tried to call him on his cell phone at which time he returned her call. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that her and Adnan went to Aisha's house where Hae's brother called and said that they found Hae's body. As soon as Adnan heard this information, Ms. [REDACTED] advised that "we called Detective O'Shea." Adnan wanted to call the detective because he didn't believe it was true about her being deceased. Adnan was crying. Krista and Adnan then attempted to get a hold of Detective O'Shea and left him a message though they did not receive a return phone call from him.

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During the entire time Ms. [REDACTED] knew Adnan, she advised that he never got upset or mad about anything nor showed any physical display of anger.

Ms. [REDACTED] had never heard any information in school about Adnan being responsible for murdering Hae until the police charged him. Again, she stated that she never saw any changes in Adnan.

PD Davis then asked Ms. [REDACTED] when she first spoke to Jay on January 13th and she stated it was after 11:30 that night.

PD Davis then asked if she knew a subject named Phil or Melanie who were Jay's friends. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that both Phil and Melanie live in Frederick and Phil was Hispanic.

PD Davis asked Ms. [REDACTED] if she could provide PD Davis with Jay's new address. She advised it was off of [REDACTED] although she did not know the address. PD Davis was assured by Ms. [REDACTED] and her parents that he would be provided with Jay's current address so PD Davis could conduct an interview.

During the end of the interview, Jay and Phil arrived at Ms. [REDACTED] house. Her parents did not allow him in and he was asked to return later. It came out during the interview that Ms. [REDACTED] had advised Jay that PD Davis was coming over to conduct an interview with her.

Ms. [REDACTED] then advised PD Davis that Jay did have firsthand knowledge about Adnan's involvement in this case although she would not go into any detail. Jay did tell Ms. [REDACTED] that Adnan was responsible for murdering Hae Min Lee. Ms. [REDACTED] was also advised by Jay that Adnan had threatened her through him. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that she did not believe that Adnan would ever threaten her but she believed that her boyfriend of many years, Jay, was an honest person.