

7th April 2011 – message from Stefano Conti to the Judges of the Court:

For the kind attention of the illustrious Mr. President Dr. Hellmann and the illustrious Mr. advisor Dr. Zanetti

We kindly request the illustrious Mr. President the authorization for the handing over of the following documentation that should be in the court records:

- CD of the electropherograms
- CD RAW DATA (data relating to the electrophoresis run generated by the automatic sequencer)
- All the records, in all phases, of the depositions of Dr. Stefanoni and of the technical consultants for the parties (CTP), including the documentation deposited (considerations and notes, including any CDs that there may be).
- CD of video, photo, sequester report, methods of collection, conservation and transport to the Scientific Police laboratories relating to the seizure of the knife in Sollecito's home, including the transcripts of the depositions in all their phases.

If the data, even partially, is not found in the court records or not received and/or not submitted, kindly, taking into account the complexity of the evaluation, given that they are an integral part of the analysis carried out on the two exhibits and given their importance in being able to fully respond to the task required of us, we request that they are made available for collection at the laboratories of the Scientific Police, through an official communication.

Thank-you for your kind attention,

On behalf of the assessors,
(Professor Stefano Conti)

11th April 2011 – hand-written note added by Judge Hellmann to the letter above:

With this, I authorize the handing over of the documentation listed above, where not already submitted in the court records of the trial and I authorize the handover at the premises of the laboratories of the Scientific Police.

President Hellmann.

14th April 2011 – message from Maria Centorrino, the registrar of the Penal Section of the Appeal Court of Perugia, to the Procura di Perugia:

The following is kindly requested of you as soon as possible:

- CD of the electropherograms filed by Dr. Stefanoni on 8th October 2008 requested during the preliminary hearing of 4th October 2008 relating to exhibits 165/B (bra clasp) and 36/B (knife)
- Sample data information relating to the electropherogram runs and any CDs with sequester report on methods of collection conservation and transport relating to the collection of the knife in Sollecito's house that took place on 6th November 2007.

This request has been authorized by the President of the Appeal Court of Perugia Dr. Claudio Hellmann Pratallo which is attached.

14th April 2011 – message from Maria Centorrino, the registrar of the Penal Section of the Appeal Court of Perugia, to Dr. Stefanoni:

We kindly request the delivery to this registrar of the CD RAW DATA (records of the electropherograms run generated by the automatic sequencer) as presented by the President of the Appeal court of Perugia following the request of the authorized experts which is attached.

20th April 2011 – message from Dr. Stefanoni to Judge Hellmann:

On 7th April 2011 the expert assessors, as signed by Professor Stefano CONTI, you received a request to authorize the handing over of technical documents relating to the findings on the subject of forensic analysis performed by yours truly and documented in the report dated 12th June 2008.

The request that you received (which I attach for ease of reference), authorizes the expert assessors for this acquisition, even in the case of documents not produced at that time and so not available in the court records.

Among the documents requested, that which specifically interests the technical activities performed at the laboratories of this office, are found to be the following:

- CD of the electropherograms;
- CD RAW DATA (data relating to the electropherogram runs generated by the automatic sequencer).

In relation to the request to receive the CD containing a collection of DNA profiles (in the form of electropherograms), we wish to inform that a copy has already been submitted to the court records on 25th September 2008 to the preliminary trial of Dr. Paolo Micheli of the Tribunal of Perugia and all the electropherograms relating to the genetic profiles extrapolated from the technical analysis were collated in a separate attachment from the main body of report.

In relation to the request to receive the CD RAW DATA, we are obliged to report that the information in the form of files present in the sequencer are never an integral part of the technical report, in that the evaluation by the forensic scientist, and therefore the DNA profile, is already represented by the printed electropherogram, attached to the technical report on which all the usable data for an evaluation of a genetic profile.

In addition it should be remembered that the files contained in the sequencer named "Sample File.fsa" contain sub-folders named "Info", "Raw Data" and "EPT Data", that don't permit any kind of human intervention to modify and/or add data, and therefore, their viewing, does not contribute in providing additional elements for the evaluation of the genetic data.

Finally, we would inform that the request made by the expert assessors relating to the handover of the CD RAW DATA is incomplete in that the name of the "sample file" requested has not been specified, without which it's not possible to precisely identify the documentation being requested for handover.

Remaining at your disposal for any clarification on the matter, with best regards,

Technical Consultant,

Dr. Patrizia Stefanoni.

20th April 2011 – handwritten note from Judge Hellmann to Dr. Stefanoni:

Dear Dr. Stefanoni,

I received your note dated 20 April and take note of its content. I ask you however, to please kindly confer with the official experts on this matter, to whom copies of your and my responses have contemporaneously been sent, delivering directly to them that which they deem useful to acquire for the purpose of completing the review, subject to clarification of the perplexity expressed by yourself.

Thank you and cordial greetings,

The
Claudio Pratillo Hellmann

President