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His Worship the Mayor,
Chairman Board of Police Commissioner,
SASKATOON, Sask.

Dear Sir:

Re: Claim for Reward - David Milgaard

Pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Police Commissioners in February 1969 an offer of \$2,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the murder of Gail Olena Miller, 20 years, 130 Avenue O South, Saskatoon, whose body was found in the lane of the 200 Block, Avenue N South, at 8:40 a.m., Friday, January 31, 1969, was made. Conditions of payment of the reward money also provided that the Board of Police Commissioners "shall be the sole arbiter as to whom this reward shall be paid and in what proportion, should there be more than one claimant".

Following upon the offer of reward, David Milgaard was arrested and duly convicted of the murder of the victim. As a consequence of the offer three applications have been received from persons who gave certain information to the authorities. Photocopies of the claim of each person are attached hereto.

After studying the applications and certain interviews with the agent of the Attorney General, T. D. R. Caldwell, Esq., the person responsible for the prosecution and conviction of Milgaard, it appears that the applicant Albert Cadrain of 334 Avenue O South on March 2nd, 1969 attended at the City Police Station and voluntarily offered

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Cash 2,000
Cheque to Det. Keno
who will give it to
Cahain & co.*

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information which gave the Police the first concrete lead in connection with Milgaard's involvement in the crime of murder and which lead to search and capture of Milgaard. Cadrain also gave material evidence in the case against Milgaard. In the opinion of Mr. Caldwell, which is shared by the writer, the information given by Cadrain was of such paramount significance that, without it, the case could still conceivably be under investigation. Cadrain's information was first in time and focused all Police activities thereafter in the search for and arrest of Milgaard.

Accordingly, although other information was subsequently received, it is the writer's opinion that the full amount of the award should be paid to Albert Cadrain of 334 Avenue O South, Saskatoon. However, in the interest of protecting this person from any retaliation on his person in connection with his giving of this information and his participation throughout, I strongly recommend that his name not be made public.

Yours truly,

CITY SOLICITOR.

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