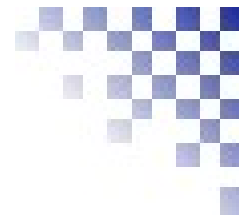




QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE



SERIOUS ASSAULTS, ABDUCTION AND RAPE of a 19 Year Old MALE PERSON

\$250,000 REWARD

REWARD: The Minister for Police and Corrective Services has approved a reward of \$250,000 be offered for information which leads to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the serious assaults, rape and abduction of a 19 year old male person at Townsville on 21 May 1999.

INDEMNITY FROM PROSECUTION: In addition, an appropriate indemnity from prosecution will be recommended for any accomplice, not being the person who actually committed the crime, who first gives such information.

The allocation of the \$250,000 reward will be at the sole discretion of the Commissioner of the Police Service.\

CIRCUMSTANCES: At about 8.30 pm on Friday 21 May 1999, a 19 year old male person was abducted from the Ogden Street Carpark, Townsville, where he had gone to park a vehicle during the course of his employment as a concierge at the Centra Hotel, Flinders Mall. He was driven to a location approximately 4 km from Townsville, on Hervey's Range Road, where he was subjected to a number of serious assaults, including beatings and burns to all parts of his body. On the last occasion, he was held down whilst his pants were removed and repeatedly sodomised. He was left partly naked and in an unconscious state until located by passers-by, who notified the QAS. He was conveyed to Townsville General Hospital and treated for his injuries.

Any member of the public with information which could assist Police is asked to contact:

- the Criminal Investigation Branch, Townsville, Phone (07) 4759 9711
- any Police Station; or
- Crime Stoppers, Phone 1800 333 000.

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