



**PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
AT THE COURT OF JUSTICE IN PERUGIA**

**Notification of the conclusion of preliminary investigations
Art. 415 –bis p.p.c.**

The Public Prosecutors, Dr. Giuliano MIGNINI and Dr. Manuela COMODI ,
having considered the findings related to the above-mentioned proceedings, started on
06.11.2007, against :

KNOX Amanda Marie, born in Seattle (Washington – U.S.A.) on 09.07.1987,
domiciled in Perugia - Via della Pergola n.7, defended by the private counsels Luciano
Ghirga, of the Court of Perugia, and Carlo Dalla Vedova, of the Court of Rome, at
present detained at the “Casa Circondariale” of Perugia – Capanne, and legally
domiciled at Mr. Ghirga's Office;

SOLLECITO Raffaele, born in Bari on 26.03.1984, legally domiciled in
Giovinazzo (BA) - Via Solferino n. 4, domiciled in Perugia - Corso Garibaldi n.4,
defended by the private counsels Giulia Bongiorno, of the Court of Rome, and Luca
Maori, of the Court of Perugia, at present detained at the “Casa Circondariale” of
Terni;

GUEDE Rudi Hermann, born in Agou (Ivory Coast), on 25.12.1986, resident
in Lecco, via Galileo Galilei, domiciled in Perugia, Via del Canerino n.26, named “The
Baron”, defended by the counsels Walter Biscotti (at whose office R.H.Guede is
legally domiciled), and Nicodemo Gentile, both of the Court of Perugia, at present
detained at the “Casa Circondariale” of Perugia.

The above-mentioned persons have been submitted to preliminary investigations:

The three of them, as for the crime provided for in articles 110, 575 -576, first paragraph n.5) in relation to the crime sub C), and 577, first paragraph n.4) in relation to art. 61 n.1) p.c. and 61 n.5) p.c. , for having murdered, all together, Kercher Meredith (elsewhere identified) through strangulation and consequent fracture of the hyoid bone, and also through a deep wound in the front-lateral left part and lateral right part of her neck, caused by a pointed cutting weapon (see point B), so provoking a shock from metahaemorrhage with a considerable asphyxia consequent on bleeding (as a result of the wounds by a pointed cutting weapon found in the front-lateral left part and lateral right part of the neck, and of the contextual abundant inhalation of blood). The three persons, taking advantage of night-time as well as of the isolated position of the apartment situated in Via della Pergola n.7, rented by M. Kercher and A. Knox, and also by two other Italian girls, Romanelli Filomena and Mezzetti Laura (elsewhere identified), committed the crime for silly reasons, while Rudi Guede, helped by the others, committed the crime of rape.

B) Amanda Knox and Raffaele Sollecito, as for the crime provided for in articles 110 p.c. and 41 n.110/75, for having , together, taken out of Sollecito's house, without any justified reason, a big pointed cutting knife - totally 31 cm long - (seized from R. Sollecito on 06.11.2007; rep. n.36).

C) The three of them, as for the crime provided for in articles 110 and 609 bis and ter n. 2) p.c., since Rudi Guede, with the help of Raffaele Sollecito and Amanda Knox, forced Meredith Kercher to undergo sexual acts, with manual and/or genital penetration, by using violence and threats, so as to produce injuries, in particular to her upper and lower limbs (marks of ecchymosis on the front-lateral part of the left thigh, lesions in the vulva vestibule, and an ecchymosis area on the front third medius part of the right leg), and also by using the knife as mentioned in point B).

D) The three of them, as for the crime provided for in articles 110, 624 - 625 n. 5) p.c., since, all together, in order to obtain an unfair profit, in the place and time as mentioned in points A) and C), they took possession of about 300,00 Euros, two credit cards (Abbey Bank and Nationwide, both issued in the U.K.), and two mobile phones, all items belonging to Meredith and taken away from her by the three persons.

E) Raffaele Sollecito and Amanda Knox, as for the crime provided for in articles 110, 367 and 61 n.2), p.c., for having simulated, together, an attempted burglary in the bedroom of the apartment situated in Via della Pergola n. 7, and occupied by Romanelli Filomena, breaking the window with a stone taken outside the house and then left in the same room near the window. The two persons did this in order to gain impunity for the crimes of murder and rape, trying to place the responsibility on alleged unknown persons supposed to have entered the apartment with this aim.

All these facts happened in Perugia, during the night from the 1st to the 2nd of November, 2007.

F) Amanda Knox, as for the crime provided for in articles 81 c.p.v. and 368, second paragraph and 61 n. 2) p.c., since, through different actions intended to carry

out the same criminal plan, she falsely charged Diya Lumumba, named "Patrick" (elsewhere identified), though she knew that he was innocent, of having murdered the young Meredith Kercher. She made these false statements on 6.11.2007 at the Criminal Police Division and at the Public Prosecutor's Office of Perugia, with the purpose of gaining impunity for her and for the other two persons, and in particular for Guede Rudi Hermann, he himself a black man like Lumumba.

The fact happened in Perugia during the night from the 5th to the 6th of November, 2007.

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On account of the crime notice communicated to our Office, of the investigations carried out, and of all documentation acquired, we deem that the facts are such that, under these circumstances, the case cannot be dismissed.

THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS INFORM

- all the above-named persons under investigation;
- all the counsels for the defense: Luciano Ghirga, of the Court of Perugia, and Carlo Dalla Vedova, of the Court of Rome, for Amanda Knox; Giulia Bongiorno, of the Court of Rome, and Luca Maori, of the Court of Perugia, for Raffaele Sollecito; Walter Biscotti and Nicodemo Gentile, both of the Court of Perugia, for Rudi Hermann Guede;

that the preliminary investigations are concluded, and that all related documentation will be available at our Court Registry so that all the investigated persons and their lawyers can consult them and take copies.

THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS WARN

The persons under investigation that , within twenty days from this notification, they will be allowed to :

- A. submit defense statements
- B. submit further documentation
- C. deposit documents concerning the investigation activity carried out by the lawyers
- D. request further investigations from the Public Prosecutor

- E. appear to make further statements
- F. request to be submitted to questioning;

THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS INVITE

The persons under investigation :

- if they wish to accomplish any of the above points, to deliver or file all further documentation to our Court Registry, so that the Public Prosecutor will be able to take the consequent decisions at the right time.

If any of the persons under investigation wishes to be submitted to further questioning (as in point F), the present document has also the value of :

- notice of investigation related to the above mentioned crime,
- invitation to appoint a private counsel, as well as to give an address for service, under the obligation to communicate any change of address. If the above requirements are not fulfilled, or if an unfit or incomplete address is given, all following notifications will be executed in the place where the notification has been issued. If the notification as laid down in the second paragraph of art.161 p.c. is not possible, it will be forwarded to the private counsels, according to the fourth paragraph of art. 161 p.c. .

THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS WARN

The persons under investigation and their lawyers that all documents concerning the authorized wire-tapping (art.268, paragraphs IV, V and VI p.c) are available at the Court Registry, and that they have the right to examine any documents, and listen to any recording, or inspect any electronic communication.

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The notification of the present document is entrusted to

- J.P. Officers of the Criminal Division of the Police Headquarters of Perugia, who have been in charge of preliminary investigations.

The same document is sent to the Court Registry for the necessary fulfilments.

Perugia, 18.06.2008

Dr. Giuliano Mignini

Dr. Manuela Comodi

THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS

The present translation into English from the original Italian version of the document issued by the Public Prosecutor's Office of Perugia on 18.06.2008 has been made by Aida Colantone, official Interpreter and Translator at the Police Headquarters of Perugia.

Signature of Translator

Aida Colantone

QUESTURA DI PERUGIA
DIVISIONE POLIZIA ANTICRIMINE
Squadra Mobile

Il sottoscritto Ufficiale/Agente di P. G. appartenente alla Divisione Polizia Anticrimine, Ufficio Squadra Mobile della Questura di Perugia, ha notificato il presente atto mediante consegna di copia nelle mani di

KNOX Amanda Marie, nata a Seattle (U.S.A.) il 9/7/1987

in *Casa Circondario Capanne (PG)*
il *19.6.2008* alle ore *13:40*

Amanda Knox

SOSTITUTO COMMISSARIO

Fabio Tridano

