

Witness Name: William Nash

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THE NOTTINGHAM INQUIRY

FIRST WITNESS STATEMENT OF PC WILLIAM NASH

I, William Nash, will say as follows: -

Introduction

1. I am a police constable within the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) and have been since July 2013. At the time of this incident my role was as an authorised firearms officer within Parliamentary and Diplomatic Protection (PaDP), which was a role I undertook between March 2020 and November 2022. Before moving to that role my experience in the police was within local policing in emergency response, neighbourhood and public protection roles. I am currently working within a missing persons unit within local policing.
2. This statement is made to assist the Nottingham Inquiry (the "Inquiry") with matters set out in the Rule 9 request dated 1 July 2025 (the "Request").

Background

3. I have been asked to set out detail of an incident on the 31st May 2021 when I had an interaction with Valdo Calocane outside of MI5 Headquarters, Thames House, 12 Millbank, London, SW1P 4QP.
4. Due to the fact this brief incident took place over four years ago, I did not have a clear recollection of the events, so I have viewed the body worn video (BWV) footage of this incident prior to the writing of this statement in order to refresh my memory.
5. Prior to 31 May 2021 I had no personal knowledge or previous interactions with Valdo Calocane. I understand that the Inquiry Review Support Command (IRSC) have made checks upon request for evidence having been received from the Inquiry, for any interactions or knowledge of Valdo Calocane throughout the MPS prior to 31 May 2021 and that there are no other records that pre-dated this incident.

Events of 31 May 2021

6. The MPS received information about Mr Calocane from staff at Thames House at 17:15hrs on the 31st May 2021. This was recorded on the computer aided despatch (CAD) system under the reference number: 5109/31MAY21. I exhibit a copy of the incident report as METF0000001.
7. I was first alerted to the incident when this CAD was circulated on the PaDP radio channel for units to be aware of the incident and to attend the location. This was

within several minutes of the information being reported to police. At this stage the information provided to me via the radio channel operator was a brief summary of what had passed through from Thames House. I was informed that a male was ringing the doorbell to Thames House and was stating that he wanted to be arrested. This was accompanied by a description of the male as a black male, aged between 35 to 40 years old, approximately 5ft 10 in height with short hair, a beard and glasses. He was described as being dressed all in black. The information passed from Thames House to the police did not allege the male had committed any offences.

8. I arrived at Thames House, 12 Millbank, London SW1P 4QP at around 17:21hrs. The time on the body worn video (BWV) shows 16:21hrs, which I presume is incorrect, perhaps reflecting the change between British Summer Time and Greenwich Mean Time, as the times shown on the CAD of 17:21hrs was in fact the correct time. I was on duty in full uniform carrying firearms and travelling as a passenger in a marked police van with several other armed police officers, including PC Foster. The call sign for this van was Ranger 500, shown as Rx500 on the CAD. On our arrival, the van stopped on Horseferry Road, just prior to the junction with Millbank, with Thames House on our right-hand side when facing towards the River Thames.

9. A male who I now know to be Valdo Calocane, was stood on the pavement leaning against a bollard with his back towards Thames House, a few metres in front of our van. Once the van had stopped, PC Foster and I exited the van, I left my firearm inside of the van due to the nature of the information given on the CAD not giving rise for the need to carry a firearm and to provide more flexibility to deal with what

may present itself. I walked around the rear of the van, onto the pavement, whilst PC Foster walked around the front, also onto the pavement.

10. I greeted Valdo Calocane saying, "Hello mate, are you alright? How are you doing?"

Valdo Calocane replied, "I am okay, how are you doing?" PC Foster replied that he was doing well and proceeded to ask Valdo Calocane if it was correct that he had been walking around the building and trying to ring the doorbell. PC Foster also asked Valdo Calocane to take his hands out of his pockets, which Valdo Calocane cooperated with whilst appearing calm and relaxed, still leaning against the bollard. Valdo Calocane replied to the effect that he rang the bell as he wanted to speak to a staff member but that he had been told that it was a bank holiday and to come back another day.

11. I did not ask Valdo Calocane whether or why he had said he wanted to be arrested.

PC Foster spoke to him about why he was there. My role was to conduct checks on him to see if he was known to or wanted by police. I asked Valdo Calocane if he had any form of identification on his person, in order for me to verify his identity. Mr Calocane checked his pockets and produced several cards from his inside jacket pocket. One of these was a photocard driving licence, which Mr Calocane handed to me. I recorded some of the details from the driving licence in my pocket notebook and stepped away slightly to conduct some checks, whilst PC Foster continued to engage with Valdo Calocane.

12. I transmitted on my radio, calling for the operator on the PaDP radio channel. The operator replied and I asked, "Can I get a name check please for the gent stopped

outside Thames House?" This was to request a check of the Police National Computer (PNC), to check if Valdo Calocane was shown as wanted or missing and if there was any additional information or warning signals in relation to him. I then provided the following information for Valdo Calocane to the radio operator, "a double-barrelled surname of MENDES CALOCANE, first name of VALDO, date of birth 04/09/1991, male, non-white". I then clarified some of these details to the radio operator, due to some poor radio transmission.

13. I then asked Valdo Calocane if he had ever been arrested or in trouble with the police, to help clarify whether his name was likely to return a match on the PNC. Valdo Calocane replied, "No not really." I then asked him to clarify, "No not really or?" Valdo Calocane then answered, "I have been arrested once." Due to this I was then expecting to get a result on the check. I then asked Valdo Calocane, "Is the address on your driving licence your current address in Birmingham?" Valdo Calocane replied, "No." I then asked Valdo Calocane, "What is your current address please sir?", to which he supplied me with the following address; 48 Salisbury Street, Nottingham, NG7 2BE. I then asked Valdo Calocane, "Can I get a contact number for you, is that alright?" Valdo Calocane then provided me with a telephone number;

VC phone number 3

14. I wrote these details down in my notebook to allow me to create the subsequent report after leaving the scene. This can clearly be seen on my BWV. I have checked and have been unable to locate this original pocket notebook. All of the details that I wrote down in relation to this incident were taken from the driving licence and from the PNC checks, there was no other information available to me that I wrote down at the time.

15. After this I was contacted by the radio operator, who stated that she had a probable match for Valdo Calocane under the details of; Valdo Calocane, D.o.b: 04/09/1991 born in Guineau Bissau. The operator stated that he was known, but not wanted and had no warning signals. The check provided a last known address of 7 Brook Court, Player Street, Nottingham. I was told by the operator that he had only been arrested a couple of times and one impending prosecution (ie. ongoing) from when he was arrested on the "24th May". The year from this arrest was not given by the operator at the time and I therefore assumed it was 2021, however the radio operator later confirmed the actual date of the arrest for which the matter was ongoing, was 2020. I do not believe I was given details of what offence any of these matters related to. The PNC check conducted on the street was to provide a summary of the available relevant information. In this case the PNC check was conducted to assess whether Valdo Calocane was wanted for an arrestable offence, whether there was any warning information in relation to him, whether he had any bail conditions in place that he may be in breach of, or anything else that the PNC operator may have seen that was obviously relevant to the situation/location.

16. I am not aware of the specific policy or procedures of what information should be provided when a PNC check is conducted over the radio. Whilst in my experience it is not routine to be provided with the details for all previous arrests/convictions, it would be expected that anything of a very serious or relevant nature would be mentioned by the operator.

17. Given that the detail of Valdo Calocane's previous arrest was not given and in light of how he was acting during our interaction, I would not have asked for further details on the past arrest as I did not believe this was information I needed in order to effectively deal with the situation.
18. I then clarified the results of the check over the radio and the radio operator informed me that there was no relevant information returned from counter terrorism checks conducted on Valdo Calocane. I had not specifically requested counter terrorism checks and it would appear from reviewing the CAD at time entry 17:25hrs, that this request was made of SO15 (MPS counter terrorism command) by the PaDP Ranger channel.
19. I then walked back towards PC Foster, who was still engaging with Valdo Calocane and relayed the results of the PNC and counter terrorism checks to PC Foster. I was satisfied that there were no concerns or further actions required. I then said to Valdo Calocane, "Are you waiting for an uber is that right?", to which he replied "it is here" and then walked down Horseferry Road away from the junction with Millbank. PC Foster and I then entered our van, where I updated the radio operator, who requested a Crimint intelligence report in relation to the incident be created.
20. After I had left the scene of the incident our van returned to the police station where I was based and I completed the Crimint report. This report included a summary of the incident and personal details for Valdo Calocane. The reference number for this report is: PDRT00085779 and I exhibit a copy of this report as: METF0000002.

21. The report reference number was added to the CAD record of the incident, so that the two reports were cross-referenced. In addition to this I saved the footage that I had recorded of the incident on my BWV camera onto evidence.com.
22. Whilst at the scene I made some notes in my pocket notebook of some details from Valdo Calocane's driving licence and some of the information provided over the radio when the checks were conducted. These details were recorded on the Crimint also.
23. In acting as I did during my interaction with Valdo Calocane, the policies, procedures, protocols and guidance that affected my actions were those that are standardly used in policing. The range of policies, powers and procedures available to the police are very broad, but primarily for this incident I considered my police powers under the Police and Criminal Evidence (PACE) Act 1984 namely whether I had any suspicion that an arrestable offence had been committed. I also considered whether there was any reason to detain any person for a search under PACE or the Terrorism Act 2000 or to detain any person under the Mental Health Act 1983.
24. The initial information passed to me on the CAD was that the male was requesting to be arrested, however there were no offences alleged on the CAD and none were apparent when I arrived and engaged with Valdo Calocane. I conducted a check of the PNC and Valdo Calocane was not circulated as wanted for any prior offences, so therefore he was not arrestable at that time.
25. Valdo Calocane was calm, compliant and provided coherent responses to all questions put to him by myself and PC Foster, so did not appear to me to be in any

need of immediate physical or mental health treatment. I had no reason to believe at that time Valdo Calocane presented a risk to himself, officers, members of public or to Thames House and its occupants.

26. After I conducted appropriate checks, Valdo Calocane left the location in an Uber that he had booked prior to police arrival, so there was no immediate likelihood of any further issues at that location. My encounter with Valdo Calocane was recorded on BWV and the incident recorded on the Crimint system as required by policy. I exhibit my BWV as WITN0003002.

Referral to the Fixated Threat Assessment Centre

27. I understand that the Crimint report was subsequently reviewed by the Fixated Threat Assessment Centre (FTAC), however I had no direct involvement in the referral of the incident to FTAC.

28. After the completion of the Crimint report, I had no further dealings with this matter and was not involved in the sharing of any related information to any other organisations, agencies or individuals.

Comment on incident handling

29. I do not believe there were any failings in the way with which this incident was dealt with by me or PC Foster. I cannot comment on what action was taken after I had completed the Crimint as I have no knowledge of that.

30. I do not believe that there were any opportunities that were missed in relation to my handling of this incident that would have reduced the risk or prevented the later attacks committed by Valdo Calocane.

31. I do not believe there were any issues with how PC Foster and I dealt with this incident, so do not consider there to be any structural issues that need to be remedied in relation to this. The creation, implementation and review of police policies, procedures, methodology, training etc is not something that I am familiar with or responsible for as part of my job role.

32. Regarding the incident detailed above, where I had a brief interaction with Valdo Calocane, I do not have any recommendations as to how this incident could have been dealt with differently.

Statement of Truth

I believe the content of this statement to be true. I understand that proceedings may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief of its truth.

Signed: **GRO-B**

Dated: 03 OCTOBER 2025

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Inquiry URN</u>	<u>Document Description</u>
1	METF0000001	CAD report pf call to police from Thames House staff
2	METF0000002	Crimint Intelligence Report, dated 31 May 2021
3	WITN0003002	PC William Nash Body Worn Video recording of CAD 5103/31MAY21