

## **COMMUNIQUE**

### **In the matter of:- OB 7665/2013 CUREPIPE involving minor Miss M. born in 2003**

On 11 December 2013 one Jacques Jocelyn Veerassamy, aged 51 years, received a fatal stab wound to his heart. The said stab wound was dealt at his back.

The police enquiry reveals that the attack was perpetrated by a minor female barely aged 10 years at the time. The female minor has explained the circumstances leading to the attack, the manner in which the attack took place and also the reason for the attack.

At the request of this Office, the minor female was examined by a panel of psychiatrists and psychologists in view of determining whether she had the legal and requisite 'discernment' at the time of the attack as per section 44 of the Criminal Code. The psychiatrists and psychologists have given their conclusions in 2 reports which have been included in the police file.

After considering the evidence as disclosed by the enquiry and taking into consideration the opinions of the expert psychiatrists and psychologists, this Office has come to the conclusion that it would be in the public interest to hold a Judicial Enquiry into the present matter before the District Court of Upper Plaine Wilhems.

This Office has today advised the Commissioner of Police accordingly.

**Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions**

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