

INTERIM PSYCHIATRIC REPORT

ON

MAURICE JOHN KIRK

DATE OF BIRTH: 12.3.45

Home Address:

**Marlpits,
St. Donats,
Llantwit Major,
CF61 1ZB.**

CHARGES:

**Possession of a firearm (Lewis Machine Gun) x 1
Sold or transferred a firearm (Lewis Machine Gun) x1**

Report prepared by

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I am recognised under Section 12 of the Mental Health Act as having special experience in the assessment and treatment of mental disorder. I am a Fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

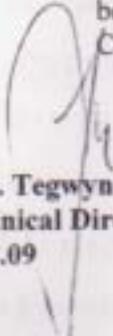
1. This report is prepared at the request of Cardiff Crown Court.
2. In preparing this report I have had access to:
 - a. the documents involved in the case
 - b. Maurice Kirk's in-mate medical record held at HMP Cardiff where he is currently on remand.
 - c. Letter from Maurice Kirk dated 22nd July 2009 (copy attached) addressed to HM Shrink Inc, Cardiff, South Wales.
 - d. I have reviewed Maurice Kirk's website at length.
3. I attempted to interview Maurice Kirk on 23rd July 2009. I had previously contacted him on two separate occasions via prison staff at which he confirmed his willingness to see me. He attended to see me accompanied by a prison advocate, but then refused to be interviewed.
4. I have discussed the case with Dr. Craddock, Consultant Psychiatrist and Dr. Jones, Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist who have had previous dealings with Mr. Kirk.

BACKGROUND

5. I am aware (in general terms) that Maurice Kirk has been giving increasing causes of concern. He is involved in protracted and complex litigation concerning the South Wales Police in which he alleges deep-seated and wide ranging corruption; the details are unclear to me. He has also landed a private plane in the vicinity of President Bush's ranch in Texas and attempted to deliver a letter to High Grove House.
6. I understand that it is alleged that Maurice Kirk was in possession of a machine gun in the time leading up to his arrest.
7. Maurice Kirk is currently on hunger strike within HMP Cardiff in a response to his perceived persecution by the "system".
8. I understand that Maurice Kirk is representing himself in court, but refused to attend his last court appearance.

IMPRESSION

9. The situation surrounding Maurice Kirk appears to be becoming increasingly bizarre and the account contained on his website suggests attempts to rationalise and minimise his behaviour and presents him as a victim of persecution. The explanation for this is unclear. One hypothesis would be that this is a function of mental disorder; either mental illness or personality disorder or, an alternative hypothesis would be that he has been treated unfairly and his behaviour is a legitimate response to this. In view of the increasingly bizarre nature of his behaviour and content of his letters, I believe the former is the most likely explanation.
10. I am certainly not convinced of Maurice Kirk's capacity to make a decision to end his life by starvation in that I am unclear whether or not he has the ability to weigh the evidence of his perceived persecution objectively.
11. Without the opportunity to interview Maurice Kirk, this assessment is of course limited. To enable the court to be accurately informed as to Maurice Kirk's mental state, the presence or absence of any mental disorder and the risk he may pose to the community, a period of in-patient hospital treatment is required which would include:
 - a. Twenty-four hour nursing observations.
 - b. Serial assessments of his mental state by interview, if possible, by observation if Maurice Kirk refuses to co-operate.
 - c. Collateral history from family and friends.
 - d. Psychological testing of Maurice Kirk's personality and/or cognitive function.
 - e. Neuro-psychiatric assessment including appropriate imaging.
12. Should the court wish to pursue a period of in-patient hospital assessment, I would recommend that it consider making an Order under the terms of Section 35 of the Mental Health Act 1983 and I am happy to confirm that a bed is currently available under my care at the Caswell Clinic should the Court wish to make such an Order.



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