

Victoria is this year scheduled to open a A\$20m (\$15m, £11m), 40-cell addition to Barwon's isolation facilities. When it was announced in 2014, Corrections Victoria described it as a "major boost" that would "build on the prison system's capacity to manage an increasingly complex prisoner population, including outlaw motorcycle gang members, underworld figures and violent prisoners."

"Bring it on, we need the jobs," said local councillor Tony Ansett, calling it a "good news story". But the focus on isolation at Barwon and other prisons such as the Goulburn supermax in NSW is at odds with the findings of a seminal Australian inquiry into prisons.

Established in 1977 in the wake of riots and allegations of institutionalised brutality in NSW prisons, the Nagle Royal Commission sparked numerous reforms, including the closure of Australia's first supermax, the Katingal unit inside Sydney's Long Bay prison.

Originally sold as a humane alternative to the rule of the baton in the state's older stone-walled punishment blocks where "intractable" prisoners were sent, Katingal was a high-tech panopticon, an "electronic zoo", where inmates were found to have been subject to profoundly destabilising, aggravating isolation.

Justice John Nagle concluded that not only were ultra-controlled, escape-proof prisons inhumane and enormously expensive, they also produced an alumni of individuals more embittered and deranged than when they entered. These "so-called escape free prisons", Justice Nagle wrote, offered the community "false security".

Professor Kinner of Griffith University said it was no surprise that long-term prisoners like Pecotic failed to adapt to society after their release. "That's one of the fundamental issues with the notion of incarceration: we deprive

"Then we send them out into a community where they're probably extremely disadvantaged. They have lots of challenges, and we tell them to make all their decisions correctly or we'll lock them up again. Doesn't sound very clever when you put it that way, does it?"

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5. Since 3 December 2016, the defendant is permitted to mix with one other prisoner. They have access to 2 different exercise yards from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm, alternating between the 2 yards. One yard is the boxing yard with basic equipment, and the other yard has basic fittings including a table, and toilet. Following the incident on 9 December 2016, when the defendant was fighting with another prisoner who appeared to be the aggressor, the defendant was temporarily stopped from mixing with the other prisoner.
6. The defendant has had no incidents reported since 9 December 2016.
7. The defendant has the rear door of his cell open to his small exercise yard opened from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm each day. He is enrolled in Small Business, English, and Computer studies.

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I WOULD THEN RECEIVE A LETTER FROM THE VICTORIAN CURRICULUM AND ASSESMENT AUTHORITY ON MY **"PRIMARY SCHOOL MORAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION PROJECT."**

AS I HAD WROTE AWAY TO THEM SENDING THEM A COPY OD A DISC WITH ALL MY MATERIALS ON IT, FOR THEIR ASSESMENT, IN INTRODUCING THIS INTO ALL THE STATES EDUCATION CURRICULUM, AS **MAIN STAY EDUCATIONAL READING TO ALL YOUNG KIDS.**

²⁷ BBC REPORT.

²⁸ Brendan Mooneys 22nd March 2017 Affidavit.

THIS MATERIALS, **GOOD FINDS GOOD**, WITH (12) SUBJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THIS PORT FOLIO. **BAD FINDS BAD**, HAD (18) SUBJECTS IN THIS FILE, **ALL INTRISICALLY LINKED TO EACH.**

FOR THE EXCEPTION OF TWO TOPICS, BEING THE EXPOSURE TOPORN/ RELATED BEHAVIOUS.

THIS MATERIALS, I HAD SPENT UNTOLD HOURS ON, FORMULATING THIS, IN ORDER FOR IT TO PASS AND MEET ALL MY ARM CHAIR CRITICS. **WHO AM I TO TEACH THE YOUNG!**

WELL WHO IS BETTER QUALIFIED THEN THOSE WHO KNOW THE WRONGS THEY DONE AS KIDS!

I HAD ACTUALLY **BASED MY WORK, ON THE COURT SYSTEM. TO BE MADE AWARE OF THE OUTCOME AND CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR ACTIONS.** TO KNOW OF THE OUTCOMES (IF) YOU ENGAGE IN SUCH BAD CONDUCT. **WHAT LIES AHEAD. TAUGHT US! YET THIS METHOD WAS REJECTED. AND NOT SEEN AS, COMPATIBLE TO WHAT THEY SEEK TO TEACH THE KIDS. MY VIEW WAS, THEY NEEDED TO KNOW CONSEQUENCES.** THERE ARE MANY WHO WOULD AGREE TO THIS PRINCIPAL TOO. **YET ARE NOT IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT! JUST LOOK AT THE SCHOOLS THEY ARE IN CRISSIS WITH THE. "OUT OF CONTROL MINORS. THAT WAS THE WHOLE POINT!**

I WOULD NOW GO ON TO ENGAGE IN OTHER SUICIDE ATEMPTS BEING MADE, THEIR INTENSITY AND FREQUENCY NOW BECOMING FAR GREATER THEN BEFORE. READ MEDICAL REPORTS.

TO: The General Manager, H.M. Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Prisoner Christopher BINSE CRN 43517, threats to self-harm
DATE: 6th January 2016

Sir,

On Wednesday the 6th of January 2016, I was rostered for duty [REDACTED] Melaleuca HSU.

At approximately 1300hrs, prisoner Christopher BINSE handed staff a letter addressed to the [REDACTED]. This letter was then handed to me by PO [REDACTED]. The letter was informing the [REDACTED] that in the event he (BINSE) takes his own life, this was because he was unable to present his plea submissions to the Supreme Court by the due date of the 15th of January 2016. I have attached a copy of the letter to this report for your perusal.

I immediately attended yard 1 and spoke to BINSE. It is to be noted, the legal documents BINSE is referring to are stored on his computer, which was seized on the 5th of January 2016 as the result of the discovery of a USB & 32g SD memory card that day. BINSE stated to me it was important for him to retrieve the documents for his plea submission, and for them to be sent to the Supreme Court by the due date as "there is no way I'm going to do 14yrs or I will kill myself, these are drastic measures and I'm prepared to do it". [REDACTED] I asked BINSE if he could guarantee his own safety at this point in time, which he replied "yes, but only up until the 15th of January".

I then informed the [REDACTED] of the letter and my conversation with BINSE.

I submit this report for your information.

[REDACTED]

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TO: General Manager HMP Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Prisoner BINSE C 43517
DATE: Tuesday, 2 February 2016

On Tuesday, 2 February 2016, I was rostered [REDACTED]

At approximately 15:50 hours whilst escorting R/N [REDACTED] around for the evening medications in Melaleuca HSU. Prisoner BINSE C 43517 yelled out to the R/N when we entered the LOP area of the unit. R/N [REDACTED] spoke to BINSE through the cell window and BINSE stated to her that he could not guarantee his own safety when he is this state of mind. BINSE face was smeared with faeces.

R/N [REDACTED] contacted the Psych Nurse who assessed BINSE as S2 30/60 observations.

[REDACTED] informed.

I submit this report for your information.



HMP Barwon

ACCOUNT BY PRISONER:

What were you doing at the time?

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Were you injured?

YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES:

What was the cause of the injury?

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Did anyone contribute to the cause of the injury?

YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, Give Name/s:.....

.....

SIGNATURE OF PRISONER:

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & INVESTIGATION BY DISCIPLINARY OFFICER:

Chris was seen by a Psyche Nurse in realltion to this incident. He was also spoken to by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and presented unstable and placed on S2 30/60 observations. This included canvas gown and bedding

INCIDENT/INJURY/INVESTIGATION REPORT FORM

11 FEB 2016

SECTION 1 : INCIDENT DETAILS

(TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISOR)

INCIDENT TYPE: ATT.THREAT.SELF.HARM REFERENCE NO:2016-02/46

INCIDENT CLASS: REPORTABLE ☒ NOTIFIABLE ☐

NAME OF PRISON: BARWON

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: ACACIA HIGH SECURITY UNIT

TIME OF INCIDENT: 11:35 DATE OF INCIDENT: 10/2/2016

VICTIM/OFFENDER:

Family Name: BINSE C.R.N: 43517 V.R.N:

Given Name/s: Christopher

NAME OF ANY OTHER PRISONERS / PERSONS INVOLVED

Name: CRN / VRN:

Name: CRN / VRN:

Name: CRN / VRN:

WITNESSES:

Name: [REDACTED] Contact Details: Barwon Report : YES ☒ NO ☐

Name: PO [REDACTED] Contact Details: Barwon Report : YES ☒ NO ☐

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: (include circumstances, injuries, weapons, damage to prison property)

Chris arrived from Melaleuca on Feb 9 2016 into cell 24 Unit 4 Acacia on hourly observations and S2 rated. On Feb 10 2016 Chris did not present well at the MOU panel and was spoken to by [REDACTED]. After discussions he alleged he had attempted attempt suicide overnight and again in the morning. He was then supervised until he was seen by a Psyche Nurse. No physical marks could be seen on Chris confirm this allegation.

Use of Force Incident: YES ☐ NO ☒ (If Yes, incident class is notifiable)

INITIAL ACTION TAKEN: (include requirements such as transfer or protection)

Seen by a Psyche Nurse and placed on 15/60 obs and S1 rating. Prisoner moved to cell 22 Acacia Unit 4 and placed on constant observations.

REPORTING OFFICER

NAME: [REDACTED]

SIGNATURE: [REDACTED] DATE: 10/2/2016

TO: General Manager H.M Prison Barwon

FROM: [REDACTED]

RE: Prisoner BINSE 43517

DATE: 10 February 2016

On Wednesday 10th February 2016, I was on duty [REDACTED] hours

At approximately 11:15 hours myself and PO [REDACTED] were instructed to take the canvas mattress out of cell 24 which housed Prisoner Binse CRN 43517, and replace with a normal mattress. Upon entering Cell 24 I was overpowered by a smell of human excrement. PO [REDACTED] and myself moved the canvas mattress and found the underside to have a message written on it with faeces. We put the canvas mattress in yellow biohazard bags and removed from cell. [REDACTED] informed.

I submit this report for your information

[REDACTED]
H.M Prison Barwon

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The General Manager H.M Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Prisoner Binse 43517.
DATE: Wednesday 10th February 2016

On Wednesday 10th February 2016, I was rostered on duty as [REDACTED]

At approximately [REDACTED] whilst escorting prisoner Binse CRN 43517 to the visitor centre to speak with MOU as per his request he informed me that he needed a new mattress as it was dirty and that I would need a set of gloves to move it. I then said to Binse not a problem, unit staff will replace it whilst he is seeing the MOU panel.

PO [REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] and myself then went to cell 24 where prisoner Binse was housed, we were immediately hit with the pungent smell of faeces, we immediately then placed the mattress in 2 x yellow hazardous material bags and placed the mattress to the rear of Acacia. I noticed that the mattress had been facing down on the bed frame with faeces facing downwards.

At approximately [REDACTED] then asked me if unit staff had seen prisoner Binse's mattress, I then informed him that we had bagged it up and taken it out of the unit.

[REDACTED] and myself then went out of the unit to inspect the mattress further and seen the following written in faeces; **Attention Coroner investigate all docs in cell left at Melaleuca unit 4 locker appendice material docs all calls made 6th – 9th Feb 2016 MOU KILLS.**

Note – Please see attached photos.

Prisoner Binse was then seen by Psych nurse [REDACTED] and deemed S1 with constant observations in place.

I submit this report for your information and action.

[REDACTED]
Acacia HSU
HMP Barwon

MEMORANDUM

TO: The General Manager HMP Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Prisoner Binse CRN 43517 Cell search
DATE: Wednesday, 10 February 2016

Sir,

I was rostered as [REDACTED] asked me to do a quick search of cell 24, on doing so I found some paper work with the words locate written with faeces on one page, there were other pages with other marks on them also done with faeces.

I showed these pages to [REDACTED] they were photographed and the put into a seizure bag.

I submit this report for your information.

[REDACTED]
Acacia HSU
HMP Barwon

CRN: 43517 Person Id: 534090730 BINSE CHRISTOPHER DEAN

INCIDENT DETAILS

Entered Date	10 FEB 16	Entered Time	14:10:07
Date of Incident	10 FEB 16	Time of Incident	11:35:00
Nominal Location	BARWON ACACIA LOPS	Specific Location	CELL 24 UNIT 4
Incident Type	ATT.THREAT.SELF.HARM	Incident Class	REPORTABLE
Reporting Officer	[REDACTED]	Action Decision	FINALISED

COMMENTS

CHRIS ARRIVED FROM MELALEUCA ON FEB 9 2016 INTO CELL 24 UNIT 4 ACACIA ON HOURLY OBSERVATIONS AND S2 RATED. ON FEB 10 2016 CHRIS DID NOT PRESENT WELL AT THE MOU PANEL AND WAS SPOKEN TO BY [REDACTED]. AFTER DISCUSSIONS HE ALLEGED HE HAD ATTEMPTED ATTEMPT SUICIDE OVERNIGHT AND AGAIN IN THE MORNING. HE WAS THEN SUPERVISED UNTIL HE WAS SEEN BY A PSYCHE NURSE. NO PHYSICAL MARKS COULD BE SEEN ON CHRIS CONFIRM THIS ALLEGATION.

ACTION TAKEN

SEEN BY A PSYCHE NURSE AND PLACED ON 15/60 OBS AND S1 RATING. PRISONER MOVED TO CELL 22 ACACIA UNIT 4 AND PLACED ON CONSTANT OBSERAVATIONS. SEEN BY [REDACTED] REPORTS WRITTEN.

INCIDENT TYPE: ATTEMPTED SUICIDE. L2A REFERENCE NO:2016 - 05/11

INCIDENT CLASS: REPORTABLE ☒ NOTIFIABLE ☐

NAME OF PRISON: BARWON PRISON

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: MELALEUCA UNIT

TIME OF INCIDENT: 0810HRS DATE OF INCIDENT: 3/5/2016

VICTIM/OFFENDER:

Family Name: BINSE C.R.N: 43517 V.R.N:

Given Name/s: Christopher

NAME OF ANY OTHER PRISONERS / PERSONS INVOLVED

Name: NIL

CRN / VRN:

Name:

CRN / VRN:

Name:

CRN / VRN:

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WITNESSES:

Name: PO [REDACTED] Contact Details: 52 208222 Report : YES ☒ NO ☐

Name: PO [REDACTED] Contact Details: 52 208222 Report : YES ☒ NO ☐

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: (include circumstances, injuries, weapons, damage to prison property)

During routine prisoner requests in Unit 2 Melaleuca, PO [REDACTED] & nurse [REDACTED] attended Cell 21 for requests and medications. This cell is occupied by prisoner BINSE. On opening the cell door, PO [REDACTED] & PO [REDACTED] noticed BINSE was unconscious on his bed, with a large amount of blood on the cell floor. As BINSE was unresponsive, PO [REDACTED] called a code Black. Staff and the nurse immediately rendered first aid.

Use of Force Incident: YES ☐ NO ☒ (If Yes, incident class is notifiable)

INITIAL ACTION TAKEN: (include requirements such as transfer or protection)

Code Black called. Incident log commenced. Binse treated by medical staff & later seen by Doctor. Report written. Binse later placed in Obs Cell on 15/60 Obs *ASSIGNED BY PSYCH*

REPORTING OFFICER

NAME: Sup McLennan [REDACTED]

SIGNATURE: [REDACTED] DATE: 3/5/2016

SECTION 2 : MEDICAL REPORT

(TO BE COMPLETED BY TREATING OFFICER)

If no medical officer available, details of injury & initial treatment to be completed by treating staff member.

DID MEDICAL STAFF ATTEND? YES ☒ NO ☐

TIME OF ATTENDANCE: 0810 DATE OF ATTENDANCE: 3/5/2016

DETAILS OF INJURY:

Self Inflicted Incisions to both arms

DETAILS OF INITIAL TREATMENT:

Assessed, cleaned and dressed by RN Mackley and Hough

NAME: [REDACTED]

SIGNATURE: [REDACTED] TIME: 1300hrs DATE: 3/5/2016

Referred to local police by prison: YES ☐ NO ☒ Location:

Referred to police via 000: YES ☐ NO ☐ 000 Reference Number:

Police Officer's Name:

Rank: No:

Time of Referral:

Evidence Taken: YES ☐ NO ☐

Date of Referral:

If Item Seized, Register Number: 045/267954

Photographs Taken:

YES ☒ NO ☐ CCTV footage available and retained: YES ☒ NO ☐

Date Taken: 3-May-16

Taken By: SPO McKiernan

TO: General Manager
FROM: P.O [REDACTED]
RE: Binse 43517
DATE: Tuesday 3rd of May 2016

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Sir,

On Tuesday 3rd of May 2016, I was rostered for duty in Melaleuca High Security Unit.

At approximately 0810 hrs, I entered Unit 2 with PO [REDACTED] and Nurse [REDACTED] for requests.

During this process I opened Cell 21. This Cell is occupied by prisoner Binse. I noticed blood on the floor and prisoner Binse lying unresponsive on the bed with blood over him, I called out to nurse [REDACTED] and immediately called a code black.

I remained with Nurse [REDACTED] and provided medical assistance until further response arrived.

I submit this report for your information and action.

MEMORANDUM

TO: The General Manager, H.M. Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: BINSE CRN 43517
DATE: 2nd February 2016

Sir,
On Tuesday the 3rd of May 2016 I was rostered for duty [REDACTED] Melaleuca High Security Unit.

At approximately 0810hrs, PO [REDACTED] & PO [REDACTED] entered Unit 2 for the purpose of conducting prisoner's daily requests. I also noticed Nurse [REDACTED] enter Unit 2 with PO's [REDACTED]

Shortly after entering unit 2, I heard PO [REDACTED] announce over the radio network "Code Black Cell 21". This was then announced by [REDACTED] over the main prison radio channel [REDACTED]

I immediately attended Unit 2 and saw PO [REDACTED] & PO [REDACTED] in Cell 21 with Nurse [REDACTED]. These staff were attending to cuts on the inner right and left arms of prisoner Chris BINSE CRN 43517. I then announced again over [REDACTED] "Code Black Melaleuca, Unit 2, Cell 21". I noticed a large amount of blood on the cell floor, bin area, and a message written on the cell wall in blood which read "MOU Kills". I also noticed a razor blade sitting on the edge of the hand basin which had blood on it. I then commenced a log of events as per incident response requirements.

Shortly after, other medical staff & [REDACTED] arrived. I briefed these staff on arrival of what had occurred. It became evident BINSE would at some stage be occupying the unit Observation Cell, whether he attended hospital for treatment or not. As this observation cell was occupied, I made arrangements for the prisoner occupying this cell to be moved to another cell. This was completed and sometime later, BINSE was escorted by staff and secured in the Observation Cell on 15/60 Obs.

I submit this report for your information.

[REDACTED]
Melaleuca HSU
H. M. Prison Barwon

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INCIDENT DETAILS

Entered Date	03 MAY 16	Entered Time	13:28:17
Date of Incident	03 MAY 16	Time of Incident	08:10:00
Nominal Location	BARWON MELALEUCA Mgmt	Specific Location	CELL 21, UNIT
Incident Type	ATT.SUICIDE.L2A	Incident Class	REPORTABLE
Reporting Officer	[REDACTED]	Action Decision	PENDING

COMMENTS

DURING ROUTINE PRISONER REQUESTS IN UNIT 2 MELALEUCA, PO [REDACTED] & NURSE [REDACTED] ATTENDED CELL 21 FOR REQUESTS AND MEDICATIONS. THIS CELL IS OCCUPIED BY PRISONER BINSE. ON OPENING THE CELL DOOR, PO [REDACTED] & PO [REDACTED] NOTICED BINSE WAS UNCONSCIOUS ON HIS BED, WITH A LARGE AMOUNT OF BLOOD ON THE CELL FLOOR. AS BINSE WAS UNRESPONSIVE, PO [REDACTED] CALLED A CODE BLACK. STAFF AND THE NURSE IMMEDIATELY RENDERED FIRST AID.

ACTION TAKEN

CODE BLACK CALLED. INCIDENT RESPONSE INITIATED. BINSE TREATED ON SCENE, THEN LATER AGAIN BY THE DOCTOR. REPORT WRITTEN. BINSE TRANSFERRED TO OBS CELL ON 15/60 OBS

CRN: 43517 Person Id: 534090730 BINSE CHRISTOPHER DEAN

INCIDENT DETAILS

Entered Date	05 MAY 16	Entered Time	23:44:46
Date of Incident	05 MAY 16	Time of Incident	20:30:00
Nominal Location	BARWON MELALEUCA Obs	Specific Location	OBS CELL
Incident Type	ATT.THREAT.SELF.HARM	Incident Class	REPORTABLE
Reporting Officer	[REDACTED]	Action Decision	FINALISED

COMMENTS

PRISONER BINSE IS CURRENTLY ON 15 MINUTE OBSERVATIONS IN AN OBSERVATION CELL IN MELALEUCA. STAFF OBSERVED BINSE RAPPING SOMETHING AROUND HIS NECK. BINSE TIED TWISTED TOILET PAPER AROUND HIS NECK AND ATTEMPTED TO HANG HIMSELF. THE TOILET PAPER BROKE BOTH TIMES. STAFF KEPT BINSE ON CONSTANT OBSERVATIONS UNTIL THE [REDACTED] ATTENDED. BINSE MADE STATEMENTS SUCH AS YOU CUNT, YOU RUSHED ME. BINSE MADE ANOTHER ROPE OUT OF TOILET PAPER AND THEN FLUSHED IT DOWN THE TOILET.

ACTION TAKEN

[REDACTED] ATTENDED AND [REDACTED] ATTEMPTED TO NEGOTIATE WITH BINSE. EVENTUALLY BINSE PASSED ALL THE TOILET PAPER OUT OF THE CELL AND UNCOVERED HIS CELL CAMERA. [REDACTED] NOTIFIED

TO: General Manager H.M. Prison Barwon
FROM: PO [REDACTED]
RE: Binse 43517
DATE: 05/05/2016

I was rostered on as [REDACTED] Melaleuca HSU on Thursday 5th of May 2016.

At approximately [REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] noticed Binse Crn43517 who was currently on 15/60 obs in the Melaleuca OBS cell of unit 4 rapping something around his neck.

PO [REDACTED] kept a constant observation of Binse while I attended the OBS cell.

It was unclear at first what the rope had been made from until it broke. Binse had made a rope from toilet paper and was rapping it around his neck in attempt on his life.

I kept engaging Binse while PO [REDACTED] radioed [REDACTED] to attend Melaleuca.

This rope of paper broke and Binse then attempted to flush it down the toilet. Binse made statements such as "You cunt, you rushed me" "its not strong enough", but would not converse very much with me.

[REDACTED] attended the unit with [REDACTED] at approximately [REDACTED] all relevant information was given to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] PO N [REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] attended the Melaleuca unit.

At approximately 2045 Binse began an attempt to make another rope from toilet paper even though the supervisors and I tried to negotiate with Binse not to do so.

An action plan was discussed between officers at this time, while PO [REDACTED] kept trying to converse with Binse. This rope also broke and Binse flushed it down the toilet.

At approximately [REDACTED] Binse exchange a roll of toilet paper for a cup of tea.

[REDACTED] left the unit at approximately [REDACTED]

At [REDACTED] while conducting a Obs of Binse, Binse made the statement This may be check mate, but it's still my move".

At approximately [REDACTED] Binse used the intercom to converse with me [REDACTED] and made statements to many to mention regarding his reasons for making an attempt on his life.

I submit this report for your information

[REDACTED]
Prison Officer
Melaleuca HSU

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On Thursday 5th May, I was rostered on [REDACTED]

At approximately [REDACTED] I looked up and observed the camera to the OBS cell and witnessed Prisoner BINSE 43517 wrap a length of what looked like canvas around his neck while sitting back against the wall on his bed. Po [REDACTED] immediately attended the cell and tried to talk BINSE down from what he was about to attempt and at this moment realising that it was toilet paper he had wrapped around his neck once it broke. BINSE ignored Po [REDACTED] and proceeded to flush the paper rope down the toilet. Binse then stuck toilet paper to the window of the cell to obstruct the view from Po [REDACTED]

I contacted [REDACTED] to attend the unit while watching this on the camera and reporting what I was watching. BINSE then proceeded to rip off four long pieces of toilet paper and fold them into thirds.

At approximately [REDACTED] attended the unit with [REDACTED] and all relevant information was passed on from myself and PO [REDACTED] From here BINSE started to plat the toilet paper together to make a stronger rope. This is the last thing I saw him do before he covered the camera in his cell.

At Approximately [REDACTED] attended the unit and I passed all relevant information onto him, PO [REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] PO [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] also attended the unit shortly after.

At [REDACTED] Prisoner BINSE unblocked the camera to his cell and passed the roll of toilet paper through the trap to staff and was given a cup of tea to calm down.

At approximately [REDACTED] all staff were off station and reports written

I submit this report for your information.

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TO: General Manager HM Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Christopher Binse CRN 43517 att.threat.self.harm
DATE: 05.05.2016

On the above date I was rostered as [REDACTED]

At approximately 2030 hrs we attended Melaleuca unit due to staff reporting that prisoner Binse is threatening to self harm with toilet paper by wrapping it around his neck.

Upon arriving to the unit I observed prisoner Binse in observation cell unrolling toilet paper sheets and twisting them making the rope out of them.

Prisoner Binse then sat on his bed and wrapped makeshift rope around his neck trying to tie it harder. Prisoner was breathing heavily.

I was constantly trying to engage with prisoner Binse trying to talk him in to surrendering the makeshift rope.

At one point I said to prisoner Binse "You made your point now, lets stop with this nonsense, if you are trying to send a message to authorities you did it, I have to create an incident now, so you may as well stop with this." Prisoner Binse then looked at me and removed paper ligature from his neck tearing it to small pieces which he then flushed in toilet refusing to pass them through the trap stating "I am not giving you evidence".

I submit this report for your information.

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TO: The General Manager, HM Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Binse 43517
DATE: 5th May 2016

I was rostered on as [REDACTED] on this day. At approximately 20:40 I attended Melaleuca Unit at the request of [REDACTED]. When I arrived, prisoner Binse 43517 was attempting to fashion a noose out of lengths of toilet paper.

The staff were encouraging BINSE 43517 to hand it over. He eventually flushed it down the toilet.

I conferred with [REDACTED] and I then phoned the on call Psych Nurse, [REDACTED]. I explained the events as I knew them to [REDACTED]. She then informed me she had spoken at length, for over half an hour with BINSE 43517, and he was refusing any sort of treatment, and was not willing to see the Psych Doctor. As Binse 43517 was already on S1, she was confident that we were managing the risk in the best possible way. She felt that her attendance on this occasion would not achieve anything. I relayed this information on to [REDACTED].

I submit this report for your consideration.

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: CELL 25 MELALEUCA UNIT

TIME OF INCIDENT: 08:35HRS DATE OF INCIDENT: 27/7/2016

VICTIM/OFFENDER:

Family Name: BINSE C.R.N: 43517 V.R.N:

Given Name/s: Christopher

NAME OF ANY OTHER PRISONERS / PERSONS INVOLVED

Name: NIL

CRN / VRN:

Name:

CRN / VRN:

Name:

CRN / VRN:

WITNESSES:

Name: [REDACTED]

Contact Details: [REDACTED]

Report : YES ☒ NO ☐

Name: [REDACTED]

Contact Details: [REDACTED]

Report : YES ☒ NO ☒

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: (include circumstances, injuries, weapons, damage to prison property)

During morning requests, [REDACTED] opened the door to Cell 25 (Binse) and noticed writing on the cell walls. On closer inspection, the writings appeared to be in the form of ramblings about isolation, suicide notes & inquiries into recent news events in the Northern Territory regarding a royal commission into mistreatment of young inmates. [REDACTED] immediately informed [REDACTED] who attended, briefly spoke to Binse and secured him in the unit 3 Yard. Binse was later assessed by the local psych nurse and placed on 15/60 Obs in the unit Obs cell. During routine strip search on entry to the Obs cell, staff located 6 x individual packages wrapped from the finger of search gloves in his underwear. It was discovered later, these packages contained previous correspondence from Binse to MOU Managers, Supreme Court judges etc. Binse also admitted to having swallowed another 6 x similar packages, which he stated were for the Coroner in the event of his death.

Use of Force Incident: YES ☐ NO ☒ (If Yes, incident class is notifiable)

INITIAL ACTION TAKEN: (include requirements such as transfer or protection)

Reports written. Psych Nurse attended. At Risk referral completed. [REDACTED] informed. BPIU informed.

REPORTING OFFICER

NAME: [REDACTED]

ENTERED ON PIMS

NAME: [REDACTED]

SIGNATURE: [REDACTED] TIME: 12:20 DATE: 27/7/2016

Referred to local police by prison: YES ☐ NO ☒ Location:

Referred to police via 000: YES ☐ NO ☒ 000 Reference Number:

Police Officer's Name:

Rank: No:

Time of Referral:

Evidence Taken: YES ☐ NO ☐

Date of Referral:

If Item Seized, Register Number: 045/268569

Photographs Taken:

YES ☒ NO ☐ CCTV footage available and retained: YES ☐ NO ☒

Date Taken: 27-Jul-16

Taken By: [REDACTED]

TO: General Manager H.M. PRISON BARWON
FROM: P.O. [REDACTED]
RE: Cell 25(Prisoner Binse C R N 43517) Wall Graffiti
DATE:

On Wednesday 27th July 2016, I was rostered on [REDACTED] in Melaleuca HSU.

At approximately 0815 hrs [REDACTED] and I were doing morning requests. On moving prisoner Binse (Cell 25) to the yard [REDACTED] noticed some writing on the walls of his cell. As Binse was secured in the yard [REDACTED] asked Binse if he was Ok. Binse replied "yes, I am Ok". [REDACTED]

I then then unlocked the yard door and [REDACTED] unlocked and entered prisoner Binses' cell.

Prisoner Binse then entered the cell and [REDACTED] said Chris Binse, you have been busy. Referring to all the writing on the walls in his cell. Chris Binse did not reply to this statement. [REDACTED] then asked Chris Binse if he had any injuries we should know about. Prisoner Binse replied "no". [REDACTED] was immediately contacted via radio, and arrived shortly after.

Prisoner Binse was secured in the Unit 3 yard, and photographs were taken of his cell, and the writings on the wall.

Upon [REDACTED] arrival, we again spoke with prisoner Binse and about the writing and then handcuffed him and escorted him to Interview room to speak with psych nurse [REDACTED]

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I submit this report for your information.
[REDACTED]

TO: The General Manager HM Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: Cell 25 Wall writing prisoner Binse 43517
DATE: Wednesday 27th July 2016

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On Wednesday 27th July 2016, I was rostered on [REDACTED] Melaleuca HSU.

On moving prisoner Binse CRN 43517 from the dayroom to the yard, I noticed some writing on the walls of his cell. As I secured prisoner Binse in the unit yard, I observed no noticeable injuries and I asked him if he was ok, to which he replied "yes".

PO [REDACTED] then unlocked the yard door and I opened and entered prisoner Binse's cell (Cell 25).

I observed large red lettering all over the cell walls referring to a royal commission into "abuse and isolation", "MOU", "Solja 43517" and other references to his family and "Read mayhem, my story" a recently released book. The lettering seemed to be in red paint.

Prisoner Binse then entered the cell and I said to him he had been busy, to which he had no reply. I then asked prisoner Binse if he had any injuries I should know about, to which he replied "no".

I then contacted [REDACTED] via radio to attend unit 3. Which he replied he would.

[REDACTED] immediately entered unit 3 and looked at the writing in cell 25. He asked prisoner Binse if he was ok and what was going on, referring to the writing. Prisoner Binse stated he was ok but gave no reply about the writing.

We then secured prisoner Binse in the unit 3 yard and I took photographs of cell 25, of all the writing and other notes left in the cell.

We then secured cell 25 and observed prisoner Binse in the yard as we waited for the return of [REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] return to unit 3 we again spoke with prisoner Binse about the writing and then handcuffed him and escorted him to an interview room to speak with psych nurse [REDACTED]. I then completed all relevant paperwork.

I submit this report for your information.

INCIDENT DETAILS

Entered Date	27 JUL 16	Entered Time	12:22:30
Date of Incident	27 JUL 16	Time of Incident	08:40:00
Nominal Location	BARWON MELALEUCA Mgmt	Specific Location	CELL 25
Incident Type	GOOD.ORD.NOTIFY	Incident Class	REPORTABLE
Reporting Officer	[REDACTED]	Action Decision	PENDING
Force Used	N		

COMMENTS

DURING MORNING REQUESTS, [REDACTED] OPENED THE DOOR TO CELL 25 (BINSE) AND NOTICED WRITING ON THE CELL WALLS. ON CLOSER INSPECTION, THE WRITINGS APPEARED TO BE IN THE FORM OF RAMBLINGS ABOUT ISOLATION, SUICIDE NOTES & INQUIRIES INTO RECENT NEWS EVENTS IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY REGARDING A ROYAL COMMISSION INTO MISTREATMENT OF YOUNG INMATES. [REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY INFORMED [REDACTED] WHO ATTENDED, BRIEFLY SPOKE TO BINSE AND SECURED HIM IN THE UNIT 3 YARD. BINSE WAS LATER ASSESSED BY THE LOCAL PSYCH NURSE AND PLACED ON 15/60 OBS IN THE UNIT OBS CELL. DURING ROUTINE STRIP SEARCH ON ENTRY TO THE OBS CELL, STAFF LOCATED 6 X INDIVIDUAL PACKAGES WRAPPED FROM THE FINGER OF SEARCH GLOVES IN HIS UNDERWEAR. IT WAS DISCOVERED LATER, THESE PACKAGES CONTAINED PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE FROM BINSE TO MOU MANAGERS, SUPREME COURT JUDGES ETC. BINSE ALSO ADMITTED TO HAVING SWALLOWED ANOTHER 6 X SIMILAR PACKAGES, WHICH HE STATED WERE FOR THE CORONER IN THE EVENT OF HIS DEATH.

ACTION TAKEN

REPORTS WRITTEN. AT RISK REFFERAL INITIATED. [REDACTED] ADVISED. PSYCH NURSE INFORMED AND ATTENDED TO ASSESS BINSE. BINSE LATER PLACED IN OBS CELL ON 15/16 OBS. ITEMS SEIZED & RECORDED IN SEIZURE REGISTER NO 045/268569.

Description of Prisoner's Difficulties Requiring Referral (including prisoner's view of referral):
 No ~~after~~ request for a view of call
 Writing ~~on~~ on the wall about impending suicide
 bombayes to [redacted] + messages for coroner.

☒ Yes ☐ No

If 'No',

- ☒
- Yes
- ☐
- No

- ☒
- Yes
- ☐
- No

Name (please print): _____

Name (please print): _____

Signed:

Unit No:

HEALTH CENTRE USE ONLY

Received by:

Date & Time booked: 29/7/16 TIME: 9:30 am/pm

FROM:

DATE: _____

Wednesday 27th July 2016

At approximately 0925 hrs PO [REDACTED] and I escorted prisoner Binsc 43517 to the observation cell unit 4 Melaleuca IISU after being assessed by psych nurse [REDACTED] as S1 rating.

As I got to the end of the strip search, prisoner Binse removed a second pair of underwear in which he produced 6 small parcels wrapped in latex glove material.

I asked prisoner Binse to hand over the parcels, which he did and I passed them onto PO [REDACTED] who removed them from the cell. Prisoner Binse then informed me that he had swallowed 6 additional parcels.

I then issued the canvas smock and secured the cell door.

██████████ was then informed about the parcels and Barwon PTU was also contacted.

I submit this report for your information.

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TO: The General Manager, H.M. Prison Barwon
FROM: [REDACTED]
RE: BINSE CRN 43517
DATE: 27TH July 2016

Sir,
On Wednesday the 27th of July 2016, I was rostered for duty as [REDACTED] Melaleuca High Security Unit.

At approximately 0835hrs I was contacted by [REDACTED] via the radio to attend Unit 3. On entry to Unit 3 I saw prisoner BINSE in the Dayroom and [REDACTED] and PO [REDACTED] near the door to Cell 25 (BINSE's). [REDACTED] motioned me to the cell. On entry, I noticed a large amount of writings on the walls in either blood or red paint. Some of these writings appeared to be ramblings from BINSE in relation to the Australian Prime Minister's recent direction to conduct a Royal Commission into the treatment of youths at a Northern Territory Detention Centre (see media reports 25/7/16 & 26/7/16). I saw further ramblings from BINSE about his recently released book "Mayhem", and goodbye messages to members of his family.

I immediately secured BINSE in the Unit 3 exercise yard and briefly spoke to him. BINSE's only comments were that he "could guarantee his own safety". I did not believe this to be true. I instructed PO [REDACTED] to constantly observe BINSE in the yard whilst I contacted the Psych Nurse & [REDACTED]. A short time later, Psych Nurse [REDACTED] attended the unit & spoke to BINSE. At the completion of their discussion, Ms [REDACTED] advised me BINSE was unwell and she was placing him on 15/60 Obs.

I directed [REDACTED] & PO [REDACTED] to escort BINSE to the Observation Cell and strip search him. At the completion of the strip search, [REDACTED] informed me he had discovered BINSE to be wearing two (2) pair of underwear, and that BINSE had secreted six (6) packages using the fingers of a search gloves in the front of his underwear. [REDACTED] also informed me BINSE had advised him that he had swallowed another six (6) similar packages. I then spoke to BINSE & he advised me these packages contained letters to the Coroner in the event of his death.

I submit this report for your information.

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I THEN HAVE THE MAYHEM NOVEL RELEASED, AT THE TIME. WAS TOLD AND ASSURED IT HAD COVERED EVERYTHING THAT I HAD PRESENTED IN MY ORIGINAL DRAFT COPY.

THINKING TO MYSELF, YES! I MANAGED TO EXPOSE THIS F*CKING CRUEL AND BITTER TWISTED PRISON SYSTEM. THAT WOULD BE MY LEGACY LEFT BEHIND INSTEAD! TIME TO CHECK OUT NOW! JOB DONE, MISSION COMPLETE. "M.O.U TARGET HIT!"

YIPPI-KIIII-YEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHMOTHER F*CKA!

OLEARIA UNIT SUPAMAX. BARWON PRISON OPENS FOR BUSINESS!

IN THEIR RUSH TO FILL CELLS, THE PLACE WAS NOT FULLY OPERATIONAL, IS STILL PLAGUED WITH ONGOING REPAIRS. THE DRAINAGE AND PLUMBING IS FOREVER FAULTY, NEEDING MAINTANANCE

I AM THEN MOVED TO OLEARIA SUPAMAX FOLLOWING A SUICIDE ATTEMPT. AND TRANSFERRED AGAINST A BACK DROP OF CONCERNS HELD BY MEDICAL STAFF.

UPON ARRIVING HERE. NOTICED NOT JUST IN MY CASE. BUT IN THE WHOLE. ALL THE OTHER INMATES WERE FINDING IT DIFFICULT TO ADAPT TOO AND SOME WOULD FALL PREY TO THE DESTRUCTIVE DYNAMICS AND PURPOSELY DESIGNED LAY OUT OF ABODE!

BASED ON A DEEPLY FLAWED SUPAMAX CELL/ CAGED YARD. TOTAL ISOLATION PLAN!

¹⁸ Prison medical reports.

I WOULD THEN BEGIN TO TAKE NOTES AND REORD INCIDENTS THAT I BECAME AWARE OF, AND. ADD THEM TO MY VERY OWN SITUATION, HOW I WAS STRUGGLING WITH THEM TOO.

15.8.2017.

This Olearia unit was opened up 2 months ago, holds (40) all up, currently running at (28) odd.

When we first arrived to this unit 23rd August 2016, the wing I arrived in was Unit (3).

Unit four, the inmates had engaged in "passive protesting in conditions", "covering themselves and their cells in human faeces".

I had refused to join them,

This place I am not keen on at all, "it is seriously effecting me mentally".

Not just me, but other inmates domiciled here too.

I am "seeing a Prison Psych nurse".

I am "losing my mind", as too with a lot of the other inmates.

The young inmate who was just two cells down "'Julian Ariki 196829'", slashed up 5th/10/2016.

It is all "LOCK DOWN MENTALITY MODE!"

He has difficulty's in handling isolation, is troubled, with a very sad upbringing, exposed to much family domestic violence in New Zealand, being a Maori, placed in some 20 odd foster carer homes as a child/youth.

We were allowed to mix, this was for me after 4 ½ years held in solitary confinement.

He is prone to emotional unbalanced states of mind, and is highly strung & unstable.

I had spent many an hour with this young kid, trying to help and guide him in times of need, he looked up to me as a stabilizer/ uncle figure.

In the first week of mixing, he had experienced extreme difficulties in coping with the sheer level of stress and anxiety, self-esteem and self-worth.

A minor petty joke amongst ourselves, emanating from New Zealand getting beat at the test cricket series by Australia (3) nil, escalated into a fight in the yard, which I had done my best to manage & control, in reducing the level of escalation & violence he exhibited.

He had his little outburst, once he got his pent up anger out, he was able to calm down & see reason, and we shook hands and gave each other big hugs, as we left the yard.

Officers noticed we both had visual signs of injury to our faces, and checked the c .c. t. v. camera footage of yards to learn that he had started the little scrap, placing both of us back on solitary confinement regime. This yard incident occurred on the 8th/12/2016.

Julian, I did not fault, he was not coping well with the long term isolation of this unit.

Another inmate Michael Cook crn 198974, Cooky with a "H." Nick named. CHOOKY. "H" FOR HEARTLESS! BAAK, BAK, BAK, BAK BA-KUUUUK!! Had a violent outburst towards Olearia Unit staff on the 10th/12/2016. I firmly believe caused and directly attributed to the impacts of isolation.

On the 14th/12/2016 in the Olearia unit (3) inmate "Julian Ariki 196829", slashed up cutting his throat and chest with a razor, unit staff noticed a pool of blood on his cell floor during a head count, scrambling for a medical emergency call, The Prison nurses attended his cell, and deemed him to be a self-harm threat, needing to be removed from his cell, to the observation cell under cameras to monitor his state of being. He had refused to comply with this directive and chemical agents were pumped into his cell to have a cell extraction team enter and remove him to the observation cell at approximately 6.pm. that evening.

INMATE CHOOKY. was also deemed as a at risk self-harm inmate, needing to also be removed from his cell, he refused the officers demands and he too was gassed, before a cell extraction team entered his cell and removed him to another observation cell, at another location at this facility the "Acacia unit cell (7)".

These incidents both born from going crazy, unstable, disturbed and emotionally volatile.

There are numerous other examples of inmates reacting badly to isolation exposure here.

These (2) inmates are the only examples I am offering, as were my neighbours within (2) cells.

Very depressing, the thought of buried here much longer, aint healthy at all.

"Nothing I have ever experienced ever in all the years interned".

THIS WAS A REPORT I HAD DONE AT THE TIME, DATED IN QUESTION. **SO MUCH MORE HAS TRANSPIRED SINCE.** I WAS ALLOWED TO MIX WITH **ALI KHEIR.** WHO WAS 61 YEARS OLD. THE STAFF NOTICED THAT **HIS MENTAL STATE WAS FALLING APART TOO.** AND **WERE DEEPLY TROUBLED BY HIS RAPID DECLINE.** WHICH WAS **DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO OLEARIA UNIT, HE NEVER HAD ANY REAL PROBLEMS IN THE MELLELECA UNIT.** WITH THE DAY ROOM AREA SOCIALLY INTERACTING THERE. SO LET US BOTH MIX TOGETHER TO GIVE EACH OTHER SOLACE AND COMPANY FROM THE STRICT ENFORCED SOLITARY REGIME.

AFTER SOME MONTHS HERE. **I WANTED TO IDENTIFY AS MANY VICTIMS OF THIS CRUEL OLEARIA UNIT.** I ASKED ALI, WOULD HE LET ME USE HIS MEDICAL REPORTS. **TO SHOW THE WORLD. WHAT THIS NEW SUPAMAX WAS NOT ONLY DOING TO ME, BUT OTHERS TOO!**

HE SAID HE HAD NO PROBLEMS WITH THIS AT ALL. AND WAS HAPPY THAT SOMEONE WAS ACTIVELY STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE IN REVEALING JUST WHAT WAS UNFOLDING HERE.

I WOULD LATER REVEAL HIM IN MY **SUPREME COURT PROCEEDINGS TOO,** BY REFERING TO HIS CELL NUMBER BEING CELL (30). AND ALSO **MICHAEL "CHOOKY"** WHO I HAD ALREADY ALLUDED TO EARLIER IN THE NOTES TAKEN ABOVE. **OCCUPYS CELL (28).**

ALI KHEIR crn 130420. 61 yr old inmate.

06/06/2015: Mental initial Consult (MENTAL). 21/09/2015: Mental Follow up Review

22/02/2016: Mental Follow up Review. 21/05/2016: Mental Follow up Review

OLEARIA UNIT PLACEMENT NOW. 05/09/2016 Barwon Prison. Seen in unit dayroom today, O/E Irritable today with new unit. States he is in a place "you wouldn't put your dog in" Sleep restless, states anxiety has increased ++ since moving. Only has interactions with CV, does not see any other prisoners as he did in Melaleuca unit. **Would like have increase in Zolofit in the interim to assist with his anxiety.**