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COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES  
SURROUNDING THE DEATH OF PHOENIX SINCLAIR

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**Commission Disclosure 2069**

DR. ALTMAN'S NOTES

Samantha Kematch 19 y.o.  
Phoenix 4/12  
Steve Sinclair 20 y.o.

September 13/00

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- child returned Sept.5/00
  - 1<sup>st</sup> child 2 y.o. male is apprehended and seeking P.O.
  - Sam a p. ward of other agency Cree Nation  
with history of anger, aggression, ? ETOH/drugs
  - hostility towards adults/authority
  - was ambivalent at 1<sup>st</sup> about  
parenting child #1, spent approximately 2/12 in  
supported parenting environment &  
then couldn't handle baby's needs so  
apprehended and has not visited since
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> preg. also "hidden" from  
anyone, no prenatal care
  - with 2<sup>nd</sup> baby parents said they were  
ambivalent/had made no plans  
to parent so apprehended
  - 2/7 later decided to parent
  - prior worker felt ? post-partum  
depression or some mental health issue
  - cooperative with agency requirements to date
  - has teaching / support worker 2x/wk (8 hrs.)  
feels doing good. Steve stronger parent?!
  - ? why ambivalence re: parenting/? depression
  - to see how I'm doing about myself
  - wasn't sure if ready to parent with birth &  
then thought about it and began to feel

- daughter & love her.

Stev - not sure at time, but after  
visits decided to take care of  
her

- afraid that Dr. would sexually  
touch me, 20 t.v. & aunty – therefore no  
prenatal care
- we talked about baby, but didn't  
come to decision
- mixed feelings about preg., not  
planned, mostly neg. feelings  
sad since didn't want to have  
child for awhile
- wanted Educ./job
- started school Sept.5, Gr. 10
- Steve Gr. 10: look for job after  
daycare arranged. would  
like to make my own/more \$.
- not mad/sad/depressed
- Steve: sex whenever she's ready.
- Sam: never much interested in sex.
- Sam: happy, would like to be off welfare
- Steve: lottery,

S&S - CFS – O.K. not bugging us,

→ not depressed, mental health O.K. ?! issues re: sex/marriage/parent