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Dec 5, 1942.

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RE:

Damas MASSON,
Murder,
Onion Lake District, Sask.
(Onion Lake Detachment case)

HEADQUARTERS

1/12/42

1. This p.m., I left North Battleford by Pol car with Insp F.E. Spriggs and Cst Glen to investigate the death of Genevieve (Mrs Damas) MASSON, which had occurred on the Onion Lake Indian Reserve in the early hours of this date.

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2. We arrived in the district west of Onion Lake and were compelled to remain there overnight on account of bad roads. Continuing by hired team the next morning we arrived at Onion Lake at about 11.15 a.m.

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3. I interviewed briefly Damas MASSON who was then in the custody of Cst Dunlop in charge of Onion Lake Detachment.

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4. I asked MASSON if he could read English and he replied that he could and had been to school and reached Grade Four. I typed out the usual warning, which he read aloud in the presence of Csts Dunlop and Slinn, and said he understood. He then made the following statement:-

STATEMENT OF DAMAS MASSON.

A. R. V. No.

ENGLISH When I told my wife to go away, my wife told me "You not boss to me, I do what I like", I got mad and I took the axe which was under the stove, so she see me pick it up and she grab a piece of wood and hit me here (pointing to his forehead). The second time she just throw it at me, and I took the axe - she was sitting on the bed - I used both my hands and give her a blow on the head. She was trying to get up and I give her a second blow. She fall on the floor alongside the bed. I went away and stand near the window and my boy Simon came and Philip Pahtajkan came with him. Simon asked me what I done to his mother. I just point to her and say "See what I done". I went out from the house. I went to

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