

Individual Report

Participant Code: **U1234A**

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Test 08-521:

Questioned Documents

Test Summary: This test was designed to provide participants with a questioned document examination test that involved an office machine manipulation and ink differences. (Please see the Summary Report for additional summary comments and information.)

Examination Results & Findings

Does your examination support the contention that the document has been altered?

Response

Participant U1234A

A

Response Summary

Total Participants: **171**

Does your examination support the contention that the document has been altered?

Response # of Participants

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A 154

D 1

B 14

E 1

C 0

Evidence to Support Conclusions

The initials adjacent to paragraph 9 were written in an ink different in infrared properties from that of the eight sets of initials above and of the signatures and date below. The font style and the alignment of paragraph 9 differ from that of the rest of the printed text.

Conclusions

The combination of anomalies observed with respect to the paragraph 9 entry have led me to conclude that paragraph 9 is the product of a different printing session to that of the remainder of the printed entries on the document. With respect to the set of initials associated with paragraph 9, while the use of a different ink implies that it was written at a different time to the remainder of the initials (assuming that they were written at one time) no conclusion can be expressed as to the lapse of time nor as to whether any of the initials were written before or after the bulk of the text was printed on the document. No conclusion is expressed as to whether the set of initials associated with paragraph 9 was written by the (assumed one) writer of the remainder of the initials

Additional Comments

ESDA examination of the front and back of the subject document and microscope examination of the surface of the toner printing did not reveal any useful information. Slight differences were noted in the form of the initials adjacent to paragraph 9 when compared with the remaining initials. The amount of handwriting involved and the nature of the differences precluded any conclusion being expressed regarding the writer(s) of the initials.

Response Key:

A. Does support the contention.

D. Probably does not support the contention.

B. Probably supports the contention.

E. Does not support the contention

C. Neither supports nor refutes the contention.