

**REPORT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
PUBLIC INQUIRY  
THE FATALITY INQUIRIES ACT**

CANADA  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

WHEREAS a Public Inquiry was held at \_\_\_\_\_ the Court House  
in the \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Stony Plain \_\_\_\_\_  
(City, Town, etc.) (Name of City, Town, etc.)  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ 19th \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ November \_\_\_\_\_, 1992 (and by adjournment  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_ ), before  
\_\_\_\_\_ Peter Ayotte \_\_\_\_\_, a Provincial Court Judge.

A jury  was  was not summoned and an Inquiry was held into the death of  
\_\_\_\_\_ AMI MARIE MASON \_\_\_\_\_ 5 years \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name in Full) (Age)  
of \_\_\_\_\_ R.R.#2, Duffield, Alberta \_\_\_\_\_ and the following findings were made:  
(Residence)

Date and Time of Death \_\_\_\_\_ The morning of January 26, 1992 \_\_\_\_\_

Place \_\_\_\_\_ Child was found dead in her bed at her home near Duffield, Alberta \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Cause of Death ("cause of death" means the medical cause of death according to the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death as last revised by the International Conference assembled for that purpose and published by the World Health Organization — The Fatality Inquiries Act, Section 1(d))

\_\_\_\_\_ Toxic effects of propoxyphene (Darvon) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Manner of Death ("manner of death" means the mode or method of death whether natural, homicidal, suicidal, accidental or undeterminable — The Fatality Inquiries Act, Section 1(g))

\_\_\_\_\_ Accidental \_\_\_\_\_  
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CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DEATH OCCURRED

~~The child was staying at the home of an aunt on the day before her death.~~

~~There was a container of Darvon in a purse in one of the bedrooms. As the residents were in the process of moving out at the time, boxes were strewn freely about the place. The child had to be physically removed from the bedroom where the drugs had been left on at least two occasions. The extent of adult supervision is unclear.~~

~~Although the child seemed sleepy toward the end of the day, that was consistent with the natural fatigue which results from extended play with other children as had occurred that day. She was taken home, put to bed and discovered dead the next morning.~~

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF SIMILAR DEATHS

~~Toxic drugs should be safely and securely stored out of the reach of children.~~

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DATED this 19th day of November, 1992.

*Feder Ayala*

A Judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta