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UK police say no conspiracy in Princess Diana's death

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USPA News - There is "absolutely no credible evidence" to suggest the UK's Special Air Services (SAS) played a role in the deaths of Princess Diana and her boyfriend Dodi Al Fayed, according to the results of a three-month police investigation released on Tuesday. The allegations received on August 16 claimed members or former members of the SAS had some involvement in the fatal 1997 Paris car crash which killed the couple and their driver Henri Paul.

But authorities now say that contradictions exist with the accounts provided, concluding that the investigation yielded no factual information to warrant the re-opening of a criminal investigation. "Every reasonable line of inquiry was objectively pursued in order to fully evaluate any potential evidence," the Metropolitan Police Service, better known as Scotland Yard, said in a statement. Police officials stand by their 2008 inquest, which found that the couple had been unlawfully killed by "the gross negligent driving" of their driver and other vehicles. As part of the "scoping" review, investigators personally examined all relevant Special Forces Directorate records and took eight statements. "This has confirmed that for the material time period, there was no relevant operation, assignment, intelligence gathering or deployment that had any links to Paris, and no evidence to support a claim that there was any involvement of The Special Air Service Regiment in any plot to cause the deaths," the statement went on. The investigation also ruled out the existence of a much talked about "black box" and found no new relevant information.

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