

Arm could be shark victim

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The human arm which was washed up on the La Lucia shore on Sunday morning most probably belongs to a white woman shark attack vic-

tim.

This was said by a spokesman for the police who are investigating the matter.

The arm was found by Carolynn Ewan, who was playing at the edge of the

sea. She alerted her father, who called the Umhlanga protection Services. Officer Steve Edwards thought the scratch marks, which were clearly visible on the upper arm bone,

were made by a shark; he estimated that the arm had been in the water no more than a couple of days. He called a staff member of the Natal Sharks Board and handed the matter over to the police.

ACTIVITY: Probable drowning and scavenging

CASE: GSAF 1988.04.10 / SA-368

DATE: Sunday April 10, 1988

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Indian Ocean at La Lucia, 12 kilometres north of Durban in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.

NARRATIVE: The arm of a Caucasian female which washed ashore at La Lucia on Sunday morning April 10, 1988.

The arm appeared to have been severed by a shark and tooth marks were clearly visible on the humerus. Although it appeared that the arm had been in the water no more than two days, the identity of the woman was never established.

SPECIES: Not identified

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