

On the 31st of August 1997, a tragedy hit the world. The Princess of Wales, Diana had been tragically killed in a car crash in Paris, France on her way back to London. She was travelling with her boyfriend Dodi Fayed who was of Egyptian decent, her body guard Trevor Rees-Jones and the driver Henri Paul. The only survivor being Diana's bodyguard Trevor. The media tried to blame the crash being caused by the paparazzi when in fact the crash was caused by the driver Henri Paul who was head of security at a very world known hotel The Ritz, and who had been seen shooing away the paparazzi earlier in the day had lost control of the vehicle at high speeds of 105 km/h. The vehicle crashed head on into a pillar that was supporting the tunnels roof, then spun around and hit the tunnels wall backwards then finally came to a stop. Not only did the crash happen, but there was also proof that Princess Diana was not wearing her seatbelt which most likely was the lead cause for her death. Later police found out that Henri Paul was highly intoxicated. After research into Henri Paul's body it came to light that there had been traces of anti-depressants and tranquilizing anti-psychotics in his body. This tragedy had a huge impact on the world because one of the most beautiful, most photographed world known lady in the world had been killed. [1]

One of the conspiracy theories that have a risen around princess Diana's death is that she was in fact not killed in a car crash. Theories have speculated that the Princess of Wales was pregnant with her boyfriend Dodi Fayed's child. This meant that she had to be murdered to protect the British Monarchy. The conspiracy theory says that the car was dented in a car crusher, Diana was taken away in undercover ambulance and from here she was murdered by a member of the British Military. There is a lot of evidence stating that this conspiracy theory could well be true for instance, one of Diana's close friend came forward and told everyone that Diana had told her that she was pregnant just days before the crash, lawyers also confirmed this speculation saying that she was pregnant after doing a post mortem on the Princess, but Diana had not named the father of the baby although it was suspected by the M16 to be Dodi Fayed's child. An issue around Dodi and Diana having plans of getting married raised worries and also how Diana was soon to announce her engagement to Dodi in the near future. These factors could have motivated the British M16 to go through with the murder of Diana. It is also said the Royal family could not handle the fact that Diana was going to marry a non-Christian. Richard Tomlinson who was a former M16 agent was fired from his job and served time in prison for breaching the 'Official Secrets Act 1989.' Richard had a part to play in Diana's death because he accused the M16 of having involvement with it. Richard said that the M16 agents had been monitoring Diana and that her death was very similar to the plans he had seen for the assassination of the President of Serbia. This theory is not ridiculous so it could well easily be true, but if it was true it would have been such a fast process, that it would be extremely hard for nobody to have seen it happen. [2]

There is a another conspiracy theory stating that the driver of the Mercedes Henri Paul in fact got drunk on purpose to kill the Princess because of her Muslim boyfriend. There is much confusion around this theory because one source says that a search of Henri Paul's flat made 48 hours after the crash found a "drinking den." With shelves filled of alcohol such as spirits and wines, sources also said the whole entire flat in Paris contained bottles of vodka, Martini and more wine. With the kitchen having opened bottles of American bourbon and Ricard. [3]

This was contradicted when another source said that the detectives of the French brigade Criminale had also inspected Henri Paul's flat and only found one bottle of champagne, a bottle of Martini and a lot of bottles of soda water. With this being said it is very easy to disbelieve this theory. If the contradicting theory had not arisen it could be very easily true. [4]

Although either source could be lying, the findings found by French Brigade Criminale could be a cover up to avoid any more consequences arising. It is hard to tell which source is telling the truth because there is not much information around what these sources are saying. [5]

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Another theory is that Princess Diana staged her own death so that she could avoid the constant day and night intrusion of privacy made by the paparazzi, but this went horribly wrong and she was tragically killed. Sources say that Diana went about getting her life back by faking a death. This meant she could get on with her life and live as another identity to avoid the constant invade of privacy. It has been said that the crash was an attempt at staging death but turned out to actually kill her. This theory has very little evidence that could make it true so it is highly unlikely that it happened.

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I believe that the official story is the true way that Princess Diana died, I believe that there is no other way to describe it but tragic. The reason I think this is true because, any other conspiracy theories would be near impossible to perform. Considering the amount of people that were around the scene when she died basically eliminates any other way of her death. Nearly all sources can give enough evidence to say that this was the exact way that Princess Diana and the two other people died. Nearly every source that I have read through has said the exact same thing sealing the fact that this is the way she died. Of course there are still questions about as to why Princess Diana didn't wear her seat belt and if Henri Paul her driver was as intoxicated as sources say, then why did the two other people as well as her get into a car with him, let alone let him drive himself? As all sources say he was very drunk so there would be no way he could conceal his drunken mannerisms. I feel that there is no other explanation to Princess Diana's death, it was just a freak accident, and the other conspiracies don't make enough sense or have enough evidence, this is why I believe the true story is the way that Princess Diana died.

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Princess Diana's death was significant to New Zealand because with all the uprising conspiracy theories, makes New Zealand wonder about the plans the British Government had for Princess Diana. New Zealander's may have felt not trusting of the Monarchy because New Zealand is under it. Princess Diana was a worldwide celebrity and was very popular in New Zealand so New Zealanders felt like they knew her. The conspiracy theories mostly revolved around The Queen and royal family having something to do with her death, this would have made New Zealander's angry if they were to blame and of course wondering whether they could be trusted. New Zealand today still has continuous fascination about Princess Diana and her death; New Zealander's still want answers. New Zealander's will always look for what really happened on that night the princess of Wales died.

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