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██████████, 10.15 - Interview of DC McAttee of Ards
 re: Atkinson Investigation. Referred to Notebook during
 Course of Interview. States that on 27/4/97 he was on
 a Rot Duty. Returned to Duty at 9am on Monday
 28/4/97. Initially engaged in other sub. dismissed
 Crime duties. From Tuesday 29/4/97, states that he
 was detached to assist in certain enquiries regarding
 the RSI on assault on Mr. Hamill. States that
 DC Hamill briefed him regarding the enquiries
 which he was tasked to carry out in the first days
 of the investigation. During the course of his enquiries,
 DC McAttee stated that on Wednesday 30/4/97
 he accompanied DC P39 to meet the Hamill
 family and then on to speak to Father ██████████
 Parish Priest of the ██████████
 States that they had a general conversation about
 the incident with Father Hamill. Referring to his
 Notebook, DC McAttee states that on 9 May 97
 he spoke to Father Dooley and Father Woods
 along with DC P39 at ██████████

States that he recalls a discussion
 about Robert Hamill's death, the police investigation
 and the funeral arrangements for Mr. Hamill.
 States that the meeting also discussed their help
 in identifying witnesses or any information which
 they may have been told because witnesses
 were reluctant to come forward to the Police. DC
 McAttee states that that is the only recollection
 of him speaking to Priests about the incident
 and the murder of Mr. Hamill. I discussed the
 case with DC McAttee concerning alleged anonymous
 phone calls, DC McAttee stated that he had no
 knowledge of them. We had a general discussion
 about DC McAttee's duties during the initial
 days of the investigation as recorded in his
 Notebook. We discussed his actions concerning the
 arrest of Mark Biggs that DC McAttee arrested
 at 9.30 am outside Portadown Police Station on 6/5/97
 - interviewed during the course of the day regarding
 his suspected involvement in the RSI on assault on
 Robert Hamill. DC McAttee states that Mark Biggs
 was eliminated from the investigation and released on
 charges. We discussed duties performed on 7/5/97.

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and resides in his to be back - state that after returning from Congrave Court, he telephoned DCI P39 to visit the home addresses of Mrs Merrill (Robert's mother) and [redacted] - stated that they got no reply from the DEF home. DCI McAtee states that he finished duty at 5pm that day and then went to the homes of the Merrill and D, E & F families was the only business he carried out regarding the Merrill investigation that day. After that he started duty at 9am on Thursday 8/1/97 and was involved in other subversive crime matters up until tea-time on 8/5/97 after changing a promise in a log at 4:35pm. Early evening on 8/5/97, DCI McAtee recalls a local politician Jimmy McCaw coming into the office to speak to him. DCI McAtee cannot recall exactly what McCaw told him but believes that he mentioned the name Tracy Clarke and that she was at the incident on the night in question and may have witnessed something - states that he would have spoken to a senior officer about it but does not recall which senior officer he spoke to - states that he then went with DS Bradley to the home of Tracy Clarke at [redacted] where they interviewed her. Does not recall how he found out about the address in [redacted]. States that he completed a questionnaire and also spoke to her mother and father prior to her coming downstairs - she had been in the bathroom when we arrived - states that Tracy Clarke, DS Bradley and himself went into another room and he completed a questionnaire which was timed at 8pm. - states that the time of 8pm would have been recorded near the time of completing the interview. Also gave information which didn't appear to reflect what McCaw had earlier said to him. Also recalls that he was told by McCaw at some point, not sure when, that the person he was talking to was Tracy Clarke's aunt. DCI McAtee states that DS Bradley and himself left the house and returned to Portlaoine Prison Station - states that Tracy Clarke was left in the house with her parents at that time. DCI McAtee states that when they got back to the CID office, McCaw was contacted and DCI McAtee recalls that it was him who

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spoke to him. D/C McAtee recalls telling McCole
 that Tracy Clarke had not disclosed any updates
 about the incident and he states that he asked
 McCole to contact the court to verify what
 she had earlier told McCole. - D/C McAtee states
 that he did not know the court, name at that
 time. I asked D/C McAtee about the entry
 into at Q10 re: Home Party, D/C McAtee
 recalls that Tracy Clarke did supply that
 information stated which did include a
 reference to Antonio Harvey being also
 present at the party in Tracy McCole's house
 after the incident. Later on the evening of 8/15/97,
 D/C McAtee recalls Dany McCole ringing into the
 office. D/C McAtee states that it was late on
 in the evening but cannot recall the time.
 Recalls Dany McCole saying that the court was
 prepared to talk to her but that she didn't
 want to come into the police station. As a
 result of that conversation, D/C McAtee made
 an arrangement with McCole to meet the court
 on a road off the Long Road near Glenora
 playing fields. D/C McAtee states that he
 spoke to DI Timmi about McCole's phone call
 and DI Timmi called himself above out to meet
 McCole and the court. - states they were in a
 silver car, states that it was around 11pm.
 On arrival, McCole and the court got into the
 back of the car. At that stage, D/C McAtee
 states that she was introduced to Andrea McVee.
 States that the meeting lasted for no longer
 than 15 minutes, Andrea McVee related to her
 what Tracy Clarke had told her. Stated that
 Tracy Clarke had told her that Antonio Harvey had
 been involved in the assault on Robert Hannell
 and that ~~Therese~~ Clarke had seen Harvey
 killing Mr. Hannell while he was on the ground.
 D/C McAtee states that it wouldn't have been
 clear if it was Mr. Hannell or Mr. D at
 that point because Andrea McVee herself wouldn't
 have been sure what when Tracy McVee Harvey
 killing - states that Andrea McVee also told her
 that Tracy Clarke told her that Antonio Harvey

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| | | <p> but told her (Tracy Clarke) that Robert Atkinson had telephoned him early on the Sunday morning of the incident and told her to get rid of any clothing that he had been wearing. Apart from these two points, the only other thing that she told us was that Robert Atkinson was a member of their True Love Do Club on the Brownstone Road. Nothing else was discussed although he recalls telling her that Tracy Clarke had not disclosed this information to them at the earlier interview with her. - states that there was no further arrangement to meet Andrea M'Lee at that meeting. Andrea M'Lee went off with M'Case and D/C M'Attee states that D/I Iwan and himself returned to Robinson Police Station. D/C M'Attee states that no notes were recorded by D/I Iwan or himself about what Andrea M'Lee had told them in the police car. - states that there was no further conversation with M'Case that night and he has no recollection of ever talking to M'Case again about it. States that he finished duty at 1am. Cannot recall discussing the information from Andrea M'Lee with anybody other than D/I Iwan that night. States that on 9/15/97 started duty at 9am. States that on starting duty, he obtained the telephone numbers for Robert Atkinson and Stanton Manville's home addresses and completed application forms for identical telephone billing. - states that he submitted the applications through DCS P39 that morning. - states that he recalls then going to Prangman Court regarding a Court Case. - refers to his visit to Faller Dooker and Faller Woods during afternoon (this is referred to earlier), states that he attended a conference at 4:30pm regarding the Herald review investigation. Cannot recall who chaired the conference and further actions were discussed but not the allegation about Atkinson which at that stage was third hand information which needed to be verified. At that point the only officers there then about the allegation concerning Atkinson or for is D/C M'Attee in liaison with DCS M'Burney, DCS P39 and D/I Iwan and Dave M'Case, (R/Lentable). After the </p> |

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Conference and during the briefing DC McAtter states that he contacted Tracy Clarke's home for the purpose of getting Tracy Clarke to the police station for a further interview. DC McAtter recalls that he was told that she was working a Chinese restaurant until about 10.30pm that night. DC McAtter recalls being in the CID office when he was told that Tracy Clarke had arrived with her aunt Andrea McVee. This was sometime after 10.30pm - states that Tracy Clarke and Andrea McVee were brought by him to an office adjoining the CID office where DC McAtter conducted the interview, and recorded a witness statement. DC McAtter states that on occasions during the course of the interview Det P39 had entered the room, she monitors how the interview was proceeding. DC McAtter states that from his recollection Andrea McVee remained present throughout the interview, and Tracy Clarke signed a written statement. DC McAtter states that during the interview Tracy Clarke did disclose what Auntie Honey had told her about Robert Atkinson ringing him at about 8am on the Sunday morning and telling him to destroy his clothes. DC McAtter recorded this in the statement and states that Tracy Clarke signed the statement as Witness A. DC McAtter states that he made the decision during the interview to have her referred to as Witness A, which Tracy Clarke was in full agreement with. During the course of the interview DC McAtter states that he did observe how the interview with Clarke was going with Det P39, also states that at some point during the interview Det McInerney was present in another office. DC McAtter states that at the end of the interview, Det P39 and himself drove Tracy Clarke and Andrea McVee to Clarke's home in [redacted] - states that this may have been around 1.30pm. - states that he went off duty at 7am. DC McAtter states that he started on duty at 7am on Sunday 10/5/97 about

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with other officers, cannot recall who briefed him but DC McAttee states that he was debriefed to carry out a search and arrest Abster Hanney 27/9/97 at his home at [REDACTED] Portludlow. - states that his briefing included seizing clothing that Hanney may have been wearing on the night of the murder but cannot recall references to any specific clothing - DC McAttee states that he cannot recall being briefed to look for evidence of burnt debris - states that a search team carried out a search while he effected the arrest. States that he delivered Abster Hanney to Lurgan Police Station and returned to Portludlow to carry out further enquiries regarding the murder of Mr. Hamill - states that at 7:15pm, he accompanied DC [REDACTED] P39 to the home of the late Robert Hamill and informed the family that four persons were to be charged with Robert's murder. DC McAttee states that as far as he is aware, the first time that he ever heard Tracy Clarke's name mentioned in the enquiry was when Daisy McCaw (R/Castle) spoke to him on 8/5/97. States that since the meeting with Andrea McKeel on the night of 11/7/97 and speaking to her when Tracy Clarke was interviewed on 9/5/97, he had no further contact with her. States that he has never spoken to her husband. States that he had some contact with Tracy after that but most of the contact was with DC [REDACTED] P39. DC McAttee states that he had no knowledge of why Tracy Clarke obstructed her evidence, states that after the suspects were charged he was not as closely associated with the investigators in the months that followed - states that he was not involved in that aspect of the investigation concerning Atkinson and states that apart from making application for Tennent phone billings on 9/5/97, he had no other dealings in the investigation into Atkinson's contacts with Hanney. 1 pm - Sports refreshment break. Obtained copies of Notebook entries for period 27/4/97 - 12/5/97. DC McAttee states that during the interview with Tracy Clarke, Andrea McKeel made no comments which would indicate that Tracy Clarke's information about Atkinson seeing Hanney on the Sunday

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Mornings were untrue or incorrect. He does not recall Andrea M'Kee making any response when the issue about Attkins saying Harvey was being told by Tracy Clarke. States the Andrea M'Kee never made any comments w/ she told them about Tracy's information re Attkins saying Harvey on the Friday morning during the meeting near Heron Playing fields on the night of 8/15/99 - states that she never mentioned about Michael M'Kee and herself being at Attkins' house overnight on 26/2 April or about being present when Michael M'Kee (husband) phoned Harvey from Attkins home phone - Dc M'Attee stated that this info meant nothing to him, he had never heard this before and he didn't know that her husband was called Michael. 1.30pm interview ended. [REDACTED]

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WITH DC M'ATEER ON 3.11.00.

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