

STATEMENT OF THOMAS GERARD MALLON

waved at them to attract their attention. I crossed to them I don't know whether I went in front of the landrover or not, but the police knew that I had waved at them. A policewoman opened the front passenger's door and I told her that there was likely people to be coming from St Patrick's Hall. As I turned to walk away I was approached by a youth there was a group of maybe 4 or 5 with him. They all looked to be about 18 or 19 years of age. The youth that approached me asked me where I was going. I felt threatened by the whole situation I was apprehensive. I saw that he was carrying a glass bottle of 'Buckfast' in his right hand. I was concerned that I might be hit with the bottle although this youth did not make an attempt to hit me, because I was concerned about the bottle I held my hands out in front of me. I told the youth I was going home and that I didn't want any hassle, I just wanted to get away from them. He said to me stand here a while, I immediately went at that stage. As I was walking away I was aware that a policeman had got out of the landrover. I don't know what the policeman did after that as I walked on down Woodhouse Street. I met no one on the street until I came past the new shopping centre. I spoke to a young lad Colin Hull there was another bloke with him who I know only to see. They were standing on the corner near to Patsy McKeever's pub. I walked on home and got into the house sometime between quarter past one and half past one. When I went to bed I told my wife Kate what had happened and I felt lucky. On that night I was wearing a navy coloured open necked shirt, greyish trousers, black shoes.

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

TOM MALLON