

## STATEMENT OF WITNESS

### STATEMENT OF SIMON MARC GODLY

DATED THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2008

I, SIMON MARC GODLY, declare that this statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence at the Inquiry I will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

1. The Inquiry has disclosed a number of documents to me. Where I make specific reference to a document in my statement I have given the number of the relevant page.
2. I am a former member of the RUC, which is now the PSNI. I was a Police Constable (PC) for 27 years in total and during my career I worked in various different departments. In April 1997 I worked in Portadown as a beat officer and as a communications officer.
3. On the night of 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> April 1997 I was on public order duties in a Land Rover until midnight. I think I started at 20:00. At midnight I commenced the night shift and I took up duty as the Communications Officer in the Communications Room at Portadown Police Station. My shift in this position was eight hours long and so due to finish at 08:00.
4. The police station had a permanent Communications Officer and I was second to him. It was normal for a shift as a Communications Officer to last 8 hours but sometimes it was necessary to work a double shift of 16 hours. The reason why I did my 8-hour shift in the Communications Room that night after being out in the Land Rover was because the permanent Communications Officer had taken the night off.

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