STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF DEREK LYTTLE

DATED THIS DAY OF 2008

I, DEREK LYTTLE 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 was a part-time barman at Jameson's Bar in April 1997.

3. This is the first statement that I have made in connection with the death of Robert Hamill.

4. I had been working at Jameson's Bar on Thomas Street in Portadown for a few months before the incident involving Robert Hamill on 26/27 April 1997. That evening I had been working in Jameson's all night and the usual time for the premises to be cleared was 01.00. Once the Bar is cleared the staff would remain to clear up which could take between an 1 and 1 1/2 hours, so that it would be normal for the staff to remain in the bar until after 02.00. The patrons of the bar were drawn from the Unionist Protestant community.

5. On that evening the last customer left Jameson's between 01.15 – 01.30 and all four staff remained being myself, Stephen Thornbury, Beverley Irwin and Julie Sherwood. The first I heard of the incident was the shutters to the bar being banged by persons out on Thomas Street. I did not see anyone actually banging the shutters.