STATEMENT OF WITNESS



STATEMENT OF TRACY McALPINE

DATED THIS

DAY OF

2008

I, TRACY McALPINE, 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.

- 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.
- I made a statement [Page 9616 9617] to the police dated 14 May 1997 in connection with the Robert Hamill incident. I confirm that statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. In April 1997, I was 23 years old. I had been living in Portadown for about four or five years.
- 3. In April 1997, I was good friends with Tracey Clarke, although I would say she was more my sister's friend than mine. My sister is Pauline Newell and she now lives in England. Pauline moved there around September 2002. After the events of 26/27 April 1997, I remained friends with Tracey Clarke for around one or two years. I do not see her now as she does not live anywhere near me.
- 4. On Saturday, 26 April 1997, I went to the Coach Inn in Banbridge with my sister Pauline and Kelly Lavery. I did not go to the Coach Inn every weekend, it depended on whether I could get a babysitter. I do recall seeing Tracey Clark,

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 'Fonzy' (I don't know his proper name), Christopher Henderson, Andrew Osborne, Judith Holland, Vicky Clayton and her friend Jennifer, and Ian Carville at the Coach. I am aware that I did not mention Ian Carville in my 1997 statement. I had quite a bit to drink that night and would describe myself as very drunk by the time I left.