

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF SIMON ROGERS

DATED THIS 21 SEPTEMBER 2009

I, SIMON ROGERS, 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 disclosed a number of documents to me on 10/11 September. Where I make specific reference to a document in my statement I have given the number of the relevant page.
2. This is my first witness statement for the Inquiry. In it I shall endeavour to provide such explanation and/or commentary on the documents that have been disclosed to me and referred to me in interview. I will assist the Inquiry to the best of my ability, but have had limited opportunity in the circumstances to consider the material. My recollection has been assisted considerably by the papers provided and I accept that there are gaps in my memory.
3. In 1997 I worked in the Police Division of the Northern Ireland Office which dealt with, amongst other things, complaints which were referred to the NIO about the police. Dealing with such complaints often meant having contact with the Command Secretariat of the RUC/PSNI or the Complaints and Discipline Department as well as contact with