



**Forensic Science**  
Northern Ireland

*District Commander*  
*Police Service of Northern Ireland*  
*Portadown*

*Our Reference: 1898/97*

*17 June 2004*

**FOR THE ATTENTION OF** K

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Please find enclosed my report of the scientific examination of material relating to:-

**MURDER OF ROBERT HAMILL**

**ON**

**27 APRIL 1997**

The attached statement covers the outstanding Forensic Science issues in the enquiry into the murder of Robert Hamill.

I was unable to locate the grey sweatshirt from Hobson (item 38, EH1) and think it may still be with the police in Portadown. There was no bloodstaining on his leather jacket (item 39, EH4)

All of the bloodstains have been upgraded to the current SGM+ technique. In most cases the upgrade was successful.

The two stains from Market Street (items 24 and 25, MAA1 and MAA2) gave SGM+ profiles. The stains from Woodhouse Street (items 26 and 27, MAA3 and MAA4) did not. I have attributed these two stains to a male since the Market Street stains came from a male and on earlier testing all four stains gave the same DNA profile.

*Lawrence Marshall*  
**LAWRENCE BRIAN MARSHALL**  
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NOTE: The work outlined below was carried out by trained assistants under instruction and using established procedures. Where necessary progress was reviewed and fresh instructions issued. A full record of the contribution made by assistants is contained in the case file, it comprises notes made at the time of the examination

THIS FORM SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE REPORTING OFFICERS STATEMENT

An assistant examined tape lifts.

A specialist performed DNA typing tests

FULL NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS): LAWRENCE BRIAN MARSHALL

SIGNATURE: *Lawrence Marshall* DATE: *17 June 2004*

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## STATEMENT OF WITNESS

FSNI No:  
1898/97

Statement of: **LAWRENCE BRIAN MARSHALL**

Age of Witness: **Over 21**

Occupation of Witness: **Forensic Scientist**

Address:



I am a BSc and a Senior Scientific Officer at Forensic Science Northern Ireland.

Further to my statements of 24 October 1997 and 6 April 2004.

Tape lifts have been made from the boots attributed to Robert Hamill (items 5 and 6, JMCA 6 and JMCA7). These have been examined for hairs with roots suitable for DNA testing. None were found.

The nail scrapings attributed to Robert Hamill (item 23, RA3) showed the same DNA characteristics as Hamill himself.

Three bloodstains were taken from the jeans attributed to **D** (item 13, JMCD1). These were sent for DNA typing. One gave no result, one gave a partial profile and the third gave a full profile. These two stains showed the same DNA characteristics as the stain from **D** T-shirt (item 14, JMCD2).

The tape lifts from the outer clothing of Robert Hamill (items 1-3, JMCA1-JMCA3) and **D** (items 13 and 14, JMCD1 and JMCD2) were examined for fibres which could have come from the trousers from Robinson (item 54, CW2). None were found.

The reference material from Timothy Jameson (item 100, SMC17) was sent for DNA typing. None of the bloodstains previously described could have come from him.

**I declare that this statement signed by me is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence at a preliminary enquiry or at the trial of any person, I shall 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.**

Dated this 17 day of June 2004

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Signature of person who recorded  
this statement or to whom it was  
delivered

Lawrence Marshall  
Signature of Witness