

RUC (DISCIPLINE AND DISCIPLINARY APPEALS) REGULATIONS 1988 (AS AMENDED)  
RUC RESERVE (PART-TIME) (DISCIPLINE AND DISCIPLINARY APPEALS) REGULATIONS 1988  
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NOTICE OF REPORT, ALLEGATION OF COMPLAINT - PERSONAL EXPLANATION

To: [Member]: JAMES MURPHY Rank: R/Constable Reg No: R6447 DCU: Craigavon

As required by the above legislation you are hereby informed in writing that a report allegation or complaint has been made against you by:

THE CHIEF CONSTABLE

DETAILS OF REPORT, ALLEGATION OR COMPLAINT:-

It is alleged that on 27 April 1997 at Market Street, Portadown, following a serious assault on Robert Hamill which resulted in his death, you neglected your duty as a police officer in that whilst you noted two males lying on the ground and broken glass on the street you took appropriate action to secure and preserve same in accordance with Force instructions.

It is further alleged that you neglected your duty as a police officer by failing at an early stage to preserve the scene for expert examination in accordance with Force instructions.

It is further alleged that, in accordance with Force instructions, you failed to make a full and accurate entry on your notebook and in particular to note the relevance of why a suspect named as Wayne Lunt was placed in the rear of a police landrover and later released.

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You do not have to say anything but I must caution you that if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in any subsequent disciplinary proceedings, it may harm your defence. You may, if you so desire, make a written or oral statement to the Investigating Officer or the Chief Constable or the Police Authority, as appropriate. Anything you mention when questioned or any written or oral statement you make may be given in evidence at such disciplinary proceedings.

If this notice is served on you by an officer other than the Investigating Officer, you will be interviewed by the Investigating Officer in due course.

You have the right to consult a 'friend' at all stages of the investigation.

Date: 27 June 2001

Signed: K Kennedy

Rank: Superintendent

K KENNEDY  
(Investigating Officer)

I acknowledge that I have been served with the original of this notice.

Date: 2-7-01

Signed: G. Murphy  
(Member concerned)

Rank: R/Car

Please Note: that in cases reported for decision as to prosecution at a criminal court no further disciplinary steps will be taken against you until the Director of Public Prosecutions has given his direction and, if he gives directions to prosecute you, that no further disciplinary steps will be taken until the outcome of the trial is known.

**COMPLAINT BY: CHIEF CONSTABLE**

It is further alleged that you failed to mention the reasons as to why this person was placed in the rear of a police landrover and later released to the investigating officers or to a supervisory officer.

In addition as a result of the aforementioned allegations you have brought the reputation of the Force into disrepute and your actions were contrary to the Force' ethics on Professional Policing.

Date: 27 June 2001

Signed: *K Kennedy*

Rank: Superintendent

**K KENNEDY**  
(Investigating Officer)

I acknowledge that I have been served with the original of this notice.

Date: 3.7.01

Signed: *G. M. Hoyle*

Rank: R/Capt

(Member concerned)