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**STATEMENT OF WITNESS**

**STATEMENT OF MICHELLE ELIZABETH JAMIESON**

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**2008**

I, MICHELLE ELIZABETH JAMIESON, 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 gave two statements to the police investigating the murder of Robert Hamill. The first is dated 9 May 1997 and contains pages **9146** to **9148**. The second is dated 12 May 1997 and contains pages **9149** to **9150**.
3. In April 1997 I was 16 years old and I attended Craigavon High School. I had moved to Portadown in about 1990, and in 1997 I was living at [REDACTED] on the Armagh Road with my mother and my brother.
4. In those days I sometimes used to hang about with Joanne Bradley and Heidi Reaney. They were not my main friends. I had known Heidi from school to some extent for years, but we did not hang out together often. Heidi and I used to meet up occasionally, sometimes at Connaught Park. This was an avenue about half-way between our homes, off the Armagh Road. I knew Joanne Bradley from Craigavon High School, since I first moved to Portadown. I also knew of Lisa Hobson from school, but I had not hung out with her much before the night of 26 April 1997.

5. I can confirm that in 1997 I did not know any of the following people: Stacey Bridgett, Marc Hobson, Andrew Allen, Rory Robinson, Reserve Constable Atkinson, Timothy Jameson and David Woods.
6. In April 1997 I knew that Catholics lived in a different part of town, which we would call 'the tunnel'. However, I did not consider the junction of Woodhouse Street and High Street to be a particularly bad area, and I had not heard of, or experienced, any violence at that junction in the past.
7. I cannot now remember the evening of 26 April 1997. Though it says in my second statement that I met Heidi Reaney at Connaught Park, and that we walked up Jervis Street and around Brownstown, before going into Brownstown Park, I cannot remember this.
8. In my second statement I said that we met up with Wayne Lunt, Phillip Lunt and **P136** at Brownstown Park. That evening was the first time I met Wayne Lunt and I did not get to know him. I thought Wayne and Phillip Lunt were Heidi Reaney's cousins. I do not know **P136**, but I think he must have been a friend of Wayne and Phillip Lunt.
9. According to my first statement I was wearing a blue jacket and blue jeans that evening. Heidi was very skinny, of average height, with black curly hair and pale skin. I cannot now remember what anyone was wearing, and I cannot recall whether Wayne Lunt had a scarf on. I do not really know what Wayne looked like.
10. We must have then gone back to my house because my second statement says I was there with Heidi Reaney, Wayne Lunt, Lisa Hobson and Joanne Bradley. I now have no memory of meeting Lisa and Joanne that night, or Heidi and Wayne. It only takes about four minutes to walk from Brownstown Park to my house but I cannot remember what time we arrived.

11. In my second statement I said that after the park I went back to my house to drink and listen to music with Heidi, Wayne, Lisa and Joanne and that during the evening Wayne rang a taxi to deliver another bottle of wine. [REDACTED]

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12. It says in my first statement that Heidi and I left my house again at about 1:30 or 1:45 am and headed for the town centre. I cannot remember this. I do not know where we were heading or if anyone else was with us but we were probably just going out for a walk to see who was about.

13. I have been asked whether I left my house in order to meet someone arriving from the Coach Inn in Banbridge. At the time of the incident in 1997, I had not been to the Coach Inn before. I did not know that there was a bus from Portadown to the Coach Inn and back. I would not have known anybody on the bus from the Coach Inn, and I do not know if I was planning to meet anyone from the bus in the town centre.

14. My first statement says that Heidi and I walked to Mandeville Street, but I cannot recall which route we took into the centre of town. Usually I would walk into town over the bridge, staying on the Armagh Road. It says in my statement that when we arrived at Mandeville Street Heidi's boyfriend Glen was there and they were having an argument. I walked on and stopped on Church Street near St Mark's Church to wait for her. I cannot remember if Wayne Lunt was there.

15. My first statement records that I waited at the church, by the front on the right hand side looking downtown and then started to hear shouting from the town centre. I do not remember this nor do I recall if there was anyone else about. I cannot remember hearing shouting but it says in my first statement that I heard, "Come you Fenian bastards" and this was when I realised that there was a fight going on between Protestants and Catholics.

16. My first statement then records that I walked down towards the town centre. I cannot remember this. I am surprised that I would have walked into the town centre towards the crowd if I knew that there was fighting going on. However, it says in my first statement that this is what I did. Heidi was still in Mandeville Street when I walked on into the town centre according to my statement.
17. As I was walking, my first statement says that I stopped at a roundabout and saw a crowd of 20 to 30 people. It says that this crowd was in one group right in the centre, at the junction of Woodhouse Street, Thomas Street, High Street and Market Street. However, I no longer have any memory of seeing this. Nor can I recall seeing any fighting taking place; two distinct groups taunting each other; or bottles being thrown. I did not recognise anybody in the crowd.
18. My first statement records that I saw a police Land Rover near the Alliance and Leicester Bank. I cannot now remember this.
19. According to my first statement I was just going to continue walking downtown when I was called over by a woman who was next to an injured man. The injured man was at the Thomas Street/ Woodhouse Street junction, where the crowd had been. I do not think at that stage there was anyone near him except for the woman; the crowd must have moved away by that stage. The man was lying on the ground, but I cannot remember whether he was on the road or the pavement; in which direction he was facing; or what condition he was in. I cannot actually remember what this man looked like; when his photo appeared in the paper after the incident, it just put a face to that injured person.
20. It says in my first statement that I knelt by the injured man and listened to his breathing, but I do not remember doing this at all. I think the detectives told my mother that somebody saw me doing that. I do not know how to give first aid. I was probably just trying to help him. I cannot remember whether I spoke to the

woman who was with the man or whether she spoke to me. I cannot describe the woman, but she was probably crying. I cannot recall seeing or speaking to any police officers, and I do not remember see anyone else injured on the ground or an ambulance.

21. After seeing the injured man I probably became scared and ran straight back uptown to meet Heidi. We did not meet up with Wayne again. I think Heidi and I went back to my house and Heidi stayed the night. My statement says it was about 2:00 am when we got in. No one else came back to my house.
22. I did not tell Heidi that I had seen an injured man on the ground. However, Heidi had not been downtown and would not have known that there had been a fight, or seen the injured person on the ground. I can also confirm that I did not see Wayne Lunt again and, apart from the police and my mother, I did not talk to anyone else about the incident. This is probably because I was in shock.
23. After the incident, I did hear a rumour at school that Robert Hamill had been wearing a Celtic football top and had been waving it around in the street that night. However, I do not know whether or not that was true.
24. I cannot remember that two police officers came to my house and took my first statement dated 9 May 1997 from me while my mother was present. I do not know the officers' names. I cannot remember that the police also came to see me at my grandmother's house. This is perhaps where I made my second statement dated 12 May 1997.
25. I have been asked why I made two separate statements three days apart, and why I did not say in my first statement that Wayne Lunt, Lisa Hobson and Joanne Bradley were at my house on the evening of 26 April 1997.

26. I can confirm that my statements were not based on anything Heidi and I had said to each other, and I did not know that she was also making statements to the police. However, I thought that Heidi would not want me to mention who had been at my house because I do not think her parents liked her spending time drinking with certain people. I do not know with whom they would have had a particular problem, but they would have been cross that she was out that late because we were only 16 at the time.
27. I also thought that the police were only interested in what had happened in the town centre and did not understand that the start of the night might have been important. I think that after I had made my first statement, Wayne Lunt told the police that he had been at my house on the night of the incident. The police then came back to take a second statement from me about that part of the evening.

**SIGNED:** Michelle Elizabeth Jamieson  
**MICHELLE ELIZABETH JAMIESON**

**DATED:** 15<sup>th</sup> December 2008