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STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF SUSAN MORROW

DATED THIS DAY OF 2006

1. I, SUSAN MORROW, of an address known to the Robert Hamill Inquiry, 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.
2. On 26/27 April 1997, I was in charge of the ambulance control room, Craigavon and I was responsible for delegating which ambulance responds to which incident. Ruth Leonard is my assistant. I don't recall the night but have been shown the records of the incident and what follows is based upon those records. A copy of the records are now produced and shown to me marked "SM1".
3. That night I had started work at midnight and finished at 0800 the next morning. It was a busy night. I did not personally take any call in relation to Portadown town centre but looking at form AS1 there is one call noted, which was a 999 call. The call has come from the police. Ruth Leonard took the calls that night but the tape recordings will be the best record.
4. The log has three times marked on it but I don't know what the first one might be referring to. I think 0152 is probably the start of the call and then it shows they were back at the hospital at 0209. The times may, however, be a few minutes out on that because I'll just glance at the clock on the wall and it could be different from the radio clock or the computer clock.
5. The note section of the call receipt (p8154) refers to "4 pts, 1 uncons, 3 walking wounded". Presumably "4 pts", which means four patients. In the top right-hand corner it gives three patient names, and in the next section down, it says "number of casualties, 1" but if they carried three, that's

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just an error. Also in the notes section it is recorded "Reg second vehicle 0202 no" but I don't know what that refers to. Looking at the Northern Ireland Ambulance Services emergency call (p38978) it looks like the crew have probably said to us there is not a second vehicle required and they can handle whoever is there. That is my interpretation of the note because the time corresponds exactly with the time that they arrived on the scene. A copy of the ambulance services record is now produced and shown to me marked "SM2".

6. I cannot add anything further. I do not recall ever speaking to the police or anyone else about this and given the passage of time have no recollection of the night of 26/27 April 1997.

SIGNED:

Susan E. Manly

DATED:

3rd June 2006