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I declare that this statement consisting of 4 pages, each 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 09 day of May 2001

W MCDOWELL
SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

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by whom statement was recorded or received

I am a Detective Chief Inspector of the Royal Ulster Constabulary currently attached to the Criminal Investigation Department, South Region. At 9 30 am on Tuesday 10th April 2001, I spoke to Catherine Jagger, Solicitor, at Wrexham Police Station in North Wales. I was accompanied by Detective Constable P5 [redacted] I briefed Catherine Jagger on the circumstances of this case and informed her of our intention to interview Andrea McKee after caution later today regarding her participation in a conspiracy to pervert the course justice. Miss Jagger was not previously aware of Andrea McKee's identity. Miss Jagger was informed that it was our intention to interview Andrea McKee after caution, having made clear to Andrea McKee that it was our intention to report McKee to the Director of Public Prosecution in Northern Ireland for her part in the conspiracy should admissions be made by her. It was also pointed to Miss Jagger that it would be our intention to ask Andrea McKee if she would be willing to give evidence on behalf of the Crown after the issue of her own criminality in the conspiracy had been addressed and her criminality dealt with. Miss Jagger said that she would be willing to represent Andrea McKee if Andrea McKee elected her to

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represent her. Miss Jagger said that she would require pre-interview disclosure of any material which we would intend to refer to during interview in order that she could consult and advise Andrea McKee accordingly. As a result of local enquiries made it was established that Andrea McKee had finished a night shift at her place of work, finishing at 6 am on this date. It was therefore decided that Detective Constable P5 and myself would not call at her home address until 1 30 pm to allow her time to rest. At 3 20 pm on 10 April 2001, I called at the home address of Andrea McKee in Wrexham accompanied by Detective Constable P5. Andrea McKee had not been given any prior notification of our intention to interview her today. I identified ourselves to her, she was already aware of my identity, and she invited us into the living room. I indicated the nature of my enquiry with her today and requested her to attend Wrexham Police Station for interview. I informed her that she would be interviewed after caution in relation to her role in the conspiracy. Andrea McKee said that she always knew that this would happen and that she wanted to clear up the whole thing once and for all in order that she could get on with her life. She said that she knew that they had done wrong and that it was never going to go away. Andrea McKee enquired as to what was happening with the other suspects in this investigation. I informed her that a number of suspects were currently under arrest and were currently being interviewed in Northern Ireland. In view of what Andrea McKee had just said, I told her that it was our intention to interview her after caution and to report her to the Director of Public Prosecutions for her part in the conspiracy. Andrea McKee said

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that she had decided some time ago to tell the truth and that's what she was going to do. I asked her if she would be willing to give evidence against the others after the issue of her own involvement in it had been dealt with by the DPP. Andrea McKee said that she had no fear in telling the truth of what had happened and would be prepared to give evidence against the others. I asked her who her Solicitor was. Andrea McKee asked me did she need one. I told her that it would be advisable for her to have legal representation. I told her that I had spoken to a local Solicitor in Wrexham who had dealt with similar cases in the past. Andrea McKee asked us if we could arrange for this Solicitor to represent her. It was agreed that Andrea McKee would attend Wrexham Police Station at 4 30 pm and she asked us if we would arrange for the Solicitor to be there at the same time. At 3 30 pm Detective Constable P5 and myself left Andrea McKee's home and returned to Wrexham Police Station. At 3 40 pm, I contacted Catherine Jagger and informed her that Andrea McKee had requested her services and an arrangement was made for Miss Jagger to attend Wrexham Police Station at 4 30 pm when Andrea McKee would be arriving there. At 4 30 pm, I spoke to Catherine Jagger in an interview room in the Custody Suite at Wrexham Police Station. I was aware that Detective Constable P5 had escorted Andrea McKee from the enquiry office to the Solicitor's Consultation Room for private consultation with Catherine Jagger. I discussed the circumstances with Catherine Jagger and provided her with the following material: (1) Original handwritten statements signed by A McKee and dated 29/10/97, 20/6/2000 and 25/10/2000 (2) Statement - Witness A dated 10/5/97 (3) Statement -

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[REDACTED] dated 1/11/2000 (4) Statement - Irene McKee dated 15/11/2000 (5) Statement - Rodney Smyth dated 4/11/2000 (6) Statement - Joy Kitchen dated 13/11/2000 (7) Statement - Alf Annesley dated 7/11/2000 (8) Statement - Eleanor Atkinson dated 9/10/97 (9) Statements of Michael McKee dated 9/10/97 and 29/9/97 (10) Copy of Message M39 - message from D/Inspector Irwin re interview of Kenneth and Elizabeth Hanvey on 25/11/97 (11) Exhibit MI14 (copy) (12) Exhibit DI4 (copy) (13) Exhibit - extract from DL10 (copy) (14) Exhibit JDMcC15 (copy) (15) Statement - Thomas Hanvey dated 11/5/97. Catherine Jagger asked me what was likely to happen to her client. I advised her that she would be the subject of a report to the DPP. Catherine Jagger also asked me what sentence was Andrea McKee likely to receive at any subsequent court. I informed her that this was a matter for the court and I was not in a position to answer that. At 4 50 pm, Catherine Jagger commenced a private consultation with Andrea McKee in the Solicitor's Room at the Custody Suite in Wrexham Police Station. Following the private consultation Catherine Jagger and Andrea McKee entered the interview room. At 1901 hours, I commenced a tape recorded interview of Andrea McKee, after caution and in the presence of her Solicitor. The interview terminated at 1940 hours. At the conclusion of the interview, a copy of the Master Tape was handed to Catherine Jagger at her request. Catherine Jagger then left the Police Station with Andrea McKee.

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