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Dated this 09 day of May 1997

E WILLIAMSON
SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

by whom statement was recorded or received

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On Sunday 27th April 1997 I was in bed asleep when at around 1 45 am or thereabouts I was awakened by some commotion outside. My flat is

I thought it to be a disturbance at the Pub below me. I got out of bed and went and looked out of the living room window which afford a view out into Thomas Street and its junction with Market Street. On looking out initially I saw a number of people (4 or 5) around one person who was lying on the ground. These people appeared to be kicking at the person on the ground. He seemed to be unconscious and lying on his back. He was making no effort to defend or protect himself. There was a racket in the street, it was shouting and screaming but I couldn't make out what was being said because of the general din. There appeared to be other skirmishes going on as well as this particular incident. There was running about and jostling by quite a few people. I could see a Police landrover parked over on the other side of Market Street near the Alliance and Leicester. There were people near it as the Police went towards them they backed off. There was a general running about and more going on in the direction of St Mark's Church which I couldn't see. A second Police vehicle

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arrived, I think it came with its siren on. I'm not even sure which point exactly this vehicle arrived. I was looking out through the open window and two or three times left the window, certainly once to get a dressing gown to put on. So I do remember the man who I'd seen lying on the ground being cradled by a woman and when the ambulance arrived the ambulancemen went to him first then another person who I couldn't see, this other person was put onto a stretcher and put into the ambulance. The man I'd seen was helped to his feet and walked to the ambulance. I also saw the Police put a man into the back of the landrover but I couldn't say if that person was one who was kicking at the man lying on the ground or not. Though the area was quite well lit I did not get a good view of any individual. I can't say anything about their clothing or general appearance at all. The entire incident lasted about half an hour. I do recall something like when the Police were trying to help the man on the ground some of those around were still trying to kick at him but were pushed away.

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CHECKED AND CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL SIGNED :

Steve Bailey 2/7/1