

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF PAUL RODNEY MARC HOBSON

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I declare that this statement consisting of 3 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 1997

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M HOBSON

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

by whom statement was recorded or received

On Saturday night 26th April, 1997 I was at Dean Johnston's flat, in

[REDACTED] It is either number [REDACTED] I arrived at Dean's flat about 10 pm. I was with Allister Hanvey and Jonathan Wright. We went in and had a drink. I was drinking tins of harp and cider. Dean was already there with my sister Leanne. Dean goes with Leanne. I had a fair bit of drink and was drunk. I left the flat about 1 30 am to 2 am along with Allister Hanvey and Jonathan Wright. We all walked down to the Chinese in West Street, Portadown. I got a chip and gravy. We left the Chinese and started walking down the town. We got as far as Call-a-Cab and a drunk man stopped us and asked for a fag. Allister walked on towards the town. I don't think he noticed that we had stopped. Jonathan give the fellow a cigarette, I don't know who he was. This fellow would have been about fifty. Jonathan and I then walked on towards the town centre. We were going down the town to meet the one's getting off the bus from the Coach. We got to just in front of the big Church in the town centre and the police were moving people up the street towards us. I sat on the wee wall just in front of the Church with Jonathan. I could see a body lying on the street, in the middle of the town, it was on the street,

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the traffic drives up. I didn't see anybody near this person. I didn't see anybody fighting or shouting. There was an ambulance in the middle of the street. The police just kept moving the crowd up the street. There was a fair crowd in the town. I didn't see anybody that I knew while I was down the street. I didn't see Allister Hanvey again down the street. Jonathan wanted to go home and we left. Jonathan walked up to Hanover Street and I walked to Dean's house on my own. I didn't meet anybody on the street that I knew. I arrived at Dean's flat about 2 30 am. I went in, Dean was there with my sister Leanne, we sat in the living room talking and I fell asleep. I woke up about 7 am and left and walked home on my own. I was wearing a black leather jacket, waist length, white Nike trainers, air bubble type, blue jeans and grey sweatshirt, round neck, with either "Muzono" or "Nike" wrote on it. I am not sure which one I was wearing, they're both grey.

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