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I declare that this statement consisting of 6 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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SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

by whom statement was recorded or received

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On Saturday night, 26th April 1997 I went to the disco at the Coach Inn, Banbridge. I went in the bus from Portadown. I got the bus home again from Banbridge. The bus left the Coach at 1 15 am and got into Portadown about 1 40 am. I came home on the bus with two mates Stephen Bloomer and Kyle Magee. When we got off the bus in Portadown at 'Herrons Country Fried Chicken' we stood about at the bottom of the town for about five minutes to see if there were any parties on anywhere. The three of us walked up the street to 'Boss Hoggs'. I went in on my own to get a chip and tin of coke. I got a chip and coke and went up to Wellworths and stood there with Stephen Bloomer and Kyle Magee. There was a fellow called McClure standing beside us at Wellworths with his girlfriend, I don't know his first name but he plays football for 'Hanover', I just said, "Hello," to him. I stood there with my two mates for the bus. This is the second bus coming from Banbridge. I was waiting to meet Tom Quinn, he lives on the [REDACTED]. Tom is a mate of mine and I was talking to him on the bus going over to Banbridge. I didn't see Tom in the Coach Inn. We then decided not to wait for the bus and to walk on up the town. We all started to walk towards the town centre, Stephen Bloomer

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walked on in front of us and Kyle and I followed behind. I walked up past McMahon's Clothes Shop and Ronnie Mays Pub, Kyle was with me. When I got as far as Ronnie's Pub I could see a crowd of approximately fifteen to twenty persons fighting in the middle of the town. I walked towards the crowd. There was fellows punching each other and I observed a fellow with a Umbro sweater, grey colour and I think blue jeans, fighting with another fellow. This fellow I know to see, he lives in [REDACTED] and is called Marc, he is also called 'Muck'. I know this fellow to see about town, Marc has very short brown hair, goatie beard and is overweight. I think he was wearing a black leather jacket. I was standing four to five feet from Marc. The street lights were on. Marc was punching this fellow in the face with his fist, that's the fellow with the Umbro sweater on. This fellow was fighting back, but Marc was getting the better of him. Marc knocked this fellow to the ground, he was lying on the middle of the road, opposite the bakery on the corner 'Number Seven', on the side of the street the cars drive up the town. This fellow lay there for about one minute and got up again. I didn't see Marc hit him while he was on the ground. Marc then started fighting with another fellow. This was a man wearing a blue shirt and tie in his mid 30's with short hair, I think ginger colour. This man was trying to stop the fighting and I saw Marc grabbing this man and throwing him out of his way. I also noticed a Police landrover parked at the Halifax Building Society facing down the street. The landrover was parked at the side of street. I didn't see any Police get out of it. I then noticed Rory Robinson fighting. I don't know who he was fighting

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with, I only looked over at him for a couple of seconds. Rory was hitting somebody with his fists. I couldn't see who he was fighting with. Rory was wearing cream coloured jeans. I then heard a bottle smashing, I was standing in the middle of the fight. I looked around and I saw Allister Hanvey kick and punch this fellow who was lying on the ground. This fellow was lying in the middle of the street about opposite 'Eastwoods' Clothing. I was about nine feet from him. The fellow was just lying there, with his hands at his side, he didn't move. This fellow was wearing a black coloured jacket, I think he had black hair. I saw Allister Hanvey kick this fellow 3 to 4 times while he was on the ground. The kicks were to the fellows chest area. I know Hanvey to see for about 3 years. I can't remember what Hanvey was wearing. I then saw another fellow kick the boy lying on the ground. This fellow has black hair and I know him to see about Portadown, he is called 'Fonzy'. He would be in his early 20's. I saw 'Fonzy' kick the fellow lying on the ground, with the black jacket in the face a couple of times. The fellow lying on the ground still didn't move. I didn't see any blood about him. I started to walk on towards the Church, there was still fighting going on around me. I got up the street a few yards and I dropped my chips. I bent over to pick them up and I saw a dark coloured Police car coming up the street. It was going fast and stopped opposite Thomas Street. I saw about 3 Police get out of the car and go into the middle of the fight. I was about 'Poundstretcher' and I saw Dean Forbes punch a fellow on the face and run off towards me. The fellow Dean Forbes punched was the fellow wearing the grey Umbro sweater. The fellow wearing the

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Umbro sweater just stood there. I turned around and started to walk towards the Church. The Police started moving the crowd up the street and a second Police car arrived and parked behind the first one. Police got out of the car and I noticed R/Constable Atkinson, one of the Policemen was carrying a rubber bullet gun. I stood at the Church for a while and I saw ~~St~~acey Bridgett, he had a bust nose. I didn't speak to Bridgett. The Police started moving everybody up the street and I walked on home on my own. I also observed Vicky Clayton in the crowd being pushed up the street by the Police. I had four to five pints of beer that night at the disco. I wasn't drunk. I was wearing black jeans, white tee shirt, with the letters CK printed on it. I was wearing blue trainers with white stripes.

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