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STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF: [REDACTED]

AGE OF WITNESS [If over 21 enter 'over 21'] :

OCCUPATION OF WITNESS:

ADDRESS:

I declare that this statement consisting of 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 5th day of November 2000

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SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

by whom statement was recorded or received

[REDACTED]
SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

My name is [REDACTED] I am the mother of Tracey Clarke, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] During 1997 Tracey lived with me at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Also in 1997 my brother Michael McKee and his wife Andrea lived across the square at [REDACTED] I can recall

during 1997 a particular incident occurred in Portadown when Robert Hamill was beaten up. I remember the Sunday after this Tracey had been to the Coach that Saturday night and on the Sunday morning I had the news on, on the radio. It was around 12 midday when the news was on and I remember Tracey turning the radio up at the news. She told me that she had seen an awful fight in town last night. Her father Jim Murray was also present. When Tracey talked about the town she meant Portadown and always referred to Portadown as the town. She said the ambulance was there and she thought the fellow was dead because they had a blanket over his head. She didn't mention the names of anyone involved in the fight. Alistair Hanvey a boy from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had been going out with Tracey however I know on that Saturday night Tracey didn't go to the Coach with him but I think they

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both met up at a party sometime later on the Saturday night after this fight in Portadown. I don't know where this party was. I think they had fallen out 4 or 5 days before that weekend. On that Sunday night Alistair Hanvey called for Tracey and they went out. I said earlier that I didn't know where they went but on thinking about it now I believe this was the night they spent together at Michael and Andrea McKee's. Michael and Andrea had a bedroom for Tracey in their house and they were very close. Michael is Tracey's uncle and always remembered her birthday. Over the first few days Tracey didn't mention much about the fight and they Tracey and Alistair were going out together. A short time after this Alistair and Tracey fell out again. I know that Alistair Hanvey started to call Going Places looking to speak to Tracey and he even went in to see her. I know the supervisor in Going Places called [REDACTED] give off to Tracey about the time she was spending trying to get Alistair out of Going Places. After the first few days Tracey started to talk to us, that's me and her step dad Jim Murray about the fight in Portadown and what went on. She told us that Robbie Atkinson who I know was a policeman in Portadown had told Alistair to burn his coat. Tracey was saying imagine telling him to burn that good silver coat. It cost Tracey £175.00 out of Paranoid in High Street Mall. I don't know if it was in the Mall in 1997. Tracey knew a girl who worked in Paranoid and she had left the jacket over and Tracey was paying weekly out of her pay so that Alistair could have it by Christmas 1996. This was a bright silver coat with a black waist band and bright silver arms. Although Tracey was annoyed at the coat having to be burnt and went on a bit about this. She also said that Robbie had told him that's Alistair to burn everything - trousers, shirts the lot. Tracey said

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that Alistair had burned the clothes and that his mother helped him to do this. Tracey said she had been speaking to Robbie Atkinson who was on duty in Portadown that night and was actually speaking to him at the time of the fight, she was standing with him at the back of the landrover. Tracey knew Robert Atkinson from the Tae Kwon Do club where Robbie's daughter attended. I'm not sure when Robbie Atkinson told Alistair Hanvey to burn his clothes but I got the impression from Tracey that Robbie told him that night after the fight. After the fight Tracey told us she went to a party. She told us that Alistair went to the same party and Tracey got a taxi home. I don't know what party she went to although police have mentioned Tracey McAlpine and this could have been the party she went to. On the day that Robert Hamill died I phoned Going Places and told Tracey. She later told me that she phoned Elizabeth Hanvey and told her that Hamill was dead. She said Elizabeth told her "that throws a different light on things". Some time around this time a Detective called John McAteer called. I can't remember exactly when this was. He talked to Tracey although I don't think he got much sense out of her. Although I can't be sure of when McAteer called I know that Alistair Hanvey called with Tracey on a Friday and took her out for lunch. Tracey said that she asked Alistair what exactly happened that night and Alistair told her everything. It was that same night that Andrea McKee, Michael McKee and Tracey went to Portadown Police Station. They went to make a statement that night and I remember John McAteer phoning that day to ask me to get Tracey up to make a statement and as she was working in the chinese restaurant at I think West Street, I phoned the Tae Kwon Do club at Brownstown to get Michael and Andrea McKee to collect her after work as she finished at 10 30 pm and take her to the police

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station. That night Michael came down and sat with me after he had dropped them off at the police station. I think he went to his house first before he come down because they were a long time. I phoned up a couple of times to see how she was doing and I spoke to John McAteer who told me she was doing all right and her aunt Andrea was with her. They were dropped out later but I don't know who left them home. Tracey was saying she told the truth and she was agitated. I think the following morning the Hanveys rang my home telephone number [REDACTED] and Tracey spoke to them. I think Tracey said it was Elizabeth. She told Tracey that Alistair was arrested this morning. Tracey started crying and I told her to go to work to keep herself occupied. I'm not aware of anyone putting pressure on Tracey but her friends stopped talking to her and I think she thought we might have to move out of [REDACTED] and she wouldn't want this to happen. I have overheard Michael talking to someone (that's Michael my brother) about covering for Robbie Atkinson and that Michael was saying he wished Robert would stop telling Eleanor everything as Eleanor was going up to the club and telling Andrea McKee everything. I know a person called [REDACTED] through the Tae Kwon Do club as his son Samuel is in the club and is a third Dan. I have given to [REDACTED] a page from my phone book with the name Vicky Clayton and her phone number on it. I do not know anyone called Alister Black from Richhill however I see that Tracey has written the name Paul Black [REDACTED] into the phone book. I have had no contact with Robert or Eleanor Atkinson about this matter and I have received no phone calls from them and I haven't contacted them by phone either. I have had no contact with Elizabeth or Kenny Hanvey about this matter. I am aware that Michael and Andrea McKee visited Alistair in prison. I know that Tracey sent

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Alistair a birthday card when he was in prison and I heard from Andrea McKee that Elizabeth Hanvey got very annoyed at this because Tracey's statement put him there. I don't know Vicky Clayton and it is in Tracey's handwriting. After Alistair Hanvey went to prison a policewoman called P39 called with us on a number of occasions to keep us updated and reassure us and if necessary get us moved if needed, although we were never under threat and were never intimidated. Irene Clarke

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS [REDACTED]

CHECKED AND CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL SIGNED :

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