



STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF THOMAS FRANCIS FANNIN

DATED THIS

21st DAY OF APRIL

2008

I, THOMAS FRANCIS FANNIN, declare that this statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence at the Inquiry I will 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.

1. The Inquiry has disclosed a number of documents to me. Where I make specific reference to a document in my statement I have given the number of the relevant page.
2. In April 1997 I was a Senior Consultant Neurosurgeon in the Regional Neurosurgical Unit at the Royal Victoria Hospital (RVH) in Belfast. I retired in April 2000. On 27th April 1997 I was the Consultant Neurosurgeon on call at RVH and any cases admitted in that 24-hour period would have been under my care.
3. After Mr Hamill's death, I prepared a "Final Comment" which is dated 14th May 1997 and is contained at pages 38551 to 38552. I later gave a statement to the police investigating the death of Robert Hamill which is dated 11th July 1997 and is contained at page 09205.

Involvement in/observations on Mr Hamill's care at RVH

4. Robert Hamill arrived at RVH by ambulance at 0630 on 27th April 1997 having been transferred from Craigavon Area Hospital (CAH). This arrival time is stated in my Final Comment at page 38551 and in the clinical notes.