

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF P24

DATED THIS

12th

DAY OF

March

2008

I, P24, 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. I have been a Detective Constable with the PSNI since 4th November 2001, when the PSNI came into existence. Prior to that I was a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary (RUC), having joined the RUC as a regular constable on 21st November 1976. Before that I was a part-time reserve officer from September 1971.
3. During these years I received a lot of training. Initially, as a reserve constable, I received force training for 2 or 3 hours every fortnight. When I became a regular constable, I went to the Training Centre in Enniskillen for 14 weeks and then undertook other courses following my initial training. I was then posted to Armagh RUC station as a uniformed constable on the beat and patrol. On 11th or 12th May 1980, I joined the CID as an apprentice detective or 'CID aide' and commenced with an aide's course. Having completed my probationary period I then attended the junior initial course, which lasted about 8 weeks. I completed a refresher course some years later. Over the years I have completed many other courses, such as: taking finger prints; swabbing for DNA and interview techniques.