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STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF DAVID ALLAN ORR

DATED THIS 23 DAY OF MAY 2008

I, DAVID ALLAN ORR, 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 retired from service with the PSNI, formerly known as the RUC, having served almost 30 years and my last position was that of Constable. I received initial training in scene preservation, but I cannot recall if there were ever any refresher courses. At the time of the incident in April 1997, I had been stationed at Portadown for approximately six or seven years. On the night of the incident I was detailed, along with Constable A, as a mobile unit in the Portadown police area and our responsibilities were to respond to any calls or incidents in the Portadown police area. I had on previous occasions been on patrol in the Market Street, Thomas Street, High Street and Woodhouse Street junction. The area was known as a flashpoint interface for sectarian incidents on Friday and Saturday nights. There was always potential for incidents on other nights, but they were more prevalent in this area at the weekends.
3. I completed a notebook entry and statement on the morning of 27 April 1997 and have had to refer to the contents of those to refresh my memory. My statement dated 27 April 1997, contains page numbers 9233 to 9234. My notebook entry of the same date contains page numbers 9977 to 9979.

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