

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

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DATED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May 2008

I, D 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 1997 I had lived in Portadown all of my life. At that time I was 29 or 30 years of age and I was married to E. I had known Robert Hamill for maybe 10 years. He was E's cousin and lived in the same area.

3. On the evening of Saturday, 26 April 1997, I attended a music night at St Patrick's Hall on Thomas Street. It was not somewhere that I went regularly but there was music and dancing that evening. I recall that I had been playing football earlier in the day but I cannot recall if I went to my local bar, Brankis<sup>2</sup> Bar, before going on to St Patrick's Hall. - D

4. I went with my wife, E and her sister, F. At some point we met her sister, [REDACTED] short for [REDACTED] and her husband [REDACTED] I am unsure if they were with us on the way to the hall or if we met them there.

5. Robert Hamill was already there at St Patrick's and he sat with us. I recall he was wearing a black leather jacket that evening. I cannot recall what any of the others were wearing, but I know that I was wearing a stripy T-shirt.