

being aware of the allegation during that period of time.

18. On 5 October 2000 when I was at Gough Barracks as a crime squad officer I was briefed by Detective Chief Inspector **K**. At this briefing I believe I would have been fully briefed about the allegation against Robert Atkinson and the conspiracy involving others. I believe at this briefing I was tasked with carrying out financial investigations linked to the Hamill case because on the 19 October 2000 I made applications for orders before a judge in relation to the investigation.
19. On 28 December 2000 I interviewed and obtained a witness statement [Page **11084 - 11085**] from **P89** I knew **P89** as a police sergeant, whether he had retired or was about to retire I am not sure. After completing the statement I endorsed the Holmes action No. 733 [Page **4694**] *“while moving a group of loyalists into West Street following the assaults one person in the group was reluctant to move and was forced back by the subject. At one stage RC Atkinson warned subject about this person, that he was an expert and a black belt in martial arts. He named the person as Hanvey.”* The reference to subject would have referred to **P89** I do not know why this information was not obtained in 1997.
20. As part of my enquiries in 2001 in the Hamill case I completed actions related to a party at the home of Tracey McAlpine. One of those enquires was concerning a Pauline Newell, action 780 [page **15673**]. I believe that DC McCrumlish carried out the enquiry and I wrote up the action. I do not have a notebook entry to assist me with this enquiry.
21. During the investigation in 2000/2001 I was involved in a considerable amount of financial investigation. Financial investigation would have been available to the Senior Investigating Officer (SIO) in 1997 through investigators who were based at Police Headquarters. However any constable could have obtained production orders using powers under the Police & Criminal Evidence Order. In my experience in 1997 it would not have been a priority line of enquiry. It depended on the individual SIO.