

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF ANN SMYTH

DATED THIS 19th **DAY OF** March, 2008

I, ANN SMYTH, 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 asked about my movements on the night of 26/27 April 1997. On the night in question I was at the flat of Geoffrey Smyth, my boyfriend, with my sister Alison Bowles and my best friend [REDACTED]. Geoffrey Smyth is now my husband. If we did not go out on a Saturday night we would normally stay at Geoffrey's flat for a few drinks and then we would go down to Portadown town centre for something to eat.
3. At about 00.30, Alison, [REDACTED] and I left the flat to go to the town centre. We walked to the town centre via West Street. It would have taken us a good 20 minutes to walk from the flat to Boss Hoggs chip shop, which was next to the junction of Meadow Lane and High Street. I do not recall seeing a police Land Rover as I was walking to Boss Hoggs.
4. When we arrived at Boss Hoggs, I ordered a carry out. I cannot remember what we did when we left Boss Hoggs. However, I was interviewed by the police on 10 May 1997. A record of that interview is now produced and shown to me containing page