

### WITNESS STATEMENT

CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

Statement of **Alan DAVIES** ..... URN: 

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Age if under 18 **Over 18**..... (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: **Retired Vicar**.....

This statement (consisting of: ... **2**..... pages each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: **A.Davies** ..... Date: **4 February 2014** .....

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded  (supply witness details on rear)

I am the above named person who resides as an address disclosed to Police. In this statement I will be referring to my time at the home office in London, where I worked from 1974 to approximately 1977. A very potted employment history for myself is that prior to joining the home office I was employed at various locations home and abroad with the Ministry of Defence (M.O.D) my final posting with the M.O.D was working at their Headquarters in London. After leaving the home office I moved to Gloucestershire, where I was employed at Moreton on Marsh Fire College. My original job when I first joined the home office was designing and developing the 1975 referendum. From my reflection at this time after completing my work on the referendum I moved over to the Establishment Division, which dealt with organisation + methods and other areas such as prisons. I then had a short spell of Race Relations. From this department I then went into Voluntary Services between 1976-1977. At the time I reported to Graham Angel. I was a principal officer. I do recall a number of other colleagues, these included Brian Chaplin and two social workers who were seconded to the Home Office, one was Muriel Smith and the other Tim Hulbert, who eventually moved to I think, Leicestershire. I was a close colleague to Tim. Both Muriel and Tim's roles were as advisors regarding those groups that were seeking finding. They would advise on the ethos of what the groups were all about. Some of the main groups at the time amongst many others were WRVs and NACRO along with the National Council of Voluntary Services. Other colleagues included Clifford Hindley, who would have been Graham Angels Civil Service Boss and would have been a Under Secretary. There was also a rather stand out Canadian Secretary that wore a mink coat, I can't remember her name unfortunately. I also recall that Gillian Curtain worked there and that Brimor John was the Assistant Under Secretary, whilst Merlyn Rees - a very straight talking man, was the Home Secretary at the time. I have today been asked if I am aware of my documentation or had any documentation in relation to PIE (the Paedophile Information Exchange) or was aware of any funding that PIE may have received from the Home Office whilst I was employed there. I cannot recall any funding or any paperwork in relation to PIE funding whilst I worked there. I also cannot recall Tim Hulbert ever being shown a spreadsheet, ledger or any document about PIE

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funding or grants by myself. Although computers were around at the time our department was not computerised. As part of my role I didn't deal with accounts, this was dealt with by the accounts department. As a close colleague of Tim's and given my religious background and views I feel if I was aware of the matters at the time I would have dealt with them myself, but I can honestly state that I do not recall anything at all in regards to showing or giving Tim any documentation in regards to PIE funding or grants. My first real recollection of hearing about PIE was in 2004 I think. This was when it was first brought to my attention, whilst I was undertaking training in regards to my role as a Reverend and safeguarding. To clarify regarding Clifford Hindley - he was my Boss at the time, as in fact I had two bosses overall, Clifford whilst at Voluntary Services and Graham whilst I was dealing with the referendum. A. Davies

Signature: A Davies ..... Signature witnessed by: D.Farrell DS.....