

Witness Name: Alan Francis Davies  
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Dated: 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016

**THE INDEPENDENT INQUIRY INTO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE**

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**Witness Statement of Alan Francis Davies**

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I, Alan Francis Davies, will say as follows: -

I make this statement in relation to the Independent Inquiry in to Sexual Abuse (the Inquiry's) Westminster Investigation.

I am 83 years of age having been born on the DPA 1934. I served in the RAF as a navigator for three years and thereafter I joined the MOD in the Naval Department. I was with the MOD until 1974 when I joined the Home Office. This was primarily to run the United Kingdom European Communities Referendum. Thereafter followed 1) Organisation and Methods 2) Race Relations 3) Voluntary Services Unit 4) Fire Service College. I finished in 1982 then went to Oxford University to study Theology. I was ordained in 1985.

I was with the Voluntary Services Unit from 1977 to 1979 to the best of my recollection. At this time I reported to Clifford Hindley (not Graham Angel as the Metropolitan Police wrote in my statement of the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2014). Other colleagues included a) Brian Chaplin b) Muriel Smith c) Tim Hulbert. Our remit was to advise various organisations on funding issues. These included WRVS, NACRO, Albany Trust, Community Service Volunteers, The British Association for Counselling, Westminster Pastoral Foundation and Brixton Neighbourhood Community Association.

The Metropolitan Police asked me in 2014 whether I was aware of or had seen any documentation relating to PIE (Paedophile Information Exchange). I was not aware of any such documentation. I am aware that Tim Hulbert has relayed to me his recollection of a dialogue between myself and him concerning the Albany Trust. I have absolutely no recollection of this at all. I cannot say the conversation didn't happen only that I have no memory of it. I do however have a vague recollection, possibly in early 1979, when the general conversation was about WRVS funding when someone used the expression PIE. I cannot be sure but I think it was Tim Hulbert. I only remember it because of the acronym as it wasn't something I recognised. I never gave it another thought because it wasn't something on my radar.

I am asked specifically how much was the WRVS grant and its frequency. I believe it was annual and £3.25 million. I did not see any documents to the best of my recollection with PIE marked on it. I had no thoughts whatsoever that money was being diverted. If I had I would have raised it with my superior Clifford Hindley.

I refer to an email chain containing emails between Tim Hulbert and myself on the 30 June 2016 as INQ000132. This includes Tim's email to me at 12.33 and my response at 20.02, as a response to an earlier telephone call I had with him.

**Statement of Truth**

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**DPA**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

19/5-2017.