

Case Ref. No. 01029/2

Pin 5549

Royal Military Police

STATEMENT FORM (Military)

STATEMENT OF: 149

Surname * Marital Status

Christian/Fore Names

Regt. No. and Rank * Height

Regt. or Corps * Build

Unit and Location

Type of Engagement Date of Birth

Unit Employment Place of Birth

Home Address Date due to leave Theatre

Run Out date

* Complete where applicable

Who states:

I am at present serving with my unit who are at
 present carrying out security duties in Londonderry.

At LONDONDERRY, on the 30 Jan 1972, about 1300 hours, I was a member of
 a platoon and we were deployed around the area of UPPER MAGAZINE STREET and
 BUTCHER STREET, our task being to stop the civil rights marchers entering
 the City walls.

Shortly after 1600 hours, I heard the sound of batons and C.S. Gas
 being fired, one could see the gas as it was plainly to be seen in the air above
 the houses in EDEW PLACE, ROSSVILLE STREET area.

Shortly afterwards I saw a gang of youths run into the flats, followed
 shortly by a number of Army Department vehicles which drove down
 ROSSVILLE STREET and stopped at the junction of EDEW PLACE, then arrived two(2)
 APC'S vehicles and they stopped besides the other vehicles. From the two(2)
 APC'S that stopped a number of soldiers debussed, some ran down BELLS TALK
 and about ten (10) ran down ROSSVILLE STREET.

I then heard one (1) baton round being fired in or near ADAM STREET.
 Suddenly I heard about six (6) single shots which sounded like a low velocity
 shot that from a .22 rifle being fired immediately after that there were about
 three (3) bursts of (over 5) five rounds each burst of automatic fire.
 In my opinion these came from a THOMPSON Sub machine gun. They came from the centre
 block (Block two(2)) of ROSSVILLE FLATS.

SIGNED

SIGNATURE WITNESSED BY

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STATEMENT CONTINUATION FORM
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I then heard a single high velocity shot being fired and saw soldiers crouched down besides a small block of houses in EDEN STREET. There was a lot of single shots being exchanged from different types of weapons as some were of high velocity and some of low velocity, this lasted for about ten(10) minutes.

During the period of my task at UPPER MAGAZINE STREET and BUTCHER STREET, the weather was dry and windy. Visibility was very good.

* This statement, consisting of THREE 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the _____ day of _____ 19 _____

Signature _____

* (_____ being unable to read the above statement, I _____ of _____ read it to him before he signed it.

Dated the 2nd day of FEB 19 72

Signature _____

The above statement was recorded and signature witnessed by me at 2300 hrs on 2 FEB 1972 at (Place) MASONIC CAR PARK

Signature _____ (Investigator)

* Signed _____

Signature witnessed by 1896

* Delete if inapplicable