

Witness Statement

1. I, Mark Sedwill hold the post of Permanent Secretary in the Home Office.
2. In light of the commitment from Her Majesty's Government to cooperate with the Inquiry to the upmost of their ability I tasked officials in my department to assist the Historic Institutional Abuse (HIA) Inquiry with its investigation into Kincora.
3. I confirm that I have been informed by my officials that the HIA Inquiry has reviewed all the material that the Home Office has been able to find arising from the searches conducted using the search terms agreed with the HIA Inquiry.
4. I confirm that I have been informed by my officials that the HIA Inquiry has reviewed that material in unredacted form.
5. I confirm that the Home Office has thereafter disclosed to the HIA Inquiry copies of all the material sought from the Home Office, which the HIA Inquiry wished to publish.
6. I confirm that the disclosed material has been provided to the HIA Inquiry by the Home Office with only those redactions considered appropriate by the HIA Inquiry.
7. I confirm that the Home Office has endeavoured to assist the work of the HIA Inquiry to the best of its ability.

Signed



Mark Sedwill

Date:

18. 1. 17