

THE INQUIRY INTO HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONAL ABUSE 1922 TO 1995

WITNESS STATEMENT O HIA 172

HIA 172 will say as follows:-

Personal details

- 1. I was born or in in in it. I have an older brother called My father was in the forces and we lived in it. We returned to Northern Ireland when I was four. We lived in it as that is where my father was originally from. According to my mother, my father became very abusive after he joined the Army and became a heavy drinker. He eventually left us and my mother was not able to cope.
- 2. I attended Primary School. When I was in Primary 1 my mother's sister encouraged her to seek help from social services as I was hyperactive. My mother told me that I was hard to handle. On 13th May 1980 I was admitted to Adelaide Park Children's Home. I was then transferred to Lissue Hospital, Lisburn.

Lissue Hospital, Lisburn (30/06/1980 to December 1985)

3. The front of the building was for physically disabled children and the nurses wore uniforms. It was the main entrance and it was a lovely part of the building. I was placed in a part of the building at the back of the building where the staff wore ordinary clothes.

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- 4. When I was in Lissue I had my own bedroom. There were dormitories but I was only placed in a dormitory when I was being put in timeout. On a typical day I would get up and get dressed. I used to wet the bed quite a lot so if I had wet the bed I was put in a bath containing dettol. The staff did not want to touch me and it made me feel like I had a disease. I felt like I was being sterilised in the bath and I found it quite upsetting. After I got dressed I would have breakfast and go to school. Sometimes I was punished by being made to wear my pyjamas all day and not sent to school. I used to sit in a room on my own all day looking at the pages of Ceefax. I was left school work to do but was unsupervised. The weekends tended to be a bit more relaxed than the weekdays depending on what members of staff were working. I believe that I broke things out of frustration or was provoked to do things by members of staff or other residents. Those things were written up as bad behaviour on my part with no reference to why I did those things. I thought that was very unjust and painted the wrong picture of me.
- 5. I remember passing a cupboard when we were away somewhere on holiday and asking what it was. I was told that is where they put the bad boys.
- 6. We were not allowed our own toys. My mother brought me an X-wing fighter once and was told to take it home. All the communal toys were kept locked in a cupboard and we were only allowed to play with them at certain times called group time.
- 7. I was punished for not eating my food. I remember a member of staff putting me in a room with a bowl of cold peas and telling me I was not allowed to leave until they were finished. I put them in my mouth and then ran to the toilet to spit them out. I think this is an example of the pettiness and inhumane treatment by the staff.
- 8. The school was in two portacabins on the grounds. Time spent at school was more productive and structured. The teachers were LS1, LS2

 LS2, LS3 and LS4 The teachers were all professionals and I do not have any complaints about the school apart from LS4 who

taught maths. My hair had grown quite long because no one had cut it and she made me wear a girl's hairclip which I found humiliating.

- 9. Certain members of staff were great and others were quite fearsome. There were three types of people working in Lissue: the gentle and kind people, the neutral people and then the vicious people. The latter were bullies who seemed determined to humiliate and punish at every opportunity as they were disinterested in the children. LS 5 was an old member of staff who would grab me by the ear. There was no humanity in the care they provided and I was deprived of any motherly love. One of the ways we were punished was by being put in timeout and you could be left for quite a long time. I think some of the staff over used timeout so they did not have to deal with us. Sometimes they would strip you and put you into bed. You could be left for the rest of the day or until the next meal time. If you resisted you were manhandled. If you fell asleep because you had been left for so long and then couldn't sleep that night you were punished again for not going to sleep. The boredom and frustration that resulted from being stuck in a room made me hallucinate. I remember looking at the curtains and the images on the curtains melted and changed in to faces. used to wonder whether the hallucinations were caused by boredom or just the medication that they gave me. I remember going up to the medicine room and being given medication at various times. I remember being fed ice-cream by a member of staff. I was on my own and it was not at a meal time. I believe that the ice-cream was laced with something as it was gritty and tasted of ash. I was told that the ice-cream was pistachio but I do not believe that such an exotic flavour would have been offered to me. I was always paranoid that the staff were doing things to me and then laughing about it.
- 10. On one occasion I locked myself in to the observation room. The staff eventually talked me round and I let them in. When I was opening the door they threw water over me, pinned me to the floor and knocked me out. They pulled my pants down and gave me an injection.
- 11. On one occasion my mother saw one of the nurses lashing out at me. I think I had kicked the nurse and she pinned me down saying "you little bastard". I

remember watching over the courtyard at the back when my mum visited. She was not allowed to come through the front entrance or the school entrance. When she left I used to run down the corridor to look out the window to see her leave. I would be upset and crying and I remember a nurse called LS 6 telling me that my mum didn't love me and to shut up and stop crying. It did not matter what was said because it was not going to change the way I felt about my mum. I loved my mum.

- 12. I was always keen to look smart and dress well so I admired the man from Del Monte. I wanted to have a pair of white trousers like his. I made myself a pair of white trousers out of a white sheet and carpet threads. I was quite proud of them and I put them under my mattress to hide them. One of the nurses called LS 7 found them and made me parade up and down the corridor wearing them. I was taken in to every room and she said "look at HIA 172 trousers". It was humiliating. I was not allowed to go down to the school and I was made to wear them for the rest of the day. They were falling apart on me and were revealing my genitals. I remember one of the student nurses being quite upset about me being paraded up and down and saying that she was not going to stay and watch such a thing. The student nurses would only be there a short period of time but they were all really nice.
- 13. Towards the end of my time in Lissue I was getting weary of what was happening to me and less tolerant of it. I started to resist being dragged to my room for no reason to be left for prolonged periods of time. I went to Fallowfield for a short time before we moved to
- 14. After my mum and dad separated my dad moved to work. He returned to Northern Ireland and my parents got back together. My father got a job in and wanted us to start a new life there. I remember being very stressed on the flight because I did not want people to know I was from Lissue. I put on shorts, a shirt and a jumper on the plane because I thought that if it looked like I was dressed in a school uniform people would think I had attended an ordinary school. I lived in for over a year and then my mum sent me back to Northern Ireland where I was returned to Lissue.

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- 16. I remember my mum coming over from to visit me. I knew she was coming and the thought of having her back again made me quite rebellious to the staff. I climbed out the bedroom window one night and was running around the grounds in my bare feet. I climbed in the kitchen window as I was hungry. I was about to climb back out the window with a tin of biscuits when one of the night nurses found me. She said to me to come on and go back to bed. Just as I was climbing down to go with he burst in to the room, grabbed me by the hair and dragged me down the long corridors and up a flight of stairs back to my room. He flung me in to my room and my head bounced off the window sill. I was left with a large bump on my head. My mother visited me the following day and I told her what had happened. LS 8 denied hurting me and told her that I did it to myself. My mother did not have the strength to stand up to them and people in authority do not admit when they are wrong.
- 17. Eventually my mum left my dad and moved back to Northern Ireland. Lissue became normal to me and going home to my family felt weird. It should have been the other way around. When I was at home I had a room to myself and was not told what to do. It was impossible for me to relate to normal everyday life because I was not used to it. The emotional effects of Lissue have had a deep affect on me. I live in constant fear of the consequences of making a mistake and expect to be beaten and punished when I do.
- 18. Lissue was a horrible place but there was a woman called S 73 who made the place much easier. Even when S 73 was being strict and punishing you by

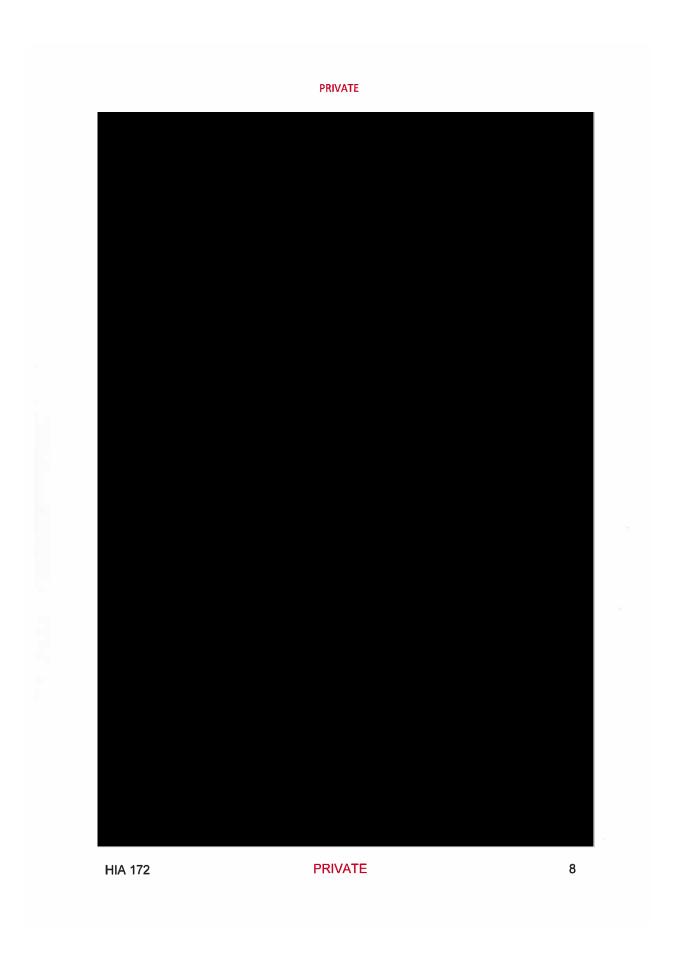
putting you in timeout she was fair and did what she said. If she told me I was going to my room for five minutes then I was put there for five minutes. I respected her and she was kind. Although some of the staff were kind I find it difficult to understand how they were able to stand back and allow horrible things to happen to me. I thought that any act of kindness was so wonderful but I realise that that is just normal.

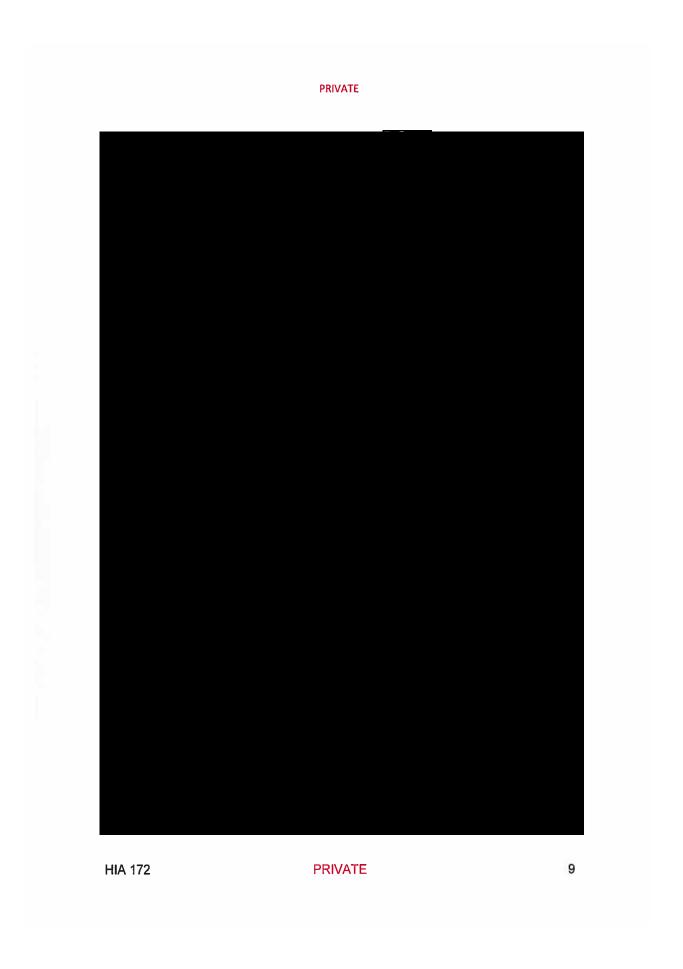
- 19. Feeling alone and being separated from my family was punishment enough without being in a harsh, unfair environment.
- 20. I was not properly discharged from Lissue as I ran away a few days before I was due to leave and was not sent back. I spent a few months at home with my mum. I attended the Jaffa Centre where the staff were good people who had a lot of time for the children. My mother could not cope so I was moved to Rathgael.

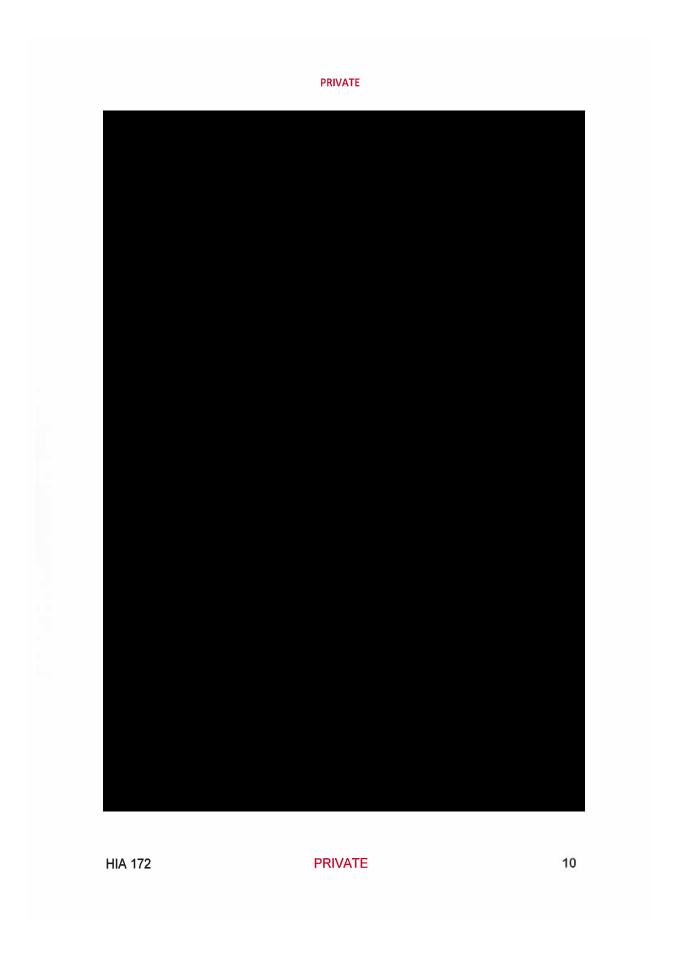
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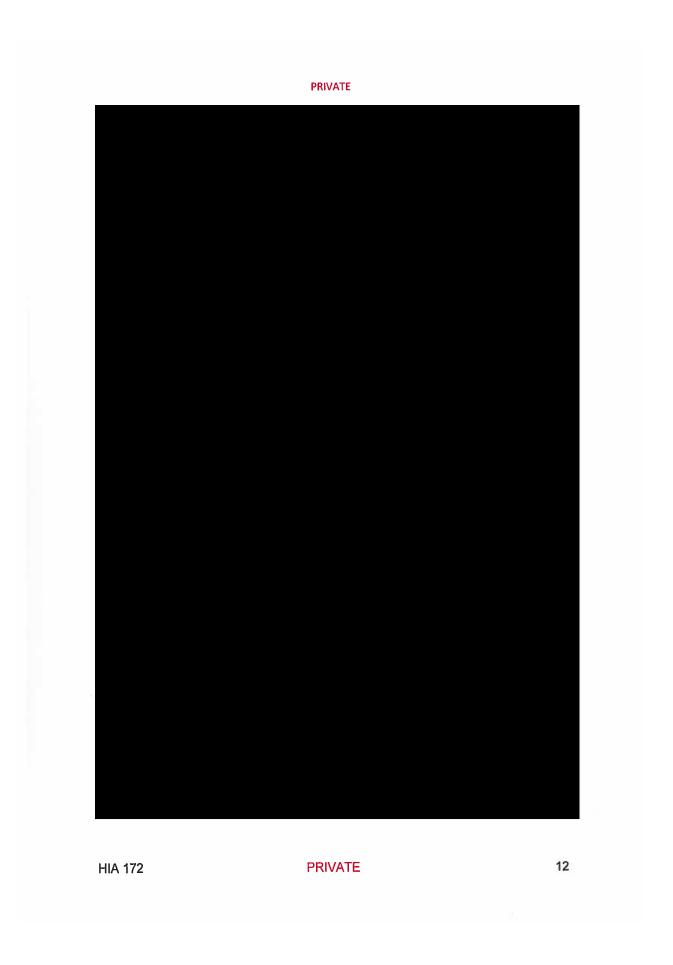


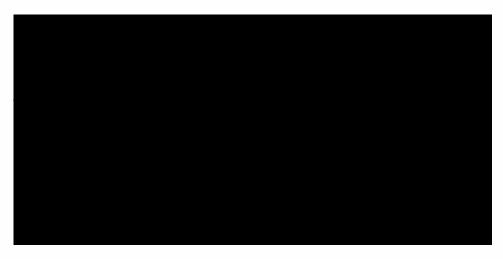












Life After Care

- 47. I believe that my childhood in care has over-shadowed the rest of my life. I believe I have been discriminated against because of the stigma of being in care.
- 48. My life after care has been extremely difficult. I have struggled both physically and mentally. I feel that I am always on the defensive and I am highly strung. I have been traumatised by the experiences of care, I have trust issues and nightmares. I feel vulnerable and damaged from the war zone I have emerged from. I discovered in later years that I have lasting physical damage as a result of the assaults I received in care. I have had surgery on both my shoulder joints. I have a vertebrae pushing on my sciatic nerve causing a loss of feeling in my leg. I have struggled with depression and anxiety as a result of my life time in care. I see myself as a prisoner who was exposed to violence when I was captive.
- 49. I made a statement to the police in 1993 about my time in Lissue. No action was taken and I felt that the police were unsympathetic.
- 50. I am taking part in this Inquiry because I do not think the people who physically and mentally damaged me should be allowed to get away with what they did. I would like the government to acknowledge what happened to me and apologise

for every incident. I believe that the victims should receive long-term, limitless counselling.

Statement of Truth

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



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STATEMENT OF

Name

AGE OF WITNESS (if over 21 enter "over 21"): ___20 __years

TO BE COMPLETED WHEN THE STATEMENT HAS BEEN WRITTEN I declare that this statement consisting of seven 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 at a preliminary enquiry or at the trial of any person, 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.

Rank

Dated this

26th

day of October

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LS92

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER by whom statement was recorded or serviced

HIA172

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

When I was 6 years old my parents separated and I went into Adelaide Park Children's Home in Belfast. When I was 7 years old I moved to Lissue Children's Hospital in Lisburn. The first incident which I can remember in Lissue was where I was misbehaving in the TV room. LS7 , a nurse, grabbed me by my arm and said "Right, you're going to bed". When she dragged me down the corridor she was hurting me. I was screaming and shouting and I can remember LS6 coming out of the office to help LS7 with me. I broke free and fell to the ground. So grabbed me by my hair and So grabbed my legs, they dragged me into the first dormitory. I was stripped naked and put into the first bed. LS6 and S7 held the quilt over my body. I was still kicking and screaming when LS85 appeared. I think LS6 got hurt. I think I kicked her. I was screaming and shouting. LS6 stood up and LS85 sat down on the bed and held me down. LS6 sat down on the bed again and LS7 put the guilt over my head because I was screaming. I can remember being thumped through the guilt around my stomach, chest and legs. I do not know who thumped me. I started crying and stopped moving. LS7 pulled away the guilt, looked at me and asked if I was going to behave. LS7 spoke to LS85 and LS85 left the room. Then LS6 left. LS7 stuck around and talked to me about what I had done and said that what they had done to

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me was for my own good. lacksquare asked me if I was going to behave and I

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nodded indicating yes. LS7 left the room and I was left there physically hurting. Another incident I can remember in Lissue was when I wanted a pair of white trousers. I didn't get them so I decided to make a pair out of my bedsheet with thread from the carpet to sew them together. LS7 found them under my mattress and made me wear them. I was paraded up and down the corridor in them in front of staff and residents. Because the trousers were poorly put together they fell apart on me while I was wearing them and were revealing. I was left holding bits of the material to cover my private parts. A Student Nurse said to staff that she would report the incident to someone more official if they wouldn't put me in proper clothes. At different times during my stay at Lissue if I did not finish my meal, it would be put in a bowl and left until I had actually eaten it, even when it was cold. Other times I was made to sit on the toilet for hours until I had actually gone, even if I didn't need to. If I misbehaved I would be left in my room for long periods of time, all day in some cases. Sometimes when I was left in my room I was left maked. Once I ran out of the building before bedtime. I was still in the grounds. I was hungry so I climbed in through the kitchen window to get biscuits. I switched the light on and one of the nurses caught me. The nurse asked me to go to bed and I agreed. Before I got out of the kitchen door, LS8 , the Senior Nurse, burst through the door and grabbed me by the hair. He dragged me out of the kitchen on my back. I was screaming and shouting. He dragged me along 3 corridors, through doors where my legs caught on them. I was in my pyjamas and bare feet. LS8 dragged me up two flights of stairs on my back. He threw me into my bedroom and left me there. My ankles and back were very sore. My mother visited me the next day and took me out. Staff were not going to let me out because I had run away the

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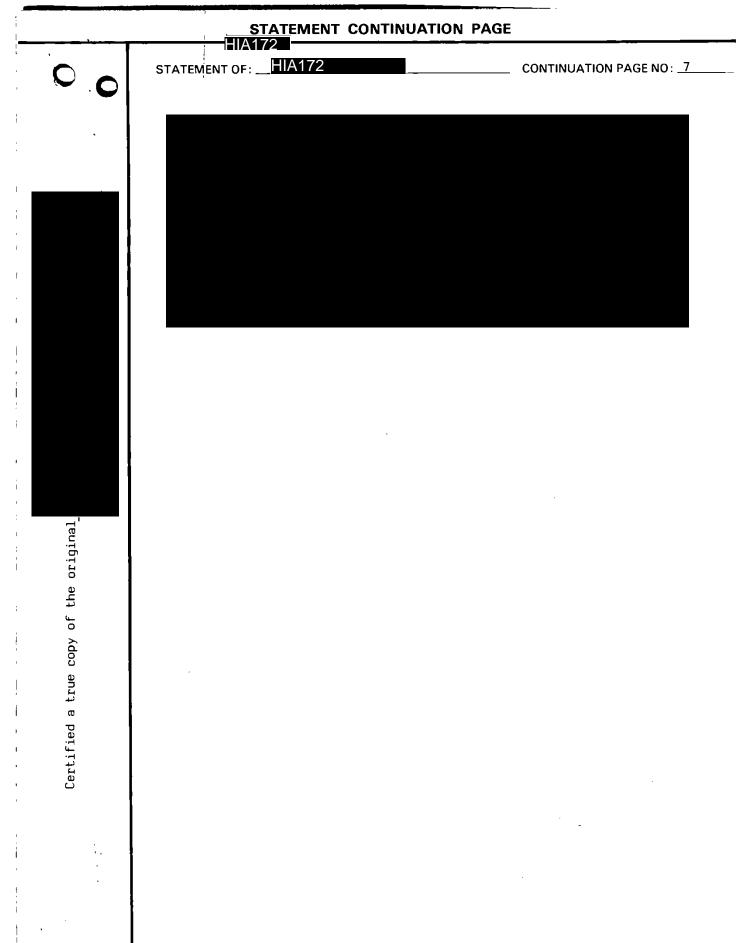
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I can remember standing in the corridor with my mum telling her what had done to me. LS8 was standing there denying it saying I had done it to myself. I called LS8 a bastard, then my mum and I went out. Another time I was misbehaving and I was put to bed. I put my bed up against the door to keep the staff out. I was there for a couple of hours. I removed one of the plastic windows from the frame to try and climb out. The staff encouraged me to move the bed from the door and told me they would say no more about it and they would forget about it all. Thinking it was the best option I had I moved the bed away from the door. The door opened and I got water thrown over me. LS84 and LS8 were on duty that night. There was also a nurse on who had a Southern Irish accent. I was pinned down to the floor by the above named staff and stripped naked. I was held down on my stomach and given an injection. I was put back into the bed and passed out. I woke up the next day in the afternoon, a brand new box of Leggo was waiting for me, this was my favourite toy. Also cakes, sweets and juice. I was in and out of Lissue up until I was 11 years old. I then went into Rathgael just before my 12th birthday.

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EXHIBIT NO.SC7 STATEMENT OF: LS85 ADDRESS: OCCUPATION: _ TAKEN BY: LS92 (SOLICITOR) ON: 27th JANUARY 1994 IN PRESENCE OF: . LS85 : Wish to make a statement, I want someone to write down what I say. I understand that I need not say anything unless I wish to do so and that what I say may be given in evidence. I also understand that if I fail to mention any fact which I rely on in my defence in court, my failure to mention it may be treated in court as supporting any relevant evidence against LS85 SIGNATURE OF STATEMENT MAKER I began working as a Nursing Assistant in Lissue Children's Hospital in Lissue closed down about 4 years ago and I transferred I have been made aware of allegations made against Lissue hospital staff by HIA172 The incident where HIA172 mentioned myself, I have no recollection of and I would not have been involved in any incident of this nature. I have never saw any other member of staff ill-treating HIA1 or assaulting him. (Signed) LS85 I have read the above statement and I have been told that I can correct

alter or add anything I wish this statement is true I have made it of my

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EXHIBIT NO. SC8 LS8 STATEMENT OF: ADDRESS: . OCCUPATION: NURSING OFFICER TAKEN BY: _ ON: 27th JANUARY 1994 ___ IN PRESENCE OF: (SOLICITOR) LS8 : Wish to make a statement. I want someone to write down what I say. I understand that I need not say anything unless I wish to do so and that what I say may be given in evidence. I also understand that if I fail to mention any fact which I rely on in my defence in court, my failure to mention it may be treated in court as supporting any relevant evidence against LS8 SIGNATURE OF STATEMENT MAKER I was employed in Lissue Children's hospital as charge nurse from I was then promoted to Nursing Officer in made aware of allegations made against me by HIA172 I remember HIA172 although I do not remember any incident similar to what that which HIA172 has described involving myself. I am shocked at these allegations and I have never treated or any other child in such a fashion as $\mathsf{HIA172}$ describes. I understand $\mathsf{HIA17}$ was admitted to Lissue around 1980. Since 1975 I would not have been responcible for nursing children (Signed) LS8 personally. I have read the above statement and I have been told that I can correct alter or add anything I wish. This statement is true, I have made it of my own free will. (Signed) my own free will. (Signed)

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EXHIBIT NO. SC9

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STATEMENT OF: LS84 ADDRESS: AGE: OCCUPATION: _ ON: 27 JANUARY 1994 IN PRESENCE OF: (SOLICITOR) LS84 : Wish to make a statement. I want someone to write down what I say. I understand that I need not say anything unless I wish to do so and that what I say may be given in evidence. I also understand that if I fail to mention any fact which I rely on in my defence in court, my failure to mention it may be treated in court as supporting any relevant evidence against LS84 SIGNATURE OF STATEMENT MAKER I was employed in Lissue hospital as a Senior State Enrolled nurse. I began working there in .I remained there until Lissue hospital closed down I have been made aware of allegations made against me by HIA172 $\frac{11A172}{100}$ the incident 2 describes involving myself and LS8 definitly, did not take place. My status would not have covered me to give an injection, and I never injected HIA172 At no time would I ever have treated any child in the manner which HIA17 describes. I or saw it happen. (Signed) LS84 never threw water around I have read the above statement and I have been told that I can correct or add anything I wish. <u>This statement</u> is true. I have made it of my own free will. (Signed) LS84

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EXHIBIT NO. SC10

STATEMENT OF: LS7
ADDRESS:
OCCUPATION: AGE: _
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ON: 27th JANUARY 1994 IN PRESENCE OF:
(SOLICITOR)
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SIGNATURE OF STATEMENT MAKER
I was employed in Lissue Childrens hospital as a staff nurse from
until it tre closed down when I transferred to
have been made aware of allegations made by HIA172 against myself.
All of the allegations 2 has made against me are definitly untrue.
I have never dragged HIA17 or any child along a corridor nor have I
pulled them by the hair. I have never stripped any child naked. I have
never held a quilt over 2 or any child. I have never hit
any child. HIA17 describes an incident involving white trousers. This
never happened. I can remember an incident involving a pair of black
trousers. HIA17 had stolen these from the linen cupboard and cut the
legs off to make shorts. The legs were uneven and I told the him to
change them as he would have been humiliated if he had gone out in them.
I would never have humiliated a child as it was my job to build up their
self esteem and confidence. As staff our policy was not to remain-if-cont
be calm and remain in control of to show an example to the children and

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to give them tender loving care and councelling following a child's

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outburst. Every morning there was a children's meeting where the children could air their grievances, make suggestions. The Doctors, Social Workers and Nurses were always available for the children to talk to. There was a school attached to Lissue Childrenschospital and the children could freely have approached any teacher with problems.

(Signed) LS7

I have read the above statement and I have been told that I can correct alter or add anything I wish, this statement is true I have made it of my own free will. (Signed)

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EXHIBIT NO. SC11 STATEMENT OF: LS6 ADDRESS: OCCUPATION: . ____ AGE: _ TAKEN BY: LS92 ON: 27th JAN 1994 IN PRESENCE OF: (SOLICITOR) LS6 : Wish to make a statement. I want someone to write down what I say. I understand that I need not say anything unless I wish to do so and that what I say may be given in evidence. I also understand that if I fail to mention any fact which I rely on in my defence in court, my failure to mention it may be treated in court as supporting any relevant evidence against LS6 SIGNATURE OF STATEMENT MAKER I was employed as a Mental Nursing Assistant from until when I retired. I have been informed of allegations made against me by HIA172 describes involving The incident which myself did not happen. I have never dragged any child by their legs or anything else. I have never stripped any child naked nor saw another member of staff do it. I have never held a quilt or anything else over a child or assaulted any child including I would never have acted in this manner and I cannot understand why is making these allegations. (Signed) LS6

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Subject: ALLEGED PHYSICAL ABUSE AT LISSUE CHILDREN'S HOME, LISBURN AND THE

RATHGAEL CENTRE, BANGOR

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DIRECTION

Given the total absence of any independent evidence to corroborate the complaints which have been alleged, the evidence is quite insufficient to establish that any criminal offence was committed.

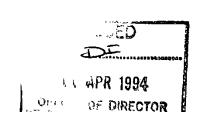
I direct no prosecution.

The police investigation file is returned herewith.

Eastern Circuit
for Director of Public Prosecutions

11th April 1994





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My name's and I'm a Detective Sergeant with the Public Protection Unit based at Antrim Police Station.

Today is Tuesday the 11th of March 2014 and from my watch it is approximately ten past eleven in the morning.

We're here at Garnerville CARE Suite today and I will be acting a second interviewer for the interview with

HIA172

Okay HIA172 so you are just here.

HIA172 It's a smaller room than before.

Is that right yeah. So as you saw there HIA172, came in and introduced herself, so we need to do the, the same thing, okay.

HIA172 Right.

So I'll go first, my name's and I'm currently, I'm a Temporary Detective Inspector at the Public Protection Unit in Antrim, okay and can you as well just give your name HIA172 and your date of birth and address please.

HIA172 , the ,

Okay before we get started HIA172 obviously I know that you've, you're aware of the equipment being used and you've been in next door and you've seen where sitting. So just to remind you that we are being video

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on a, and you'd be left to sit on a chair for a matter of time, I think maybe at that age five minutes probably felt like five hours, I don't know, but I do remember spending quite a majority of my time in the first dormitory which was next to this sort of recreational dining area and there was like big windows at the top that let light in from that dining area. Uh-huh.

HIA172

And I just remember spending a lot of time just sitting on a chair on time-out and other times just, actually just being put to bed.

Uh-huh.

HIA172

I think I can remember an incident about, I was, I think it was, it was in the hallway and it was, I think I was being held down by staff members and one member of staff I can remember, See I think her name was and one of the things I'm quite concerned about in, whenever I've spoken to the police in the past was there's, there's two members of staff there was see and see

Okay.

HIA172 And you can understand the.

Yes.

HIA172 The familiar names. Now was this soft, gentle, kind

woman who, who would never hurt you.

Uh-huh.

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Who never hurt me, never did anything, she might have

put me in my room you know on -

-Uh-huh -

-Time-out but it wasn't excessive you know, and she

actually lives behind me on the

Right uh-huh.

HIA172 And I seen her on the train the other day there and I just

want to make it clear that it's not that lady and I hope that

she's never been interview or -

-Uh-huh -

-Or spoken to about anything because she's never done

anything, she really is you know a really decent person

you know.

Uh-huh.

And had, I've very fond memories of her and, and it was

always a good day when she was on duty.

Uh-huh.

HIA172 You know, but See on the other hand was a little bit

vindictive, and a little bit aggressive, and had thumped me

on numerous occasions, you know, more than likely

whenever she was dragging me off to my room and, and

of course you tend to put up resistance after a while, and.

Uh-huh.

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HIA172

Well this was like outside the last dormitory just before the door, before where the bathroom.

Uh-huh.

HIA172

And shower and stuff there's, there was a shower, there was a shower here and there was I think three toilets or two toilets there and then there was sinks here, and then kind of like a, but yeah so the last, outside the last dormitory where that little anorexic girl, used to always be.

Uh-huh.

HIA172

I'd said to my mum my head had actually swollen up pretty bad from.

Uh-huh.

HIA172

From him holding me by the hair and I was quite bruised all over and my mum was like well happened to you and, and I remember distinctly telling my mum and pointing straight at straight

Uh-huh.

HIA172

And saying this bastard, and using the word bastard, you know did this to me, and him saying he did that to himself.

Uh-huh.

HIA172

You know without batting an eyelid.

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Uh-huh.

HIA172 My mum says that she can't remember it at all but.

Okay.

I don't think my mum's really that forthcoming with

anything.

Uh-huh.

These days. I think it's, I think she feels ashamed of the

fact that she left me in that -

-Uh-huh -

HIA172 -Sort of position.

Okay.

There's other things that maybe aren't too relevant.

Uh-huh.

HIA172 I remember being given medication, like a pinky, browny

liquid stuff I believe it, I believe it's actually Largactil. I

remember being on that for a period of time.

Uh-huh.

HIA172

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HIA172 Well.

Now just everything you can remember about that

incident.

HIA172 Well I think

my mum was in staying in the

maisonette at the main, main part of the building.

Okay uh-huh.

HIA172

Uh-huh, but what happened.

I think when my mum was there I was probably very, a lot

more confident to act up possibly, maybe a bit cocky as

well, but I just remember my mum being present and, and

then being thumped -

-Uh-huh.

HIA172 But when I talked to my mum about it, asking her did she

remember it and she says no, no that was a student nurse

that done that.

Okay.

HIA172 And I reported her and you know and.

Uh-huh tell, tell me what you remember about it HIA172

HIA172 Well I remember, I, I remember quite a few occasions of

being on the ground and being held down.

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But lifted up the mattress, held it up with my head and

then laid this thing out, and then let it you know and, and

then, and they found it.

Right.

HIA172 She found it and.

Uh-huh.

HIA172 Came down and dragged me up to my room and put them

on me and made me wear them.

Right.

And walked me about the unit or the, you know the, look

at HIA172 's new trousers, look at his lovely wee trousers

and, and LS6 was in tow, she was there singing

along as well.

Uh-huh.

HIA172 Her, but.

How did that make you feel at the time.

I was humiliated wasn't I, you know, by the end of the day

these trousers had fallen apart and I'd no underwear on

and you know and my genitals were showing and I

remember a student nurse having an argument outside

the room shouting, really getting quite angry about it and.

Uh-huh.

HIA172 And I can remember quite clearly it was like -

-An argument with who HIA172.

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HIA172 With whoever was outside that room.

Uh-huh.

Saying that this is a disgrace and, and I'm going to report

this, I can remember those words you know.

Uh-huh.

But I can't really remember if I was put into trousers after

that -

-Okay.

I can just remember sitting, it wasn't the main lounge it

was the, there was two lounges where the TV and I was in

the, the one that was least occupied and it had a TV kind

of up by the window and instead of this TV was, instead of

the TV being mounted on the wall like the one in the main.

Uh-huh.

Lounge area, this one seemed to be maybe down, maybe

on a TV stand or on a, on a TV unit or something 'cause I

remember sitting up quite close to it, and you know, and

you know sitting looking at it and usually there was, I think

there was just maybe a lot, a lot of TV in those days was.

Okay.

HIA172 Just teletext with music.

Yeah.

HIA172

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HIA172 Whenever I went to Rathgael sure my family moved to

, you know, how's that, getting away from me, but, but yeah I remember standing here in tears crying for my mum and, and S6 coming up to me and telling me to shut up, you know your mother doesn't want you okay, you know, she doesn't love you so just forget about

her, you know.

Uh-huh.

HIA172 Words to that effect but those words were quite powerful

at the time and it just made me cry more actually.

Uh-huh.

Yeah she was pretty cruel she'd, maybe not as bad as

LS7

Uh-huh.

HIA172 You know if you were to ask me to grade them all I would

say physically LS7, physically and psychologically LS7

was the worst she just, just never.

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	SIGNATURES OF INTERVIEWING OFFICERS

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	Statement of Witness
Statement of: LS87	
Age of Witness: Over 18	(if over 18 insert 'over 18')
belief and I make it knowing tha	nsisting of 2 page/s, each signed by me is true to the best of my knowledge and it, if it is tendered in evidence at a preliminary enquiry or at the trial of any person, I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be
Signature of Witness:	Date: 19/06/15
Signature witnessed by:	Service/Staff # if police/staff
Signature of Witness:	Date: <u>19/06/15</u>
by whom statement was recorded or received	Service/Staff # if police/staff
•	. I worked as a staff nurse o ough this would've included some shifts from 3.30pm to 10pm. I remember that we just dressed in mufti. Although my name is LS87 I am known as LS87 and
would have been known as	S87 at Lissue. At that time I considered myself a career woman and actuall
intended to go into teaching. II	iked it however at Lissue, I liked working with the children and I liked that it seeme
that you would be getting some	where with the children. We had children from the age of five to about thirteen an
a half, fourteen would've beer	n pushing it at that time. We had children from all sorts of backgrounds and
conditions. It was a very structu	ured setting in Lissue and the children were put into colour coded groups according
to their age and their days an	nd week would have been structured according to this. I thought it was a saf
environment for children and in	fact the children would've told you that themselves. The staff were fair with the
children. The ethos was that	you would ignore difficult behaviour and praise good behaviour. There wer
meetings every morning with	consultants and social workers and the care of each of the children would be
discussed. If a child was disrup	tive it was dealt with there and then as much as possible. For instance if there wa
a trip or something that day the	y might have missed that trip but it would not have been carried through to the nex
day. It just would've been dis	scussed at the meeting to see if anything needed to be done in relation to the
management of that child. We	would speak to the children and ask them if there was any other way they could've
Signature of witness:	LS87
Signature witnessed by:	
(if under 18) (36 Witness Statement (Certified)	

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dealt with the situation. Most things were sorted very quickly although we dealt with all sorts of things including children going onto the roof. There was a range of ways of dealing with children if they were disruptive from just using time out, putting them on a naughty chair or if a child was going to be a danger to themselves or another by holding them. This could have included holding them on the floor or the side of the bed. We were trained in manual handling at the time which we would've left Lissue to go and do, this was a mandatory thing you had to do. It showed you how to safely hold a child and if necessary to put them down on the floor. When they were settled after an occasion like this the child would be taken to the time out room. We also received in house training including academic days. I remember **S7** who had been there quite a while when I started, she would have been one of the senior nurses. I remember as firm but fair. She was very aware and thoughtful of the children's needs for example she would make sure the social workers were on the ball getting children what they needed such as money for clothes and spending money. [ST] always would've made sure that all the children had the same, and this was instilled in all of us. There would've been kids that came back maybe after three or four years to thank her. This didn't just happen to Standard however this would've happened as a general thing including . I remember a child called HIA172 , his classic move was climbing on the roof and you had to talk him down. There would've been a lot of incidents involving him bit nothing I would've thought wasn't right or dealt with safely. He would've been restrained at times but it would have been done in a safe manner. LS87

Signature of witness:	LS87	
Signature witnessed by:		
(Appropriate Adult)		

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IN-PATIENT MEDICAL NOTES

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LISSUE HOSPITAL 31 BALLINDERRY ROAD LISBURN CO. ANTRIM

To Mrs. Younge, Director of Nursing Services. Lisburn Unit of Management.

24th May, 1985

Report on:

Name:

HIA172

Date of Birth:

Readmitted:

13th September, 1984

HIA172 to-day absconded from Child Psychiatry Unit, Lissue after a morning of intermittent disturbed behaviour, i.e. he was aggressive to personnel and property.

Nursing Staff following Medical instructions of low profile surveillance, this being the recommended treatment for HA172 over the past few weeks when he manifested very similar behaviour. After this morning's events Medical staff have decided to place him on Suicide Caution Card, i.e. constant observation when he returns from this abscondment. Immediately prior to this medical action, I instructed nursing staff, Child Psychiatry Unit that until further notice from myself or my deputy, that nursing staff keep him under constant observation, irrespective of whether medical staff recommended this or not.

I take this course of action because I would be anxious of the child bringing harm to himself, other people or serious damage to property. I will review the situation when I return from Study Leave in two weeks time.



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SUICIDAL CAUTION

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Не	e (She) has threatened to kill self by Jumping off
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