

**THE INQUIRY INTO HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONAL ABUSE 1922 TO 1995**

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**WITNESS STATEMENT OF HUGH QUINN**

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I, Hugh Quinn, will say as follows:-

**Personal details**

1. I was born on [REDACTED]. I have previously given evidence to the Acknowledgement Forum back in 2013. Since then further matters have arisen during the ongoing Inquiry whereby an allegation has been made against me directly by another and I make this statement in relation to that and further to any previous evidence I have provided.
2. I was born into the workhouse on the above date. I never knew my mother. I grew up in a series of orphanages and welfare homes. I was moved on every few years. This continued until I left Kincora at the age of 18. I was in a series of homes in the Belfast area apart from a period of 5 years when I was adopted by an elderly couple who lived in Armagh. They were a cruel couple with no formal checks or qualifications and I was subjected to neglect, ill treatment and physical abuse on an almost daily basis.
3. I remained with them from 7 – 13 years of age. I asked BM 18 [REDACTED] who worked at Williamson House if I could be taken from this family and returned to care. I was then resident at Williamson House, from which I went on to Kincora at the age of 14. This was a Working Boy's Hostel on the Upper Newtownards Road and it took 12 resident boys at any one time.

**Kincora (22 February 1960 – 6 June 1961/19 June 1961 – 15 July 1962/6 August 1962 – 6 August 1963/22 December 1965 – 2 January 1966)**

4. I was singled out by the Chief Warden Joseph Mains from the outset when I arrived at Kincora. The first assault took place upon my arrival when Mr Mains had me strip naked in front of him and gave me his "medical examination" which entailed him putting his hand around my testicles and telling me to cough.
5. William McGrath and Raymond Semple did not work at the home during the period I stayed there. There was only Joseph Mains and a housekeeper, Mrs McCullough, there at the time. However, I recall that Semple worked for St John's Ambulance at the time and would have visited Kincora on occasion. I was never abused at any stage by Raymond Semple.
6. The abuse continued and quickly escalated to him inviting me to his bedroom on the first floor. This was not an invite I could refuse. It was always late at night and I was made to perform varying sexual acts including but not limited to masturbation on Mr Mains, self-masturbation and anal sex. He would also force himself on me kissing me and shoving his tongue into my mouth.
7. It was made clear to me from the outset that I could not complain nor mention this to anyone. I was made aware of how well connected both privately and politically Mr Mains was. I was also advised that I would be sent to Borstal if I even dreamed of causing a fuss. I recall at one point I was in fact sent to stay at a boy's home in Kircubbin but I do not recall the name of the home or the dates I was sent there but I stayed there for about two or three months. I have no complaints to make about my time in that particular home. Mains would threaten to send me to borstal if I did not comply with the sexual demands that he made on me.
8. After my first period of time at Kincora I applied to be admitted to National Sea Training School, Gravesend, Kent. I only stayed there two weeks as I was abused by one of the officers who worked there so I ran away within two weeks and left without a penny in my pocket.
9. I had obtained an address for my mother from Joseph Mains whilst I was in Kincora and I knew that she had moved to Coventry in 1951 so I hitched a lift from Gravesend to Coventry to see her. She had married and had two daughters but her husband did not want to look after me so a Mr Ewing from the Welfare Office come to collect me and I was returned to Kincora for a year. This was in 1961.
10. Joseph Mains arranged for me to get a job at the Royal Belfast Golf Club. This job only lasted a few months as my boss there was ex-military and I found it extremely difficult to work for him.
11. I also worked for a period of time for the BBC. They had done a documentary on Kincora in the 1960's which was very misleading to the public and told

nothing of the abuse that took place there. They advised that they had jobs for office boys and I went to work there. I was placed in digs on the Ormeau Road which were appalling and insanitary and I was then returned to Kincora.

12. The abuse continued and it was systemic abuse which also entailed a pattern of punishment and reward. This would mean along with the sexual abuse I would receive "privileges" such as days out and treats like being taken to restaurants or the theatre. I would also receive terrible punishments for no reason as if to remind me what was at risk. Once I was actually sent to a mental institution, Purdysburn Hospital where I had to remain for some weeks but I am not sure of the dates I stayed there.
13. It was this spell in a mental hospital that gave me the incentive to pursue a career as a nurse working in mental health. At the age of 17 I applied for and obtained a position as a student nurse at a hospital in London. I wanted this because not only was it a chosen career path for me but also it came with student residency so it got me out of Kincora and Ireland. Before I took up this position, I travelled to London and worked for a period of some months as a barman in Mill Hill. I am not certain of the exact date when I left Kincora. I now believe however, that it was in May of 1964 because I have been told this was the case. I didn't return for at least a year. I did come back the following Christmas (i.e. December 1965). I would do this because all the other student nurses left for their families and homes at that time and I had nowhere else to go. I knew no-one in London and I used to enjoy being in the home at Christmas time. Kincora was sadly the only home that I had known.
14. Upon anytime that I returned to Kincora there was no further sexual contact between Mr Mains and myself. I made it clear to Joseph Mains after I had left the home that there was to be no more physical contact between us if I visited and Mains did not touch me again. My last visit to Kincora was in 1979. I recall during that visit that R18 was running around Kincora with some of his gay friends and I felt it was all a bit "in your face" so to speak. He seemed to have quite a lot of freedom to come and go as he pleased with his friends. During that visit I slept on a camp bed in Mains' room. Sometimes I would stay in the attic in Kincora. On a few occasions I stayed with R2 at his house in R2.
15. R2 was a resident at Kincora at same time as me. He was also subjected to similar abuse as myself. R2 and I never spoke about this at the time but we both spoke about it for the first time when we gave evidence at the Hughes Inquiry in 1980. Unfortunately R2 suffered a great deal coming to terms with his treatment at Kincora and his abuse by Mains and I think I heard that he committed suicide. The Hughes Inquiry was a white wash. It followed on from the criminal prosecution of Joseph Mains and two other members of staff again in the early 1980's. They all pleaded guilty. There was also then a claim brought by me, against the Eastern Health and Social Services Board which was settled out of court.

16. Mains and Semple were not effeminate in nature but I was aware of Mains meeting some people when we were out at restaurants or the theatre who would be described in this way but at that age I would not even have been aware of what the term "gay" meant. I was never introduced by Mains to any of his acquaintances for sexual purposes.
17. Joseph Mains gave a statement to the police dated 1 April 1980 and I saw this statement for the first time during my consultation with the HIA Inquiry. I was extremely upset upon reading the contents of this statement. Mr Mains was suggesting that his bisexual problem first came to light with myself and as a result of his drinking. He noted that I came to him when my dog had died and that he offered me comfort and our sexual relationship started from there. His statement is totally untrue. Mains would suggest I was using him to have an easy time at Kincora. That suggestion is ridiculous. I had to accept my treatment from Mains, the privileges came with the abuse and there was no-one you could turn to to report what was going on. No-one would have believed me. I went to Kincora totally innocent of sex and/or relationships and Mains abused his position over me. I totally disagree with the interpretation Mains gave of our relationship. I constantly felt under pressure from Mains. I explained this when I gave evidence to the Hughes Inquiry.
18. The boys at Kincora did not know each other very well. Boys went to work all day and they would watch TV or chat about football in the evenings. We never talked about girls or the abuse that took place in the home. I thought I was the only one who had been singled out for this treatment and I felt that throughout my stay and right up until I left Kincora. There was no gossip about abuse amongst the boys when I was resident at Kincora.
19. Throughout my time at Kincora I never saw a social worker or anyone from social services that I could have spoken to or reported to about the difficulties I was experiencing there.
20. When I was contacted and asked to give evidence at this current Inquiry I agreed to do so and once again I bared my soul. I have now been advised that an individual by the name of KIN1 [REDACTED] has given a statement to the police and suggested that along with Mr Mains, I was also an individual who abused him during his 18 month stay at Kincora. I have had sight of portions of a statement of his which was also given back in 1980. I have never heard of this individual and I categorically deny that which he alleges.
21. Boys would come and go from Kincora on a regular basis, some would only stay for a period of weeks by order of a court for example. Some, less, would stay as long as myself and R2 [REDACTED]. There were four boys to a room of varying backgrounds and ages. Due to the time that has now passed and the regular changing of residents I do not recall anyone very well aside from Mr Mains, other staff and R2 [REDACTED].
22. What KIN1 [REDACTED] describes as the abuse he suffered is very much in line with that which happened to myself at the hands of Mr Mains. I have never been

on the staff of the home as suggested and after I left Kincora. I did not return until after this boy, [KIN1] had left, apart from the visits that I have referred to above. According to the available documentation [KIN1] was in Kincora from May 1963 until November 1964 so there would have been a period of overlap between the two of us. However, I cannot imagine why he has alleged these things against me but to be accused of such matters after all that I have been subjected to in my life is almost too much to comprehend. I have photographs of myself at that time. I would like to know whether this man can identify me. I do not know him. I do not remember anyone by that name and I am amazed that he can recall who I am after such time has passed.

23. Joseph Mains gave an interview to the police alleging that I had interfered with [KIN1] and [KIN2]. Mains stated that both [KIN1] and [KIN2] complained to him about this but I totally deny these allegations. What they are alleging never took place. Mains never at any stage mentioned these complaints had been made or raised the matter with me. I was not asked about any allegations concerning [KIN1] or [KIN2] during the Hughes Inquiry.
24. Another matter I feel it is important to raise is that of the women in Mains' life. The first I wish to mention is [BAR1]. She was in charge of a Barnados home. She was a visitor to Kincora on many occasions. She considered herself Mains' girlfriend. She would attend staff parties at the Welfare offices and I would make her tea when she attended Kincora. Next there was [REDACTED]. She was in charge of an old peoples' home which I visited with Mains. She also came to Kincora and also considered herself his girlfriend. I feel it is important to mention these people because I now believe that this was part of a "front" that Mains sought to put forward in an attempt to conceal his real criminal behaviour. I feel it is particularly important to mention [BAR1] since I understand that she has subsequently been successfully prosecuted in the late 1980's for sexual activity with children and served a prison sentence as a result.
25. I am willing to attend the Inquiry once more to answer questions in relation to these matters that have arisen only because I am so angered and distressed by these allegations in the first place.

#### Statement of Truth

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

3-06-2016

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IV. Minor occurrences in respect of other children as follows:-

(f) To report that Hugh Quinn, Williamson House, was committed to St. Patrick's Training School on 8th July for one month and to recommend payment of pocket money for holiday in Cushendall at 7/6 per week for two weeks.

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Amount due to Contractor	£74. 0. 0d.

Approved.

Kincora:

The Welfare Officer stated that he had purchased the necessary clothing and a travelling grip for Hugh Quinn, a resident in the above Home, who had been admitted to a six week training course at the National Sea Training School. The boy however had deserted from the School before the end of the course and had travelled to Coventry where his mother was living. Arrangements had been made by the Coventry Children's Committee to fly him back to Belfast, subject to reimbursement of the cost by this Committee.

The Committee approved of the purchase of the clothing etc. and also of the action taken to return the boy to Belfast.

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DFP-18-1-29 - Folder 13 HIA 199 - personal details resident of Kincora hostel. Docs provided to the Ctee of Inquiry Children's Homes &amp; Hostels (42) - PRONI - 14-04-16

Employment	FROM	To 3
B.B.C., 1	8 <sup>th</sup> May 61	14-10-61
Unemployed	14-10-61	2-6-62
Universal T/Company 2	2-6-62	22-8-62
Forget about N.S.T.S. 2		
Stewart's Cash Stores 3	24-8-62	31-8-62
Universal T/Company 4	8-9-62	5-11-62
Unemployed 9	5-11-62	7-1-63
M. J. O'Leary Unmeas. Rd. 5	7-1-63	9-2-63
Unemployed	9-2-63	26-7-63
Apprentice Draper? 6	26-7-63	7-8-63
Royal Belfast Y/Club 12 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup> Aug 63	31 <sup>st</sup> ? Sept 63
Knock Y/Club 8	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct 63	9 April 64
Soon Unemployed	2 Weeks	or more
Southbury Hotel 9	5 <sup>th</sup> May 64	—
<p>           Hugh took after this sheet as it            took me almost 3 hrs to do it &amp;            it will come in handy again Joe.         </p>		

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V I S I T A T I O N SName of Home KINCORA. Date of Visitation 20/2/1962.General Conditions in the Home Very Good.Comfort of the Residents Very Good.If visitation at meal time.  
(type of meal served) \_\_\_\_\_

Any other comments \_\_\_\_\_

Visited and found the home looking exceptionally clean and tidy. The back kitchen, bathroom and study are receiving attention. The study has been decorated and when the heater is installed will be very useful to the boys.

Hugh Quinn continues to be of great assistance to the warden.

Arrangements have been made with him to obtain a wristlet watch on Wednesday 21st February.

Signed J. K. Magee.20/2/1962.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED "THE CITY ELECTRICAL ENGINEER AND GENERAL MANAGER"

TELEPHONES:  
ELFAST 26201 (12 LINES)TELEGRAMS:  
KILOWATT, PHONE, BELFAST

## CITY AND COUNTY BOROUGH OF BELFAST.

R. P. WATSON, B.A., B.A.I., M.I.E.E.  
CITY ELECTRICAL ENGINEER  
AND GENERAL MANAGER

## ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT.

P.O. BOX 74,  
EAST BRIDGE STREET.

BELFAST 1.

YOUR REF.:

OUR REF.: Sales/MJM

9th February, 1962.

The Welfare Officer,  
Welfare Department,  
16, College Street,  
BELFAST, 1.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your memorandum dated 8th February regarding the possibility of employment in this Department for a boy named Hugh Quinn at present in the care of the Welfare Committee, I would advise you that only very infrequently do we have vacancies for apprentices.

From time to time, however, boys of around 16 years of age are engaged as Junior Meter Fixers in the Department and if you feel this may be suitable employment please arrange for the boy to attend at these offices on Wednesday, 14th February at 9.30 a.m. for interview with Mr. McMillan.

He should complete the enclosed Application for Employment form and bring it with him to the interview.

Yours faithfully,



*L.P. Lewis*  
*Mr. D. Shields*

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*Phoned Mr H Quinn re., Hugh to-day*  
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*Verifying Vacancy.*

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## HIA - PRONI Research Summary Sheet

Module Title: <u>KINROSSA</u>		Module No.			
Date Examined: <u>30. 3. 2016</u>		No. of Pages in File			
File Ref	Full Title and Short Description if relevant (if no useful information just record Title and "No useful information")	Relevant Yes/No	Bookmarked Yes/No	Scanning Yes/No    Pages	
DFP/18/ 1/29	HIA 199 - - Medical records etc. - Employment history - NI . CARD. - Kinrossa visitation report.	Y	N	Y	
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HOME OFFICE

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## MEDICAL RECORD

Name *HUGH QUINN* Date of Admission *22ND, FEB, 60*  
 (Block capitals, surname first)

Date of Birth [REDACTED] Sex *MALE* Register Number *UHAH-458*

## PERSONAL HISTORY

Number in family \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place in family \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age of walking \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age of talking \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bowel control \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bladder control \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Age of the menarche) \_\_\_\_\_

## Prophylaxis:

Diphtheria \_\_\_\_\_  
 Smallpox \_\_\_\_\_  
 Whooping Cough \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

## PREVIOUS MEDICAL HISTORY

Whooping Cough \_\_\_\_\_ Tuberculosis \_\_\_\_\_  
 Measles \_\_\_\_\_ Rheumatism \_\_\_\_\_  
 Diphtheria \_\_\_\_\_ Chorea \_\_\_\_\_  
 Scarlet Fever \_\_\_\_\_ Fits \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mumps \_\_\_\_\_ Bed wetting \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chickenpox \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 German Measles \_\_\_\_\_

Operations \_\_\_\_\_  
 Injuries \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOOL HISTORY

(e.g. Absence through illness; attendance at a  
 Special School; results of any mental tests.)

*SCHOOL ARMAGH CITY*  
*ST. PATRICKS TRAINING SCHOOL* *SCHOOLS*

## FAMILY HISTORY (Important illnesses or defects)

Father *UNKNOWN*  
 Mother *WHEREABOUTS NOW UNKNOWN*  
 Siblings \_\_\_\_\_  
 Others \_\_\_\_\_

## CONDITION ON ADMISSION

(e.g. General appearance; demeanour; cleanliness;  
 any marks of injury or violence.)

*CLEAR*  
*BOARDED OUT WITH MRS. [REDACTED] ARMAGH*  
*FROM 16/4/54 TO 2nd 1959.*

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(✓ = Normal ✕ = Abnormality present)

Details of abnormal conditions should be noted on opposite page. The vision should be tested with Snellen's Type at 20 feet and the hearing for ordinary conversational voice at the same distance.

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## CLINICAL NOTES

Record of illnesses and treatment; immunizations; results of special examinations, e.g. ophthalmic; notes on medical inspections.

Date	
22.2.60	Admitted to-day from Lardisburn Hospital Salford Rd. S/C, on adm (Fair)
28.2.60	Appears most unpopular with other residents (Superior type of boy)
2.3.60	Enrolled at [REDACTED] Primary School [REDACTED]
20.3.60	Appears to have settled very well Although at times does appear to be out of harmony with his environment as it would appear that he can not adapt himself to live with other boys of app. his own age PERHAPS this may be the cause of his very moody nature
12.3.60	Complained of a sore throat to-day T.P.R = Normal 5grs of Aspirin & confined to bed for the day.
2.4.60	Mixing more freely with other boys but appears to have developed a more superior attitude re. his choice of company
1.5.60	Slightly depressed at times & always seems to be the victim of attack for other boys He has now enrolled as a cadet in the St John Ambulance Brigade & appears to be very keen on youth-work in general
2.6.60	Maintaining more satisfactory progress & has become very ambitious re. his future (S/C, good)
9.7.60	Attend Summer Camp in Somerset with the St John Cadets Although he seemed to enjoy himself he did not appear to mix well with the other boys & became a bit unpopular (inclined to mix both with group)
19.7.60	Returned from Summer Camp & now appears to be very depressed & not showing very much interest in his surroundings & states that everybody wants to get his interests
28.8.60	Very marked improvement from last report now most eager to work, looking after garden & is a great help with all types of Domestic work Appears much happier
14.9.60	Still seems to be unpopular with other boys at times
8.9.60	Enrolled [REDACTED] Secondary Intermediate School
14.10.60	Becoming very stubborn & reads a lot & is generally making more favourable progress. Mixing more freely.
5.11.60	Complained of severe pain in back. re Mid. C-2/Lung. breathing painful at times T.P.R = Normal. Chest & Shoulder rubbed with Vick 5grs Aspirin & Hot drinks
5.11.60	confined to bed for day
9.11.60	Back in chest still & appears very dull & listless T.P.R Normal

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## CLINICAL NOTES (continued)

11.1.60 Date Now appearing much brighter. Tan on chest completely gone.  
 6.1.61 Making very satisfactory progress. Conduct excellent very good.  
 20.12.60 Marked improvement. Steady & has gained more control of temper. Appears very content & happy with good sense of humor.  
 6.3.61 Conduct very good, becoming most popular & mixing well with other boys. Has gained much more confidence & is most considerate, trustworthy & reliable.  
 8.5.61 Commenced employment with the B.B.C. as a junior office boy.  
 2.6.61 Now becoming very demanding & very independent. And to-day requested to be boarded-out. Arrangements were made for Hugh to go to Mrs. [REDACTED] 192 Stillman St. But he is reluctant to go at the last minute he decided that Mrs. [REDACTED] home was not good enough for him. He requested that an insect should be put in the Belfast Telegraph for accommodation on Ormeau Rd.

WEIGHT AND HEIGHT RECORD  
 (Weight to be taken in a single garment.)

Date	Age	Weight	Height	Date	Age	Weight	Height
22.2.60	14	9.4.2	5.6 $\frac{1}{2}$	14.3.61	15 $\frac{1}{4}$	10.7	5.9 $\frac{1}{2}$
2.3.60	14	9.5.0	5.6 $\frac{1}{2}$	2.4.61	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	10.7	5.9 $\frac{1}{2}$
2.4.60	14	9.8.6	5.7	14.5.61	15 $\frac{3}{4}$	10.8	5.9 $\frac{1}{2}$
6.5.60	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	10.0.0	5.7	20.6.61	15	10.7	5.9 $\frac{1}{2}$
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## CONDITION ON DISCHARGE

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Officer. \_\_\_\_\_

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 Coventry

Dear Mr Mannes

I thought I should write  
 to you as I'm so worried  
 about Hugh as I haven't heard  
 a word from him since he  
 went back has he turned  
 against me or what if he dont  
 want to write no body can force  
 him I'm sorry things didnt  
 work out with my husband  
 I should love to have had him  
 every thing is getting me down

I should be gratefull if you  
 would let me know how he is going  
 on  
 Yours sincerely  
 [REDACTED]

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✓ Regarding Hugh Quinn.

Dear Sir,

With your permission  
I would recommend that a  
financial grant <sup>be</sup> made to the  
above named person in respect  
of the ~~excellent~~ <sup>excellent</sup> way he  
carried out the re-decoration  
of the following:-

Kitchen (front and back)  
Study room.  
Bath Room.  
Wash House.  
Toilets.

During the last three months  
Hugh has indeed worked very  
hard in order to improve the  
appearance <sup>of</sup> the Hostel.

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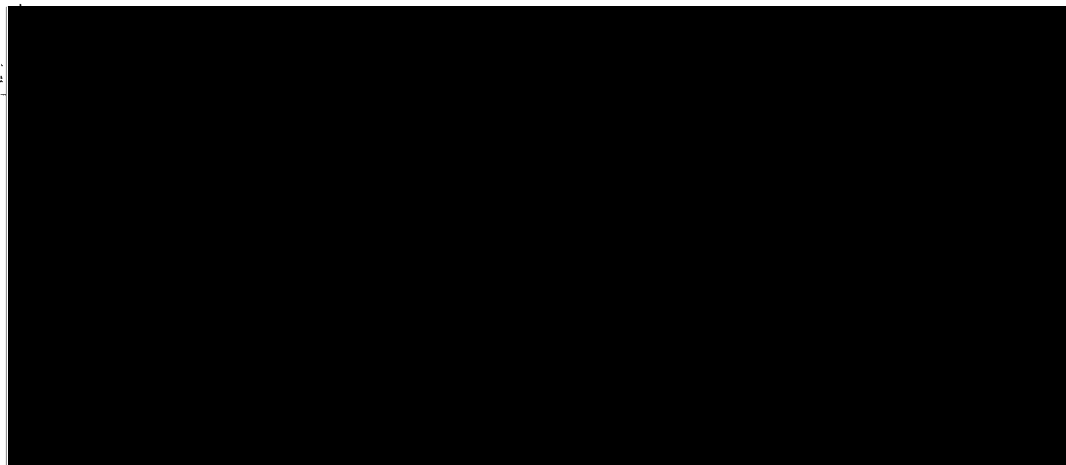
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✓ This boy takes a great interest in all aspects of the hostel and although he has been unemployed the past eleven ~~months~~ <sup>weeks</sup> he is not wasting any time. I have just recently learned that on several occasions Hugh has spent the biggest part of his five shillings per week pocket allowance on items he thinks that will improve the appearance of the home. Such things as finger plates for doors, <sup>AND</sup> door handles, putty, turpentine etc.

His work is indeed very creditable and I have no hesitation in recommending him for ~~the~~ a financial gift.

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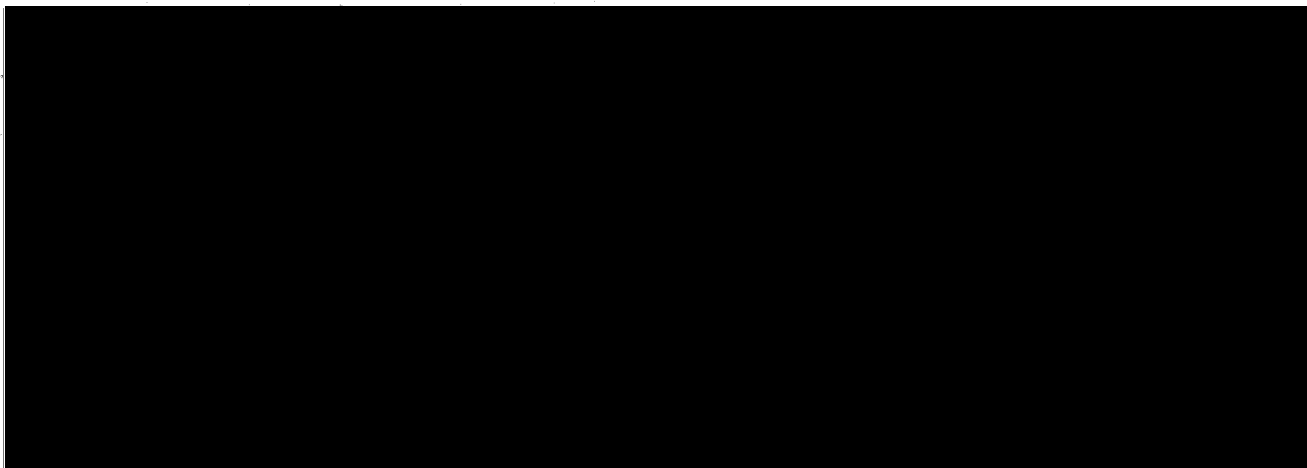
(a) To request authority to make a gift not exceeding £5 to Hugh Quinn a resident in the hostel for the assistance he has given the Warden in the general re-decorating of the Home.

(b) Further to the minute of 30th January to submit short list of applicants who have been called for interview for the post of Assistant Warden, the Committee to take whatever action they may so decide. (Appendix A).

(c) To report that the following surpluses and deficiencies were revealed at a stock taking carried out on 9th January, 1962:-

<u>Surplus</u>		<u>Deficient</u>	
Cups, Tea.	1.	Cloths, Tea.	6.
Cups, Tea China.	1.	Heads, Floor Brush.	2.
Plates, Breakfast.	2.	Heads, Yard Brush.	1.
Plates, Dinner.	2.	Knives, Table.	3.
Plates, Pudding.	2.	Knives, Tea.	2.
Plates, Tea.	1.	Lighters, Gas.	1.
Vases.	1.	Mats, Table, Cork.	4.
		Peelers, Potato.	3.
		Scrubbers, Pot.	9.
		Shafts.	3.
		Towels, Hand.	16.

Authority is requested to make the necessary adjustments in the stock records.



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NOTIFICATION OF ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL FROM CHILDREN'S HOME.

To be furnished without delay to  
The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Stormont, Belfast.

Name of Home KINCORAName of Child Hugh Quinn

1.	Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
2.	Weight at birth (if known)	
3.	Date of admission to Home.	22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb 60
4.	Weight on admission to Home.	8st 4lb
5.	General progress since admission to the Home.	Satisfactory
6.	Date of onset of illness.	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1961
7.	Symptoms.	1104 <sup>h</sup> P 108 R 24 Inflamed wound on R/Forefinger (B. Bacterium)
8.	Date of admission to hospital and name of hospital.	7/12/61 Turf Lodge F. Hosp
9.	Weight on admission to hospital or last-known weight, with date.	11 Stone 1/12/61 10st 6lb
10.	Preliminary diagnosis	Flu & Lymphadenitis

*Boydell*(Signature) Lo Quinn(Date) 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 1961

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## STATEMENT OF WITNESS

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I declare that this statement consisting of 24 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.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1980.

SIGNATURE of MEMBER by whom  
statement was recorded or received.

*[Signature]*  
SIGNATURE of WITNESS

On 1 April 1980 at Mountpottinger Police Station with D/Inspector McClure I interviewed Joseph MAINS, DOB 31.7.29 of 45 Comber Road, Dundonald. The interview commenced at 9.30 am. [REDACTED]

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D/I Q Did this happen with the masturbation.

A Yes.

D/I Q As far as **R 2** was concerned it didn't start with Kincora.

A No he had been out about a year I think.

D/I Q How did it start.

A He was telling me that he had started this in the army and had been discharged on medical grounds and we discussed his problems about girls and it just started.

D/I Q What about **R 7**

A I can't remember it ever happening with him, just the masturbation.

D/I Q What about **R9**

A I can't remember it happening with **R9** unless I was drunk of course but then he would have known.

D/I Q Was the first person you had anal sex with **R2**

A No it was Quinn.

D/I Q When he was in the hostel.

A Yes during '63 or '64.

D/I Q Did it happen when he came back to visit.

A No.

D/I Q How often did you do it.

A Several occasions while he lived in the hostel.

D/I Q Did he enter you or you him.

A Me with him.

D/S Q Tell me isn't it right that the full act appeals to you as much as masturbation.

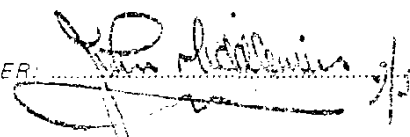
A No it didn't.

D/S Q You said **R2** might have made allegations about you, what about Quinn.

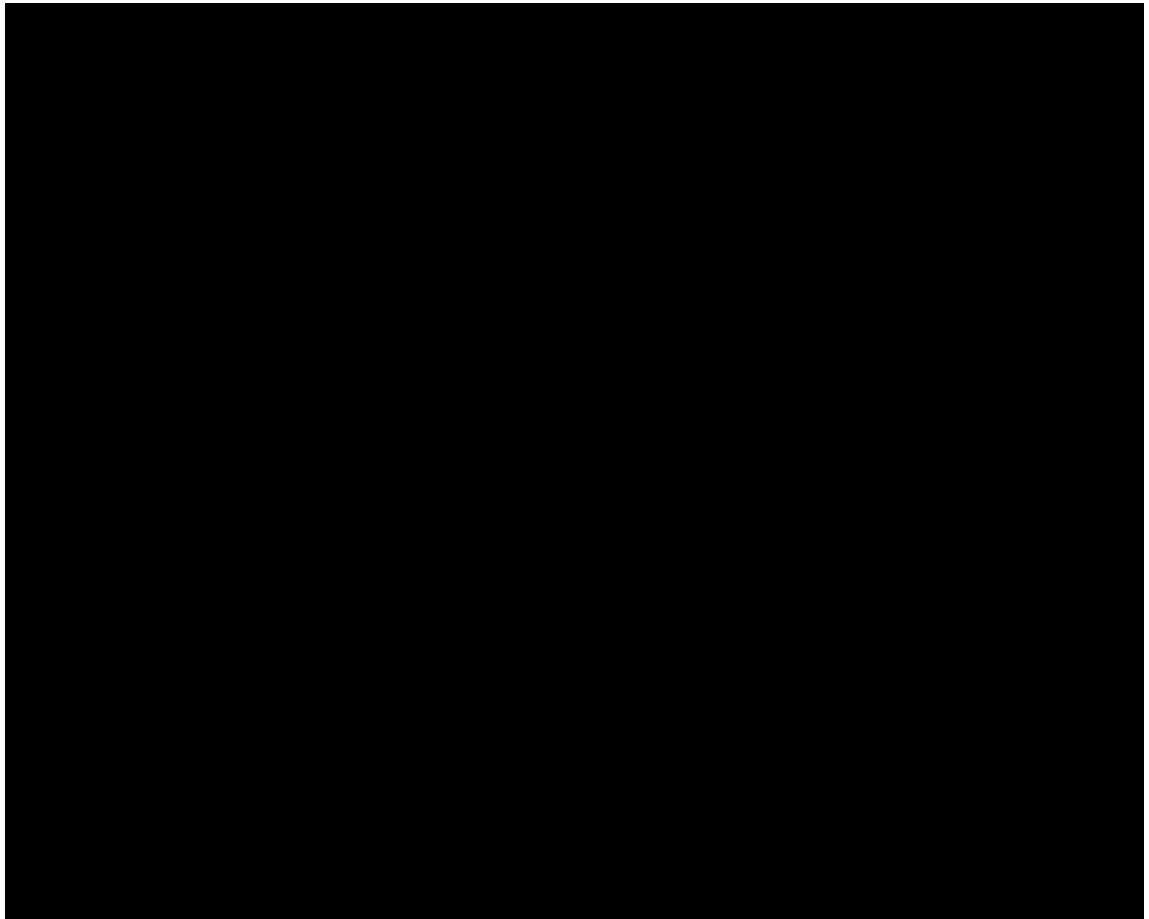
A I think he used me and the situation as an easy way through Kincora.

D/I Q In Quinn's case how did it start, do you remember.

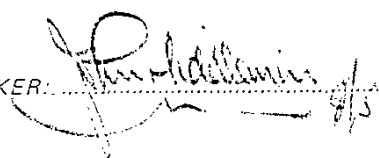
A No I can't.

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The interview terminated at 11.25 am.

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I declare that this statement consisting of 18 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.

Dated this


1st


day of

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statement was recorded or received.

[Signature]  
SIGNATURE of WITNESS

I am a Detective Chief Inspector of the Royal Ulster Constabulary attached to Headquarters Crime Squad, Knock, Belfast. On Thursday, 29 May 1980, between 11.08 am and 12.25 pm I saw Joseph MAINS, DOB 31.7.1929, 45 Comber Road, Dundonald, at Musgrave Street CID Office. I was accompanied by D/Constable Girvan. 

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A Yes probably this could have happened but there would have been more than one in the car.

Q Did you take **B3/R1** alone in the car.

A No.

Q Did you have a black Morris Minor motor-car at that time.

A I did yes.

Q Did you take many boys out in your car for trips to the coast.

A That's right.

Q Was it part of your job to take boys out for trips in your car.

A It was yes.

Q Did you take all the boys in turn or just some of them.

A The ones that had nowhere to go and were hanging about the hostel.

Q If you only took some of the boys why was this, why not give them all a turn.

A They would all get trips in turn.

I then reminded Joe Mains that we had previously spoken about a person known as Hugh Quinn and I told Mains that I wished to ask him some questions concerning Quinn. These questions related to when Quinn came to Kincora during 1959/1960, when he, Quinn, alleges on the day he arrived that Mains took him to the bathroom on the left as you go up the first flight of stairs and told Quinn to strip naked so that he, Mains, could give him a medical examination. Mains commented by saying "No that is untrue he was accompanied to the bathroom. There was to be a report on any marks of scabies and infestation to the head". I then read a portion from Quinn's statement over to Joseph Mains. "When I went to Kincora, Joe Mains was the person in charge, this would have been when I was about 14 years old, during 1960. I remember the first day I arrived at Kincora Joe Mains took me to the bathroom, the one on the left as you go up the first flight of stairs. He told me to strip naked and gave me what he called a medical examination. This examination entailed him putting his hand round my testicles and asking me to cough. At one point he said to me, "Aren't you a big boy for your age". When he said

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this he was looking at my penis. I was embarrassed by this and didn't say anything".

Q Is this what happened.

A No this is untrue.

Q What did happen then.

A He was made have a bath and examined for lice and so on. He was admitted from Purdysburn.

I then read a second portion from Quinn's statement. "I cannot remember how long I had been at the hostel when Joe Mains started inviting me into his bedroom which at that time was on the first floor. Initially I thought he did this for company and I felt quite privileged. This normally happened late at night after most of the other boys had gone to bed. I don't exactly know when it first occurred but on one occasion when I was in his bedroom Joe Mains asked me to masturbate him. I refused at first but he said if I didn't do as he asked he would get me sent to Borstal. At that time I had quite a bad temper and had temper tantrums, when I had these tantrums he used to threaten to get me sent to Borstal, so when he threatened me with it if I didn't masturbate him I believed him".

Q Is that how your relationship with Quinn started.

A No this is untrue. I cannot remember how it started with him. He was helping with the work in the hostel. There were no threats of Borstal. I told him that if he didn't pull himself together the next step for him would be Borstal.

Q What homosexual acts took place.

A Just the ordinary masturbation acts.

Q Any other acts.

A No.

Q Did you threaten him with Borstal if he didn't do what you asked.

A No.

I then read another portion to Mains from Quinn's statement. "Joe also told

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me that if I complained about him to anyone in the Welfare Department they wouldn't believe me and I would only get myself into trouble".

Q Did you tell Quinn this.

A No I did not.

I read another portion from this same statement over to Mains. "During these times in his bedroom he would also masturbate me and make me kiss him on the lips. He would kiss me back and push his tongue into my mouth. I should add that when he told me to go into his room he would get me to take off my pyjamas and get into his bed with him. He would also be naked. Some nights he would keep me in his bed all night until the cook, Mrs McCullough arrived around 7 am in the morning".

Q Did you kiss Quinn like he says you did.

A That's correct, yes.

Q Did you keep him in bed all night.

A I can't remember, it is going back some time.

Q **R8** also alleged you kissed him like that, would he be telling the truth.

A No that is not true with **R8** at all.

I then read another portion from Quinn's statement over to Joseph Mains. "After I had been masturbating Joe Mains for a short time he started asking me to have anal sex with him. I told him I didn't want to but he insisted. He made me lie on my side then pushed his penis up my backside. It used to hurt a lot and when I complained about it he would put some sort of cream, vaseline it was usually, on his penis and up my anus. He used to put the cream up inside my anus with his finger then he would have intercourse with me. Joe Mains had intercourse with me about once or twice a week for the first three years I was at Kincora".

Q Is that what happened.

A No that is not what happened.

Q Is there any truth at all in that.

A No none whatsoever.

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A This was prior to me moving to Abbeydene.

Q Was this prior to moving to Kincora.

A Yes.

Q Do you remember **KIN1** staying at Kincora.

A I do yes.

Q Did Hugh Quinn ever work in Kincora or tell boys that he worked there to your knowledge.

A He assisted in the house.

Q Was this after he left.

A No this was when he was there.

Q Did Quinn ever interfere with the boys in the hostel when he visited.

A He did yes.

Q Who are these boys.

A **KIN1**, **KIN2** that's all I think.

Q How often has Quinn stayed at Kincora since he stopped being a permanent resident.

A I think on probably three occasions.

Q Did **KIN1** ever complain to you that Quinn had interfered with him in his bedroom by putting his hand underneath **KIN1**'s bedclothes when he, **KIN1** was in bed.

A I can't recall this.

Q What form did **KIN1**'s complaint take.

A He had made passes at him, **KIN1** and asked him to masturbate him.

Q Do you remember **KIN2**'s complaint.

A **KIN2**'s was the same.

Q What action did you take.

A I moved the boys to different bedrooms.

Q Was Quinn a visitor or resident.

A Resident.

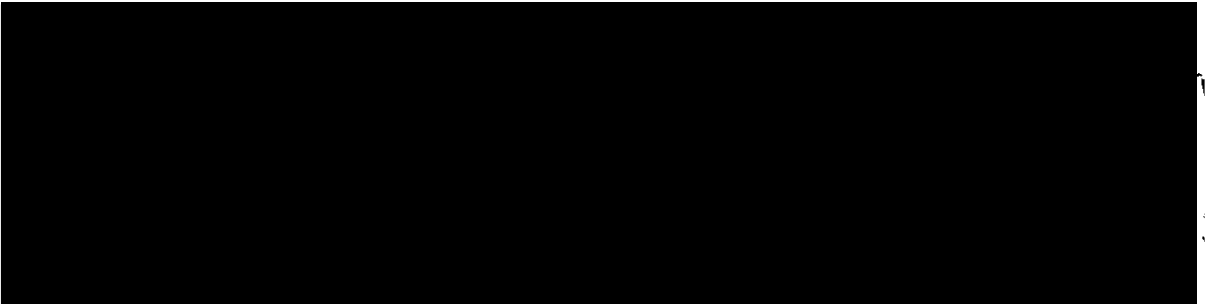
Q Was this reported to the authorities.

A I can't remember.

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## WRITTEN STATEMENT AFTER CAUTION

STATEMENT OF: JOSEPH MAINS

ADDRESS: 45 COMBER ROAD, DUNDONALD

OCCUPATION: HOSTEL WARDEN

DOB

AGE: 31.7.29

TAKEN BY: D/Insp J O McClure

AT:

MOUNTPOTTINGER POLICE STATION

ON: 1 APRIL 1980

IN PRESENCE OF:

D/Sgt Middlemiss

I, Joseph Mains, wish to make a statement.

I want someone to write down what I say. I have been told that I need not say anything unless I wish to do so and that whatever I say may be given in evidence.

(Sgd) Joseph Mains

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I was appointed as warden of Kincora Boys' Hostel, 236 Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, in February 1958. I was in complete charge of the hostel which had nine boys after I had started a fortnight. The only other staff was one domestic Mrs Beattie. I lived in a bedroom on the first floor, left-hand side. The boys who were committed to the home by the Health and Social Services were mainly delinquent and maladjusted. After the home was open about a year, Raymond Semple used to help out on a voluntary basis. He eventually took up full time employment and has been there ever since except for a period of <sup>JM two JM three JM</sup> ~~three or four~~ years when he resigned. For the first couple of years I worked long hours in the hostel with no holidays or days off. It was at this time I started drinking and when I <sup>JM JM</sup> ~~realised~~ had drink taken I realised that I had a bi-sexual problem. This first came to notice with a boy called Hugh Quinn who was a resident in Kincora. He had been admitted from Purdysburn Hospital and in earlier years had been in Williamson House and Bawnmore Children's Home. From discussions with staff in the Children's Homes and from talking to him himself I realised he had a homosexual problem. He discussed this with me and as a result of this a relationship began between him and me. He was about sixteen at the time. The first time this happened was when he came to my bedroom and was upset because his pup had died. I tried to console him and we went down stairs to see the dog and ended <sup>JM up JM</sup> sitting in the office. We were both on the settee and he was crying. I put my arms round his shoulder and it started from there. I

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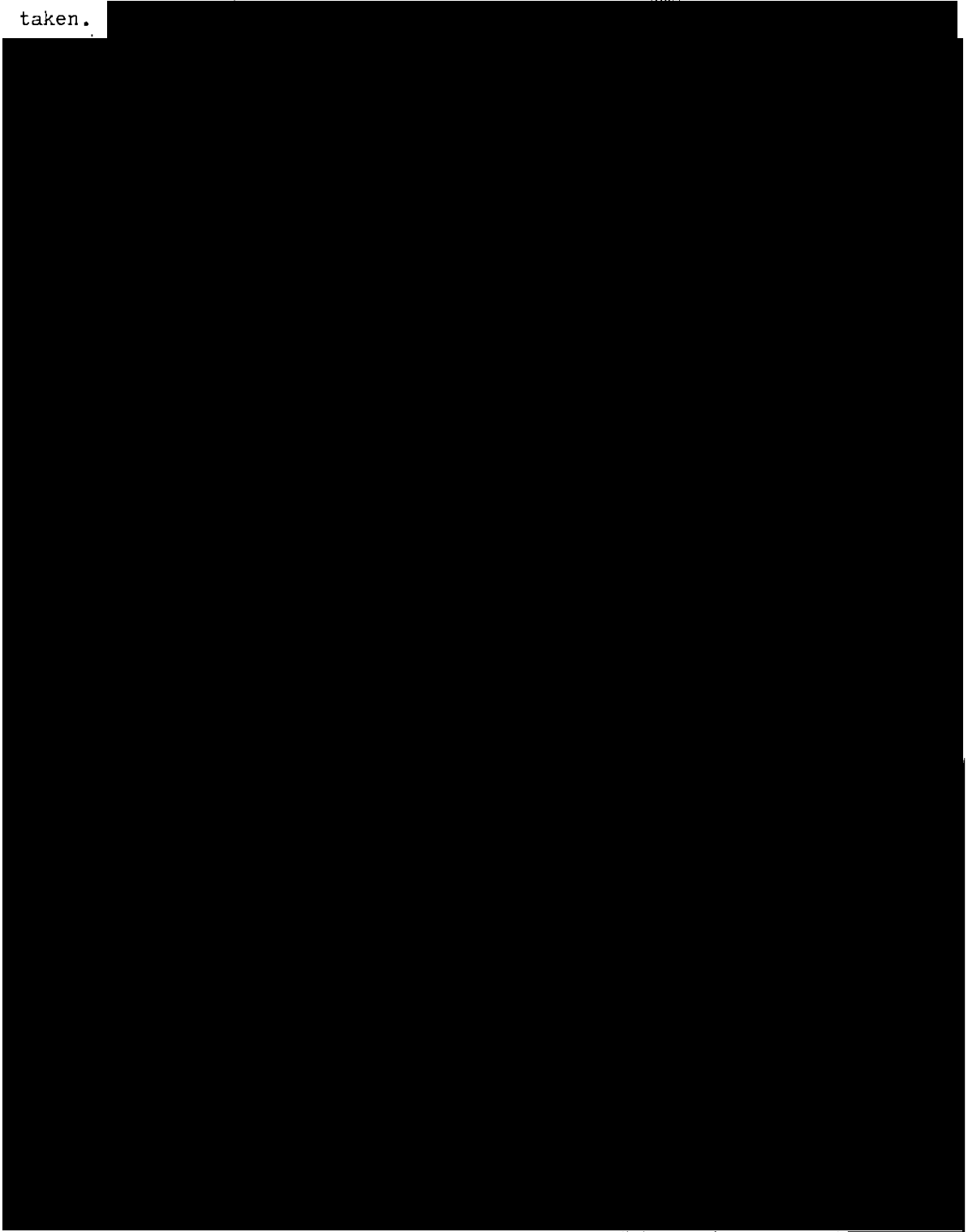
masturbated him and he masturbated me. This same thing happened about three or four times over the next twelve months. This mainly happened in the office or the bathroom. The next thing which happened was that the relationship developed and we had anal sex but I did not penetrate him. We did this to each other and he did not penetrate me. This happened about four or five times before he was discharged from the hostel to the National Sea Training School. This activity mainly took place in my bedroom upstairs. Although I have seen Quinn on a number of occasions since he left the Hostel no other sexual activity has taken place between me and him. I then had a relationship with a boy called R7 who was a resident in the Hostel after Quinn had been there. This started off in the bathroom, I was washing his hair because he had nits. While I was doing this I saw that he had an erection and I masturbated him. After that I had only one or two encounters with R7 and each time I masturbated him. He did not masturbate me. This would have happened in the bathroom. At no time did I ever have anal sex with him or he with me. He left the Hostel after this and I had no further dealings with him. The next person I formed a relationship with was R2. He had been a resident of the hostel and left the Hostel when he was eighteen. He was boarded out and came back from time to time to see me. While he was in the Hostel he had told me he had homosexual problems the same as Quinn and this had started in the Boys service of the Army and he had been discharged on medical grounds. On his visits back to the hostel he used to talk to me about his sexual problems. The relationship developed and it started off us masturbating each other. This occurred in my bedroom which is now in fact the office. I had vacated the upstairs bedroom for a deputy, I can't remember now who it was. This relationship continued until the latter end of last year. By the end of last year the relationship had eased off because I was losing interest. During this relationship we masturbated each other, at times he sucked me off and we had anal sex with each other. This occurred on a number of occasions. Again there was no penetration as far as I know. These things happened in my bedroom and usually he would have brought drink in and it happened when we had the drink

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Joseph Mains

Statement commenced: 7.25 pm

Statement terminated: 9.5 pm

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SIGNATURE of STATEMENT MAKER: Joseph Mains  
J O McClure D/Inspector John Middlemiss  
D/Sergeant

STATEMENT OF Hugh QUINNAGE OF WITNESS (if over 21 enter "over 21"): 36 yrs [REDACTED]OCCUPATION OF WITNESS: TelephonistADDRESS: [REDACTED]

I declare that this statement consisting of 5 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.

Dated this 26th day of March 19 82G. Harrison D/Supt.H. QuinnSIGNATURE OF MEMBER by whom  
statement was recorded or received.

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I refer to my previous statement dated 8th May 1980.

I have said that Joe MAINS started inviting me into his bedroom and have described the sexual matters that took place. I have been asked whether this took place quite openly at Kincora. It was very secretive. The sort of thing that would happen was that I would go to bed usually by 11 pm. There were two other boys in my room occupying single beds. After lights out I would wait until I felt sure that the other boys were asleep, then I would creep out to go to Joe MAINS' bedroom. That sounds as though I was a willing party to what Joe MAINS wanted from me. I wasn't a willing party at all, but he used to threaten me that if I didn't co-operate he would have me sent to Borstal. He also used to get very angry and lose his temper, and would find an excuse to beat me. I have also said, and it is true that Joe MAINS seemed to know everybody from the Lord Mayor down, and this made me feel that if I complained it would be the worse for me. So, in fact, I did not complain to anyone. I was quite fond of BM 18 [REDACTED] who I had known from a very early age. I did not confide in her because I knew that she was friendly with MAINS and unlikely to believe me. As far as Joe MAINS influential visitors were concerned, I want to make it clear that the Mayor and local Councillors

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used to visit the home on occasions on official visits. I have no knowledge or suspicions that these visits were other than regulation visits. They called about twice a year, either in the afternoon or early evening, usually before Christmas, it was a sort of pat the boys on the head sort of visit, a duty visit. MAINS belonged to a very respectable family. He had a brother **OV 2** who, until he died of cancer, was Head Constable of Londonderry C.I.D. He called about twice during the four years I was there, just a family visit as far as I was concerned. I found him a very pleasant man to speak to. I was taken to his house in Londonderry for tea one day when I was out in Joe MAINS' car with Joe. **OV 2** wife and young children were present. **OV 2** was very much a Policeman, but I could not tell him about his brother - how could I. **OV 2** took me and Joe to visit a border Police Station that day, but there was no question of anything improper taking place. Joe MAINS had a girlfriend - from what I knew of him it was just a cover. She only came to the hostel on a couple of occasions. He used to be accompanied by her on social occasions, Masonic dances, College Street functions, etc. MAINS was a member of a Masonic Lodge in Newtownards Road. I always knew when he was going because he used to get his white gloves out. He told me quite a lot about the rituals and how he had to wear the white gloves to shake hands with people. MAINS was what I know as a 'closet' - that is a homosexual who goes to great lengths to appear to be a heterosexual and puts on a 'front' to that effect. It will be clear from this that I did not believe I had any chance of being believed if I complained of his activities with me. During the time I was there, 1960 to 1964, uniformed Policemen would call for cups of tea and biscuits. I know this because I used to make the tea. These visits were above board, sometimes you got a problem boy in Kincora and the

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Police had reason to call for that matter. I have no knowledge of social workers or other officials visiting Kincora other than for work in connection with their jobs as social workers etc. After I left the home in 1964 I never made any complaint to anyone about MAINS. I suspected that R2 [REDACTED], a room-mate of mine, was spending nights in Joe MAINS' bed, but I had no absolute proof. As far as I knew during four years at Kincora I was the only boy who went with MAINS. I suspected R2 [REDACTED] because sometimes after lights out, R2 [REDACTED] got out of his bed and left the room to spend the night elsewhere. When I went to the Court for the trial on 16th December 1981 I met three other ex Kincora boys whom I knew by sight, but I do not have their names. One of these mentioned that he had complained to the authorities at College Street in 1964 about being interfered with by SEMPLE. His words to me were "But there was nothing done about it". I describe him as follows :-

Aged about 33 years, married with two children, scruffy appearance, 5'8" tall.

I also feel I should tell you about trips I made with SEMPLE and MAINS in his car. On two Easter holidays in a row, we toured around Ireland, staying at hotels. I remember because I was driving under age, not being 17. Apart from SEMPLE and MAINS, R2 [REDACTED] and KIN75 [REDACTED] - a non-resident friend of MAINS - accompanied me. Nothing improper happened to me - I shared a room with KIN75 [REDACTED] but we each had single beds. I don't recall where SEMPLE slept but I think MAINS shared a room with R2 [REDACTED]. MAINS never took me to public houses drinking, never introduced me to other men for sexual or other reasons and I have no knowledge of any child or other prostitution during the time I was there - or of any vice ring. MAINS did sometimes frequent homosexual places.

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I remember going with him to [REDACTED] Restaurant, Wellington Place, Belfast. [REDACTED] was a very effeminate person in manner. I used to laugh at his obvious sexual inclinations. I was introduced to him but not for any sexual purpose.

(signed) H. Quinn.

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I declare that this statement consisting of 3 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.

Dated this 3rd day of April 19 80.

Sgd N McLaughlin D/Con

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statement was recorded or received.

SIGNATURE of WITNESS

I have been in Welfare Care since I was four years of age. I never knew my own parents and was with foster parents until I was sixteen years of age. At that time I was taken from my foster parents and put into Kincora Boys Hostel, Upper Newtownards Road by the Welfare people. The staff at Kincora Hostel when I went there were Mr Mains who was in charge and Raymond Semple was second in charge. There was also another man there at the time on occasions. His name was Hugh Quinn. I am not sure whether he was on the staff or not but he stayed there on occasions and was very friendly with Mr Mains. I was in the Hostel less than a week, possibly the second night I was there I remember I was in my bedroom. There were some other boys in the room in their own beds and it was late. The other boys in the room fell asleep and I was still awake and the bedroom door opened and with the street light I saw that Hugh Quinn had come into the room. He stood at the door for a long time and I let on I was sleeping. He then came over to the bed and I felt him touch the blankets of my bed. I jumped up and got out of bed and switched on the room light. I asked Quinn what he was doing and he said just tucking you in. He left the room and I fell asleep. The next thing I knew was being awakened by feeling a hand on my leg underneath the bed clothes. The hand was just above my knee.

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I saw that Hugh Quinn was standing beside my bed and I shouted at him. He left the room and closed the door. The next morning I told Mr Mains about what Hugh Quinn had done to me and Mr Mains told me he would look into it. There was no more trouble with Quinn for about a fortnight. I remember again I was sleeping in my bed, there were two other boys in their own beds in the same room. Again I was awakened by someone touching my hand. I saw Hugh Quinn standing at the side of my bed. He was wearing his pyjamas and I saw with the street light that he had his penis out through the opening in the front of his pyjamas. He was worked up and had an erection. He put my hand on his penis and I immediately jumped up and screamed. Hugh Quinn then left the room. I think I went to Mr Mains room at the time to tell him but he would not answer my knock on his bedroom door. Nothing happened for about three or four months because Quinn had been away for some time. I remember one night then, I was up in the study and I was reading a book. I was on my own. Hugh Quinn came into the study, he was fully clothed. He said to me something, lets have you. I knew what he meant, he wanted me to sexually interfere with him. I was scared and I ran out of the study. That was all that Quinn did to me, he never made any more advances to me. I remember on at least two occasions I told both Mr Mains and Mr Semple about the behaviour of Hugh Quinn towards me but they appeared dry and did not seem to care. I remember also that Mr Mains interfered with me. I was only in the Hostel about a month to six weeks when I had a pain in my groin. I told Mr Mains about this pain and he asked me to go to the bathroom to examine me. He told me to drop my trousers and underpants down to my ankles. Mr Mains felt around my groin and private parts. He did not appear to be interested in my trouble but I realize now what he was after. That was all that happened that night. I remember that probably about two to three months later Mr Mains told me to go up and have a bath. I went up and was having a bath when Mr Mains came in. He locked the bathroom door and he started to bath me. He was fully clothed. As he bathed me he rubbed

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around my private parts with his hands. I told him I was old enough to bath myself. I think some person came and called him and he left the bathroom. That was all I can remember that Mr Mains did to me. I remember it was general talk among the other boys that Hugh Quinn was interfering with other boys in the Hostel, in fact I actually saw Quinn interfering with other boys in my own bedroom when I was supposed to be asleep. I heard the other boys shout and saw Quinn in the bedroom and because of my experience with him I had a good idea what he was at. The experiences I had in Kincora have had a lasting effect on me. This coupled with my rough childhood has been on my mind a lot.

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