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HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONAL ABUSE INQUIRY

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being heard before:

SIR ANTHONY HART (Chairman)

MR DAVID LANE

MS GERALDINE DOHERTY

held at

Banbridge Court House

Banbridge

on Tuesday, 7th June 2016

commencing at 10.00 am

(Day 209)

MS CHRISTINE SMITH, QC and MR JOSEPH AIKEN appeared as
Counsel to the Inquiry.

1 Tuesday, 7th June 2016

2 (10.00 am)

3 Witness BM4 (called)

4 CHAIRMAN: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. May

5 I remind, as always, anyone who has a mobile phone,
6 please ensure it is turned off or at the very least
7 placed on "Silent"/"Vibrate", and I must remind everyone
8 that no photography is permitted either here in the
9 chamber or anywhere on the Inquiry premises.

10 Yes, Ms Smith?

11 MS SMITH: Good morning, Chairman, Panel Members, ladies and
12 gentlemen. Our first witness today is "BM4". He wishes
13 to take a religious oath and he also wishes to maintain
14 the anonymity. Although I will use his name in the
15 chamber, I will just remind everyone that it is not to
16 be used outside.

17 CHAIRMAN: This is Hugh Quinn. Is that
18 right?MS SMITH: This is BM4.

19 Witness BM4 (sworn)

20 CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Please sit down.

21 Questions from COUNSEL TO THE INQUIRY

22 MS SMITH: Now BM4 gave a statement to the Hughes Inquiry,
23 which can be found in the bundle at BWN26574. He also
24 has given a statement to this Inquiry in response to
25 allegations made by HIA112. That is in the bundle at

1 BWN35030.

2 Now, BM4, you were in employed at Bawnmore
3 Children's Home as the Assistant Superintendent.

4 **A. That's correct.**

5 Q. From the Hughes material we have ascertained that you
6 were there from 14th February 1966 until 31st August
7 1967 and again from 1st June '69 to 7th December 1971.
8 Now just one of the questions you were asking me and
9 I just confirmed from the records that we have in
10 respect of HIA112, who -- I will just use his first name
11 --

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. -- a boy at that stage called HIA112. He was in
14 Bawnmore from 1966. We are not clear when he left, but
15 he was certainly there during your time there. I think
16 he went in there -- I am not quite clear, because
17 I haven't got the date in front of me. So I had better
18 not say something I am not sure of, but he was certainly
19 there from 1966.

20 When I was speaking to you just a short while ago,
21 I checked whether or not you yourself had any
22 qualifications in child care and I understand that you
23 got the CRCCYP in 1962 or '63. Is that correct?

24 **A. That's right, yes.**

25 Q. And you had worked in other homes before coming to

1 Bawnmore?

2 **A. I had, yes.**

3 Q. And one of those was Macedon?

4 **A. Macedon.**

5 Q. Barnardo's home in Northern Ireland?

6 **A. That's right, yes.**

7 Q. Had you worked outside Northern Ireland before coming to
8 Macedon?

9 **A. No, no, I had not.**

10 Q. And subsequent to Macedon you went from there to
11 Bawnmore. Is that --

12 **A. To Bawnmore, yes, correct.**

13 Q. And then in later -- when you left ultimately in 1971,
14 I think you went to work in Wales and England. Is that
15 right?

16 **A. That's right, and Scotland.**

17 Q. And Scotland. Can I just ask about -- some general
18 questions about Bawnmore and about -- you knew BM3
19 before you came to Bawnmore. He was Superintendent in
20 Bawnmore. Isn't that right?

21 **A. That's correct.**

22 Q. He, in fact, had worked in Macedon before you came to
23 Macedon?

24 **A. As the housemaster, yes.**

25 Q. In light of that I was asking, and I think you confirmed

1 to me, that the Northern Irish residential child care
2 pool of employees was a small one and everyone knew
3 everyone else. Is that right?

4 **A. It was, yes. That's correct.**

5 Q. And it was not uncommon from -- for that pool of people
6 to move from one statutory children's home to another
7 statutory children's home?

8 **A. No, it wasn't uncommon.**

9 Q. I was wondering about some general matters about
10 Bawnmore. It was all boys when you worked there?

11 **A. Yes, it was.**

12 Q. And we have heard that there were difficulties with
13 regard to staffing the home and with the facilities
14 itself. It was described as a cold, old house. Is that
15 your recollection?

16 **A. Yes, quite barren.**

17 Q. Barren?

18 **A. Yes.**

19 Q. Just in regard to getting staff do you recall there
20 being difficulties in respect of that?

21 **A. Yes. There was always difficulty to get suitable staff
22 for the home.**

23 Q. Apart from yourself do you know if anyone else had child
24 care qualifications who worked there during your time?

25 **A. No. I don't know of any other. BM3 had mental health**

1 **qualifications, and to my knowledge I was the only one**
2 **with the child care qualification.**

3 Q. Were there staff meetings held in Bawnmore?

4 **A. Yes, they were on a regular basis, probably once**
5 **a month, but I couldn't recall exactly.**

6 Q. And is it correct that minutes were kept of those staff
7 meetings?

8 **A. They were, yes. They were minuted.**

9 Q. And who kept the minutes and where were they stored?

10 **A. Well, one of the staff was appointed to write**
11 **the minutes, myself at times, and then they were kept in**
12 **the office, in the Superintendent's office.**

13 Q. Can I ask what kind of things -- I didn't ask you this
14 before -- but what kind of things would have been
15 discussed at the staff meetings?

16 **A. Well, the general running of the home, the demeanour of**
17 **the children, particular problems that might have been**
18 **around at that stage, and looking at staffing**
19 **requirements, things of that nature, and anything that**
20 **was going on at the time.**

21 Q. I was asking how staff -- sorry. Just one of the things
22 you also said to me was that any students who were on
23 placement would also have attended the staff meetings.

24 **A. Yes. As part of their learning they would have been**
25 **invited to attend.**

1 Q. In respect of the staff themselves what were the shifts
2 in Bawnmore?

3 **A. The shifts generally speaking were 3.00 in the afternoon**
4 **to the following 3.00 in the afternoon.**

5 Q. So a 24-hour day?

6 **A. 24 hour, and the weekends it would be 3.00 on Friday**
7 **until Monday at 3 o'clock and it was right over the**
8 **weekend.**

9 Q. We have heard that BM3 lived in a bungalow on site.

10 **A. That's right, yes.**

11 Q. So presumably he wasn't -- he was on call if needed --

12 **A. That's right, yes.**

13 Q. -- there, but he would have worked a shift pattern like
14 everyone else, did he?

15 **A. He did, yes.**

16 Q. And when you say you worked a 24-hour shift, how many
17 says off would you have had then before you were
18 required to do another 24 hours?

19 **A. Well, you would work sometimes about three days and then**
20 **you would have another -- a day off and then back on**
21 **again. So generally speaking you would have two days**
22 **off in the week, if you had enough staff to do that. If**
23 **not, you had to just go on working.**

24 Q. And as we have already discussed, there were some
25 difficulties with staff numbers.

1 **A. Yes. I did a stint once of three months without a break**
2 **constant, because of the lack of staff.**

3 Q. Uh-huh. We have heard that there was about an average
4 of 30 boys at any time, but that could --

5 **A. That's right, yes.**

6 Q. -- that on some occasions was as many as 33 boys being
7 admitted to the home. Do you recollect that?

8 **A. I couldn't say now.**

9 Q. In respect of other records what other records do you
10 recall? One of the difficulties that the Inquiry has
11 heard, and it was also a difficulty for the Hughes
12 Inquiry, is that a lot of the records for Bawnmore were
13 lost whenever there was reorganisation in 1973 and then
14 subsequently in -- when Bawnmore actually closed and the
15 children transferred to Coulter's Hill. So records got
16 lost somewhere along the line. I was wondering what
17 other records were kept.

18 **A. Well, most of them would be on the welfare of the child,**
19 **the programme of care, meetings with the social workers**
20 **and the welfare report from the social workers, plus**
21 **their health, and any appointments they were having, and**
22 **school difficulties and their school record, of course,**
23 **and their attendance at school.**

24 Q. Would there have been an individual file kept in respect
25 of each child?

1 **A. There was, yes, a named child.**

2 Q. And how often would those have been updated by staff?

3 **A. Well, at least weekly. More often if you had the time.**
4 **You would do it daily, but very often you didn't have**
5 **the time. So at least once a week you had to update the**
6 **files.**

7 Q. Certainly when BM3 gave evidence to the Hughes Inquiry,
8 he suggested that priority was given to doing the job
9 rather than the paperwork.

10 **A. Yes. Unfortunately I think that would have been true.**

11 Q. In respect of field social workers do you recall how
12 often they would have visited the boys?

13 **A. From memory I would have said about once a month, maybe**
14 **two months at the most, and on occasions when the child**
15 **had run away from the home or was having difficulties**
16 **with their family and not coming back after their leave**
17 **to the home. So fairly regular.**

18 Q. Just in respect -- children did go and stay with their
19 families at weekends. Is that -- is that right?

20 **A. They did, yes. Yes. Uh-huh.**

21 Q. And parents -- did parents often visit Bawnmore?

22 **A. Occasionally I know that some, and sometimes it was**
23 **a sibling that would visit rather than the parent.**

24 Q. What was the position about parents visiting? Did they
25 have -- was there a set time for them to visit or could

1 they come at any time?

2 **A. Well, generally from my memory they could come as they**
3 **wished and it would normally be around the weekend,**
4 **sometimes when they were bringing back their child to**
5 **the home, and they would come in.**

6 Q. Whenever a parent did come to visit, where would those
7 visits have taken place?

8 **A. If it was private, they wanted it private, they could**
9 **sit in the office. There was a small office where they**
10 **could sit in there together, and otherwise they could**
11 **sit in the sitting room with the children.**

12 Q. Would staff have been present in the sitting room when
13 parents were visiting?

14 **A. Well, on and off, if you had that number of staff**
15 **around, they may well have been. It wouldn't have been,**
16 **you know, a requirement.**

17 Q. Now when -- the statement that you gave to the Hughes
18 Inquiry is at 26574. It is BWN26574. If -- the purpose
19 of that was really because of an allegation that had
20 been made by someone who was a boy called B5 and we have
21 called him "B5". He was in Bawnmore at the same time as
22 you were there. He was admitted on 3rd July 1967. He
23 would have known you for about two months of his stay,
24 because you were there for two months before you left.

25 **A. Yes, I remember the boy.**

1 Q. You remember him?

2 **A. Yes.**

3 Q. He was, it would appear, of low IQ and seemed to have
4 had some learning difficulties --

5 **A. He did, yes.**

6 Q. -- as we would describe them today. You told me that
7 you remember him. He wore glasses, heavy glasses.

8 **A. That's right. He was the butt sometimes of teasing**
9 **because of his eyesight problems. His glasses were most**
10 **pronounced.**

11 Q. He had eyesight problems?

12 **A. That's right.**

13 Q. Did he have a temper? We have heard that he may have
14 had temper tantrums?

15 **A. Well, he did have a temper. He was -- he could react,**
16 **quite rightly, angrily to the way sometimes he had been**
17 **treated.**

18 Q. Now we know that you made this statement because Hughes
19 had contacted you on the basis of the fact that this
20 child in his police statement had said that you were
21 present when there was an incident involving another
22 member of staff, who is S1, but the purpose of this was
23 for you to establish that you were never working in
24 Bawnmore at the same time as S1. Isn't that correct?

25 **A. That is correct.**

1 Q. And, therefore, the boy was certainly mistaken as to
2 whether or not you had been a witness to the incident
3 that he was alleging occurred relating to him and that
4 particular member of staff.

5 He -- when he spoke to Hughes, he said that he
6 realised a couple of days after he spoke to the police
7 that he'd got it wrong, that he couldn't remember if you
8 were actually there.

9 Would you accept that he might have just remembered
10 you because of your distinctive name?

11 **A. Well, I wasn't aware that he had said that, but I think**
12 **my name would have been so well-known that it would be**
13 **just on the lips of any of the children.**

14 Q. And you told Hughes that you had, as it is in the
15 statement, that you had no knowledge of the allegations
16 he made, nor were you made aware of them until you were
17 contacted by the Hughes Inquiry.

18 Were you ever made aware of any allegations by any
19 other children in respect of Bawnmore?

20 **A. No, I have not.**

21 Q. You were never yourself contacted by police in 1980 as
22 part of their investigation?

23 **A. No, I was not.**

24 Q. I wondered if you remembered some other members of
25 staff. You gave me a list of names of people you did

1 remember. If I can just -- I am going to use those
2 names again.

3 **A. Yes.**

4 Q. They're not to be used outside.

5 The first was BM2, who was matron.

6 **A. That's right, yes.**

7 Q. You remember two housemothers, a BM 22 and
8 BM 23 .

9 **A. That's right.**

10 Q. You remember a BM 24 and a BM1 --

11 **A. I do, yes.**

12 Q. -- as house -- housefathers during your time.

13 CHAIRMAN: Not so fast, please.

14 MS SMITH: Sorry.

15 CHAIRMAN: BM 23 and BM 1 ?

16 MS SMITH: BM2 was matron. There were two housemothers,
17 BM 22 and BM 23 , and there were two
18 housefathers, BM 24 and BM1. You also remembered a
19 -- someone who you thought might have been a student, a
20 BM 14 , working there.

21 **A. That's right, yes.**

22 Q. And someone who came as a volunteer to help out with
23 crafts and football who was a BM 25 .

24 **A. That's right, yes.**

25 Q. You weren't in Bawnmore -- sorry. I wondered if you

1 remembered an employee called Henry Clarke. You don't remember
2 him during your time?

3 **A. No, I don't recall that name.**

4 Q. You do remember BM1, and until I made you aware, you
5 weren't aware that he had, in fact, been convicted in
6 respect of abusing boys in another children's home.

7 **A. No, I wasn't aware of that.**

8 Q. That conviction occurred I think late -- mid to late
9 '80s. You were in Northern Ireland in that time, were
10 you?

11 **A. I was, yes.**

12 Q. And you were working in the Northern Ireland Social
13 Services?

14 **A. Social Services at that time.**

15 Q. But you weren't made aware that this man had been
16 convicted in respect of children?

17 **A. No, no, I wasn't informed.**

18 Q. Do you remember Peter Bone at all?

19 **A. The name is vague to me, but I couldn't put a face on
20 him, but I remember the name.**

21 Q. And I asked even if your -- I tried to prompt your
22 memory by asking if you remembered he took the boys
23 for -- he was a scout commissioner and he took the boys
24 for photography. There was a photography group in the
25 home.

1 **A. I'm not saying it didn't happen. I just don't recall.**
2 **The name is there, but for what reason I honestly don't**
3 **know.**

4 Q. You do remember the boy HIA532, and again I am going to
5 use the name so that you know who I am talking about,
6 and that was HIA532 or HIA532.

7 **A. I do, yes.**

8 Q. We have heard he was -- subsequently Peter Bone pleaded
9 guilty to abusing that child, and part of the things
10 that he did was to take him out of Bawnmore regularly,
11 to take him on drives around Northern Ireland, to take
12 him to his own home. You don't remember?

13 **A. I don't recall that. If he was a scout master, no doubt**
14 **if I was aware of it, it probably would have been --**
15 **appeared to be all right. It would have felt that he**
16 **was quite safe.**

17 Q. BM1 was in charge of scouts. They had -- Bawnmore had
18 its own scout group. Isn't that right?

19 **A. Yes, he was in the scouts. That's right.**

20 Q. And for a child to leave Bawnmore permission would have
21 had to be given. Is that correct?

22 **A. That's right. Normally the social worker would be made**
23 **aware of any contacts with people outside of the home**
24 **and also BM3 or myself would have to give consent to him**
25 **going out.**

1 Q. So it would have required consent of either BM3 or you.
2 Would a more junior member of staff --

3 **A. Or however was in charge of the home at that time.**

4 Q. So if there was just a --

5 **A. BM2 or somebody else.**

6 Q. Or a housefather or mother could have given permission?

7 **A. That's right.**

8 Q. So any member of staff effectively could have said,
9 "Yes, you can take him"?

10 **A. Yes. As a scout master he would have been trusted in**
11 **that way.**

12 Q. Just there was something there I was going to ask you
13 about in respect of one of your answers. It's gone. It
14 will maybe come back to me. Sorry.

15 You don't remember a man called Robert Elder, who
16 was there on student placement. The only student you
17 remember is this man BM 14 . Is that right?

18 **A. That's the only one that I can recall.**

19 Q. Did you ever remember -- your relationship with BM3
20 would have been a close working relationship I take it?

21 **A. It was reasonably close, yes.**

22 Q. And he would have -- I mean, you described that you
23 thought you had a good rapport with him and you felt
24 that he kept you well informed. Would he ever have said
25 anything to you about a boy complaining about being

1 shown dirty photographs by a student?

2 **A. No, I don't recall that.**

3 Q. Would you have expected to have been told that if you
4 were in Bawnmore at the time?

5 **A. Yes, I would have, yes, if I was there.**

6 Q. And you would have expected that to have been discussed
7 with other staff also?

8 **A. Well, I would have thought that would have come up at
9 a staff meeting.**

10 Q. Did you yourself ever receive any complaints about
11 members of staff?

12 **A. No, not that I can recall now. I'm not saying I didn't.
13 I don't recall any specific incident.**

14 Q. When we were discussing this, your response to me was
15 "No" and then you paused and said that you remember BM1
16 as always a rough sort of man, and I asked you what you
17 meant by that and why that particular comment about him.

18 **A. Well, he was rather shabbily dressed and was never very
19 tidy. Just didn't seem to be to my mind the ideal type
20 of houseparent to have in the home.**

21 Q. Did you yourself ever suspect any children were being
22 abused in Bawnmore or maltreated in any way?

23 **A. No, I didn't and I would have acted if I did.**

24 Q. The Inquiry has heard that Joe Mains, who was the
25 Superintendent of Kincora, stayed overnight on occasions

1 at -- I think two nights a week I think was
2 the suggestion from a former member of staff in
3 Bawnmore. Is that your recollection?

4 **A. No. I have never known -- I have never known him to do**
5 **-- certainly when I was there, to actually stay**
6 **overnight. He did visit the home, mostly visited BM3,**
7 **but I don't recall him staying overnight.**

8 Q. And what about other contact between Bawnmore and
9 Kincora? Did Bawnmore staff ever visit Kincora?

10 **A. Occasionally when a boy was being transferred to**
11 **Kincora, we would have visited. I can recall once**
12 **myself going, and that was when a boy was being prepared**
13 **to transfer across, but mostly the social workers would**
14 **have handled the actual transfer.**

15 Q. When you say being prepared, I think by that you meant
16 that you would have gone down and explained to the staff
17 something about the boy and his background and so forth
18 --

19 **A. That's correct.**

20 Q. -- before he actually moved down the road?

21 **A. Yes, the case history of the child and preferences and**
22 **things of that nature.**

23 Q. Thank you for that, BM4. I am just going to ask --
24 sorry -- some general questions -- those were mostly
25 general questions, but a couple of other things just

1 before I forget.

2 Do you remember bullying being much of a problem in
3 Bawnmore?

4 **A. It is inherent in boys to bully and there would have**
5 **been occasions, but you had to watch and supervise, and**
6 **you would be aware who was a bully, you know, and keep**
7 **an eye on it.**

8 Q. One other thing that we heard was that BM3 might have
9 been called -- required boys to call him "daddy" or said
10 something to them like, "I'm your daddy now" or
11 something like that. When I suggested that to you, you
12 were surprised that he would have ever said something
13 like that.

14 **A. At times he may have been called "Da", you know, "Da**
15 **BM3", but generally speaking, BM3 didn't want the home**
16 **to be any more than almost a boys' camp, so there would**
17 **be no conflict between the boys and their relatives,**
18 **particularly their parents, and I think he would have**
19 **been careful, but that doesn't say he wasn't called it,**
20 **and it may have been a joke.**

21 Q. The allegation, if I can turn to that, that has been
22 made against you that has led you across the doors of
23 this Inquiry, as it is, were made by HIA112 and again
24 his first name is HIA112.

25 **A. Yes.**

1 Q. His statement to the Inquiry is at -- I have written it
2 down somewhere here -- yes, BWN001-006 at paragraph 10
3 of that, which I think is probably about halfway
4 through. If we could just look at that, please. Yes.
5 If we scroll down to get to paragraph 10, you will see
6 here, and I will just read it out, he says:

7 "There was a male member of staff who subjected me
8 to physical abuse. I think his name was BM4. He was
9 a tall man. I can recall the time that I wet the bed
10 and he rubbed my face in the sheet. He then brought me
11 to the bathroom, stripped me naked and put me in a cold
12 bath. On more than one occasion he grabbed me by the
13 collar, squeezed me and called me 'a dirty, dirty boy'.
14 He also spat on my face and grabbed me by the hair on
15 the side of my head. He also called me 'a dirty wee
16 taig'."

17 Then he goes on to talk about another boy.

18 First of all, can I ask what was the position about
19 boys wetting the bed in Bawnmore?

20 **A. When they were raised in the morning from their bed,**
21 **they were given a hot bath or warm bath and dressed**
22 **accordingly. That was to save any body odour from them**
23 **and then their bed was stripped and fresh sheeting was**
24 **put on the bed.**

25 Q. Now in response to this allegation you have given the

1 Inquiry a statement and it is at 35030. If we just look
2 at that, please. Sorry. I beg your pardon. I have got
3 the wrong -- it is 35029. It is the preceding page.
4 Just scroll up. This is -- you hand wrote this
5 yourself. Is that right, BM4?

6 **A. I did, yes.**

7 Q. And you just say that the exact dates weren't known to
8 you, but we were able to ascertain those dates of when
9 you worked in Bawnmore from the Hughes material. You
10 say:

11 "I am saddened and distressed to read of the
12 allegation by HIA112 that I, and I quote, 'a male member
13 of staff who subjected me to physical abuse. I think
14 his name was BM4'.

15 I have no recollection of the name or person HIA112.

16 I refute the statement that I physically abused the
17 above-named person.

18 I have never put a child in a cold bath as
19 punishment for wetting the bed.

20 I have never -- I have never addressed a child as
21 'dirty, dirty boy' or 'dirty wee taig'. The latter term
22 is foreign to me."

23 If I might just pause there, you were explaining to
24 me that you consider that expression as something that
25 Northern Irish people might use rather than people of

1 your own background.

2 **A. Yes. It's totally -- I would never use the word "taig".**
3 **I never have, and "wee" is common to Northern Ireland.**

4 Q. You say that you have never spat in the face of a child
5 or grabbed him by the hair, and you say that as
6 Assistant Superintendent your duties were supervisory
7 with responsibilities for the older boys.

8 "The housemothers and fathers would work with the
9 younger boys in the rising, bathing when necessary,
10 dressing and preparation for school, etc."

11 I think you were explaining to me that at that time
12 of the day you yourself would have actually been getting
13 things like bus tokens ready for the boys for buses to
14 school.

15 **A. That's right, yes, and looking for hospital**
16 **appointments, doctors' appointments, etc.**

17 Q. You go on to say:

18 "I have had experience of collaborating with the
19 work of Mrs Vincent", is that, "Belfast City Hospital
20 enuresis programme and am therefore fully aware of the
21 stigma and trauma of bedwetting."

22 I was asking when that programme -- that you were
23 engaged in that programme and you were saying it was
24 before you came to Bawnmore?

25 **A. That's right, yes.**

1 Q. So before you were working there you were aware of the
2 difficulties that presented to a child who wet the bed
3 --

4 **A. I was, yes.**

5 Q. -- or could do. I take it by that you are saying that
6 because of that knowledge, there is no way you would
7 have treated a boy in the way that was described by
8 HIA112.

9 **A. Absolutely I would not.**

10 Q. When we were speaking earlier -- just to be clear, when
11 he spoke to us, he -- I read what you had said in your
12 statement to him, and the transcript of his evidence,
13 which I will just read to you, I asked him if there was
14 anything he wanted to say to the Inquiry about your
15 statement and at page 89 of yesterday's transcript --
16 that's the Day 208:

17 "He says in this he doesn't remember me, but I was
18 there the time he was there. I remember him, what he
19 did to me. I am not telling lies. He took ..."

20 He was quite upset when he was relating this:

21 "What he did to me, he rubbed my face in my urine
22 and put me in that bath."

23 Then later in response to a question from Mr Lane as
24 to why he thought that he had been spat upon, he said:

25 "Q. It was a strange thing that you allege that you

1 got spat on by a member of staff?

2 **A. Yes, in the bathroom."**

3 He says:

4 "Well, what was -- what was the point of that?

5 **A. I don't know. It just happened. It was just**
6 **I just remember that tall, skinny man, BM4, whatever you**
7 **call him, he always used to grab me there or there."**

8 As he was saying that he demonstrated sort of being
9 grabbed by the hair at the side or being grabbed by the
10 collar.

11 "You know, the time I -- well, I wet my bed. He
12 just rubbed my face in it, went to the bathroom, into
13 the bath."

14 That's really all he said in addition to what he had
15 said in his statement. Is there anything you would like
16 to say about that?

17 **A. Well, I'm shocked that he alleges that it ever happened**
18 **to him, and if it did happen to him, I can say**
19 **categorically it was not by me, and I am just --**
20 **I cannot understand why he would use my name, because**
21 **that is something I have never done and would never have**
22 **done, not only as a Christian. I mean, I allowed -- the**
23 **bible was my guideline to my life, and to behave in that**
24 **way towards a child, I would abhor it.**

25 Q. BM4, he also alleged sexual abuse by two other members

1 of staff, one of whom was BM3 and the other was BM1.

2 Have you any comment to make about those allegations?

3 **A. No. I have never -- I never heard about it and I would**
4 **be very surprised to hear of BM3 and that involvement.**

5 Q. Did you -- were you aware of any rumours about any
6 members of staff in the home? I mean, we have heard
7 that some members of staff were maybe called "queer" or
8 "fruit merchants" by some of the boys. Did you ever
9 hear anything like that in your time?

10 **A. No, it doesn't come to my mind. It doesn't say it**
11 **happened or that they were made, but I don't remember**
12 **any particular -- sat and told that.**

13 Q. Thank you. Those are all the questions that I have for
14 you, BM4, unless there is anything else that you want to
15 add to the material that we have covered here this
16 morning about your time in Bawnmore or anything else
17 that you'd like to say to the Inquiry. This is your
18 opportunity before the Panel may have some questions for
19 you.

20 **A. Thank you. Well, all I can say is my period in**
21 **Bawnmore, I went there with the intent to give the boys**
22 **a good life. I changed many of the practices in the**
23 **home. I introduced carpeting, for example, into the**
24 **sitting room, comfortable armchair and other little**
25 **things like that to bring homeliness into the home.**

1 My wife recalls that when I used to leave the home
2 for holiday and what not and on my return, the boys used
3 to run after the car, delighted to see me coming, and
4 indeed that some of them would actually cry when I was
5 going and ask me not to go on holiday.

6 So to have this allegation made against me I just am
7 horrified. I am awfully sorry that HIA112 has alleged
8 that it happened to him, whether it was me or anybody
9 else, but I can say without any doubt before the Lord,
10 first and foremost, and before you as a court that
11 I have never carried out such actions to any child in
12 any home that I worked.

13 Q. Thank you.

14 Questions from THE PANEL

15 CHAIRMAN: BM4, you told us that, if I have followed it
16 correctly, that you obtained a CCRYP (sic) in about 1962
17 or '63.

18 **A. That's right, yes.**

19 Q. And was your time -- the first of your two spells in
20 Bawnmore, was that your first employment in the child
21 care sector or had you --

22 **A. No. I worked in Dr Barnardo's prior to that --**

23 Q. At Macedon?

24 **A. -- and I had went to -- no, to Barnardo's College in**
25 **London to do the CRCCYP.**

1 Q. I see, and then you moved into the statutory sector?

2 **A. I moved into the statutory sector.**

3 Q. And Bawnmore was your first employment in the statutory
4 sector?

5 **A. That's right, yes.**

6 Q. I see. Are you originally from Northern Ireland?

7 **A. No. I'm from .**

8 Q. I see, and then you worked in later years in other homes
9 in Wales, England and Scotland. Isn't that right?

10 **A. That's right, yes. In London, , and**
11 **then in Wales and then in**
12 **a home in Scotland --**

13 Q. Yes.

14 **A. -- by joint appointment, my wife and myself.**

15 Q. And you made the point that in your early years in
16 Bawnmore, first of all, the number of people employed in
17 child care services throughout Northern Ireland was
18 quite a small number?

19 **A. It was, yes, and you got to know them through various**
20 **meetings of child care --**

21 Q. Yes.

22 **A. -- and particularly I used to go to the college there**
23 **and lecture sometimes for them at their request.**

24 Q. I see, and you also reminded us that people would quite
25 frequently move from one part of the child care sector

1 to another.

2 **A. That's right.**

3 Q. Was that perhaps because the pay was better in the
4 statutory sector, or people for personal reasons,
5 perhaps nearer their home, or to just achieve
6 professional advancement or more experience?

7 **A. Well, on my part it was to proceed in my professional**
8 **career and also to sort of just get a change of**
9 **experience, but I think that would have been -- most of**
10 **the staff would have moved either for I would say**
11 **monetary enhancement or else because of their experience**
12 **they wanted to -- or else a lifestyle that was quite**
13 **different from one home to another.**

14 Q. Yes, because, as you, as I suspect, rather ruefully
15 recall, it was often the case there were staff shortages
16 and you once went I think three months without any time
17 off at all or any break. Is that right?

18 **A. I did, yes, because the Superintendent was off and we**
19 **didn't have any relief Superintendents at that stage.**
20 **So I covered the home and just took whatever time**
21 **I could get off. That was very little.**

22 Q. Yes, and you have also told us about the extent of the
23 contact with Kincora, which has been described to us as
24 a working boys' hostel.

25 **A. That's right.**

1 Q. As far as Bawnmore was concerned, in your experience
2 were the boys moving to Kincora because they were now of
3 over school age and going into the work environment?

4 **A. Yes. That would have been more or less the reason for**
5 **it.**

6 Q. And did you keep boys of that age in Bawnmore in your
7 time or did they naturally progress to somewhere like
8 Kincora?

9 **A. No, they would have naturally progressed away from the**
10 **home at that stage.**

11 Q. Yes.

12 **A. I think there was some of them restored home or else to**
13 **hostel care of some sort.**

14 Q. Yes, and you have explained how Mr Mains would come from
15 Kincora relatively frequently I gather.

16 **A. Well, to my knowledge he only came to BM3 as a visitor,**
17 **friend of BM3.**

18 Q. Yes.

19 **A. He never stayed to my knowledge in the home overnight**
20 **when I was there, and I would only occasionally sleep**
21 **in, because I slept -- I had an apartment just in**
22 **Rathcoole, a very short distance from the home.**

23 Q. And BM3 I think was married. Isn't that correct?

24 **A. He was, yes. That's right.**

25 Q. Did he have his own accommodation in the grounds of

1 Bawnmore?

2 **A. Yes, he had a bungalow in the grounds.**

3 Q. Did Mr Mains stay there to your knowledge?

4 **A. I don't honestly know.**

5 Q. But when he visited, was he going down to the bungalow,
6 so to speak, or coming into the home, if you can see the
7 distinction?

8 **A. You see, he would only -- apparently he would only visit**
9 **really when I wasn't there. It was more or less to my**
10 **knowledge going to see BM3 that he would be in the home,**
11 **because I know when I've came on duty at times, he would**
12 **have been just leaving, having visited, and gone on down**
13 **to BM3 as far as I'm aware.**

14 Q. Yes. Thank you.

15 MS DOHERTY: Thanks very much, BM4. Can I just ask were you
16 aware of what the senior management structure was, the
17 external managers for the home and did you have contact
18 with them?

19 **A. We did, yes. There was -- Harry Mason was the chief**
20 **welfare officer at that time and then there was**
21 **Bob Moore, who was the Children's Officer. I think**
22 **there was another lady before him, but I don't recall**
23 **her name, and then there were -- of course, the Welfare**
24 **Committee visited the home on two or three occasions in**
25 **the year, and also the Inspectorate from Dundonald**

1 **House, they visited I think about twice a year. It was**
2 **a Miss Hill and Miss Moffett I think it was or**
3 **something.**

4 Q. I was just going to ask about that. In relation to Bob
5 Moore, what would his level of frequency have been in
6 terms of visiting the home?

7 **A. Quite often actually. About -- on memory I would say**
8 **about once -- about three or four times a year at least,**
9 **maybe more.**

10 Q. And in relation to -- I mean, because clearly you'd have
11 a staffing crisis when you were working for three
12 months. Was there any discussion of that at that time
13 with the external senior managers?

14 **A. Yes. Well, we were always asking for more staff, but it**
15 **was a case of -- I don't know -- finances didn't permit.**

16 Q. And was that your sense, that it was finances rather
17 than lack of sort of -- lack of available suitable
18 staff?

19 **A. I think it would have been both.**

20 Q. Okay, and in relation to the Welfare Committee, when
21 they came to visit, would that have been one of them,
22 two of them? What would the visit be like?

23 **A. It would have been about, oh, six or seven of them --**

24 Q. Right.

25 **A. -- coming and they were to go round the home, inspect**

1 the home, see things that were -- we were wanting to get
2 exchanged. For example, a mop that had been worn out,
3 we had to keep that mop and then they would say "Yes,
4 you can replace it", or a bucket with a hole in it, or
5 sheeting that had worn out, and all that was kept. The
6 Committee would look at it and agree that that could be
7 exchanged for a new garment, etc. Then they would meet
8 the children, just walk around the home, see the
9 children in their context and see whatever staff were on
10 duty.

11 Q. And would there have been a formal report as a result of
12 that -- those visits?

13 A. Yes. As far as I was aware they made a report back to
14 the Belfast Corporation.

15 Q. But for something as simple as a mop being replaced,
16 that couldn't be discussed with Bob Moore or Mason or
17 anybody? They had --

18 A. No. They all had to be kept until the Committee arrived
19 and that was about I think twice a year. So we had to
20 keep a room where these things were kept.

21 Q. In relation to the Inspectorate, the visits from
22 Miss Hall, do you remember any of those? Were you
23 around when any of those took place?

24 A. Yes. As far as I recall there were two ladies. One was
25 a Miss Hill.

1 Q. She would be from there.

2 A. I think the other one was a Miss Moffett or something.

3 Q. Miss Forrest maybe?

4 A. Forrest, Miss Forrest. That's the other one, yes, and
5 they were sensitive to the home, you know, to what was
6 going on. At least they appeared to from their
7 questioning, and they would meet the children, go round
8 talking to the children, talk to the staff and then meet
9 the Superintendent -- whoever was in charge at that
10 time, either BM3 or myself, and discuss their findings
11 and ask us if we had any observations to make to them.

12 Q. Okay, and you would have got extracts from their report?
13 There would have been feedback given to staff?

14 A. Well, that would be given back to Bob Moore rather than
15 to the Superintendent.

16 Q. Right, and that wouldn't have been shared? Bob
17 Moore wouldn't have --

18 A. Well, Bob Moore would have shared anything if there had
19 been a concern expressed or perhaps if there was queries
20 that might have occurred.

21 Q. Did you -- did you find Bawnmore a good place to work?
22 Were you happy working there?

23 A. I enjoyed my stay in Bawnmore. It was long, it was
24 hard, arduous work, but it was rewarding, and I found
25 that the boys were very responsive to the care you gave

1 **them and they -- they respected -- I had no problem --**
2 **from my memory I had no problem with either the boys or**
3 **the staff in Bawnmore.**

4 Q. Okay. Just my last question. Was capital punishment --
5 corporal punishment, not capital -- that would be a bit
6 extreme -- corporal punishment used in ...?

7 A. **It was, yes. It was permitted, and if you did punish**
8 **a boy with corporal punishment, it had to be recorded,**
9 **had to be witnessed and then recorded, whatever was**
10 **done, and signed by both the witness and the person who**
11 **administered it.**

12 Q. And would that normally be yourself and BM3?

13 A. **It would be, yes.**

14 Q. Would it be the senior --

15 A. **Yes. They would be the only two.**

16 Q. Okay, and it was a cane that was used or ...?

17 A. **Either that or a slipper.**

18 Q. A cane or a slipper, and for what sort of thing would
19 that ...?

20 A. **Well, I don't really recall very many -- it happening**
21 **very often, but I would assume it would have been**
22 **something like severe bullying, or the fact that they**
23 **probably attacked a member of staff, or something of**
24 **that nature there, but actual incidents I am sorry**
25 **I don't recall.**

1 Q. No, no. That's helpful. Thank you very much.

2 MR LANE: The home had about 30 boys in it I believe.

3 **A. Yes.**

4 Q. If so, was it divided at all into internal groupings,
5 smaller groups within that?

6 **A. No, because there was inadequate space for that. There**
7 **were two only two rooms. One was a play room and the**
8 **other one was a sitting room with a television in it.**
9 **So there wouldn't have been any space to divide into**
10 **small groups. The only way we had somebody was**
11 **appointed a key worker. One member of staff was given**
12 **a certain number of boys to be a key worker to them and**
13 **they would have direct responsibility and go to hospital**
14 **visits or GP visits with them.**

15 Q. So each member of staff had, what, two or three children
16 like that?

17 **A. Yes. Probably -- they probably would have had five or**
18 **six, because of the number that were there.**

19 Q. Right, and the playroom you mentioned, was that where
20 they spent most of their time after school?

21 **A. Yes, between that and the sitting room. The sitting**
22 **room was just one big room probably just, you know, half**
23 **the size of this room in a sense, and then the playroom**
24 **had a table-tennis table up in it and they would play**
25 **table-tennis in there and there was a dart board and**

1 things.

2 Q. Were they just left to themselves or were there many
3 organised activities like cubs and so on?

4 A. Well, when I was there, Wednesday night was an organised
5 activity night. That's when we brought in the likes of
6 BM 25 to do woodwork. We had football. We had
7 crafts and other things to try and get the boys away
8 from television and also more interested in other
9 things, and some of them would be taken out to various
10 areas of interest, but generally speaking the number of
11 staff didn't allow us to always go down. For example, a
12 houseparent would have been getting the clothes ready
13 for the next morning, school clothes, to make sure that
14 they were tidy or sewn and what not. So they would be
15 running in and out and only probably be available when
16 there was a ruckus going on.

17 Q. And there was plenty of grounds for them to play in
18 outside?

19 A. Yes. There was a big football field in front and they
20 were free to run around that as they wished and there
21 was football matches and things like that with their
22 neighbours down in Bawnmore Estate.

23 Q. Right. That was the relationship with the neighbourhood
24 like?

25 A. It was very good actually, because the boys from the

1 neighbourhood enjoyed coming in, having a club, because
2 they treated Bawnmore more like a club house, and so
3 could have football, get drinks and -- you know, drinks
4 of lemonade and things like that and a biscuit, which
5 the boys of the home would have.

6 Q. Right.

7 A. So they got that. So I don't recall any real friction
8 between the two.

9 Q. You mentioned the enuresis programme --

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. -- that there was at the City Hospital I think it
12 originated from. Could you tell me a bit more about
13 that? Was everybody trained in it and what were you
14 meant to do?

15 A. Well, the link up was because some -- the boys or girls
16 who had enuretic problems were referred by the doctor to
17 the Belfast City Hospital Enuresis Department in order
18 to assess whether there was a medical problem or
19 physical problem or emotional problem, and when it was
20 assessed and decided it was emotional, then a programme
21 was set up in order to try and help them to overcome
22 bedwetting, and usually that was either through the
23 electrical alarm system, which was put in the bed, and
24 if a child starts to wet, because some of them were so
25 heavy sleepers, they wouldn't be aware, and then the job

1 of the staff was to record when it occurred and the
2 frequency, and also to ensure that the child's bed was
3 changed and made warm again and that they received
4 a warm bath and put in. So the emphasis certainly from
5 the hospital side was that the children were to be
6 treated with respect and dignity, and that it was more
7 a problem beyond their reach that we had to help them
8 with, and the programme -- I mean, there were 24
9 children at one stage bedwetting and we got it down to
10 four children bedwetting. So it was successful.

11 Q. Was that a programme that was generally used in all the
12 children's homes?

13 A. It began to develop in the other homes and it was
14 brought into Bawnmore, and it may well have been by me.
15 I am not sure, but we then introduced the enuretic
16 warning system too.

17 Q. Thank you. Just one other question. You mentioned that
18 you went on to Wales later on in your career.

19 A. That's right, yes.

20 Q. Where was that, please?

21 A. That was in .

22 Q. Right. What years were you there and what was your role
23 at that time?

24 A. I was housemaster, social worker in charge of one of the
25 houses.

1 Q. Oh, right.

2 A. -- and did social work visits to the boys' homes to
3 assess family and see how we can restore the boy back to
4 their own family there.

5 Q. Right. So you were sort of dealing with the aftercare
6 in a sense, were you?

7 A. That's right, yes.

8 Q. And did that entail you travelling around to other
9 places, meeting the family and so on?

10 A. Yes. Going to court and what not when boys went out and
11 did crime, as they sometimes did. Then you would appear
12 on court on behalf of the boy to the magistrate.

13 Q. When was that, if I may ask?

14 A. Let me see. It must -- it must have been after --
15 I went to London after '67.

16 Q. Uh-huh.

17 A. I went to London and we were in charge of
18 our cottage there. Then we went up -- so it must have
19 been '67/'68, that period, in . My wife was
20 with me, of course.

21 Q. Yes. Thank you very much.

22 A. Thank you.

23 CHAIRMAN: Well, BM4, thank you very much indeed for coming
24 to speak to us to tell us about your experiences of
25 Bawnmore when you were there and we found it very

1 helpful and very useful. Thank you very much for
2 coming.

3 **A. And I thank you very much for giving me the opportunity**
4 **to speak.**

5 CHAIRMAN: Not at all.

6 **A. Thank you.**

7 **(Witness withdrew)**

8 **Statement of evidence OF BM13 read by COUNSEL TO THE INQUIRY**

9 MS SMITH: Chairman, there is one other statement of
10 evidence that the Inquiry has received in respect of
11 Bawnmore. That is from someone who worked there later
12 in its life and was there during the changeover to
13 Coulter's Hill. That's BM13 I think is the reference
14 that we have given to that member of staff. His
15 statement is at BWN35031 to 35035.

16 You will recall that when I summarised the evidence
17 of the third person who complained to the Inquiry about
18 being bullied in Bawnmore, this gentleman, I indicated
19 we would be getting a statement from him. We have now
20 received it.

21 He sets out his career history there, paragraph 1.
22 In his paragraph 2, if we can scroll down, he says that
23 his:

24 "... recollection of Bawnmore as a unit was of
25 a boys' home with girls predominantly from Rathcoole or

1 Shankill areas" -- sorry -- "the children predominantly
2 from Rathcoole or Shankill areas of Belfast. No girls
3 were admitted to the unit until the move to Ballyclare.

4 It has been described as a Protestant boys' home and
5 this was very much the case. Whether by accident or
6 design I do not know. Some of the children came from
7 families with paramilitary connections, which the staff
8 would have been made aware of both formally and
9 informally. This created particular problems with the
10 residents from the adjoining Bawnmore Estate.

11 The unit was located immediately above the Bawnmore
12 Estate going up Mill Road from the Shore Road such that
13 one would be looking down on the roofs of the houses
14 below. Bawnmore was a strongly Nationalist area and
15 there was regular friction between young people from the
16 area and the children in the unit. Staff were required
17 to escort the children on foot each morning and
18 afternoon to and from the bus stops on the Shore Road
19 where they caught buses to school to prevent fights
20 taking place.

21 The unit itself was a mixture of some quite young
22 staff and a number of much older staff, who would often
23 talk of the days when the unit cared for very young
24 babies. The age range of the children was from around
25 6 to 8 years old to some of 17, but mostly the older

1 range of secondary school stage.

2 My overriding memory/impression is of a high level
3 of aggression and sometimes physical violence between
4 the children. There was very little interaction between
5 the children and their families in the unit itself.
6 Some children did go home either on weekends or for
7 parts of summer holidays. However, it would have been
8 unusual for family members to visit the unit, even for
9 meetings about the children.

10 Most of the professional meetings took place at
11 Social Services offices and were attended by unit
12 managers, not houseparents. The children's allocated
13 social workers would appear occasionally and take them
14 out for a while, but I would not generally have had any
15 idea who the children's social workers were. This
16 created a sense of self-containment, if not isolation,
17 within the unit with very little contact with any other
18 professional staff. I do not recall ever receiving any
19 formal training for the post. Advice and guidance would
20 have been provided informally by more experienced staff
21 members.

22 The type of children who were admitted tended to be
23 boys only from families mainly in Rathcoole, Monkstown
24 and the Shankill areas of Belfast. They came from quite
25 chaotic, often violent, backgrounds which were reflected

1 in their approach to problem solving and with
2 a contemptuous attitude to formal education. Many had
3 been and continued to be involved in truanting and minor
4 offending, with occasional forays into more serious
5 offending, for example, armed robbery, which resulted in
6 admissions to Rathgael Training School.

7 There was to some extent a revolving door situation
8 with numbers of the children moving back and forth
9 between the unit and Rathgael. The children were often
10 well versed in Loyalist paramilitary lore and would have
11 decorated themselves and their environment with flags
12 and badges supporting their chosen Loyalist faction.

13 My recall of the staff who worked there was that
14 BM12 was the unit manager. His deputy was BM 26 .
15 BM12 was more recently appointed. BM 26 had been in the
16 unit since the days of the baby nursery, and this was
17 reflected in the degree of control that existed
18 depending on which was on duty. BM 26 was very well
19 meaning and obviously cared a lot about the children,
20 but did not carry the same authority with them as BM12.

21 BM12 usually managed to establish some kind of
22 personal relationship with the children such that they
23 would seek his approval and he was, therefore, more able
24 to manage and defuse situations. As a young staff
25 member I would have observed his approach and tried to

1 model it.

2 I recall particularly two other staff, both much
3 older than me, a male whose name I cannot recall, but
4 who was quite physically abusive toward the children as
5 a preferred method of control, and a female who was
6 known universally by her surname, even by BM12 and BM 26
7 She was generally treated as a grandmother by everybody.
8 Even the more aggressive children would not use bad
9 language in front of her.

10 The particular issues that caused most difficulty
11 for staff to handle in Bawnmore were the violence and
12 aggression from the children directed towards both staff
13 and other children.

14 In relation to how staff dealt with bullying, the
15 general approach was one of observation and disruption.
16 Some children were clearly identified as being very
17 vulnerable to being bullied, while others were very
18 aggressive and would take out their frustrations on the
19 vulnerable.

20 A lot of time was spent on creating distractions for
21 the children, breaking them into smaller groups and
22 engaging with them in activities both in the unit and
23 outside. The groups were designed to separate out the
24 most vulnerable children and try to provide them with
25 some respite and enjoyment from what was often

1 a pressure cooker environment in the unit. BM12 would
2 often take one or two of the more difficult children out
3 for extended periods. Some of the other staff would
4 take larger groups on outings, for example, to the
5 swimming pool.

6 In relation to my memory of the applicant HIA83, he
7 was one of the children identified as in the vulnerable
8 group. He was small for his age, had quite a bookish
9 appearance with heavy spectacles and, as I recall, had
10 some kind of speech mannerism, which other children
11 latched on to. He also had an unfortunate habit of
12 getting into verbal exchanges with some of the more
13 aggressive children and then running and sometimes
14 literally hiding behind staff for protection.

15 In relation to the allegation in the statement that,
16 'I told BM13 I was getting sick of the bullying and felt
17 I had to tell someone, but he did nothing', I would say
18 that I have no recall of any specific incident where
19 this happened, but as I indicated earlier, this was one
20 of the children staff would have identified as
21 vulnerable and prone to being bullied.

22 As a general statement if this individual was to
23 claim that he experienced bullying during his stay at
24 Bawnmore, I would have no difficulty in accepting that
25 to be true. However, it is also the case that this was

1 an endemic problem within that environment affecting
2 many children, and it is something that as a staff group
3 we were fully aware of and did our best to manage."

4 The statement was signed yesterday, 6th June.

5 Chairman, that completes the formal evidence in
6 respect of Bawnmore. However, our next witness has
7 brought some photographs which might be of assistance to
8 the Inquiry, which certainly show some of the children
9 at Bawnmore and the house itself in the background,
10 which if we rise now, I will certainly have some time to
11 look at myself.

12 CHAIRMAN: Yes. Very well. We will sit again whenever is
13 convenient to do so.

14 (11.05 am)

15 (Short break)

16 (11.55 am)

17 WITNESS HIA199/R3 (called)

18 MS SMITH: Good morning, Chairman, Panel Members. Our next
19 today is Hugh Quinn.

20 There is an appearance to be announced.

21 MR MCGOWAN: Chairman, I appear on behalf of Richard Kerr
22 instructed by KRW Law. I am attended today by Anurag Deb,
23 a paralegal.

24 CHAIRMAN: Very well. It is noted.

25 MS SMITH: Chairman, that was not actually the appearance

1 I was anticipating. There is another one.

2 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

3 MR GOMER: Chairman, good morning to your colleagues. My
4 name is Francis Gomer. I'm from Murrays Partnership
5 Solicitors. I am a solicitor advocate there.

6 I represent Hugh Quinn in these proceedings.

7 I understand that my role is strictly limited, but if
8 I can assist this Inquiry in any way, I would be very
9 happy to do so.

10 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

11 MS SMITH: Now Hugh Quinn wishes to take the -- to affirm,
12 Chairman. He is happy to waive his anonymity, as he has
13 spoken in the past about his times in children's homes
14 in Northern Ireland.

15 WITNESS Hugh Quinn (affirmed)

16 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Hugh Quinn. Please sit down.

17 Questions from COUNSEL TO THE INQUIRY

18 MS SMITH: Now, Hugh Quinn, just as I was explaining to you
19 last week, I am going to tell the Panel where there are
20 some documents relevant to your evidence in our bundle
21 of papers.

22 **A. Thank you.**

23 Q. Hugh Quinn has provided to the Inquiry to be found at
24 KIN041 to 045. He gave a police statement, which is at
25 KIN10153 to 10155.

1 This morning we received a response to Hugh Quinn's
2 statement from the Health & Social Care Board and that
3 is at KIN101 to 113. However, just before I came back
4 into the chamber, I received an e-mail to the effect
5 that the Health & Social Care Board and Belfast Trust
6 have now located some papers that may be relevant to
7 Hugh Quinn's time in care. So we anticipate that there
8 will be a supplemental statement coming from Health &
9 Social Care Board in response to that.

10 Hugh Quinn, the statement that is on the screen is
11 the statement that you drafted with the help of your
12 lawyer and also after consultation with myself in
13 Belfast last week. Isn't that correct?

14 **A. That's correct.**

15 Q. You signed that I think only on 6th June -- sorry -- 3rd
16 June and we received it then and it was added to our
17 bundle recently.

18 **A. That's correct.**

19 Q. Your personal details are set out there in paragraphs 1
20 to 3 of the statement, if we can just go back to it.

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. And you talk about how you were born and taken into
23 care. You were placed with foster parents and that --
24 you describe them as a cruel couple. That didn't work
25 out. You were then asked -- you asked Mrs Wilson, who

1 you knew from having been in a children's home,
2 Williamson House, if you could be taken from that family
3 and returned into care.

4 **A. Yes.**

5 Q. You were resident in Williamson House and you say you
6 went on to Kincora from there, but you actually spent
7 some time in Bawnmore also. Isn't that correct?

8 **A. That's correct, yes.**

9 Q. You have brought to the Inquiry some photographs of
10 Bawnmore.

11 **A. Yes.**

12 Q. I am just going to ask if those photographs could be
13 shown now, because I think it is the first
14 contemporaneous record, and this would have been from
15 the early 1960s.

16 **A. '50s.**

17 Q. '50s. Sorry. Late '50s/early '60s when you would have
18 been there. The portrait photograph of the young boy is
19 of you. Is that correct?

20 **A. Yes, that's correct. Yes, that's correct.**

21 Q. And if we can just -- these are groupings of children
22 who were in Bawnmore.

23 **A. Yes, that's correct, yes. Uh-huh.**

24 Q. And when you were there, there were both boys and girls
25 in the home?

1 **A. It was a mixed home, yes.**

2 Q. A mixed home. We can see that there is a large red
3 brick building. That is Bawnmore House?

4 **A. That is Bawnmore, yes. That is the front.**

5 Q. There is a bus in one of the photographs. Was that
6 an outing that --

7 **A. Yes. That was -- we used to have outings to the
8 seaside.**

9 Q. I know certainly there are some photographs in little
10 albums that you brought showing children playing at the
11 seaside. If we can just scroll down, this was the staff
12 in Bawnmore when you were there --

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. -- or certainly in the '50s when it opened.

15 **A. Yes.**

16 Q. It was all female apart from --

17 **A. All female.**

18 Q. -- a male gardener at that point in time.

19 **A. Yes, we had a male gardener. That's correct, yes.**

20 Q. Again there is children shown sitting on the steps there
21 with the house in the background.

22 **A. That's correct, yes.**

23 Q. If we can scroll down, this would have been school
24 uniform. Is that right?

25 **A. Yes, that's us all ready for school.**

1 Q. And this is Mrs Wilson, the lady that you were talking
2 about --

3 **A. Yes.**

4 Q. -- who looked after you in Williamson House, but she had
5 also worked in Bawnmore.

6 **A. No.**

7 Q. Sorry.

8 **A. It was a misunderstanding about Mrs Wilson. Mrs Wilson**
9 **was my first matron in Bawnmore and then she followed on**
10 **to become my matron in -- sorry -- at Bethany was the**
11 **first. She was my matron in Bethany. Then she went on**
12 **to become the matron in Bawnmore, but she did not work**
13 **in Williamson House. There's a misunderstanding there.**

14 Q. Sorry, but you were very --

15 **A. I kept contact with her, yes.**

16 Q. You were very fond of her.

17 **A. Yes.**

18 Q. This photograph was taken when you came back to Northern
19 Ireland in 1980/'81 in respect of the trial.

20 **A. Yes, and it was I that took -- I took the photograph.**

21 Q. The photographs that you brought to the Inquiry are all
22 photographs that she gave to you, because you had asked
23 her if she had any photographs.

24 **A. That's correct.**

25 Q. There is another one there just that's added which is

1 showing a man with two boys outside. Then that's
2 Bawnmore.

3 **A. Yes. That's -- that's the gardener in Bawnmore, yes. Q.**

4 So thank you for bringing those, Hugh Quinn, because they
5 won't, as I explained to you, be put on our website, but
6 it is useful for the Inquiry to see particularly homes
7 that no longer exist.

8 **A. You're welcome.**

9 Q. Thank you. Just going back to your statement, if we can
10 then at page 042 there, you say that you remained in
11 Williamson House until you were aged 14 and you then
12 went to Kincora. Now you were the youngest person there
13 according to evidence that was given to Hughes. When
14 you went to Kincora, most of the boys who were there
15 were older. It was suggested that you went to Kincora
16 because you were too much for the ladies of Williamson
17 House to handle.

18 **A. That's correct, yes.**

19 Q. And you had been in Purdysburn at some point. There is
20 also documentation that the Inquiry has seen, and it is
21 in the bundle, of you being in St. Patrick's Training
22 School at one point in time. There is a Welfare
23 Officer's report of 1959 to that effect. That's at
24 KIN120647. I don't know that we need to call it up, but
25 you don't --

1 CHAIRMAN: What's that again?

2 MS SMITH: Sorry. 120647. Maybe we just will look at that
3 just while ...

4 CHAIRMAN: When was Hugh Quinn in Purdysburn?

5 MS SMITH: Hugh Quinn, if I can just look -- scroll on down,
6 please -- this a minute from the Welfare Officer's
7 report to Belfast Welfare Authority. If we can just
8 scroll on down a little bit to the last there, at (f) it
9 says:

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

15 Do you remember being in St. Pat's, Hugh Quinn?

16 **A. No, I don't. I have no recollection at all of this**
17 **place.**

18 CHAIRMAN: When is this?

19 MS SMITH: This is an entry from 1959. It is a Welfare
20 Officer's report from 1959 to Belfast Welfare Committee.
21 This would have been at the time when you were resident
22 in Williamson House.

23 **A. I would assume so, yes.**

24 Q. But obviously were sent to St. Pat's for a month at that
25 time.

1 **A. I have no recollection of that. If it happened, it**
2 **happened, but I certainly have no recollection of it.**

3 Q. And you were -- you spent some time --

4 CHAIRMAN: Can you scroll up, please?

5 MS SMITH: Yes. I'm just looking -- I think we should see
6 on the preceding page the date of actually this welfare
7 report if we can scroll back up. It is 6th August 1959.

8 CHAIRMAN: And this is Belfast Welfare Committee, is it?

9 MS SMITH: Yes.

10 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

11 MS SMITH: There was documentation to Hughes that indicated
12 that you had spent some time in Purdysburn.

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. And I think that is confirmed --

15 **A. Yes.**

16 Q. -- by other material. Again it seems to have been that
17 you were sent there for assessment and ultimately you
18 were admitted from there to Kincora.

19 **A. Yes. Well, I don't know. I was sent to Purdysburn, but**
20 **I never knew the reason why.**

21 Q. Well, again it seems to have been linked to the fact
22 that you were in some way misbehaving at Williamson
23 House --

24 **A. Oh, yes. Well, I presume -- yes.**

25 Q. -- and being too much for the ladies there to handle.

1 **A. That is true. I had a very bad temper. I was a very**
2 **bad tempered boy. I think that rubs off from what**
3 **happened to me in Armagh.**

4 Q. That was from an earlier point in time in your life.

5 **A. Yes.**

6 Q. But certainly you were admitted to Kincora, Hugh Quinn,
7 on 27th February 1960.

8 CHAIRMAN: Do we have the reference for the Purdysburn
9 documents?

10 MS SMITH: Unfortunately I don't actually have it to hand,
11 Chairman, but I can get it, because I was looking at it
12 last night and I neglected to print it off.

13 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

14 **A. Can I just say my recollections of going to Kincora were**
15 **that Joseph Mains was a visitor to Williamson House, and**
16 **I know that I was introduced to him by the two ladies**
17 **that were running Williamson House, a Mrs and**
18 **Mrs -- what's her name -- Mrs and -- it will come**
19 **to me. These two ladies were friends with Mains. They**
20 **visited Williamson House, and I believe I was**
21 **recommended to Mains because of my behaviour and that he**
22 **could be a controlling influence of my behaviour.**

23 Q. And that's why --

24 **A. So I assume that when I finished Purdysburn, I went back**
25 **to Williamson House and then was taken by Mains, but**

1 **I recollect this was when I was about 14.**

2 Q. There is certainly a document that may well have been
3 completed by Mr Mains, but it certainly is an admission
4 record that again, as I say, I saw last night, which
5 showed that you -- it said at the top of it "Admitted
6 from Purdysburn".

7 **A. Uh-huh.**

8 Q. So that seems to suggest that you went directly to
9 Kincora from Purdysburn when you were there.

10 **A. But I still want to reiterate that Mains visited**
11 **Williamson House and I had been introduced to him by**
12 **these people -- was the other person's name, Mrs**
13 **-- Miss and Mrs , who were in**
14 **charge.**

15 CHAIRMAN: So you were just over 14 when you went to
16 Williamson -- to Kincora?

17 **A. 13, 13, 14, yes. 14 when I went to Kincora.**

18 Q. 14 and a few months.

19 MS SMITH: You -- just, Chairman, the document that I'm
20 referring to should be in the bundle of documents that
21 went to the Hughes Inquiry, which are in the bundle at
22 120603 to 120652. So it is certainly in that bundle.

23 CHAIRMAN: Well, no doubt somebody will find it.

24 MS SMITH: Yes. I will find it later, Chairman, and ensure
25 that you see it. I don't know why I didn't print that

1 particular number off. I certainly intended to.

2 I apologise for that.

3 As I say, you were admitted to Kincora in -- if we
4 can just even go back to your statement there at 042 --
5 but you went into Kincora on 22nd February 1960 until
6 6th June 1961. So the first period you were there you
7 were there for about a year and four months. You were
8 aged 14 to 15.

9 **A. Yes.**

10 Q. You were then readmitted for two weeks. I think at that
11 stage you had gone for National Sea Training. Do you
12 recall that?

13 **A. Yes. Well, what happened there was because of the abuse**
14 **that I was suffering at the hands of Mains, I felt it**
15 **was a stepping stone to get away from Kincora. So**
16 **I'd applied to the National Sea Training School in**
17 **Gravesend in Kent, and I don't know by which means I got**
18 **the funds to go there, but I ended up in the Sea**
19 **Training School in Gravesend and ...**

20 Q. I know something happened there we don't need to go
21 into, but as a result you left very shortly after you
22 arrived.

23 **A. I stayed for two weeks, because I seen it coming.**

24 **I seen -- I seen the abuse coming.**

25 Q. And you --

1 **A.** I was singled out by a member of staff there and
2 I didn't want to have to go through this again. So
3 I ran away, and at that time I had an address for my
4 birth mother in Coventry, and I made an effort and
5 I actually hitchhiked all the way from Gravesend to
6 Coventry and found my mother.

7 Q. And --

8 **A.** And when I found my mother, she was married by this
9 time. She had a husband and two daughters, and the
10 first thing that her husband said was, "I am not looking
11 after anybody's Irish bastard" and so I knew what that
12 meant.

13 Q. Well, certainly, Hugh Quinn, I appreciate that this is
14 very difficult for you, but if I can -- we are obviously
15 going to be concentrating on what happened in Kincora.

16 **A.** **Yes.**

17 Q. I am simply trying to ascertain the dates that you were
18 in Kincora. So I don't to mean to dismiss your life
19 story, but you will appreciate that the Inquiry can only
20 look at certain --

21 **A.** **Yes.**

22 Q. -- aspects of it, but as a result of that you came back
23 into Kincora.

24 **A.** **That's correct, yes.**

25 Q. That was on 8th August 1962, and you were there I think

1 until 8th August -- sorry -- 6th August -- I have got
2 these dates wrong -- 6th August '62 until 8th August
3 '63, and then you were back in again in December 1965
4 until January 1966. So three spells in all in Kincora.
5 Is that correct, that you remember?

6 **A. I certainly don't remember dates, but I just remember**
7 **being in Kincora and I don't remember these breaks that**
8 **I had.**

9 Q. Okay. Well, according to The Hughes Inquiry those were
10 the dates that you were in there and you were actually
11 discharged in May 1964, when you were aged 18 and
12 a half.

13 **A. Okay. Yes.**

14 Q. Going back to the statement that's on the screen, you
15 talk about your time in Kincora and you talk about the
16 abuse that you suffered at the hands of Joseph Mains --

17 **A. Yes.**

18 Q. -- who was the chief warden. You say that that -- you
19 were singled out by him from the outset when you
20 arrived. The first assault took place upon your arrival
21 when he had you strip naked in front of him and gave you
22 his medical examination, which entailed him putting his
23 hand around your testicles and telling you to cough.
24 You say that when you were in Kincora throughout your
25 time neither William McGrath nor Raymond Semple worked

1 in the home during the period you worked (sic) there.

2 There was Joseph Mains. You remember a housekeeper, a
3 Mrs Elizabeth McCullough.

4 **A. Yes.**

5 Q. And you also remember that Semple worked for the
6 St. John's Ambulance Brigade at that time.

7 **A. That's right.**

8 Q. He would have visited Kincora on occasion, but you were
9 never in any way abused by him at any stage.

10 **A. No.**

11 Q. You say the abuse perpetrated by Mains continued and
12 quickly escalated to him -- to him inviting you to his
13 bedroom on the first floor. You say it was not
14 an invite you could refuse. It was always late at night
15 and you were made to perform varying sexual acts,
16 including, but not limited to, masturbation on him,
17 self-masturbation and anal sex, and he would also force
18 himself on you, kissing you and shoving his tongue into
19 your mouth.

20 **A. Yes.**

21 Q. You said it was made clear to you from the outset that
22 you could not complain or mention this to anyone:

23 "... and I was made well aware of how well
24 connected, both privately and politically, Mr Mains was.
25 I was also advised that I would be sent to borstal if

1 I ever dreamed of causing a fuss. I recall at one point
2 I was, in fact, sent to stay at a boys' home in
3 Kircubbin, but I do not recall the name of the home or
4 the dates I was sent there, but I stayed there for about
5 two or three months. I have no complaints to make about
6 my time in that particular home."

7 I should have made it quite clear you have no
8 complaints to make about your time in Bawnmore either,
9 Hugh Quinn.

10 **A. None at all. None at all.**

11 Q. "Mains would threaten to send me to borstal if I did not
12 comply with the sexual demands that he made on me."

13 Then you talk about your first period going to the
14 National Sea Training School. There is some
15 documentation in relation to the National Sea Training
16 School and you coming back, which -- if we look at
17 120652, this again is a Welfare Committee report and you
18 will see here that:

19 "The Welfare Officer stated that he had purchased
20 the necessary clothing and a travelling grip for Hugh
21 Quinn, a resident in the above home", that's Kincora,
22 "who had been admitted to a six-week training course at
23 the National Sea Training School. The boy, however, had
24 deserted from the school before the end of the course
25 and had travelled to Coventry, where his

1 mother was living. Arrangements had been made by the
2 Coventry Children's Committee to fly him back to
3 Belfast, subject to reimbursement of the cost by this
4 Committee. The Committee approved of the purchase of
5 the clothing and also the action taken to return the boy
6 to Belfast."

7 So there is written confirmation of what you were
8 telling us about running away from the Sea School.

9 **A. Yes. I have come here to tell the truth and that's what**
10 **I'm telling.**

11 Q. Certainly that confirms, as I say, just
12 a contemporaneous note of your memory --

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. -- of that, Hugh Quinn.

15 **A. Yes. The officer who came to fetch me I believe was**
16 **a KIN342 , who worked at College Street, the head**
17 **office of the Welfare Department.**

18 Q. So someone from Northern Ireland came and brought you
19 back home?

20 **A. Yes, that's correct.**

21 Q. Sorry. Just going back then to your statement at
22 paragraphs 6 and 7, where you were talking about the
23 abuse continuing and escalating, in your police
24 statement you said how you felt quite privileged
25 initially by the attention that was being shown to you

1 by Mains, but also you felt threatened by him.

2 **A. Absolutely, yes.**

3 **Q.** Is that --

4 **A. Mains was a powerful, wide built man. My take on --**
5 **this is a home -- the only home I had. I had nowhere**
6 **else to go. I didn't have a family. I didn't have**
7 **a social worker. I didn't have anybody that I could**
8 **confide in. Us boys never discussed sex, abuse. Mains**
9 **had such a powerful family in Belfast, and I knew if**
10 **I reported him to them, that I would get a slap on the**
11 **face or a kick up the arse, and -- because I want to**
12 **tell this Inquiry that one of brothers -- one of the**
13 **brothers of Joseph Mains was an RUC constable --**
14 **I believe he is more than a constable -- stationed in**

15 .

16 I had met this OV2, this OV2, in uniform in Kincora.
17 I could very easily have said to him what his brother
18 was doing to me, but because of who he was and because
19 of the threats that Mains had made to me about what he
20 could do, you only had to look at his brother, he only
21 had to look what his sister, who was a charge midwife in
22 , two brothers that ran a shop in ,
23 and then the Mayor would even come to Kincora, the
24 Mayor. Mr Mason would come, who was in charge of the
25 Welfare Department. Mr Magee, his assistant, would

1 **come .**

2 CHAIRMAN: Go a bit more slowly, if you would.

3 **A. Oh, sorry.**

4 MS SMITH: You appreciate that we have to get a note of what
5 you are saying.

6 **A. Oh, sorry.**

7 Q. It is being recorded, but the Chairman and Panel are
8 trying to keep a note. I think the point that you are
9 making is that --

10 CHAIRMAN: Sorry. You say the Mayor coming?

11 MS SMITH: Yes, Mayor and I think you then say --

12 CHAIRMAN: Mr Mason?

13 **A. Mr Mason, Mr Magee, his assistant. These were regular**
14 **visitors. Well, I mean, the welfare people were like**
15 **once a month visitors. The RUC brother came maybe --**

16 Q. Just a little bit more slowly, please.

17 **A. Sorry.**

18 Q. You appreciate you have not mentioned some of these
19 details to us before. So we need to try to make a note
20 of it, Hugh Quinn. So you are saying the welfare
21 officers or the people from the Welfare Department --

22 **A. That's correct.**

23 Q. -- came every month. Is that right?

24 **A. Yes, to inspect the home.**

25 Q. Yes.

1 MS SMITH: But I think the point, I think, if I have
2 understood you correctly, Hugh Quinn, that you are trying
3 to convey is that you knew that Mains knew all of these
4 people, who were people -- respectable people, people in
5 authority --

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. -- and therefore you felt that there was no way you were
8 in a position to explain to them and be believed. Is
9 that right?

10 **A. Exactly what I'm saying.**

11 Q. Just your statement here on the screen, you make the
12 point that you knew where to find your mother because
13 Joseph Mains had actually located her.

14 **A. That's correct.**

15 Q. And if we can scroll on down, you talk about him
16 arranging for you to get a job in Royal Belfast Golf
17 Club, which lasted for a few months --

18 **A. Yes.**

19 Q. -- and you didn't get on with the boss there. You also
20 remember working in the BBC.

21 **A. That's correct.**

22 Q. You say that came about because they had done
23 a documentary of Kincora --

24 **A. Yes.**

25 Q. -- on Kincora in the 1960s, which you describe as very

1 misleading to the public and told nothing of the abuse
2 that was going on there.

3 **A. That's correct.**

4 Q. They said they had jobs for office boys and that's how
5 you ended up working there. You were placed in digs in
6 the Ormeau Road, which were -- you describe as appalling
7 and unsanitary.

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. That's how you then came back into Kincora on another
10 occasion.

11 **A. That's correct, yes.**

12 Q. Just in respect of the kind of things that Joe Mains was
13 doing in respect of you, he appears to have prepared
14 a record of employment for you. We can look at that. It
15 is at 120612. You will see that it's "Employment" and
16 there you see "BBC. Date: 8th May '61 to
17 14th October '61". I know you haven't seen this before,
18 Hugh Quinn. I was discussing with you -- telling you
19 about it earlier. You were unemployed. You worked at
20 the Universal Trading Company that might be.

21 **A. Yes. That was -- yes, I remember that now, now that you
22 have brought it up. It's a furniture company.**

23 Q. A furniture company that was.

24 **A. I was assistant van driver, if I recall.**

25 Q. Then "Forget about NSTS". Did you spend some time in

1 the NSTS?

2 CHAIRMAN: National Sea Training School.

3 **A. Ah, yes.**

4 MS SMITH: Yes, that would be. Then Stewart's Cash Stores,
5 you worked there. Back in the Universal Furniture
6 Company; another period of unemployment; working for
7 McIlroy on the Ormeau Road; unemployed; ? apprentice
8 draper. Then there is the entry of The Royal Belfast
9 Golf Club from 12th August '63 until ? 31st September
10 '63. You worked at Knock Golf Club for a period.

11 **A. I believe that was the same place. I only did one golf
12 club.**

13 Q. Okay. You were unemployed, and then Southbury Hotel.

14 **A. Uh-huh.**

15 Q. Then there's a note here:

16 "Hugh Quinn, look after this sheet as it took me
17 almost three hours to do it and it will come in handy
18 again -- and it will come in handy again. Joe."

19 **A. Look after the what?**

20 Q. This sheet. So the sheet the paper.

21 CHAIRMAN: He is telling you to look after the record
22 because --

23 **A. I have never seen this in my life. Never seen this.
24 Never seen this.**

25 MS SMITH: That seems to suggest certainly that it was

1 a document that Joe Mains was preparing for you. Maybe
2 it was never given to you --

3 **A. No.**

4 Q. -- but he certainly appears to have intended to do so,
5 given the note at the bottom.

6 **A. I've never seen this in my life.**

7 Q. Did you ever see his handwriting? Do you recognise that
8 as his handwriting?

9 **A. I recognise the handwriting, yes, yes.**

10 Q. That is Joe Mains' handwriting?

11 **A. Yes, I recognise the handwriting, because it falls from
12 the diaries that he used to write.**

13 Q. There is another couple of documents that I just wanted
14 to show, if I may, from your time in Kincora. I mean,
15 there's a visitation record of 20th February 1962.
16 I think it might -- it is ten pages long. It is 120622.
17 You will see that it is someone I presume from the
18 Welfare Authority looking at the -- visiting the home,
19 as you were describing them doing so. It says:

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

25 Hugh Quinn continues to be of great assistance to the

1 warden.

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

4 That's signed by a Mr Magee, who you were talking
5 about coming into the home --

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. -- on 20th February 1962.

8 **A. Yes, it is.**

9 Q. There is also some evidence of the Welfare Authority
10 seeking employment for you at 120624. You will see it
11 if we can scroll down. There is, for example, a letter
12 from the Gasworks saying that there are no vacancies for
13 apprentices in the department.

14 CHAIRMAN: Who sent that?

15 MS SMITH: Sorry. Just scroll back up a moment, please. It
16 is sent to the -- it is a copy of the letter received
17 presumably in the Belfast Welfare. If you can scroll up
18 a bit more.

19 CHAIRMAN: It is one department of the corporation writing
20 to another to see if he can get a position.

21 MS SMITH: Yes, yes. That's in February '62 again.

22 **A. I have no recollection of these things. You are talking**
23 **about 55 years ago.**

24 Q. Hugh Quinn, I am not suggesting for one moment --

25 as I explained to you, these documents were recently given

1 to the Inquiry. That's why I just wanted to let the
2 Panel see the kind of documentation that was being
3 created around your time in care at that time.

4 If we can scroll on down, and then there's a letter
5 again to the Welfare Officer again from another -- the
6 Electricity Department this time on 9th February saying
7 that:

8 "Regarding the possibility of employment in this
9 department for a boy named Hugh Quinn ...

10 From time to time, however, boys of around 16 years
11 of age are engaged as junior meter fixers in the
12 department and if you feel this may be suitable, please
13 arrange for the boy to attend these offices on 14th
14 February for an interview."

15 If we can scroll on down, then this again looks like
16 it might be Joe Mains' writing at the bottom and it
17 said:

18 "Phoned Mr McMullan re Hugh Quinn today, 18th March
19 '62. Waiting vacancy."

20 So you may have gone for an interview in February
21 and Mr Mains is ringing up to see are there any
22 vacancies after your interview.

23 **A. I don't recall these.**

24 Q. Well, again this is things that were going on in the
25 background where people were trying to find you

1 employment, Hugh Quinn.

2 **A. Well, I just emphasise that that was the purpose of**
3 **Kincora.**

4 Q. It was a working boys' home.

5 **A. It was to -- it was to get us into the work environment**
6 **and it was to help ease us into life after Kincora after**
7 **your 18th birthday. It was to ready you for what was**
8 **ahead.**

9 Q. And apart from trying -- seeking employment do you
10 recall anything else being done to prepare you for what
11 was ahead, for example, in terms of paying bills or
12 paying rent or anything like that?

13 **A. I believe we paid rent when we started work. I think we**
14 **paid rent weekly at Kincora for our accommodation.**
15 **I believe so.**

16 Q. What about cooking skills or laundry skills or anything
17 like that? Were they taught to you?

18 **A. No. The housekeeper looked after all that,**
19 **Mrs -- sorry -- Mrs McCullough.**

20 Q. Might we just go -- I just wanted to check -- if we
21 could just go to 120603, the entry of admission might be
22 in or around there, because it might be -- I think it's
23 at the beginning of this bundle. Just can we scroll
24 down from here, please, a moment until I see? Scroll on
25 down. There is your medical record there, Hugh Quinn,

1 you can see was kept. If you can scroll on down again.
2 Just pause there. You will see that you seem to have
3 spent time in Christian Brothers School, Armagh. That
4 would have been when you were with foster parents.

5 **A. That's correct.**

6 Q. Then you see St. Patrick's Training School, St. Joseph's
7 and St. Gabriel's Schools. The primary school that you
8 went to I think was St. Joseph's, and then -- when you
9 were in Williamson House, and then Gabriel's. Then you
10 were boarded out in Armagh, as you have described. Then
11 if we can scroll on down --

12 CHAIRMAN: Just go back to the last page.

13 MS SMITH: Sorry.

14 CHAIRMAN: Hugh Quinn, can you recognise the writing there?

15 **A. Sorry?**

16 Q. He is that Mr Mains' writing on the page that you see?

17 **A. No, I don't -- it doesn't look like it.**

18 Q. It is just you remarked when you saw the list of jobs
19 that Ms Smith brought up and asked you about, you said
20 something about Mr Mains' handwriting.

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. It looks rather similar to me, but did you ever see his
23 handwriting?

24 **A. I have seen his handwriting, because he used to make**
25 **entries into the diary every week.**

1 Q. Yes. Now he may have printed it rather more carefully
2 when he was filling out this form.

3 **A. This particular item looks too clear. It looks -- it**
4 **doesn't look as scrawled as Mains' writing. It looks**
5 **more tidy in my opinion.**

6 MS SMITH: Can we just scroll on down a few more pages,
7 please, because I think we may find the -- scroll
8 a little bit more quickly. Yes. This is the document
9 that I was talking about, Hugh Quinn, that I had
10 neglected to write down the page reference.

11 **A. Yes.**

12 Q. If we just scroll back up just till I check the
13 page reference there, it is 120607.

14 **A. Yes. Correct.**

15 Q. You see that it says:

16 "Admitted today from Purdysburn Hospital."

17 That's 22nd February 1960.

18 **A. Uh-huh.**

19 Q. It goes on a week later to say that you appear most
20 unpopular with other residents. You're a superior type
21 of boy. You enrolled at the primary school,
22 Ballyhackamore.

23 **A. That's correct.**

24 Q. And I think children would have stayed on maybe at
25 primary school until they did Junior Cert at that stage

1 in time. Would that be correct, or can you maybe
2 remember?

3 **A. You stayed at primary school and if you passed your**
4 **'A' Levels -- what was it? In those days it was your**
5 **GCEs.**

6 CHAIRMAN: Junior Certificate.

7 **A. Yes. If you passed that, then you would go on to**
8 **a grammar school.**

9 CHAIRMAN: That was the 11 Plus you are thinking of.

10 **A. 11 Plus, Mr Chairman, yes.**

11 CHAIRMAN: Junior Certificate was usually about 14. At
12 least in my day it was.

13 **A. Yes, but that's -- yes, I went to that school,**
14 **Ballyhackamore, which is still there by the way.**

15 MS SMITH: So can I just ask: this handwriting, do you
16 recognise that as Mr Mains' at all?

17 **A. That looks more like his writing, yes. You can see how**
18 **scribbled and untidy it is.**

19 Q. I mean, he is making a record there quite regularly,
20 about certainly twice a month maybe, and he's -- you
21 know, he has down a note that he seems to have entered
22 in from 12th March 1960 after 20th March about you
23 having had a sore throat and having given you 5 grams of
24 aspirin and confined you to bed --

25 **A. Uh-huh.**

1 Q. -- for the day. So:

2 "1st May. Slightly depressed at times. Always
3 seems to be the victim of attack from other boys. He
4 has never -- he is now enrolled as a cadet in the
5 St. John's Ambulance Brigade and appears to be very keen
6 on youth work in general. Returned from summer camp."

7 I don't -- I am not going to go through them.
8 I think they may go on to the next page, but I'm not --
9 yes. We will see "1961" and then:

10 "June '61. Is now becoming very [something] and
11 independent and today requested to be boarded out.
12 Arrangements were made for Hugh Quinn to go to
13 a Mrs in Hillman Street, but he is reluctant to
14 go and at the last minute he decided that Mrs 's
15 home was not good enough for him. He requested that
16 a [something] should be put in -- an advert should be
17 put -- an insert should be put in the Belfast Telegraph
18 for accommodation on the Ormeau Road."

19 **A. Again it reiterates my point that I am telling the truth**
20 **here.**

21 Q. And then there's -- your height and weight record is
22 recorded throughout the time from '60 to '61 when you
23 were there. If we can just scroll on down to the next
24 page, this seems to have been a letter from your mother
25 in Coventry.

1 **A. Wow!**

2 Q. That was after you returned to Northern Ireland. She is
3 writing to say that she is worried about you. She has
4 not heard a word from you since you went back.

5 "Have you turned against me, or if you don't want to
6 write, nobody can force him. I am sorry things didn't
7 work out with my husband. I should love to have had
8 him. Everything is getting me down. I should be
9 grateful if you would let me know how he is getting on.
10 Yours sincerely."

11 So ... There is some other documentation in that
12 pile of documents.

13 **A. I have never seen that letter.**

14 Q. That was -- did he ever speak to you?

15 **A. No.**

16 Q. Did Mr Mains ever speak to you and say she had written
17 asking how you were?

18 **A. No, never.**

19 Q. There is another document in this pile, which I will
20 just go to, which is 120636. You will recall that
21 I showed the visitation record of you helping the warden
22 out, being helpful to the warden, and there's a document
23 here which is:

24 "Regarding Hugh Quinn.

25 Dear sir,

1 With your permission I would recommend that
2 a financial grant be made to the above named person in
3 respect of the excellent way he carried out the
4 re-decoration of the following:

5 Kitchen (front and back).

6 Study room.

7 Bathroom.

8 Wash house.

9 Toilets.

10 During the last three months Hugh Quinn has indeed
11 worked very hard to improve the appearance of the
12 hostel."

13 If we can scroll on down:

14 "This boy take a great interest in all aspects of
15 the hostel, and although he has been unemployed the past
16 eleven weeks, he is not wasting any time. I have just
17 recently learned that on several occasions Hugh Quinn has
18 spent the biggest part of his five shillings per week
19 pocket allowance on items he thinks that will improve the
20 appearance of the home, such things as finger plates for
21 the doors and door handles ..."

22 CHAIRMAN: "... putty ..."

23 MS SMITH: "... putty, turpentine, etc. His work is indeed
24 very credible (sic) and I have no hesitation in
25 recommending him for a financial gift."

1 I think that was again perhaps Mr Mains doing that,
2 and then there's a welfare minute -- minute of the
3 Welfare Authority where that's recorded at 120112. The
4 preceding page, 112, you will see there:

5 "Kincora.

6 To request authority to make a gift not exceeding 5
7 pounds to Hugh Quinn, a resident in hostel, for the
8 assistance he has given the warden in the general
9 redecorating of the home."

10 **A. Very nice.**

11 Q. Do you ever remember getting the money?

12 **A. No. I don't recall.**

13 Q. There's also --

14 **A. But I recall doing the work, because I obviously had**
15 **an artistic streak at the time. I don't know. I was**
16 **very hands on.**

17 Q. Certainly -- you were also admitted to hospital in
18 December 1961, Hugh Quinn, because there was notification
19 had to be given to the Ministry of Home Affairs about
20 that and that's at 120625.

21 **A. Yes. I believe that was -- I had blood poisoned. I had**
22 **been doing the famous desk in Mr Mains' office. I had**
23 **been stripping down and had given myself a bad cut.**

24 Q. Yes.

25 **A. Instead of -- instead of dressing the wound I put**

1 **plaster on it and proceeded to get severe blood poison**
2 **and had to be admitted to hospital.**

3 Q. Yes. If we just scroll on down, please, that's actually
4 recorded there. You see:

5 "Inflamed wound on right index finger (B poison)."
6 So blood poisoning, as you say.

7 **A. Yes.**

8 Q. Then you were in Purdysburn -- that was in Purdysburn on
9 7th December '61. So although Purdysburn is now known
10 as a psychiatric hospital --

11 **A. That's correct.**

12 Q. -- it also had a fever hospital attached to it there.
13 You are recorded as being 11 stone at that point in
14 time. You also had 'flu a few days before that
15 apparently and lymphadenitis.

16 **A. Lymphadenitis (inaudible). It is a poisoning of the lymph**
17 **glands.**

18 Q. So that's a document that was prepared, and again do you
19 recognise the writing as Joseph Mains'?

20 **A. Yes, yes.**

21 Q. And he's actually signed it there, as you'll see. His
22 signature is on it dated 8th December 1961.

23 **A. Oh, yes.**

24 Q. If you can just scroll back up to the top of that
25 document, it says it's a Notification of Admission to

1 Hospital from Children's Home to be furnished without
2 delay to the Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs. Name
3 of the home and the name of the child is recorded on it.

4 **A. Yes, yes. It all happened.**

5 Q. So those are some --

6 CHAIRMAN: Just a moment.

7 MS SMITH: Sorry.

8 CHAIRMAN: This admission to the hospital in December 1961.

9 MS SMITH: Yes. That doesn't seem to tally with the dates.

10 CHAIRMAN: It doesn't tally with the dates --

11 MS SMITH: Although --

12 CHAIRMAN: -- because according to the dates we have given
13 so far he wasn't in the home between July '61 and August
14 '62.

15 MS SMITH: That can't be right either when we looked at the
16 documents at the start.

17 CHAIRMAN: No. That's the point I'm making.

18 MS SMITH: Yes.

19 CHAIRMAN: It's not correct.

20 MS SMITH: No, it's not correct. Those were dates that were
21 given to the Hughes Inquiry and that's where we received
22 them from, but it looks like you were there throughout
23 '61.

24 **A. Yes. Well, as I say, I never kept a diary of the days**
25 **and dates that I had come and gone into Kincora.**

1 Q. Yes.

2 **A. But this story is true that I had blood poisoning and**
3 **did go to the hospital.**

4 Q. Well, Hugh Quinn, those are just some documents that the
5 Inquiry only received after I had spoken to you last
6 week. So obviously I didn't have the opportunity to
7 deal with any of them in respect of you. I know you are
8 seeing them for the first time on the screen today, but
9 --

10 **A. That's fine.**

11 Q. -- they are obviously contemporaneous documents that
12 were created during your time in Kinchora.

13 If we can go back then to your statement at 042. In
14 fact, if we even scroll down to the next page, I think
15 we talked about your work in the BBC, and then you say
16 that:

17 "The abuse continued and it was systemic abuse,
18 which also entailed a pattern of punishment and reward.
19 This would mean that along with the sexual abuse I would
20 receive privileges such as days out and treats like
21 being taken to restaurants or the theatre."

22 You said you would also receive terrible punishments
23 for no reason as if to remind you what was at risk.

24 What kind of punishments were you talking about,
25 Hugh Quinn?

1 **A. Physical abuse. Physical abuse. Punching to the**
2 **stomach, slapping around the face. It would always be**
3 **cleverly worked out in my opinion, because there**
4 **wouldn't be traces of any bruising, and it was done in**
5 **private in his office or probably in the bedroom**
6 **sometimes, but mostly in the office, and it didn't**
7 **happen very often, but it happened often enough to**
8 **remind me of the consequences I didn't perform these ...**

9 Q. Well, you said you remember actually being sent to
10 a mental institution, Purdysburn Hospital, but you are
11 not sure of the dates that you stayed there.

12 **A. I am not sure of the dates.**

13 Q. You said as a result of your time there you actually
14 ended up pursuing a career in mental health.

15 **A. Yes.**

16 Q. But I don't think I need to go into that. I will come
17 back to you returning to Kincora. You did do that. You
18 eventually left at the age of 18 and a half. If the
19 dates are right, according to Hughes up you were
20 discharged in May '64.

21 You returned to Kincora -- sorry. Just before that
22 I should say we discussed what Mains said to police in
23 his interview about the allegations that you made about
24 him, and he was interviewed by police, and that's at
25 10420, and he admitted -- initially he denied having

1 anal sex with you, but you will see there -- in fact, if
2 we can go to -- yes. This is -- I think this is the
3 first part of his interview in respect of you.

4 He says that you were the first person he had anal
5 sex with. You can see there the reference "119/R3". He
6 admitted having done that on several occasions while you
7 lived in the hostel and gave some more details about
8 that. Then he was asked:

9 "Q. How did it start with you? Do you remember?"
10 and he says:

11 "No, I can't",

12 although later in his statement, if we can look at
13 10482, please -- sorry -- in his interview I should say
14 -- if we can scroll down, the police are interviewing
15 him and they are then putting what you had said in the
16 police statement that you had made to him and they are
17 reading parts of that out to you (sic), and he said:

18 "These questions related to when Hugh Quinn came to
19 Kincora during '59/'60. He alleges that on the day he
20 arrived Mains took him to the bathroom on the left as
21 you go up the first flight of stairs, told him to strip
22 naked so that Mains could give him medical examination.
23 Mains commented by saying:

24 'No, that is untrue. He was accompanied to the
25 bathroom. There was to be a report on any marks of

1 scabies and infestation to the head.'" "

2 A portion of your statement was read to him and I am
3 not going to read it out, but if you can scroll down
4 about -- his response to what you said was -- police
5 said:

6 "Q. Is this what happened?

7 **A. No, this is untrue.**

8 Q. What did happen then?

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

11 **A second portion of your statement is read to him
12 and this is where you were alleging that he would send
13 you to borstal and you believed him. He is asked --**

14 CHAIRMAN: Not so fast, please.

15 MS SMITH: Sorry. So he is asked:

16 "Q. Is that how your relationship with Hugh Quinn
17 started?

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

23 So although he is saying he did not make any threats
24 about borstal to you, he did make a comment that may well
25 -- could be interpreted as a threat.

1 **A. Absolutely. Can I just go back to that bathroom scene**

2 --

3 Q. Yes.

4 **A. -- because I am a 14-year-old boy and ...**

5 Q. Yes. I appreciate you find this difficult. Just if you
6 need a break, just tell us and just take your time.

7 **A. The first thing he did was took me into that bathroom,**
8 **stripped me naked, didn't put me in the bath, made**
9 **a comment about how big I was in my private parts and**
10 **started to fondle and tried to get me erect. That's**
11 **what happened in that bathroom. That was on my first**
12 **day at 14.**

13 Q. Well, he goes on there to be asked:

14 "Q. What homosexual acts took place?"

15 He says:

16 "Just the ordinary masturbation acts.

17 Q. Any other acts?

18 **A. No.**

19 Q. Did you threaten him with borstal if he didn't
20 do what you asked?

21 **A. No."**

22 Then another portion of your statement is read to
23 him. If we just scroll down to the next page, please,
24 you are alleging that if you complained about him to
25 anyone in the Welfare Department, they wouldn't believe

1 you and you would only get yourself into trouble. He
2 was asked did he tell you that and he said he didn't.
3 He admitted to kissing you in the way that you
4 described.

5 "Q. Did you keep him in bed all night?

6 **A. I can't remember. It is going back some time."**

7 He is asked about kissing another boy, and then
8 another passage from your statement is read to him about
9 the anal intercourse and he is asked:

10 "Q. Is that what happened?

11 **A. No, that is not what happened.**

12 Q. Is there any truth in that at all?

13 **A. No, none whatsoever."**

14 He is asked about giving you extra privileges and
15 teaching you to drive and he says:

16 **"No, I taught him how to drive, but that wasn't**
17 **considered an extra privilege."**

18 He is then asked about other matters. He then
19 eventually -- at the end of being questioned by police he
20 actually makes a statement to police, which is dated 1st
21 April 1980, in respect of you, and if we can go to that,
22 it is at 11235. Now I know I read this to you the last
23 time, Hugh Quinn, and I know you were very upset and
24 you've commented upon how annoyed you were by this
25 statement whenever you then wrote up your statement for

1 the Inquiry, and it says -- it just says:

2 "At this time I had started drinking and when I had
3 drink taken, I realised that I had a bisexual problem.

4 This first came to notice with a boy called Hugh Quinn,
5 who was resident in Kincora. He had been admitted from

6 Purdysburn and in earlier years had been in Williamson

7 House and Bawnmore Children's Home. From discussions

8 with staff in the children's homes and from talking to

9 him himself I realised he had a homosexual problem. He

10 discussed this with me, and as a result of this

11 a relationship began between him and me. He was about

12 16 at the time. The first time that this happened was

13 when he came to my bedroom and was upset because his pup

14 had died. I tried to console him and we went downstairs

15 to see the dog and ended sitting in the office. We were

16 both on the settee and he was crying. I put my arms

17 round his shoulder and it started from there.

18 I masturbated him and he masturbated me. The same thing

19 happened about three or four times over the next

20 twelve months. This mainly happened in the office or

21 the bathroom. The next thing that happened was that the

22 relationship developed and we had anal sex, but I did not

23 penetrate him. We did this to each other and he didn't

24 penetrate me, and this happened four or five times before

25 he was discharged from the hostel to a National Sea

1 Training School. The activity mainly took place in
2 my bedroom upstairs. Although I have seen Hugh
3 Quinn on a number of occasions since he left the
4 hostel, no sexual activity has taken place between me
5 and him."

6 Now that was what he said about you, and he goes on
7 to talk about other boys in the rest of that statement.

8 He ultimately, as you know, was prosecuted and
9 pleaded guilty in December 1981 to two counts which
10 involved both buggery and gross indecency in respect of
11 you. That's at -- I don't think we need to call it up.
12 The Inquiry is well aware of that, but it is at
13 KIN21258.

14 **A. Can I just say something?**

15 **Q. Yes, of course.**

16 **A. Of course, this statement is completely untrue. What**
17 **Mains said here was lies. The story about the dog, the**
18 **dog was a birthday present from Mains. It was part of**
19 **the treats. Mains was bugging me long before the dog**
20 **came into the scene. I just want to make that quite**
21 **clear. The sex was never consensual. I did not have**
22 **a relationship with this person. The sex that I had was**
23 **forced sex. I was bugged on many occasion without any**
24 **protection. I had been bleeding on occasions. I was**
25 **made to go down on him, which was a very awkward and bad**

1 **experience. It made me sick. He would force himself**
2 **into my mouth, grabbing me by the hair. This was -- not**
3 **only it was what you would today call a rough sex**
4 **experience. There was no relationship here whatsoever.**
5 **When I came to Kincora, I was an innocent 14-year-old**
6 **boy. I had never masturbated in my life. I never had**
7 **a sex education, and this is what I had to deal with for**
8 **four years.**

9 Q. Well, Hugh Quinn, I will come back to your statement
10 again in a moment, but you gave evidence to the Hughes
11 Inquiry in private session on 19th October '84 and 25th
12 October '84 and the transcript of that is at KIN71304 to
13 71373. I am just going to summarise what you said to
14 them.

15 You said that the abuse had begun with a bath and
16 a medical examination and touching, which after a number
17 of months escalated to masturbation. You were then
18 taken to Mains' room where you would against your will
19 be turned over and made the subject of anal intercourse.

20 You explained to the Hughes Inquiry, as you have
21 done today, the pressure you felt under, the threat of
22 borstal, the influence Mains could have on your
23 prospects, including what was written in reports about
24 you, the presents and privileges you received and the
25 fear of not being believed. You disagreed with this

1 version of events --

2 **A. Yes.**

3 Q. -- Mains' version of events and his characterisation of
4 what went on between you as essentially consensual, and
5 you said that sexual activity in Kincora was kept
6 secret. Otherwise all the boys would have been
7 discussing it. I asked you when we were talking about
8 that what kind of things the boys did discuss and you
9 were saying football. You said you didn't really know
10 each other very well. Boys were out a lot of the day --

11 **A. That's correct.**

12 Q. -- or you went to school until you started to work. You
13 watched TV. There was no snooker table or tennis --
14 table-tennis table or anything like that in Kincora.

15 **A. No.**

16 Q. In response to being questioned in The Hughes Inquiry
17 about why you didn't report Mains, you explained,
18 amongst other things, that you regarded him as someone
19 of great influence, and you have explained to us today
20 the people who were in his life who you felt led you to
21 believe that you couldn't report.

22 You did threaten to report him at one stage and he
23 stopped and that was how the abuse stopped, and that was
24 about six months before you left.

25 **A. That's correct.**

1 Q. You were again questioned about that, but when you were
2 asked to explain, given the fact that you had threatened
3 him, why you would continue contact with him in terms of
4 visits and cards after you formally left Kincora, and
5 going back to your statement to this Inquiry, you do
6 talk about coming back to visit at Christmas --

7 **A. Yes.**

8 Q. -- sending cards and letters, and you explained to
9 Hughes, and I think you said in your statement to us,
10 that essentially, despite what this man was doing to
11 you, he was still in the role of a father figure and
12 Kincora was the only home that you still had at that
13 point in time.

14 **A. That's correct, yes.**

15 Q. You also when we were talking said to me that you didn't
16 feel threatened sexually anymore --

17 **A. That's correct.**

18 Q. -- because it had stopped before you left and therefore
19 you felt able to come back --

20 **A. Yes.**

21 Q. -- and you felt that having threatened to tell on him
22 and it then stopping, you were able to come back and be
23 safe --

24 **A. Yes.**

25 Q. -- in Kincora. You also said that you thought that you

1 were the only one whom he had interfered with, although
2 you talk about another boy --

3 **A. Yes.**

4 Q. -- R2, and again I am using the name that can't be used
5 outside the chamber. You talk about that in your
6 statement I think at paragraph 15 of your statement at
7 043. If I can just go back to that. If we can even
8 just go back up a little bit there to paragraph 13, you
9 talk about going to London and then you did come back
10 the following Christmas, December '65. You do this
11 because all the student nurses had left and you had
12 nowhere else to go. You continued to visit I think when
13 we were talking and I think Hughes established for about
14 five years or maybe four years.

15 **A. Yes.**

16 Q. Four Christmases you came back until about 1969 and then
17 you stopped and came back again in your last visit to
18 Kincora in 1979. I will talk about that in a moment,
19 but paragraph 15 here you say there was a boy who was
20 resident in Kincora at the same time as you. He was
21 also subjected to similar abuse as yourself. He never
22 spoke about it at the time, but you both spoke about it
23 for the first time when you gave evidence to the Hughes
24 Inquiry in 1980.

25 **A. Yes.**

1 Q. You say that he subsequently took his own life --

2 **A. Uh-huh.**

3 Q. -- but you go on to make some comments about The Hughes
4 Inquiry there.

5 You say there was a claim brought by you against the
6 Eastern Health & Social Services Board which settled out
7 of court also.

8 You mentioned in The Hughes Inquiry when you were
9 giving evidence Mains' friend Raymond Semple and another
10 person who you talked about visiting Kincora and they
11 were both involved in the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. When we were talking about this last week, you said that
14 you -- these -- this other man -- and I will give the
15 name -- an OV1, you thought was a very effeminate
16 person.

17 **A. Yes.**

18 Q. He was often with Mains and you think he stayed over in
19 Kincora.

20 **A. Yes.**

21 Q. You did visit Bawnmore and you kept contact, as you say,
22 with Mrs Wilson --

23 **A. Yes.**

24 Q. -- when you were in Kincora. You also talked to Hughes
25 and you talk about here, if we can just scroll back up

1 again a moment, about another boy who was in Kincora.
2 That's paragraph 14. That was -- on your last visit in
3 1979 --

4 **A. Yes.**

5 Q. -- you recall during that visit there was a boy called
6 R18 running about with some of his gay friends. You
7 felt it was all a bit in your face, so to speak. He
8 seemed to have quite a lot of freedom to come and go as
9 he pleased with his friends. On that last visit you
10 slept in a camp bed. Sometimes you would have stayed in
11 the attic, but on a few occasions you stayed with R2 at
12 his house in Dundonald.

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. I was asking about and I think you were asked about the
15 point that you were making about this man R18. You were
16 saying that as far as you were concerned, this was
17 clearly a homosexual young man, whom you actually
18 discussed with Mains, although Mains said he had never
19 any sexual involvement with him. I think the point you
20 were making, though, was that in 1979 the atmosphere in
21 Kincora was very different to what you had experienced
22 --

23 **A. Absolutely.**

24 Q. -- whereas there seemed to be more acceptance of
25 homosexuality --

1 **A. Yes.**

2 Q. -- in 1979 than previously.

3 **A. Can I just point out by 1979 I am a gay man. Okay? So**
4 **I can -- I can see what's -- I can understand, you know,**
5 **gay when I see it.**

6 Q. Yes.

7 **A. So I'm a gay man by now. I just want to make that**
8 **clear.**

9 Q. Well, you spoke to police again in 1982 and that
10 statement is at KIN76501 to 76504. You made it clear to
11 police then that although there were visitors to Kincora
12 and that you went to places with Mains -- and the
13 statement is actually here. You asked -- asked about
14 sexual matters and asked where -- whether it took place
15 openly. You would say it was very secretive and you go
16 on to say that you weren't a willing party. He used to
17 threaten you and used to get angry. If we can just
18 scroll on down. Here you did say that he seemed to know
19 everybody from the Lord Mayor down.

20 **A. Yes.**

21 Q. You talk about Mrs Wilson. You talk about the
22 influential visitors. The Mayor and local councillors
23 used to visit on official visits. You had no knowledge
24 or suspicions that these visits were other than
25 regulation visits.

1 **A. Yes.**

2 Q. They called about twice a year, either in the afternoon
3 or early evening, usually before Christmas. It was
4 a sort of pat the boys on the head sort of visit, a duty
5 visit.

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. You say he belonged to a respectable family, as you
8 describe there.

9 **A. I just want to interrupt you.**

10 Q. Sorry.

11 **A. You see, during these visits Mains was always present.**
12 **So we weren't able to be in position to isolate these**
13 **welfare people from Mains in order to say anything. It**
14 **was very cleverly -- what's the expression -- it was**
15 **just very clever the way he manipulated every situation.**

16 Q. If you can scroll on down there, just you talk about
17 Mains having a girlfriend.

18 **A. Yes.**

19 Q. You say from what you knew of him it was just a cover.
20 Then you talk about, if you can just go on down, about
21 him being a Mason, then him being what you know as
22 a closet. He hadn't come out as a homosexual.

23 "It is clear from this I didn't believe I had any
24 chance of being believed if I complained of my
25 activities."

1 You say:

2 "Uniformed policemen would call for cups of tea and
3 biscuits."

4 **A. That is correct. They were police officers from the
5 local Ballyhackamore Police Station.**

6 Q. You say you used to make them tea.

7 **A. That's correct.**

8 Q. You say:

9 "The visits were all above board. Sometimes you got
10 a problem boy in Kincora and the police had reason to
11 call for that matter."

12 So you weren't suggesting there was anything
13 untoward about them calling?

14 **A. No, no.**

15 Q. You have no knowledge of social workers or other
16 officials. You did say that after you left the home you
17 suspected that R2 might have been spending nights in Joe
18 Mains' bed, but you had no proof.

19 **A. That's right.**

20 Q. And it was only, as you say, later on when you met him
21 in 1981 --

22 **A. Yes.**

23 Q. -- that he spoke to you about it. You say that one
24 mentioned that he had complained to authorities about
25 being interfered with by Semple. If we can just scroll

1 on down, you also feel you should tell us -- the police:
2 "... about trips I made with Semple and Mains in his
3 car. Two Easter holidays in a row we toured round
4 Ireland staying at hotels."

5 **A. Yes.**

6 Q. "I remember because I was driving under age, not being
7 17."

8 You say who else were on those trips.

9 "Nothing improper happened to me. I shared a room
10 with KIN181 , but we each had single beds. I don't
11 recall where Semple slept, but I think Mains shared
12 a room with R2. Mains never took me to public houses
13 drinking, never introduced me to other men for sexual or
14 other reasons, and I have no knowledge of any child or
15 other prostitution during my time while I was there or
16 any vice ring. Mains did sometimes frequent homosexual
17 places. You remember going to a particular restaurant
18 in Belfast and that the person in charge of that
19 restaurant being a very effeminate person in manner and
20 you used to laugh at his obvious sexual inclinations.
21 You were introduced to him, but not for any sexual
22 purposes.

23 **A. That's correct.**

24 Q. So in summary what you were saying to police is, "Yes,
25 there were people visited Kincora".

1 **A. Yes.**

2 Q. "They came there on official business. There was
3 nothing untoward about those visits. There was no
4 suggestion of any sex ring going on in Kincora that
5 I was aware of or any abuse of other children that I was
6 aware of" --

7 **A. Uh-huh.**

8 Q. -- "and this is -- I was abused by Mains, but nobody
9 else, and this is what he did".

10 **A. That's correct.**

11 Q. You do give some details of that in your statement to
12 the Inquiry at 044, and you talk about how upset you
13 were about the statement at paragraph 17 -- about Mains'
14 statement to the police from April '80.

15 **A. Yes.**

16 Q. You talk about the boys not knowing each other and there
17 being no gossip about abuse amongst the boys when you
18 were resident.

19 If we can scroll on down, paragraph 20 here you
20 contacted the Inquiry initially and then, as you are
21 aware, before we had spoken to you it became apparent
22 from material that we had received that there was
23 a complaint made against you --

24 **A. Yes.**

25 Q. -- to police by someone called -- and again I will use

1 the name -- KIN1, who gave a statement to police that
2 suggested that along with Mains you were also
3 an individual who had abused him during his 18-month
4 stay in Kincora. You'd cited portions of that
5 statement, which I have neglected to write down the
6 reference for, but it is in the Kincora bundle, and
7 you -- sorry. Just if I can -- he was in Kincora from
8 May '63 until November '64. So he was there during the
9 same time that you were there.

10 **A. Apparently.**

11 Q. And you were never asked by police about his
12 allegations.

13 **A. Never.**

14 Q. Now looking at the two statements, you made your
15 statement on 3rd April '80 and his -- in fact, he made
16 his on 3rd April and you were spoken to by police
17 a month later on 8th May 1980, although in fairness it
18 was a different police officer who took your statement
19 as had taken his, and maybe by that stage when they were
20 speaking to you they had not put the two matters
21 together.

22 But Mains was spoken to about the allegation, and he
23 said, if we look at that at 10491 -- sorry. I do have
24 it. I beg your pardon. I had written it down. The
25 allegations, as I say, of KIN1 were made to the police.

1 His statement to police is at KIN10158 to 10136 (sic)
2 and his allegations are on the first page of his
3 statement at 10158 just to -- if we can scroll on down,
4 he says there that:

5 "The staff at Kincora when I went there was
6 Mr Mains, who was in charge, and Raymond Semple was
7 second in charge. There was also another man there at
8 time on occasions. His name was Hugh Quinn. I am not
9 sure whether he was on the staff or not, but he stayed
10 there on occasions and was very friendly with Mr Mains.
11 I was in the hostel less than a week."

12 He goes on to say about you:

13 "The other boys in the room fell asleep. I was
14 still awake when the bedroom door opened. With the
15 street light I saw that Hugh Quinn had come into the
16 room. He stood at the door for a long time and I let on
17 I was sleeping. He then came over to the bed and I felt
18 him touch the blankets of my bed. I jumped up and got
19 out of bed and switched on the room light. I asked Hugh
20 Quinn what he was doing and he said 'Just tucking you
21 in'. He left the room and I fell asleep. The next thing
22 I knew I was being awakened by feeling a hand on my leg
23 underneath the bedclothes. The hand was just above my
24 knee. I saw Hugh Quinn was standing beside my bed and I
25 shouted at him. He left the room and closed

1 the door. The next morning I told Mr Mains about what
2 Hugh Quinn had done to me and Mr Mains told me he would
3 look into it. There was no more trouble with Hugh Quinn
4 for about a fortnight. I remember again I was sleeping
5 in my bed. Again I was wakened by someone touching my
6 hand. I saw Hugh Quinn standing at the side of my bed.
7 He was wearing his pyjamas and I saw with the street
8 light that he had his penis out through the opening in
9 front of his pyjamas. He was worked up and had an
10 erection. He put my hand on his penis and I immediately
11 jumped up and screamed. Hugh Quinn then left the room. I
12 think I went to Mr Mains' room at the time to tell him,
13 but he would not answer my knock on his bedroom door.
14 Nothing happened for about three or four months before
15 Hugh Quinn -- because Hugh Quinn had been away for some
16 time. I remember one night then I was up in the study and
17 I was reading a book. I was on my own. Hugh Quinn came
18 into the study. He was fully clothed. He said to me
19 something, "Let's have you". I knew what he meant. He
20 wanted me to sexually interfere with him. I was scared
21 and ran out of the study. That was all Hugh Quinn did to
22 me. He never made any more advances to me, and I
23 remember on at least two occasions I told both Mr Mains
24 and Mr Semple about the behaviour of Hugh Quinn towards
25 me, but they appeared dry and did not seem to

1 care."

2 Now they were spoken to by police and Mains at
3 10491 -- sorry -- KIN10491 -- this is part of his police
4 interview and he is asked did you ever work in Kincora
5 or tell boys that you worked there. He says:

6 "He assisted in the house.

7 Q. Was this after he left?

8 **A. No, when he was there.**

9 Q. Did Hugh Quinn ever interfere with the boys in
10 the hostel when he visited?

11 **A. He did, yes.**

12 Q. Who are these boys?"

13 He names them. Again I am going to give the names.

14 "A. One is KIN1 and the other is a boy called KIN2.
15 That's all I think.

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

18 **A. I think on probably three occasions.**

19 Q. Did KIN1 ever complain to you that Hugh Quinn had
20 interfered with him in his bedroom by putting his hand
21 underneath his bedclothes when he was in bed?

22 **A. I can't recall this.**

23 Q. What form did KIN1's complaint take?

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

1 Q. Do you remember the other complaint? **A.**

2 **The other complaint was the same.**

3 Q. What action did you take?

4 **A. I moved the boys to different bedrooms.**

5 Q. Was Hugh Quinn a visitor or a resident?

6 **A. A resident.**

7 Q. Was this reported to the authorities?

8 **A. I can't remember."**

9 Then he goes on to be asked about something else.

10 Raymond Semple told police that you came to -- at
11 Christmas and slept on a camp bed in the office. At
12 10403 -- I don't think we need to call it up -- he said
13 that KIN1 did -- that KIN1 did not complain to him about
14 you, and if he had done, he would have told Mains about
15 it.

16 Now, as I say, you were never asked about it, but
17 the Inquiry made you aware that this had been said in
18 the police material, Hugh Quinn, and you deal with it
19 in your Inquiry statement at paragraph 20 there, if we
20 can go back to 044. If we can scroll down, you say:

21 "When I was contacted and asked to give evidence at
22 this current Inquiry, I agreed to do so and once again I
23 bared my soul. I've now been advised that an individual
24 by the name of KIN1 has given a statement to the Inquiry
25 and suggested that along with Mr Mains I was also an

1 individual who abused him during his 18-month stay at
2 Kincora. I have had sights of portions of a statement
3 of his which was also given back in 1980. I have
4 never heard of this individual and I categorically
5 deny that which he alleges.

6 Boys would come and go from Kincora on a regular
7 basis. Some would only stay for a period of weeks by
8 order of a court, for example. Some, less, would stay as
9 long as myself and R2. There were four boys to a room of
10 varying backgrounds and ages. Due to the time that has
11 now passed and the regular changing of residents I do not
12 recall anyone very well aside from Mr Mains, other staff
13 and R2.

14 What KIN1 describes as the abuse he suffered is very
15 much in line with what happened to myself at the hands of
16 Mr Mains. I have never been on the staff of the home as
17 suggested and after I left Kincora I did not return until
18 after this boy had left apart from the visits that I have
19 referred to above. According to the available
20 documentation KIN1 was in Kincora from May '63 until
21 November '64, so there would have been a period of
22 overlap between the two of us. However, I cannot imagine
23 why he has alleged things against me, but to be accused
24 of such matters after all that I have been subjected to
25 my life is almost too much to comprehend.

1 I have photographs of myself at that time. I would like
2 to know whether this man can identify me. I do not know
3 him. I do not remember anyone by that name and I am
4 amazed that he can recall who I am after such time has
5 passed.

6 Joseph Mains gave an interview to police alleging
7 that I had interfered with KIN1 and KIN2. Mains stated
8 that both KIN1 and KIN2 complained to him about this,
9 but I totally deny these allegations. What they are
10 alleging never took place. Mains never at any stage
11 mentioned these complaints had been made or raised the
12 matter with me. I was not asked about any allegations
13 concerning KIN1 or KIN2 during The Hughes Inquiry."

14 So just before I move on from that, Hugh Quinn, is
15 there anything else that you want to say about the
16 allegations that came up in the police material other
17 than what's in the statement?

18 **A. No, just that they're completely false as to why he**
19 **would want to say this, considering that I had never had**
20 **a sexual experience before I came to Kincora. I never**
21 **had any inclinations towards boys, men, sexually only**
22 **for what was happening to me. That's the only sexual**
23 **experiences that I had in Kincora. I had never**
24 **interfered with, touched -- maybe I walked in my sleep.**
25 **I don't know, but I have never ever gone into other**

1 boys' rooms to do what was suggested here. I find it
2 abhorrent. It's just -- it's just unbelievable. It's
3 an unbelievable -- I don't know where it comes from.
4 I don't know. Maybe Mains' -- part of his manipulation,
5 you know, to make me look in a bad light. I don't know,
6 but it is definitely never happened and I just don't
7 know where it's come from.

8 Q. Well, Hugh Quinn, in paragraph 24 here of your statement
9 you make a point -- something else you wanted to make --
10 a point you want to make about Joseph Mains. You
11 mention two women here who were involved with him.
12 I think you mentioned in your police statement about his
13 girlfriends. You remember one coming -- and I am going
14 to again use names that aren't to be used outside --
15 BAR1.

16 "She was in charge of Barnardo's. A visitor to
17 Kincora on many occasions. She considered herself
18 Mains' girlfriend. She would attend staff parties at
19 the welfare offices",

20 and you would make her tea when she attended at
21 Kincora. There was also a , who was
22 in charge of an old people's home, which you went to
23 visit with Mains, and she came to Kincora and also
24 considered herself his girlfriend. You mention these
25 people because you believe that it was part of a front

1 that Mains sought to put forward in an attempt --

2 **A. Yes.**

3 Q. -- to conceal his real criminal identity. You also go
4 on to say that BAR1, as you understood, was prosecuted
5 for sexual activity with children. I have to make it
6 clear, and when I spoke to you this morning, you were
7 unaware, that her convictions were overturned on appeal
8 --

9 **A. Yes.**

10 Q. -- but you didn't know that until I told you that this
11 morning.

12 So, Hugh Quinn, you did also -- you took a civil
13 claim for what happened to you in Kincora and you
14 successfully obtained compensation of £7,500 in 1987.

15 **A. That is correct.**

16 Q. You, in fact, tried to join Joseph Mains personally to
17 that action.

18 **A. Yes.**

19 Q. Isn't that correct?

20 **A. Yes, that's correct.**

21 Q. But were not successful in doing so.

22 **A. Can I just tell the reason why it was unsuccessful?**

23 **I was told by the lawyer who was dealing with it that**
24 **there was a 20-year rule in force where I couldn't sue**
25 **Mains, and if I did sue Mains, it was probably obvious**

1 **that he wouldn't have any money to pay out, and that was**
2 **the reason why it was dropped against Mains.**

3 Q. Well, Hugh Quinn, thank you for that. Is there anything
4 that we haven't covered as we have gone through your
5 statement or through the material that you wish to say
6 to the Inquiry?

7 A. **No. I am very grateful for the Inquiry to give me this**
8 **opportunity to get all this off my chest. For 55 years**
9 **I have had this hanging on my head, no-one ever**
10 **believing me. I am just so glad for this Committee at**
11 **last to listen to what I have to say and to listen to**
12 **the truth of what happened in Kincora. Thank you very**
13 **much.**

14 Q. Hugh Quinn, just one last question before I hand you over
15 to the Panel.

16 A. **Yes.**

17 Q. That's something we ask everybody who comes to talk to
18 us. It is the fact that at the end of its work the
19 Inquiry has to make recommendations to the Government
20 to -- in respect of what happened to children who were
21 abused in institutions, and we ask everybody who comes
22 to talk to us what they think those recommendations
23 should include or should be.

24 A. **Well, I always thought that when you're running**
25 **a children's home, the children need to have access to**

1 there and have no complaints about the way you were
2 treated?

3 **A. That's correct.**

4 Q. And you were there as one of a number of homes that you
5 were in in your childhood?

6 **A. That's correct.**

7 Q. You had been in Bethany earlier and so on?

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. You have very candidly pointed out that you were very
10 bad tempered at the time that you were in Bawnmore.

11 **A. No, not Bawnmore, sir. Bad tempered when I was in
12 Williamson House.**

13 Q. Oh, in Williamson House?

14 **A. Yes.**

15 Q. But you have no recollection of this month or so that
16 the record suggest that you were sent to St. Patrick's
17 Training School?

18 **A. No, none at all.**

19 Q. No recollection of being there?

20 **A. No.**

21 Q. And then when you arrive in Purdysburn -- in Kincora,
22 you came from Purdysburn Hospital. Is that right?

23 **A. Well, that's what I'm told.**

24 Q. That's what the records suggest.

25 **A. That's what the records suggest.**

1 Q. You don't remember that yourself?

2 **A. No recollection.**

3 Q. And you do, however, remember at some stage being in
4 Purdysburn subsequently?

5 **A. Yes.**

6 Q. Now you have reminded us about the blood poisoning
7 episode that you underwent.

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. Was that why you went to Purdysburn or was there another
10 admission to Purdysburn quite apart from that?

11 **A. That was another admission. So I was there on two
12 occasions.**

13 Q. Two that you remember?

14 **A. No. I don't remember being in Purdysburn for the blood
15 poisoning, but I remember being in Purdysburn --**

16 Q. I see.

17 **A. -- and for what reason I don't know.**

18 Q. Well, we will have a look at the record. I must say
19 I thought it mentioned that you were in Purdysburn at
20 the time, but perhaps I took it up wrong, but if we
21 could then come to your experiences in Kincora, but
22 before we deal with the abuse that you have described,
23 when you were there, first of all, you arrived -- you
24 were just over 14. You were still at school at that
25 stage?

1 **A. Yes, that is correct, yes.**

2 Q. Did you go out to school each day?

3 **A. Yes, I did, yes.**

4 Q. Where did you go?

5 **A. Ballyhackamore Primary School.**

6 Q. Yes. You would have just walked up across the street?

7 **A. Just -- yes. It's a ten-minute walk.**

8 Q. Well, at the very most. That's at St. Columbkille's
9 church. Is that right? Maybe it wasn't there then.

10 **A. Yes, about there.**

11 Q. Was it the primary school run by the church?

12 **A. It was the primary school, yes, and it is still there
13 today.**

14 Q. In at the back of the church I think?

15 **A. Yes, that's correct, yes.**

16 Q. You spent altogether about a year and a quarter or
17 something like that in Kincora for your first time and
18 then you went to the National --

19 **A. Sea Training School.**

20 Q. -- Sea Training School.

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. And you were there for a period of time and then you
23 came back again when you were about 15 and a half, if
24 I have followed the chronology correctly, and you were
25 in Kincora for just over another year. Would that seem

1 right?

2 **A. That's what they tell me, yes.**

3 Q. Yes. During the second time you would have been plainly
4 no longer of school attendance age.

5 **A. That's correct.**

6 Q. We have seen the list that --

7 **A. Employment.**

8 Q. -- of employment. Was that arranged for you by the home
9 or somebody in the Welfare Department?

10 **A. No, that was arranged by the home. That was Joseph
11 Mains arranged all the working procedures.**

12 Q. And did that apply to the other boys who were there as
13 well; in other words, he would find them a job somewhere
14 or an apprenticeship or introduce them?

15 **A. I am not sure how he worked with the other boys, but
16 I would presume that that was the situation.**

17 Q. Yes, and we have seen letters that you probably were
18 completely unaware of at the time where the Welfare
19 Department of what was then Belfast Corporation --

20 **A. Yes.**

21 Q. -- wrote to the Gas Department and the Electricity
22 Department seeing if there were openings for boys of
23 your age, but that didn't come to anything as far as you
24 were aware?

25 **A. Absolutely not, and I don't even recall those instances.**

1 Q. But, as I say, you may have been completely unaware that
2 they were trying that?

3 **A. That's correct.**

4 Q. But those of you who were in Kincora at that time when
5 you were there for what we call the second time, you
6 were all going out to work most of the time. Is that
7 correct?

8 **A. That's correct, yes.**

9 Q. But were there occasions when you might go out during
10 the day and you would know that another boy didn't have
11 work to go to that day? Did you know that, that there
12 might be boys staying behind --

13 **A. I don't recall.**

14 Q. -- when you had gone out?

15 **A. Maybe. I don't know. I couldn't say.**

16 Q. But there were occasions when, you know, you didn't have
17 a job to go to or you chose not to go to the job and you
18 were in the house alone with Mains. Is that correct?
19 Do you remember anything like that?

20 **A. Very vaguely.**

21 Q. Yes. Did any of the abuse that you have described
22 happen when you and he were just left alone in the
23 building during the day --

24 **A. No.**

25 Q. -- or was it always some other time?

1 **A. It was mostly in the evenings -- at night-time after**
2 **everybody was tucked up in their bed.**

3 Q. This is the next thing I was coming to, because you have
4 described it as very secretive.

5 **A. Absolutely.**

6 Q. And although you had suspicions that another boy, who
7 you named -- and it is not necessary for us to name him,
8 because we know who it is --

9 **A. Yes.**

10 Q. -- that you are referring to -- was being taken to
11 Mains' bed, you didn't actually see that happen?

12 **A. No, I never seen it happen. Just I would see an empty**
13 **bed.**

14 Q. Yes, and as far as you can think, looking back on it
15 now, and I appreciate it's a very long time ago, but
16 would it be fair to suggest that Mains was really quite
17 cunning in the way that he would separate you or get you
18 on your own and then abuse you in the way you have
19 described; in other words, he'd do his best to see that
20 nobody else would find out what was happening.

21 **A. Absolutely.**

22 Q. Is that fair comment?

23 **A. Absolutely, and a good example is the housekeeper. The**
24 **housekeeper had been there I believe for the whole time**
25 **that I was there, Mrs McCullough, and I know Mains would**

1 **always check to see that I was out of his bedroom and in**
2 **my bed by 6.00 am in the morning before the housekeeper**
3 **would arrive.**

4 Q. We have heard that there was both a cook and a cleaning
5 lady.

6 **A. No, I only recall Mrs McCullough. I think she did both**
7 **jobs at my time.**

8 Q. Well, there was another lady whose name was mentioned.
9 I just can't remember at this moment.

10 **A. I can't recall her.**

11 Q. But the point you are making is that he was clever
12 enough to ensure that what he was doing had stopped and
13 got you out of his room before somebody might catch on
14 what was happening?

15 **A. That is correct. That is correct.**

16 Q. You also have explained to us how there were regular
17 people who we might generally describe as officials
18 coming in. You've referred to Mr Mason, who is the
19 Child Welfare Officer --

20 **A. That's right.**

21 Q. -- for the corporation; his assistant, Mr Magee.

22 **A. Yes.**

23 Q. And did they come round regularly during your times
24 there?

25 **A. I think they did their monthly visit or maybe two**

1 **months, but they did visit. There was maybe a group of**
2 **them.**

3 Q. Yes.

4 **A. They'd come in and inspect the home and wouldn't**
5 **interact with us at all.**

6 Q. We know from records that were kept at the time, some of
7 which we saw briefly this morning, that members of the
8 Welfare Committee of the council, whose responsibility
9 it was to look after the homes, would make regular
10 visits; in other words, councillors would come in. Does
11 that seem to coincide with what you remember? I mean,
12 I appreciate you may not have known who A was or who B
13 was --

14 **A. Yes.**

15 Q. -- but did they come and were they sort of conducted
16 round, so to speak?

17 **A. Well, I can only recall the chiefs, Mr Mason and Magee,**
18 **and maybe a few people with them. I don't recall any**
19 **other officials coming there.**

20 Q. Right, but did Mr Mains and Mr Magee defer to the people
21 they were showing round in the sense that they would say,
22 "Oh, this is Hugh Quinn, who is one of our boys" and that
23 sort of thing?

24 **A. No. It was just a generalised tour, you know, a quick**
25 **inspection, no interaction that I can recall from any of**

1 **them to us boys. There was never a question. They**
2 **might pat you on the head, you know, and probably just**
3 **say, "How are you?" or something, but in the presence of**
4 **Mains, of course.**

5 Q. But there weren't individual visitors coming in --

6 **A. Not that I recall.**

7 Q. -- that you recall at all?

8 **A. Not officially, from officials, no.**

9 Q. Well, were there any other people, adult males, who
10 would come who didn't seem to have any justification for
11 being there that you could see?

12 **A. Well, because I have a connection with the St. John**
13 **Ambulance Brigade, he had -- which I have mentioned**
14 **already -- some effeminate people that came to the home,**
15 **like this chap I mentioned, and I can't recall any other**
16 **type of people, but because of the St. John's, there**
17 **were people from outside that did come in --**

18 Q. Yes.

19 **A. -- because we all had our uniforms on. Of course,**
20 **Semple was a member of that. He was --**

21 Q. So they were coming in uniform as openly in that
22 capacity?

23 **A. Yes, yes. Because the St. John meeting place was in the**
24 **school next door. This is where we would do our first**
25 **aid training --**

1 Q. I see.

2 **A. -- in the school next door.**

3 Q. And you have made a point to us that the -- first of
4 all, because of the working patterns and so on, you
5 weren't really very friendly with many of the other boys
6 -- is that right -- in the sense you didn't spend a lot
7 of time together even if you got on all right?

8 **A. That's correct, yes. From that point of view, yes, but**
9 **I interacted with boys --**

10 Q. Yes.

11 **A. -- as boys do, but we don't -- what was the question?**

12 Q. The question really is: was there any talk amongst the
13 boys about sexual matters --

14 **A. No, never.**

15 Q. -- involving Mains?

16 **A. Absolutely never. Nobody ever discussed it.**

17 Q. Because it was during your time there I think I am right
18 in saying that the only person on the staff -- the only
19 male was Mr Mains. Isn't that right?

20 **A. At my time --**

21 Q. Yes.

22 **A. -- and -- although Semple apparently was recruited**
23 **towards the latter time --**

24 Q. Yes.

25 **A. -- that I had been in Kincora, but had not -- was not**

1 **resident there.**

2 Q. Yes. He had come from time to time as a volunteer
3 before he came full time.

4 **A. Yes, he did, yes.**

5 Q. Yes.

6 **A. But also because of his connection with the St. John
7 Ambulance Brigade.**

8 Q. Exactly, and then just one other thing I want to ask
9 you. You did come back, as you have explained, on
10 a number of occasions at Christmas, but I see from the
11 dates you appear to have been in Kincora for two weeks
12 from 22nd December '65 to January '66. Now you would
13 have been 20 at that point and it is outside our terms
14 of reference, but I am just curious to know why was it
15 you came back? Was that one of the Christmas visits
16 that you've mentioned?

17 **A. That is for a Christmas visit and because it was the two
18 weeks I had off from my nursing career. I saved all my
19 pennies up to go back to Belfast. It is the only place
20 I knew, and Kincora was only home I ever had. I didn't
21 have friends in London and for me it was a holiday
22 experience.**

23 Q. And you were put up in Kincora. Is that right?

24 **A. I was put up at Kincora and, of course, we had this
25 discussion with Mains that there was to be no sexual**

1 **activity, that -- and that was it really. No sexual**
2 **activity.**

3 Q. And then there were a few more visits and quite a long
4 gap --

5 **A. Yes.**

6 Q. -- before your last one in 1979.

7 **A. That's correct, yes.**

8 Q. One final question, if I may, about when you were
9 working whilst living in Kincora. Were you paid for
10 some of the jobs or all of the jobs?

11 **A. No, I was not paid for anything at Kincora. I was --**
12 **when I was working, I got paid.**

13 Q. And when you got paid, when you were working, and
14 I don't mean the helping round the house with painting
15 and so on, but when you were going out to work --

16 **A. Yes.**

17 Q. -- and you were paid for those jobs, did you have to
18 give some or all of your money --

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. -- into the home?

21 **A. Not all of my money, but I believe I paid a proportion**
22 **of my wages to the -- my upkeep at Kincora.**

23 Q. Yes. Did you get much back as pocket money?

24 **A. I can't recall. I think my wages were less than 5**
25 **pounds a week at the time.**

1 Q. Yes. We have heard of some boys who were perhaps
2 earning 10 or 12 pounds a week giving it to Mains but
3 only getting a pound or so back. Have you any
4 recollection of what the arrangement was for you?

5 **A. No, I can't recall.**

6 Q. Just a few shillings?

7 **A. I can't recall. I can't recall.**

8 Q. I see. Thank you very much.

9 **A. Thank you, sir.**

10 MS DOHERTY: Thanks very much, Hugh Quinn. Can I ask Mains
11 recorded at the start that you were the victim of
12 attacks from other boys when you came to the home. Do
13 you have any memory of that?

14 **A. No, not at all.**

15 Q. None at all?

16 **A. Attacks? No, no.**

17 Q. Attacks. That's what it said in the diary entry.

18 **A. Well, fine.**

19 Q. Was bullying an issue within the home? Did you ...?

20 **A. Not that I ever saw. I've never seen anybody bullied.
21 I was never bullied.**

22 Q. In relation to the fact that, you know, Mains took you
23 out either to restaurants or the theatre, to Ireland or
24 whatever, going round, did the other boys see you as
25 a favourite of his, do you think? Was there --

1 **A. Yes, I would have thought there was a bit of jealousy**
2 **there, but they wouldn't have understood what it -- what**
3 **the inference of that was.**

4 Q. No. They wouldn't have understood the full picture, but
5 they would have seen you being treated differently --

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. -- to how they were being treated?

8 **A. And R2.**

9 Q. And R2. So that there was a sense that Mains as the
10 main worker did have -- did favour some boys --

11 **A. Yes.**

12 Q. -- over the others in the way that they were treated and
13 access?

14 **A. Yes.**

15 Q. Can I ask did Mains try to create an emotional intimacy
16 with you as well or was it a purely physical ...?

17 **A. A purely physical. There was never an emotional**
18 **attachment. I hated the man. I don't know where he**
19 **came up with that idea. It is just so abhorrent.**
20 **"Abhorrent" I think is the word they use these days.**
21 **Just the thought of it just makes me sick.**

22 Q. So there was no in a sense grooming material -- grooming
23 behaviour within it. It was a very much --

24 **A. No grooming behaviour. It was very much straight into**
25 **the bed, get your trousers down and let's get on with it**

1 **and then throw you out afterwards.**

2 Q. Okay, and make sure you weren't there when the
3 housekeeper came.

4 In relation to the -- I mean, you were clearly very
5 upset to see the letter from your mother today and not
6 be aware that was sent, and I appreciate how difficult
7 that must be. Did Mains ever discuss your
8 relationship -- I mean, he obviously knew that when you
9 went to visit your mother, it didn't work out because of
10 her husband's attitude --

11 **A. Yes.**

12 Q. -- but did he ever discuss with you your mother or
13 making contact with your mother? Was there any
14 discussion about that?

15 **A. He made -- no discussion about it, no. When I came back
16 to Kincora, that was the end of the matter.**

17 Q. So he never ever discussed ...?

18 **A. No, never discussed it or never chased it up.**

19 Q. And just the final one. When you went back to Kincora
20 for Christmas, you talk about a more kind of openly gay
21 atmosphere with people around.

22 **A. Yes.**

23 Q. Were you -- did you have any sense at that time that
24 Mains was conducting sexual relationships with other
25 boys in the home?

1 **A. No, not at all, and I didn't know what his relationship**
2 **was with this R18, but I later found out in the court,**
3 **because I was there with R18 as a witness, and R18 had**
4 **confessed to me that he was having a relationship with**
5 **Raymond Semple, and because it was an open gay**
6 **relationship, he didn't want to give evidence, which**
7 **I found a bit odd.**

8 **Q. So in a sense Mains' way of operating, which was very**
9 **covert, and people wouldn't know generally what was**
10 **happening, continued. You as an adult, a young man**
11 **coming into visit weren't aware of any relationships**
12 **happening?**

13 **A. No, absolutely not. There was no -- when I visited,**
14 **there was no sexual talk. There was nobody ever**
15 **mentioned sex. It's amazing, but there you are.**

16 **Q. Okay. Thank you very much.**

17 **A. You're welcome.**

18 **MR LANE: I would just like to go back a moment to the**
19 **question of your mother.**

20 **A. Yes.**

21 **Q. You obviously had got the address from Mains?**

22 **A. Yes.**

23 **Q. Had you been talking before about making contact?**

24 **A. Yes. What it was, Mains had promised to take me --**
25 **because he had a contact of my mother, he was able to**

1 trace my grandparents in Southern Ireland, and we -- on
2 one of those trips that he took me on he took me to my
3 grandparents in Southern Ireland

4 . The grandparents told us about mother --

5 Q. Uh-huh.

6 A. -- and were unaware of my presence --

7 Q. Uh-huh.

8 A. -- and that is how we got the contact for Coventry where
9 my mother lived.

10 Q. And were you feeling you were wanting to make contact --

11 A. Oh, absolutely, yes --

12 Q. -- with your roots?

13 A. -- and Mains I think encouraged it, and so he got the
14 address, and I was given the address when I went to the
15 National Sea Training School.

16 Q. Who actually arranged the National Sea Training School?

17 A. I can't recall. I don't know whether it was --

18 Q. Would it have been Mains or somebody from the Welfare?

19 A. I think it was Mains. We had no social welfare people.
20 We just had Mains. Mains is the only person that we
21 had. We didn't have anybody giving us advice or --

22 Q. Uh-huh.

23 A. -- directing us here or directing us there. Mains did
24 everything.

25 Q. And did he actually suggest that as a placement to you

1 do you think then or was it something you thought up
2 yourself?

3 **A. It is something I thought up, because I wanted to get**
4 **away from Kincora and all the abuse that I was**
5 **suffering, and it was a good stepping stone for that**
6 **purpose --**

7 Q. Uh-huh.

8 **A. -- because it provided accommodation and a future.**

9 Q. You mentioned that you had been out to restaurants and
10 things like that --

11 **A. Yes.**

12 Q. -- with Mains. Was that while you were a boy resident
13 or was it as an adult?

14 **A. That's when I was a boy resident. I have mentioned the**
15 **restaurant. Since I have been back to Belfast, I have**
16 **noticed the restaurant has been demolished, but I have**
17 **been back and the whole restaurant -- (inaudible) is**
18 **there and we did have this very effeminate man running**
19 **the place. I thought he was a comedian and very camp,**
20 **as they would say, and also the theatre in Brighton --**
21 **Bangor --**

22 Q. Uh-huh.

23 **A. -- where we'd meet such luminaries as James Young and**
24 **his partner, and his partner was -- James Young's**
25 **partner -- they were very -- well, I know now to be very**

1 **gay people, but I didn't realise it at the time.**

2 Q. And --

3 **A. So he had -- he had gay friends.**

4 Q. And when he took you out to places like that, was that
5 trying to help you learn to live an adult life, do you
6 think or --

7 **A. No. It was just purely entertainment. Nothing to do
8 with education or, you know, what you want to do in your
9 life.**

10 Q. And did he take others out in that way as well or do you
11 think that was --

12 **A. I believe he entertained R2 in the same respect, but
13 others I don't know.**

14 Q. You stated that Mains' room was upstairs.

15 **A. In my time it was upstairs.**

16 Q. Was that before the piece was built on to the back of
17 Kincora?

18 **A. Yes, that's before the extension.**

19 Q. And just one final question. You described the Hughes
20 Report as "a whitewash".

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. What was your thinking in saying that?

23 **A. Well, the Hughes Inquiry in the end I believe blamed us,
24 the boys, for not complaining. The Hughes Inquiry
25 didn't give us enough time. They didn't go into any**

1 details about our life. They asked us for an impact
2 statement, which they gave us about two minutes to
3 explain how it's impacted our lives now. So -- so it
4 didn't achieve anything.

5 Q. Okay. Thank you.

6 A. Thank you.

7 Q. Thanks very much. That's helpful.

8 A. Thank you.

9 Further questions from COUNSEL TO THE INQUIRY

10 MS SMITH: Sorry, Chairman. I had said I had finished
11 asking you questions, Hugh Quinn, but I have been asked
12 by the representative of someone else to ask a specific
13 matter.

14 Whenever you gave your statement to police in 1982
15 and you talked about not being aware of any prostitution
16 ring --

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. -- or about anybody being brought into Kincora, I have
19 been asked would you have been aware of any boys being
20 taken out of Kincora to be brought to places?

21 A. No.

22 Q. You knew you went out with Mains. Mains was the only
23 person who was there when you were there.

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. And you certainly can't speak for any time after you

1 were resident in Kincora.

2 **A. No. Even in my visits there I -- none of -- there was**
3 **no sex talk at all. Nobody has ever mentioned about**
4 **going here or going there, never.**

5 Q. I think the point that I am being asked to make to you
6 is that because what was being done to you was being
7 done in secret, would it be fair to say that you would
8 be unaware of whether other boys were being taken out of
9 Kincora and brought to places where they might be abused
10 by other men?

11 **A. That's correct, and it wouldn't be my business. If**
12 **something came to me, then I probably would have made**
13 **a report about it, but nobody ever did. Nobody ever**
14 **said, "Mains is doing this" or "He's sending me off to**
15 **this man". Noone ever talked about anything like that.**
16 **It was still as secretive and, as you know, it was**
17 **secretive for another sixteen years after I left.**

18 Q. Okay. Thank you very much, Hugh Quinn.

19 **A. You're welcome. Thank you.**

20 CHAIRMAN: Well, Hugh Quinn, you will be glad to hear those
21 are the last questions we have of you. Thank you very
22 much for coming to speak to us today and speaking about
23 your experiences both in Bawnmore and in Kincora, and
24 all the more so since we understand you have come some
25 distance to speak to us.

1 **A. Yes.**

2 Q. We are very grateful to you for doing so. Thank you.

3 **A. I am very grateful for the Panel to at last have --**
4 **after all this time I just wanted to get all this out of**
5 **my head. It's been -- I have had nightmares about it**
6 **and it's just -- thank you. Thank you.**

7 **(Witness withdrew)**

8 CHAIRMAN: Well, we'll sit again at 2.30.

9 (1.40 pm)

10 (Lunch break)

11 (2.50 pm)

12 WITNESS HIA145/R11 (called)

13 MS SMITH: Good afternoon, Chairman. Our last witness today
14 is Clinton Massey. He is "HIA145/R11". Clinton Massey wishes
15 to take an affirmation and he has relatively recently,
16 certainly within the past year, waived his anonymity and is
17 content for his name to go into the public domain.

18 WITNESS Clinton Massey (affirmed)

19 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Clinton Massey. Please sit down.

20 Questions from COUNSEL TO THE INQUIRY

21 MS SMITH: Now, Clinton Massey, I am just going to tell the
22 Panel where there are some documents relevant to your
23 evidence in our bundle of papers.

24 His Inquiry statement is at 00... -- sorry -- KIN001
25 to 005. Clinton Massey gave two statements to the police in

1 1980 at 10238 to 10239 on 18th March 1980, a second
2 statement on 5th October 1980, which is at 76580, and he
3 also spoke to Sussex Police on 7th June 1982.

4 Now, Clinton you are now 58 years of age. Is
5 that right?

6 **A. Yes, that's correct.**

7 Q. Your personal details are set out here in the witness
8 statement that you provided to the Inquiry. Can I just
9 ask you to confirm that that is the witness statement
10 that you have provided to the Inquiry and you signed
11 that on 27th February of 2014?

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. So quite a while ago now. You -- as is set out in your
14 statement, you went into care in 1967 and you stayed at
15 Marmion House Children's Home until you were about age
16 16?

17 **A. That's correct.**

18 Q. And you were very happy there?

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. And you then went to Kincora and you thought you were
21 there in around 1973 and, in fact, you went on 30th
22 April 1973 until 24th October 1973, and so you were
23 there for a period of almost two weeks -- sorry -- of
24 almost six months, but two weeks of that period you, in
25 fact, went on a camping holiday in June of 1973, and

1 there's reference to that at KIN1... -- we don't need to
2 call this up -- KIN12014 to 15, and when we were talking
3 last week, Clinton, you were explaining to me that you
4 went with your old friends from Marmion on that camping
5 holiday. It wasn't something you went with the people
6 from Kincora on. Isn't that right?

7 **A. No, I went with Marmion.**

8 Q. When you were discharged from Kincora, you went back to
9 live with your mother?

10 **A. I moved to a bed-sit in Sydenham first and then I moved**
11 **back to my mother.**

12 Q. And you went to Kincora because you were simply too old
13 to stay any longer in Marmion. Isn't that right?

14 **A. That's correct, yes.**

15 Q. You recall -- you talk here about -- paragraph 5 -- you
16 remembered a social worker who you called Miss Preston.

17 **A. Yes.**

18 Q. "She never wanted to come into Kincora House, even
19 though I met her every week. I met her in her car
20 around the corner from the home. She was a young woman
21 about 22 or 23 and it was as if she could sense there
22 was something not right about the place. I have had no
23 contact with Miss Preston since leaving the home."

24 Now we have had a discussion about this just a short
25 while ago --

1 **A. Yes.**

2 Q. -- Clinton, because it would appear that the social
3 worker who actually looked after you was a Mrs Dobbin,
4 and I know you think that's a kind of made-up name. It
5 just sounds like a comical cartoon name to you, but
6 there is actually documentation to show this is the lady
7 who looked after you.

8 You made her aware, that's Mrs Dobbin, that you were
9 unhappy in Kincora and she noted your apparent
10 depression, because if we look, please, at KIN10042,
11 this is -- sorry. I should say this is what she said to
12 police, and I am not sure that I can actually make
13 out -- you are "R11". So therefore we can scroll on
14 down. It says there at paragraph 244:

15 "Mrs Dobbin, one of the two social workers
16 responsible for the supervision of Clinton Massey, is
17 presently residing in Australia and for that interview
18 (sic) has not been interviewed by police."

19 Although you did not complain to her of any sexual
20 interference, you did make her aware that you were
21 unhappy in the hostel and the police have made a note of
22 that.

23 If we look, please, at 11276, you will see that this
24 is dated 7th June 1973. It's a note for file and it's
25 clearly headed "Mrs Dobbin" and it says:

1 "Clinton Massey came to see in the office as arranged.
2 He seems to be still quite happy in his work, although
3 he said that some people do not think much of the type
4 of work he is doing. He apparently chose last night to
5 work until after 10.00 pm with the van driver in
6 Ballymena."

7 I am going to pause there. You were working in the
8 Belfast Telegraph at this point in time. Is that right?

9 **A. I was, yes.**

10 Q. "He told me he dreads the thought of returning to the
11 hostel every night. He seems to like the rest of the
12 boys all right, but is never invited to go out with them.
13 By the time he gets home usually most of the boys have
14 gone out, some it seems to visit relatives, others
15 hanging around the street corners. I made many
16 suggestions as to how Clinton Massey could make more
17 friends, but he really seems to be unwilling to make the
18 effort. I even suggested that he go for a walk on his
19 own just so as to get out in the bright summer evenings.
20 He told me he does not like walking and described himself
21 as being lazy and not having the energy to do much.
22 Seemingly he eats very little and has little energy to do
23 much. The only thing he seems to enjoy is going back to
24 Marmion, even if he just watches television. When he is
25 there, he seems to be happy

1 enough. At Kincora he just never seems to be there when
2 the other boys are."

3 Then she goes on to talk about you joining the Army.
4 You are hoping to go on holidays with the Marmion
5 children and very much looking forward to that. We know
6 you did do that. Then:

7 "Spoke briefly to Mr Mains from Kincora. He thinks
8 that Clinton Massey is rather discontented at present,
9 although he is no trouble to the staff and keeps very
10 much to himself."

11 Then if we look at 11278, and this is from June of
12 '73:

13 "Clinton Massey phoned me this morning. Unfortunately
14 he phoned from a call box. He was in a rather depressed
15 state and said that he wanted to move from Kincora.

16 I phoned Kincora. Mr Mains said that Clinton Massey
17 had not arrived back the previous night until 11.00 pm.
18 He said he had been at Marmion. Mr Mains again told me
19 that Clinton Massey was a very quiet boy and did not mix
20 much with the others. He said that Clinton Massey had
21 been to the Army recruitment office and told that because
22 of being on probation, he can't be considered for a job
23 at present.

24 I spoke to the staff at Marmion, who said that
25 Clinton Massey had been rather depressed over the weekend

1 and had spent a lot of his time with them. He was very
2 reluctant to return to", and I think that would probably
3 be, "to Kincora at night.

4 12th June. I called to see Clinton Massey at the
5 hostel. He appears to be the scapegoat for other boys.
6 One boy in particular spits on him and throws ash on
7 him. Others flick ash over his food when he is eating.
8 He said that he is continually being used to go messages
9 for the boys, and if he fails to cooperate with them, he
10 is attacked. I tried to find out why Clinton Massey is
11 being picked on. It seems he finds difficulty in
12 mixing. He keeps very much to himself. The other boys
13 have mostly all come from Bawnmore and Clinton Massey is
14 the odd one out. He has not mentioned the situation to
15 any of the staff at Kincora. He is afraid that he will get
16 more abuse if the boys are criticised for their
17 behaviour."

18 Can I just pause there, Clinton Massey? Do you remember
19 being bullied by other boys in Kincora in the way that
20 has been recorded here?

21 **A. To the certain extent, yes. When I would be having my**
22 **evening meal, I would be on my own, because I wouldn't**
23 **get in there until after 6.00. So they would come into**
24 **the dining room larking about, and it appeared everybody**
25 **smoked, you know. It didn't matter -- and that was fun.**

1 Q. It was their fun --

2 **A. It was their fun.**

3 Q. -- but you didn't find it fun.

4 **A. Yes, and then I would be given a pound note to "Go up to**
5 **the garage and get me a bottle of lemonade", you know,**
6 **and "I want you back in two minutes", that sort of**
7 **thing.**

8 Q. Uh-huh. Well, just going back to the document on the
9 screen, it says:

10 "I asked Clinton Massey where he would like to move
11 to. He would definitely not consider the boys' hostel in
12 Dunmurry. He thinks the boys are too rough there. He
13 would like to go to Newtownards Boy's Hostel, but I told
14 him that I didn't think there were any vacancies. He
15 said he knows most of the boys in Newtownards as quite a
16 number of them were in Marmion.

17 Clinton Massey said that if he did not move soon, he
18 would 'do something terrible'. We talked about his visit
19 to the Army recruitment office and said the only reason
20 he wants to join the Army is to get away from Kincora.
21 He would like to contact his probation officer to see if
22 the probation order could be cut short."

23 If we can scroll on down, I think that's just the
24 next -- if we go to 11280, yes, there is another note
25 then from the next day, 13th June, again from

1 Mrs Dobbin:

2 "I spoke to Mr Mains and told him about Clinton
3 Massey's present unhappiness at the hostel. Mr Mains said
4 that Clinton Masseys had been receiving abuse for only
5 about a week, as previously he was accepted by the other
6 boys. Mr Mains does not know the cause of the change of
7 attitude. He said that there were two fairly tough boys
8 at the hostel, and that they needed to be continually
9 checked for their behaviour. The six boys who came from
10 Bawnmore home have been seen together with two others who
11 are not from there, but they have friends outside the
12 hostel. Mr Mains described Clinton Massey as an isolated
13 type of person. He finds him fairly agreeable but rather
14 sly and calculating. Mr Mains thinks that he would not
15 get on any better in any other hostel setting. He
16 thought that lodgings would probably suit him better."

17

18 Then Mrs Dobbin speaks to Mr Dalzell, the probation
19 officer, and asked him if he would visit you. Then the
20 next day:

21 "14th June. Clinton Massey was a little less depressed
22 today. He did not get back to the hostel until 11.30 last
23 night, as he did a paper run to Ballymena. He is still
24 anxious to leave the hostel. I suggested lodgings again
25 and Clinton Massey was very keen to go into lodgings

1 and would not mind if it were at a distance from
2 Hollywood.

3 Clinton Massey is going to see his probation
4 officer today and he is not very keen on joining the
5 Army anymore."

6 So there are some other documents in the papers from
7 Mrs Dobbin. Now -- and then you see here is a history
8 sheet in respect of you, but I think that really largely
9 relates to later.

10 Can I -- Clinton Massey, just -- we were talking, as
11 I say, about you have this fixed memory of your social
12 worker being called Mrs Preston.

13 **A. I have, yes.**

14 Q. And you just -- since you spoke to me last week it has
15 annoyed you that you can't remember a Mrs Dobbin at all.

16 **A. No.**

17 Q. And for some reason you still have in your head that the
18 social worker you were engaged with was a Mrs Preston.

19 **A. That's correct, yes.**

20 Q. But it would seem to be that certainly a Mrs Dobbin had
21 some responsibility for your care according to the
22 documentation that we have seen.

23 **A. Yes.**

24 Q. Going back, if we can, to your statement then,
25 Clinton Massey, at 002, paragraph 6 there you say that there

1 were eight boys in Kincora at this time. You think that
2 was the maximum number of residents at any time in the
3 home. You saw money changing hands from staff to
4 certain boys.

5 "I think certain boys did not suffer abuse, but
6 others did. It was the older boys in the home, who were
7 about 18 years old, who I saw receiving pound notes from
8 the staff in the evenings. I think the staff gave them
9 money to go out. They were allowed to go out to the pub
10 in the evenings and if they did not have to -- and they
11 did not have to go to bed early. It seemed as if they
12 could do what they liked. Some of these boys came from
13 rough areas and had links with the outside world.
14 I found them intimidating and they would use the younger
15 boys to run errands for them", as you were describing.

16 You were working. Did you hand over your pay
17 packet? I think you say that in the next paragraph --

18 **A. Yes, I did.**

19 Q. -- that you had to hand it over unopened to Mr Mains and
20 then he would -- you earned 12 pounds a week. You were
21 given a pound as your weekly allowance --

22 **A. Yes.**

23 Q. -- and a pound was placed into a savings bank account
24 for you --

25 **A. Yes.**

1 Q. -- and then the rest of the 10 pounds remaining just was
2 kept by staff --

3 **A. Yes.**

4 Q. -- for your keep presumably?

5 **A. Yes. That was it, yes.**

6 Q. These boys who were being handed money by the staff,
7 presumably it was the same situation with them, that
8 they were handing over their pay packets and the staff
9 were handing them back money to go out with maybe,
10 pocket money?

11 **A. Well, I was seeing this go on midweek maybe. In them**
12 **days everybody got paid on a Friday, you know, and it**
13 **was little brown -- traditionally brown paper envelopes**
14 **--**

15 Q. Yes.

16 **A. -- but I would see these guys getting pound notes handed**
17 **to them on a Monday night, Tuesday night, you know.**

18 Q. And you found that odd?

19 **A. I did, considering I got 1 pound per week.**

20 Q. I was asking you sort of what age of boys you were
21 talking about and you thought they might have been about
22 17, but you describe them to me as "big men".

23 **A. Yes. I mean, they could have passed for 18, 19, 20**
24 **probably.**

25 Q. And the other comment that you made to me about this

1 when we spoke last week, Clinton , was that it was mostly
2 Semple who gave the boys this money -- the money, and as
3 you said to me, you felt that he was a weak man who was
4 intimidated by these bigger guys.

5 **A. I did, yes.**

6 Q. And you think that it was coming out of his own money
7 that he was giving them money to go to the pub?

8 **A. Yes. Semple -- Semple was mostly on at night-time, at
9 evening time.**

10 Q. Right, and that's when these boys would have been going
11 out?

12 **A. After teatime. They would be organising what they were
13 going to do that night.**

14 Q. Uh-huh, but you go on in paragraph 9 and 10 -- you say
15 that you worked in the Belfast telegraph each day at
16 10.00 and your room mate went to work every day at 7.00.
17 For a couple of hours in the morning you were the only
18 one in the bedroom and that is when the abuse took
19 place.

20 Paragraph 10 you say you were raped in the morning
21 almost every other day by William McGrath. You were
22 forced to suck his penis. He ejaculated over your face
23 and most mornings you had to go and wash the semen off
24 your face.

25 "I felt like he was rubbing my face in it to

1 humiliate me. This treatment continued throughout my
2 time in the home from 1973-1974."

3 Those are the dates that you give in your Inquiry
4 statement, but you will appreciate --

5 **A. Yes, yes.**

6 Q. -- from the dates that I gave you actually left in
7 October '73.

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. So you were only there for about six months in '73 --

10 **A. Uh-huh.**

11 Q. -- Clinton Massey.

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. Paragraph 11 you go on to say that you never told anyone
14 about the abuse, any member of staff, your room mate or
15 any of the other boys.

16 "I did not feel they would believe me or take it
17 seriously and I felt too embarrassed and ashamed to
18 mention it to the others.

19 I used to walk back to Marmion House at least four
20 nights per week, as I knew I would get love and
21 affection there."

22 Just to be clear, Marmion was in Hollywood.

23 **A. It was, yes.**

24 Q. So about maybe three, four miles away would it have
25 been?

1 **A. Yes, about three to four miles, yes.**

2 Q. "I spent as little time as possible in the house.

3 I never wanted to go back to Kincora as there was such
4 an intimidating atmosphere there. I was small and timid
5 and easy prey.

6 When you were having a bath, McGrath would walk in
7 on you. When I had a bath, he would be in and out in
8 two -- I would be in and out in two minutes, because
9 I knew he would know and would come in.

10 I never directly saw any other boys being abused at
11 Kincora. It all happened behind closed doors. I never
12 heard anything and no other boys told me anything about
13 abuse in the home. I did not have any friends in the
14 home and we did not communicate very well with each
15 other."

16 You say in paragraph 15:

17 "I finally decided to tell someone and went to
18 Strandtown Police Station to report the matter. I was
19 16 at the time. I do not recall the name of the officer
20 on duty but I said I wanted to make a complaint about
21 staff at Kincora hitting me. I did not mention sexual
22 abuse. The sergeant on duty would not listen to me and
23 got another officer to escort me to the gate. The three
24 men that ran this home were looked on as pillars of the
25 local community, upright and church-going. The sergeant

1 didn't want to listen to me and he didn't take any
2 record of my details -- he did not record any details of
3 my complaint."

4 Then you talk about -- paragraph 16 -- about the
5 three members of staff at Kincora being convicted as
6 a result of investigation into the abuse at the home.
7 You say William McGrath was the only one who abused you.
8 All three men went to prison. William McGrath was
9 sentenced to four years, and the police approached you
10 prior to McGrath's trial. You gave them a brief
11 statement confirming that you had been sexually abused
12 by him during your time at Kincora, but providing very
13 little detail of the abuse.

14 "I attended his trial, but after two days at trial
15 he pleaded guilty and I did not have to give evidence."

16 Now, Clinton, I know you said to us, and I talked to
17 you about this the last day, that you felt you had
18 given very little detail to the police --

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. -- but, in fact, you did give them quite a bit of
21 detail, if we look at that. It is at 1... -- sorry --
22 10238. This is the statement that you gave to the
23 police on 18th March 1980, and you say that you all
24 slept in the back room.

25 "When I moved in, the person in charge was Joseph

1 Mains. Raymond Semple was his deputy. Another man also
2 worked there, a bald-headed man, who worked during the
3 evenings and most mornings. This third man, whose name
4 I have been told is McGrath ..."

5 Did you not remember that was his name when you were
6 talking to the police in 1980?

7 **A. I did, yes. I mean, it's -- I did remember it, yes.**

8 Q. Well:

9 "He used to wake the boys up each morning. I had
10 only been staying at the hostel for two or three weeks
11 when I woke one morning to find McGrath sitting on the
12 side of my bed. He had his hand underneath the bed
13 clothes and his arm was resting on my right hip. I was
14 lying facing away from him. His hand was round my penis
15 and he was moving his hand up and down my penis
16 masturbating me. As I awoke and became aware of what
17 was happening, I rolled over and saw McGrath. He
18 continued to masturbate me and said, 'Do you like me
19 doing this?' and I said, 'No, I don't' and he took his
20 hand away. McGrath then got up from my bed, woke up the
21 other two boys in the room and left. When I woke up,
22 I had an erection, but whether this was because of what
23 McGrath was doing to me at the time or because I needed
24 to urinate, I don't know. I didn't mention this to
25 anyone that day and just carried on normally.

1 I went to bed that night and the following morning
2 I woke to find McGrath sitting on the edge of my bed
3 with his arm across my hip and his hand around my penis
4 masturbating me. I rolled over to face him, pushed his
5 hand away from my penis and got out of bed. As I pushed
6 his hand away from me, I said "No" and Mr McGrath said
7 to me, "I do this to other boys". I didn't reply to
8 this. I just got dressed and went to the bathroom.
9 McGrath wakened the other two boys in my room as I left
10 for the bathroom. Apart from these two instances --
11 incidents nothing else happened to me. When Mr McGrath
12 woke me up after that, he would just tap my shoulder and
13 wake the other two boys and leave the bedroom.

14 I didn't report these incidents to Mr Mains because
15 I was too embarrassed about it. I didn't tell my social
16 worker", who again you thought was Miss Preston, "either
17 because she was a young woman and I found it too
18 embarrassing to talk about. I think the social worker's
19 name at that time was Preston, but I did change social
20 workers during that time. Anyway the new social worker
21 was a woman too. During the evening after the second
22 incident I discussed it with R10" -- that's one of the
23 boys in the home -- "who told me that McGrath had also
24 tried to masturbate him."

25 Do you remember making that statement to the police,

1 Clinton Massey? That was in March 1980.

2 **A. I do, yes. (Inaudible).**

3 Q. And then -- so basically you were saying to them at that
4 time that apart from those two incidents that I have
5 just read out nothing else happened to you, and you --
6 then you were -- at interview on 1st April 1980, which
7 was just a couple of weeks after you had given police
8 this statement, McGrath was asked about your allegations
9 in the context of him denying all sorts of things and he
10 denied it also, and he was asked if he could give any
11 reason why you would make the allegation up, and he
12 replied "No". That's at KIN10518. We don't need to
13 call it up, but that's the -- where he said that.

14 You were spoken to then again by the police in 1980
15 and that's at 10240. This is again by the RUC police
16 and you see it is 5th May. I think I might have said it
17 was 5th October. It is 5th May. You said:

18 "I have already made a statement about my period in
19 Kincora on 18th March '80. I would like to say when
20 I went into Kincora, I enjoyed it there, but my attitude
21 changed after the incidents with McGrath. I did ask my
22 social worker many times to get me out of Kincora.
23 I didn't tell her why. It was because of McGrath and
24 what he had done to me. I was always on my guard after
25 that. As I was afraid McGrath would continue his

1 behaviour against me."

2 So you were telling police, "Look, I didn't tell the
3 social worker, but I was telling her I wanted out of
4 Kincora", and we have seen the documents that clearly
5 show you did want out of Kincora, Clinton Massey.

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. Then we know that McGrath ultimately pleaded guilty to
8 one charge of indecent assault in respect of you,
9 Clinton.

10 You spoke to police again in June 1982 and that's at
11 76580. Again it says:

12 "On 1st March and 5th May I made statements to the
13 RUC regarding my stay in Kincora Boys' Hostel. I went
14 to the hostel in June or July '73 and stayed there for
15 about six months. I would have been 15 years old at the
16 time. I have nothing to add to my previous statements.
17 I first learnt of the allegations of a vice ring at
18 Kincora from the television earlier this year. Apart
19 from what I have said in my previous statements I saw
20 and heard nothing of homosexuality during my time at
21 Kincora. I certainly knew nothing of a vice ring.
22 I remember when the news first broke my friend R10, who
23 was at Kincora for five years, was as surprised as
24 I was, because he knew nothing of any homosexuality
25 there either."

1 Now when you'd said to the police in the first
2 statement about telling R10, did you mean that you had
3 told him after you left Kincora?

4 **A. As far as I am aware this was when we were up in Crumlin
5 Road court house. I hadn't seen R10 since I had left.**

6 Q. Okay. That's when you told him?

7 **A. That's when we started to talk about what was going on
8 and I didn't know this guy, that guy -- these are all
9 people I knew who were there, but we were all -- we
10 never talked to each other until we were actually stuck
11 in a little room up in the Crumlin Road.**

12 Q. But you go on to say:

13 "I do not know of any businessmen, Justice of the
14 Peace, civil servants or police officers being involved
15 in any homosexuality with the staff or boys at Kincora
16 or outside the hostel."

17 So you certainly were unaware of anybody else either
18 being abused in Kincora or being taken outside to be
19 abused by anyone. All you knew about is what happened
20 to you?

21 **A. Yes. Could I just say something there?**

22 Q. Yes.

23 **A. You said something about he would come in and he would
24 mess about with me. Once I wasn't interested he would
25 wake the other boys up. Well, that would have been on**

1 **a Saturday and a Sunday.**

2 Q. The other boys weren't there the rest of the time.

3 **A. They weren't there the rest of the time.**

4 Q. Is that what you are saying?

5 **A. I mean, my working week was a six-day week.**

6 Q. Right.

7 **A. So when he came in to wake them up on a Saturday**
8 **morning, that would have been my normal time to get up.**

9 Q. Okay.

10 **A. So ...**

11 Q. So are you saying then that although that's what you
12 said to police back in 1980, that, in fact, when he was
13 abusing you, you were on your own in the bedroom. Is
14 that what you -- mostly?

15 **A. Well, during the Monday to Friday period, yes.**

16 Q. Now you were never asked and didn't give any evidence to
17 the Hughes Inquiry. Isn't that right?

18 **A. That's right, yes.**

19 Q. And you also -- I mean, it's clear -- and we were
20 discussing this last week, clear (sic) -- it is clear,
21 Clinton Massey, that whenever you spoke to the police in
22 the early 1980s, twice in 1980 and then again in 1982,
23 you never made any allegation that McGrath had done
24 anything other than touch you.

25 **A. No.**

1 Q. You didn't -- and masturbate you, but you didn't allege
2 that he had raped you in the way that you've said to the
3 Inquiry. Could you explain why you didn't do that then
4 and why you feel able to do it now?

5 **A. Well, it was a different world in them days.**

6 **I couldn't -- I couldn't say things that I could say**
7 **now. I mean, the whole -- the whole world has turned**
8 **upside down since then. Things that is very, very**
9 **acceptable on TV now weren't acceptable on TV then. So**
10 **I just wanted to say the least.**

11 Q. You just wanted to let the police know that you had
12 actually been abused --

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. -- but not tell them everything?

15 **A. I didn't have -- I didn't have to go down and cross the**
16 **Is and dot the Ts for them, you know.**

17 Q. You certainly gave an affidavit to the High Court in
18 Belfast on 12th February 2015, Clinton, and that was
19 in support of a judicial review --

20 **A. Uh-huh.**

21 Q. -- that was going on at that time involving somebody
22 else who had been in Kincora. That affidavit is in the
23 bundle. Just bear with me. I will get the actual
24 reference for it. I have it here. It is at 10... --
25 120372, and if we can -- yes. That's actually -- 372,

1 the preceding page, is the first page of it. Yes. This
2 is -- do you remember this is the affidavit that you
3 swore in that judicial review, Clinton?

4 **A. Yes, yes.**

5 Q. So I am not going to go through it all, but at
6 paragraphs -- just 9 and -- 8 and 9 I think, just
7 talking about your anonymity, if I can, first of all,
8 because this was just last year, as I say. Scroll on
9 down, please, to the next page.

10 CHAIRMAN: Not so fast, please.

11 MS SMITH: Sorry.

12 CHAIRMAN: Paragraph 3, please.

13 MS SMITH: Can we just go back up? Yes.

14 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

15 MS SMITH: That's one of the reasons -- you say you didn't
16 say much about these allegations before because people
17 in this country are very used to shooting and violence,
18 but when it comes to nudity and sex, I believe we are
19 stuck in the 1950s and people don't talk about it. In
20 the 1980s my doctor sent me to see a psychiatrist who
21 was supposed to specialise in psychosexual issues, but I
22 believe she was making it up as she went along. So
23 I stopped seeing her."

24 You then talk again about -- paragraph 22 of the
25 affidavit. Just before that, just as we are on this

1 page, if you can scroll on down, please, to paragraphs 8
2 and 9. This is just about getting up -- working at
3 10 o'clock and you say:

4 "When the abuse took place, I remember the horrific
5 acts of sexual abuse that were perpetrated on me in
6 graphic detail. However, it would be even more
7 traumatic for me to be publicly linked with the acts of
8 abuse perpetrated on him, as they were so humiliating
9 and degrading. I was sexually abused almost every other
10 day by William McGrath and the treatment continued
11 throughout my time in the home. I wish to give a full
12 and detailed account of this abuse to any Inquiry into
13 Kincora in a way that will protect my identity and
14 anonymity. I would not wish to be publicly identified
15 as the individual who was a victim of these acts through
16 jigsaw identification through my evidence in these
17 proceedings."

18 That was only just over a year ago, Clinton, and I
19 just -- I was asking you earlier: what changed your
20 mind? Why did you suddenly feel that you should be
21 letting people know that these things had happened to
22 you?

23 **A. The BBC got in touch with me and wanted me to do**
24 **an interview on the radio with anonymity.**

25 Q. Uh-huh.

1 **A. Just on the spur of the moment I says, "I'll do it, but**
2 **I'll be Clinton Massey", and that was it, just as simple as**
3 **that.**

4 Q. And that was just -- so the -- and having done that --
5 because I know -- I'll outline you have spoken to the
6 press on a number of occasions since using your own
7 name.

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. Do you -- you don't regret that at all?

10 **A. Oh, no, no, no.**

11 Q. So the sudden rush of blood to the head --

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. -- as you put it to me, has been okay?

14 **A. Yes. Just like that and that was it.**

15 Q. Well, going back to your statement, if we can just
16 scroll down to paragraph 22 of this affidavit -- sorry
17 -- I think, yes, it should be on the next page -- you
18 say:

19 "When I was in the home, I did not know or have any
20 suspicion that security forces or security services knew
21 of the abuse or were complicit in it. However, in the
22 '80s I remember hearing allegations that the security
23 forces or security services were involved in the abuse.
24 I remember this being talked about in the Crumlin Road.
25 I went up to the trial of Mains, Semple and McGrath on

1 the second day and they changed their plea to guilty.
2 I remember they received light sentences. William
3 McGrath, who had regularly sexually abused me, was
4 sentenced to only four years in jail. I recall buying
5 a stereo system at the time and I was paying it off
6 weekly. I thought I would still be paying off my stereo
7 when he got out of prison."

8 You say you did not know about any of the Inquiries
9 in the '80s and you weren't contacted, which you thought
10 was strange. You don't think you would have been hard
11 to track down, especially as the detectives had found
12 you in your mother's home.

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. The first you heard about the Inquiries was months later
15 after they had taken place.

16 "I can't even remember how I heard of them, but I do
17 remember that Kincora was brought up in the media every
18 so often."

19 I take it you are talking about The Hughes Inquiry
20 that the --

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. -- into Kincora and other boys --

23 **A. Uh-huh.**

24 Q. -- other homes where abuse took place.

25 Paragraph 18 of your Inquiry statement -- and I will

1 come -- just if we can even just leave that on the
2 screen. You just say that there was a reporter from the
3 BBC, Chris Moore, contacted you over twenty years ago.
4 It was several years after McGrath's conviction. He was
5 making a Spotlight programme. He wrote a book about
6 Kincora and you appeared in that programme, and, I mean,
7 now that you have waived your anonymity the fact you
8 appeared in it in silhouette --

9 **A. Yes.**

10 Q. -- but you are happy now to say that that was you in
11 silhouette in that programme?

12 **A. That was me. That was me.**

13 Q. That was broadcast on 7th October 2014. That was the
14 first time you said anything publicly to anyone about
15 being raped, Clinton.

16 **A. Well, outside of my doctor.**

17 Q. Yes. That's what I mean. Publicly.

18 **A. Oh, yes, yes. Sorry.**

19 Q. I asked you, in fact, "Who was the first person that you
20 said to?" and I think you said that you told
21 a counsellor in Nexus.

22 **A. Yes.**

23 Q. And you thought that was in the 1980s?

24 **A. That was 1980s, yes.**

25 Q. Is that the person who you thought was making it up as

1 they went along?

2 **A. No.**

3 Q. It was someone else?

4 **A. That was someone else.**

5 Q. Now police contacted you again in 20... -- sorry. If we
6 just scroll back up there to paragraph 15, please.

7 I think I maybe missed that out in the affidavit. You
8 say that you remember when the RUC arrested Mains,
9 McGrath and Semple you did not report them for sexual
10 abuse to police beforehand, but after they were arrested
11 a detective came to your mother's home asking about what
12 had happened to you in Kincora. You don't even know how
13 they got the address, but detectives told you they just
14 wanted a basic statement off you and that they didn't
15 want details. You were around 21 or 22. You felt:

16 "My brain was running 100 miles per hour. I was
17 afraid, thinking what on earth would I tell my mother.
18 I wanted them out as I didn't want my mother to know
19 anything, because I didn't want to burden her. I was
20 also looking at the clock. I was about to go to work to
21 start the night shift and I couldn't afford to be late.
22 They only stayed around twenty minutes. I told them
23 McGrath had sexually abused me, but did not tell them
24 much more and did not give them more detail than that."

25 As I've explained, you did give them some detail --

1 **A. Yes.**

2 Q. -- but that's your explanation for not going into any
3 more detail than what you did tell them. Is that right?

4 **A. Yes.**

5 Q. They did contact you again in 2005. At that stage you
6 told them you did not want to make a new complaint. Do
7 you remember that?

8 **A. I don't remember that.**

9 Q. Okay. That's -- just look at KIN60039. This is
10 a record that the police have recorded where they
11 contact you through your solicitor. After you had
12 spoken to the HIA Inquiry the Inquiry has to report any
13 crimes that they are made aware of to police. If you
14 can just scroll on down, please, to the -- it says that:

15 "I have -- Mr -- the allegations made to the HIA
16 differ slightly from the allegations he originally made
17 in the 1980s. He is now alleging that he was raped by
18 McGrath. I have previously spoken to him and he does
19 not wish to make a new complaint. I called out recently
20 at his home address but I am not sure if he still lives
21 there. He has been on Spotlight and other news
22 programmes about Kincora. He was hospitalised for a
23 while before Christmas. I called at his house a number
24 of times, contacted his solicitor. It is not believed
25 that he wants to make another complaint, which he will

1 confirm."

2 Then it says that:

3 "Update in August '15. No reply to the e-mail to
4 the solicitor's office. Sent a further one to confirm
5 the matter is now closed but can be reopened should
6 Clinton Massey wish it to be. There has been no reply
7 to this e-mail later."

8 So ...

9 CHAIRMAN: I think it is not 2005, as you said. It is 2015.

10 MS SMITH: '15. Sorry.

11 **A. That's what threw me.**

12 Q. Oh, sorry. I beg your pardon. That was my fault
13 entirely.

14 **A. I couldn't figure out where the 2005 came, but once
15 I saw the police officer's name --**

16 Q. It rang a bell?

17 **A. -- then I remember him being in my living room.**

18 Q. Okay.

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. I apologise. I did not mean to mislead you in any way.

21 **A. That's okay.**

22 Q. It was 2015.

23 **A. Yes.**

24 Q. I just have obviously misspoken --

25 **A. Yes.**

1 Q. -- but certainly you were telling police at that stage
2 you did not want to make a new complaint. You had said
3 what you wanted to say. Is that right?

4 **A. Yes. I mean, he was basically telling me, "Statement A**
5 **at that time is different from statement B at this time"**
6 **and I explained to him the reasons and he said, "That's**
7 **okay" and away he went.**

8 Q. In any event, Clinton, I mean, McGrath was dead by
9 this stage.

10 **A. Yes. Uh-huh.**

11 Q. He died in December of 1991.

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. Going back to your Inquiry statement, you set out your
14 life after care at paragraphs 19 to 29, and if we can
15 just go to paragraph -- I am not going to, as
16 I explained to you, Clinton Massey, go into any of the
17 details about that. The Inquiry Panel has read it in
18 its entirety and knows the course that your life has
19 taken over the years, but if we can go paragraph 29 on
20 005, you say in the last paragraph there:

21 "I want -- I came to the Inquiry because I wanted
22 someone official, someone from Government to hear my
23 story. I may be a little person, but I still have
24 a voice and I want to be able to hold my head up, as
25 I know I have done nothing wrong. Being subjected to

1 abuse during my time in care took everything from me and
2 that is the way I see it."

3 Now since this, Clinton, and, you know, you have
4 talked about the Spotlight programme, but you have also
5 spoken to the press.

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. One of the things that you said to the press was that
8 you wished to see Kincora razed to the ground.

9 **A. Yes.**

10 Q. I asked you about that the last day and I think you
11 think that was a spur of the moment ...

12 **A. Yes, that was a bit rash, yes.**

13 Q. You don't really feel that. That was said in something
14 of the heat of the moment. Is that right?

15 **A. Yes. It was just a flippant remark at the time.**

16 Q. Can I go back to the affidavit, if I may, at
17 paragraphs 25 to 28? I'll just get the right page. It
18 is 120377. Just go to the top of that page then. It
19 says:

20 "I later read the book ..."

21 Just go on up, please:

22 "I later read the book 'Who framed Colin Wallace?'
23 by Paul Foot. I remember the name of Colin Wallace from
24 before the book came out and I remember that he wanted
25 to expose what had happened. I was named in the book as

1 'Clint Ferguson', which I think was not much of
2 a disguise. The book makes allegations of the
3 involvement of the security forces and security
4 services. I read that there had been allegations of MI5
5 involvement.

6 I am now aware from press and radio reports that
7 Colin Wallace and another Army officer have come forward
8 more recently to allege MI5 involvement in the abuse at
9 Kincora. I believe Colin Wallace's claims are
10 strengthened by the fact that a second witness has come
11 forward. I now very strongly suspect that the security
12 forces or security services were involved and believe
13 these claims need to be properly investigated."

14 If I can just go on down to paragraph 28 there, you
15 say:

16 "I believe that people in London were behind what
17 happened and that they had been pulling the strings of
18 those in authority there -- here." Sorry. "I feel that
19 leaving it to this Inquiry is them turning a blind eye
20 to what happened.

21 I want a comprehensive investigation now and I don't
22 want it drawn out."

23 You say you don't mind whether it's the HIA or
24 another Inquiry that examines these allegations, but
25 believe it is important it is done properly and at the

1 moment you didn't think we could do that.

2 Clinton Massey, you never at any stage said that you
3 believed that there was anybody involved, and when I was
4 asking you about that, you said that -- you talk in the
5 affidavit as well about well dressed men in suits coming
6 into Kincora.

7 **A. Yes.**

8 Q. Do you remember that? We will maybe just go to page --
9 paragraph 12 of the affidavit. It is at 120374. You
10 said that -- it is the preceding page, please, at
11 paragraph 12. You said:

12 "As I left for work later than the other boys,
13 I often saw well dressed men in suits arriving at the
14 home, but I didn't know who they were or why they were
15 there. I put them down as people from the Welfare.
16 I think they were coming to see Mr Mains. I didn't
17 recognise them and wouldn't recognise them if I saw them
18 again. I don't know whether they knew of or were
19 involved in the abuse."

20 When we were talking, you were saying to me that as
21 far as you were concerned they were just there on some
22 sort of official business. Isn't that right?

23 **A. Yes, yes.**

24 Q. You would have recognised high profile people. I mean,
25 for example, it has been suggested that Ian Paisley went

1 into Kincora. Did you ever see him going into Kincora?

2 **A. No.**

3 Q. He was someone you would have recognised.

4 **A. Yes. The newspapers were full of -- everybody of the**
5 **day wanted their picture taken and I would have**
6 **recognised every gangster in Belfast, because they loved**
7 **getting their picture taken, and I worked for the**
8 **Telegraph. I was always having a newspaper.**

9 Q. So you in particular would have known if someone
10 recognisable in Northern Irish society came into
11 Kincora?

12 **A. Oh, yes. Uh-huh.**

13 Q. And what you have said in your affidavit about believing
14 that there was MI5 involvement and in London, do you
15 still believe that, Clinton, or is that just
16 something you would like looked at?

17 **A. I do believe that London knows something.**

18 Q. You believe they know something?

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. Finally, the last -- sorry. Can I just -- before I move
21 on to the last question I want to ask you is there
22 anything that I haven't covered about your time in
23 Kincora that you want to say to the Inquiry or anything
24 else that I've left out in the material that we've
25 looked at that you feel the Inquiry ought to know?

1 **A. I can't think of anything at the moment offhand, no.**

2 Q. Well, the final question we ask people, Clinton, is
3 about the Inquiry recommendations. At the end of its
4 work the Inquiry has to make recommendations to the
5 Government about children who were abused in Kincora.
6 We ask everyone what they think those recommendations
7 should be.

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. What is your view?

10 **A. I believe that the organisations that look after**
11 **children's institutes, very senior management should**
12 **have more hands on. I mean, visit the homes. Be on**
13 **first name terms with the children. Don't be remote.**
14 **Don't take the staff's word for it that everything is**
15 **hunky-dory, because that's what they like. They don't**
16 **want visits from head office.**

17 Q. You say that -- when we were talking last week, you said
18 to me that you had a very happy time in Marmion and you
19 felt every children's home should be like that.

20 **A. Yes. I had a fantastic time there.**

21 Q. Well, Clinton Massey, thank you very much. There's nothing
22 else I want to ask you, but the Panel Members may have
23 some questions for you.

24 **A. Okay. Thank you.**

25

1 Questions from THE PANEL

2 CHAIRMAN: Mr Massey, can I just take you back to something
3 you said a moment ago about the work you were doing?
4 You were working for the Belfast Telegraph. Was that
5 helping with delivery of the papers?

6 **A. Yes, just deliveries.**

7 Q. And just to remind everyone what it used to be like, it
8 was an evening paper --

9 **A. In them days, yes.**

10 Q. -- in those days. It was not a morning paper.

11 **A. No, no, no.**

12 Q. So the deliveries -- well, you could buy a Telegraph
13 usually about midday I think on the streets of Belfast.
14 Isn't that right?

15 **A. Yes. There was about five editions --**

16 Q. That's right.

17 **A. -- right up till 6 o'clock at night.**

18 Q. There was the last edition --

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. -- which was the one that most people bought on their
21 way home or something like that.

22 **A. I think that was usually called the sixth.**

23 Q. That's right, and as well the paper was delivered right
24 the way or certainly across a lot of Northern Ireland in
25 the course of the day. Isn't that right?

1 **A. Oh, yes. I mean, there was what you called the country**
2 **editions.**

3 Q. Yes.

4 **A. They went out from about 2 o'clock to the countryside.**

5 Q. I see.

6 **A. Within Belfast everybody's paper was from about**
7 **3 o'clock onwards.**

8 Q. Yes, but one of the things that happened was that there
9 were very high powered vans would drive out to deliver
10 the papers --

11 **A. Oh, yes.**

12 Q. -- to the country. Isn't that right?

13 **A. Yes.**

14 Q. But generally speaking in Belfast it was
15 an evening/early afternoon paper. Isn't that -- in
16 practical terms?

17 **A. Yes.**

18 Q. You said there was one night or nights you were driving
19 to Ballymena late at night. Why was that?

20 **A. In them days the Belfast Telegraph printed the weekly**
21 **papers for local towns, like the Ballymena Observer as**
22 **an example.**

23 Q. I see.

24 **A. So I think that was -- I think that was every Wednesday**
25 **night.**

1 Q. Yes. A lot of local papers publish on Thursdays. Isn't
2 that right?

3 **A. Yes. So, I mean, they would do contract work for papers
4 that didn't have their own printing press.**

5 Q. I see. So the Ballymena whatever it was, you would be
6 taking the papers up for them on a Wednesday night or
7 something --

8 **A. For sale on Thursday.**

9 Q. -- for sale in the local newsagents on Thursdays?

10 **A. Yes.**

11 Q. There were also -- there was a Saturday Night, which was
12 the sports paper. Isn't that right?

13 **A. Yes. That is right, yes.**

14 Q. So for whatever reason you often found yourself coming
15 back to Kincora quite late on in the evening when you'd
16 finished your work. Is that so?

17 **A. I was -- I was always back that late that I never
18 actually saw the lady that cooked my meals -- my evening
19 meal.**

20 Q. Just left for you?

21 **A. That was left in the oven and she was long gone.**

22 Q. Now who got you the job with the Telegraph?

23 **A. I got that job when I was still in Marmion Children's
24 Home.**

25 Q. Was it somebody at the home who organised it for you

1 or -- can you remember?

2 **A. I think it was just what they would call the dole**
3 **office.**

4 Q. Yes.

5 **A. I think I just done it on my own back. I don't think**
6 **I had any help.**

7 Q. Yes. It's gone through various names. It used to be
8 know as a labour exchange and then a --

9 **A. Yes, I think it was the labour exchange in them days.**

10 Q. -- and then much later on more sophisticated names.

11 **A. Yes. Uh-huh.**

12 Q. Now you have mentioned Marmion quite a lot and we have
13 heard it is in Holywood. Can you remember just where it
14 was in Holywood?

15 **A. I think that we -- because I didn't want people to know**
16 **I was in a children's home --**

17 Q. Yes.

18 **A. -- we used to write down the proper address of it and**
19 **I think it was 236 Church Road, which is as you're**
20 **heading up from The Maypole --**

21 Q. It's reasonably central. That's where the Church of
22 Ireland church is.

23 **A. Yes. Well, you go on by it.**

24 Q. On up the hill?

25 **A. And just before you start to head into the countryside**

1 **it was on the left.**

2 Q. So it's on the out... -- on the outskirts of Hollywood at
3 that time?

4 **A. Very, very much on the outskirts in them days.**

5 Q. On the hill?

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. Now to get to there from Kincora did you normally walk?

8 **A. If I had the bus fare, I would get the bus, but I would
9 walk or else hitchhiking was quite common in them days.**

10 Q. Yes, but there may have been times, might there, when
11 you would walk it back?

12 **A. I would walk, yes, and I would usually -- I would go in
13 the back way. That would be along the main road,
14 through Knocknagoney, the back of Palace Barracks. The
15 main road would bring you out on to Church Road.**

16 Q. And then, what, cut down on to the Hollywood Road and up
17 through Strandtown?

18 **A. Aye, on the way back, yes. Uh-huh.**

19 Q. Yes. You get to Gelston's Corner and then go up?

20 **A. I would come through -- there's a wee football pitch
21 there.**

22 Q. Yes, I know what you mean. Dundela football pitch?

23 **A. Dundela, yes.**

24 Q. Yes. So that might -- I don't think it is quite as far
25 as Ms Smith suggested. Would it be two or three miles

1 maybe?

2 **A. It would be about three mile I would say, yes.**

3 Q. So you would walk it in, what, three-quarters of
4 an hour, something like that?

5 **A. I know it has been said I was lazy, but I was actually
6 quite fit.**

7 Q. Well, if you walked that distance, you would be quite
8 fit.

9 **A. Yes. Uh-huh.**

10 Q. And that would -- one way or another you were out of
11 Kincora down at Marmion about four evenings a week or
12 something like that on average.

13 **A. I was, yes, yes.**

14 Q. And Mains presumably didn't object to your going out,
15 did he? I mean, you were allowed to come and go as you
16 pleased, were you?

17 **A. I'm sure there was phone calls between them.**

18 Q. Yes.

19 **A. But it was never an issue me not going there.**

20 Q. No, but he knew that you were there --

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. -- and that was okay?

23 **A. Yes, as long as he knew where he was.**

24 Q. And we have seen what you've described to the lady who
25 is Mrs Dobbin about going back to Marmion and so on.

1 You told her that you dreaded the thought of returning
2 to Kincora at night. Isn't that what she has noted
3 down? You have seen it. You wouldn't have known this
4 before, but you have seen it on what you saw this
5 afternoon.

6 **A. Yes.**

7 Q. Do you remember saying things like that to your social
8 workers?

9 **A. Off the top of my head I don't recall specifically that**
10 **theme --**

11 Q. No.

12 **A. -- but I know I would talk about them things. You know,**
13 **I mean, when I would get back from Marmion, the older**
14 **boys would still be up. They done what they wanted to**
15 **do.**

16 Q. Uh-huh.

17 **A. So I would just be sneaking in.**

18 Q. But in any event the record that Mrs Dobbin made would
19 suggest that you said to her several times you didn't
20 like Kincora. You wanted out of the place and various
21 alternatives such as going to hostels in Newtownards and
22 so on were explored, but for one reason or another that
23 didn't happen. Do you remember the offer of lodgings?

24 **A. I don't remember it put down as lodgings, but I remember**
25 **it referred to as a bed-sit, which I eventually got.**

1 Q. I see. Now if I could come on to what you told us about
2 your experiences in Kincora itself and the way you were
3 treated, Mrs Smith -- Ms Smith has asked you about the
4 fact that in -- even in 1982, when it was the Sussex
5 Police, in fact, who came to speak to you -- you may not
6 remember the difference --

7 **A. No.**

8 Q. -- but that's who it was -- you didn't say anything more
9 than he had been committing oral sex or masturbating
10 you. Is that right?

11 **A. I was trying to say as little as possible.**

12 Q. Yes, but what you said to them you've repeated
13 essentially today, which is that you weren't aware at
14 that time that McGrath was interfering with any other
15 boys. Is that right?

16 **A. That's right.**

17 Q. There was no talk of homosexuality or whatever?

18 **A. No, no.**

19 Q. Did any of the other boys ever say to you, "You know,
20 you had better keep away from that man or watch him. He
21 will be after you"?

22 **A. No. Just the one time where me and a guy called R10 and
23 it was like a ten second comment, "Has he ever touched
24 you?" "Yeah." "Keep away from him" --**

25 Q. Yes.

1 **A. -- and that was about it, ten seconds.**

2 Q. Did R10 say that to you up at the Crumlin Road court
3 house or did he say it to you actually in the home?

4 **A. No, he said that to me in the home.**

5 Q. I see.

6 **A. And then that was it, over and done with, never to be
7 raised again.**

8 Q. And you didn't hear any remarks like that about either
9 Mains or Semple either?

10 **A. No.**

11 Q. You explained in 1982 that really it came as a shock to
12 you to hear the allegations that many more boys had been
13 abused and it wasn't just you.

14 **A. I mean, I was -- when I turned up at Crumlin Road court
15 house, I was surprised to see I would say there must
16 have been maybe twelve boys there.**

17 Q. Yes. I think in those days all the prosecution
18 witnesses would have been asked to come on the first
19 day. You all were presumably asked to go in a room
20 and wait or something like that, were you?

21 **A. Yes. We were -- we were given a police officer as
22 a chaperone --**

23 Q. Yes.

24 **A. -- to keep us all together.**

25 Q. Exactly. R10 said something more to you then. Is that

1 right?

2 **A. It was -- there was always like something floating about**
3 **in the newspapers or something like that.**

4 Q. Yes.

5 **A. And he said (inaudible), "Do you believe this or do you**
6 **believe that?"**

7 Q. And your reaction was?

8 **A. My reaction at the time was "I just don't know what to**
9 **believe now", but since I left Kincora until I had been**
10 **contacted by the police there was nothing there.**

11 Q. So it's clear now and was clear then, what you heard and
12 saw at the time, that there were things happening that
13 you hadn't any inkling about at all?

14 **A. Definitely not. No idea whatsoever.**

15 Q. You said as somebody who worked at the Belfast Telegraph
16 you had a paper. Did you get a free paper every day?

17 **A. Well, I was delivering thousands of them.**

18 Q. Yes.

19 **A. But on my lunch break -- we got a two-hour lunch break.**
20 **My favourite place was the library, the newspaper**
21 **library, and so I would just be reading back copies of**
22 **papers.**

23 Q. Do you mean -- the Belfast Telegraph building is on the
24 opposite side of the road from the Belfast Newspaper
25 Library. Are you referring to the back numbers in the

1 Telegraph building?

2 **A. In the Telegraph building, yes. I mean, I could be**
3 **looking at -- say if I wanted to look at a newspaper**
4 **from this day one year ago --**

5 Q. Yes.

6 **A. -- I would go and see what happened up -- especially on**
7 **a Monday paper. I wanted to find out what was going on**
8 **that weekend.**

9 Q. And often I think I remember that if you went into the
10 Telegraph building, it had the papers for a few days
11 laid out --

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. -- and you could just read through them.

14 **A. Oh, yes.**

15 Q. Were you keen on reading the newspapers from what you've
16 said?

17 **A. I always have been, yes.**

18 Q. Yes. So the idea that well-known public figures -- and
19 by "well-known", I mean well-known in Belfast, maybe not
20 well-known anywhere else, but, you know, city
21 councillors, or prominent Belfast businessmen, or other
22 people whose pictures might appear in the paper, you
23 would have the opportunity of recognising a face from
24 something you had seen in the paper is what I think you
25 are saying. Is that right?

1 **A. Oh, yes. I mean, if they were high profile enough --**

2 Q. Yes.

3 **A. -- I would be seeing -- I would be seeing the newspaper**
4 **every day, you know, and like even to the extent not**
5 **just the business people and the politicians, but for**
6 **some reason all the gangsters all wanted their picture**
7 **taken.**

8 Q. Well, if I can put it this way, there were outwardly
9 respectable and outwardly not so respectable people --

10 **A. Yes.**

11 Q. -- whose pictures were appearing in the papers.

12 **A. Yes.**

13 Q. We often hear about somebody saying, "I never read
14 a paper", or whatever, but you read them pretty
15 constantly I gather?

16 **A. Oh, yes, yes. Uh-huh.**

17 Q. So the idea that there were people who were well known
18 in one walk of life or another coming into the home to
19 abuse boys was not something that could have happened in
20 your time. Is that right?

21 **A. It just couldn't.**

22 Q. Or else you would recognise -- well, if you had been
23 there when they came in, you have would have recognised
24 them. Is that right?

25 **A. Yes, and when I was there, I was the only boy there.**

1 Q. Yes.

2 **A. All the others had went to work.**

3 Q. Exactly. Did any of the other boys who were there with
4 you say, "Oh", you know, "a bit odd that that man
5 so-and-so came in there the other morning" or whatever?
6 Any remark like that ever passed?

7 **A. No, no. I never heard anything.**

8 Q. Were you ever there when officials from the Welfare
9 Department came?

10 **A. I thought they were officials from the Welfare
11 Department.**

12 Q. These are the people in the suits that you refer to?

13 **A. Yes, people in the suits, as I call them.**

14 Q. And were there generally two, three, four of them
15 together, something like that?

16 **A. No.**

17 Q. Just one man?

18 **A. There'd be one man, yes.**

19 Q. I see, and this was -- was it in any way concealed or
20 furtive or was it just an apparently straightforward
21 routine?

22 **A. It just looked routine to me, you know.**

23 Q. Yes. Did you ever hear in your time people coming in
24 with what Northern Ireland people would describe as
25 an English accent?

1 **A. I have heard them, yes.**

2 Q. In the home?

3 **A. In the home, yes.**

4 Q. In what circumstances?

5 **A. Just a grey suit speaking, which wasn't uncommon --**

6 Q. Yes.

7 **A. -- you know. It was a -- Northern Ireland was going**
8 **through a big turmoil at the time and there was -- I was**
9 **hearing English accents all over the place.**

10 Q. And then when you were there in your time, were there
11 any occasions when politicians came in, well-known
12 figures like Dr Paisley or Mr Fitt, who we are told
13 visited sometimes?

14 **A. Oh, no. I would have noticed them right away.**

15 Q. Not many people would have missed them. Isn't that
16 right?

17 **A. No. I mean ...**

18 Q. I see. Then in later years you told us how it was that
19 you felt able to say things more recently than you were
20 able to explain them in years gone by.

21 **A. Yes.**

22 Q. I see. The only other thing I want to ask you is you
23 went down to the Strandtown Police Station once to make
24 a complaint.

25 **A. I did, yes.**

1 Q. You spoke to the desk sergeant --

2 **A. Yes.**

3 Q. -- who essentially threw you out.

4 **A. Yes.**

5 Q. Were there ever any uniformed policemen who visited
6 during your time?

7 **A. No.**

8 Q. Yes. Thank you very much. My colleagues might have
9 some questions for you.

10 MS DOHERTY: Thanks very much, Mr Massey. Can I just
11 check: did the staff ever intervene when the boys were
12 bullying you, you know, in the evening when they would
13 be saying, "Away up and get lemonade for me and come
14 down quickly"?

15 **A. I would have to say no, but you say staff. There was
16 only one staff on in the evening time and that would --
17 generally speaking that would be Semple and he was as
18 meek as they come that way.**

19 Q. Right. So he would -- I mean, you given the impression
20 that in a sense he was giving them money, the older
21 boys, to kind of get out, that it might have been his
22 money to encourage them?

23 **A. Yes, that's what I believe, yes.**

24 Q. So he would be in the evening and then McGrath would be
25 in the morning.

1 **A. Morning, yes.**

2 Q. Okay. When McGrath and you were there in the morning,
3 you were mainly there by yourself, because you were
4 starting work later?

5 **A. Yes. I did not leave until 9.30.**

6 Q. And would the other boys be mostly out about, what,
7 8 o'clock or ...?

8 **A. Oh, before that. I mean, this is in the days when the**
9 **shipyard was full and there was no such thing as youth**
10 **unemployment. I mean, they were all probably on the**
11 **7 o'clock bus down to the shipyard.**

12 Q. Can I ask there wasn't a sexual element to any of the
13 bullying by the older boys? You didn't ...?

14 **A. No.**

15 Q. No, no, no.

16 **A. No.**

17 Q. You say about as well as giving you one pound back,
18 a pound went into the savings bank for you.

19 **A. Yes.**

20 Q. When you left after six months, did you get that money?
21 Did you get access to that money?

22 **A. I did, yes. It was a little Ulster Bank savings book.**

23 Q. And that was in your own name?

24 **A. Yes, it was.**

25 Q. Did you put it in every month -- every week or did --

1 **A. No. It was put in for me. In the old -- it was**
2 **handwritten in my little book.**

3 Q. Like a wee -- like a book that -- like handwritten to
4 show that a pound was lodged?

5 **A. Yes, yes.**

6 Q. But when you left, you got that savings book into your
7 hands?

8 **A. I did, yes. Uh-huh.**

9 Q. I mean, it was clear that Marmion was a place that you
10 felt safe and that you kept on going back to.

11 **A. Yes.**

12 Q. Did any of the staff there ask you what that was about?
13 Did anybody say to you, you know, "Why are you not
14 settling in Kincora?" or "What's going on with you?"

15 **A. Not in -- not in the way that they were questioning me.**
16 **I think they realised that I was missing them --**

17 Q. Uh-huh.

18 **A. -- because, I mean, they had been my family.**

19 Q. So they thought it was more about what you were missing
20 than what you were experiencing?

21 **A. And maybe they thought, "Well, gradually he will break**
22 **away from us".**

23 Q. Okay.

24 **A. That's what I believe.**

25 Q. But they kept an open door for you while you were

1 wanting it?

2 **A. Yes. Uh-huh.**

3 Q. Okay. The last thing if you were just saying that you
4 believe that, you know, London knows something. Can you
5 just say a wee bit more to me about what you mean by
6 that?

7 **A. The situation in Northern Ireland was the biggest game**
8 **for the security forces in the world at the time, for**
9 **our security forces.**

10 Q. Uh-huh.

11 **A. And this was our wee kingdom over here and I would say**
12 **a lot of what went on in what they call black ops --**
13 **I know a little bit about that -- London might not even**
14 **have known what was going on or else, "Don't let me know**
15 **about it", but that's what I believe, you know.**

16 Q. But you think that security forces here did know what
17 was going on in Kincora --

18 **A. I believe --**

19 Q. -- when you were there?

20 **A. Yes, I do really believe strongly that senior RUC and**
21 **military were letting Kincora run on and on.**

22 Q. But that's since you left. That's not about --

23 **A. No.**

24 Q. There was nothing when you were there?

25 **A. Oh, no.**

1 Q. There was no sense at that time that you were seeing
2 people around?

3 **A. Oh, no, no, no.**

4 Q. So this is in retrospect --

5 **A. Yes.**

6 Q. -- and hearing what people have said and learning more?

7 **A. Yes.**

8 Q. Okay. Thank you very much.

9 **A. Okay. Thank you.**

10 CHAIRMAN: Well, Mr Massey, I am sure you will be relieved
11 to hear that's the last question we have for you. Thank
12 you very much for coming to speak to us today
13 and telling us about your time in both Kincora and
14 indeed in Marmion, where clearly, unlike Kincora, you
15 had happy times.

16 **A. Thank you.**

17 Q. Thank you for coming.

18 **A. Thank you.**

19 **(Witness withdrew)**

20 MS SMITH: Chairman, that concludes today's evidence.

21 CHAIRMAN: Usual time tomorrow morning.

22 (4.00 pm)

23 (Inquiry adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning)

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