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STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

In the matter of: Police V unknown - Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm

Place: Surry Hills Police Station

Date: 23 September 2009

Name: I361

STATES:

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
2. I am 35 years of age.
3. About 4.10am on Wednesday 23 September 2009 I was walking north along Anzac Parade, Moore Park on the western curb outside the Sydney Girls High School. I was walking alone and I could not see anyone else near me.
4. At this time I heard something behind me and I turned around to look. I saw a male walking directly behind me approximately five (5) metres away.

I would describe this male as African, in his early 20's, about 175 to 180 centimetres tall, of a medium build, with a shaved head, wearing a grey coloured jacket and long dark pants.

5. I turned back around, moving over towards the road so he could past me if needed, and continued walking. Immediately after turning around I felt something hit me twice in the back of the head. I turned around and the male said "Why did you say what you said to me before down the street".

I Said - "No".

6. I began dodging the male in an attempt to escape, while he stood close, continuing to lunge towards me and the red bag I was carrying. After a short period I ran onto the middle of Anzac Parade and scaled the

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fence dividing the north and south bound lanes in an attempt to escape from the male. Once over the fence I looked back and saw the male running away in a southerly direction along Anzac Parade. By this time there were cars travelling in both directions unlike before which I think has deterred the male from following me.

- 7. I continued to walk north to St Vincent's Hospital on Victoria Street in Darlinghurst where the laceration on the back of my head was glued together. After a short time at the hospital I walked to Surry Hills Police Station where I made this statement.
- 8. As a result of the punch from the male I received a small laceration to the back of my head and I felt immediate pain from the impact. I did not give the male permission to assault me at any stage. The entire incident lasted for approximately 4 to 5 minutes.

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