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MOD Form 266A/B
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Case No: 64872/04

SERVICE POLICE
WITNESS STATEMENT
(CJ Act 1967, S.9; MC Act 1980, ss5A (3a) and MC Rules 1981, r70)

Statement of: Caroline Helen Louise BANYARD

Rank/Status: Lt

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: OC 12 MI SECT

This statement (consisting of three page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signature: CHL BANYARD

Dated 28th January 2005

I am Lt Caroline Helen Louise Banyard [REDACTED] I am currently deployed on a 6 month operational tour on Op TELIC 5. I arrived in theatre on 4 Oct 04 and I am due to return to my parent unit, 12 MI SECT, BFPO 36, on 1 May 05. At present I hold the appointment of OC 12 MI SECT, 4 Armd Bde (Fwd), BFPO 641.

Part of my unit's responsibilities is to produce documents known as 'Threat Warnings'. Threat Warnings are disseminated to G3 Ops for further dissemination to other units including HQ MND (SE). Threat Warnings are disseminated via I-Net, to addressees that need to be aware of the specific threat.

I am aware of an investigation that is being conducted by SIB RMP into the death of an IPS officer that occurred on 17 Dec 04, involving members of 40 Cdo RM.

I have been informed by SSgt Reid that the unit Int Officer (IO) has stated that prior to deploying on task that particular day, the patrol were briefed that there was a specific threat of a dark red 'Dauphin' vehicle that may be used as a VBIED within the Hamdan district of Basrah.

I can confirm that on that particular day a threat warning was created by my unit and disseminated by I-Net to G3 for subsequent dissemination to Bde etc.

I have today handed to SSgt Reid a certified true copy of the threat warning which she has identified as follows:

CB/1 - Threat Warning 171030CDEC04

I have signed the exhibit label.

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This was created at 1030 hrs, 17 Dec 04 and would have been disseminated almost immediately after its creation.

I have also handed to SSgt Reid a document which contains images of the type of vehicle mentioned in the threat warning. This document was produced by 21 Engr Regt Int Cell and forwarded to me. SSgt Reid has identified this document as exhibit CB/2.

I have signed the exhibit label.

With regards to the source of information contained within the threat warning (exhibit CB/1) due to the passage of time, I am unable to state whereabouts the information originated.

Signed: CHL BANYARD

Signed: P REID
SSgt
RMP (SIB)

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