

Prosecution Bundle Buckingham Palace Action 6th July 1993.

The prosecution propose to call the following witnesses: -

Ronald BETTS	PC 638 STANHOPE	PC 9 SMITH	
Joan BETTS	PC 356 SWEENEY	DCI JACKSON	
Peter LOUGHTON	PS 1117 CROSBIE	PC DONALDSON	
Paul MULLER	PC 334 TAYLOR	PC 146 RICHIE	
Michael LONG	PC 589 EVANS	PC 757 TYSON	a
Stanley HODGES	PS 61 SYMES	DS WILLIAMS	
Paul HARTE	PS 12 CLARK	DS SADLER	
Andrew JENKINS	PC 202 SIMPSON	DC CAHILL	

The following statements, which have already been served upon you, will be read at the trial. If you object to this course of action you must notify me within 7 days. The witnesses I propose to read are:-

PC 1022 BAZIRE	PC 126 MAGUIRE
PC STEPNEY	PC 398 GATEFIELD
PC 573 COLLINS	Bernard KEELER
WPC SINGH	Paul CANNING

Yours faithfully

Anthony Connell

A/Assistant Branch Crown Prosecutor

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Further Charges

CPS Reference 25/ CX/ 01320/ 93

Hearing Date: 1st September 1993

Defendant:

See below

Rowan TILLEY, Pippa TAYLOR, Anneke KRAAKMAN, Yvonne EYRE, Cat SPIDER-CRONE, Jane GREGORY, Deborah BLACKSMITH, Kay TABERNACLE, Julie HOWARD, Rebecca JOHNSON, Helen BACK, Paula MODERSON, Diane MACDONALD

Jointly

On 6th July 1993 at Buckingham Palace SW1 without lawful excuse damaged a barbed wire fence belonging to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth intending to destroy or damage such property or being reckless as to whether such property would be destroyed or damaged.

Contrary to Section 1(1) of the Criminal Damage Act 1971.

Witness Statement

Statement of **Ronald Betts**

Over 21

Dated 13th day of July 1993

Signature R Betts

I live at the address shown overleaf and I am a retired Heating Engineer.

On Monday 5th July 1993 I travelled to London with my wife Joan. We travelled by National Coach from Bingley, West Yorkshire, setting off at 8.20am and arriving in Victoria at about 1.15pm that day. We booked into the Eccleston Hotel, Eccleston Square, London. We had a few things to do in London and we had arranged to return home at 1pm on Tuesday 6th July 1993 by National Coach from Victoria.

At about 10.40am on Tuesday the 6th July 1993 my wife and I were killing time and heading for Buckingham Palace. We were walking along Grosvenor Place when I saw a wall on the opposite side of the road. I had just commented on the fact that it reminded me of a concentration camp when I saw, about 50 yards ahead of us, some people raising aluminium ladders against a gate in the same wall. As we got nearer I saw two people produce wire cutters from haversacks, not appreciating what was happening we stopped opposite the gate. I saw a long wheel base, white coloured van, parked near to the gate. The two people with the wire cutters, climbed the ladders and started to cut through the barbed wire. There were two other people stood at the foot of the ladders holding them steady. There was another person, about twenty five yards further on or less, who appeared to be acting as a look out. I could tell that this person was female, I am unsure of the gender of the others. All of the movements appeared to be co-ordinated and pre-planned.

Once the wires were cut, the two people at the top of the ladders threw blue coloured ropes over the gate and then they climbed over the wall and into the grounds. About twelve other people then climbed up the ladders in an orderly fashion, I think they got out of the van but in any case they appeared from the far side of the van from where we were stood. I noticed one or two of the people stood near to me and my wife, there were a couple of tourists with small, compact cameras taking pictures and one man in particular seemed to have professional equipment.

After that the Police arrived in force, we gave our details to a Police Officer and left to catch the coach home.

I would not recognise any of the people I saw and I can only say that the people who climbed over the gate were wearing jeans and loose clothing.

Witness Statement

Statement of **Joan Betts**

Over 21

Dated 13th July 1993

Signature J Betts

I live at the address shown overleaf and I am a retired secretary.

On Monday the 5th July 1993 I travelled to London with my husband Ronald.

We travelled by National Coach from Bingley, West Yorkshire to Victoria, London. We booked into the Eccleston Hotel, Eccleston Square London. We had things to do in London and we had arranged to return home on the 1pm National Coach from Victoria on Tuesday 6th July 1993.

At about 10.40am on Tuesday the 6th July 1993 I was with my husband, killing time and walking along Grosvenor Place, towards Buckingham Palace. At that time I saw some people on the opposite side of the road about 50 yards away, placing two ladders against a gate. Two of the people had wire cutters. They climbed up the ladder and started cutting the barbed wire at the top of the gate. There were two other people stood at the bottom of the ladders and a further person, a girl, stood about 25 yards further on who appeared to be keeping a lookout. Parked in front of the gates was a white van with a girl sat in the driver's seat.

Once the wire was cut, the two people at the top of the ladder, dropped blue ropes over the gate and into the grounds. We were opposite the white van by this time. The two people climbed into the grounds, followed by about twelve others who appeared from the far side of the van. I presume that they came out of the van because I didn't see them come from anywhere else.

After that the police arrived in force and we gave our details to one of the officers. We then left for home. I would not recognise any of the people I saw if I was to see them again. In general they were dressed in casual clothing.

Witness Statement of Peter Michael Loughton

Over 21

Dated the 15th July 1993

Signature PM Loughton

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at about 10.30am I left my office and walked down Grosvenor Place to go to the Midland Bank which is situated at 19 Grosvenor Place. The entrance to the bank is directly opposite a gate in the wall of Buckingham Palace.

After completing my business in the bank, I left and as I did so I noticed a white windowed van parked on the opposite side of the road, just to the south of the gate. I then noticed people putting ladders up against the gate. The back of the van was open. Two people climbed the ladders and cut away at the wire at the top of the gate with bolt cutters. I could not describe these people, sure to say that one was wearing white clothing that looked like a jump suit or overalls, the other was wearing light blue similar clothing. I saw these two people climb over the gate and then out of my sight. They were followed very quickly by another four or five women.

I went back into the bank to get someone to call the police. I came out of the bank a few minutes later and saw another two or three people climbing the ladders and entering the palace grounds. The van then drove off towards Victoria. I am now unable to describe the women who went into the Palace. I did not notice the driver of the van. I would not be able to recognize any of them. I have been asked if I saw the people arriving, I did not. I did however, see one woman cross the road before climbing the ladder.

Witness Statement of Mr Paul Muller

Over 21

Dated 6th July 1993

I am an employee of Midland bank PLC based at 19 Grosvenor Place, London, SW1X 7H. My position is that of Branch Financial Advisor and I normally occupy a desk within the main banking hall on the ground floor. On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at approximately 10.30am, I returned to the banking hall area to find a customer and another member of staff occupying my desk. Because of this I went to use a vacant desk to use the telephones.

I went to the desk situated within the branch offices directly in front of a ground floor window which looks directly across at the rear walls of Buckingham Palace. At this exact location there is a large black set of double gates of which I had a clear and unobstructed view. This section of the wall and gates is protected by high security wire along the top. Whilst using the phone my attention was momentarily drawn away from my view across the road and on next looking out of the window I saw a white mini bus van parked directly in front of the gates I have described. This area had been clear of vehicles and pedestrians prior to this point.

As I looked out I saw two ladders on the far side of the van up against the black gates. They reached a short way above the height of the actual gates. I saw two men at the top of the ladders cutting the wire with what appeared to be two red implements. They were about 25 years of age. Whilst the cutting was going on which was only a few seconds, there were other people climbing the ladders behind them. I would say I saw about 15 or 20 people in total, most of them being women. They all looked like tourists dressed in bright and coloured clothing. Once the wire had been cut all of the people climbed over the gates and out of sight into the ground of Buckingham Palace.

As this was done the van drove away towards Victoria the direction in which it had been facing. I recalled it was a male driver and the van appeared bright white and in new condition. I did not see the registration number. By the time the van left all of the people I had seen had gone over the gates. A colleague at the Bank, Mr Long called the police who arrived within a few minutes. The ladders were still in situ. After the Police arrived I saw them talking to two men. One was casually dressed with black hair and dark clothing. The other man was dressed in a suit. Both were white men with the dark-haired man having quite a dark tan. I remember one of them had a camera. I did not notice these two men prior or during the breach of the wall. I did see them being taken away by Police Officers after the incident. Whilst I have described the two people I saw cutting the wire as men, I did only see them from behind and it is possible they were women. I would not recognise any of these people again. I am willing to attend court and give evidence if necessary.

Witness Statement of Michael William Long

Over 21

Dated 6th July 1993

Signature MW Long

I am employed by Midland Bank at 19 Grosvenor Place, London SW1 in the capacity of Bank Clerk. On Tuesday 6th July 1993 I was at work as normal at my desk in the back office of the bank. At about 10.30am another employee at the bank was at his desk using the phone and looking out of the window next to his desk, which overlooks Grosvenor Place, this was Mr Paul Muller. Mr Muller called me over saying there were some people climbing over the wall into the gardens of Buckingham Palace. I left my desk and went over to the window beside Mr Muller.

I could see across Grosvenor Place and at the wall which surrounds the gardens to Buckingham Palace, directly opposite the bank, where in the wall there is a gate. I saw a group of people, they looked quite young, there were two ladders up against the top of the gate, and there were a number of people on each ladder and the person at the top of each ladder were cutting the wire which surrounds the top of the wall. The people on the ladders then started to climb into the gardens through the holes which had been cut in the wire. I did not see all of these people climb in, I watched as about 8 or 10 people climbed in then I came away from the window and returned to my desk, from where I telephoned the police, using 999. I told them what I had seen and they took details.

After that call I returned to the window over-looking this incident and saw that the ladders were still in the position I have described, but no people were on them. I did not see any other people standing around, only a young female on the same side of the bank, who had dyed hair and seemed to be talking to some passing tourists. The police arrived within a couple of minutes, so did a photographer and what I assumed was a reporter. The police that arrived did not go into the gardens, but stood on the pavement by the gate below the opening which had been cut in the wire. The photographer and the reporter remained in the same area, the photographer appeared to be trying to take photographs. A police officer then came over to the bank and took mine and Paul's personal details.

I cannot describe the people I saw on the ladders individually, they appeared young in appearance and somewhat scruffy, I believe they were both male and female. I remember one had a canvas type hat with a brim. I cannot describe them any further. The window which I was looking out of is on the ground floor of the bank and is at the front of the bank as I have previously stated, looking directly into Grosvenor Place. There are two windows that look out in this position, I was at the one to the right-hand side as you look out from inside the bank. The distance across Grosvenor Place to where the incident occurred is, I would estimate about 25 yards and my view was clear and unobstructed. I am willing to attend court and give evidence if required to do so. I would be unable to recognize any of the individuals I saw climbing into the gardens again.

Witness Statement of Mr Stanley Hodges

Over 21

Dated 6th July 1993

Signature Stanley Hodges

I own a building company and on Tuesday 6th July 1993 I had just left a business appointment in Wilton Street and was travelling in Chapel Street, SW1. This was at about 10.25 am – 10.30am. As I reached the junction with Buckingham Palace Road I looked right in order to pull out into this road. I noticed a white Volkswagen camper parked on the opposite side of the road facing towards Victoria. I think the registration was B287 MLN, I wrote the number on my hand later. The van was parked in front of the back gates which lead into the grounds of Buckingham Palace.

At the same time I noticed two ladders standing up against these gates and there was a number of people around them. There were a number of people standing around the base of the ladders and two people actually up the ladders. I couldn't tell what sex any of these people were or really give any detailed description. I would not recognise any of them again, I was approximately 50 yards away from them. I saw somebody in the van then hand two pairs of bolt cutters out to the others at the base of the ladders. These in turned handed them up to the people on top of the ladder. They then started to cut the barbed wire on top of the gates.

At this point I used my mobile phone to call the police. I then saw the people on the ladder go through the hole they had cut, over the gates into the grounds of Buckingham palace out of my sight. All the others followed, in all I would say eight or nine people. The van drove off down Buckingham Palace Road towards Victoria again out of my vision. I decided to follow the van but as I went down Buckingham palace Road I saw a policeman on foot so I stopped and told him what I had seen. As I said previously I would not recognise any of them people again but I would generally describe them all of being of scruffy, unkempt appearance. I would be willing to attend court and give evidence if necessary.

Witness Statement of Paul Harte

Dated 15th July 1993

Signature P Harte.

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at about 10.30am I was driving north in Grosvenor Place towards Marble Arch. The wall of Buckingham Palace was on my right hand side.

I noticed a white van pull up on my right hand side. About 3 or 4 people got out of the van. I noticed ladders up against a gate. I saw the people standing on the pavement. In retrospect I now have the impression that that they were organising themselves.

I continued to drive north. I looked in my driving mirror and saw that about 3 or 4 people were then on the ladder and were climbing over the gate. I would be unable to describe these people except to say that they were all scruffy. I then drove up to Marble Arch where the new gates were being opened and told the police what I had seen.

Witness Statement of Andrew Jenkins

Over 21

Dated 8th July 1993

Signature A Jenkins

I am employed by Allen Fencing Ltd as a fence erector. During 1986, on behalf of my employer, I was part of a team who erected barbed wire fencing along the top of the walls of Buckingham Palace.

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at about 4pm as a result of a call, I went to Stonemasons Gate which is a gate in the walls of Buckingham Palace adjoining Grosvenor Place, London SW1. Above the gate, which is about 9 feet high, are placed 8 strands of barbed wire in the vertical place about 4 inches apart. Above this and at an angle of 45 degrees to the vertical are another 14 strands. The angle of these higher strands is such that the wire overlaps on the road side of the gate. There is a central pillar above the middle of the gate. On examination of the wire I found that on both sides of the central pillar all eight strands of wire had been cut. On the right hand-side as one looks from inside the wall towards the road, a further four strands from the lower part of the overhanging section had also been cut. The effect of these cuts was to create two gaps in the wire.

In order to repair the installation my company removed broken strands of wire and replaced them with new wire. Total cost of this work (including labour and VAT) will be approximately £1,150. I produce as exhibit AJ/1 seven strands of wire which had been cut and were removed by myself and my company. I produce two control samples of the new wire as exhibit AJ/2.

Witness Statement of Raymond Stanhope PC 638 'R'

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

Signature (none)

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 I was on duty on 19 post at Buckingham Palace. At about 10.30am the outside perimeter alarm was activated in the area of Stonemason Gate, and units were sent out to investigate.

A radio message was then received that several persons had scaled the wall and entered the gardens of Buckingham Palace. At this point I positioned myself at the garden entrance to prevent anyone entering the building. After a few minutes I saw a number of people making their way through the garden towards the building. They were singing and chanting and carrying banners. As they moved forwards towards me I shouted out to them to stay where they were as I felt they were going to enter the building. At this point other officers were arriving to help detain them.

As the other officers arrived, a person I now know to be Cat Spider-Crone ran away, initially towards the building. I pursued her and as I caught her we both fell to the ground. I restrained her and told her she was being detained for criminal damage. I suspected this had been caused to the perimeter fence. She was then detained with all the others until transport arrived at which time they were conveyed by police van to Charing Cross Police Station arriving at approximately 11.05am, having been arrested at about 10.40am.

Witness Statement of Grahame Sweeney

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 I was on duty in full uniform at Buckingham Palace, London, SW1 when as a result of information received I made my way on foot to the garden area. I made my way to the perimeter location where an alarm had gone off, to find blue ropes hanging from the fencing above.

I then made my way to the building perimeter line where a number of persons had been sighted. As I reached the building line I saw a woman I now know to be Deborah Blacksmith of 27 Chelmer Road, London E9 running towards me shouting and screaming at the top of her voice, with approximately six (6) other persons, towards a doorway of the building. I approached them together with other officers including PC 638 'R' Stanhope and PC 589 'R' Evans, I took hold of Blacksmith by the left arm.

She continued to shout at the top of her voice and chant loudly, waving her arms about wildly (which had rattles on). I said, "Shut up or you'll be arrested." She continued to shout and scream and wave her arms about wildly and chanting. At 10.35am I arrested her for section 5 public order offences and I cautioned her. She made no reply.

Blacksmith was conveyed to Charing Cross Police Station by fully marked police carrier. Facts related upon arrival in the presence of Blacksmith and PS 17 'CX' Chamberlain in the interview room at Charing Cross Police Station.

At 12 noon, I went to cell twelve (12) in company with PC 468 'R' Davis to ask Blacksmith her date of birth in order to ascertain her date of birth on the authorisation of the Custody Officer. She declined.

During this incident I was alarmed by the behaviour of Blacksmith and her friends and her actions and I was in fear for the safety of Her Majesty The Queen and other members of the Royal Family who were resident at the time.

Witness Statement of Barry Crosbie PS 1117

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993.

I am a police officer attached to the Royal Protection Department. On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at about 10.40am I was on duty in Electricians Yard, Buckingham Palace, SW1. As a result of information received in company with PS Paul Bazire I ran into the gardens of the Palace.

As I approached the West Terrace I saw the two persons who I now know to be Kay Tabernacle and Juley Howard walking fast towards the West Terrace about twenty yards away from it. I feared for the safety of the Royal Family. I shouted at them to stop, which they did. On approach I told them to lie face down which they did. I quickly conducted a quick search for weapons.

I told Tabernacle I was arresting her for suspected criminal damage and cautioned her and she made no reply. I told Howard I was arresting her for suspected criminal damage and she shouted "No nuclear testing in" I did not understand the word after in. Both persons were then taken to Charing Cross Police Station.

(I have written a full account of the Buckingham Palace action in 'Righteous Anger'. This officer ran at us and threw me to the ground and then lay on top of me – I could hardly breathe and am sure that a couple of my ribs were cracked in the process. Neither of us have ever been that obedient so it's unlikely that we ever would do as we were told so conveniently. I probably shouted "No nuclear testing in Newe Segobia" so understand why he didn't catch the name.)

Witness statement of Kevin Taylor PC 334 'R' / 174377

Over 21

Dated 14th July 1993

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at approximately 10.15am, Buckingham Palace, SW1. I was on post at North Centre Gate on the palace front. All units were informed that the perimeter alarm (sector 9) over Stonemasons Gate in Grosvenor Place had activated. We were informed by PC 468 'R' Davis that there were people climbing up a ladder and over the perimeter wall into the palace gardens.

When relieved by officers on our post, PC 589 'R' Evans and myself entered the garden via Garden Gate, on the North side of the forecourt. We passed the Queen's entrance in the garden and were informed by the control room that unauthorised persons had been seen in the garden. Myself and PC 589 'R' Evans made our way towards the right-hand side (North side) of the lake and were informed by a gardener that he had seen 8 – 10 people heading along the Queen's walk towards the Queen's entrance.

We made our way in their direction and saw 8 females carrying banners walking in a group towards the garden entrance. We were joined by other officers and stopped the females approximately 20 yards from the Queen's entrance. They were asked to sit down on the grass area, a few members of the group refused, and were assisted by police officers to sit down. Pippa Taylor and others of the group sat down voluntarily.

They then started singing and shouting anti-nuclear slogans, whilst we were awaiting police transport. I arrested Pippa Taylor and she was cautioned at 10.25am to which she made no reply. I escorted Miss Taylor and other members of the group in a police van to Charing Cross Police Station arriving at 11.00am and was seen by the custody officer at 11.15am. Miss Taylor was later charged by Inspector Newman with conspiracy to cause criminal damage and Section 5 Public Order Act and cautioned at 7.54pm to which Miss Taylor replied, "I call that nuclear testing should stop and that the Western Shoshone people should be given compensation for land and damage that the nuclear bombs have caused."

In addition to the above I wish to emphasise that there were members of the Royal Family in residence at the time of the incident, that our primary object is the safety of the Royal Family and members of the household and staff on the premises at the time. This was accomplished by securing and containing the building line as per our instructions. The extra officers were brought into the garden to clear the incident as required.

Witness Statement of Richard Evans

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 I was on duty in full uniform at the North Centre gate of Buckingham Palace with PC 334 'R' Taylor, when as a result of information received we went into the palace gardens via the garden gate. There we headed towards the sundial in our attempt to locate intruders into the Palace grounds who we believed to be in the vicinity of the lake and the perimeter wall running along Grosvenor Place.

Having got just past the sundial and making our way towards the grounds adjacent to Hyde Park Corner, further information received caused us to about turn and head back towards the garden entrance side of Buckingham Palace. As we made our way back, I noticed a group of about eight females chanting and waving placards about twenty five to thirty yards from the building line I have described, making their way towards the building. Believing their intention was to enter the palace and confront a member of the Royal Family, I ran towards them. As I approached them I saw PC Stanhope 638 'R' attempt to stop them going any further.

Having tackled the leading group of about four people, I held onto two people I now know to Annee Krackman and Yvonne Eyre I told them that they had been arrested on suspicion of causing criminal damage to the perimeter wire. They were prevented from moving off of the grass area near the garden entrance but continued to chant and sing protest slogans and songs. This behaviour continued whilst they were conveyed to Charing Cross Police Station and in the detention area of Charing Cross Police Station.

I should also like to point out that they were arrested at about 10.45am and arrived at Charing Cross Police Station at about 11.00am.

Witness statement of Brian Symes Police Sergeant 61 'R'

Over 21

15th July 1993

On Tuesday 6th July 1993, at about 10.25am, I was on uniform duty at Buckingham Palace sitting in the police canteen with PS12 'R' Clark waiting for a meeting to start. We both heard over a radio that that the perimeter wire at Sector 9 had been activated - this is situated by Stonemasons Gate in Grosvenor Place.

PS 21 'R' Roffey who was in the canteen, gave instructions for the deployment of early turn officers. I offered PS 12 'R' Clark and myself services if required. A few moments later, we heard over the radio, from PC 468 'R' Davis that suspects had entered the grounds and that he had found a ladder at the scene of the activation. PS Clark and myself ran and collected our radios and made our way into the garden via Electrician's Gate. We both started to clear contractors from the tents situated on the main lawn.

When we reached the area where the toilets before the lake are situated, I stayed at this point, PS Clark went off to my right. I then saw five females coming towards me on the footpath. They then spread a large banner across themselves and started singing. One was carrying a placard. I shouted to PS Clark who was still to my right to come and help. The group went to my right and split up. I ran after and caught hold of a person I now know to be Rebecca Johnson, who was carrying a large cloth banner, by her jacket collar and pulled her to the ground. The rest of the group were running towards the large open lawn area.

PS Clark managed to grab two of the runners, and brought two of them to where I was lying on the floor with Johnson. The two females with Sergeant Clark were struggling. During this time all three started to sing and chant. PS Clark then cautioned all three, Johnson said "We've got plenty to say". Inspector Brown then came up to us and asked if we were okay. We asked for another officer to assist us. Later PC 202 'R' Simpson attended.

During this time I called to the officer standing by the West Terrace box, that he had persons running behind him. At the same time PS Clark was informing him that he had a group of people running in front of him. It was then that we feared for the safety of members of the Royal Family in residence at the time due to the large numbers of intruders that were in the garden. The three prisoners were then taken out via Electrician's Gate and later conveyed to Charing Cross Police Station.

Dated 23rd July 1993

Further to my previous statement, I produce exhibit BS/1, a large banner carried by Rebecca Johnson.

Witness statement of David Clark PS 12 'R'

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at about 10.25am I was on uniformed duty at Buckingham Palace sat in the police canteen with PS 61 'R' Symes for a meeting. I heard a radio call saying that the perimeter alarm at Sector 9 had activated and PS 21 'R' Roffey the Section Sergeant gave an instruction for the normal deployment to start. PS Symes offered our assistance but we were told that it was not needed.

A few moments later we heard another radio call by PC 468 'R' Davis saying "Suspects seen to enter" and "ladder found on outside." PS Symes and myself ran and collected our radios and then ran into the garden via the Electrician's area. I informed PS Roffey by radio that we would start to clear the contractors from the tents on the lawns. This we did and when we reached a point near the first toilet tent at the edge of the lake, PS Symes remained at that point while I went to check the two tents on the far side of the main lawn. PS Symes called me by radio saying that he had five suspects approaching his location. I ran to him and as I reached him he had detained one who I now know to be Rebecca Johnson. I tried to stop the rest but could only detain two of the others who I now know to be Helen Back and Paula Moderson.

The last two ran on past the tents towards the West Terrace area. I used my radio and warned other officers that two had got passed us. The three detained persons were trying to push past us towards the Palace, they were singing, shouting and chanting and had a banner and placard. It was hard to work out what they were talking about but it was a protest about nuclear testing and the Nevada desert and compensation to a tribe of Indians. One of them stated that she wanted to see the Queen because she was the Sovereign.

The reason I advised the officers near the West Terrace area that two had got passed us was concern for the safety of HM The Queen and the other members of the Royal Family who were in the palace at the time. I was satisfied that these three arrested persons would not leave quietly and requested by radio for a third officer to assist us. By then we had forced all three to the ground and the two of us restrained them in order to prevent them approaching the palace where HM The Queen was. I then gave a general caution to all three and told them that they were arrested for possible criminal damage and would be detained whilst we sorted it out.

Johnson said, "We've got plenty to say." I said, "Save it until later." Inspector Brown ran past us toward the Palace. I could hear on the radio that other persons had been detained but had no vision of what went on. PC 202'R' Simpson joined us and we each conveyed a prisoner to Electrician's Gate area. I took Helen Back, PS Symes took Rebecca Johnson who had the banner "British Nukes are killing the Western Shoshone" and a placard. PC Simpson took Paula Moderson.

We were then conveyed together to Charing Cross Police Station. On route I heard by radio that the wire on top of the wall had been cut in eight places. The facts were related to the Custody Officer in the presence and hearing of Back.

Witness Statement of Nigel Robert Simpson PC 202'R'

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

At about 10.30am on Tuesday 6th July 1993, I was on duty in the garden at Buckingham Palace at the West Terrace Box. As a result of an alarm activation of the perimeter wire I immediately took up a position on the steps of the West Terrace.

It soon became clear that there were a number of intruders in the garden. A number of these intruders made their way towards the West Terrace and were duly arrested and restrained by other officers whilst I maintained my position. They were about twenty yards from me at this time. I heard the intruders, who all appeared female, shouting in the manner of a protest and were brandishing banners. I was unable to make out the nature of their protest.

I then saw the duty officer, Inspector Paul Brown, approach me. As a result of that he told me I went to the far side of the large marquee on the left hand side of the lake. There I saw PS 61 Symes and PS 12 Clark detaining three female intruders. PS Clark informed me that they had all been arrested and cautioned. I then took hold of one of the women whom I now know to be the defendant Moderson. All three were then taken to the Electricians Gate where they were placed in a police vehicle and conveyed to Charing Cross Police Station.

It had come to notice that damage had been caused to the perimeter wire where they had gained entry. This fact was relayed to the Custody Officer.

Witness Statement of Timothy Smith PS 9D

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at 11.45am I was on duty in full uniform in Grosvenor Place, London, SW1, following an emergency call to Buckingham Palace. I was standing on the East footway when I noticed a gathering of pressmen on the opposite footway. I also noticed a banner flying. I walked across the road and saw a woman I now know to be Diane Helen McDonald. I would describe her as white, approximately 5'6" tall and about 45 years of age. She was of slim build, wearing a red and cream, check blouse, cream coloured trousers, brown sandals and ladybird design earrings. She was holding a banner approximately 2 metres by 1 metre and supported by two bamboo canes. On the banner were the words, 'Royal Recognition for Western Shoshone Sovereignty.' I produce this as exhibit TS/1.

She was standing on the West footway immediately next to the road outside the Royal Bank of Scotland which is just North of the junction with Chester Street. In Chester Street was a white Volkswagen van index number B287NLN (exhibit ID/2). It was parked against the South kerb facing West, approximately 20 yards West of the junction with Grosvenor Place. Ms McDonald opened the driver's door and showed the assembled pressmen a pad of paper with a telephone number on. She then returned to her original position where she had earlier been standing and continued to be interviewed by the press.

At about 12.20pm she was approached by DCI Jackson who spoke to her and arrested her, I was not able to hear what he said to her. A marked police vehicle pulled in the centre of the road and DCI Jackson placed her in the rear of the vehicle. Ms McDonald handed DCI Jackson a black Volkswagen key (exhibit ID/1) which he then handed to me. I then went to the Volkswagen in Chester Street with PC 331D Alan McLinton. I unlocked the vehicle and PC McLinton placed the banner in the rear of it. I was then joined by PC 209D Ian Donaldson.

PC Donaldson drove the vehicle to Charing Cross Police Station while I sat in the passenger seat. At the station we parked the van and locked it. At 1.20pm in company with DCI Jackson, PC Donaldson, PC 265 CX Jaffa and Ms McDonald, the van was searched by PC Jaffa. In the front nearside glove compartment was found a pair of bolt cutters (exhibit ID/3) with red handles. In a black holdall, was found an A to Z road map of London. Inside the book there was a typed sheet of paper with details of Buckingham Palace, including Security arrangements, policing arrangements and details on the law regarding trespass, (exhibit ID/4). An examination of a tool box behind the front passenger seat was found a further pair of red handled bolt cutters with one black rubber grip on (exhibit ID/5).

Under the nearside front windscreen was a City of Westminster fixed penalty ticket (exhibit ID/6). Laying across the rear passenger seats was the banner (exhibit TS/1).

Witness Statement of Robin Jackson DCI

Over 21

Dated (no date)

At 12.20pm on Tuesday 6th July 1993 at Grosvenor Place, SW1, I saw a young lady whom I now know to be Diane McDonald briefly, reporters and film crews. There was a large single banner held at one end by Ms McDonald with a bamboo cane. It was some two metres long and a metre broad, half a white background, half a white background. In red letters sewn on – a banner of considerable preparation and planning – it stated, 'Royal Recognition For Western Shoshone Sovereignty.'

North of this one woman demonstration by some 50 yards and on the other side of the road were a pair of black wooden gates in the wall surrounding Buckingham Palace. There I inspected two aluminium collapsible ladders up against the wall and above it, strands of barbed wire cut and removed from an extensive and formidable security wiring which, at its highest part, for some four, five hung out over the wall.

I went up to Ms McDonald I said, "I am Detective Chief Inspector Jackson," I showed her my warrant card, opened, and she looked at it, "From Charing Cross Police Station." I continued, "I am arresting you for being concerned in causing criminal damage." She said, "What Police Station?" I said, "Charing Cross." I added, amidst a huddle of reporters and journalists, "I am arresting you for conspiring with others to cause criminal damage." I then cautioned her. She said, "Oh I think you sit down on occasions like this."

Two PC's carried her to a nearby police car which had approached the scene and stopped in the middle of the road. I sat in the back of this vehicle with her. She handed me a car key, I identify this now as exhibit ID/1. "Here's the key to my van, what will happen to it?" She asked. "We'll bring it along." I passed the key to an officer outside the van and thus instructed him. Ms McDonald described a white Volkswagen bus and its location.

On the same day between 2.25pm and 2.39pm in an interview room at Charing Cross Police Station I interviewed Diane McDonald in the presence of Detective Constable Stepney and WPC 578 CX Collins. The interview was tape recorded. I produce this master copy of the tape as exhibit RJ/1.

Between 3.45pm and 4.10pm I interviewed Rowan Tilley in an interview room at Charing Cross Police Station. Detective Constable Sadler and WPC Collins were present. The interview was tape recorded. I produce the master copy of the interview tape as exhibit RJ/2. Between 5.35pm and 5.44pm in an interview room at Charing Cross Police Station I interviewed Jane Gregory. The interview was tape recorded. I produce the master copy tape as exhibit RJ/3.

I produce summaries of the interview as follows:- McDonald – Exhibit RJ/4, Tilly – Exhibit RJ/5, Gregory -Exhibit RJ/6. I was present in the Station yard at Charing Cross Police Station when PC Donaldson and PC Jaffa searched Ms McDonald's white Volkswagen mini bus, she too was present. At 6.20pm on Thursday 8th July 1993 in the basement car park at the Police Station, against her signature on receipt, I restored the Volkswagen bus to Ms McDonald in the presence of WPC Collins.

Ms McDonald told me, "Can you send the parking ticket on to my address in Southampton so that I can deal with it." I said, "Yes, I'll take a Photostat." I collected barbed wire debris from inside Stonemason's Gate. They were conveyed to the Police Station.

Witness Statement of Ian Robert Donaldson

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

On Tuesday the 6th of July 1993 I was on duty in full uniform in Grosvenor Place, SW1. As a result of information I went to Chester Street, SW1 at approximately 12.30pm. There PS 9 D Smith (SO16) handed me a key with a black head (exhibit ID/1) and asked me to take a prisoner's vehicle to Charing Cross Police Station. The vehicle was a white Voltswagen van, index B287NLN parked against the South kerb facing West approximately 20 yards East of Grosvenor Place, SW1. I exhibit the vehicle as ID/2.

In the back of the vehicle I noticed a banner folded with Cane Supports in the colours blue and white (exhibit TS/1.) In company with PS 9D Smith I took the vehicle to Charing Cross Police Station. At approximately 1.20pm in the Police yard at the said station I was present with DCI Jackson, PS 9D Smith and PC 265CX Jaffa and also Ms McDonald, the vehicle owner when the vehicle B287NLN was searched. In the glove compartment was a set of bolt cutters with red handles. I produce as exhibit ID/3. As the vehicle continued to be searched a typed letter with information thereon of Palace security and history/ information of Palace grounds was found in the A-Z in a black holdall situated between the driver and front passenger seats. I produce as exhibit ID/4 the above letter. On further searching inside a tool box behind the passenger seat was found another (*pair of*) bolt cutters, also with red handles and one black hand grip. I produce as exhibit ID/5. On the front windscreen of the vehicle B287NN was found a City of Westminster parking ticket, serial no: 640 04860 for vehicle B287NLN, timed 11.56am in Chester Street, SW1, exhibit ID/6. Also inside the vehicle B287NLN was found a banner and Cane Supports. When unfolded it had sown on it the words, "Royal Recognition for Western Shoshone Sovereignty." The words were on a blue and white background. In the top left corner was a Royal Crown and in the top right corner was a Royal Crest. The banner was approximately 2m x 1m with approximately 8' Cane Supports, exhibit TS/1.

The vehicle was re-locked in the presence of McDonald. I can describe Ms McDonald as a white woman, approximately 5'6" tall, dark hair, slim build, ladybird earrings, wearing cream coloured trousers, brown sandals, no socks and a check shirt with red, blue and cream colours, aged approximately 45 years.

Witness Statement of Gordon Ritchie PC 146 CX

Over 21

Dated 6th July 1993

Signature Gordon Ritchie

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at approximately 10.30am I was on patrol in a marked police carrier with PC 757 CX Tyson and PC 241 CX Stevens, as a result of information from Charing Cross Police Station over the personal radio relating to persons breaking into the grounds of Buckingham Palace, SW1.

We arrived at Stonemason's Gate, Buckingham Palace, Grosvenor Place, where I saw C 468R Davis with two males who I now know to be Jack Picone and John Hurst. I noticed they were all standing next to two ladders which were resting on Stonemason's Gate. I also noticed Picone had a photographer's camera at the scene. I was made aware that both Picone and Hurst were arrested.

I climbed to the top of the left hand ladder, which consisted of two parts which extended to approximately ten feet, which I produce as exhibit GR/1 at the top of Stonemason's Gate. I noticed several lengths of barbed wire had been cut leaving enough room to enable a person to get through. I also saw a length of blue nylon rope approximately sixteen feet in length which had had a number of knots tied along the length, which I produce as exhibit GR/2, the rope was tied to a metal railing on Stonemason's Gate and went to the ground inside Buckingham Palace grounds.

The other ladder and rope were on the right hand side of Stonemason's Gate and are exhibits MT/1 and MT/2. Stonemason's Gate is opposite number 19 Grosvenor Place, SW1. All exhibits were taken by Police transport to Charing Cross Police Station where they were recorded in Book 66, serial number CX 858/93.

Witness Statement of Marcus Tyson PC 757 CX

Over 21

Dated 6th July 1993

Signature Marcus Tyson PC757 CX

On Tuesday, 6th July 1993 I was on duty in full uniform in a marked police carrier in company with PC146 CX Ritchie and PC241 CX Stevens. We received information from Charing Cross Police Station Communications Room over our personal radios that persons were breaking into the grounds of Buckingham Palace from a point in Grosvenor Place, SW1.

We immediately attended the scene and arrived at approximately 10.30 hours. I saw two aluminium ladders leant up against Stonemason's Gate. I saw that the barbed wire at the top of the gate had been cut, so as to enable a person to climb over the gate. I also saw, upon inspection, two lengths of blue nylon rope hanging down on the inside of the gate. These had been used by persons to lower themselves from the top of the gate and into the grounds of Buckingham Palace.

The two ladders and two lengths of rope were recovered and recorded in Book 66, serial no. CX858/93. At the scene met PC William Davis 468R. I became aware that PC 468 R Davis had detained two men who I now know to be Jack Picone and John Hurst. I noted that Jack Picone had a photographer's camera. At approximately 11.15am I returned to Charing Cross Police Station with the two ladders and two lengths of rope which I submit as exhibits MT1, MT2, GR1 and GR2.

Witness Statement of David Williams

Over 21

On Tuesday 8th June (sic) 1993 between 2.56pm and 2.58pm I interviewed Paula Moderson in a tape recorded interview room. The interview was tape recorded. I produce the master tape of the interview as exhibit DW/3.

Between 3.10pm and 3.14pm also in the presence of Detective Constable Sadler I interviewed Juley Howard. This interview was also recorded, I produce the master tape of this interview as exhibit DW/4.

Between 3.23pm and 3.28pm, again in the presence of Detective Constable Sadler, I interviewed Cat Spider-Crone. This interview was also tape recorded.

I produce summaries of these interviews as exhibits DW/6 (Moderson), DW/7 (Howard), DW/8 (Spider-Crone).

Statement of David Williams

Over 21

Dated 13th October 1993

Signature D Williams D/S

Further to my previous statements,

On 13th July 1993 Detective Constable Sadler handed me eight photographs which are identified as exhibit RS/15.

Statement of Robert John Sadler

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

Signature RJ Sadler DC

On the 6th of July 1993 between 2.56pm and 2.58pm I was present when DS Williams interviewed Miss Moderson. This interview is produced as exhibit DW/3.

The same afternoon I was present at the interview of Ms Howard between 3.10pm and 3.14pm. This interview is produced as exhibit DW/4.

Between 3.23pm and 3.28pm DS Williams interviewed Ms Spider-Crone. I was present throughout and the tape is produced as DW/5.

Between 3.34pm and 4.10pm I was present when Detective Chief Inspector Jackson interviewed Ms Rowan Tilly, PC 578 Collins was present throughout. This interview is produced as RJ/2.

Later that afternoon I was again present when DCI Jackson interviewed Ms Gregory, WPC Singh was present throughout. Tape exhibited as RJ/221.

After each person was charged I took polaroid photographs of each of the prisoners which I produce as RS/1 to RS/14.

Witness Statement Detective Constable Jeremiah Cahill

Over 21

Dated 13th July 1993

Signature J Cahill

On Tuesday 6th 1993 I was on duty at Charing Cross Police Station and in company with DC Stepney when we interviewed the following persons in the Custody Suite Interview Room. All the interviews were tape recorded and conducted as follows: Rebecca Johnson between 3.02pm and 3.09pm. Yvonne Eyre between 3.21pm and 3.26pm. Helen Back between 3.39pm and 3.44pm. Kay Tabernacle between 3.53pm and 3.58pm. Deborah Blacksmith between 4.11pm and 4.17pm. Vron Edwards between 4.42pm and 4.46pm. Pippa Taylor between 4.59pm and 5.03pm. Anneke Kraakman between 5.12pm and 5.16pm.

Also present during the interviews of Edwards, Taylor and Kraakman was Ms Scilla Rayner their legal representative.

I produce the following sealed master tapes of interview of my exhibits. Rebecca Johnson exhibit JC/1. Helen Back exhibit JC/2. Deborah Blacksmith exhibit JC/3. Pippa Taylor exhibit JC/4. DC Stepney produces the following sealed master tapes as his exhibits. Yvonne Eyre exhibit AS/1. Kay Tabernacle exhibit AS/3. Vron Edwards exhibit AS/4. Anneke Kraakman exhibit AS/5.

Later I was present in the charge room when the following persons were charged, charge read over and further cautioned by Inspector Newman. I contemporaneously recorded any replies made within the notebook of the respective arresting officers after which they were given an opportunity to read and sign the notes.

Pippa Taylor at 7.45pm who replied, "I call that nuclear testing should stop and that the Western Shoshone people should be given compensation for the land and damage that the nuclear bombs have caused."

Juley Howard at 8pm who replied, "I'd like to say that the second charge is totally outrageous. I was inside Buckingham Palace to ask the Queen as head of state to recognize the Western Shoshone nation and to stop the British government from conducting any more nuclear weapons test on their land and apologize."

Vron Edwards at 8.10pm who made no reply.

Jane Gregory at 8.15pm who replied, "Western Shoshone Sovereignty must be respected and nuclear testing on their land should be permanently halted and compensation for the damage caused must be negotiated with the Western Shoshone National Council."

Anneke Kraakman at 8.22pm who made no reply.

Helen Back at 8.32pm who replied, "I am accusing the British Government of violating the sovereignty of the Western Shoshone Nation and causing criminal damage by exploding nuclear weapons on Western Shoshone land , damaging irrevocably the environment and causing damage to health and death."

Rebecca Johnson at 8.54pm who replied, "The Nevada test Site has been criminally contaminated and abused by British nuclear testing in violation of the Sovereignty of the Western Shoshone Nation

and human decency. Nuclear testing must be stopped and compensation made to all its victims.”
Deborah Blacksmith at 8.45pm who made no reply.

Cat Spider-Crone at 9.05pm who replied, “You haven’t got any evidence for any of this.” Rowan Tilly
at 9.15pm who replied, “I have nothing to say.”

Diane McDonald at 9.25pm who made no reply.

Paula Moderson at 9.40pm who made no reply.

Yvonne Eyre at 9.46pm who made no reply.

Kay Tabernacle at 9.55pm who made no reply.

Witness Statement of Paul Bazire PS 1022 'R'

Over 21

Dated 16th July 1993

I am a Police Officer attached to the Royalty Protection Department. On Tuesday 6th July 1993 at about 10.40am I was on duty in plain clothes at 'Electrician's Gate' Buckingham Palace. As a result of a call and information received by radio from PC Symes I entered the garden of Buckingham Palace.

I passed through a large marquee onto the South side of the lawn and I saw ahead of me two persons who I now know to be Rowan Tilly and Jane Gregory. They were walking towards the West Terrace of Buckingham Palace approximately 20 yards ahead of me. Gregory was swinging a bag on her back. I shouted towards them 'Police, stand still!' They then began running towards the West Terrace. I ran after them and caught them at the base of the West Terrace where with the aid of a fireman they were both restrained on the grass.

Knowing that certain members of the Royal Family were in residence I was very concerned for their safety and as a result both women were restrained face down on the grass. I told them that I was a Police Officer and that they were being arrested for suspected criminal damage. They were cautioned and although not giving a direct reply both were repeating, "We are peaceful protestors against nuclear testing." I searched both women for weapons and they were then conveyed to Charing Cross Police Station by police van.

Witness Statement of Anthony Stepney DC/ 181108

Over 21

Dated 14th July 1993

Signature A Stepney DC

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 I was on duty at Charing Cross Police Station where in the interview rooms within the charge room I interviewed the following persons. All these interviews were recorded. Between 3.21pm and 3.26pm Yvonne Eyre, also present was DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit AS/1.

Between 3.53pm and 3.58pm Kay Tabernacle also present was DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit AS/3.

Between 4.42pm and 4.46pm Vron Edwards also present was DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit AS/4. Also present was Edwards legal representative Ms Scilla Rayner.

Between 5.12pm and 5.16pm Anneke Kraakman, also present was DC Cahill and Kraakman's legal representative Ms Scilla Rayner. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit AS/5.

I was also present when the following interviews were conducted, these were also tape recorded. Between 2.25pm and 2.39pm Diane McDonald also present was WPC 578 CX Collins and the interview was conducted by DCI Jackson. The sealed master tape is referred to the exhibit RJ/1.

Between 3.02pm and 3.09pm Rebecca Johnson, this interview was conducted by DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit JC/1. Between 3.39pm and 3.44pm Helen Back this interview was conducted by DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit JC/2.

Between 4.11pm and 4.17pm Deborah Blacksmith, this interview was conducted by DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit JC/3.

Between 4.59pm and 5.03pm Pippa Taylor, this interview was conducted by DC Cahill. The sealed master tape is referred to as exhibit JC/4. Also present was Taylor's legal representative Ms Scilla Rayner.

Summaries of these interviews have been prepared and are produced as follows:- Johnson AS/6, Eyre AS/7, Back AS/8, Tabernacle AS/9, Blacksmith AS/10, Edwards AS/11, Taylor AS/12 Kraakman AS/13.

Witness Statement of Julie Collins PC 573 CX

Signature Julie Collins PC 578 CX

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 between 2.25pm and 2.39pm I was present in an interview room at Charing Cross Police Station whilst Detective Chief Inspector Jackson and Detective Constable Stepney interviewed Diana McDonald. The interview was tape recorded. At the conclusion of the interview, the master tape was sealed.

On the same day between 3.45pm and 4.10pm I was present in an interview room at Charing Cross Police Station whilst Detective Chief Inspector Jackson and Detective Constable Sadler interviewed Tilly Rowan. This interview was also tape recorded. At the conclusion of the interview, the master copy tape was sealed.

Witness Statement of Claire Singh WPC 604 CX

Dated 15th July 1993

Signature Claire Singh WPC 604 CX

On Tuesday 6th July 1993 between 5.35pm and 5.44pm I was present in an interview room at Charing Cross Police Station whilst Detective Chief Inspector Jackson and Detective Constable Sadler interviewed Jane Gregory. The interview was tape recorded. At the conclusion of the interview the master copy tape was sealed.

Witness Statement of Bruce Maguire 189107 PC 126 'R'

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

At approximately 10.30am on Tuesday 6th July 1993 I was employed at Garden Entrance to Buckingham Palace on protection duties. I received information via my personal radio that a perimeter alarm had activated and there were reports that a number of people had illegally entered the grounds. About 2 minutes later I saw about eight people, some carrying banners and placards making their way in a fast walk along the path by the tea house towards Garden Entrance and my position.

I was in fear of the safety of Her Majesty The Queen and other members of the Royal Family in residence at the time. As the people came nearer I moved towards them and when I was about 10 yards from Garden Entrance itself, the protestors a further 6 feet from me, I said, "Stop, that is far enough." The people were chanting and singing. 2 women aged about 25 with short hair who were scruffily dressed continued walking past me towards Garden Entrance. Fearing that they would gain entry to the palace and cause danger to members of the Royal Family I pulled each one in turn by the arm, forcing them to the floor. I immediately handcuffed them both together and then placed them with the remaining women who were now sitting in a circle about 10 feet away and who were surrounded by three other police officers.

I then dressed back so that I was covering the door in Garden Entrance itself so that I was in a position to block any entry by the protestors, should they suddenly jump up and make a run for the door. We remained in this position for some minutes, until a police van and a couple of officers from diplomatic protection arrived at the scene along with Mr Brown our Inspector. The van drew up next to the women who were still sitting in the same position singing and chanting, now some 10-15 yards from me.

I heard Mr Brown shout that he would like Royalty Protection Officers to remain at their posts and I saw the three officers who were with the women and an officer from DPG climb on the back of the van with the protestors. I remained where I was as I was the only armed police officer now covering the north wing of the palace and there were reports that there were still people at large in the gardens.

I remained at post for a further two and a half to three hours, still the only Royalty Police Officer on this wing although now backed up by DPG while police dogs searched the garden. I am not sure if I am able to identify the two women who I handcuffed.

Witness Statement of Marc Gatefield

Over 21

Dated 15th July 1993

Signature Marc Gatefield PC 398D

On Tuesday 6th 1993 at approximately 10.20am, I was on duty in uniform along with other officers of the Diplomatic Protection Group attached to Westminster Police Station, in a marked police vehicle, when I received information via my personal radio that intruders had entered the grounds of Buckingham Palace, London, SW1.

I went to a pre-arranged meeting point at Grosvenor Place, junction with Chapel Street, London SW1. On arrival at the scene along with other officers, we were re-deployed to Electrician's Gate to assist with persons who had entered the grounds of Buckingham Palace by means of scaling the wall at the rear of the Palace wall and cutting the alarm that is above it.

I then went with other officers from the Royalty Protection Department into the grounds of Buckingham Palace. On arrival at the scene I noticed several women sitting under a large tree. I then assisted in removing the women into Police transport to be removed to Charing Cross Police Station. I had been informed that all were involved in the alleged criminal damage and entry of the grounds of Buckingham Palace and had been arrested. They were brought to Charing Cross Police Station and were detained.

Witness Statement of Bernard James Keeler

Over 21

Dated 8th July 1993

Signature BJ Keeler

On 8th July 1993 I went to Charing Cross Police Station and there between 17.40 and 17.55 I took one photograph. This photograph is detailed in the Index of the Photographic album S/C Reference No. 8.63/93. This album I now submit as Exhibit BJK/8163/93. The unretouched negative is filed at the Photographic Branch. BJ Keeler.

Witness Statement of Paul James Canning

Over 21

Dated 6th July 1993

On 6-7-93 I went to Buckingham Palace. ----- and there between 12.45 and 14.00 hours, I took six (6) photographs of Stonemasons Gate from interior and exterior.

These photographs are detailed in the Index of the Photographic album S/C Reference No. 8032/ 93. This album I now submit as Exhibit PJC/8032/ 93. The untouched negatives are filed at the Photographic branch. PJC.