Statement of Stephen CAMPBELL

- 1. My name is Stephen CAMPBELL.
- 2. I make this statement in response to a written request from the Royal Commission into the Management of Police Informants, dated 7 May 2019.
- 3. I have been diagnosed with mental health illnesses including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and have been receiving ongoing professional treatment in regard to these illnesses since 2001. I am giving this statement to the best of my recollection.
- 4. I was previously employed with Victoria Police from June 1988 to May 2006.
- 5. While employed at Victoria Police I worked at the following locations:
 - Hawthorn Police Station.
 - Port Melbourne Police Station.
 - Fitzroy Police Station (Approximately 5 years 1991 -1996)
 - Russell Street District Support Group (May 1993 to June 1994)
 - Melbourne City Police Station (May 1995)
 - Prahran Criminal Investigation Branch (March 1996 August 1998)
 - Embona Taskforce St Kilda (August 1998 July 2000)
 - Fitzroy Criminal Investigation Branch. (July 2000 April 2003)
- 6. In April 2002 I was interviewed for offences and in February 2003, I was charged with those offences. I was suspended from Victoria Police at that time.
- 7. A committal hearing was held in 2003 and I was subsequently committed to stand trial.
- 8. In May 2005 a trial was held at Melbourne County Court where I was acquitted of all charges.
- 9. I ceased employment with Victoria Police in May 2006 on ill health grounds.
- 10. In May 2006 I relocated to Western Australia for mental health reasons and retuned to live in Melbourne in December 2017.
- 11. I have prepared this statement without reference to police diaries, day books or any other notes or files that were compiled while I was an employee of Victoria Police. I do not have possession of any of those documents. The last time I saw any such documents was 2003 when they were left by me at the Fitzroy Criminal Investigation Branch.

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Question 1.

12. I have previously had an intimate personal relationship with Ms GOBBO. I believe that I knew her from attending at court and later met her in a social situation which may have been at a bar or hotel in Melbourne. I believe that I first met Ms GOBBO between 1998 and 2000. The relationship continued on a casual, intermittent basis over a period of around five or six years.

Question 2.

13. I knew that Ms GOBBO was a defence barrister and had a professional relationship with other members of Victoria Police. I am not aware of personal relationships that Ms GOBBO had with other members of Victoria Police.

Question 3.

14. I became aware that Ms GOBBO was providing assistance to Victoria Police due to media reports over the last few months. I do not recall the exact date that I became aware that she was a police Informer. I did not know she was a police Informer when I was a member of Victoria Police.

Question 4.

15. Nil further information.