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QUEENSLAND CHILD PROTECTION COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

Statement of Witness

| Name of Witness | Christopher Donald DEELEY | | |
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| Date of Birth | 07/03/1957 | | |
| Address and contact details | Known to Detective Senior Constable Denise PARER | | |
| Occupation | | | |
| Officer taking statement | Detective Senior Constable Denise PARER | | |
| Date taken | 14/11/2012 | | |

I, Christopher Donald DEELEY state;

- 1. I am a former employee of the Department of Family Services [herein referred to as the department]. Prior to entering the employ of the department I worked as a disabilities services officer with the Department of Health from 1977 for a 10 year period. At the time of my long service I decided to take a break from my position and undertook two other employments one as a postie for Australia Post and the other as a youth worker at the John Oxley Youth Centre [herein referred to as JOYC].
- 2. I cannot recall the date or month I started at JOYC but recall that I was employed as a casual and worked on the 3pm-11pm shifts so it would fit in with my postal job. I undertook the position of youth worker at JOYC for approximately 8 months before I made the decision to return to Disabilities services.
- My role as youth worker at JOYC involved me undertaking duties such as supervising the few children that were allocated to our respective wing. We

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would take them out to the yard, supervise them at meal time, and I remember one of our jobs was to always count the cutlery after the kids finished their meals.

- 4. When I commenced at JOYC I remember that the manager of the centre was Peter Coyne. I remember Peter as being easy to get on with and I did not have any issues with Peter or management staff. I was the kind of person who turned up to work and just got on with my job. I didn't have time to get in to politics and was not aware that there may have been issues at JOYC. I do not recall ever providing or being asked to provide any statement or letter about my employment or management at JOYC.
- 5. I was not a union member whilst employed at JOYC.
- 6. I have some recollection of there having been some sort of Inquiry at JOYC around the time of my employment. I am not sure if this Inquiry occurred before or after I left. The term Heiner Inquiry means nothing to me and I do not recall ever having met a man named Noel Heiner. I do not know where the Inquiry was supposed to have taken place or who was involved in it. I was not involved in that Inquiry in anyway. I do not know what that Inquiry was supposed to be about but have some recollection of there being a change in management whilst I was at JOYC. I do not know why.
- 7. At no time during my employment at JOYC was I ever aware of any sexual abuse allegations or concerns. At no time did I ever write a report, statement or give evidence in relation to any allegations of sexual abuse as I had none to report. Further, I have never been approached by media or any other person or body and questioned about my employment at JOYC.
- 8. On the 14th November 2012 I was contacted by Detective PARER of the Queensland Child Protection Commission of Inquiry during which time I provided her my knowledge of this matter. During this conversation Detective PARER read to me a list of names of past employees of the JOYC. I recognised

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> several of those names including youth workers Sue Dyer, Steve Linneweber, David Porter, 'Rosalie'. I further remember there being a female Maori youth worker and an Indigenous female youth worker at the centre as well.

Christopher Donald DEELEY

Declaration

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| Name | Perer Brewer | Rank | INSPECTO | Reg. No. | 7/60 | | |

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