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## QUEENSLAND CHILD PROTECTION COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

Our reference: [eDocs document number]

## Statement of Witness

Name of Witness	Rosemary Elizabeth COX	
Date of Birth	8/11/1950	
Address and contact details	Townsville Ph: 0401 977 170	
Occupation		
Officer taking statement	Det Ins Peter Brewer	
Date taken	22 / 10 /2012	

## I, Rosemary Elizabeth COX state;

- 1. I am a married woman and currently work in the provision of child care services to the community. I am not presently employed by the State of Queensland.
- In the late 1980's or early 1990's I was employed for a very few number of shifts
  at the John Oxley Youth Centre, Brisbane. At the time my Husband Trevor
  COX was also employed at the Centre as a Senior Youth Worker.
- I worked in the Alarm Monitoring area known as the 'Senior's Bubble'. This
  was a separate area facing the accommodation units. You could see young
  people when they were moving between areas. These were staff supervised
  movements.
- 4. I was employed to visually monitor any alarms that activated and then make inquiries with the relevant area to confirm if the alarm was a legitimate activation, or a false alarm. This method was employed only for a short couple of months until the Centre transitioned to an automated system including duress alarms. I recall that in the time I was there I did not experience one legitimate alarm activation.

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- 5. I recall that I only worked 4 or 5 shifts in the Senior's Bubble which was usually on a weekend during the morning. I was studying at the time and was able to utilise the time towards study when it was quiet. I also recall that at the time the Centre was unable to get people to come and monitor the alarms and I and a number of other people gained some short term work doing this work.
- 6. I usually worked by myself and the only person in any authority I had contact with was Col Bray, but this contact was infrequent. I am unable to recall any other persons I worked with in the Senior's Bubble.
- 7. On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012 I was contacted by Detective Inspector Brewer who explained the role of the Commission of Inquiry and the Terms of Reference relating to the Government response to allegations of sexual abuse in Youth Detention Centres.
- 8. I do not have any personal knowledge or other information relevant to this term of reference or the operation of the Youth Centre in general. I have never given evidence to any Inquiries previously in relation to allegations or alleged events at the John Oxley Youth Centre
- 9. I make this statement of my own free will and declare that the information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Rosemary COX

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