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QUEENSLAND CHILD PROTECTION  
COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

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Statement of Witness

<i>Name of Witness</i>	Bronwyn Marguerite Friend
<i>Date of Birth</i>	11/09/1958
<i>Address and contact details</i>	
<i>Occupation</i>	Manager- Financial Services
<i>Officer taking statement</i>	Detective Sergeant J A MISON
<i>Date taken</i>	08/11/2012

I, Bronwyn Marguerite Friend state;

1. I am 54 years of age.
2. I am currently employed as a manager in the financial services industry.
3. I am a former employee of the Department of Family Services, [herein referred to as the department].
4. I commenced working for the department in the capacity of a casual alarm watcher at the John Oxley Youth Centre, [herein referred to as JOYC]. I started working at JOYC sometime in 1989. I finished working for the department on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1990. I know it's this date because I have a letter dated the 15<sup>th</sup> March 1990 from Acting Principal Youth Worker Col Bray. This letter addressed to me by Col Bray outlines that my last shift at JOYC was to be Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1990.
5. As I understand the position of alarm watcher was only ever temporary due to JOYC having a faulty alarm system. I also understand there were other persons that were employed as alarm watchers. My good friend Lynne Draper who also worked at JOYC told me about these casual alarm watcher jobs, so applied for one. At the time I was also working fulltime for another company. Basically my job at JOYC was to monitor the

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alarm system, however because I was also good at administration I undertook some extra duty including typing. Whilst I typed letters and reports I would also be able to monitor the alarms.

6. I did not have much interaction with the kids at JOYC. If I did it would have been very brief. This brief interaction was mainly due to me being in the alarm room which was located downstairs at JOYC separate from the kids.
7. I remember when I started work at JOYC the manager was Peter Coyne and Ann Dutney was second in charge. I also remember youth workers Rudy Pekalharig, Col Bray, Trevor Cox and my good friend Lynne Draper.
8. I was not aware of any problems or tensions at JOYC whilst I was working there. As a casual employee I did not work enough shifts to become involved with any issues. I also mainly worked my shifts on a weekend. Looking back now I may have only ever worked five shifts in total at JOYC.
9. I have become aware that there was inquiry into JOYC. I am not sure when I became aware but it may have been when I left JOYC. I think my friend Lynne Draper told me about this inquiry. I think from memory, Lynne told me that Peter Coyne and Ann Dutney left JOYC after this inquiry had finished.
10. I have not given evidence to any inquiry into JOYC.
11. I also have not written any letter or submission to any inquiry about JOYC.
12. I am not aware of any incidents of sexual abuse at JOYC.

**Declaration**

This written statement by me dated 8/11/12 and contained in the pages numbered I to 2 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B.M. Freund. Signature  
Signed at Brisbane this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2012

Witnessed:

[Signature] Signature  
Name J.A. MILSON Rank Pet Sgt Reg. No. 8065

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