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WITNESS STATEMENT

Agency Ref : **S073**
PF Ref :

Surname : RHODES Other or previous surname :

Forenames : Naomi DoB : [REDACTED]/1984 Age : 30

Occupation : [REDACTED] Other Occupation :

Police Station : Years Service :

Disclosable address :

Post Code:

This statement was taken :

Date and time : 12th of May 2015 15.45

By : INV ROSS STEWART
Place : Home Address

In the presence of : INV KEVIN ROONEY

I have/the witness signed/refused to sign this and all other pages

It was/not read over to the witness and was/not recorded on Audio tape and/or Video tape

States :

I am married and I live at this address with my husband Andrew (37) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

I have been visited today by Ross Stewart and Kevin Rooney from the Police Investigations and Review Commissioner (PIRC) and they have informed me that the PIRC is investigating the death of our neighbour Sheku who stayed at [REDACTED] Collette Bell's address at Arran Crescent

On Saturday night, 2 May, I was in the house all night with my husband. I did not hear or see anything unusual out in the street that night.

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The boxing was on early on the Sunday morning and Andrew sat up to watch it. I went to bed about 11pm.

I think it was about half six, quarter to seven (06.30 - 06.45), Andrew had come to bed before then, say about six o'clock (0600). I was kind of a sleeping but not in a deep sleep when I heard shouting outside. To start with I don't know what was being shouted. I heard banging as well as if something was hitting against my next door neighbour's fence [REDACTED]. I am quite nosey so I got up out the bed, our bedroom is upstairs and the window looks out onto Arran Crescent. Andrew stayed in bed at this time. I looked out and I initially saw nothing, nobody about. I stood at the window for about a minute, I could still hear shouting. I could hear a man shouting 'please stop I'm sorry'.

Two men appeared to my right on the pavement outside [REDACTED]. They must have been on the ground on the pavement and I couldn't see them because there is a fence there.

When they stood up I saw two men. One of the men ran to my left down Arran Crescent and out of sight.

I would describe the man as being early 30s, maybe about 6 feet tall, slim build, tanned complexion, not white but not black, thick black hair, dark clothing.

It was daylight outside and I think it had been raining.

I then recognised my neighbour, Shek who lives at [REDACTED] Collette Bell's address at Arran Crescent

He was wearing a dark coloured top, navy blue or black top with a yellow or green stripe down both arms.

Shek then kind of a walked fast and followed the boy up the street.

There was no more shouting. I didn't see any of the two of them with anything in their hands, no weapons or anything.

When I was looking out my window and just before they both stood up Shek was actually on top of the other boy and Shek was punching the other boy. He punched him 5 or 6 times. I couldn't see where the punches landed. This was at the end of the gate to [REDACTED] just at the hedge. They were on the ground for a couple of minutes. I forgot to say this at the start of my statement.

When I first seen the men fighting on the ground, my husband got out his bed as well and stood behind me. [REDACTED]. I think he must have seen the fighting. Andrew then said he was going downstairs to see if the dog would separate them from fighting. I heard my dog outside barking. The two men were still fighting for maybe 30 seconds after that. When I say fighting it was Shek that was doing all the punching. I didn't see the other boy punching back or fighting back. I only heard this man shouting at the start of this fight 'stop, please stop, I'm sorry'.

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When they both disappeared down the street, I just went back to bed. When I got up just about 9am the police were in the street. It was maybe about 4 or 5 o'clock on the Sunday night, I was at [REDACTED] when I heard on the news that Shek was dead.

This statement is a true and accurate record.

Signed :

(Witness)

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Surname : RHODES Forenames: Naomi
Alias/known as :

Place of birth : [REDACTED] Age : over 18

Home address : [REDACTED] Telephone : [REDACTED]
Naom Rhodes address at Arran Crescent

Post code :

Business address : [REDACTED] Telephone : [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Post Code :

Mobile : [REDACTED]

Email :

Fax/Pager :

Other :

Dates when unavailable in next 12 months :

Other Confidential Material :

