STATEMENT OF ROBERT STEWART

ROBERT STEWART WILL SAY as follows:

1. I am presently a prisoner at HMP Woodhill, having been convicted of the murder of Zahid Mubarek in 2000 and sentenced to life imprisonment.

2. I wish to co-operate with the Inquiry established by the Home Secretary on 29th April 2004 to investigate the circumstances leading up to my assault on Zahid Mubarek in the cell we were sharing at YOI Feltham. I am prepared to attend the oral hearings of the Inquiry to give evidence if requested to do so.

3. I have been asked a number of questions by the Inquiry Team. These are set out below in full and, immediately below each one, I have set out my response.

Q1 Are you now willing and able to say anything more about the reason or reasons why you attacked Mr Mubarek than you said to the police and the court in 2000? If so, we shall also wish to know why you did not give such an explanation at the time.

1.1 Due to a maturing attitude and learning through a period of time to see things in general in a different light I am more willing now to discuss the reasons why I attacked Zahid and to be more honest about it than I was before.

1.2 The reason I attacked Zahid was because I wanted to get myself shipped out of Feltham. I didn't like it there for the reasons I will explain below. My thinking was that if I assaulted someone fairly seriously I would have to be moved to another prison, but if that person was another prisoner it was unlikely that he would make a formal complaint and so I would not end up with another conviction.

1.3 I now admit that I was aware of what I was doing when I assaulted Zahid, but I didn't want him dead. I realise now that one blow to his head using a table leg would have been enough. But, at the time, I wanted to make sure that the assault would be seen to be serious as otherwise I would only have spent a week in the Segregation Unit and then found myself back in Swallow Unit. I also wanted to make sure that, after attacking him, he did not get up and fight back.
1.4 I never said at the time that I did not take it seriously but I, like the vast majority of people charged with murder, was only concerned about myself at the time and getting a good result. I was hoping I could get away with it so I didn't tell the police why I had assaulted Zahid. The duty solicitor who advised me said that if I told the police why I had assaulted Zahid, and he were to die, I would be charged with murder. She also said there were three possible defences open to me: provocation, self-defence or diminished responsibility. She reckoned I had little chance on running provocation or self-defence so I ran diminished responsibility.

Q2 At your trial, there were put to you a number of possible reasons why you might have chosen to attack Mr Mubarek. One suggestion was that you wanted to be transferred out of Feltham. Is your evidence still that you did want to be transferred, but that this was not the reason for the attack? How do you explain what you wrote in your letter of 23rd February 2000 (see the chronology)? Had you ever created an incident in order to get moved from one establishment to another (if so, please give details)? Were you aware of that being something which prisoners sometimes did? What sort of incidents or offences did you perceive as being of a kind which would cause the perpetrator to be “shipped out”? What exactly was it about Feltham that you disliked?

A2 As stated in response to Question 1, the main reason for the attack was to be transferred but it was never my intention to kill Zahid.

2.1 I accept that, looking back, the letter I wrote on 23 February 2000 is quite hard to explain. There are likely to be several letters where I (or others) may have said they were “going to kill someone”. I’ve said that sort of thing numerous times without meaning it literally. It becomes difficult to explain when you’ve actually killed someone.

2.2 I have previously been involved in incidents to get myself transferred from one prison to another. One occasion was when I was at Altcourse. Myself and Mervyn Plummer found we were the only lads from Manchester while the rest of the prisoners were all from Liverpool. There’s a lot of tension between people from Manchester and people from Liverpool. Our cell was robbed by several of the Liverpool lads and they were giving us a lot of verbal aggro, saying things like “Why are you walking like that, you’re not in Moss-side now”. Mervyn and I got ourselves a metal tube from the chair in our cell and stuck it down our trousers when we went down to get our dinner and
confronted the lads who had robbed our cell with them. We each got sent to the Segregation Unit for 5 days and I was then moved back to Hindley.

2.3 On other occasions I would engage in a constant succession of small incidents, such as those noted on my prison records, to try and get myself moved.

2.4 What I didn’t like about Feltham was mainly the ‘alienation’ factor. I couldn’t get on with anyone there and everyone seemed to be obsessed with how much of a ‘gangsta’ they were. There was no one else from where I come from and I hardly recall having a conversation with anyone.

2.5 About half the prisoners in Swallow Unit were black and a smaller number were Asians. I wasn’t used to that, and there was clearly a lot of tension between blacks and whites. Whenever you went into a cell at Feltham you’d see graffiti like swastikas, the initials KKK and things like “Kill all niggers” and “White girls suck black cock”. The general perception in Feltham was that all whites were racist, and the black lads didn’t like the whites. If a white guy gave a black guy a ‘burn’ [cigarette] he’d be seen as a traitor.

2.6 The racial tension at Feltham was similar to the strong Manchester-Liverpool rivalry (who’s the biggest gangsta and such) in prisons in the north-west where I had done most of my jail before Feltham. It’s something you grow out of when you reach adult prisons; when I was in Belmarsh in 2002/03, for example, it seemed to have gone, and blacks and whites generally got on.

2.7 But even if all the other prisoners in Swallow Unit had been white I don’t think I’d have got on with them. All the talk was about who had the most money and the best girls, and things like that.

Q3 Another suggestion was that you wanted to kill someone because Maurice Travis and Graham Watmough had done so. What do you now say about that? Whether or not it was the reason for the attack, is there any truth in the suggestion that at some point Travis told or encouraged you to kill or attack another person – either your cellmate at Feltham, or anyone else? If so, we would wish to have full details. Did you receive letters from Travis while he was at Feltham? Did you write to Travis? When had you last spoken to Travis on the telephone?
The suggestion that I wanted to kill someone because Graham Watmough & Maurice Travis had done that is quite ridiculous. If I had wanted to kill Zahid I would not have pressed the cell bell when I did.

Neither was any suggestion made to me by either Travis or Watmough before the assault that I should kill someone. However, while I was awaiting trial, my solicitors (Veja & Co) received a letter from Travis suggesting that he’d told me that the only way I would achieve high status in the eyes of other prisoners was if I killed somebody. I don’t think I’ve ever seen that letter but I believe it said that I’d left him to carry the can for killing A____ and that my killing someone would make us equal. Later, before my trial, a coded letter from Travis to me was intercepted at Woodhill, telling me to ‘play along’ and saying that the reason he had sent the earlier letter to my solicitors was so that he would have to attend my trial as an aider and abettor, and could attempt an escape. I have given my permission to Veja & Co to disclose to the Inquiry such information from their file relating to my criminal trial as the Inquiry may require.

Another suggestion was that you attacked Mr Mubarek because he (Mubarek) was about to be released. What do you now say about that?

The fact that Mr Mubarek was to be released was not a factor. I have seen hundreds of prisoners, including former cell-mates, be released. Prisoners do sometimes receive what’s called a ‘beating’ from other prisoners before they are to be released as a sort of ritual, but I’d never known it happen at Feltham or in other prisoners down south. Such beatings usually take the form of a wrestling match or, at Werrington where there would be 20 to 25 prisoners in a dormitory overnight, wrapping the prisoner in question up in a duvet cover. In any case, such ‘beatings’ would not usually result in injuries and this is not the explanation for what happened with Zahid.

It was also suggested that you were motivated in whole or in part by racial prejudice. What do you now say about that? How would you describe the feelings which you have, or had at the time, towards people of Asian origin? What do you now say about the reasons why you drew a swastika on the wall of the cell to which you were moved after the attack? Did you ever belong to, or have anything to do with the activities of, any political parties or organisations of the extreme right? Did you have any friends or relatives who were involved with such bodies? To what were you referring when you said at your trial (transcript of evidence p.33) that your brother had “always been trying to get me into it”?

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A5 I admit that racial prejudice played some part. The views I had then seemed to start
when I was at Feltham. Looking back, apart from my own ignorance, as described in
answer 2.5 above, these stemmed from the large number of black inmates and general
racial tension in Feltham, and the cultural differences between London's young people
and those where I come from.

5.1 I wasn't that bothered about race before I went to Feltham. One of my friends back
home was a black kid. While I was at Hindley I spent a couple of short periods at
Feltham when I was being remanded for a harassment charge. I'd be taken to Feltham
on the Monday, go to court on Tuesday and then return to Hindley on Wednesday. It
was during those visits I first noticed the predominance of black lads. I thought it was
quite funny, in the sense that it was unusual in my experience. When I'd get back to
Hindley the lads there would ask me what Feltham was like and I'd say "it's full of black
people". I said that because that was the greatest impression it made on me and it was
the first thing that came into my head.

5.2 I cannot explain why I drew a swastika on the wall I of the cell I was moved to after I
attacked Zahid. As I have said at Answer 2.5 above, such graffiti was common in the
cells at Feltham and it had no special significance for me. I'd never taken much notice of
it before I went to Feltham.

5.3 I have never been a card-carrying member of the National Front or anything.

5.4 My brother was more racist in outlook that I was, and used to come out with language
about "niggers" and all that, but I would describe him as more of an Alf Garnett type
than anything else. He never set up or belonged to any racist organisations or anything
like that. When I said at my trial that he had "always been trying to get me into it", I
meant adopting his attitudes. For example, if I put on black music he would say "What
are you listening to that nigger music for?". Or, if Andy Cole missed a goal during a
football match, he would say things like "You black bastard".

Q6 It appears from what you have said previously that, in carrying out the attack, you
hit Mr Mubarek a number of times with the table leg, and that you then stopped
hitting him and pressed the cell call button. Is that true? Can you confirm, or
otherwise, that you did not hit Mr Mubarek again after you had pressed the cell
call? How quickly did the night patrol officer come to the cell after you had pressed the cell call?

A6 I confirm that immediately after hitting Zahid I pressed the cell bell. I did not further assault Zahid after that and just waited for the screws to come.

6.1 The night patrol came about 2 to 3 minutes later. That is about the time it would take to go straight from the Unit office to Cell 38. Often it could take a lot longer; for example, if the screws were watching a TV programme when a cell bell went off, they would wait for a convenient break before attending.

Q7 You referred in various letters that you wrote on 20th March 2000 to the film “Romper Stomper”, which had been broadcast on television in the early hours of 19th/20th March. Did you watch that broadcast in your cell? If not, how did you come to be writing about it later that day? If you did, how would you now describe your reaction to the film?

A7 I did watch the film Romper Stomper. I don’t know exactly when it was but I think it was only a few days before I attacked Zahid. It was one of a genre of films which Channel 4 were showing at that time. Others in the series were Scanners, Scum, Crash and a film about the Viet Nam war. A big deal has been made of Romper Stomper’s content of Australian Neo-Nazis but I mentioned Scanners the same amount in my letters.

7.1 I watched Romper Stomper in my cell. There were 3 portable TVs on the Unit and they were allocated to 3 cells in rotation. I don’t think I would have seen it when I was at Altcourse as, although the cells there all had televisions, the central aerial was disconnected at 9pm and then a video of never more than a ‘15’ rating would be put on; therefore, I would not have viewed Romper Stomper there either as a terrestrial broadcast or as a video.

7.2 I don’t believe my having watched Romper Stomper had any part to play in my attack on Zahid. As I have said above, all I wanted to do was to get myself shipped out of Feltham.

Q8 The statement should describe your relationship with Zahid Mubarek during the time that you shared a cell. How well or badly did you get on? Were there any
particular incidents between you? How did you spend the time when in your cell together? Are you aware of Mr Mubarek ever having wished to move cells?

A8 I got on with Zahid relatively well. Basically we would read, talk or sleep.

8.1 At first we had a few arguments, but that is not uncommon where there are two strangers locked up together for long periods at a time. The arguments we had were not about anything serious. For example, Zahid had been doing drugs outside and was coming off them, so he would lie on his bed doing nothing for a lot of time. In prison there’s an unwritten rule for double cells that during the daily cell-clean one sweeps and the other mops, and then the other way round the next day. Zahid wouldn't do his share but because he had not been inside before I gave him the benefit of the doubt until, after a few days, I said something to him about it, along the lines of “Why don’t you get off your arse?” Or we would argue about what to listen to on the radio which belonged to Zahid but for which I would buy the batteries. Zahid liked to listen to ‘gangsta rap’ but I would want to hear the football. But the fact that he was Asian and I was white was not the cause of any arguments between us.

8.2 The only discussion about moving cells was about the time (17th March 2000) that my status changed from convicted prisoner to remand prisoner. I wanted to move to the Remand Unit as soon as possible because you get to wear your own clothes there and spend more money. It wasn’t unusual that I wasn’t moved the same day that my status changed. Zahid said he didn’t “want some knob-head coming into the cell when [he] was just about to get out” and on either the following Sunday or Monday he, Jamie Barnes and me went to speak to one of the screws about moving. I don’t remember now who that was or exactly what was said, but I would have been asking to move to the Remand Unit, and Zahid and Jamie were asking about sharing a cell together. Nothing happened following that conversation.

Q9 Had you ever previously been involved in any sort of violent incident with a cellmate? If so, please give details. Had you previously shared a cell with a person of black or Asian origin? If so, where and approximately when and for how long was that? Are you aware of any occasion, prior to the killing of Zahid Mubarek, when any sort of assessment was made of your suitability for sharing a cell with other prisoners?
The only previous violent incident involving a cellmate was in January 1997 when I got beaten around the head by my cell-mate with a metal dinner tray. The only other such incident was in November 1999 at Altcourse (Liverpool) when, as described at Answer 2.2 above, Mervyn Plummer and I made weapons and threatened the fellow prisoners we suspected of having things taken from our cell.

I have shared a cell numerous times with black/Asian prisoners and also, on one occasion, a refugee from the former Yugoslavia who could not speak English.

I am not aware of any cell-sharing risk assessment of me ever having been done.

To what extent, if at all, did you obtain and use alcohol or drugs of any kind whilst in Feltham?

There was no drug or alcohol use at Feltham by me.

Were you involved in any significant incidents whilst you were at Feltham, such as fights with other prisoners, or causing damage to property, or harming himself? If so, your statement should give full details of such incidents, and identify so far as possible the members of staff who knew about them.

The only incident I was involved with at Feltham, apart from the one I'm serving a sentence for now, was an argument with a black guy over a game of table tennis.

Did you know who your personal officer was whilst you were on Swallow Wing? What contact, if any, did you have with your personal officer?

I knew that a personal officer was allocated to me but I did not know who that personal officer was. No one ever came to me to say they were my personal officer and, although there was a notice board on the Unit which told you who your personal officer was, I never bothered to find out.

Is it correct that all through your time at Feltham, and apart from visits to court, you were locked in your cell for 23 hours out of every 24? Did you attend any classes or groups or do any work of any kind? How did that compare with the position at the other institutions where you spent time? Do you have anything to
say more generally about how, in any respect relevant to the Inquiry's terms of reference, the regime at Feltham differed from that at other institutions?

A13 Throughout my period at Feltham, I spent 23 hours a day in my cell. Nothing was offered to me, though I did ask (via application) to attend education. I was put on a waiting list, apparently, but I never heard anything. That was not unusual as there were only 120 places in the Education Centre for the 900-odd prisoners in Feltham at any one time.

Q14 Did you receive any visits while you were at Feltham? If so, from whom? From whom, and how frequently, did you receive visits when held in other institutions prior to the attack?

A14 I received no visits whilst at Feltham. I have never generally bothered with visits during the time I have been in prison and the fact that I was not receiving any was not a factor in wanting to get myself shipped out.

Q15 It appears from your evidence at trial that the wooden "dagger", which was found under your pillow after the attack, had been made by you out of wood taken from a table, and that you had done this after you had been at Feltham for about two weeks. Is that true? If so, you should explain in more detail how you made the weapon, and where you kept it after making it. Did Mr Mubarek know about the dagger?

A15 The wooden dagger I made after the argument over the table tennis game referred to at Answer 11 above. I made it with a splinter of wood I got by breaking off the cross-bar from the table in Cell 38 and wrapping thread from my blanket round one end to give it something to grip. I carried it about with me in case the guy I'd had the argument with planned to take it further.

Q16 You indicated in your police interviews and your evidence that the table leg with which you attacked Zahid Mubarek had been accidentally broken off the table a week or 10 days previously, in a fit of temper, but with no intention of using it as a weapon. Is that true? Did Mr Mubarek know about the broken table leg? Do you accept that you had used parts of cell furniture as weapons in the past? Was that common in the establishments where you were held?
A16 I broke the leg off the table in our cell about 5 days before the attack. I can't now remember exactly why I did that, but it wasn't done in a fit of temper as I told police. I think I did it because of some daft argument I'd had, and I wanted to come out of my cell and crack someone with it so I could get myself shipped out.

16.1 I propped the table leg back up against the table until an opportunity arose when I could use it. Zahid knew the table leg was loose.

16.2 I accept that I have used parts of cell furniture as weapons in the past, such as the incident in Altcourse described at Answers 2.2 and 9 above. That was common practice at the establishments where I have been held.

Q17 So far as you were aware, how often was cell 38 searched or examined by prison staff whilst you were there, and in what way? There is a suggestion that on the Sunday or Monday preceding the attack (i.e. 1 or 2 days previously), you were at association when Mr Mubarek approached you and told you that “the governor” or “that screw” had found your “stuff” or “the tool” in your cell, possibly down the toilet, and that you responded by indicating something under your clothing and saying that “they haven’t got everything”. It is suggested that the reference in each case was to a weapon. What do you say about that? Exactly what weapons did you make and/or conceal whilst you were at Feltham?

A17 I'm not sure how often the cells were searched. However, the screws are required to check them daily, usually the door locks and bars etc.

17.1 Regarding the comments Zahid made about the screw finding “that stuff”, when I broke the table, I propped it up to look fixed. However, the cross-bar of the table which I'd used to make the dagger referred to in Answer 15 couldn't be re-attached or disposed of. I just wanted to get rid of it so I stood it up in the corner behind the toilet. Zahid was concerned about it being found and him then being placed on report. Had the daily check been done, it could not have been missed. When Zahid referred to “the stuff” being found, it was clear to me he was talking about either the table-leg or the cross-bar. I had the dagger on me at the time which is what I was referring to when I patted my stomach and said “they didn’t find everything”.

Q18 It appears that on 12th January 2000 staff at Lapwing Unit at Feltham intercepted a letter from you which they returned to you because it contained racist
comments. Are you aware of any other occasions prior to the killing of Zahid Mubarek when your mail was intercepted? If so, why was that, and what happened?

A18 There was only one occasion (at Feltham) when my mail was intercepted that I know of.

Q19 You were taken from Hindley to Feltham for short periods on 10th and 17th and 24th January 2000, for the purposes of court appearances. After a further transfer on 7th February 2000, it appears that the decision was taken that you should remain at Feltham. Were you aware of this decision at the time? Do you know who took it, and why?

A19 I was not aware a decision had been made to keep me at Feltham, though it became apparent after a few days when I never returned to Hindley.

Q20 The Inquiry is concerned to know about the extent to which and the manner in which your mental state was considered by the Prison Service prior to the killing of Zahid Mubarek. In particular –

(a) Are you aware of any occasions when you were interviewed by a psychiatrist? If so, please describe those occasions.

A20a) I cannot fully recall any session with a psychiatrist. There was none at Feltham.

(b) It appears that you were treated with Prozac between about 9th and 30th September 1997. Do you remember what effect this had on you, and/or why the treatment was stopped? Did you receive any other relevant medication at any time?

A20b) The time I was on Prozac was an act. I would probably have swapped the medication with another prisoner.

(c) After a series of incidents in autumn 1997 at Hindley, you saw a Dr Das on 23rd November 1997. It appears that he concluded that your behaviour was an act, prompted by your desire to be placed in the health care centre with Maurice Travis. How far was that true? Is it true that you said as much to healthcare staff
at the time? What can you recall about your interview with or examination by Dr Das?

A20c) I confirm that I was putting on an act when I was seen by Dr Das in November 1997. This was one of my attempts to obtain a transfer. I was just paffing around. I'd already lost all my remission so there wasn't anything more they could do to me.

(d) What can you remember about the occasion when you were examined or interviewed by a mental health nurse at HMP Altcourse in November 1999?

A20d) I do not remember seeing a mental health nurse at Altcourse.

(e) What is your recollection of the reception health screens you received on the various occasions when you arrived at Feltham? Was there any discussion of your mental health history, either at reception or as part of your induction? Do you remember whether you saw a doctor on or shortly after any of your arrivals?

A20e) I cannot fully remember the reception procedure at Feltham. Although it is the same in most jails: a doctor asks if you are ok.

Q21 So far as you are aware, did the Prison Service take any further action in respect of your involvement in the stabbing of A____ after the decision had been taken not to prosecute you for murder?

A21 I don't know of any further action taken against me by the Prison Service following the stabbing of A____. All I know of is that my prison record was annotated "Not to be allocated to HMP Stoke Heath".

Q22 Did the Prison Service take any disciplinary or other steps in respect of you after the incident in which _____ C____ was stabbed in the face by you?

A22 I spent around 3 weeks in segregation following this stabbing. A few weeks later, the police came up to interview me. They first went to take a statement from _____ C____ that day to take a statement from him but he refused to make one.
Q23 Finally, it appears that in about May and June 1999, whilst at Hindley, your behaviour and attitude improved dramatically. What explanation can you give of why this occurred?

A23 The only explanation to my behaviour improving in May/June 99 was that I was due for release in July '99.

4. Since providing the above answers to the Inquiry I have been shown a transcript of my interview by Judge Ray Singh and others from the Commission for Racial Equality which took place at HMP Woodhill on the 28th August 2001 (WB 489-504). Although I have not previously been shown the transcript, I believe it to be an accurate record of the discussion that took place on that occasion. Where differences occur between what I told the CRE and what I have told the Inquiry above, I believe my responses to the CRE are likely to be the more accurate as my recollection of events today is not as strong as it was three years ago. I have been asked by the Inquiry to amplify on some of my responses to the CRE which I do as follows:

Page 2, response 8: The other prisoner who had shared a cell with me previously in Lapwing was called W2.

Page 2, responses 9 and 10: I confirm that I was never seen by a Medical Officer at Feltham YOI.

Page 3, responses 4 and 5; Page 12, responses 3-5; Page 15, responses 8-10: Writing to the police to admit other offences I'd committed was something I had considered doing to get myself transferred out of Feltham. My reasoning was that I'd have to be charged with one or more of the offences I would admit to, and ask for the others to be taken into consideration; that would involve appearing before a local court, which would mean I would have to be shipped out of Feltham so I could attend. I believe that one of the letters I wrote at the time makes reference to this. I had done this before at Stoke Heath, where I had written to the police to admit some other offences although, as it happened, A[Redacted] was killed before they could come and see me and I got moved to Onley as a result. In the event, however, I decided not to do this at Feltham as I was only doing a six-month sentence and it would have taken too long for anything to happen to make it worthwhile.

I agree that my responses to the CRE at page 12 and 15 indicate that the reason I attacked Zahid was due to a combination of factors rather than being simply to get myself shipped out of Feltham. However, I would like to point out that the difficulties I had at Feltham were mainly...
with the attitude of the black lads; there were only about two Asians in Swallow Unit and I had no particular problem with them. With regard to Mr David Ogbonna’s fourth question to me on page 12 (repeated at the 8th question on page 15), I would point out that it was he who extended what I had been saying about the black lads to apply to the Asians as well.

I do not dispute that I had had some disagreements with Zahid, as described before, but these were nothing more than the usual sort of that happens when there are two of you sharing a cell. But in themselves they were not a reason for attacking him rather than anybody else. Like I told the CRE in my 6th response on page 11, Zahid was just in the wrong place at the wrong time. I wanted to hit someone to get myself shipped out. The other two factors I mentioned to the CRE came into it but I cannot say now to what extent. If it hadn’t been Zahid it would have been somebody else - I could have taken the dagger I’d made with me into the showers, or into the association area, and got somebody there. But you’re with your cell-mate 23 hours out of 24.

Page 5, responses 6 to 10: I confirm that this is an accurate account of what happened to the letter which was intercepted when I posted it at Feltham and returned to me as containing racist material.

Pages 6-7: What I told the CRE about when it was I broke the leg off the table is likely to be more accurate than as I remembered it in my response at Answer 16 above. As I said in that Answer, I can’t remember now exactly why I took the leg off nor when that was. It is quite possible that it came off when I took the cross-bar off.

Page 8, response 9: When I said I had put the wooden cross-bar from the table “in the toilet” I did not mean that literally. Obviously it would have been too big as it was when it came off the table to flush away, and still too big even when snapped in half and then again in quarters. So it had to be done a little bit at a time. I don’t remember if any of what was left of it was ever found on the Sunday or Monday before the attack but, as I said in Answer 17.1 above, when Zahid referred to “the stuff” having been found in our cell, I assumed he was talking about either the table-leg or the cross-bar. It would have been obvious to anyone who had noticed the cross-bar piece that it had come from the table as that was the only wooden item of furniture in the cell.

Page 9, 4th response: I cannot now describe the Senior Officer I was referring to here at all. I can’t even remember if that officer was male or female.
Page 11, responses 4 and 5: I confirm these responses. When I attacked Zahid he moved but didn't scream. If anyone heard screaming that night it wasn't from him. You often get cranks who shout and bang their doors all night.

Page 11, response 9; Page 10, response 1-3: Although I still remember both the incidents which I referred to here, I don't recall either of them resulting in an argument. I have been informed of the accounts given to the police by two prisoners called Byfield and Spencer but can say there is no truth what either of them have said.

Page 13, responses 6-10: I confirm the responses I made to the CRE. I am not aware of any occasion before the one referred to here when Zahid asked to share a cell with somebody else.

Dated this 4th day of October 2004

Signed ............R Stewart..............................................