

Commissions of Inquiry Act

**INQUIRY INTO THE RETIREMENT OF THE FORMER COMMISSIONER
OF POLICE**

**Convened by a Commission issued by His Majesty's Government of Gibraltar on
4th February 2022 in Legal Notice No.34 of 2022**

**WITNESS STATEMENT OF POLICE SERGENT
MARTYN JOHN CONNOR**

1. I am the above-named person.
2. At 0800 hours on Tuesday 19th November 2024, I commenced duty at New Mole House Police Station.
3. Later that morning, some time prior to 1019 hours, I was approached by Superintendent (Supt) WYAN who requested my assistance in carrying out a physical check of a mobile device. I was informed this was linked to the Inquiry into the retirement of the former Commissioner of Police (ex-CoP) Ian McGRAIL and that I would receive further instructions via e-mail.
4. At 10:19 hours, same date, I received an email from Supt WYAN who requested I obtain the mobile device (■■■■9010) which was in the possession of Chief Inspector (CI) TUNBRIDGE as this phone was previously used by ex-COP McGRAIL. I was instructed to carry out a check of this device for any messages between this device and the then work (■■■■9004) & personal (■■■■9135) mobile devices of ex-Supt Paul RICHARDSON between the 1st of January 2020 and the 30th of June 2020. Both phone numbers connected to ex-Supt RICHARDSON were provided within the email.

5. At approx. 1450 hours, same date, I carried out a physical check of said device under the observations of PC 207 READ. During the check I found no history of correspondence with either the then work device or personal device connected to ex-Supt RICHARDSON within SMS Messages or WhatsApp within the stipulated period. The work device number that had been provided was saved within this device as 'Supt WYAN' with the first WhatsApp message showing as the 5th of February 2021, and there was no history of any messages with ex-Supt RICHARDSON'S personal device. A search was also conducted within WhatsApp for 'Paul' and 'Richardson' and no messages/contacts appeared. I subsequently updated Supt WYAN of the above by email at 1526 hours, same date, and continued with other duties.
6. At 0800 hours on Monday 25th November 2024, I commenced duty at New Mole House Police Station. At approx. 1230 hours, same date, I was approached by Supt WYAN and CI ENRILES and requested to carry out a similar exercise with the mobile device in the possession of CI ENRILES (██████████9007). At 1433 hours, same date, Supt WYAN clarified the parameters via email where I was requested to check the device for any messages between said device and the then work (██████████9010) & personal (██████████4000) mobile devices of ex-CoP Ian McGRAIL between the 1st of January 2020 and the 30th of June 2020. Both phone numbers connected to ex-CoP Ian McGRAIL were provided within the email.
7. At approx. 1447 hours, same date, I obtained the device in the possession of CI ENRILES and conducted those checks again under the observations of PC 207 READ. During the check I found no history of correspondence with either the then work device or personal device connected to ex-CoP Ian McGRAIL within SMS Messages or WhatsApp within the stipulated period. The work device number that was provided was not saved as a contact but did feature in a WhatsApp Group titled 'Gold Command'. However, further checks showed the first message as being the 25th of June 2021. There was no history of messages with ex-CoP Ian McGRAIL'S personal device. A search was also conducted within WhatsApp for 'Ian' and 'McGRAIL' and no messages/contacts appeared.
8. I thereafter continued with other duties.

STATEMENT OF TRUTH

I believe the contents of this witness statement to be true.



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NAME: MARTIN JOHN CONNOR

DATE: 05/12/2024