

STATEMENT OF: Shane Leslie GABRIEL.  
Officer cadet.

Witness to the incident.

AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

STATEMENT in matter of:

Date: .....  
31 MAY 1987

Name:..... Shane Leslie GABRIEL .....

(Surname in capitals)

Longtan Company R.MC. DUNTROON

Address: ..... Phone Home Office

Occupation: Airforce Officer Cadet STATES:

My full name is Shane Leslie GABRIEL and I reside Longtan Company Quarters, Royal Military College Duntroon. I am an Airforce Officer Cadet and am doing a course at Duntroon.

About 9.00p.m. on Saturday 30 May 1987, I went to the Private Bin Disco in Civic. When I arrived there I met a number of friends from my Company and some American West Point Cadets. We were in the downstairs bar of the disco. As I was moving around the bar talking to friends I saw Phillip REED who is also a Cadet at Duntroon.

About 2.30a.m. Reid TOOGOOD and I decided to leave and go home. We were going up the stairs to go out the front door onto Northbourne Avenue. We were about 5 Metres from the front door when I saw Phillip REED and another male standing to our left. I then saw the male that was beside Phillip raise his right arm to head height and he struck a blow to the right side of Phillip's head. This male had an object in his right hand when he struck Phillip to the head. I cannot say exactly what the object was that he had in his hand because the incident happened so quickly. The male only hit Phillip once to the right side of the head. After the male hit Phillip in the head I saw that he then ran from the disco out the front door. I looked at Phillip and I could see blood coming from the right hand side of his head near his right ear. I then started to run after the male that had hit Phillip. I saw the male run out the front door and turned left. I chased the male to the corner of Northbourne Avenue and London Circuit. I could not see the male because he had headed off across London Circuit. I then returned to the Disco and I saw Phillip sitting in a chair and he had a paper towel to the right side of his head near where he had been hit by the male. One of the other people in the course then put him in a taxi and took him to hospital.

The male that hit Phillip with the object was dressed in a green dark jacket but i cannot remember any other clothing that he was wearing.

*Shane Gabriel*

After I returned to the disco I had a conversation with Daryl ENTRIKEN , another Cadet, and he told me that the male that had hit Phillip with the object was a Cadet by the name of KNIGHT. At the time I was leaving the disco I did not hear the male and Phillip arguing and the thing that attracted my attention was the male lifting his hand and striking Phillip to the side of the head.

*Shane Gabriel*

Signed: S.L.GABRIEL

Statement taken and signature witnessed by me at City Police Station on Sunday 31 May 1987.

*T.A. McQuillen*

T.A.McQUILLEN  
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