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**SERVICE POLICE
WITNESS STATEMENT**

(CJ Act 1967, S.9; MC Act 1980, SS.5A (3a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r70)

Statement of:	Mark John MOUTARDE	
Rank/Status:	██████	
Age if under 18: (if over 18 insert "over 18")	Over 18	Occupation: HM Forces (Army)
This statement (consisting of pages each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything, which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.		
Signature:	Dated the 24 th day of November 2005.	

I am the above named person.

Between Apr 02 and Nov 03, I held the appointment of Adjutant (Adjt), with 1st Battalion The Queen's Lancashire Regiment (1 QLR), where I was responsible for all discipline matters on behalf of the Commanding Officer then Lt Col Mendonca.

Between Jun 03 and Nov 03, I deployed with my unit on Op TELIC 2 to Iraq. Here I was responsible for all discipline matters, manning and career management up to but not including field officer rank on behalf of the CO, for all G1 reports and returns including casualty evacuation, as well as often being a member of the CO's tactical group.

When employed on the ground as a member of the CO's tactical group I cannot speculate or recall who was specifically left in charge of the camp, but I am certain that somebody was, as is military practice.

At the time of the death of Mr Musa, I recall the CO was on the ground with his tactical group however, at that time I had remained behind on camp to compile Confidential Reports. I do not know when that evening or the sequence in which I was informed of the death and I do not recall visiting the facility that evening. At this time in the absence of the CO on the ground given I was not in the G3 chain I was not in command.

Signature:

Signature Witnessed by:

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