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STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

In the matter of: Daniel HAYMAN
Place: Bondi Police Station
Date: 03 September 2013

Name: Moshe GUTNICK

STATES:

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
2. I am 55 years of age.
3. From 1982 to 1987 I was the Rabbi at the Strathfield and District Hebrew congregation. As the Rabbi I administered the congregation as Rabbi. I ran services Friday night and Saturdays and Sunday school on Sundays and pastoral care throughout the week. I was part time employed working in the Yeshiva Kashrut Department. In this role I over saw the production of kosher food to make sure it complied with kosher rules.
4. I don't recall when I first met Daniel HAYMAN but it was more likely through the Yeshiva. He worked as a Kosher supervisor in the Yeshiva Kashrut at 36 Flood Street, Bondi. He worked here part time and I seem to remember he was a student attending university in Wollongong. As far as I remember he later became an accountant working in his father's business. I think he was around 19 to 20 years of age at the time.
5. Towards the end of my time (1987) as the Rabbi at Strathfield I remember receiving a phone call. A older sounding male voice said,

"I have someone on the phone that needs to tell you something."

A much younger male then spoke on the phone.

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He said words to the affect that he had been abused. I think he said in the showers at the Yeshiva. I remember clearly that he was telling me that he had been sexually abused. I cannot remember the exact words. He told me the perpetrator was "GUG." Gug is the nickname for Daniel HAYMAN. At the time I was uncertain as to whether the call was real especially as both parties remained anonymous and I thought maybe they were just trying to get Gug in to trouble.

6. I rang someone at the Yeshiva Bondi. I can't remember who that was now. It is likely I would have called Rabbi LESCHES as he was in charge of the students and Gug was very close to him. I don't think I would have called my brother in law, Rabbi FELDMAN because I don't think he would have had that much to do with the boys. But I don't really remember who I called. Suspecting that the matter wasn't real it left my mind quickly and I completely forgot about the incident.
7. Around July 2011 there occurred an internal debate within the organisation of Rabbi's of Australasia to when is the appropriate time to involve police in the matter of child sexual abuse. This was conducted via emails. One Rabbi who later retracted was of the view that only in specific circumstances was it appropriate to tell the police. I and the vast majority of Rabbi's was of the view that the police needed to be informed immediately. The debate spilled over in to the Jewish press. In the press I made a public statement as to the need to immediately report all instances of child sexual abuse immediately. After my statement appeared in the press I received a phone call from REDACTED who asked to come meet with me.
8. On a Saturday night at the beginning of August 2011 he came to my home. He said, "Do you remember receiving a phone call more than 20 years ago while you were in Strathfield from a boy claiming to have been abused."

At first I didn't remember and it took me a few minutes to rack my brain then the memory came flooding back.

I said, "REDACTED don't tell me it was you."

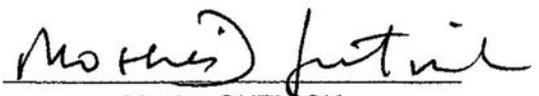
He said, "Yes it was me. After reading about your statement in the paper I thought I would come and remind you of what happened and to let you know that I have taken action to make sure that he won't do it again."

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I said, "I still don't know, who won't do it again."

He said, "Gug."

I said, "Gug, you have got to be joking, I don't believe it, I do believe it but it is a mind boggling. **REDAC** I am so sorry that I didn't do anything at the time. I remember, I think telling LESCHES but I'm not sure but I didn't think it was real."

He said, "Look it is okay. I don't bear any hard feelings, why would you believe an anonymous phone call."

I said, "If I had known then what I know now about abuse I would have taken it much more seriously. Have you gone to the police?"

He said, "Gug is now in Los Angeles and I have contacted the authorities there."

I can't remember the name of the organisation but I am fairly sure it was a family protection group in Los Angeles.

He said, "I have made sure that he won't re offend."

I was in absolute shock. There had always been rumours about Gug but to hear it from someone that was not making it up. On a personal note I became resolved to do everything in my power to make sure that the voices of the sexually abused be heard.

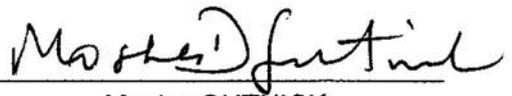
9. Sometime in 2012 after the discussion with **REDAC** I went to visit my son at the Rabbinical college in Melbourne. While there I had a conversation with **REDACTED** **REDACTED** used to live in Sydney, he was born in Sydney and used to frequent the Yeshiva Bondi. I also know him as one of the administrators at the Rabbinical College where my son is.

I said, "You know that someone who was abused by Gug came to me and told me the story and that's how I first found out it was actually Gug."

He said, "Was it **REDACTED** "

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I said, "Yes."

He said, "I was also abused by Gug."

I said, "You're not serious."

He said, "Yes, it happened once but I have been dealing with it ever since."

I said, "Did you tell anybody."

He said, "Of course LESCHES."

I said, "So what happened."

He said, "Nothing."

I said, "REDA go to the cops, tell them the story."

He said, "Should I?"

I said, "You have to."

He said, "Okay."

After this I didn't speak further about it.

10. When Gug worked for us we used hire vehicles. Sometimes he would drive his own vehicle when he went to Kosher a Hotel. I seem to recall he drove a blue Commodore with GUG number plates.

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