

## STATEMENT

Name: Ramon LEWIS

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**STATES:**

My name is Ramon LEWIS and I am a Professor of Education. I am making this statement in relation to my dealings with Rabbi David KRAMER.

In 1992, although I can not recall the exact date, I was asked by a member of the Yeshivah Centre to speak to Rabbi KRAMER in order to determine if he had acted inappropriately towards some of the children. This was because the person who asked me to interview Rabbi Kramer was trying to ascertain if he had sexually molested any of the boys. I was asked to do this because of my involvement with the Centre in the past. My background is in Educational Psychology and I had trained some of their teachers and worked with the Yeshivah School in other capacities. This is why I was asked this time. I can't recall the person that asked me.

I went to Rabbi KRAMER's home the evening after being briefed. Rabbi KRAMER lived in an apartment building opposite the Yeshivah College in Hotham Street, East St Kilda. His apartment was REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED. I believe it was REDACTED REDACTED. When I got there I went inside and spoke with Rabbi KRAMER in the lounge room. I believe that his wife was in the apartment at the time but was not present when I spoke to him. The conversation started by me telling him why I was there and I asked him if he had any sexual involvement with any of the boys. Rabbi KRAMER admitted to me that he had touched the boys but he was quite clear that boys had initiated the touching and that no harm was done. He indicated a belief that the boys had enjoyed it. The tone of his admissions were quite disturbing to me as I could see that there was no contrition.

When Rabbi KRAMER stated that he had touched the boys, he didn't mention the number of boys he touched but I felt like he was describing a number of boys that he had touched.

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I went back to the person who asked me to conduct the interview and told them about what was said by KRAMER to me.

When I got home I spoke to my wife about the conversation I had had with Rabbi KRAMER because she is an experienced qualified psychologist and social worker and I wanted to find out if the reasoning of Rabbi KRAMER was exceptional.

I made no notes as to this meeting with Rabbi KRAMER but recall it because he appeared genuinely convinced that the boys desired, initiated and appreciated such inappropriate contact.

  
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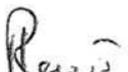
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Statement taken and signature witnessed by me  
at 9:07pm on 24/5/2011 at Moorabbin

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I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

  
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