

WITNESS STATEMENT

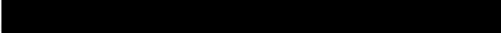
Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27. 2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B

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Statement of: POLICE CONSTABLE SEVDA GONEN

Age if under 18: OVER 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: POLICE OFFICER

This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) 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.

Witness Signature:  Date: 20/02/2022

I did not view my body worn before writing this statement.

On MONDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2022, I was posted to NA89N with PC RAMSHAW 1335NA on a night shift, commencing my shift at 21:00hrs. PC RAMSHAW received a briefing from MA'AM BULLAMORE NA2L indicating there may be a possible Unlicensed Music Event (UME) on 502-508 TOTTENHAM HIGH ROAD N17 CAD 6825/14FEB22 refers. PC RAMSHAW then briefed me, and we made our way to the location arriving at approximately 21:30 hrs.

Upon arrival, we were greeted by the security guard for the venue, whom was stood outside the gates between 502-508 TOTTENHAM HIGH ROAD N17. I spoke to the security guard who stated the venue manager was inside the premises. I requested for him to call the manager (Mr Andrei VISAN) so that we could understand what was happening and hear his account.

As the manager was being called, two neighbourhoods' officers also attended the scene, PC STONE 1820NA an PC BAJRAMI 1184NA. According to the officers, they had initially attended during the late turn shift as the Inspector for the Operations Room (NA400L) indicated that there were reports of a potential large gathering at the venue. Officers initially attended and reported that this was a Valentine's Day Dinner event with an expected turnout of approximately two hundred (200) prepaid guests. According to officers, on prior attendance, Mr VISAN was initially being obstructive and did not allow officers to enter as NA400L requested for officers to look inside the venue to gather evidence however, they were denied access.

Mr VISAN attended and presented a contract to officers indicating that this is what he had applied to the council with in order to get permission to use the event. I noted the application was signed by Mr VISAN on 07/02/2022 however, it was not signed by the council. I then believed that the event was a UME and informed Mr VISAN that the event would have to close down and everyone inside would have to leave. Mr VISAN was becoming verbally agitated. I then explained that because the contract Mr VISAN possessed was not signed for by the council. The neighbourhoods' officers then told Mr VISAN that we would need to enter the venue.

I then entered the venue along with PC STONE 1820NA and PC BAJRAMI 1184NA and noted that there were approximately one hundred (100) people inside the venue, live music playing with a stage and speakers, and a small bar which was actively selling alcohol towards the back left corner of the venue.

I then left the venue along with my colleagues.

I exhibit my body worn as SEG/01 – 502-508 TOTTENHAM HIGH ROAD N17 – which depicts all interactions and the venue


Witness Signature: 

Signature Witnessed by Signature: