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STATEMENT in the matter of:

Place: Paddington

Police Station

Date : 13 July 2001

Name:

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Address:

Occupation: Self employed

STATES:-

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which 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 shall be liable for prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

2. I am 31 years of age.

3. I am the oldest of three girls in my family. My father is BAK and my mother is VRS. From the time I was born until I was about 7 and a half years old we lived in a house at . While I was living in ---, I went to the Valentine Public School.

4. Before I turned eight years old our family moved to . We moved into a house there and lived there for about 9 months to a year. After that we moved to and I lived there with my parents and sister until I was about 17 years old when my mother and I moved to the Central Coast. while I was living in the Hornsby area I spent one year at Public School and then I went to Public School and I did my high school education at High School.

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20. My mother had a friend that was a priest. His name was Father Dennis Mac Alinden and we referred to him as Father Max. He was a missionary over in Papua New Guinea for a while and he appeared to go wherever he was needed. Like a 'casual' or relief priest. Father Max was a friend of mums from her school years and he was about 15 or 20 years older than mum. Father Max appeared to travel around Australia a lot. He would often drop over to our house unannounced.

21. My family went on holidays up North. I can't recall which town we went to but it was on the coast. It was where father Max was living at the time and we went to his house. Father Max was in his white priests robe and I remember sitting on his lap. I was only about 8 or 9 years old. we were in the loungeroom. I remember feeling that his penis was erect as I could feel his penis pressing against my buttocks. We were only there for about 20 minutes and then we left. My mum, my dad and my two sisters were all there.

22. Father Max used to stay in the spare bedroom at our house at . On one occasion Father Max told me when I was going to bed to "Come and wake me up in

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the morning." When I woke up I went in and Father Max was awake. I remember lying on his bed and I had my pyjamas on. I cant recall what type of pyjamas I had on but father Max put his hands inside my underpants and he rubbed the outside of my vagina. He did not penetrate me.

23. He masturbated himself and when his penis was erect he put his penis between my thighs and slid his penis back and forth. He pushed my legs tightly together as he was sliding his penis back and forth. He pulled me close to him and rubbed his penis on my stomach. He had long pyjamas pants and top on and the pants had the fly hold at the front. He did not take his pants down but took his penis out of his fly hole.

24. Father Max slid halfway down the bed and my underpants were down. He began to lick the outside of my vagina. He did this for a couple of minutes. It made me shudder and i now realise it may have been my first orgasm. When he stopped I pulled my underpants back up and left his room. I got dressed and went to school. While father Max was doing these things to me he said things like "Do you know what happens when I do this?" and "Do you know why I do this?" and he would demonstrate such as when he was sliding his penis between my thighs. He made me feel like this was a practical sexual education course.

25. On another occasion I came home from school about 4pm. I was about 10 years old and I was in about year six at school. Father Max was waiting in his car which was parked in the driveway. Father Max drove an off white coloured van. I have a key to the house and father Max came over to me. I can't recall what we said but I had a key and let us both into the house. I recall sitting in the lounge room on Father Max's lap. I had my

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school uniform on. Father Max pulled my underpants down and my tunic up. father Max began to count my pubic hairs as I had only just started to get them. He said "Do you know that's where my penis goes?"

26. My sisters came home about that time so Father Max took me in the van to the park that is in Galston Road. He parked the car at the front of the athletics oval in the car park area. I was sitting in the front passengers side. Father Max said "I can't believe after all this time you haven't seen what comes out when you do this." Father Max undid his fly and pulled out his erect penis. He masturbated himself while I was watching and ejaculated into his hanky. He didn't really say anything else to me that day after that and he drove me back home. My mum was home by that time and we had dinner. Father Max left the next morning.

27. On another occasion that father Max was visiting he suggested to my mother that my sisters and I fly to Perth to visit him there. Father Max was based in Perth at this time. I was about 11 years old at that time and I remember thinking I do not want to go. I told mum that I didn't want to go but my sisters did go.

28. I cannot recall on what occasion he said it but Father Max said to me "Don't tell anyone about this." or words to that effect. I was scared of father Max as I had seen him lose his temper on a few occasions and one time he took my sisters and I to the pool at Hornsby Public Pool. One of my sisters would not get out of the pool, father Max was in the pool and he reached over and picked her up and threw her out of the pool onto the cement.

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29. Father Max did not visit us as often after I did not go to Perth. I have not seen him for at least 10 years and my mother does not keep in contact with him.

30. When I was about 18 years old I told my partner, at the time ^{URSM} about what and father Mac Alinden had done. I said something like "I was abused by a priest when I was younger." I didn't go into a lot of detail about it. I have since discussed what has happened in detail with my counsellor Beth STONE. Beth STONE has a practice in Edgecliff Mews at New Maclean Street, Edgecliff.

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DETECTIVE SEN/CONST.

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