

Statement of [REDACTED] C/O Mallow Garda Station. Date of Birth: Over 21. Taken on 28/08/2025 by D/Gda [REDACTED] of Mallow G.S.

I hereby declare that this statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence I will be liable to prosecution if I state in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

I have had the above declaration read over to me and it has been explained to me also. I understand it and what it means. I remember 3 weeks ago approximately; I believe it was the 9th of August 2025. I was making my way home from Ballicollig with my daughter [REDACTED] we came back via Glantane. We had been doing out weekly shopping in Ballicollig at approximately 2.30pm. I stopped at Supervalu before leaving Ballincollig & it took us about 40 minutes to get to the bridge at Rosskeen. I don't know the actual name of the bridge. The bridge is near the main Mallow - Killarney road by Rosskeen garage at the turnoff for Banteer. When we reached the bridge I could see [REDACTED] was asleep next to me. I noticed 3 males standing very near the at the gate before the bridge on the Banteer side of the bridge. The first male was standing with his back to the road facing the other 2 males at this time. This male I would describe as being tall between 5' 8" and 6' feet tall, well-built, muscley, with black hair down to his shoulders, he looked dirty/rough & had stubble on his face. He was dark skinned and was wearing a navy jumper – dark navy with dark pants, possibly jeans - they were well worn. The other 2 males were standing off the road nearer to the gate they were facing the first male. The first of these 2 males I would describe as being about 5' 2" in height, slight build tanned but not dark skinned, he was bald, he was I'd say in his late 20's. He was wearing a stripped t-shirt with wide stripes either black or navy coloured. The 3rd male had blond hair tight to his head not shaved just a tight haircut, he was tanned like the 2nd male as well. I didn't get a good look at what he was wearing. I would say these 3 men were [REDACTED] by their appearance. The 1st male I would say was in his late 40's or early 50's he was well worn/aged and the 3rd male was similar in age to the 2nd male in his late 20's. These 3 men stood out me as the 3 of them were not wearing wellingtons and there was no car near where they were. They had what I would describe as 2 five gallon drums with them. One was white the other was blue. I could see clear liquid in the white drum, I couldn't see what was in the blue drum. They also stood out to me as they had no fishing gear of any kind with them, no fishing rods etc. & when I got onto the main Mallow – Killarney road I couldn't see any car anywhere at the time. If they were fishing hey would park close to the bridge as that's where fisher men park usually. It's a popular spot to go fishing. Where these men were standing has easy access to the river

on both sides of the road. I remember now we stopped at a café by Inniscarra Dam and we left there at about 3pm and it took us about 40 minutes to get to the bridge from there. I have had this stamen read over to me and I have been invited to make any changes or alterations to it that I deem necessary but I do not wish to do so.

Signed: [REDACTED]

Witnessed: [REDACTED] D/Garda.