

Post Office Ltd

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Witness Statement

Criminal Justice Act 1967, Section 9; Magistrates Court Act 1980, sub section. 5A(3)(a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

Statement of: Gareth Idris JENKINS

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Business Architect

This statement (consisting of two pages 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 true.

Dated the 6th day of March 2013

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This statement is made in addition to my original statement made on 15th January 2013.

I have been asked to carry out an analysis of the Horizon Logs. I present as exhibit GIJ/3 an extract from those logs showing all Transactions carried out in Mode 15 - Housekeeping. These transactions relate to the handling of Suspense account transactions and also the settlement of any Discrepancies at the end of each Branch Trading Period. The Branch Trading Statements for Periods 06 to 09 (ie on 13/10/10; 17/11/10; 15/12/10 and 12/01/11) have been exhibited as Exhibits SB/7 to SB/10. Each shows at the bottom of the first page a figure entitled "Total Branch Adjustments" where a negative figure indicates a loss.

What exhibit GIJ/3 shows is how these Adjustments (ie losses) were resolved. At the end of Period 06 £1,065.56 was Settled Centrally. At the end of Period 07 £4,211.21 was settled to Cash. At the end of Period 08 £3,658.13 was settled to Cash. At the end of Period 09 £479.48 was Settled Centrally.

Settling Centrally means that the debt is removed from the local Branch Accounts and is handled separately as a debt between the Branch Manager and Post Office Ltd. However settling to cash means that the User has

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indicated that they have added the required amount of cash into the till and the system then increases the amount of cash expected for any future balancing. However this doesn't necessarily mean that any cash has actually been put in the Till. It may merely be an account entry. If that is what has happened then the discrepancy will reappear in the next period and the money will still be owed to Post Office Ltd.

In relation to Exhibit GIJ/3 I use the term Made Good Cash, which really means that the system has been told that the cash has been put in the till. However the Tills on Horizon are not controlled by the system. It therefore follows that entries showing that Cash has been Made Good do not necessarily mean that Cash has actually been put in the till.

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