

2nd Respondent  
Paul Vincent Devine  
1st statement  
Date: 20 December 2011

Ref No. 2011/2210

ON APPEAL FROM THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

QUEEN'S BENCH DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE COURT (Laws LJ, Silber J)

BETWEEN:

YUNUS RAHMATULLAH

*Applicant / Appellant*

- v -

(1) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS

(2) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEFENCE

*Respondents*

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**FIRST WITNESS STATEMENT OF  
PAUL VINCENT DEVINE**

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I, Paul Vincent Devine, of the Ministry of Defence, Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB WILL SAY as follows:

1. I am Director of Operational Policy and have held this post since early summer 2011. In obedience, so far as possible, to the writ of *habeas corpus* issued by the Court of Appeal on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2011, I return the following on behalf of the Second Respondent.
2. I have read the contents of the final draft of the third statement provided by Mr Wickremasinghe for the First Respondent. I agree it and, where relevant, adopt it on behalf of the Second Respondent.

**Statement of truth**

**The contents of this witness statement are true.**

Signed .....

Dated .....