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STATEMENT OF Alfred Franklin LAKUDZALA DATED: 28th November 2023

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Age: Over 18

Occupation of witness: PRIVATS HIRE DRIVER

This statement (consisting of 1 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 to be true.

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I am Alfred Franklin LAKUDZALA, a licensed Private Hire Driver. My badge number is PHD2990. I am currently driving for the operator Cab My Ride.

During the month of September, I was driving PHV0120 a Silver Ford Galaxy registration DK17 VNN. This vehicle was on hire from Cab My Ride. I deal with Harjit Sahota when it comes to vehicles. I went away on Holiday on 20th September and returned this vehicle.

On Monday 30th October I returned to work and following an email exchange, I attended the office and collected a key from reception for a vehicle to use. As I was on Iy way across the car park, a member of Cab My Ride staff came running across the car park to me with stickers for the car. We then both applied a sticker to each rear door. These stickers said Aryvo. I understand that this is the name that Cab My Ride are changing to. I asked if the car should have the same stickers on the front doors as it had Cab My Ride. The Cab My Ride staff member called the office. I think he spoke to Harjit SAHOTA. Harjit confirmed that the stickers were correct and said to say hello to Alfed. I said hello back and I could hear that it was Harjit on the phone. The vehicle I was allocated was PHV0776, a Black Ford Galaxy DK17 VND. It is my belief that before I received this vehicle, it was being used by someone

else.

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I used this vehicle to carry out work for Cab my Ride up until Monday 6th October. In that time I carried out 78 bookings including a School run. On this day, just before my afternoon run, my jobs disappeared off my Cab my Ride Driver app on my phone, so I could not carry out any more work. I called the office and was told that the Council had issues with the car and I should not drive it again. I was at home at this point and I have not driven it since. At the time of writing the vehicle is still outside my house.

I was off work for two and a half days until 9th November. At this time I got a message from Cab my Ride to say they had a car at the office and I should come in and pick it up. The vehicle was PHV0120, the silver Galaxy that I was driving in September. I have been using that vehicle up until Tuesday 21st November 2023. On this day Harjit SAHOTA from Cab My Ride asked me to return PHV0120 to the office and collect and use a different vehicle. He also asked me to bring in plate PHV0776 from the back of DK17 VND. When I removed the plate I noticed that it expired on 31st August 2023. This concerned me.

When I got to the office, Harjit SAHOTA was not there. Debbie was alone in the office and asked me to return it to the council. I took this plate into the Licensing Office on Wednesday 22nd November 2023 and handed it to Russell HAWKINS.

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