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KRW Law Statement on the First Court Appearance of Former MRF Soldiers Charged with the Murder of Patrick McVeigh

Today, for the first time, formers soldiers of the Military Reaction Force (MRF) will be in Court charged with the murder of Mr. McVeigh and the attempted murder of four others in May 1972.

The prosecution will be the first time the actions of the MRF will be scrutinised by a Court and we are hopeful that the truth of the clandestine unit will finally come to light.

Speaking today after the hearing our Mr Gary Duffy said

“Today marks a profoundly emotional day for the family of Patrick McVeigh, as they witness the first court appearance of the former soldiers accused of his murder. This moment has been over 50 years in the making, and the journey to justice has been long and arduous.

The McVeigh family has endured decades of pain, uncertainty, and a relentless pursuit of accountability for Patrick's tragic death. The court proceedings today represent a significant milestone in their quest for truth and justice.

The family's focus remains steadfast on achieving justice for Patrick's death and ensuring that the truth is brought to light. The family is grateful for the progress made and remains hopeful that this court appearance will represent the next step in achieving truth, justice and accountability."

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