## **AFFIDAVIT**

I, the undersigned,

Hans Christian Benecke

Identity number 4101265029084

do hereby make oath and say

- 1. I am an adult male and reside at 40 Dundalk Avenue, Parkview, 2193
- 2. I have been the chairman of Atlas Organic Fertilisers (Pty) Ltd. Since 1966, and continue to be so at present.
- 3. That company won the concession to scrape guano on Bird Island, Algoa Bay, on open tender.
- 4. Any visitor to the island who was not in the employ of the company had to have permits from the Department of Sea Fisheries to go there. These permits were always organized by me. No senior members of the Government could have visited the island without my knowledge and approval.
- 5. I was personally present on Bird Island when any senior member of the Government visited the island, and specifically when the Cabinet Ministers Barend du Plessis, Magnus Malan, and John Wiley were there.
- 6. During any visits of senior members of the Government, there were never boys of under twenty one on the island, regardless of race.
- 7. There were no boys, there were no despicable sexual acts with minor boys, there were no such acts by the Ministers during their visits to the island.
- 8. Any insinuations that the Ministers were involved in such acts during their visits to the island are false.
- 9. I regard the allegations made against Cabinet Ministers in the book "The Lost Boys of Bird Island as untruthful, malicious, and false.

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