

Commonwealth of Australia  
STATUTORY DECLARATION

*Statutory Declarations Act 1959*

1 Insert the  
name,  
address and  
occupation of  
person  
making the  
declaration

<sup>1</sup> I, Graham Schorer, Managing Director of Golden Messenger, 493-495  
Queensberry St, North Melbourne, Victoria, 3051, make the following declaration under  
the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*:

2 Set out matter  
declared to in  
numbered  
paragraphs

<sup>2</sup>In early February 1994, our premises were broken into and all computer cables  
including the power cables were severed, as well as all power connections to the main  
server which was in a specially constructed room. The perpetrators forced entry into  
the building in what the police described as a "ram raid", where something similar to  
pneumatic tyre attached to the front of a vehicle was used to hit the front door with  
enough force to dislodge the steel frame attached to the brick work. According to the  
time on the server backup battery, the power was cut just prior to 2am.

Part of the microfiche copier and viewer was stolen, as well as the PC on my desk  
which contained all of my COT information and correspondence between regulators,  
politicians, etc. Also stolen was a book that contained a catalogue of computer file  
numbers against their description.

The police who attended our premises the next morning stated that it was a  
professional job, where the invaders had a specific mission or were disturbed. As there  
was no alarm system to alert them, it was more likely that it was a specific mission.  
The police asked questions about any sort of irregular business we had been involved  
in and who we may have upset.

The same day I spoke to Gary Dawson, from Dawson Weed and Pest control (another  
COT Case) on the phone, who told me that his business premises in Sunshine had also  
been broken into just after midnight and burgled. The only thing stolen was the  
Dictaphone tape which held a recording he had made of a meeting between him and  
two Telstra executives on the previous day.

By this stage, I had already lodged and elevated a formal complaint with the  
Commonwealth Ombudsman regarding Telecom's refusal to supply requested  
documentation under the Freedom of Information Act and despite the verbal  
assurances that Robin Davey (Chairman of AUSTEL) had provided to the foundation  
COT members on behalf of Telecom as inducement to sign the FTSP.

After I signed the arbitration agreement on 21<sup>st</sup> April 1994 I received a phone call after  
business hours when I was working back late in the office. This call was to my  
unpublished direct number.

The young man on the other end asked for me by name. When I had confirmed I was  
the named person, he stated that he and his two friends had gained internal access to  
Telstra's records, internal emails, memos, faxes, etc. He stated that he did not like  
what they had uncovered. He suggested that I should speak to Frank Blount directly.  
He offered to give me his direct lines in the his Melbourne and Sydney offices, the  
numbers to in his Sydney and Melbourne vehicle phones plus his personal mobile  
phone number, plus the number for his Melbourne apartment at the Como Hotel and  
his home phone number in Sydney.

The caller tried to stress that it was Telstra's conduct towards me and the other COT  
members that they were trying to bring to our attention.