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ANNEX B TO COUNSEL TO THE INQUIRY'S EXPLANATORY NOTE ON PRIVACY: ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE OF A TRANCHE THREE INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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INTELLIGENCE **Uniform Charlie**

Title: **The Argento Justice Campaign**

1. The organising meeting arranged by the Argento family support campaign on 28th December 2000 was attended by approximately forty people. Amanda ARGENTO's husband, ADAM, was not in attendance but her sister, BELLA, was present. The meeting was chaired by Carolyn CRUMP of the Hertfordshire Women's Caucus (HWC) and Dionne DIAMOND of the Brighton Reform Group (BRG).
2. Amongst those present were about ten members of New Age League (NAL) and three members of the Campaign for Change (CfC). Elora ESPOSITO of the Justice Always Group (JAG) was also present as the sole representative of that august body. Additionally there were a handful of people representing women's refuge centres, local churches and two women from Women's Home but the rest of the audience were not apparently affiliated to any specific groups.
3. The meeting had been called largely as a result of pressure from the public (activists) to become more involved in the escalating campaign. However, CRUMP and DIAMOND introduced the meeting by saying that although they would listen to everyone's suggestions, it would be up to Amanda ARGENTO's husband to

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decide how to progress the development of the justice campaign. This left people at the meeting wondering why they had bothered to attend.

4. After the introduction by DIAMOND, she introduced Gloria GAYLE of NAL to speak about one of their members who had been arrested during a disturbance that had arisen at a march outside Parliament. However, GAYLE used the opportunity not just to speak on this matter but effectively took over the meeting by embarking on a lecture on the subject of the NAL policies. During her speech several other women from NAL stood around GAYLE which created an impression that this was more of a NAL meeting than it was about the Amanda ARGENTO justice campaign. They stayed in this position during the whole meeting which gave a threatening impression to the rest of the meeting.
5. Carolyn CRUMP then invited the audience to offer suggestions as to the direction the Amanda ARGENTO justice campaign should take.
6. The relationship between Amanda ARGENTO's family and NAL is interesting. Gloria GAYLE has been attending the many of the rallies and meetings being held by the ARGENTO family. She has been present when the ARGENTO family have been interviewed by television news companies. It seems Amanda ARGENTO's widower is convinced that GAYLE has the best interests of the justice campaign in mind, but BELLA thinks that GAYLE is using the campaign popularity as a means to promote NAL's agenda.
7. The main suggestion and the most popular plan by far was for a march and mass demonstration at New Scotland Yard calling for the resignation of the officers in charge when Amanda ARGENTO died in custody. April was seen as an ideal time for such an event. NAL are already organising their own march on 7th April at which they hoped to mobilise 5,000 people. There were some naïve suggestions of amalgamating the two events but surprisingly neither GAYLE nor the more informed members of the audience were particularly keen on that suggestion.
8. Having reached what she saw as a conclusion, Carolyn CRUMP began to administer the closing rites only to be stopped by Harley HENDRICKS from CAMPAIGN for CHANGE (CfC) who encouraged the meeting not to end because nothing had been decided. At this point CRUMP and DIAMOND remonstrated with HENDRICKS for trying to railroad the ARGENTO family but the crowd supported HENDRICKS and so in an effort to calm things down it was agreed that there would be a further meeting on 7th January.

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9. Having overcome this late drama, DIAMOND then started to distribute tickets for the New Year's Eve social event. It became clear quite quickly that DIAMOND was not supplying tickets to the people from the CfC, the women from the Women's Home and other people who had been outspoken during the meeting. They challenged CRUMP and DIAMOND in an angry confrontation. The main woman, Freya FOUNTAIN, from the Woman's Home screamed at DIAMOND even suggesting DIAMOND was being paid by police to sabotage the campaign. This resulted in most of them storming out vowing never to come back to any meetings of the Amanda ARGENTO justice campaign. BELLA was unhappy at the way that CRUMP and DIAMOND had dealt with the distribution of tickets and was concerned that this would result in bad feeling and negative media stories. BELLA then left.
10. After the temperature had calmed down, those left had a calmer discussion. DIAMOND explained that she had been trying to stick to the wishes of Adam ARGENTO not to dilute the Amanda ARGENTO justice campaign with the aims or agendas of other groups because when Amanda ARGENTO had first died he had experienced many offers of help from groups such as 'Women Today (WT)' and 'Women Forever (WFO)' but later came to see that they were just using the family's grief for their own purpose, for example 'Women Forever' have been using the Amanda ARGENTO justice campaign logo on their own leaflets without permission. Hence, meetings such as today's meeting have only taken place as a result of CRUMP and DIAMOND's efforts. They both think that their own campaigns can only grow in strength by joining with other groups such as those with a high profile such as the Amanda ARGENTO justice campaign. DIAMOND said that she thought there was disagreement between Adam ARGENTO and BELLA about the way forward for the justice campaign and that BELLA wanted to disband the campaign.
11. There followed a discussion about the New Year's Eve event and DIAMOND explained that she had decided not to invite FOUNTAIN and Inigo IRVING as they had caused trouble and that the ARGENTO family wanted the event to be a celebration rather than a political rally. DIAMOND then gave out more tickets to those remaining at the meeting including Harley HENDRICKS. CRUMP and DIAMOND agreed to arrange a meeting for HENDRICKS to meet with Adam ARGENTO privately to try to let Harley persuade Adam about the next steps that the justice campaign should take. This was obviously a move by DIAMOND to avoid alienating Campaign for Change (CfC). DIAMOND was obviously shaken by the earlier upset at the meeting.

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12. The member of NAL who had been arrested outside Parliament is due to appear at the Central Magistrates Court on 20th January. NAL plan to stage a demonstration outside Court on the day.
13. The New Year's Eve event will take place at Market Place Hall, XC10 from 9pm.

Key to mocked up example intelligence report highlighting privacy issues:

Name	Description
Uniform Charlie	Code name for the undercover officer who is reporting the information.
Amanda Argento	Name of the woman who died whilst in police custody and in whose name a justice campaign has been formed to lobby police about their treatment of women.
Adam Argento	Husband of the deceased woman – he is a core participant.
Bella Boden	Sister of the deceased woman – she is a core participant.
Carolyn Crump	She is not a core participant but may be a witness in the Inquiry.
The Hertfordshire Women's Caucus (HWC)	Has core Participant status in the Inquiry.
Dionne Diamond	A Core Participant.
Brighton Reform Group	Does not have core participant status.
New Age League (NAL)	Does not have core participant status. It has a well-known reputation for violence against property in order to achieve its aims.
Campaign for Change (CfC)	Does not have core participant status. It is understood to be a small group comprising less than 5 members.
Elora Esposito	Is not a core participant and is not likely to be a witness. Nothing is known about her. It is not known how to contact her.
Justice Always Group (JAG)	Does not have core participant status.
Women's Home	Does not have core participant status. Little is known about this group or its membership.
Freya Fountain	One of only two known members of the Women's Home.

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Name	Description
Gloria Gayle	Is not a core participant. She is unlikely to be a witness but is contactable.
Harley Hendricks	Is not a core participant but may be a witness in the Inquiry.
Women Today (WT)	Does not have core participant status.
Women Forever (WFO)	Does not have core participant status.
Inigo Irving	Unknown person.

Notes

- (i) The attached document is a fictitious example of an intelligence report written by an undercover officer reporting back to the Special Demonstration Squad managers. The fictitious intelligence purports to come from an officer whose fictitious code name is A. The report relates to a meeting of a fictitious justice campaign group with fictitious attendees. The aim of the mock report is to provide examples, which do routinely appear in real intelligence reports, to show how the significance of names can vary in different contexts and to demonstrate the mechanics involved in contacting such people and disclosing the document to permit privacy redaction applications to be made.
- (ii) The examples include:
- Where the name of a core participant or likely witness appears in a part of the report which is key to the Terms of Reference;
 - Where the name appears in a part of the report which is key to the Terms of Reference but the person is neither a core participant, nor likely to be a witness and is not readily contactable;
 - Where the name appears in part of the report which is not key to the Terms of Reference and the person is not readily contactable;
 - Where the name appears in part of the report which is not key to the Terms of Reference and the person is a core participant or likely witness;
 - Where the name appears in part of the report which is not key to the Terms of Reference and the person is readily contactable;
 - Where the name appears in a part of the report which is key to the Terms of Reference but the person is identifiable by reference to the group name as there were so few people in the group;
 - Where the name of a group with core participant status appears.

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- (iii) In this example there are four named individuals who have core participant status with two more who are likely to be witnesses. According to the current Restriction Protocol, the Inquiry may need to prepare multiple copies of this report each redacted so as only to reveal the name of that one non-state person before showing it to that non-state person.