

S.B. No. 1 (Flimsy)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

Special Report

SPECIAL BRANCH

15 day of March 1971

SUBJECT

North London

Red Circle

1. The following information has been received from a reliable source:-

Reference to Papers

A meeting of the North London Red Circle took place at 182 Pentonville Road, NI, on 9.3.71 from 8.30 to 10 pm. There were 8 persons present.

There was discussion on several current topics. Privacy dealt with the Women's Liberation demonstration of 6.3.71 and said that the majority of those taking part were middle class, which emphasized the necessity to get working class women involved. Privacy supported the cause of Women's Liberation.

Privacy and Privacy discussed the current situation in Ceylon and comparative newcomer to the Red Circle, a West Pakistani - known as Privacy, spoke about the present situation in Pakistan. He felt there would certainly be a breakaway by East Pakistan from the Central Government. In this connection he mentioned a demonstration which was held on 7.3.71 by the East Pakistan Liberation Front. He said the organisation had been formed only some 7 days earlier and yet had managed to hold a demonstration of 4,000 people. The SPLF was centred in the Midlands and at the moment did not have particularly good leadership. The present leaders, however, have been in contact with Tariq Ali but as he was a West Pakistani he had not yet been invited to take an active part in the organisation.

Privacy then gave some background to the current political trials in Czechoslovakia. The Government there was very sensitive to 'world opinion' and if it could be made clear that a great deal of sympathy existed for the prisoners this could well have some influence on the sentences.

The meeting ended with a discussion on the future and the function of Red Circle. It was decided that a recruiting drive could be held together with greater efforts to sell 'Red Hole' on at least one day each week and thereby meeting possible contacts. Certain members would remain in the Red Circle to help new recruits. To achieve this these members would not get too deeply involved in other work such as with the IMG and SL etc.



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The following were among those present:

Privacy

2. Special Branch references are contained in the attached Appendix.

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APPENDIX to Special Branch report on a meeting of North London Red Circle held on 9.3.71.

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Tariq ALI	402/65/440	
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East Pakistan Liberation Front	400/71/52	

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