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SPECIAL BRANCH

Special Report }

25 March 72

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SUBJECT.....
North London Fed

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

2. "A meeting of the North London Fed Circle was held at the 'General Picton' PH Killick Street, N1, from 8.30 to 10.15 pm on Tuesday 14.3.72. The chairman was [Privacy] and there were 16 persons present.

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Reference to Papers

3. The meeting was devoted to a talk by [Privacy] on 'South Africa'. He began by giving the four racial categories into which the people were divided in South Africa, namely, whites, coloured, Asians and Bantus. He then detailed some of the legislation during the last century which had been passed in South Africa to ensure the supremacy of the white man.

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4. He also gave examples of some of the struggles in which the white working class had been involved. In 1913 and 1922 there had been strikes by white workers which on first sight appeared to be directed against the ruling class. However, on closer examination it was clear they had been purely racist in origin. Several similar strikes had since been held. Despite this, an [Privacy] felt the experience gained in those struggles could be used to overthrow the capitalists. He then detailed some of the repressive South African trade union legislation and Suppression of Communism Acts which the government readily used against leaders of industrial action.

5. There was much unrest in South Africa now, brought about by the very attempts of the government to bolster apartheid. From this point on [Privacy]'s speech became more of an open debate from which nothing of particular interest emerged.

The following were among those present:

[Privacy]

Special Branch references are given in the attached appendix.

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APPENDIX to Special Branch report on a North
London Red Circle meeting held on 13.3.72

