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Special Report

SPECIAL BRANCH

17.2.72

16 day of February 1972

SUBJECT Women's Liberation Front

Reference to Papers

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

2. On Wednesday 9 February 1972, the Executive Committee of the Women's Liberation Front held a meeting at the home of [Privacy]. The following persons were present:-

[Privacy]

3. The meeting was opened by [Privacy] who chaired the meeting. The Agenda was as follows:-

- a. The WLF Newspaper.
- b. The Nursery Campaign.
- c. Study Classes.
- d. Change of Name of Organisation.
- e. Review of AGM.
- f. Finances.
- g. WHCC

4. [Privacy] suggested that due to the present disunity and financial situation of the organisation the publication of a newspaper should be adjourned for at least two months. She added that 500 copies of the previous paper had yet to be sold and in any event she was not prepared to finance the next paper. Members were in agreement with her, with the exception of [Privacy] who felt it was a political priority to bring out a paper.

5. [Privacy] then outlined a programme for the nursery campaign which included the issuing of a leaflet and a public meeting. There was general agreement that the nursery campaign should be given priority.

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- 6. **Privacy** [redacted] next proposed that a part of each general members' meeting should be devoted to study. It was suggested that the organisation should commence studies with the UML Document "Quotations on the Woman Question". This was agreed.
- 7. **Privacy** [redacted] proposed that the name of the organisation be changed to the "Revolutionary Women's Union". After some discussion this too was agreed.
- 8. **Privacy** [redacted] proposed holding a 'Jumble Sale' to raise funds to cover the debts, of the organisation. This idea was accepted.
- 9. On the WGCC organised by the Union of Women for Liberation for 13.2.72 it was generally agreed that the WLF would not be represented, although individuals wishing to attend might do so.
- 10. **Privacy** [redacted] then declared that all the foregoing proposals would be put to the next general members meeting for full discussion.
- 11. The following forthcoming activities were then announced:-
 - 18.2.72 Film Show 'Red Detachment of Women' - Camden Studios.
 - 20.2.72 Executive Committee Meeting - **Privacy** [redacted]
 - 18/19.3.72 Women's Liberation Conference - Manchester.

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3. Special Branch references are given in the attached Appendix.

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3 [redacted] HN348 [redacted] 2

Submitted: [redacted] HN332 [redacted] 4

Chief Inspector [redacted]

PLEASE SUPPLEMENT

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APPENDIX to Special Branch report on a WLF Executive Committee meeting hold
on 9.2.72

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Privacy

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