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SPECIAL BRANCH

Special Report

11/5/75

11 day of June 1975

SUBJECT Troops
Out Movement

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

2. "The London Co-ordinating Committee of the Troops Out Movement met on Tuesday, 27 May, 1975 at Privacy, the home of Privacy, amid the euphoria of what was considered to have been a highly successful Labour Movement Conference. The meeting began at 8pm and ended at 10.30pm. Nineteen persons attended and Privacy chaired the meeting.

Reference to Papers
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3. The agenda for the meeting was not, as most expected, a post mortem on the conference, but more a suggestion of ideas for the future of the TOM in the light of the expected increase in membership especially from the IS and the IMG, linked to forthcoming events in Northern Ireland. Privacy said that this was particularly important since he had heard from a well informed source that the loyalists were planning some form of UDI on August 12. LAWLESS agreed with this and thought it significant that the Communist Party had arranged a public demonstration in conjunction with the Connolly Association in Hyde Park on August 3. The reason for the demonstration was not known, but he thought that the TOM should be ready with a counter demonstration on either the previous or following weekend.

4. Before the main discussion took place certain emergency items were taken. LAWLESS announced that TOM branches would now be given one month in which to discuss the question of free speech on the question of Ireland in the light of the ban on the use of Trafalgar Square and the Anti-Terrorist Legislation. The subject would, after that period, be discussed in full at an LCC meeting. It was also announced that the trial of the Birmingham bombers would now be held in Lancaster and the possibility of a demonstration at the start of the trial was discussed. The original idea had come from Birmingham TOM and was discussed briefly at the National Co-ordinating Committee Conference on April 27, but referred to the LCC because of lack of time. A firm decision was still not arrived at and the subject was referred to the organising committee following further contact with Birmingham.

5. The remainder of the meeting was taken up with certain aspects resulting from the Labour Movement Conference, particularly in relation to internal business matters such as the copying and mailing of a report and of the amended resolutions to delegates. Privacy said that 326 delegates had registered of whom some 300 attended; in addition there were many observers present and in that respect the conference was an unqualified success, since never before in the history of the Labour Movement had so many

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been brought together to discuss the future of Ireland. He was, however, critical of certain aspects of the conference arrangements especially security. He said that only a few members of TOM would have been aware of the fact that a smoke bomb had been let off in the projection room in the morning, but that this pointed to a serious flaw in security and that stewards had been in the habit of disappearing for long periods at vital times and that bag searching had been carried out only on a haphazard basis. Gery LAWLESS on this subject has voiced privately that he thought the person responsible for the smoke bomb incident was in fact wearing a steward's badge, though he had no proof, but his suspicion about [Privacy] and [Privacy] [Privacy] had been renewed.

6. Finally, an emergency item was raised on the agenda by [Privacy] which concerned the weekend school for TOM members which was scheduled to take place on June 7/8 in Oxford. She thought that this might now have to be postponed because of certain difficulties, but she would be informing branches on this point within the next few days."

7. References of persons present at the meeting or otherwise mentioned in this report:

Present:

	[Privacy]
Gery LAWLESS	- 335/57/1300
	[Privacy]

Mentioned:

[Signature]
Chief Inspector

[Signature]
CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

