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SPECIAL BRANCH

SUBJECT .....

Irish National  
Liberation  
Solidarity Front

Reference to Papers

400/70/153

BOX 500

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

2. "On Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 June 1971 at [Privacy] a conference was held by the Irish National Liberation Solidarity Front to discuss an emergency resolution calling for the expulsion of [Privacy] from the organisation. Some 20 persons attended the proceedings throughout the weekend, of whom, two - [Privacy] were present as observers of the Black Unity and Freedom Party.

3. The Saturday session, from 1830 hours to 2300 hours, was devoted entirely to a long speech by Ed DAVOREN who gave the case for expelling the trio. His main theme was that they had attempted to disrupt the organisation by holding up decisions within the INLSF and the Communist Workers' League (C-W-L). [Privacy] had become nationalistic in his attitude to Ireland, especially since his visit there to sell the 'Irish Liberation Press'. Whilst in Ireland, instead of visiting all political groups, he had only contacted members of the Provisional wing of the IRA, apparently at the behest of [Privacy], whose brother was a sub-editor of 'An Phoblacht'. [Privacy] had also said he would probably receive an invitation to attend the Provisionals conference in Ireland and that if he were asked to return by a 'certain political group' he would do so permanently. Continuing, DAVOREN claimed [Privacy] was dissatisfied at the INLSF's level of political activity in this country and that he, [Privacy], advocated a more violent approach to revolution. DAVOREN was unable to explain [Privacy] political attitude, although he bitterly attacked his personal character. [Privacy] was politically naive and had clearly been led by other two in his betrayal of revolutionary socialism.

4. On Sunday 27 at 1400 hours DAVOREN resumed his final arguments and returned particularly to his attack on their nationalistic attitudes. Before he could finish, however, [Privacy] [Privacy] [Privacy] left the proceedings declaring that they wished to have no further association with DAVOREN. In parting, [Privacy] accused [Privacy] of having committed a criminal act in disclosing the position of [Privacy]'s brother and concluded that all the charges would be answered in a leaflet which would be issued shortly.

5. Following this, the remainder discussed the forgoing events.

expressed solidarity with Privacy and then formally and unanimously voted for the expulsion of Privacy from the organisation.

4. An election was then held to constitute a new committee for the ILSF. The result was:-

Ed DAVOREN

Chairman

Privacy

Vice Chairman

General Secretary

Norman TEMPLE

Treasurer

Privacy

Records Secretary

7. The final item was an announcement by Privacy that the organisation was in a grave financial situation; debts totalled £1,461.

8. The following were identified as having been present during the conference:-

Privacy

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Ed DAVOREN

Norman TEMPLE

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Special Branch references are given in the attached Appendix.

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Constable

Submitted:

Chief Inspector

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

APPENDIX to Special Branch report concerning an emergency conference held  
by the INLSP on 26 and 27 June 1971.

Privacy

Ed DAVOREN )

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Norman TEMPLE -

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Communist Workers League (M-L)

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