

C.B. No. 1 (Plain)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

Special Report

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12th day of December 19 79

SUBJECT

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

2. [Privacy] a member of the CPSA and Haringey Branches of the Socialist Workers Party, who lives at [Privacy] has recently taken employment as a clerk in the 'Staff Support Group' of the [Privacy]
[Privacy]

3. Prior to this, [Privacy] was technically unemployed although he worked in a full-time capacity for the Socialist Workers Party driving the 'Socialist Bookbus', a mobile library, bookshop and film centre organised as a subsidiary of Bookmarks, Seven Sisters Road, N11, which toured the country on a permanent basis providing a service to those areas devoid of bookshops selling political literature.

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4. However, as the driver of this vehicle, [Privacy] amassed a number of summonses and fixed penalty tickets which resulted in his appearance at Tottenham Magistrates' Court in October when he was fined a total of £250 with an order that the money be paid at the rate of £5 a week.

5. Immediately after his court appearance he appealed to the party leadership for some financial assistance to pay the fines but was told in no uncertain terms that he, as the driver, was personally responsible for avoiding prosecution and that no financial aid would be available from central party funds. Not unnaturally, [Privacy] felt extremely bitter about being abandoned to his fate by the party which he had served so assiduously and is, therefore, only at present a member in the formal sense. However, there can be little doubt that, once he has recovered from this set-back, he will again take a prominent part in local and fractional Socialist Workers Party activities.

TO [Privacy]

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6. Privacy can be described as follows:

Born circa 1947; height 5'11"; slim build;
neatly trimmed, light brown hair; mustache;
white metal-rimmed spectacles."


CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT