

Form 1 (Privacy)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

SPECIAL BRANCH

26th day of November 1971

SUBJECT
"Freedom"
Collective

Reference to Papers
31/7/71/23

BOX 500

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

2. "A meeting of the Freedom Collective was held on Thursday 14 November 1971 at the Freedom Bookshop, 84B Whitechapel High Street, E.1. The meeting commenced at about 6 pm and closed at 9 pm. Ten persons were present.

3. The first speaker was a visitor, who introduced himself as Privacy from Florence, Italy. He spoke on an article which he had written for the weeks current issue of Freedom under the pseudonym of 'Francesco', on the MSI - the Italian fascist party. He said that in Italy although people had to live with fascist repression, they had the sense to see the reality of the situation. The same situation existed here, but the public was unaware of the truth of National Front influence.

4. The next speaker, Privacy, asked if anyone knew the identity of Red Flag 71. None had any real ideas, but it was generally agreed it could not be a left-wing revolutionary group, and that it was probably either a fascist plot or possibly a divergent plot by Special Branch.

5. Privacy mentioned the CARD Catalogue which he, together with a few other comrades, had been preparing, and which he hoped would appear in January. This met with approval and a vote of thanks.

6. The last point discussed was religion in an anarchist society. Privacy felt there was no sense in any religion and he was supported by Privacy who said he had recently bought some 'Atheist Christmas cards', which caused some laughter. Privacy spoke briefly on the 'Spirit of Light' group, which he claimed had split following the recent marriage of the Guru. This prompted more laughter, and the meeting was closed.

7. Among those present were:-

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

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APPENDIX TO SPECIAL BRANCH REPORT OF 25 NOVEMBER 1974 CONTAINING A
LISTING OF THE 'FREEDOM' COLLECTIVE HELD ON 14 NOVEMBER 1974.

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