

METROPOLITAN POLICE



Special Report

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SPECIAL BRANCH

TO [redacted]  
REC 89-7-1 29 day of January 1971

Privacy

1. with reference to [redacted] Privacy a leading member of the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association, who has not, to date, been the subject of a comprehensive report.

Reference to Papers  
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2. This man's correct name is [redacted] Privacy. He was born in Londonderry, Northern Ireland and although his army record shows his date of birth to be [redacted] Privacy National Insurance records show this date to be 18 [redacted] Privacy His father, [redacted] Privacy a former soldier with the Irish army, is said to have left his wife and family when [redacted] Privacy the third child of a family of seven, was very young. His mother [redacted] Privacy lives at [redacted] Privacy in the Irish Republic and [redacted] Privacy lived at that address until he left school.

3. [redacted] Privacy received an elementary education in Buncrana until the age of 14 years, and on leaving school in 1948 he took various employments as a labourer until the [redacted] Privacy 1962 when he enlisted, for a period of three years, with the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards. He expressed the desire to serve with the Military Police and on posting was recommended for regimental police duties; in the event, however, he was employed in the unit as a cook. During his service [redacted] Privacy whose army number was [redacted] Privacy never rose above the rank of Guardsman. He served in the United Kingdom and abroad until his discharge on medical grounds on [redacted] Privacy with a good conduct rating, when he returned to the Irish Republic.

4. Since September 1968 [redacted] Privacy has shared a bed-sitting room at [redacted] Privacy with a younger brother, [redacted] Privacy. Enquiry of sources close to the brothers shows that [redacted] Privacy does not share his brother's enthusiasm for political activity whether in an Irish context or otherwise.

5. Shortly after moving to [redacted] Privacy found employment with the London Wholesale Dairies Ltd, [redacted] Privacy and is still employed by this company as a dairy worker. It is known, however, that he has been offered a job as a market gardener in the Republic of Ireland and it is highly probable that he will take up this employment later this year.

6. [redacted] Privacy first came to the notice of Special Branch on [redacted] Privacy when he was identified as being present at a meeting of the Irish Civil Rights Solidarity Campaign in London. Since that date he has been identified at several meetings and demonstrations arranged by this organisation. On 6 November 1969

it was reported that he had joined the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association. He has since attended several of their meetings. On 26 June 1970 he was arrested for wilful obstruction at Piccadilly Circus and was fined £5 at Bow Street Magistrates' Court on the following day.

7. Privacy description is:

height 5ft 9ins; well built; brown hair cut very short; brown eyes; ruddy complexion; good teeth. He talks with a Northern Irish accent. His National Insurance Number is

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8. The photograph on file is a good likeness, apart from the fact that he no longer wears a beard or moustache.

9. On Privacy a Special Branch docket Privacy was opened on one Privacy who gave his name as a prospective member of Clann na h'Eireann at the Wolfe Tone Commemoration in Trafalgar Square on 12.6.66.

10. The entries on the record sheet of this docket dated 27.6.66 and 14.4.68, both of which arose from this man's initial action in giving his name to Clann na h'Eireann, were correctly ascribed. However, the entry dated 3.7.69 and all subsequent record sheet entries and folios on this file have been erroneously ascribed to Privacy and in fact relate to Privacy the subject of this report who is not identical.

11. Privacy has not come to the notice of Special Branch since 14.4.68. Enquiries have shown, however, that in October of 1970 he was living at Privacy

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