



S.B. No. 1 (Plain)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

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Special Report

3rd day of March 19 81

SUBJECT

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

2. "On Thursday 12th February, 1981 at 7.30pm at the Hackney Trades and Labour Club, Dalston Lane, E8, the Revolutionary Communist Tendency held the second of its 'educationals'. The topic for the evening was 'Ireland - How can we build an effective solidarity movement in this country?'. Twelve people were present.



3. Discussion was led by [Privacy], who gave a brief introduction concerning the work of the Smash the Prevention of Terrorism Act Campaign and the present situation in Northern Ireland regarding the attitude of Protestant workers.

Reference to Papers

4. The discussion continued, consideration being given to attitudes of the Protestant workers and the means of effectively propagandising against them. It was concluded that revolutionaries should concentrate on overthrowing Imperialism thereby demonstrating to the Protestant workers that their interests were similar to those of the Catholics.

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5. The conclusion of the discussion concerned what the giving of unconditional support to the Irish Republican Army entailed. [Privacy] raised the point of whether such support should extend to planting bombs or gun-running for the IRA. [Privacy] thought this should not be so, as the main task of any revolutionary group was to act in the interests of the revolution in its own country, and not to conduct acts of terrorism on behalf of groups of other countries which could prove counter-productive. This view was supported by [Privacy], a member of the RCT and, subsequently, [Privacy]. The debate was concluded rather hurriedly, as [Privacy] stated that he was under the impression that the room was bugged, and accordingly the meeting came to an abrupt close at 9.30pm."

6. Persons identified as being present:-

[Privacy]

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CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT