

Special Report

SPECIAL BRANCH D.S.

15th day of February 1977

SUBJECT

International
Marxist Group

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

Reference to Papers

401/76/170

2. "On Friday 11th February 1977, between 7pm and 9pm, at [redacted] Privacy an anti-racist concert was held at the South East London sub-area of the International Marxist Group attended by three persons, [redacted] Privacy [redacted] Privacy and [redacted] Privacy. The main item of discussion was the Deptford Anti-Racist Campaign (DARC), from which the Socialist Workers Party appears to have withdrawn its members, having in the past used that body mainly as a recruiting arena. The International Marxist Group has the strongest political influence inside DARC due mainly to the ability of [redacted] Privacy. The Campaign also includes one member of the NCP, several members of the Labour Party and many left-wing independents. The aim of the IMG is now to effect a rapport between the DARC and the Greenwich Branch of the Anti-Apartheid Movement, many of whose positions coincide with those of the IMG; this orientation is to be seen in the context of the IMG's 'prioritization' of work on Southern Africa. There is some opposition within DARC to such a move, particularly from those independents whose concept of the Campaign is that of a propaganda body working amongst the housing estates of Deptford alerting the populace to the menace of the National Front and the National Party. However, [redacted] Privacy is confident that the IMG position will prevail when it is proposed at the next meeting of the Deptford Anti-Racist Campaign, to which six members of the Greenwich Branch of the Anti-Apartheid Movement have been invited."

3. Special Branch references to the persons mentioned in this report are as follows :-

[redacted] Privacy [redacted]

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Chief Inspector

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