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PROPOSED PROSECUTION OF PETER HAIN

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Commander 'C' Division.

With reference to the message from A.8 Branch at 9.30am on 23rd May 1970 about the Stop the 70 Tour, Mr. Francis A.R. BENNION, Barrister, The Old Rectory. Farleigh, Upper Warlingham, Surrey (Phone 820-3038 and 405-0785) attended Bow Street Magistrates Court during the morning of Tuesday, 26th May 1970.

After consultation with Court officials,
Mr. BENNION decided to instruct a firm of solicitors
to prepare a written Information seeking a Summons
against Mr. Peter HAIN, Secretary of the Stop the 70
Tour. The Information will be sent to the Chief Clerk
of the Court later this week; and a few days afterwards
Mr. BENNION willattend in person to make formal
application in camera to the Chief Magistrate.

When the exact date and time of his appearance in Court is known, Mr. BENNION intends to issue a press statement of his proposed application.

I suggest that in view of the information supplied by Special Branch, the following police arrangements be put into effect from 9am on the day when the application is made:-

1 Inspector, 1 P.S., 10P.Cs. from Bow Street for duty in and outside the Court building.

1 P.S., 10 P.Cs. Aid on reserve at Bow Street.

The arrangements are similar to those implemented on 26th May 1970, following the receipt of information from A.8 Branch. In view of the fact that Mr. BENNION did not arrive until later and without ceremony, these officers were returned to ordinary duty at 11am on 26th May.

Submitted for approval please. Copies of this report are attached for the information of A.8 and Special Branch.

Chief Superintendent

J. Toogood

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