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Para 759 re recommendation for commendation ...

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1. D/S M J FERGUSON has been responsible for obtaining important and very useful information appertaining to demonstrations and the maintenance of public order. On numerous occasions accurate intelligence supplied by FERGUSON has been passed to 'A' Department who have been able to anticipate planned disorder, to take appropriate counter measures and to deploy officers to maximum effect.

2. This work done by FERGUSON, in a difficult and occasionally dangerous sphere, is unquestionably outstanding and I have no hesitation in supporting Chief Inspector Saunder's recommendation that he be awarded a Commissioner's commendation.

A. Cunningham
Commander

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9.7.70.

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1. You are aware of the circumstances under which this officer worked for 16 months.

2. I endorse all that has been said by his senior officers about the quality of his intelligence product and its value to 'A' Department and the Security Service. I fully support the recommendation that a Commissioner's Commendation be granted "for displaying initiative, judgment and Detective ability of a high order in a difficult enquiry."

S. Smith
DAC

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11.7.70

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Commissioner's Commendation approved.
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Orders 17.7.70. These papers did not
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RECOMMENDATION FOR COMMENDATION OR REWARD

SPECIAL REPORT
REFERENCE
PARRES

Special Branch Station CO Divn.

8 July 19 70

Name of prisoner, offence and result of case :

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Disposed of at - on -

Officer(s) concerned (in rank and Divl. No. order) :

Rank (See Note below)	Divl. and Warrant Nos.	Christian names, surname and decorations, etc. (if any)	Divn.	Date of joining	Date of last commendation
P.S. 2nd Cl.	147391	Michael John FERGUSON	COSB	9.2.59	-

Private person commended : -

On or off duty : On duty Injured on duty : -

Whether commended at Court and, if so, name of Court or Courts { -

Particulars of case and reason for commendation or reward :

D/S Ferguson was employed for a period of 16 months, from 10.2.69 to 22.6.70, in the gathering of intelligence relative to the maintenance of public order.

The officer was engaged initially in supplying intelligence about extremist organisations connected with the various civil rights movements
(Continue overleaf if necessary)

NOTE.—In the case of a C.I.D. Sergeant, " 1st Class " or " 2nd Class " is to be inserted where applicable.

Later he also provided accurate and detailed information about the plans and proposed activities of persons intimately connected with the Stop the Seventy Tour Committee.

It is no exaggeration to say that on occasions, while so employed, D/S Ferguson was the main, if not the only, source from whom information of such high quality originated that police were able to anticipate and frustrate the machinations of demonstrators bent on provoking civil disorders.

While engaged on these special enquiries D/S Ferguson has shown initiative, sound judgment and detective ability of a high order under arduous conditions.

I therefore recommend that D/S Ferguson be awarded a Commissioner's commendation.

J. J. Saunders
Chief Inspector