

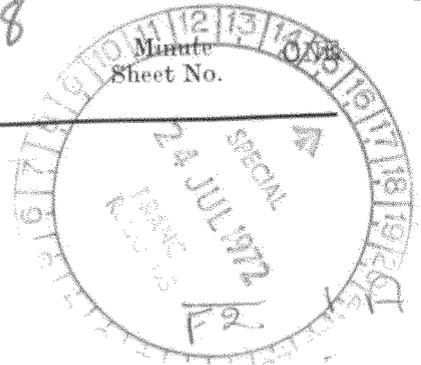
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Date: 14/7/72 Initials: [Redacted]

SUBJECT 'Terence
McSwiney' cumann
of Sinn Fein

Reference to Papers
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1. The following information has been received from a reliable source:

2. "The weekly meeting of the 'Terence McSWINEY' Cumann of Sinn Fein (Provisionals) was held at the Westcott Lodge, Lower Mall W6, between 8.30pm and 10.00pm on Wednesday 19 July 1972. The meeting, which was attended by 25 persons, was chaired by [Privacy] and the minute secretary was [Privacy]

3. During the weekend of 15 - 16 July 1972 members of the cumann had collected £71 in public houses in the Hammersmith and Ealing districts. It was agreed this money should be divided as follows: half to the Irish Republican Army, a quarter to Sinn Fein, and a quarter to An Cumann Cabhrach.

4. The Treasurer, [Privacy], said that during the past few months he had sent considerable sums of money to the IRA via Dublin. As yet he had received no receipts. Apparently Derek HIGHSTEAD had made similar complaints. (HIGHSTEAD is the officer responsible for IRA finances in this country). [Privacy] and HIGHSTEAD were allegedly very perturbed at the failure of the IRA to furnish receipts, and [Privacy] said that if a satisfactory explanation was not forthcoming from Dublin then it might be necessary for London to suspend payments to the IRA.

5. [Privacy] announced that [Privacy] ([Privacy]) would not be attending the conference at the Irish Centre, Camden Town on Sunday 23 July 1972. However, there would be a meeting of all Sinn Fein members at the Irish Centre at 3.00 pm that day. All members were expected to attend. Admission would be restricted to "card carrying members only". The object of the meeting would be to decide on policy, with special emphasis on demonstrations. According to [Privacy], Brendan MAGILL had requested him to postpone a planned 'sit-in' at the Irish Embassy which would have been due to take place on the evening of Friday 21 July 1972. This was duly agreed.

6. [Privacy] was then appointed the 'paper agent' for the cumann, as [Privacy] who had held this post now had other commitments. It seemed [Privacy] was spending a great deal of his time in Belfast.

7. The following persons are known to have attended the meeting:

[Privacy]

Privacy

Sean LYNCH

Privacy

8. Special Branch references to persons and organisations mentioned in this report are given in the attached appendix.

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Appendix to Special Branch report dated 21.7.72 concerning a meeting of the Terence McSWINEY Cumann of Sinn Fein held

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Derek HIGHSTEAD

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Privacy

Sean LYNCH

RF 405/71/808

Privacy

Brendan MACILL

RF 335/55/114

Privacy

An Cumann Cabhrach

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