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SPECIAL BRANCH

Special Report }

..... day of January 1972

SUBJECT
North London
Red Circle.

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

2. "A meeting of the North London Red Circle was held on Thursday 13 January 1972 at the 'General Picton' public house Killick Street, N1, from 8.30 pm to 10.15 pm. The chairman was [Privacy] and there were 12 persons present.

Reference to Papers
400/70/50

3. The only item on the agenda was a talk by [Privacy] on Chile. She gave a brief outline of the events leading up to the fall of ex-President FREI and the take-over by ALLENDE. She was very critical of ALLENDE being referred to as a Marxist, pointing out he was not a revolutionary Marxist, but a reformist. He would not lead the country to Socialism, despite his often used Socialist phrases. In any event neither he nor his Party, Popular Unity, had sufficient power to achieve real Socialist changes. The real power was still held by the Army and the right wing.

4. After [Privacy] had finished there was a limited discussion on Chile and then attention moved to Britain. [Privacy] dealt with the miners' strike and strikes in general.

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5. He criticised the miners for holding their strike at a time of huge coal stocks. If they had held the strike about 9-12 months ago when stocks were low they would have been in a much stronger position. He also said that pickets should be more militant than in the past, so as to prevent attempted strike breakers delivering supplies through picket lines. They should link arms when standing across the road. If police drew their truncheons to attack the strikers then the strikers should arm themselves. His comments were favourably received by the majority. In conclusion it was announced that next week Pat JORDAN would speak on 'Trade Unions'.

6. The following were among those present:

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[Privacy]

[Privacy]

7. Special Branch references are given in the attached

Appendix.

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Chief Inspector

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N. Murray

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT

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APPENDIX to Special Branch report re a North London Red Circle meeting
held on 13.1.72.

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Mentions re Red Circle and ISC.

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