

## Module 2(c) Issues List for the Tranche 1 Era

### The Home Office

1. What role did the Home Office play in the establishment, continuation, authorisation and funding of the Special Demonstration Squad ('SDS')?
2. What role, if any, did the Home Office play in the way in which the SDS operated?
3. What influence did the Home Office have, either directly or indirectly, on the SDS?
4. What role did the Home Office have in relation to the Terms of Reference for Special Branch?
  - 4.1. How did the Home Office discharge this role insofar as it is relevant to the SDS?
5. What did the Home Office know about the operation of the SDS?
6. Did the Home Office act appropriately in relation to the SDS?

### The Security Service

7. What was the working relationship between the SDS and the Security Service?
8. How and to what extent was the work of the SDS influenced by its role in relation to the Security Service?
9. Of what value was SDS intelligence to the Security Service?

### The Cabinet Office

10. To what extent, if at all, was the Interdepartmental Working Group on Subversion in Public Life aware of the SDS and its operations?
11. What influence, if any, did the work of the Interdepartmental Working Group on Subversion in Public Life have on the operation of the SDS?

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