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SPECIAL BRANCH

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Noted

29/1/70 1st day of May 1969

ROUTINE MEETING/POSTER PARADE REPORT

Organisation: Britain-Vietnam Solidarity Front

Ref: RF. 400/66/120

Date, Duration, Place/Route: 1st day of May 1969 from 6.25 p.m. to 7 p.m.

March from Speakers' Corner to the U.S. Embassy, Grosvenor Square, by way of Oxford Street and North Audley Street, W.1.

Source of Information: Special Branch

Admission - Private/Public:

Police Arrangements: Adequate

Subject: Grant bail to Huey NEWTON, the American Black Panther leader sentenced to death in the U.S. for murder.

Chairman, Speakers, Officials (references; new pars. obtained; descriptions if necessary):

Chairman: Organiser:
Albert MA/CHANDA

RF. 402/53/274

Speakers:
Participants:

Privacy

✓ Diane LANGFORD

346/68/1 - Pt. 2 (4A) and
346/68/30 (28A) VSC and B-PSP mens.
400/66/120 (25A, 31A, 33A)
Attended meetings of B-VSF

✓ Privacy

Officials:

Attendance: i) Number: 21
ii) Groups: B-VSF and R.S.S.F.
iii) Collection: None
iv) Individuals Identified: See above

v) Vehicles: None

Incidents: None

Banners/Slogans: Banner carried at head of column proclaimed, 'Workers of All Countries Unite', and bore the portraits of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao Tse Tung.

Future Activities: None announced

Remarks:

The participants left Speakers' Corner at 6.25 p.m. and, accompanied by uniformed police officers, walked in orderly procession to the U.S. Embassy, chanting 'U.S. fascists release Huey NEWTON'.

They arrived at the north side of Grosvenor Square, junction with Upper Brook Street, W.1, at 6.45 p.m. and remained there, at the request of police, while MANCHANDA and Privacy handed a petition to a U.S. marine inside the main entrance of the Embassy.

The participants then sang the Internationale, and dispersed without incident at 7 p.m.

The petition, copies attached, is addressed to the President of the United States and is signed by Albert MANCHANDA, General Secretary of the Britain-Vietnam Solidarity Front, 58, Lisburne Road, N.W.3. It condemns the alleged persecution of members of the Black Panther Party and Afro-American people in the U.S.A. and demands that Huey NEWTON be released on bail.

Officers Present:

[2] [3] [4]
D.S. [redacted] D.C. [redacted] and D.C. [redacted] [5]
[redacted] (signature)
[redacted] [6] [redacted] (rank)
[redacted] [7]

Submitted

1. Send copy to

2. *Send memo to*
CC DIXON

3. Supts. to see "E" Squad

4. To note

5. S.B.(R)

Chief Inspector