

Special Report

SPECIAL BRANCH

8th day of March 19 83

SUBJECT

Subject: Upper Heyford Peace Camp

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

2. "On Sunday 27th February 1983 at 3pm at County Hall, SE1, London Region GND Council was addressed by Privacy (surnames unknown), regarding a proposed 4-day blockade of Upper Heyford Air Base from Tuesday 31st May 1983 to Friday 3rd June 1983. It is intended that London GND will blockade the base for the last "shift", from midnight to 6pm on Friday 3rd June.

3. Though there was unanimous support from the 40 or so delegates at the meeting for the principle of a mixed-sex blockade of the base, several delegates expressed concern on the following points:-

Reference to Papers

i) That the organisers might be overestimating the number likely to participate in the blockade. (It is hoped that 1,000 protesters will take part per shift).

ii) That a 4-day blockade is over-ambitious and will meet with strong resistance from the police. (The previous successful blockade was on New Years Eve when the base was not really operational), and

iii) That it would draw activists away from Greenham Common Peace Camp which is the primary target.

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4. Despite the above mentioned reservations London Region GND Council voted to support the blockade and a meeting to prepare mobilisation for the event was arranged to take place at County Hall on Thursday 10th March 1983 at 7pm. Each London Group has been asked to send a delegate.

5. Privacy also announced that 6 preparation workshops for the action had been arranged to take place on Wednesdays at the Mary Ward Centre, 42 Queens Square, WC1 commencing 20th April 1983. (No times were given). The undermentioned

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were named as "contacts":-

- i) [Privacy] 01-555-8448 (days)
- ii) [Privacy] (evenings/weekends)
- iii) [Privacy] (workshops)

6. Subscribers to the telephone numbers listed above are:-

555-8448 - N E LONDON POLYTECHNIC  
 Students Union  
 Maryland House  
 Mambey Park Road, E15  
 (Business line)

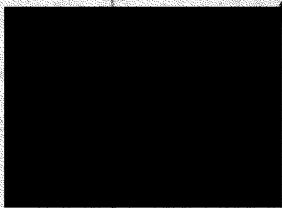
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7. References:-

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