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In November 1982 Police Officers of the Obscene Publication Branch, Scotland Yard, raided the South London address of an executive member of the Paedophile Information Exchange (PIE). Large quantities of documents were retrieved. These have been examined by [REDACTED] and as a result the following information about the organisation has been established. With the exception of the attachments to this note all the material has now been destroyed.

P.I.E. - A Background

The organisation was founded in Scotland in 1974 and operated from 214, Clyde Street, Glasgow G1 4J2. Its aims were stated to be the following:-

- a) Enabling paedophiles to contact each other for the purpose of friendship and mutual support.
- b) Campaigning for the legal and social acceptance of paedophilia.
- c) Maintaining a sustained campaign to get paedophilia on the agenda of public discussion.
- d) To be non-political and open to all paedophiles.

In 1975 the group, which seemed to consist of only two executive members, its founder [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], held their first general meeting in Edinburgh. Attendance was poor but plans were afoot to form a London group. A P.I.E. newsletter was also launched. Despite their shared objectives, P.I.E. was less radical than a similar organisation, known as P.A.L., which also operated at this time.

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Finances

A Treasurer's Report which was compiled in October 1982 showed that there was £460.48½ in the P.I.E.'s account. Recently, P.I.E.'s finances are thought to be in a parlous state. There is no evidence of any other source of funds except from the membership.

Addresses

The Group has operated from several addresses over the years. Since coming to London three addresses have appeared on their journals:-

- 1) c/o DPA, W10 (In approximately 1976-80).
- 2) c/o PO Box 318, London SE3 (1981).
- 3) c/o Box 75, London E5 (Since 1982).

Political Attitudes of P.I.E.

Heavy adverse publicity which has beleaguered P.I.E. and its members throughout the many court cases in which they have become involved has largely succeeded in alienating any support the organisation would have received from the ultra Left. In the early days three of the ten known members were on record with us [REDACTED] however, lately only [REDACTED] has been referred to as a self-proclaimed Anarchist and this is not borne out through our sources. Much of the controversy surrounding the launching of the new "MINDR PROBLEMS" journal was caused by the polarising of the various factions on P.I.E.'s executive committee. Some felt "MINDR PROBLEMS" also were to regain some of the credibility the organisation had lost with the Left. Others, notably [REDACTED] felt that outlining P.I.E.'s objectives should be the priority. It would seem that in fact the journal achieved neither objective. The P.I.E. Executive are known to "vet" members to avoid recruiting extreme right wingers, but it is probably safe to assume from the material which was recovered during the Police raid and from our own source material that although the identity of the membership and the majority of the Executive of P.I.E. is not known the organisation is so distasteful to the public that they derive no significant support from subversive elements.

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