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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – SIGHT OF REPORTS RELATING TO VARIOUS INCIDENTS DURING OPERATION BANNER

First, please accept our apologies for the delay in responding to your request.

I can confirm that your request has been considered under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI(A)), and the process is now complete.

You asked for the following:

"It would be appreciated if you could provide hard copies of the following reports relating to terrorist incidents within NI as follows:

Enniskillen Poppy Day Bombing 08 Nov 1987. Copy of serious incident report, NIREP, INCREP1, Weapons intelligence reports, ATO report and Watch keeper's logs for 8 Inf Bde 4 UDR and watchkeepers logs of Resident Battalion attached to 4 UDR as part of Province Reserve Battalion (1st Bn DERR).

Darkley Church shooting incident of 20 Nov 1983, copies of reports as listed for Enniskillen Bombing to include ATO reports if deployed. Watch keeper logs for Parent Bde, UDR unit/roulement unit whose TAOR included Darkley? (DRB

Warrenpoint Bombings on 27 Aug 1979, copies of reports as listed for Enniskillen Bombing, copies of INCREP1, NIREP, Serious incident reports, watch keepers logs for ARB, 2 PARA, CDO unit at Warrenpoint RUC Station, 3 Inf Bde, copies of reports from HQNI to MOD MO2 or any other dept within MOD.

Corry Square Mortar Attack, 28 02 1985 copies of reports as listed for Enniskillen Bombing, copies of INCREP1, NIREP, Serious incident reports, watch keepers logs for ARB, Corry Square RUC Station, 3 Inf Bde, copies of reports from HQNI to MOD MO2 or any other dept within MOD."

I can confirm that the MOD holds some information relating to the four incidents that you make reference to in your request. This information has been located in a range of documents which I have provided relevant extracts at Annex A. These would have been highly redacted as the remaining information they include is outside the scope of your request. If you wish to receive the documents in the redacted format we can provide on request. Also attached are extracts of the following redacted documents:

Enniskillen Bombing

4UDR Unit Log Sheets
IED Incident Report No: 137825

Darkley Church Shooting

The Serious Incident Report No 49/83 Shooting Attack at Church Congregation at Darkley.

Warrenpoint Bombings

IED Incident Report No: 135200

Corry Square Mortar Attack

IED Incident Report No: 135679

Of the documents that you have requested we were unable to locate the following:

Enniskillen Poppy Day Bombing 08 Nov 1987

INCREP1, 1 DERR Log Sheets.

Darkley Church shooting incident of 20 Nov 1983

NIREP, ATO Report, and Watchkeeper Logs.

Warrenpoint Bombings on 27 Aug 1979

Serious Incident Report, NIREP, INCREP1
WISREP, ARB Watchkeeper logs, 2 Para, CDO and 3 Inf Bde.
Copies of reports from HQNI to MOD MO2 or any other dept within MOD.

Corry Square Mortar Attack, 28 02 1985

NIREP, INCREP
Copies of reports from HQNI to MOD MO2 or any other dept within MOD.

Some of the information you have requested could be exempt under section 23(1) of the FOI(A), which relates to the bodies dealing with security matters, although it is also possible that the information relates to none of the bodies dealing with security matters. Sections 23(1) and 24(1) are being cited in the alternative as it is not appropriate, in the circumstances of the case, to say which of the two exemptions is engaged so as not to undermine national security or reveal the extent of any involvement, or not, of the bodies dealing with security matters. Section 23 is an absolute exemption and, if it were engaged in this material, the MOD would not be required to consider whether the public interest favours disclosure of this information.

Any information that is not exempt from disclosure under section 23(1) could be exempt under section 24(1) of the FOI(A), which exempts information from disclosure if its exemption is required for the purpose of safeguarding national security. We cannot say which of the two exemptions is engaged, but to the extent that S24(1) might be engaged. We acknowledge the public interest in openness and transparency, but we consider that there is a stronger public interest in protecting national security.

Some of the information located falls within the scope of the FOI(A), at its release would or would be likely to prejudice the capability, effectiveness or security of any relevant Section 26 (Defence) as its release would be likely to prejudice the capability, effectiveness or security of any relevant forces. Section 26 is a qualified exemption and we have conducted a public interest test to determine whether the information should be released or withheld. The factors for this public interest have determined that whilst disclosure would demonstrate openness and transparency this is outweighed by the detrimental effect disclosure would have in revealing the capabilities of military operational planning by compromising the methodologies and practices employed in the gathering and analysis of information. I have therefore concluded that the public interest supports withholding some information under Section 26.

All Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) cases remain open and if new evidence comes forward the PSNI will reinvestigate. Release of these documents must be carefully considered under Section 31 (Law Enforcement) of the FOI(A). I have completed this consideration through a public interest test including consultation with the PSNI who have advised that release of some of the information could adversely impact on any investigative process, and may jeopardise any future prosecutorial process. On this basis, I am withholding some of the information under Section 31 of the FOI(A).

I appreciate that the incidents took place between 30 and 38 years ago and the passage of time can be a factor in diminishing the applicability of exemptions to information. However, in this instance the passage of time is less relevant as the PSNI continue to investigate Troubles-related murders and the overall balance is in favour of partial exemption.

In addition, some of the information falls within the scope of Section 38 (Health and Safety) of the FOI (A), as its release could endanger the physical or mental health of any individual, or endanger the safety of any individual. Consideration must also be given to the impact release of this information may bring to the wider community especially members of the Security Forces not just in Northern Ireland but globally and the general public. To release some of the information contained within our disclosure would enable terrorists to make better devices or weapons resulting in more killings.

Section 38 is a qualified exemption and we have conducted a public interest test to determine whether the information should be released or withheld. The factors for this public interest have determined that whilst disclosure would demonstrate openness and transparency this is outweighed by the detrimental effect disclosure could have on those mentioned in the documents, on their family members and friends. I have concluded that whilst disclosure may be of historical interest, the health and safety of individuals must be taken into account especially where release would be likely to endanger, the physical or mental health of any individual. Some information has therefore been redacted under Section 38 of the FOI(A).

Some of the information contained within the disclosure constitutes personal information, such as names and addresses. Under FOIA 2000 this information is exempt under Section 40 (2) by reason of the first condition under Section 40 (3) (a) (i), as disclosure would contravene data protection principles under the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA 98). This is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test to be conducted in order for this information to be exempt from disclosure. Therefore all, personal information has been redacted.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building; Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

38 (Irish) Brigade FOI Team

Annexes:

A: FOI 2018/02397 dated 20 August 2018 (Extracts of various documents with exemptions applied)

B: FOI 2018/02397 dated 20 August 2018 (4 UDR Log Sheets. Exemptions applied and contains information out of scope)

C: FOI 2018/02397 dated 20 August 2018 (IED Incident Report No 137825. Exemptions applied)

D: FOI 2018/02397 dated 20 August 2018 (Serious Incident Report No 49/83. Exemptions applied)

E: FOI 2018/02397 dated 20 August 2018 (IED Incident Report No 135200. Exemptions applied)

F: FOI 2018/02397 dated 20 August 2018 (IED Incident Report No 135679. Exemptions applied)

Verbatim Extracts From Various Documents Relating to Enniskillen, Warrenpoint, Corry Square Bombings and Darkley Church Shooting

Enniskillen Bombing

NIREP

1. Summary Bomb Attack in Enniskillen

(a) Bomb Attack a bomb was detonated in Enniskillen at Grid Ref [Redacted] 081040Z Nov 87. Device thought to be approx. 30 – 40 pounds HME (poss [Redacted]) initiation believed to be by timing device cas are 11 dead and 61 injured.

5. 8 Inf Bde SITREP

(a) Enniskillen Bomb Attack – As crowd was forming for Remembrance Day Pde, a device consisting of up to 50 lbs HME exploded in nearby school building. As a result, 11 Civs were killed and 61 injured with 19 either listed SI or VSI.

Log Sheet - Ops Clogher dated 8 Nov 87 Sheet No 172

Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign
863	11:18	OC	1LI OPS	An Explosion has taken place at Enniskillen Cenotaph. Numerous Casualties NFD		[Redacted]

Warrenpoint Bombing

EOD LOG BOOK

EOD No	DTG Tasked	Bde & Unit	Type of Incident	Operator	Location	Grid Ref	Incident
135200	271800 August	3 Bde 1 QOH	EXPLOSIONS x Two with Fatalities	[Redacted]	WARRENPOINT		TOPCAT was present. A further report will take place after a full follow-up

Corry Square

1 RRF Logkeepers sheets dated 28 Feb 85

Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
14	1903	V0	0	Newry RUC Station was mortared	Info	[Redacted]
15	2026	V0	0	Ref Ser 14 6-7 mortars fired 1 x direct hit, 5 or 6 killed + 10 injuries	OC informed	[Redacted]
17	2119	V0	0	Ref Ser 14-15. May be a mortar attack in this area	Logged	[Redacted]

2 UDR Logkeeper sheets dated 28 Feb 85

Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign
11	18:40	Info		On RUC nett Newry RUC Stn has been Mortared	CO/Ops Offr/Int informed. B Coy Gd info, Arm Gd info (step up anti- mortar ptls)	[Redacted]
12	18:50	RUC	NETT	Be on the lookout for a [Redacted] Honda Accord [Redacted]. This veh was seen leaving the seen (<i>sic</i>)	All C/S info	[Redacted]
13	19:00	[Redacted]	0	QRF tasked to do anti-mortar patrol		[Redacted]

		QRF				
19	20:36	0	39 Bde [redacted]	Sitrep on incident Newry Rd, 6/7 RUC dead 10 injured clearance op in progress. Flat bed used found south of RUC sta Gr [Redacted]. RUC is in the town. Hilltown Rd and not the Downshire Rd one	Informed [redacted] that we have VCP Op in area North West of Newry assisting RUC 2117hrs	[Redacted]
20	21:17	0	[Redacted] RUC Ama	Could you get a ptl to move into area south of EN to give cover incase of another attack on SF moving to Newry or B/brook	Spoke to [Redacted] C Coy and informed him C/S A21AB briefed and tasked to area. Ops Offr 2 PARA B/brook informed of ptl north of their loc in area EN. Ops Offr informed of change of task for C Coy.	[Redacted]
21	23:04	0	[Redacted] 39 Bde	Ref your VCP's in area NW of area. You can call VCP's off as we can do nothing more tonight. Just keep a vigilance in your area		[Redacted]
22	23:28	0	[Redacted] RUC Ama	Sitrep on Newry 7 males dead 2 females dead and approx 30 injured. Porta Cabin received a direct hit. Also I believe that a member of 8 UDR has been kill in a booby trap exp in Pomeroy	Spoke to W/keeper 8 UDR ref booby trap exp not confirmed as fatal yet	[Redacted]

Bn HQ 3 UDR Logkeeper sheets dated 28 Feb 85

Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign
10	1905	0	39 Inf Bde W/keeper	At 1837hrs there was a rocket attack at Newry RUC Station. Could we provide Ptl's to do VCP's on all rds leading out of Newry. 1 x veh seen in the area [Redacted] Honda Accord Reg No [Redacted]	Int CO [Redacted] B Coy C Coy + AV11 info	[Redacted]
11	1951			Tasking of Ptl's B Coy VCP's Hilltown – Rostrevor Rd Also Greenbank Industrial Estate C Coy Rathfriland–Newry Rd + Mayobridge–Newry Rd + Belfast-Newry Rd AV11 Rostrevor-W'point	Int CO + [Redacted] info	[Redacted]
12	1930	0	RUC W'point	Ref mortar attack 6 or 7 hits several casualty's		[Redacted]
13	1935	0	CO	Get in touch with Duty Officer 1 D+D and tell him to carry out mortar base plate inspection of B/k area		[Redacted]
14	1945	Bde	0	Ref your request for deployment of Ptl's we have Ptl's on all rds leading out of Newry		[Redacted]
15	1953	[redacted] 1 D+D	0	My CO requests you carry out mortar base plate inspection of B/k area due to mortar attack of RUC Station Newry	1 D+D QRF tasked Ops Offr info	[Redacted]
16	2019	RUC W'point	0	Have you a sitrep for me – nothing more at present we are keeping comms with Newry to a min will let you know if the situation changes. Remain were you are at present		[Redacted]
17	2024	0	1 D+D QRF	We have carried out a base plate inspection NTR. We will do this during the night will keep you info'd		[Redacted]
18	2044	0	Bde	Ref mortar attack 6 x RUC dead 10 x RUC injured	Int CO [Redacted] info	[Redacted]

				Mortar round hit the canteen, a lot of rubble about, RUC are looking for bodies, cordon in place, have found a flat bed lorry grid [Redacted], request your VCP's remain in position at present		
19	2104	0	[Redacted]	I understand you have 1 x Ptl for tasking, request you set up VCP on the Belfast – Newry Rd just outside Newry	C Coy info	[Redacted]
20	2138	0	SNONI W/keeper	Do you wish my C/S to remain in position – yes have spoken to RUC and they wish all C/S to remain in position will keep		[Redacted]
21	2233	0	RUC W'point	RUC Newry request VCPs to stay in position, we will try to find out how long you will be required		[Redacted]
22	2243	0	[Redacted]	I would like all your Ptl's to remain in position for the next 2 hrs		[Redacted]
23	2244	0	CO	Can you stand down the RM, spoke to [Redacted] he wishes the RM's to remain in position		[Redacted]
24	2310	SNONI W/keeper	0	RUC Newry requests your C/S remains in position at present, we also have a Ptl at Moscow Camp which can be deployed if necessary, we are willing to remain all night if required.	CO info Ops Offr info	[Redacted]
25	2313	B/C Coys	0	RUC Newry requests your Ptl's remain in position, can you have troops stand by in case we have to remain out all night, yes we will have men standby	CO Int Ops Offr info	[Redacted]
26	2315	0	Bde W/keeper	I am happy if your Ptl's now stand down. No – RUC Newry wishes us to remain in position		[Redacted]
27	2359			Log Closed		[Redacted]

A Coy 2 PARA Radio Operator's Log dated 28 Feb 85

Time	To	From	NR No	Text	Date/Time Group	Sig Strength
1853	CQ	0		Explosion Newry Police Stn a car [Redacted] Honda Record (sic) VRN [Redacted] if seen must be stopped & thoroughly searched		
2210	CQ	0		Mortar attack it was a 9 tube mortar flat bed, it will take [Redacted] to clear. 6-7 battle cas other casualties have been moved. There is a device in Camlough which M20 is clearing & also another in Newry. Thanks for		

				your help, keep off the nets for M20 & inform me what you are doing at your locs.		
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2 PARA Radio Operator's Log dated 28 Feb 85

Time	To	From	NR No	Text	Date/Time Group	Sig Strength
1856	Y32C	M10		Explosion Newry Stn a [Redacted] Honda Accord was seen around area URN [Redacted] if you stop this veh it must be searched thoroughly		

NIREP FROM 39 Inf Bde

SITREP from 280001Z Feb 85 to 282359Z Feb 85 SITREP No 6259

1.Bde Summary. Mortar Attack on RUC Newry

(1) 1837hrs. 2 PARA. Mortar attack on RUC Newry Gr[Redacted]. The base plate consisted of 9 tubes on a red flat bed VRN [Redacted] at Gr [Redacted]. All tubes fired hitting RUC Stn including direct hit on the canteen. Latest count is 9 dead 2 missing 10 seriously injured. Flat bed belonging to [Redacted] was hijacked at 1300hrs in area of Gr [Redacted] by two armed men. [Redacted]

NIREP FROM 8 Inf Bde

SITREP from 272359Z Feb 85 to 282359Z Feb 85 SITREP No 5467

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5. 39 Inf Bde. Mortar attack on Newry RUC Station, 9 dead. IRA claimed responsibility.

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EOD No	DTG Tasked	Bde & Unit	Type of Incident	Operator	Location	Grid Ref	Incident
135679	281845Z Feb 85	39 Bde/ 2 PARA	2 x IED 7 X expl Mor Att	[Redacted]	Newry RUC Station	[Redacted]	At approx. 1836 hrs 9 PIRA Mk 10 Mortars were fired at the RUC Stn from a vehicle parked in the disused Newry/Armagh Creameries Grounds off Monaghan St, Newry ([Redacted]). 7 Mor Expl in or around the Stn. No official tasking given ATO on the ground at [Redacted]hrs.

EOD Location	Explosives	Det	Remarks
[Redacted] RUC Stn [Redacted] BASEPLATE [Redacted] RUC Stn [Redacted]	[redacted]	1 plain det	A horrific attack which resulted in 9 dead, 37 injured all 9 dead RUC, and were in canteen when a direct hit by single mortar. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. [Redacted] 2. [Redacted] 3. Blinds [Redacted] 4. Fragments from mortars 01[Redacted] Mar Area clear

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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
φ1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
φ2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
φ3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
φ4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
φ5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
φ6	1046	φ	WLZC	CONTACT EXPLOSION ENK [REDACTED]	BDE INFORMED RAT TRAP CALLED BDE ARF TASKED QRF + MEDICS SENT TO CENTRE. DOG TASKED	[REDACTED]
φ7	1116	φ	MIB	[REDACTED] EN ROUTE WITH HEAVY LIFT GEAR	RUC INFO	[REDACTED]

Serials 1-5 are redacted as they are not within scope

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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
<i>08.</i>	<i>1118.</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>BDE</i>	<i>ATO. EN ROUTE TO RUC. ENK. ICP TO BE AT. Q. BND RD GR. [Redacted]</i>	<i>INFO.</i>	[Redacted]
<i>09.</i>	<i>1122</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>Y31A</i>	<i>NO COMMS. INFO BY PHONES ABE AT REAR OF WALLWORTH. AREA CLEAR. MAINTAINING CORDON GR. TO GR. [Redacted]</i>	<i>INFO</i>	[Redacted]
<i>10</i>	<i>1125</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>BDE ARE</i>		<i>INFO</i>	[Redacted]
<i>11.</i>	<i>1228.</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>BDE.</i>	<i>REBA. EN ROUTE BY GAZ TO 6100 WE MAINTAIN GAZELLE THIS LOC.</i>	<i>INFO.</i>	[Redacted]
<i>12.</i>	<i>1129</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>L30A</i>	<i>ICP. COMD, GOING INTO INC. AS ECH COVER.</i>	<i>INFO.</i>	[Redacted]
<i>13</i>	<i>1231.</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>TA.</i>	<i>MAY USE GARAGES & MORTUARY AT. ROSSORU</i>	<i>INFO</i>	[Redacted]
<i>14.</i>	<i>1232</i>	<i>Ø</i>	<i>AW222</i>	<i>TRF (TA) IN CENTRE OF TOWN ?</i>	<i>AW222 - RET THIS LOC.</i>	[Redacted]

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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
15.	1134.	Ø	AW20b	DR DR. THIS LOC.	INFO	[REDACTED]
14.	1156.	Ø	BSE	REGT. MOVING BY GAZ WASH FOR THIS LOC.	INFO	[REDACTED]
17.	1156.	Ø	M110	RUNNERS DISPATCHED TO OTHER PDZ LOC. TO REASSURE RELATIVES ETC	INFO	[REDACTED]
18.	1203	Ø	M110	CO. AT OPS ROOM.	INFO	[REDACTED]
19.	1210	Ø	AW21W	DR COND. DUR THIS LOC. 15 MINS. CO. TO MEET.	INFO	[REDACTED]
20.	1212	Ø	AW2P.	CAS. TO MOVE TO ALTNAGALVIN. CAN HELP HELP.	YRS. GAP. FIELD 10 MINS.	[REDACTED]
21.	1213	Ø	M110	RELATED ENTRY. AW21. (GAZ) HERE WITH REGT. 12 05ARS.	INFO	[REDACTED]

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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
22	1215	7.	622	BE COND THIS LOC. 1 MIN.	INFO	[REDACTED]
23.	1220.	7.	[REDACTED]	ATO. WANT IN 1205HRS, WILL BE APPROX 1HR.	INFO.	[REDACTED]
24.	1224	8.	[REDACTED]	E21. AT AT. TA CENTRE	INFO.	[REDACTED]
25	1236.	7.	621A	AT THIS LOC WITH BEIG.	INFO	[REDACTED]
26.	1236.	7.	[REDACTED]	REQ. SITREP. SPECIFICALLY ANY UDE CAS.	INFO GIVEN.	[REDACTED]
27.	1237.	7.	L30A.	ATO CONTINUES APPROX 1 HOUR HOUR.	INFO	[REDACTED]
28	1241.	7.	Y31.	MOVED TO. CASTLECOOLE FM LISBENAW.	INFO.	[REDACTED]

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29	1242	Ø	B Com	c/s AT. B/LOCK IS. Y. 21.	info.	[REDACTED]
30	1255	Ø	[REDACTED]	FM RUC. 10. CONF. AREA 37 INJURED CAS. OFFICER ENR. [REDACTED]	info.	[REDACTED]
31	1310	Ø	MIA	ADRE SITREP	info	[REDACTED]
32	1310	Ø	MIA	AD 31G INBOUND WITH REST.	info	[REDACTED]
33	1312	Ø	L30P	KEEP RESA. STAND BY.	info.	[REDACTED]
34	4 4 1314	Ø	RUC	1345 4 PHASE SEARCH ① CEMETERY + CONVENT ② FORTMILL PK ③ CATTLE MARKET ④ QUAY LANE		[REDACTED]
35	1322	Ø	AD 31G	INBOUND 30sec. WITH REST	info	[REDACTED]

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36.	1326	Ø	MUN.	REST ARRIVE.	REMAIN ON STAND 500 MF.	[REDACTED]
37.	1330.	Ø	[REDACTED]	RUC WILL BE DOING, 6 LIFTS BANK AREA. RRQ. CN VETS, + 6 XSECT	INFO	[REDACTED]
38.	1334.	Ø	NI OFFICE,	SRC- STATE ARRIV. 1500-1515.	INFO	[REDACTED]
39.	1335.	Ø	HOSP.	CAS. FOR AKTNAGELVIN. BY ARL. SOONEST.	INFO.	[REDACTED]
40.	1401.	Ø	AU27D	LEFT ERNR HOS FOR AKTNAGELVIN.	INFO	[REDACTED]
41.	1402.	Ø	BEE.	SDR ALSO COMING THIS LOC.	INFO	[REDACTED]
42.	1405	Ø	V31A	AT [REDACTED] MILL ST.	INFO	[REDACTED]

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43.	1409.	Ø	SDE	REST + WRSS EX, OURS. TFN.	INFO	[REDACTED]
44.	1410	Ø	L30A.	SPEC. AGENCIES, NOW CHECKING FOR FORENSIC EVID. ATO, CHARGED AT [REDACTED], CORDON REMAINS IN POSN.		[REDACTED]
45.	1418	Ø	[REDACTED]	HAS. 1 SECT READY 1 ALMOST READY.	TOLD Y21. TO RET C/HILL 14M. Y31. TO REMAIN AT C/SOOLE	[REDACTED]
46	1428	Ø	MID.	SAR LET RET. TO OMAH	(SAR INFO) INFO	[REDACTED]
47	1430.	Ø	RUC	RQ. HELI. 2 X CAS AT NAGELUN.	INFO.	[REDACTED]
48	1438.	Ø	MID.	AW31G. MOVES OUT FOR CAS.	INFO.	[REDACTED]
49.	1444	Ø	A CON	2 X SECT READY.	INFO.	[REDACTED]

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50.	1515.	Ø	ADE	AW312. INBOUND WITH SEC STATE	REC HERE TO TRANSPORT. INFO	[REDACTED]
51.	1516.	Ø	BRIG. 802E	ADE COMR LEAVES FOR UNDERWAY,	INFO	[REDACTED]
52.	1522.	Ø	V31C.	CAR REGD. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] VW. 3 PAX. FM.	ARR STN & REC. INFO	[REDACTED]
53	1540.	Ø	AW22D	LEAVES THIS LOC. FOR KENE HOSP. CAREVAC. [REDACTED] MAN [REDACTED] TO R.U.H. ACCOMP BY 1 X DOC 1 X NURSE. FOR NEURO-SURGERY.	INFO	[REDACTED]
54.	1545/	-	-	[REDACTED]	INFO	[REDACTED]
55	1547	Ø	AW 312	SEC OF STATE YOUR LOCATION FIVE MINUTES	INFO	[REDACTED]
56	1503	-	-	SEC OF STATE ARRIVES	INFO	[REDACTED]

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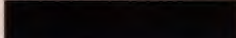
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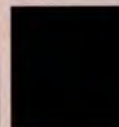

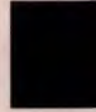
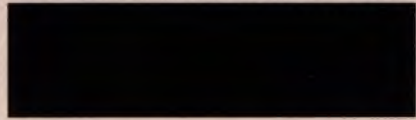

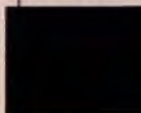
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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.	
57	1612	φ	AW 3IG	ON ROUTE TO YOUR LOCATION WITH 2x NURSES	ERNE HOSPITAL, INFORMED.		
58	1648	ALL STN	φ	RATRAP LIFTED			
59	1700	φ	CO	E COY PERSONNEL ON COMPLETION OF TOMORROWS TASKING FROM THEIR OWN COMPANY. FRESH TASKS AT 2000HRS. PT CIS ARE TO CONTINUE AND BE TALKED TO V.C.P.S. AT ASHWOODS, SILVERHILL, KILLYHEVLIN, KILLYVILLY.	THERE TASKS ARE TO STAND DOWN REGULAR ARMY TO CONTINUE ON		
60	1720	φ	MAP M119	B COY REDEPLOYED Y30B - SILVERHILL Y13A/B KILLYVILLY Y31A/B - CASTLECOOL N22 ASHWOODS Y30A - BINECK	INFO		
61	1721	φ	RVC EKN	Serial 61-62 are redacted as they are not within scope			
62	1735	φ	RVC		INFO SIGNAL SENT		
63	1655	φ	ERNE HOSP	1 x CASUALTY REQUIRES CASEVAC TO BELFAST AT 2000. BDE INFORMED	ERNE INFO		

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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
64	1920	φ	BDE	HELI FOR CASAVAC CONFIRMED FOR 2015HRS	RVC INFORMED ERWE HOSPITAL INFORMED	[REDACTED]
65	1947	ALL Y C/S	φ	ALL Y C/S TO WITHDRAW.	MESSAGE PASSED	[REDACTED]
66	1950	φ	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] ONBOARD HELI	CHECKED WITH DOCTORS THEY HAVE NO OBJECTIONS PILOTS INFORMED	[REDACTED]
67	1952	φ	LVC	FOR CO, MEETING IN TULLYHUNNEN EXN REF TULLYHUNNEN AT 2100HRS SUB. CHECK AT 2200HRS.	CO INFORMED	[REDACTED]
68	1954	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	INFORM B CO THAT HE WILL HAND OVER THE COMPANY TOMORROW	CO INFORMED	[REDACTED]
69	1955	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
70	2011	ERWE HOSP	φ	HELI ON ITS WAY C/S AND 2B	INFO	[REDACTED]

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Serial	Time	To	From	Event	Action	Sign.
71	2030	φ	RUC CICW	REQUESTS TROOPS BE HELD IN POSITION UNTILL 0200HRS A COY WILL HOLD UNTILL 2200HRS B COY ALREADY STOOD DOWN OPS OFFICER INFORMED		[REDACTED]
72	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Serials 72 - 77 are redacted as they are not within scope.		
73	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
74	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
75	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
76	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
77	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]

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Logkeeper(s) [Redacted]

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78	2130	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	Serials 78-90 are redacted as they are not within scope		
79	2153	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]
80	2210	[Redacted]	-	[Redacted] <i>off duty</i>	[Redacted]	[Redacted]
				[Redacted] <i>on duty</i>	[Redacted]	[Redacted]
90	2255	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]
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IED INCIDENT REPORT

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Annex C
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 FOP 2018/02397
 Dated 20 August 2018

F ORD 154 (Revised 1986)

1. Tasking Authority/Formation 8 BDE	2. Police Force/Station/Unit 1 DERR	3. Contact Rank and Name [REDACTED]	4. Report No 137825
6. Operator's Name and Code [REDACTED]	7. Type of Incident		5. Multi Task (other Report No's) N/A
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		FIND <input type="checkbox"/>	HOAX <input type="checkbox"/>
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DATES, TIMES AND DISTANCES

8. DTG Issued/Found	0 8 [REDACTED]	12. DTG Arrival at Scene	0 8 [REDACTED]	16. Day Code	1
9. DTG Tasked	0 8 [REDACTED]	13. DTG Completed	0 8 [REDACTED]	17. Month	0 C T
10. DTG of Explosion	0 8 [REDACTED]	14. DTG In	0 8 [REDACTED]	18. Year	1 9 8 7
11. DTG Out	0 8 [REDACTED]	15. Kms	[REDACTED]		

19. Map No	V [REDACTED] V 1 8	21. Address/Location	22. Position of Device	23. How delivered
20. Grid Ref	[REDACTED]	Old Catholic Primary School, Bellmore St,	Not Known (see box 28).	Hand.
24. Device, appearance, size, fastening	ENNISKILLEN.	25. Vehicles, make, colour, registration	N/A.	26. Target
Not Known.		Stolen/Hijacked YES/NO		SF.

27. RSP Codes [REDACTED]

28. Operator's Comments
 At approximately 1036 hrs an explosion occurred at the Old Catholic Primary School, Bellmore St. This is located adjacent to a war memorial where a wreath laying ceremony was due to take place between 1050 hrs and 1105 hrs. The building had recently been taken into use as a community hall for the ' Less fortunate members of the community'.
 At the scene there was a lot of activity to locate the injured and get them out. There was still one person believed to possibly still be trapped, hence [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] action upon arrival.

Annex A YES/NO
 See over YES/NO

29. Explosive Filling (Type and Wt) Est 10-20 Kg poss HME ([REDACTED]).	30. Booster (Type and Wt) Not Known.	31. Initiation Not Known.
32. Delay to Initiation Not Known.	33. Arming Not Known (Poss Terrorist).	34. Delay to Arming Not Known.
35. Power Source Not Known.	36. Multi Charge Linked by Not Known.	37. Shrapnel (Type and Wt) Not Known.
38. Device Type Blast Bomb.	39. Effect of Explosion/Incendiaries [REDACTED]	
40. Device Failure Code N/A	41. Forensic DIRECT/THROUGH NIFSL at the scene.	42. If Anti-Handling/Booby Trap - Device Details N/A

43. Operator Signature [REDACTED]	44. OC Unit/Det Comments 41 [REDACTED]	45. Tasking Authority Use Only Now known as the "Poppy Day Massacre" [REDACTED]
Date 8 NOVEMBER 1987	Date 1 Dec 87 Signature [REDACTED]	Date 1/12/87 Signature [REDACTED]

RE [REDACTED]

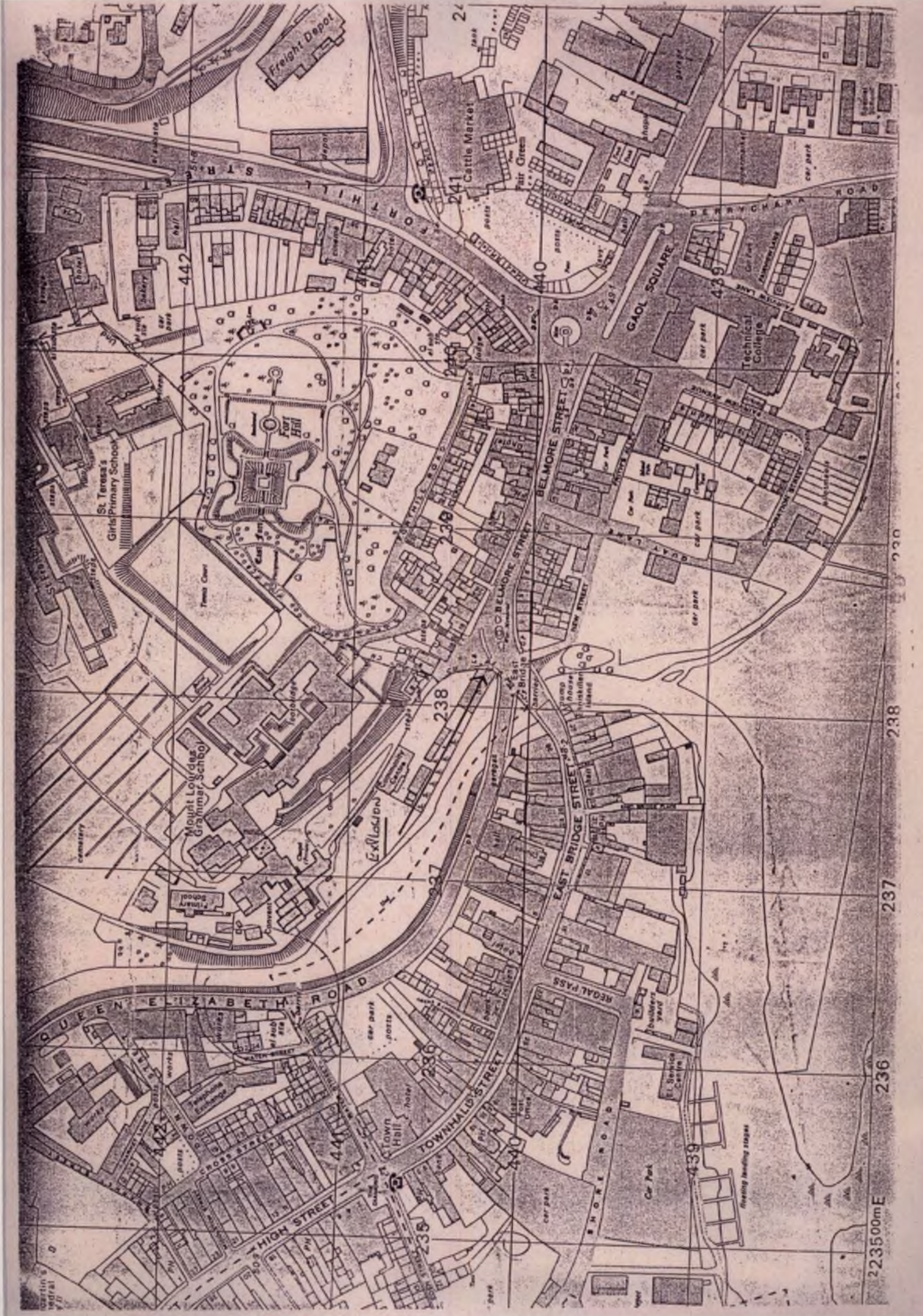
Drawings, sketches, additional or follow up information:

During the clearance of the building it was noted that there was a Kosengas cylinde in one of the back rooms. The caretaker could not account for it. It proved to be untampered and contained gas.

From the damage to the building and the way the debris has fallen the seat of the explosion is believed to have been located inside and against the wall facing the war memorial. A witness stated that he heard a large crump as opposed to a sharp crack and saw a lot of dirty black smoke. It would appear from this that the explosion was caused by possible Home Made Explosive (), and it is estimated that there was 10 to 20 Kgs.

Damage to the building was severe and there was a lot of glass damage in the immediate vicinity. There was no obvious structural damage to surrounding buildings. A number of cars also suffered blast damage. [REDACTED]

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Freight Depot

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Cattle Market

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Girls Primary School

Fort Hill

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GAOL SQUARE

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Technical College

BELMORE STREET

EAST BRIDGE STREET

Mount Lowdes Grammar School

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1. Formation and Unit 3Bde 1 QO HQRS			2. Report No 135200		
3. Contact, Rank and Name Lt [REDACTED]			4. Type of Incident x2 -IED/EXPL/INCEN/FINB/NOAX/FALSE/UXO		
5. Operator's Name and Code [REDACTED]	6. DTG Tasked Aug 27	7. DTG Out Aug 27	8. DTG of BOD Action (Arrival at Scene) Aug 27	3. DTG Completed Aug 27	
10. DTG In Aug 27	11. Map Reference	12. Location 200m North Warren Point to Newry 20 and Hilltown Road		13. Multi Task (Other report No's)	14. Miles
15. DTG Laid/Pound Aug 27	16. Day EPR 2	17. Position of Device 1. ON HAY TRAILER PARKED IN LAMBY BESIDE NORTH ROAD 2. IN GATEHOUSE OPPOSITE ANNEEN WATERLOGGE BESIDE SPIND		18. How Delivered 1. DELIVERED 2. PLACED!	
19. Container, Size and appearance 1. HAY TRAILER 2. N/K.			20. Fastening N/K.		
21. Operator's Action [REDACTED]					

22. Operator's Comments DEVICE EXPLODED AT 1600 AS ARMY CONVOY WAS PASSING. RESULTED IN 60 + 2VSI. SECOND DEVICE EXPLODED AT 1510, CATCHING SF O GROUP AND ORF IN ICP. APPROX 100M NORTH OF FIRST DEVICE IN LARGE MASTERS BUILT GATEWAY.		23. For Vehicles, Make, Colour Regd No [REDACTED]		Stolen/Hijacked YES/NO	
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24. Target SF (ARMY)		25. DTG of Explosion SEE 22		26. Tasked before or after explosion	
27. Explosive Filling (Type and #) EST 200+KGs N/K EACH DEVICE		28. Booster (Type and #) N/K		29. Initiation N/K	
30. Delay to Initiation R.C		31. Arming N/K		32. Delay to Arming N/K	
33. Power Source N/K		34. Multi Charge YES/NO		35. Multi Charge Linked by N/A	
37. Device Type AMBUSH		36. Shrapnel (Type and #) N/K			
38. IF Anti-handling/Booby Trap - Device Details N/A		39. Reason Device Failed to Function NA			
41. Police Station NEWRY		40. Effect of Explosion/Incendaries [REDACTED]			
43. SAPO's Comments ↓ 15p79		42. DIPS DIRECT/AMMO-CATO/HEAVY-SOCO			
Date		44. CATO's Comment [REDACTED] Revised estimate: 1st: 4-500lb 2nd: 700lb +			

Date

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SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORT NO 49/83

SHOOTING ATTACK ON CHURCH CONGREGATION AT DARKLEY, CO ARMAGH

SUN 20 NOV 83

1. At 1815 hrs on Sun 20 Nov 83 at least 2 terrorists opened fire on the congregation of the Elim Pentacostal Gospel Hall, Mountain Lodge, Darkley, Co Armagh. Three Church Elders standing in the doorway of the hall welcoming the congregation were shot dead at close range. The terrorists then fired indiscriminately at the congregation consisting of approximately 70 men, women and children inside the wooden building, and a further 7 people were seriously wounded, 4 of them women.

2. In an anonymous phone call to UTV this attack was claimed by a group calling itself "The Catholic Reaction Force" (CRF). [REDACTED]

However in a recent interview with a Dublin based newspaper Dominic McGlinchey, the so called leader of INLA, denied any involvement by his terrorist organisation, but he did admit supplying weapons to terrorists in the area of the attack. It is interesting to note that PIRA were quick to deny any responsibility for this attack, and at the same time PIRA took the opportunity to denounce sectarianism in an almost unprecedented statement.

3. As a result of this attack the RUC requested additional troops for high profile operations to restore public confidence. Consequently S Coy 1QO HLDRS was placed under opcon 2 UDR on Mon 21 Nov 83 for patrol operations in the area close to the border with the Republic of Ireland. Similarly C Coy 2 QUEENS, less one Pl, was placed under opcon 1 GREN GDS on Wed 23 Nov 83.

4. The current high level of patrolling in the border area continues, and a large operation was mounted jointly with the RUC to guard other isolated Protestant Churches in the area on the next Sunday after the attack at Darkley.

5. A detailed Serious Incident Report by 2 UDR and a WIS report are enclosed.

[REDACTED]
Maj
for Comd

Enclosures:

1. 2 UDR Serious Incident Report 4900/1 dated 24 Nov 83.
2. WIS Report AM/S/39/83 dated 202359 Z Nov 83.

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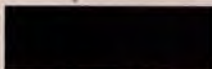
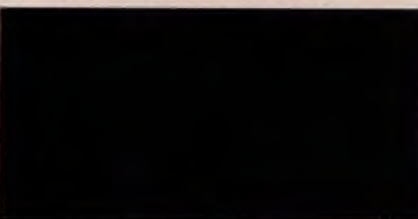
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24 November 1983

INCIDENT REPORT 25/83SHOOTING ATTACK NEAR KEADY ON 20 NOVEMBER 1983

1. The following Annexures are attached.
 - a. Annex A - Incident Report 25/83.
 - b. Annex B - Marked Map GSGS 5147 Sheets G2 & G3. Scale 1:20,000
 - c. Annex C - Photographs of Incident.



for Lt Col
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ANNEX A TO 2 UDR 4900/1
DATED 24 NOVEMBER 1983

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SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORT 25/83

SHOOTING ATTACK NEAR KEADY, CO ARMAGH ON 20 NOVEMBER 1983

1. TYPE OF INCIDENT

Shooting

2. LOCATION

Elim Pentacostal Gospel Hall, Mountain Lodge, Keady. GR 86763064.

3. TIME OF INCIDENT

a. Incident commenced at 201815z Nov 83.

b. Incident closed at 211515z Nov 83.

4. SUB UNITS INVOLVED

a. 6 x Teams 2 UDR

b. 2 x Teams 9 UDR (under op con)

c. 3 x Teams 1 Gren Gds (under op con)

d. 1 x REST

e. WIS

f. NITESUN

g. DMSU/Uniformed RUC

h. CID/SOCO

i. RUC Photography & Mapping

5. RUC INVOLVEMENT

The RUC were involved immediately after the incident & throughout the FU.

6. IRISH SF INVOLVEMENT

RUC Armagh immediately informed the Gardai of the incident. Gardai VCPs were set up and cover given during the FU searches the following day.

7. CASUALTIES

a. SF - Nil

b. Terrs - Nil

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c. Civs - Shot dead

(1) Harold Brown [REDACTED] Keady

(2) David Wilson [REDACTED] Keady.

(3) Victor Cunningham [REDACTED] Armagh.

Wounded

(1) [REDACTED] Markethill.

(2) [REDACTED]

(3) [REDACTED] Keady. [REDACTED]

(4) [REDACTED] Portadown.

(5) [REDACTED]

(6) [REDACTED] Portadown

(7) [REDACTED] Newtownabbey.

All the above injuries were caused by bullets.

8. DETAILS OF INCIDENT

a. 20 N/K Nov 83

A taxi was hired by a N/K number of men in Dundalk to take them to Castleblaney. Near Castleblaney the vehicle was hi-jacked and one man remained with the driver, whilst the remainder left in the veh. The veh was found burnt out at 202100 approx at Castlebellingham 6 miles South of Dundalk.

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b. 201815z Nov 83

2 x armed and masked men entered the door of the Elim Pentacostal Gospel Hall, Mountain Lodge, Keady. 3 x male members of the church were in the entrance hall and the gunmen opened fire on these men. Two died instantly where they stood, and the third moved through the doors into the hall proper badly wounded and died in the hall. The gunmen continued to fire through the closed doors wounding seven of the congregation in the hall. There were approximately 60 - 70 persons present including about 25 children. As they left the location they sprayed the hall with fire.

9. DETAILS OF FOLLOW UP

201819z Nov 83

RUC Armagh received a 999 call from [REDACTED] Keady, the [REDACTED], stating that there had been a shooting at the Mountain Lodge.

An RUC mob was immediately despatched to the scene, ambulances were tasked and 2 UDR Bn Op Rm informed.

1820z Nov 83

2 UDR QRF place on stand by. 9 UDR (under op con 2 UDR) at Keady informed and 2 x teams placed on stand by.

1828z Nov 83

RUC arrived at scene and informed RUC comms that there were 3 dead and 6 injured. RUC informed 2 UDR Bn Ops. Gardai informed. DMSU tasked.

1829z Nov 83

Bde informed. NITESUN requested.

1853z Nov 83

RUC requested mil assistance. 2 x Teams from Keady tasked to report to RUC at incident.

1920z Nov 83

Joint RUC/UDR ICP set up at incident. DMSU reported to be on task covering the area.

NITESUN on task but dismissed immediately by RUC as now being unnecessary.

2136z Nov 83

RUC completed initial investigation. 2 x Teams at ICP tasked to cordon area until relieved.

210300z Nov 83

2 x teams 2 UDR relieved 9 UDR at cordon.

0800z Nov 83

1 x REST, 3 x Teams 2 UDR & 3 x Teams 1 Gren Gds completed cordon of area & probable escape route of terrs & commenced search. SOCO at scene. DMSU carried out area search.

1515z Nov 83

Search complete. NTR, Tps returned to normal tasking

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10. COMMENTS BY UNIT HQ

a. [REDACTED]

b. Four weapons were used as shown:-

(1) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(2) [REDACTED]

(3) [REDACTED]

(4) [REDACTED]

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ARMAGH WISREP
(SHOOTING)

REFERENCE: WIU/AM/S/39/83

INVESTIGATOR.....

<u>DATE OF INCIDENT</u>	<u>LOCATION AND GRID</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TARGET</u>
20 NOV 83	MOUNTAIN LODGE PENTACOSTAL GOSPEL HALL, MOUNTAIN LODGE, AUGHNAGURGAN, DARKLEY, NEAR KEADY. GRID H: 86763064	1815hrs	CIVILIAN

BRIEF SUMMARY OF EVENTS

LINKED INCIDENT: VEHICLE HIJACKING

1. On the 20 Nov 83 at about 1645hrs a taxi driver was sitting in his vehicle, a Ford Cortina at a taxi rank in Dundalk when he was approached by a male fare who requested to be taken to a public house on the Castleblaney Road, Dundalk. The taxi driver accepted the journey and drove out on to the Castleblaney Road when about 400 yards outside of Dundalk he was asked to stop at the nearby Bus Station and accept three more male fares. The taxi driver picked up the men and drove on to the original destination, the Public house. The taxi stopped at the public house and one of the men alighted from the vehicle and walked around the Public house. Upon returning the man stated that the car they wanted was not there and then asked the taxi driver to take them on to Castleblaney. The taxi driver agreed and drove off, as the taxi approached the Concession Road, Crossmaglen at H29C one of the men told the taxi driver not to go up the Concession Road but to turn left and travel on the south side of the border. As the taxi approached the Castleblaney Road again at H33C a gun was put in the taxi drivers back and he was told to stop the taxi. He was then hooded and driven around for about 15 minutes and then held near a minor road on the south side of the border. After a short period the hood was removed and he was given directions to Castleblaney but told not to report the incident for four hours. The taxi driver obtained a lift to Dundalk and did not report the matter.

2. The taxi was later recovered at Castlebellingham, six miles south of Dundalk following a shooting attack at a Gospel Hall near Darkley, Keady. The vehicle had been burnt out.

LINKED INCIDENT: TRIPLE MURDER OF CIVILIANS

1. On the 20 Nov 83 at 1819hrs RUC Armagh received a telephone call from a Keady that a shooting had occurred at the Mountain Lodge Gospel Hall, where On investigation it was ascertained that a number of civilians had received fatal injuries in the attack.

2. At about 1815hrs four armed and masked men approached the entrance hall of the Pentacostal Gospel Hall, Mountain Lodge, near Keady. As at least two of the gunmen entered the entrance hall they fired at point blank range at three male elders of the Church who were acting as ushers to those members of the congregation arriving late. Two elders Victor CUNNINGHAM and Harold BROWN died instantly where they stood, the third elder David WILSON although fatally injured moved through the entrance hall and ran into

the Church proper, he then stumbled to the rear of the Church and died outside, adjacent to the rear steps of the Church. The gunmen then discharged a number of shots through the closed doors of the hall into the interior of the Church wounding seven of the congregation inside the Church. The gunmen then left the entrance hall and once outside they fired into the outer wooden walls of the gospel hall. They then escaped in a vehicle in the direction of the Eire border.

3. All relevant agencies were tasked to the scene. All the injured and deceased were conveyed to Craigavon Area Hospital. Following a Post Mortem examination that night the deceased were confirmed as having sustained the following injuries:

(a) David WILSON [REDACTED], Keady [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(b) Harold BROWN [REDACTED], Keady [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(c) Victor CUNNINGHAM [REDACTED], Armagh [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The injured civilians were confirmed as having sustained the following gunshot wounds:

(a) [REDACTED],
Markethill. [REDACTED]

(b) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(c) [REDACTED], Keady. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(d) [REDACTED], Portadown. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(e) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(f) [REDACTED], Portadown. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(g) [REDACTED], Newtownabbey.
[REDACTED]

There were approximately 60-70 persons present at the Gospel Hall including about 25 children.

4. Close examination of the scene by SOCO/WIS/NIFSL resulted in the following items of forensic interest being recovered for onward transmission to DRC:

(a) 7 X [REDACTED]

(b) 5 X [REDACTED]

(c) 2 X [REDACTED]

(d) 1 X [REDACTED]

(e) 1 X [REDACTED]

(f) 6 X [REDACTED]

(g) 10 X [REDACTED]

(h) 5 X [REDACTED]

5. [REDACTED] Harold
BROWN. [REDACTED] Victor
CUNNINGHAM. [REDACTED] Eleven
entrance strike marks were evident on the outside front of the Gospel Hall and twelve
entrance strike marks were evident on the inside of the entrance hall.

6. At 2100hrs Dundalk Garda received a report that there was a car on fire at
Castlebellingham, six miles south of Dundalk. A patrol was tasked to the scene and
they discovered a Blue Ford Cortina [REDACTED] burning. As a result of Garda enquiries
the full story of the burnt out Cortina emerged and it was established that this Cortina
was the same vehicle which had been hijacked at 1645hrs earlier that night in the
Dundalk area.

INVESTIGATORS COMMENTS

1. The attack at Mountain Lodge Gospel Hall is reminiscent of the sectarian group assassinations of the mid 1970's. Although this incident has set a precedent inasmuch as this is the first time Republican terrorists have actually entered a place of worship and indiscriminately shot at members of a congregation.

2. Eyewitness accounts of the attack reveal that four men were involved in the execution phase of the attack. It is known that the gunmen approached the entrance hall of the Church and then whilst standing in the porch of the entrance hall the gunmen discharged a number of shots at point blank range at the three male elders acting as ushers to members of the congregation entering the Church. Two of the deceased elders CUNNINGHAM and BROWN died where they stood at the entrance hall. The third elder WILSON ran into the Church proper, fatally wounded; at that stage at least two gunmen stepped into the entrance hall and discharged a number of rounds into the closed wooden doors of the hall wounding seven of the congregation within the Church. The gunmen then stepped out of the entrance hall and stood on the concrete path by the Gospel Hall fence and fired shots into the wooden panelled sides of the Gospel Hall. It is then thought that the gunmen escaped in their hijacked Blue Ford Cortina in the direction of K4 and thence into the Irish Republic.

3. Examination of the recovered cases and heads has determined that the weapons used were as follows:

(a)

(1)

(2)

(3)

(b)

(c)

(d)

The attack at the Mountain Lodge was claimed by the Catholic Reaction Force, a hitherto unknown organisation, in an anonymous telephone call to the Ulster Television.

4. Information outside scope of your request.

Force' although this shooting was also the work of South Armagh PIRA. [REDACTED]

5. The choice of the Mountain Lodge Gospel Hall is an interesting one and an ideal choice from a terrorist point of view. The Hall is isolated and located in a deeply Republican area and targetting the Hall would have been an easy matter. Until the killings at Mountain Lodge such attacks were thought to be things of the past and therefore noone would have paid any attention to security precautions. It is felt that the targetting could have been easily carried out, with rugged countryside lending itself to any means of observation. Because of its location few people outside the immediate locals would have known any of the relevant information regarding the hall and its congregation and it is therefore thought that the initial targetting information probably came from nearby Darkley. [REDACTED]

6. [REDACTED]

(a) [REDACTED]

Armagh

(b) [REDACTED]

Armagh

(c) [REDACTED]

Armagh

(d) [REDACTED]

Armagh

(e) [REDACTED]


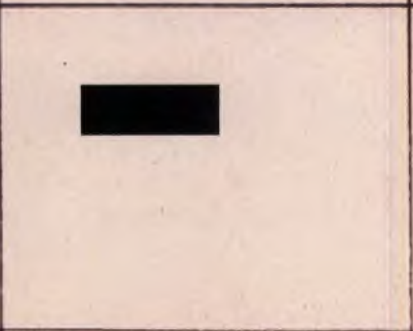
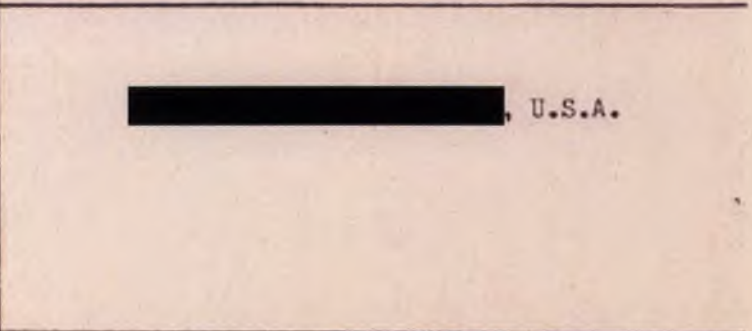

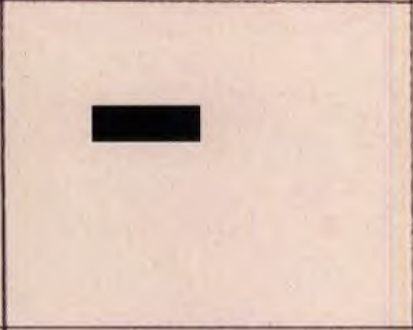
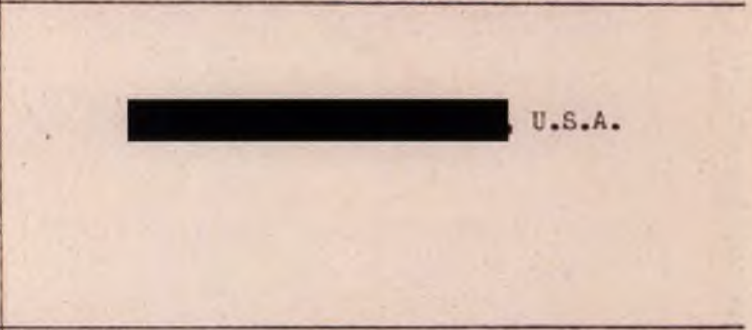

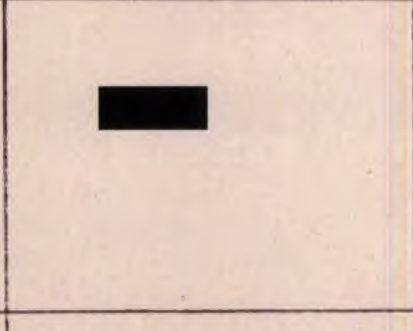
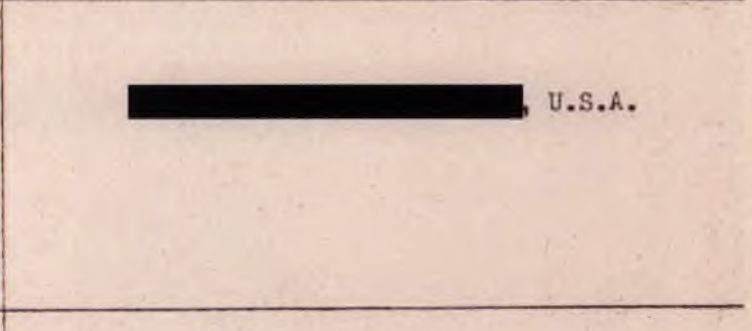

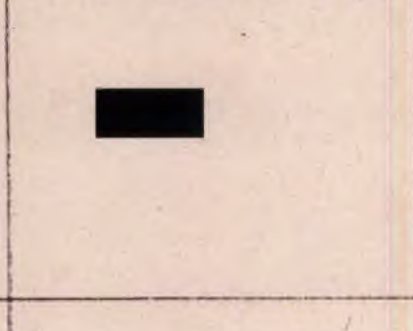
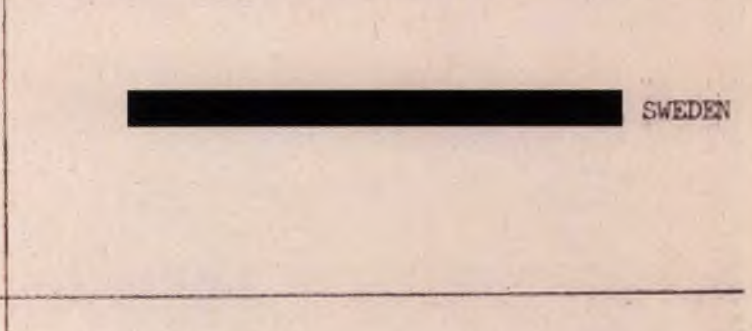

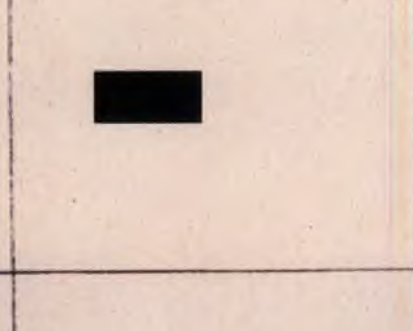
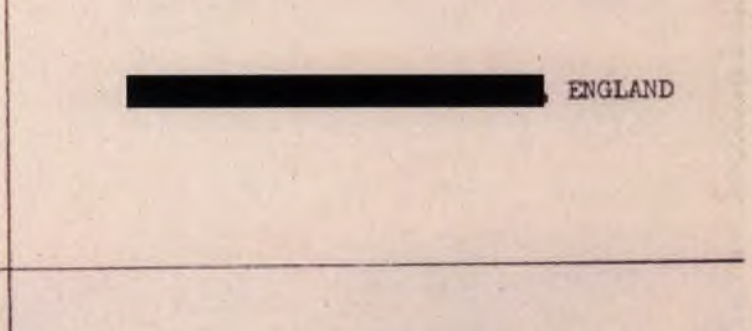
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7. In conclusion this was a well planned and executed attack although it could hardly have been otherwise against such a defenceless and easy target. Despite the fears of many Protestants these types of attack are infrequent and unlikely to occur within a short period of time. This sectarian shooting was callous and indiscriminate and indefensible even by INLA standards but if their motive was to increase sectarian tension in the Armagh area, they have certainly succeeded. Little else has been achieved by this bestial act.

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HEADSTAMP LOG

HEADSTAMP	QTY & CAL	NAME & PLACE OF MANUFACTURE
		 U.S.A.
		 U.S.A.
		 U.S.A.
		 SWEDEN
		 ENGLAND

HDR

RR HDR011 20/11/83 2301 HDR077 20/11/83 2302
RR SIZ SDB SCB XSS SEB JSB HDR HDB HDC HGA HGB HGC HGD

FOR INFORMATION OF SUPERINTENDENT FCIC

TERRORIST INCIDENT AT KEADY - 'H' DIV

~~ELPS~~ PENTACOSTAL CHURCH HALL, MOUNTAIN LODGE, DARKLEY.

- 1. 20TH NOVEMBER, 1983
- 2. 6.20PM
- 3. KEADY

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- 4. [REDACTED] KEADY
- 5. MOUNTAIN LODGE GOSPEL HALL, KEADY (G.R. 868/307) 86843070

6. SHOOTING

7. AT DATE AND TIME STATED A CHURCH SERVICE WAS BEING HELD IN MOUNTAIN LODGE ELIM GOSPEL HALL, DARKLEY, KEADY. ONE GUNMAN BURST IN AND SHOT DEAD THREE MEN SITTING NEAR THE DOORWAY. HE WAS JOINED BY ANOTHER GUNMAN AND BOTH SPRAYED THE INSIDE OF THE HALL WITH AUTOMATIC GUNFIRE. IT IS THOUGHT THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 60 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE HALL. THE GUNMEN LEFT AND RAKED THE HALL WITH GUNFIRE FROM THE OUTSIDE AND THEN LEFT THE SCENE.

FOUND AT THE SCENE

- 8. DECEASED:-
- VICTOR CUNNINGHAM, [REDACTED] ARMAGH, [REDACTED]
- HAROLD BROWN, [REDACTED] KEADY, [REDACTED]
- DAVID WILSON, [REDACTED] KEADY, [REDACTED]

INJURED:-

[REDACTED] LOUGHGILLY.

[REDACTED] LOUGHGILLY.

[REDACTED] KEADY.

[REDACTED] PORTADOWN.

[REDACTED] NEWTOWNABBEY.

[REDACTED] PORTADOWN.

[REDACTED] PORTADOWN.

THE ONLY KNOWN INJURIES ARE THAT [REDACTED] HAS [REDACTED] THE CONDITION OF THE OTHERS IS NOT KNOWN ALTHOUGH IT IS BELIEVED TO BE NOT SERIOUS.

- 9. BUILDING RAKED BY GUNFIRE.
- 10. NONE
- 11. NOT KNOWN
- 12. I/SERG [REDACTED]
- SCENE VISITED BY CHIEF SUPT. [REDACTED] SUPT [REDACTED] CID, SOCO, PHOTOGRAPHY, MAPPING AND ALL OTHER AGENCIES.
- 13. DEPUTY DIVISIONAL COMMANDER, ARMAGH

CID

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RR HDA HDB HDC HGA HGC HGD SEB SDB

RESULT OF P.M.

ARMAGH

THE RESULT OF THE P.M. CARRIED OUT BY DR PRESS AT CRAIGAVON AREA HOSPITAL AT 2130 HOURS ON 20/11/83 IS AS FOLLOWS.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] KEADY.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] KEADY.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] ARMAGH.

[REDACTED]

R.O. D/SERGT [REDACTED] CID ARMAGH.

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1.. 20/11/83.

2.. 1645HRS.

3.. DUNDALK GARDA.

4.. GARDA DUNDALK AT 0210HRS.

5.. DUNDALK.

6.. HI-JACKING.

7.. A 1645HRS, 20/11/83, A TAXI DRIVER WAS SITTING IN THE TAXI RANK IN DUNDALK WHEN HE WAS APPROACHED BY A MALE FARE WHO REQUESTED TO BE TAKEN TO A PUBLIC HOUSE ON THE CASTLEBLAYNEY ROAD, DUNDALK. THE TAXI DRIVER TOOK THE JOURNEY AND HEADED OUT THE CASTLEBLAYNEY ROAD; WHEN HE WAS ABOUT 400 YARDS OUT OF DUNDALK HE WAS REQUESTED TO STOP AT THE BUS STATION AND PICK UP THREE MORE MALE FARES. HE DID THIS AND THEN WENT ON TO THE PUBLIC HOUSE WHERE HE STOPPED. ONE OF THE MEN GOT OUT OF THE CAR AND WALKED ROUND THE PUBLIC HOUSE CAME BACK TO THE TAXI AND SAID THE CAR THEY WANTED WAS NOT THERE; HE ASKED THE DRIVER TO TAKE THEM ON TO CASTLEBLAYNEY; THE TAXI DRIVER AGREED AND DROVE OFF; AS HE APPROACHED THE CONCESSION ROAD, CROSSMAGLEN AT H.290 ONE OF THE MEN TOLD HIM NOT TO GO UP THE CONCESSION ROAD BUT TO TURN LEFT AND TRAVEL ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE BORDER; WHICH HE DID AS HE APPROACHED THE CASTLEBLAYNEY ROAD AGAIN AT H.330. A GUN WAS PUT IN HIS BACK AND HE WAS TOLD TO STOP THE CAR; HE WAS THEN HOODED AND DRIVEN AROUND FOR ABOUT 15 MINUTES AND THEN HELD NEAR A MINOR ROAD ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE BORDER. AFTER A PERIOD THE HOOD WAS REMOVED AND HE WAS GIVEN DIRECTIONS TO CASTLEBLAYNEY BUT TOLD NOT TO REPORT THE INCIDENT FOR FOUR HOURS.

THE TAXI DRIVER GOT A LIFT BACK TO DUNDALK AND DID NOT REPORT THE MATTER.

AT 2100HRS GARDA RECEIVED A REPORT THAT THERE WAS A CAR ON FIRE AT CASTLEBELLINGHAM, SIX MILES SOUTH OF DUNDALK; A GARDA PATROL WENT TO THE SCENE AND FOUND A [REDACTED] FORD CORTINA [REDACTED] BURNING. WHEN THEY EVENTUALLY TRACED THE OWNER OF THE CAR THE ABOVE INCIDENT CAME TO LIGHT.

8.. N/K

9.. N/K

10.. N/A

11.. [REDACTED] CORTINA [REDACTED]

12.. GARDA DUNDALK.

13.. INSPECTOR [REDACTED] DUTY INSPECTOR. NEWRY.

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Annex F
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Dated 20 August 2018
ORD 754

IED INCIDENT REPORT

1. Tasking Authority/Formation 39 BDE / 2 PARA	2. Police Force/Station/Unit RUC NEWRY	3. Contact. Rank and Name [REDACTED]	4. Report No 135679
6. Operator's Name and Code [REDACTED]	7. Type of Incident IED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INCDY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FIND <input type="checkbox"/> HOAX <input type="checkbox"/> FALSE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		5. Multi Task (other Report No's) -

DATES, TIMES AND DISTANCES

8. DTG Found 28	12. DTG Arrival at Scene 28	16. Day Code 5
9. DTG Tasked 28	13. DTG Completed 01	17. Month FEB
10. DTG of Explosion 28	14. DTG In 01	18. Year 1985
11. DTG Out 28	15. Kms [REDACTED]	

19. Map No [REDACTED]	21. Address/Location RUC STATION NEWRY	22. Position of Device SEE ATTACHED REPORT	23. How delivered DRIVEN
20. Grid Ref 267083		24. Device, appearance, size, fastening SEE ATTACHED REPORT	25. Vehicles, make, colour, registration FORD CUSTOM F/BED, RED
			26. Target RUC.

27. RSP Codes

- ① RUC STATION : [REDACTED]
- ② BASE PLATE : [REDACTED]

28. Operator's Comments

- ③ RUC STATION : [REDACTED]

28. OPERATORS COMMENTS: SEE ATTACHED REPORT See over YES/NO

29. Explosive Filling (Type and Wt) EST. 20 KGS HME PER BOMB TOTAL NEQ 180 KGS.	30. Booster (Type and Wt) [REDACTED]	31. Initiation [REDACTED]
32. Delay to Initiation [REDACTED]	33. Arming NYK.	34. Delay to Arming TERRORIST.
35. Power Source [REDACTED]	36. Multi Charge Linked by -	37. Shrapnel (Type and Wt) MK10 MORTAR BODIES.

38. Device Type PIRA MK 10 MORTAR (x9)	39. Effect of Explosion/Incendiaries [REDACTED]
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40. Device Failure Code BUNDS	41. Forensic DIRECT/THROUGH NIFSL/SOCO NEWRY	42. If Anti-Handling/Booby Trap - Device Details -
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43. OC CDT/Unit/Flight Comments An excellent team effort and very good report. Well done.	44. JSEODRC Use OC 321 Coy's comments fully endorsed A very professional job.
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Date 6 Mar 85 Signature [REDACTED] Rank [REDACTED]	Date 7 Jan 85 Signature [REDACTED] Rank [REDACTED]
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ÉOD TASK 135679 28 FEB 1985

MORTAR ATTACK - NEWRY R.U.C. STATION

OPERATORS COMMENTS.

At 1836 hrs on Thursday 28th February 1985 a mortar attack was launched against The Newry RUC station. The attack resulted in the death of 9 members of The Ulster Constabulary and left 37 others including innocent civilians injured.

The mortars were launched from the rear of a Ford Flatbed Custom which had been pre-positioned in the disused grounds of The Newry-Armagh Creamery located off Monaghan Street, Newry. (GR [REDACTED])

The vehicle, registration number [REDACTED] had been hijacked at Drummuckavall, near XMG at 13.30 hours the same day of the attack. The driver, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of [REDACTED], [REDACTED] was held hostage in a field in South Armagh and released at approximately 1900 hrs.

The mortar base plate had been located at approx 1910 hours but due to the obvious nature of the incident this information was not passed immediately. Eventually the base plate location was secured and ÉOD clearance was carried out. The mortar

bank consisted of 9 MK10 mortar tubes mounted facing forward over the roof of the vehicle. The base plate itself was not as professionally made as some of the previous ones with the odd strengthening strut through it here and there. One interesting point to note is that the base plate was made for 10 mortars as there was a gap in the bank. This was further substantiated by 10 contact points in the firing box. Markings on the tubes were indeed similar to those on the tube in the attack on [REDACTED] on the [REDACTED] EOD report [REDACTED] refers. The mortar design was also very similar. The base plate was not able to be seen from normal viewing level as the whole set-up had been surrounded by wooden pallet bases and the tops of the mortars were not visible as a black heavy duty plastic sheet had been secured over the top. This remained in position even during firing. Sections of this cover were found strewn around the immediate area.

All 9 tubes had had bombs in them at the time of attack.

The firing box was located on the passenger seat of the vehicle. Its design and construction appeared fairly standard. It comprised

Accurate details of its make-up are not yet available as the whole vehicle was recovered by NIFSL immediately after its clearance. 9 lengths of white twinflex ran from the box, into a black tube where it was pushed through a hole in the back of the cab. The wires then ran to the base of the mortar tubes where they separated 1 set to each tube. Nothing out of the ordinary was located in, on or under the vehicle and after clearance was handed over to the NIFSL repr at the scene. The vehicle was declared clear at [REDACTED] 1 March 1985.

The ICl then moved to GR [REDACTED] and clearance of the flight path and impact area began. After an extensive EOD search task in conjunction with SOCO, NIFSK and the EOD team all 9 mortars were accounted for in the following locations :-

- ① RUC Canteen - explosion - GR [REDACTED]
- ② Corry's Square - explosions - GR [REDACTED]
- GR [REDACTED]
- GR [REDACTED]
- ③ Derelict Corry's Sq - explosions - GR [REDACTED]
- GR [REDACTED]
- ④ Open ground behind derelict
on Corry's Sq - explosion - GR [REDACTED]
- ⑤ Upper Catherine Street - blind - GR [REDACTED]
- ⑥ Lower Catherine Street - blind - GR [REDACTED]

Items recovered for forensic examination are contained in this report. The fatalities all occurred within the canteen or the immediate area of the compound. Of the 37 injured most were for cuts due to flying glass and debris from the 7 explosions.

Conclusions.

This was a very well planned and executed attack. The FP is probably the most ideal available with a clear sight to the RUC station mast which was obviously the aiming mark. The distance from FP to impact area is almost 200m. The properties located between the 2 locations consists mainly of commercial premises so a drop short wouldn't have been too disappointing to them.

From the plotted impact pattern it would seem that the bomb which fell on the canteen is away from the [REDACTED] suggesting that perhaps that one was the drop short. Had the [REDACTED] been on target the results would have been far more catastrophic.

The two blinds that were dealt with proved easy simply for [REDACTED]

EOD TASK 135679 28 FEB 1985

MORTAR ATTACK - NEWRY RUC STATION

FORENSIC RECOVERED FROM SCENE

1. BASE PLATE (GR [REDACTED])

a. Vehicle - Ford Custom Flatbed VRN [REDACTED]

b. Mortar base plate comprising:-

1. 9 mortar tubes (space for 10)
2. Associated mounting framework which was bolted to floor of vehicle.
3. Qty of wooden pallet bases used to disguise the payload.
4. Pieces of black plastic sheeting which actually covered the mortar tubes even during firing.

c. Firing box - Located inside cab of vehicle
comprising:-

[REDACTED]

d. Also from the cab 1 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] possibly used during hijacking.

e. Further technical details and measurements are not yet available due to the fact that NITSL recovered the base plate complete after clearance operation.

2. IMPACT AREA (GR [REDACTED])

a. Qty of mortar bomb body fragments including forward closing plates, rear closing plates and tail spigots.

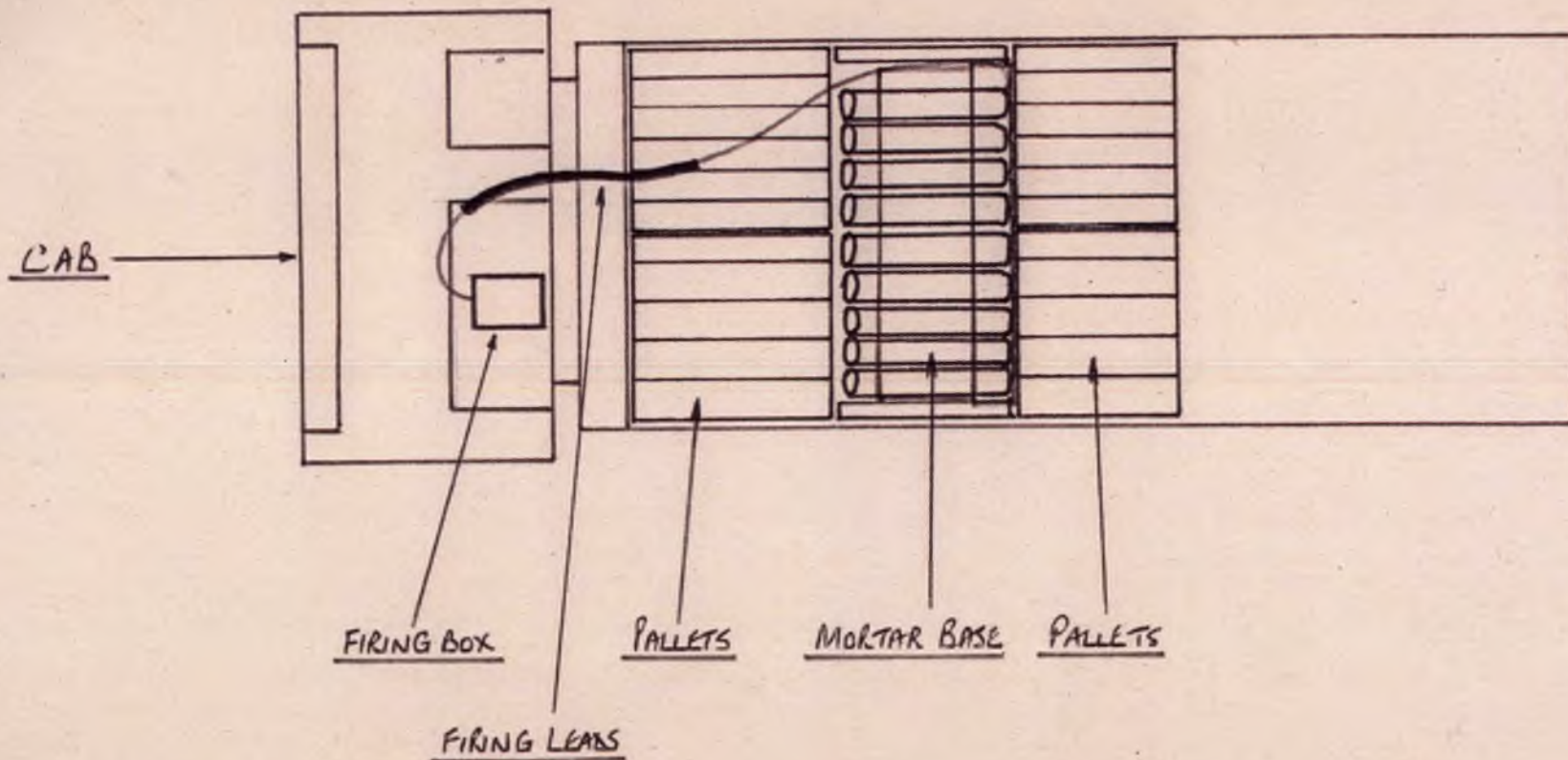
b. From mortar at GR [REDACTED] :-

1. MK 10 mortar body.
2. Front closing plate.
3. Tail spigot
4. Length of burning fuse
5. Length of detonating cord
6. Plain commercial detonator - [REDACTED]
7. [REDACTED]

c. From mortar at GR [REDACTED] :-

1. Mortar MK 10 body.
2. Front closing plate
3. Tail spigot
4. Length of detonating cord
5. [REDACTED]

EOD TASK 135679 MORTAR ATTACK
NEWRY RUC STN 280285
BASEPLATE LAYOUT



FORD CUSTOM FLATBED
VRN: [REDACTED]