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1 PD ASA RESULT OF PRESS INQUIRIES CMM WE BELIEVE THAT THE SUNDAY TIMES (CHRIS RYDER AND DAVID BLUNDY) ARE LIKELY TO PRODUCE TWO STORIES ON THE SAME GENERAL THEME - THE ALLEGED ASSOCIATION BETWEEN THE SECURITY FORCES AND THE PROTESTANT EXTREMIST ORGANISATIONS PD

2 PD THE CHRIS RYDER ARTICLE IS LIKELY TO EXPLOIT THE THEMES THAT CLN ALPHA PD MEMBERS OF THE UDR AND RUC ALSO BELONG

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PROTESTANT EXTREMIST ORGANISATIONS CMM BRAVO PD IN A DOOMSDAY SITUATION IT IS LIKELY THAT ELEMENTS OF THE UDR AND RUC WOULD DESERT TO LOYALIST PARA MILITARY FACTIONS PD CHARLIE PD MEMBERS OF THE UDR HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY PROSECUTED IN THE COURTS WITHOUT THEIR MEMBERSHIP OF THE SECURITY FORCES BEING DISCLOSED PD DELTA PD RYDER CLAIMS THAT THE NUMBER OF RECENT ADMINISTRATIVE DISCHARGES FROM THE UDR TENDS TO SUPPORT HIS ALLEGATIONS PD

3 PD THE DAVID BLUNDY ARTICLE MAY ALLEGE THAT IN 1972 THE SECURITY FORCES PASSED TO LOYALIST PARA-MILITARY ORGANISATIONS CERTAIN CLASSIFIED INTELLIGENCE DOCUMENTS DEALING WITH REPUBLICAN PERSONALITIES PD BLUNDY MAY ALSO ALLEGE THAT THIS INFORMATION WAS PASSED TO ENABLE LOYALISTS QUOTE TO TAKE CARE OF UNQUOTE MEMBERS OF THE IRA ON BEHALF OF THE SECURITY FORCES PD

4 PD BLUNDY ALSO HAS IN HIS POSSESSION LISTS OF REPUBLICAN INTERNEES AND THEIR VISITORS PD THESE LISTS CMM IT IS ALLEGED CMM WERE HANDED OVER TO LOYALISTS BY QUOTE A SOLDIER AT THE MAZE UNQUOTE PD

5 PD OUR INITIAL REACTION IS THAT BOTH SETS OF DOCUMENTS ARE GENUINE (THOUGH VERY OUT OF DATE AND THE MILITARY DOCUMENTS APPEARED NOT TO BE GRADED ABOVE RESTRICTED) PD INT ARE INVESTIGATING

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PD BOTH BLUNDY AND RYDER HAVE VISITED NIO AND LISBURN IN  
AN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL REACTIONS PD BLUNDY WAS ALSO  
REMINDED OF THE POSSIBLE CLASSIFICATION OF THE MILITARY DOCUMENTS  
PD IN SPITE OF BACKGROUND BRIEFING IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT BOTH  
RYDER AND BLUNDY WILL GO AHEAD WITH THEIR STORIES PD IT IS ALSO  
POSSIBLE THAT BLUNDY'S PRESENTATION OF A CLASSIFIED DOCUMENT  
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