

***NUJ Finance Committee Meeting - Thursday, 25 June 2009, at 10:30.***

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Independent investigation by law enforcement agencies involves an alleged pattern or practice of joint and several illegal or criminal activities by: National Union of Journalists (NUJ) executives, lawyers, and staff; National Executive Council (NEC) officers; and, London Freelance Branch (LFB) officials.

The author has little personal knowledge of other branches and chapels which do not form part of intended civil and criminal complaints; therefore, he has no opinion on their activities. Adverse comments, all verified and validated to insure accurate reporting, meet legal requirements.

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NEC officers and full-time paid employees (officials) have received a copy of this letter which gives them an opportunity to consult *independent* legal counsel about their joint and several liability prior to the NUJ Finance Committee meeting on Thursday 25 June 2009. For their own protection, they should consider the criminal nature of complaints and current involvement of law enforcement agencies.

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As "Freelance Servicing Officer", John Toner, UK National Freelance Organiser, acts in behalf of NUJ General Secretary. He holds responsibility for all union activities, organisation, and financial

affairs related to freelance members. Under NUJ Rules, Toner also ranks as the first point of contact with NUJ officials and NEC officers for NUJ freelance members. Therefore, Toner has a responsibility to take immediate action on the content of this open letter and the attached documents that support its contentions.

The member requests Toner to insure that Jeremy Dear, NUJ General Secretary, includes the amended motion in the agenda for NUJ Finance Committee meeting on Thursday 25 June 2009 at 10:30 in the form presented. The amendment addresses the illegal activities of a kangaroo court session orchestrated during a previous meeting (18 Jun 08) and alleged quid pro quo by Dear and Mincoff (NUJ in-house solicitor) with Gareth Thomas MP.

At the previous meeting, NEC officers had an opportunity to recuse themselves by following the example of the Chair; instead, they chose knowingly to participate in illegal proceedings. The amended motion gives them a final opportunity to address the issues prior to filing civil and criminal charges against them, both jointly and severally. The amended motion gives them an opportunity to mitigate.

The member requests that the Chair, NUJ Finance Committee meeting to be held on Thursday 25 June 2009 agree to take a vote by secret paper ballot counted by independent tellers and make a tape recording of that part of the meeting which applies to the motion. The tape content should identify the speakers.

Audrey Witter, NUJ Minutes Secretary should send, by email attachment, a signed and dated copy of the minutes on an official NUJ letterhead within 48 hours of the close of the meeting. Those minutes must include a copy of the agenda, all documents distributed to participants that relate to the motion, and an MP3 file of the oral arguments and other proceedings.

London Freelance Branch/National Executive Council (NUJ/NEC) officer Phillip Sutcliffe allegedly interfered in the process (18 Jun 08) in collusion with NUJ officials Jeremy Dear, Roy Martin Mincoff, and Bernard Roche who denied due process and turned part of that meeting into a kangaroo court. They then coerced Audrey Witter, Membership Secretary to falsify minutes and withhold them for 7-1/2 months to prevent an appeal. Dear, Toner, Roche, and Witter have since withheld or concealed grievance rules and procedures which construes as obstruction of justice.

Since the kangaroo court, Dave Rotchelle, Phillip Sutcliffe, and Humphrey Evans (LFB officers) *et al* blocked an LFB motion for solidarity by neglecting to properly place it on the agenda and filibustered to prevent a vote. They used the meeting for criminal derogation and used a promotion of a course taught in the education and training program by Sutcliffe and Evans to filibuster. That continued a pattern or practice of public humiliation used over an extended period by another officer, Gary Herman. By that, they opened the door to investigation of the NUJ education and training program which allegedly showed misappropriation of NUJ and grant funds.

Dear made an outrageous response to reasoned inquiry about the filibustering. Investigation has included: quality of the demonstration; denial of access to information about officers paid to teach courses; level of adult instruction offered under various mandates; and, lack of academic and professional qualifications of some instructors who repeatedly deny access to their curricula vitae. That withholding, commensurate with exorbitant fees and failure to disclose payments to NUJ officers, also a lack of advertising of teaching positions to members generally, has denied equal opportunity employment in favor of sycophants.

PDFs for download from the web contain documents that relate to these issues and other correspondence sent to NUJ officers, NUJ/IFJ officials, and NUJ/IFJ members at large. They support and give reasons for the amended motion after Dear and Mincoff frustrated the original motion at a previous meeting (18 Jun 08). They also contain other pertinent documents and presentation and filibustered position papers. Members can access the document package on the web at:

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## ***Motion***

That the motion previously submitted to a meeting of the Finance Committee 18 June 08 be resubmitted, as amended.

NUJ cabal has denied due process of law by fraudulently refusing NUJ services, holding a kangaroo court in an illegal cover-up of alleged criminal activity, and starting a smear campaign.

The motion amendment results from disclosures since the meeting (18 Jun 08) of an illegal *quid pro quo* between Jeremy Dear, NUJ General Secretary and the author's member of parliament, Gareth R Thomas MP (Harrow West), Minister of State, Department for International Development which revealed a distinct conflict of interest. It addresses government and NUJ dereliction and collusion in order to deny the member due process of law under international statutes.

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