

I would not have constructed the threat assessment. It would be constructed by an individual within the Security Branch with the assistance of those providing information, including Special Branch.

#### Threat Assessment – Rosemary Nelson

10. I have been referred to a memorandum I prepared in relation to Rosemary Nelson to my Divisional Commander of J Division dated 11 March 1998 **RNI 101.204** . Attached to this memo is a chain of correspondence starting with a letter from Simon Rogers to Chief Superintendent **P157**  dated 23 February 1998. This letter states that the US Lawyers Alliance had recorded a deep concern over the safety of Mrs Nelson to Simon Rogers and Christine Collins. In turn, Superintendent Maxwell of Command Secretariat forwarded this letter to Assistant Chief Constable South on 25 February 1998. Superintendent Maxwell requested views/comments on any further action that could be taken. Both documents were in turn sent to Divisional Commander J Division on 21 February 1998 and to Sub-Divisional Commander Lurgan on 2 March 1998. I believe that I received those documents at that time as I requested views and comments from a Detective Inspector in Special Branch by memo on 3 March 1998. **RNI 101.200** **RNI 101.211-212**
11. It seems Detective Sergeant **B123** prepared a report which detailed Special Branch's knowledge of threats to Mrs Nelson. This is dated 10 March 1998. In the first paragraph of this report Detective Sergeant **B123** states that "I can report that there is no record of a threat against Rosemary Nelson held in this office". I have been asked by those interviewing me to explain what was meant by this. It reflects the fact that Detective Sergeant **B123** had found no intelligence at all in the Lurgan office of any threat in relation to Rosemary Nelson.
12. In paragraph 3 of this report, Detective Sergeant **B123** states that "Mrs Nelson remains close to the Republican movement". I have been asked by those interviewing me to comment on this. I would only know what Detective Sergeant **B123** told me about Rosemary Nelson's movements. The job of a Deputy Sub-Divisional Commander was

**RNI 101.198**

**RNI 101.197**

**RNI 101.201**

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