

METROPOLITAN POLICE

REPORT

INVESTIGATION OF A COMPLAINT MADE BY THE LAWYERS ALLIANCE
FOR JUSTICE IN IRELAND (L.A.J.I.) ON BEHALF OF
MRS ROSEMARY NELSON

1. Introduction.

This is one of three separate complaints which relate to Mrs Rosemary Nelson, Solicitor, and a number of her clients. All three are the subject of separate reports by myself Commander N.G. MULVIHILL, Specialist Operations - Crime, Metropolitan Police, but all are mentioned at this stage as each may be seen to have a relevance to the others, especially when considering the common theme that runs through all the allegations.

This particular complaint was made by the Lawyers Alliance for Justice in Ireland (L.A.J.I.) on behalf of Mrs Nelson (RUC reference: B147/941/97) whilst the other two groups of complaints were made directly by Mrs Nelson and her clients, i.e. 1. Nelson/Duffy RUC references: B147/2799/97 and B147/2194/97 to B147/2197/97 inclusive, and 2. Nelson/Donnelly RUC references: B147/1968/98 and B147/1969/98).

The most recent complaint, by Mrs Nelson and Mr Donnelly, was a new investigation. The other two sets of complaints had previously been investigated and were therefore investigated on the basis that they were further investigations of the original matters alleged.

The earlier complaints had been investigated by A.C.C. Stewart (Duffy) and Chief Inspector **P146** (Duffy and LAJI) , Complaints and Discipline Branch, Royal Ulster Constabulary and supervised by Ms Geralyn McNally of the Independent Commission for Police Complaints (ICPC) for Northern Ireland. A.C.C. Stewart and Chief Inspector **P146** prepared reports regarding each of these investigations. This report, concerning the further investigation conducted by myself, should be considered in conjunction with them as it does not reiterate the earlier reports but simply updates the enquiry following additional information gleaned from this further investigation. It will be helpful to the reader of this report to have read all reports in connection with all three investigations.

I received my terms of reference for the investigation of the above complaints from the Chief Constable, Royal Ulster Constabulary on the 13th August 1998.
(see 'Other Documents' pages 1 to 2)