CPL1/23807

10619 SEP 96

CONFIDENTIAL

RECEIVED 18 SEP 1996 ASSISTANT SEC

CPL

1140

DESK IMMEDIATE

PS/SECRETARY OF STATE

17 September 1996

CC

PS/Secretary of State (B,L&CB) - B PS/Michael Ancram (B,L&CB) - B PS/PUS(B&L) - B PS/Sir David Fell - B Mr Bell - B Mr Leach (B&L) - B Mrs Evans, HOLAB - B 30 me N 3) 186 Mr Watkins - B
Mr Hill (B&L) - B Mr Lavery - B Mr Maccabe - B Mr Stephens - B Mrs Mapstone - B

MR WHYSALL

THE ALLIANCE COMPLAINTS

is not, (pending the The Secretary of State was grateful for your submission of earlier today. He sees much merit in your tentative conclusion of avoiding a determination but is concerned that if it is announced at the outset, that could inspire an amendment. For that reason, it is probably not a runner, but could be discussed at tomorrow morning's pre-meeting. political issues; and

SIGNED: Leaving soide the complaint against the Loyalists, there are

PP ROBERT CRAWFORD K LINDSAY the orange order engaged in a systematic and

and authority of the RUC, seeking to everstratch police resources and threaten a complete breakdown of law and order;