

Minutes of meeting of Ncroipa supporters held on the 15 April 1981 in London.

While supporters were arriving there was a general discussion regarding the warning notice drafted and used by the Playboy Cinema Club at 28 Wardour Street, London W1.

There was an introductory talk about Ncroipa's campaign in relation to cinema club raids by a Ncroipa committee member Mr Eric Miller. Then Ncroipa's organizer, David Webb, thanked the supporters for their financial support, and pointed out that he had written to MP's, GLC members, City of Westminster councillors, the Lord Chancellor, the Home Secretary, and the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis.

Edward A C Goodman, solicitor, and member of the Ncroipa committee, outlined the decisions of the divisional court which had been delivered that day regarding the seizure by police of film projectors in the cases of Fernmos Ltd and Peters. David Grant then spoke on this subject as well and pointed out that if when the police raided a Cinema Club the owners of that club gave a written statement to the police admitting that a cinematograph film was being shown on camera no and giving the name of the projectionist using it, then the police would not take projector as they would not need it as evidence. He also pointed out that if the police had already taken the projector, a written notice as before could be sent to the officer who took the projector at the clubs division of West End Central Police Station, London W1. In order to avoid delay he pointed out that when there was a raid it was important that the officer conducting the raid be asked to give his name. By law he was required to do this. Once they had that name the Cinema Club owner could always contact the officer at the Clubs Division West End Police Station regarding any items that had been seized during the raid. David Grant also advised that cinema clubs apply for cinematograph licences. Edward A C Goodman pointed out that they did not have to apply for such licences.

There was then a general discussion. The following decisions were reached:

- 1 A meeting was to be arranged as soon as possible with the politicians and officials to whom David Webb, the organizer of Ncroipa, had written.
- 2 David Webb would settle the draft of an advertisement to be placed in the press. This draft would be considered by the next meeting of supporters.
- 3 Supporters were asked to consider the desirability of retaining counsel for a week to be in the West End and to be present at the raids to ensure that no mal-practises were carried out by police during these raids.

4 It was decided that at an appropriate time there would be a press conference.

5 A further meeting of supporters at the office of John Perrin was fixed for 7pm on Tuesday 21 April 1981.