

MINUTES OF MEETING OF NCROPA SUPPORTERS
held on the 21st April 1981 in Wardour Street, London W.1.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 15th April 1981 were approved

The main item of discussion was the proposed advertisement. David Webb, Organiser of NCROPA, read his proposed wording to the meeting. David Grant then did likewise. After some discussion an agreed form of wording acceptable to both Messrs. Webb and Grant was found. Mr. E.A.G Goodman the only Lawyer present, then pointed out that the advertisement, being a publication, legally required the name and address of the person or organisation making it. Mr. Webb said that this should be NCROPA. Mr. Grant said that it should be, the Association of Cinema Club Standards, 29 Old Bond Street, London, W.1. No agreement could be reached on this point. Therefore, Mr. Christopher Holloway, having made his own views clear that the advertisement should be placed under the auspices of NCROPA, suggested that the matter be put to a vote of those present. This suggestion was accepted by the Meeting and a vote was taken. The majority were in favour of the advertisement being placed under the name of NCROPA. Mr. Grant and those people who had voted against this proposal stated that they accepted the will of the majority and therefore the advertisement would be on that basis.

There was no discussion of the financing of the advertisement. It was agreed that supporters of NCROPA would contribute at a recommended rate of £25.00 per week for the next four weeks. Mr. Christopher Holloway speaking on behalf of Mr. David Sullivan who could not be present but who had discussed the matter with him before the Meeting stated that he and Mr. Sullivan would be making a much larger contribution. Mr. Webb speaking on behalf of NCROPA stated that as soon as he had received the requisite money he would make arrangements to place an advertisement. It was agreed in discussion that the advertisement should be placed in THE NEW STANDARD. The general wording which had been agreed in discussion at the meeting between Messrs. Webb and Grant was accepted as being the wording which should be used in the advertisement.

The next meeting was fixed for Wednesday the 29th April 1981 when final arrangements for the insertion and paying for the advertisement would be made.

Mr. Christopher Holloway stated that he and Mr. David Sullivan were definitely organising a public rally in London planned for Sunday the 2nd August 1981. The Meeting supported this idea but many members felt that it should be on a weekday so that the rally could end with a lobby of Parliament. Mr. Holloway rejected this view as he believed that it should be on a Public Holiday i.e. Sunday. Mr. David Grant stressed the importance of having the Rally properly conducted to avoid violence and arrests as have taken place during rallies by Womens Liberationists in London recently. Mr. Webb on behalf of NCROPA stressed the importance of having a good turn out so that the Press who were invited would not get an unfavourable impression. Mr. Holloway speaking on behalf of Mr. Sullivan said that Mr. Sullivan could guarantee such a turnout. The Meeting agreed that as the Rally was not going to take place until August and as they wanted the Press advertisement to be placed before the GLC Elections in May that that advertisement could not be used to advertise the Rally. Therefore it was agreed that another advertisement for that purpose would have to be placed in July.

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The question of whether a Barrister should be retained for a week to be on hand when Police Raids took place was discussed. It was decided that there was no need to proceed with that arrangement as the Police Raids were now being conducted in a lawful manner.