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Freedom of Information Request Reference No:

I note you seek access to the following information:

I would like to request copies of all documentation and correspondence and photographs held by the Metropolitan Police which in any way relate to Christine Keeler (22 February 1942 - 4 December 2017) who was a leading figure in the so called Profumo scandal of 1963.

Please note that I am only interested in information which was generated between 1 January 1962 and 1 September 1964.

Ms Keeler was also key prosecution witness in the trails of Alyosius 'Lucky' Gordon and Stephen Ward both of which took place in 1963.
The documentation held by the MPS will include but will not be limited to documents relating to the arrest, trail and conviction of these two men and Ms Keeler's own role in these proceedings. Ms Keeler was later charged and imprisoned for perjury.
It is likely that some of the held material will relate to this matter.

Some of the relevant material will also relate to an incident in December 1962 when Johnny Edgecombe fired a gun at the then WImpole Mews home of Mrs Keeler.

The overall Information held by the police will include but will not be limited to transcripts of police interviews with Ms Keeler, her medical records; her own statements to the police; internal police communications, other correspondence and communications with her and her legal advisers, photographs; correspondence and communications with the Home Office and or the prison service and statements from other individuals which specifically refer to her.

I note that key players in the Profumo affair including Keeler, Gordon, Edgecombe, Mandy Rice Davies, Stephen Ward and John Profumo are all deceased.

Consequently I do not see any major problems as far as data protection is concerned.

If relevant information has been subsequently destroyed can you please provide the following details. In the case of each destroyed document can you please state when it was destroyed. Can you also provide a brief outline of its contents. Can you please provide a copy of the destroyed document if it continues to be held in another form.

SEARCHES TO LOCATE INFORMATION

Following receipt of your request, I have conducted searches to locate information relevant to your request. These searches located the requested information.

Before I explain the reasons for the decisions I have made in relation to your request, I thought that it would be helpful if I outline the parameters set out by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) within which a request for information can be answered.

When a request is made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act), a public authority must inform you, when permitted, whether the information requested is held. It must then communicate that information to you. If a public authority decides that it is cannot comply with all or part of a request, it must cite the appropriate section or exemption of the Act and provide you with a suitable explanation. It is important to note that the Act is designed to place information into the public domain, that is, once access to information is granted to one person under the Act, it is then considered public information and must be communicated to any individual should a request be received. Any information released under the Act is also published upon the MPS website.

DECISION

I have disclosed the located information to you.

Please find attached eight documents in which the requested information has been provided.

The attached documents are:

1. Memorandum Commander Townsend

2. Report Chief Inspector Herbert 7 May

3. Statement of Chief Inspector Herbert 3rd May

4. Statement of Chief Inspector Herbert 11 June

5. Statement of Chief Inspector Herbert 20 June

6. Statement of DS Burrows

7. Statement of PS Eustace

8. Statement of PS Glasse

I have provided each document to you in redacted format, that is, I have removed the names of a number of persons subject of the requested information. The formal Refusal Notice for the information redacted, including the relevant sections of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Section 40(2)(a)(b) and Section 40(3)(a)(i) - Personal Information

Section 40(2)(a)(b) of the Act provides that any information to which a request for information relates, is exempt information if the first condition of Section 40(3)(a)(i) is satisfied. The first condition of Section 40(3)(a)(i) states that information is exempt if its disclosure would contravene any of the data protection principles.

The personal data exemption (section 40) has been applied in respect of any information which is the personal data of a living individual - this includes accounts relating to the deceased.

In reaching my decision I have, in each case, given due regard to Condition one and six of Schedule 2 of the DPA. Condition one of the DPA requires that consideration is given to whether consent for disclosure has been given whilst Condition six requires that consideration is given to whether disclosure would constitute legitimate processing of that data. I have found that as no prior consent has been given to release this information and in the case of legitimate processing, the release of this personal data would be unexpected and subsequently unfair, that it is appropriate not to release this information.

The provision to refuse access to information under Section 40(2)(a)(b) and (3)(a)(i) of the Act is both absolute and class based. When this exemption is claimed, it is accepted that harm would result from disclosure. There is accordingly no requirement to demonstrate what that harm may be in refusing access to information.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in the Metropolitan Police Service.

Information Rights Unit

M E T R O P O L I T A N P O L I C E

Marylebone Lane Police Station,
"D" Division,
8th June, 1963.

STATEMENT OF :- Arthur EUSTACE

Police Sergeant No. 10"D"

who saith:-

On 8th June, 1963, at 12.5 p.m. at Hempstead Road, North Watford, Herts., I was with P.S. 11"D" Glasse and saw Dr.Stephen WARD standing on the west side of the road. I saw him wave to Chief Inspector Herbert and Det. Sergeant Burrows who were together in a police car, and Ward crossed to where they had halted. He got into the police car with the Chief Inspector and Sergeant Burrows, and sat alone in the back seat. I followed them back to Marylebone Lane Police Station arriving with them at 1.5 p.m.

Ward was given into the care of P.S. Glasse.At 1.30 p.m. I joined them. P.S. Glasse left me with the prisoner. I introduced myself to Ward and he at once said to me, "If you have been concerned in this investigation you must know how glad I feel to have the matter brought to a head."

I said, "Dr. Ward, I cannot discuss any aspects of this matter with you. I am here to look after your requirements and that is all."

He said, "I feel I must talk this over with you. There is no harm in it. I have lived with this for nine weeks."

I said, "I cannot discuss the matter."

He said, "What will the charge be? Will they name the women and the times all this has supposed to have happened ?"

I said, "If you insist on pursuing this matter I must caution
[illegible] anything to me, but what ever you say may

He replied "But I want to talk about it. It will help my feelings. I have lived with this for too long. I have faith in Chief Inspector Herbert and Sergeant Burrows and know justice will be done. Who made the charge ?"

I said, "I am still not prepared to discuss this case with you. I will inform Chief Inspector Herbert and if you still want to talk about this, he is the officer you should talk to."

He said, "This has come as a great relief to me, but I must know what I have to face. That is only fair. I shall deny it, but if I am guilty I shall go to the jailhouse."

I replied, "It is not in your interest to say anything to me or anyone else connected with this prosecution and I will not discuss the matter."

He said, "I am anxious to know who has laid this ridiculous charge. I know you people have interviewed many persons during your investigations and I am surely entitled to know what they have said about me."

I replied, "I am not the man to tell you anything of the investigation. Chief Inspector Herbert is in charge and I shall tell him you are anxious to discuss the case."

He said, "Yes. I hope he will. Ten minutes sensible conversation between sensible people will clear the matter up."

We then talked of matters not affecting the case at all or any persons connected with it, and I was joined by Sgt. Glasse at about 3.15 p.m. and P.S. Glasse said to Ward, "Chief Inspector Herbert is willing to see you if you still wish to speak to him." Ward replied, "Good. I knew he would see me."

He was then taken to an office where he was seen by Chief

8th June, 1963.

STATEMENT OF:

Michael GLASSE, P.S. 11"D"

who saith:-

On Saturday 8th June, 1963, at 12.5 p.m., accompanied by P.S. 10"D" Arthur EUSTACE I was in Hempstead Road, Watford, when I saw Stephen WARD standing on the grass verge on the west side of the road. WARD waved to Chief Inspector HERBERT who had stopped in a Police car on the east side of the road. WARD then crossed the road and I saw him enter and sit in the rear seat of the Police car. The Police car moved off and I followed it to Marylebone Lane Police Station where Chief Inspector HERBERT directed me to take charge of Stephen WARD who was a prisoner.

I placed WARD in a room at the Police Station and stayed with him awaiting instructions, this was about 1.10 p.m. WARD said, 'I must say now that Chief Inspector Herbert and Sergeant Burrows have been very fair in their investigations, but I am sure they have made a serious mistake in arresting me.' I said, 'You should not discus the case with me, and I must warn you that anything you say to me in connection with the case I shall write down and it may be given in evidence.' WARD then asked me for cigarettes and if I could arrange to collect his jacket and other belongings. He explained that he had been sunbathing on the lawn, and had been taken away by Mr. HERBERT before he could collect them. I promised him I would attend to his wishes as soon as I had opportunity to do so. WARD said,'Shall I be told of the details and nature of the charge against me, and the names of the people you have interviewed who seem to have told a pack of lies about me.' I said, 'You will be formally charged later and supplied with written details of the charge.' WARD said, 'Can I speak to Chief Inspector HERBERT as I wish to know more about the matter and assist by telling my side of the s tory. This thing has been hanging over my head for so long now, that I think it is a good thing that it is at last out in the open.' I said/ .....

...senior police officers, but he will no doubt see you when he is free.' We then talked generally of topics in no way connected with the case, but then he suddenly said,' Have you been working on this affair with Mr.HERBERT since the start?' and I said, 'Yes.' He said,'Then you can tell me, who are the people you have interviewed and what they have said about me.' I repeated that I was not prepared to discuss the matter with him, and he said, 'Well, I must speak to Chief Inspector HERBERT about it, I'M sure he will listen to all I have got to say.' We then again talked generally of matters not connected with the case until at about 1.30 p.m., we were joined by P.S. 10"D" EUSTACE. I then left the room and informed Chief Inspector HERBERT that WARD wished to discuss the case with him. I was then engaged in enquiries connected with the arrest until at about 3.10 p.m., Chief Inspector HERBERT informed me that he was now ready to speak with WARD. I then rejoined WARD and Sergeant Eustace. I said to WARD, 'Chief Inspector HERBERT is now willing to see you if you still wish to speak to him.' WARD replied, 'Good, I knew he would see me.' I then took WARD to the Detective Inspectors Office where he was interviewed by Chief Inspector Herbert and Sergeant Burrows. I then left the room and continued other duties.

(Signed) M. Glasse P.S. 11"D"

M E T R O P O L I T A N P O L I C E.

STATEMENT OF: John BURROWS.

Detective Sergeant "D" Division.
Marylebone Lane Police Station.

Who saith:

On Saturday, 26th January 1963, at about 3pm, at a flat at 63, Great Cumberland Place, W.1., I saw Miss Christine KEELER.

After I had served a Notice on her requiring her attendance at The Central Criminal Court, she said to me, "I would like to tell you about Dr. WARD.

She said that in her belief WARD was not a properly registered doctor, and she thought his only training was a short course in America.

On Tuesday, 5th February 1963, at 2-30pm, at Marylebone Lane Police Station, in company with Detective Inspector ANNING, I saw Dr. Stephen WARD, and obtained a written statement from him. Apart from information given in the statement which related to the alleged theft of two photographs from his flat at No. 17, Wimpole Mews, W.1., Dr. WARD said that it was his belief that the purpose of taking the photographs was in order that they might be published in the Press to the detriment of certain persons

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Dr WARD said that if this matter including the

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He produced a photograph which he said had been taken at an official Iron Curtain Party at the Cuban Embassy, and

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The interview with Dr. WARD terminated at 3pm., at which time he had to leave to keep some urgent appointment.

On Friday, 22nd March, 1963, at 10-15am., I went to the consulting rooms of Dr. WARD at 38, Devonshire Street, W.1., where I saw Dr. WARD at his request.

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He asked if photographing and fabrication of evidence was an offence, and if he and the Police could take action. He said that he would say he had no knowledge of an intimate association between KEELER and PROFUMO. He stated that the 'Daily Express' hated Mr. PROFUMO, though he did not know why.

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He said that it was alleged he procured women for his patients and gave them large bills. This was, of course, rubbish. He asked whether Police had been making enquiries into his life as friends of his had told him Police had called on them. He would not tell me the name of the person who had

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that he had not seen the card. He said that the girl who had the postcard would do as he asked because she owed him a favour.

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On Wednesday the 3rd of April, 1963, at 6-30pm, at WARD's request, I went to his home at No.1, Bryanston Mews West, W.1., where, in the main, he reiterated what he had previously told me. He also said, "I represent the British Government. Approaches are made through me."

On 9th, April, 1963, at 11-4opm., I again went to his address at WARD's request, when he told me that an affidavit

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would be planted in his flat and the Metropolitan Police would arrest him. He said he would get full particulars for me. He said "The Press are still interested because other factions are at work. They are trying to destroy me, but I think I am nearly in a position to turn the tables on them.

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paid by the Press are behind this."

He said, "I have been offered £6000 for my story by the 'Daily Express'. My libel actions against 'Time' Magazine and the 'Daily Telegraph' will be settled out of Court. I shall get £40,000 from 'Time' alone. The Telegraph is worth another £10,000 or £12,000." He said, "Odhams Press are very good to me.

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they are paying me £30 a week to keep me going. This business has hit my practice. I have told you that I make approaches for the Government. My contact at the Foreign Office

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Crisis was in September last year, I was responsible for negotiating between Moscow and Washington. This Government could have taken the credit. This was done to strengthen KENNEDY on the understanding that KRUSCHEV was not ridiculed.

In answer to questions he said, "I don't know who would takes KRUSCHEV's place in Russia", and "I have never been to Russia."

He also said, "I went to Israel at the time of the EICHMANN trial as an observer." He said, "People make a lot of fuss because half a million have escaped to the West from East Germany. But they don't mention that Communism gets millions of followers all over the world. Look at Cuba which is now a Communist country. I was negotiating for the turn round of the ships carrying Russian rockets. The rockets were only meant for the defenee of Cuba. They were not meant to attack America. Communism is not spread by war."

He also said, "Do you believe I am a spy? If I was surely you would drag me off to the Station." He went on,

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He said, "I am writing a story for a womans' magazine about Christine. I am writing under another name. I am going to give her a booster.

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realise the harm she does when she opens her mouth." He

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On Friday 26th April, 1963, at 1-30pm, at 33, Devonshire Street, W.1. I was with Chief Inspector HERBERT interviewing KEELER when WARD called. Chief Inspector HERBERT left with KEELER, and WARD made the following statements to me.

"I have been offered £75,000 for my story. 24 [redacted] 25 [redacted] I am the most powerful man in England today. I could bring down the Government, but I won't do that. 26 [redacted] 27 [redacted] out feelers on the Odessian line. It fell through, but Harold CACCIA knows about it and he's top man at the Foreign Office. Bill ASTOR has told me to keep away from the cottage, which I think is a poor shame. I think the Conservative Party are trying to get me, they will if they can to save themselves. I know you've been seeing a lot of my friends. Have they said anything about me? 28 [redacted] 29 [redacted]

On 3rd, May 1963, at 2-30pm, at Marylebone Lane Police Station, I was with Chief Inspector HERBERT 30 [redacted] 31 [redacted] We were all introduced, and he said, 32 [redacted]

33 Chief Inspector HERBERT said, "Are you referring to Christine KEELER and Mandy DAVIES?" He replied, "Yes, Mandy is a silly girl getting into trouble like that."

The Chief Inspector said to 34 "I am investigating certain allegations which have been made against Stephen WARD. During the course of this investigation your name has been mentioned in connection with one of the women you have mentioned, and I felt it would be in your interest if I saw you."

Chief Inspector HERBERT went on to say that he had information that he, 35

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Chief Inspector HERBERT said that there was no offence as far as he knew, but said that he thought it proper to confirm the situation, particularly as it may result in him having to give evidence of it at Court.

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On Tuesday, 4th June 1963, at 4-35pm, in company with Chief Inspector HERBERT I went to No.1, Bryanston Mews West W.1., and there saw Stephen WARD. The Chief Inspector said to him, "You know that I am making enquiries regarding certain allegations which have been made, and I have called to see you as the result of the letter you sent to Commander Townsend. In that letter you invited Police to examine your accounts and finance, and I have to tell you that we are prepared to accept your invitation, and I would therefore like you to give me a letter to your Secretary and Solicitor authorising me to examine those records."

WARD said, "I am certainly prepared to give you such letters, and entreat you to deal with this matter as quickly as possible as the strain is bringing me near to a nervous breakdown."

Chief Inspector HERBERT then asked for the two letters of authority. WARD began to write them and said, "What exactly has been alleged against me? I believe it has been said that I procure young girls for men in high places." The Chief Inspector replied, "A number of allegations have been made and procuration is among them."

WARD said, "It is ridiculous to say that I have received money for introducing girls to men. Of course I always had many pretty girls around me. I also took them to parties and introduced them to other men, but if this was followed up by them, and the men gave them presents, surely I cannot be blamed for that and in any case, I can see nothing wrong with it."

The Chief Inspector asked him if he would complete the two letters and WARD said, "I should make it clear that I have received money which has not been shown in my accounts.

I don't show this - it's just a fiddle to save paying Income Tax."

I said, "If you had £100 to make a sketch, then of course

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you have said is true." WARD said, "No, he cannot as he never had it." Chief Inspector HERBERT said, "Then where is the sketch?" WARD said, "It is in this flat somewhere." He went on, "I change my cheques with Peter GORDON, he

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£25 and many others." He said, "I use the money I receive to pay the rent."

Chief Inspector HERBERT asked him how much the rent was and WARD said, "Eleven pounds a week." He said, "I believe you are 41

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will be able to help you." He asked the Chief Inspector if

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and Chief Inspector HERBERT said that he had. WARD said that he was a fool with money and lived in a state of penury. He explained that his solicitor dealt with all finance. He admitted borrowing £300 from a 44

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said that this had been repaid. He said that he had donated £300 to the Red Cross and British Rhuematic Society. He said that he only paid a 'peppercorn' rent

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He told of how he had met Peter RACHMAN, and how RACHMAN made propositions to girls. He said ~~that~~ he felt that Mandy should be treated with caution.

On leaving the flat at 5-50pm WARD said, "If there are any discrepancies as I expect there will be of small sums, please call back to see me."

At 9 p.m., Chief Inspector Herbert and I went to his Surgery at 38, Devonshire Street, W.1., and saw [48] [49]

At the Surgery we took possession of the items shown on the attached list.

At 12.5 p.m. on Saturday, 8th June, 1963, in company with Chief Inspector Herbert at Hempstead Road, Watford, I saw Stephen Ward and the Chief Inspector said to him, "You know who I am and you also know that I have been making enquiries about you for the past few weeks. As the result of those enquiries I am now arresting you for living wholly or in part on the immoral earnings of prostitution on divers dates since 1st January, 1961. You will now be taken to Marylebone Lane Police Station and later charged with that offence." The Chief Inspector then cautioned him and he said, "Oh my God how dreadful. I shall deny it. Nobody will come forward to say it is true." At Marylebone Lane Police Station he was later formally charged and cautioned and he said, "I shall deny it."

On the way back to the Station he said, "I should like to know who the people are who have laid the charges. Chief Inspector Herbert said, "I am not at liberty to tell you who these people are." He said, "What exactly do the charges mean - will I be told details of the persons and times involved." Chief Inspector Herbert replied, "This is not a matter than can be discussed at this stage." Ward said, "Mr. Herbert, I am sure that you and Sergeant Burrows are men of integrity and that you pursued this enquiry most objectively and that both of you are truthful - are you quite sure you have fully investigated the persons who have made these allegations." Chief Inspector Herbert said, "Mr.Ward - I would prefer not to discuss these matters now. I must remind

told him that he did not consider this would be a suitable case for bail.

A little later Ward said, "I know it has been said of me that I have procured girls - this is untrue - surely if I introduce a girl to a man at a party and as a result he later meets her and even gives her money or presents, I cannot be blamed for that."

Chief Inspector Herbert reminded him of his caution, Ward said, "Have'nt I tried to help you all I can, have you examined my accounts." The Chief Inspector said, "I have examined the records you kept in your Surgery as your Solicitor has refused to give me any information regarding your finances." Ward said, "That's not my fault is it - I gave you a letter of authority. Do you think that irresponsible persons have been paid money by the Press and other people to make malicious allegations - are you sure you have thoroughly investigated everybody you have seen. Chief Inspector Herbert said, "I must remind you Mr. Ward that you have been cautioned." Ward said, "But I wanted to talk to you about these things. I feel better if I talk to you."

The Chief Inspector then said, "This is hardly the place for such a discussion - it would be better if you waited until we reached the Police Station. Then if you feel there is any matter that you wish to tell me about, bearing in mind my caution, I will be prepared to listen to you."

On Saturday, 8th June, 1963, at 3.20 p.m., in company with Chief Inspector Herbert, I saw Dr. Ward and the Chief Inspector said to him, "I understand you wish to see me, what is it that youwant." Ward said, "Mr. Herbert, I wish to discuss this case fully with you, I will answer any questions you care

them - what do you want to know Mr. Herbert, how can I help you." The Chief Inspector said to him, "Dr Ward you will recall that several times since I arrested you I have told you that you are not obliged to say anything to me, and it may be in your interest to wait until you have had legal advice." Ward said, "I know that but you and Sergeant Burrows are men that I can trust - what do you want to know?" Chief Inspector Herbert said to Ward, "One of the things I am interested in is your financial position." Ward said, "I shall see that my Solicitor makes a statement of my accounts available to you - what else do you want to know." The Chief Inspector said to Ward, "Have you any debts?" Ward said, "No, only the usual ones, the rent, hire purchase payments on the car and the usual things." Chief Inspector Herbert said to Ward, "Did you some 12 years ago borrow a considerable sum of money [50] Ward said, "Good God you have gone a long way back." Chief Inspector Herbert said "You need not answer these questions." Ward said, "But I want to - I borrowed £5,000." The Chief Inspector said, "Has this sum been repaid." Ward said, "Yes it has it was paid back from my father's estate." Chief Inspector Herbert said to Ward, "But this loan was made in 1951 and your father died in 1944 and left £500 to your mother and the remainder to be equally [51] Ward said, "Is that so- wait a minute I remember, it was repaid from money I received from my mother's will." The Chief Inspector said"Has all the principal sum been [52] Ward said, "Yes." The Chief Inspector said, "Would it surprise you to know that I have been informed [53] that you still owe him £390." Ward said, "Do I really." He continued, "No, wait a moment - the tax people tried to force me into bankruptcy and to avoid this it was agreed that the sum owed

and re-instated as a debt after the matter was settled, it was at this time also [54] £1,000 this was later made into a loan." I said, "Is there any written agreement." Ward said, "Oh, no, it was strictly a gentleman's agreement." Chief Inspector Herbert then said to Ward,"Has this sum been repaid.?" Ward said, "I give treatment [55] [56] The Chief Inspector then said "But when I saw you on Tuesday you told me that Lord Astor gave you the use of the cottage as payment for treating him and the members of his Staff." Ward said, "That's quite true." I said to Ward, "Tell me, Dr Ward - exactly what are your weekly commitments." Ward said, "They are pretty heavy you know. I've got the flat which costs £11 per week which I pay in cash, it used to be £21 in Wimpole Mews, then there is £9 a week for my surgery, £3 a week for my Secretary, repayments on the car and running the car, lighting, heating, telephone, it's pretty expensive you know."

Chief Inspector Herbert said to Ward, "But that's over £1,000 a year on rent alone - what is your income.?" Ward said, "I don't know, my solicitors will tell you that. I never bothered about money" I said to Ward, "You know you don't have to answer these questions Dr. Ward." He said,"But Sergeant Burrows, I want to." I then said to him,"What other income have you." He said, "Well you know I get some money from my drawings." The Chief Inspector said, "Do you recall the time when Mandy Davies was living with you." Ward said, "Yes." Chief Inspector Herbert said, "Did she pay you any money." Ward said, "Yes, she used to give me £6 a week towards the rent." I then said to Ward,"Where was she working at that time." He said, "She did'nt work, she never worked." Chief Inspector Herbert said "Well where did she get this money from." Ward [57] I cant help

might have done, but it was nothing to do with me. I was'nt always there." The Chief Inspector said, [58] [59] Ward said, "Oh no, she was a nice girl." Chief Inspector Herbert said, "A prostitute is a woman who offers her body for sexual intercourse or acts of lewdness for payment." Ward said, "That must be so if you say so, Mr Herbert, but I feel a lot happier now you have told me this, I'm glad it is nothing more serious." Ward continued, "What else do you want to know." Chief Inspector Herbert said, "I must remind you Dr. Ward that I have cautioned you that you need not say anything, and I feel it is in your interest to say nothing further." Ward said, "The more we discuss this the happier I feel, this has been worrying me for the past nine weeks. I told you last Tuesday, I want to discuss everything with you and give you all the help I can." Chief Inspector Herbert said, "Very well Dr. Ward it is a matter for you. Do you recall Christine Keeler living with you." Ward said, "Yes, of course I remember Christine." I then then said, "Did she pay you money." Ward said, "Occasionally, but she used to buy the food." The Chief Inspector said, "Where did she get money to buy food. What work was she doing." [60] [61] I said to Ward, [62] [63]

Chief Inspector Herbert said "Dr. Ward, I don't think we should discuss this matter any further. I have cautioned you time and time again." Ward said, "Just tell me who these men were who paid I must know, it's only fair that you should tell

"Do you remember [64] Ward said, "Eynan - do I know him, describe him to me." The Chief Inspector said, "You should remember him, [65]

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Chief Inspector Herbert said, "You can't help but remember

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take your advice, and I will not answer any questions regarding this man - is there anybody else." Chief Inspector Herbert said,

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The Chief Inspector said, "Do you recall an incident at Cliveden with a girl when Lord Astor offered to pay youmoney to have intercourse with her and later both of you used canes on her." Ward said, "You mean Valerie." Chief Inspector Herbert said, "Did the girl receive a present from his subsequently." Ward said, "Yes, a pair of trousers."

Chief Inspector Herbert said, "I feel this discussion should now be closed. You must appreciate by now the perilous position you find yourself in and I repeat that it would be in your interest to say nothing further at this stage." Ward said, "Are there any other names involved, you must tell me, I feel sure I can help you." I said to Ward, "Do you know a woman

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The Chief Inspector said, 71

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The Chief Inspector said, "Did you not telephone this

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matter, and I feel that this discussion should cease. If you feel that you would still want to talk to me, I will see you after you have had legal advice." Ward said, "Have you arranged [74] to bring some cigarettes, and to try to get me a lawyer. The News of the World were going to arrange this for me. They have offered me £75,000 for my life story." The Chief Inspector said, "Mr. Pound has been informed of your requests and will soon be calling at this Station."

The interview terminated at 4.40 p.m.

At 5.5. p.m. Mr Ward was formally charged and cautioned and he said, "I shall deny it."

At 8 p.m. in company with the Chief Inspector and other officers I went to No.1 Bryanston Mews West, W.1., and took possession of the items of property shown on the attached list.

On Monday 10th June, 1963, at 10.40 p.m. at 95, Kennington Park Road, S.W. 19, in company with Chief Inspector Herbert, I saw [75] pornographic books.

(Signed) J. Burrows

Det. Sergeant "D".

One Passport No. 647825

One Address Book.

One Tenancy agreement re Cottage.

Two indecent sketches.

Two photographs (Miss Davies)

Five photographs in container.

Quantity of correspondence.

METROPOLITAN POLICE

Marylebone Lane Police Station.
"D" Division.
3rd May, 1963.

STATEMENT of :- Samuel HERBERT,
Chief Inspector.

Who Saith:-

On 3rd May, 1963, at 2.30 p.m. at Marylebone Lane Police Station I saw [1] Detective Sergeant BURROWS. [2]

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I said, "Are you referring to Christine KEELER and Mandy DAVIES." He said, "Yes, Mandy is a silly girl getting into trouble like that."

I said, "I am investigating certain allegations which have been made against Stephen WARD, during the course of this investigation

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(Signed) S. Herbert. C/Insp.

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Marylebone Lane STATION "D" DIVN.

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7th. May, 1963

To : Commander (No 2 District.)

1. With reference to the attached anonymous letters which allege that a Doctor Stephen WARD has been living on the immoral earnings of prostitution and has been engaged in the procuration of women for unlawful sexual intercourse.

2. Acting upon your instructions and assisted by Detective Sergeant John BURROWS, "D" Division, I have made extensive enquiries into the allegations.

3. Doctor Stephen WARD, age about 50 years, practices as an Osteopath at 38, Devonshire Street,W.1, and now resides at 1, Bryanston Mews West, W.1. He formerly occupied a mews flat at 17, Wimpole Mews, W.1.

4. It is pertinent to point out at this stage that my enquiries are not yet completed. Having good reason to believe that this man will abscond in the immediate future I submit a preliminary report of the facts known.

5. These facts show clearly that there is, at this stage, ample evidence available for an application to be made for a warrant to arrest this man for:
(1) Living on the immoral earnings of prostitution, and
(2) Being the occupier of premises at 17, Wimpole Mews,W.1., did knowingly permit them to be used as a brothel.

6. The premises at 17, Wimpole Mews, W.1, comprise two bedrooms, a kitchen and a living room. They were first occupied by WARD on 1st. June, 1961, at a weekly rental of £21. The flat was completely furnished and was

Whilst so occupying the flat WARD had staying with him for varying periods a large number of young women. [1] [2] concerned in this report were, Marilyn RICE-DAVIES, age 18 years and Christine Margaret KEELER, age 21 years.

7. RICE-DAVIES became acquainted with WARD in 1960 when she first came to London, but it was not until the Autumn of 1962 [3] [4]

8. Shortly after her arrival, WARD introduced her [5]

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15. The agents for the flat are Messrs. Kreiger, Chalfont and Company, 8, Grosvenor Street, W.1. Enquiry of this firm shows tha t when WARD vacated the flat he owed rent amounting to £500. This sum has been reduced and now stands at about £133.

16. WARD claims that he is an Osteopath by occupation. The extent of his practice is not known but enquiry of the Osteopaths Association shows that he was removed from membership in 1958 for failing to renew his subscription.

17. Attached herewith are all statements which have been taken to date. These show that further offences of Procuration have been committed by WARD. It is this part of the enquiry that is incomplete.

18. Having good grounds for believing that this man will abscond before the enquiry is completed I respectfully suggest that application be made for a warrant to be issued under Section 30, Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

S. Herbert

Chief Inspector "X"
(S.Herbert.)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

Marylebone Lane Police Station,
"D" Division.
11th June, 1963.

STATEMENT of : Samuel Herbert.
Police Inspector.

Who saith:

On Tuesday, 4th June, 1963, in company with Detective Sergeant Burrows, at 4.35 p.m. I went to No.1. Bryanston Mews West, W.1., where I met Stephen WARD. I said to him, "You know that I am making enquiries regarding certain allegations which have been made and I have called to see you as the result of the letter you sent to Commander Townsend. In that letter you invited Police to examine your accounts and finance, and I have to tell you that we are prepared to accept your invitation, and I would therefore like you to give me a letter to your Secretary and Solicitor authorising me to examine those records." He said, "I am certainly prepared to give you such letters, and entreat you to deal with this matter as quickly as possible as the strain is bringing me near to a nervous breakdown." I then asked him to let me have the two letters of authority. He commenced to write them and said, "What exactly has been alleged against me. I believe it has been said that I procure young girls for men in high places." I said "A number of allegations have been made and procuration is among them." He said, "It is ridiculous to say that I have received money for introducing girls to men. Of course I always had many pretty girls around me, I also took them to parties and introduced them to other men, but if this was followed up by them, and the men gave them presents, surely I cannot be blamed for that, and in any case, I can see nothing wrong with it." I then asked him if he would finish the two letters and he said, "I should make it clear that I have

child, and other people have paid me cash direct - I don't show this - it's just a fiddle to save paying Income Tax." D.S. Burrows said, "If you had £100 to make a sketch, then

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the rent." I asked him what his rent was and he said £11 per week. He then said, "I believe you are looking for 2 [redacted]

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penury. His solicitor dealt with all finance.He had borrowed £300 from a Nicholas Fowler but this had been repaid. He had also made a donation of £300 to the Red Cross and British Rheumatic Society. He said he only paid a peppercorn rent to Lord Astor for his cottage at Cliveden, this was in return for services to Lord Astor and his staff. He then told me how he had met Peter Rachmann and how Rachmann made propositions to girls. He also said he felt Mandy should be treated with caution.

I left the flat at 5.50 p.m., and before doing so he said, "If there are any discrepancies, as I expect there will be of small sums, please call back to see me."

At 9 p.m., I went to his Surgery at 38, Devonshire Street,

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At the Surgery I took possession of the items shown on

D.S. John Burrows at Hempstead Road, Watford, I saw Stephen Ward and said to him, "You know who I am and you also know that I have been making enquiries about you for the past few weeks. As the result of those enquiries I am now arresting you for living wholly or in part on the immoral earnings of prostitution on divers dates since 1 st January, 1961. You will now be taken to Marylebone Lane Police Station and later charged with that offence." I then cautioned him and he said, "Oh my God how dreadful. I shall deny it. Nobody will come forward to say it is true." At Marylebone Lane Police Station he was later formally charged and cautioned and he said, "I shall deny it."

On the way back to the Station he said, "I should like to know who the people are who have laid the charges. I said, "I am not at liberty to tell you who these people are." He said, "What exactly do the charges mean - will I be told details of the persons and times involved." I replied, "This is not a matter that can be discussed at this stage." He said, "Mr. Herbert, I am sure that you and Sergeant Burrows are men of integrity and that you pursued this enquiry most objectively and that both of you are truthful - are you quite sure you have fully investigated the persons who have made these allegations." I said, "Mr. Ward - I would prefer not to discuss these matters now, I must remind you that you have been cautioned."

He then asked re bail and I told him I did not consider this would be a suitable case for bail.

A little later he said, "I know it has been said of me that I have procured girls - this is untrue - surely if I introduce a girl to a man at a party and as a result

I reminded him of my caution. He said, "Have'nt I tried to help you all I can, have you examined my accounts." I said, "I have examined the records you kept in your Surgery as your Solicitor has refused to give me any information regarding your finances." He said, "That's not my fault is it - I gave you a letter of authority. Do you think that irresponsible persons have been paid money by the Press and other people to make malicious allegations are you sure you have thoroughly investigated everybody you have seen." I said, "I must remind you Mr. Ward that you have been cautioned." He said, "But I wanted to talk to you about these things. I feel better if I talk to you."

I said, "This is hardly the place for such a discussion - it would be better if you waited until we reached the Police Station. Then if you feel there is any matter that you wish to tell me about, bearing in mind my caution, I will be prepared to listen to you."

On Saturday, 8th June, 1963, at 3.20 p.m. I saw Dr. Ward and I said to him, "I understand you wish to see me, what is it that you want." He said, "Mr Herbert I wish to discuss this case fully with you, I will answer any questions you care to ask me, I want to help you all I can. I will tell you anything you want to know, and if there is anyone you want to see and cannot trace, I will tell you where you can find them - what do you want to know Mr. Herbert, how can I help you." I said to him, "Dr. Ward you will recall that several times since I arrested you I have told you that you are not obliged to say anything to me, and it may be in your interest to wait until you have had legal advice." He said, "I know that but you and Sergeant Burrows are men that I can trust - what do you want to know.?" I said to him "One of the things I am

I said to him, "Have you any debts?" He said, "No, only the

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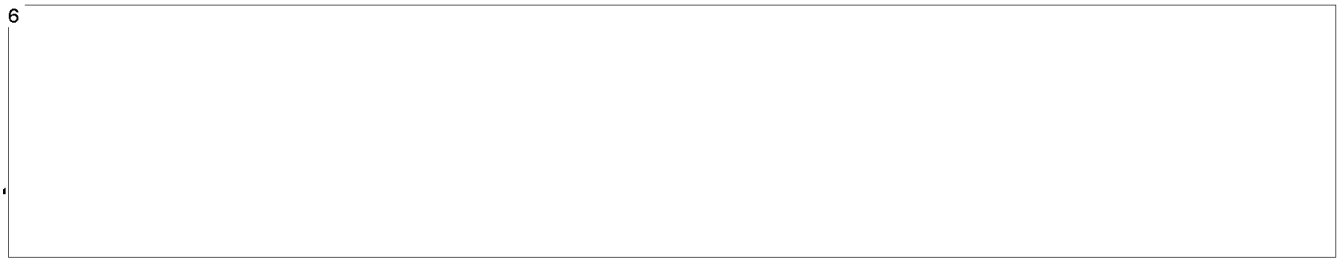
I said, "You need not answer these questions." He said, "But I want to - I borrowed £5,000." I said, "Has this sum been repaid."

6 

said, "Is that so - wait a minute I remember, it was repaid from money I received from my mother's will." I said, "Has all the principal sum 7 He said, "Yes." I said, "Would it surprise you to know that I have been informed 8 owe him £390." He said, "Do I really." He continued, "No wait a moment - the tax people tried to force me into bankruptcy and to avoid this it was agreed that the sum owed to Mr. Underwood should be cancelled and re-instated as a debt after the matter was settled, it was at this time also that Bill Astor gave me £1,000, this was later made into a loan." Sergeant Burrows said, "Is there any written agreement." He said, "Oh, no, it was strictly a gentleman's agreement." I said to him, "Has this sum been repaid?" 9

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I said, "But that's over £1,000 a year on rent alone - what is your income.?" He said, "I don't know, my solicitors will tell you that. I never bothered about money." Sergeant Burrows said "You know you don't have to answer these questions Dr. Ward." He said, "But Sergeant Burrows, I want to." Sergeant Burrows said, "What other income have you." He said, "Well you know I get some money from my drawings." I said, "Do you recall the

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to give me £6 a week towards the rent." Sergeant Burrows said,

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nice girl." I said, "A prostitute is a woman who offers her body for sexual intercourse or acts of lewdness for payment." He said, "That must be so if you say so, Mr.Herbert, but I feel a lot happier now you have told me this, I'm glad it is nothing more serious." He continued, "What else do you want to know." I said, "I must remind you Dr. Ward that I have cautioned you that you need not say anything, and I feel it is in your interest to say nothing further." He said, "The more we discuss this the happier I feel, this has been worrying me for the past nine weeks. I told you last Tuesday I want to discuss everything with you and give you all the help I can." I said, "Very well Dr. Ward it is a matter for you.

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I said, "Dr. Ward, I don't think we should discuss this matter any further. I have cautioned you time and time again." He said, "Just tell me who these men were who paid I must know, it's only fair that you should tell me." 22

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chap." Sergeant Burrows said, "Mr. Profumo has given Christine money and presents, then there is Dr. Savundra." He said, "Do I know him." I said, "You can't help but remember him, he is an Indian gentleman with grey hair, and he has been to see you quite recently." He said, "I feel I should take your advice, and I will not answer any questions regarding this man - is there anybody else." I said, "Lord Astor has had intercourse with Mandy in your flat. I know that previously he had given you a cheque for £100 to pay the rent for these two girls in a flat at 71C Comeragh Road." He said, "Yes, but I gave the cheque to the landlord, I did'nt keep the money."

I said, "Do you recall an incident at Cliveden with a girl when Lord Astor offered to pay you money to have

trousers." I said to him, "I feel this discussion should now be closed. You must appreciate by now the perilous position you find yourself in and I repeat that it would be in your interest to say nothing further at this stage." He said, "Are there any other names involved, you must tell me, I feel sure I canhelp you." Sergeant Burrows said,

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him." He said, "I was out at the time and I was most annoyed about it when I returned." He then said, "As far as these matters are concerned I can only say I knew a person who knew a person - I don't feel that these are matters that I should discuss with you." I said, "I have frequently cautioned you that you need not talk about any matter, and I feel that this discussion should cease. If you feel that you would still want to talk to me, I will see you after you have had legal advice." He said, "Have you arranged with 29 [redacted] to bring me some cigarettes, and to try to get me a lawyer. The News of the World were going to arrange this for me. They have offered me £75,000 for my life story." I said, 30 [redacted] will soon be calling at this Station." The interview terminated at 4.40 p.m.

At 5.5 p.m. Mr. Ward was formally charged and cautioned and he said, "I shall deny it."

At 8 p.m. in company with Detective Sergeant Burrows and other officers I went to No.1 Bryanston Mews West, W.1., and took possession of the items of property shown on the attached list.

On Monday 10th June, 1963, at 10.40 p.m. at 95, Kennington Park Road, S.W. 19, 31 [redacted] who handed to me seventeen pornographic books.

One Passport No 647825.

One Address book.

One tenancy agreement re Cottage.

Two indecent sketches.

Two photographs (Miss Davies)

Five photographs in container.

Quantity of correspondence.

METROPOLITAN POLICE

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Marylebone Lane STATION "D" DIVN.

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20th June, 1963.

To: Commander 2.

1. STEPHEN THOMAS WARD, [1] aged 50 years (born 19th October, 1912), a Doctor of Osteopathy, of 1, Bryanston Mews West, London, W.1., stands remanded in custody to appear at Marlborough Street Metropolitan Magistrate's Court, at 10.30 a.m. on 24th June, 1963, on the following charge:-

> "For that he being a male person did on divers dates between the 1st January, 1961, and the 8th June, 1963, knowingly live wholly or in part on the earnings of prostitution at 17, Wimpole Mews, W.1."
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> Contrary to Section 30, Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

2. The evidence will show that the following charges can be substantiated against Ward :-

> (1) Between 1st July and 31st August, 1961, within the County of London, for a purpose prejudicial to the safety or interest of the State did incite or solicit one, Christine KEELER to obtain information useful to an enemy.
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> Contrary to Section 1, Official Secrets Acts, 1911 (1939).
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> (2) For that he, being a man, did on divers dates between June, 1961 and September, 1962, knowingly live wholly or in part on the earnings of prostitution at 17, Wimpole Mews, W.1.
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> Contrary to Section 30, Sexual Offences Act, 1956.
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> (3) For that he being the tenant or occupier of certain premises at 17, Wimpole Mews, W.1., did knowingly permit such premises to be used for the purpose of habitual prostitution between 1st June, 1961, and September, 1962.

(4) For that he being a man did on divers dates between 1st October, 1962, and 15th December, 1962, knowingly live wholly or in part on the earnings of prostitution at 17 Wimpole Mews, W.1.

Contrary to Section 30, Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

(5) For that he being the tenant or occupier of certain premises at 17 Wimpole Mews, W.1, did knowingly permit such premises to be used for the purpose of habitual prostitution between 1st October, 1962, and 15th December, 1962.

Contrary to Section 36, Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

(6) For that he being the tenant or occupier of certain premises at 1 Bryanston Mews West, W.1, did knowingly permit such premises to be used for the purpose of habitual prostitution between 1st January, 1963, and 31st March, 1963.

Contrary to Section 36, Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

(7) For that he between 1st October, 1962, and 15th December, 1962, within the County of London, did unlawfully procure Miss Marilyn RICE-DAVIES, aged 18 years (date of birth 21st October, 1944), to become a common prostitute.

Contrary to Section 22(1)(a), Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

(8) For that he, between June 1961 and September 1962, within the County of London did unlawfully procure Miss Christine KEELER, aged 19 years (date of birth 22nd February, 1942), to become a common prostitute.

Contrary to Section 22(1)(a), Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

(9) For that he did attempt to procure one, Valerie HOLMAN, a girl under the age of 21 years, viz: 17 years, to have unlawful sexual intercourse with a third person, viz: Viscount Astor, at The Springs Cottage, Cliveden, on or about 4th June, 1960.

Contrary to Section 23(1), Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

(10) For that he did attempt to procure one, Elizabeth KENNEDY, a girl under the age of 21 years, viz: 19 years (date of birth 3rd April, 1944), to have unlawful sexual intercourse with a

(11) For that he did attempt to procure one, Diane VALENTINE, a girl under the age of 21 years, viz: 19 years, to have unlawful sexual intercourse within the County of London between 1st March, 1963, and 30th April, 1963.

Contrary to Section 23(1), Sexual Offences Act, 1956.

3. Enquiries into the activities of Ward have been in progress since 2nd April, 1963, and were instigated mainly as the result of anonymous letters received by Police. It is fair to say, however, that Ward's activities had come to notice as early as 14th December, 1962, when a

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4. Since this episode Ward has been the centre of much speculation and rumour which has as its basis a considerable amount of fact. It is unnecessary in this report to deal with the rumours surrounding Ward; these have been reported almost daily in the National Press and are common knowledge to all.

5. This report will deal only with facts as established by Police investigation, and the evidence obtained will be seen to substantiate the charges as set out above, and it is now proposed to deal with these charges individually.

6. The first charge in paragraph 2 arises as the result of a conversation between Ward and Christine Keeler. It should be made quite clear at this stage that this charge depends entirely upon the evidence of Christine Keeler, and it is a matter for a jury to decide whether they believe her. She has made a number of statements to Police dealing with many aspects of Ward's life and habits,

can be corroborated, and it is therefore proper to assume that such parts of her statement which go uncorroborated are truthful in every detail.

7. To revert to charge (1) in paragraph 2, the offence alleged took place at a time when Keeler was having an illicit association with Mr. JOHN PROFUMO, Privy Councillor, and at that time, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for War.

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10. In conversation with many people Ward has spoken with zeal of Communism and has even boosted the Russian way of life to Detective Sergeant Burrows. These facts are clearly shown in conversations he has had with the

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11. Charges (2) and (3) in paragraph 2, relate to a period when Christine Keeler was resident with Ward in the flat at 17 Wimpole Mews, W.1, of which he was the tenant.

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12. In addition to this knowledge, sub-section 2 of section 30 of the Sexual Offences Act, 1956, shows that a man who lives with or who is habitually in the company of a prostitute shall be presumed to be knowingly living on the immoral earnings of prostitution.

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when MARILYN RICE-DAVIES was resident with Ward at 17 Wimpole Mews, W.1. [8]

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16. On 3rd May, 1963, Dr. Savundra was interviewed, and admitted that the foregoing facts were true, but he refused to make any written statement. Subsequently, a statement was received from him in which he denies any knowledge of Ward and that he ever visited the flat. He further says that he met Miss Rice-Davies through one,

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17. Further corroboration of Savundra's visits to the flat are provided by Keeler, who was present there on one occasion when he arrived.

18. Savundra's attendance at Court will only be secured by the issue of a witness summons.

at her flat in 32 St. Ervans Road, W.10, whereupon she used to to to the flat at Bryanston Mews West, W.1, and have

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20. Referring now to charge (7), which deals with the procuration of Marilyn Rice-Davies, a female, aged 18 years (born 21st October, 1940), who came to London on her 16th birthday, and who for almost two years lived with a man named Peter Rachman as his mistress. Davies first met Ward when she moved into a flat at 71 Comeragh Road, S.W.3, which she shared with Christine Keeler. This would be just before Christmas 1960. At the very first night the two girls moved into this flat, Stephen Ward called on Keeler and was introduced to Davies.

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them. A little later, Davies went to live with Peter Rachman and stayed with him for some time, although Ward persistently tried to get her to leave Rachman. About a month before the death of Rachman, which was on the 29th October, 1962, Davies returned to Ward and lived with him at the flat at 17 Wimpole Mews, W.1.

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25. Referring now to Charge (8) which deals with the procuration by Ward of Christine Keeler, now aged 21 years, she having been born on 22nd February, 1942. This girl left her home just after her 16th birthday and came to reside in London.

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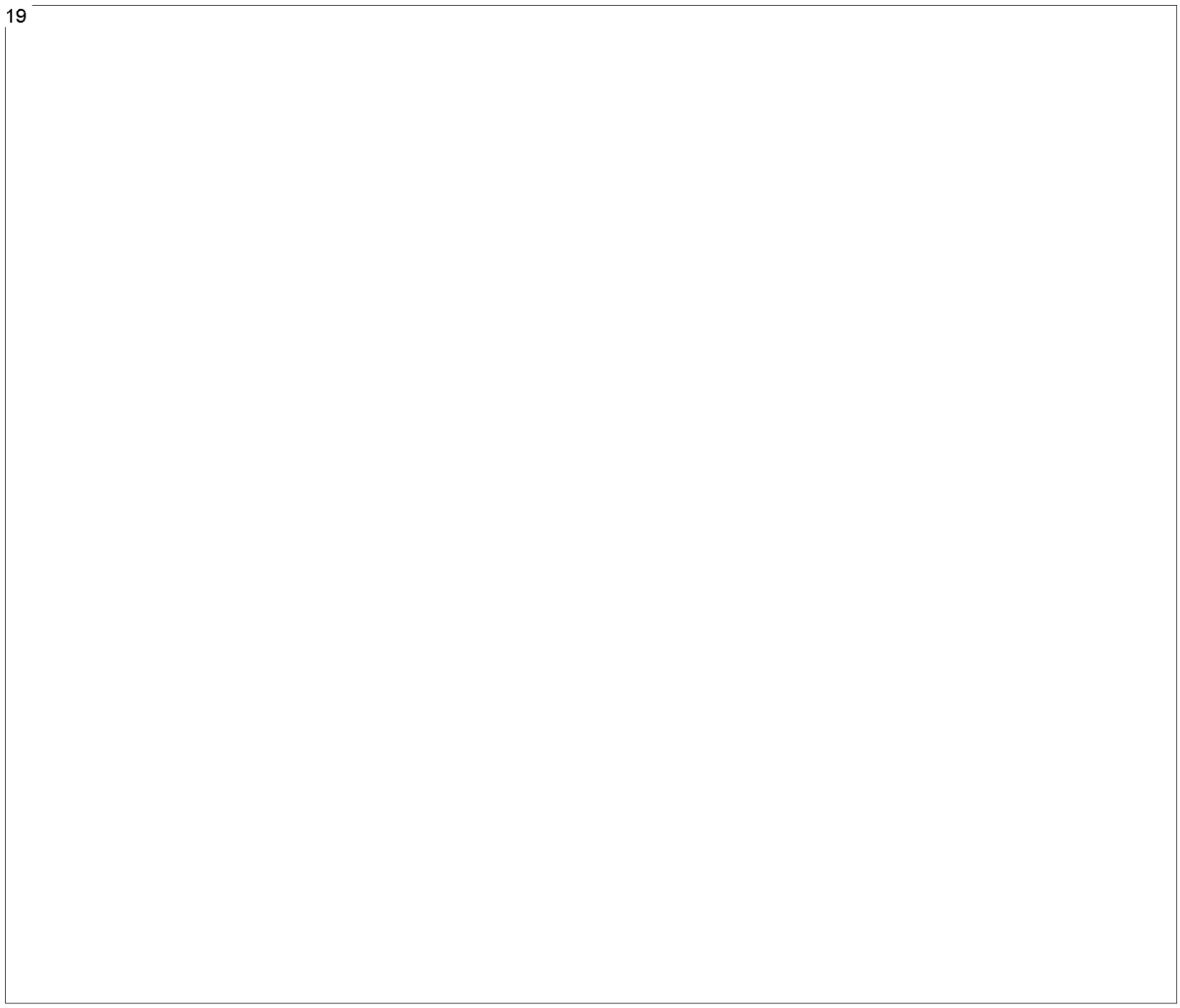

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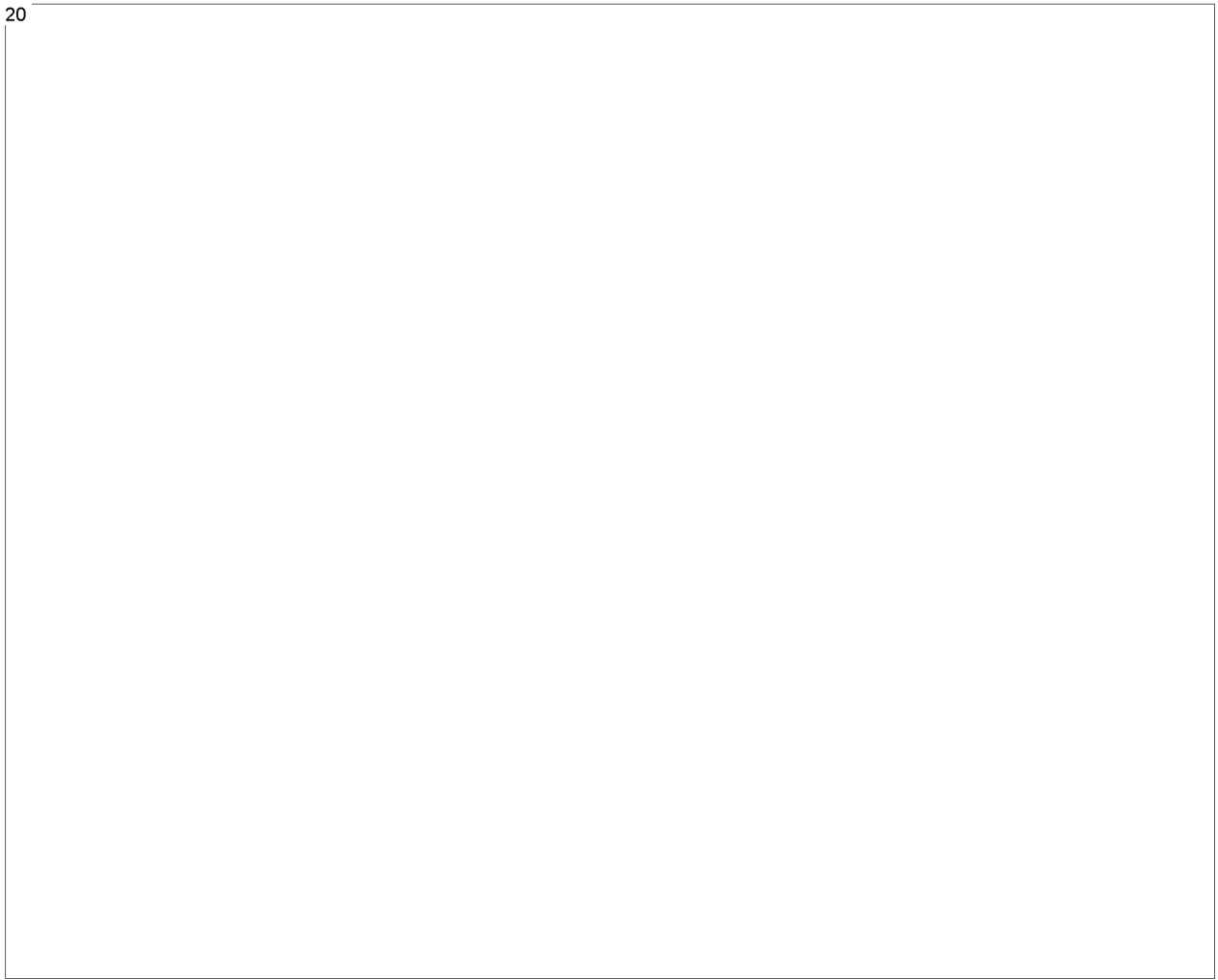

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37. It is interesting to note at this stage that in Ward's flat such a mirror had been installed by a previous tenant but had been deliberately broken by Marilyn Rice-Davies. The hole in the wall is still there, covered by a painting in the lounge side and exposed in the bedroom.

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Records relating to the practice have been examined by Police. These records commence in 1957 and carry on up to the present time. The practice could hardly be called successful, inasmuch as the highest amount received in fees by Ward in one year was £2,852. This was in 1962. When one takes into account the necessary expenses incurred by Ward, such as rent for the surgery, rent for the flat, which together amounted to £1,500 a year, in addition to repayments on the motor car, heating, lighting, telephone, income tax, and numerous other items of expense, commensurate with his profession. He himself has said that he was living in a constant state of penury.

45. There is a definite pattern in the manner in which this man gains the acquaintanceship of young and innocent girls, for their subsequent defilement, and numerous instances of this pattern have come to light during the investigation. He is an artist of undoubted ability, and is also well known to members of society and the stage and film worlds.

46. Using his artistic powers as the magnet he invites youngs girls to go to his flat to be sketched. Whilst at the flat these girls are regaled with a list of the names of prominent persons with whom he is acquainted, and to whom they can be introduced to further their careers in various walks of life. Frequent mention is made of Ward's ability to guide them should they fall into trouble, particularly by finding themselves pregnant. The ultimate result of this assault upon their moral fibre has been their eventual seduction by Ward and his clique.

gardener's cottage which was leased to Ward at an annual rental of £1. This cottage by the Thames was a further lure to young and impressionable girls. 31

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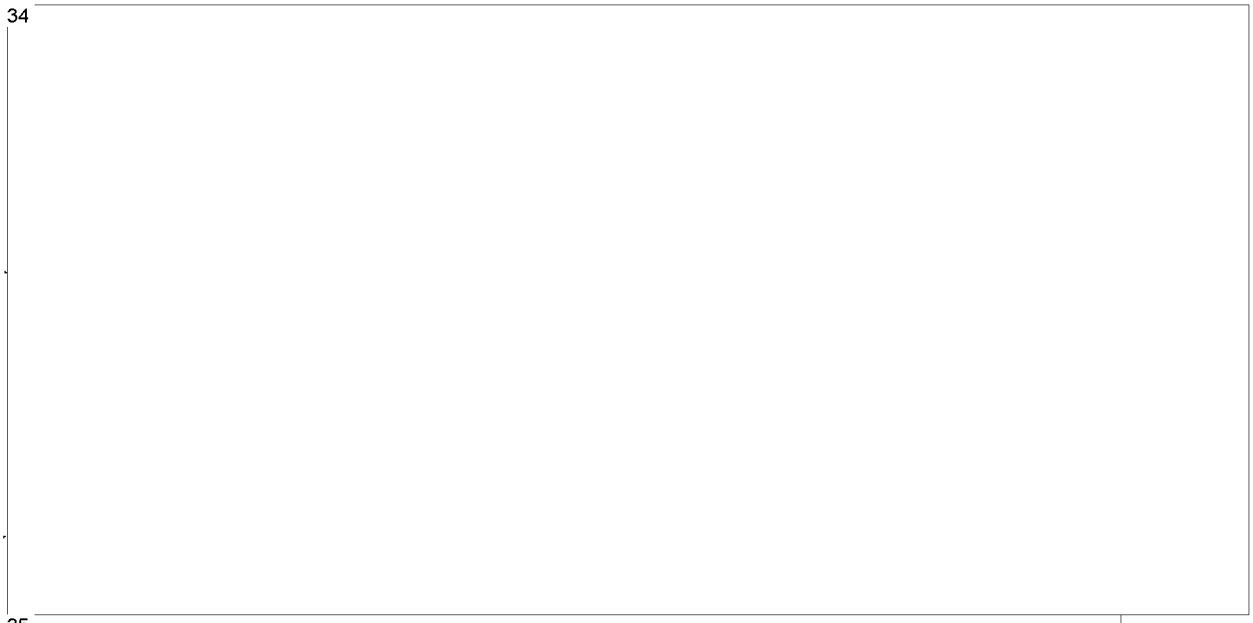

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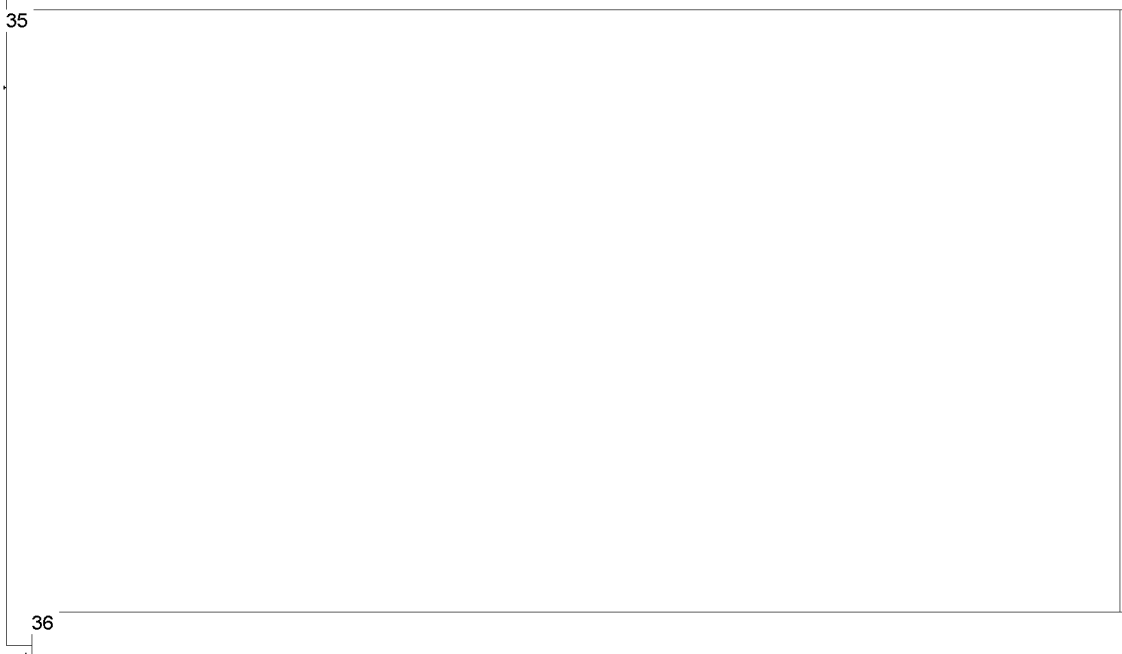

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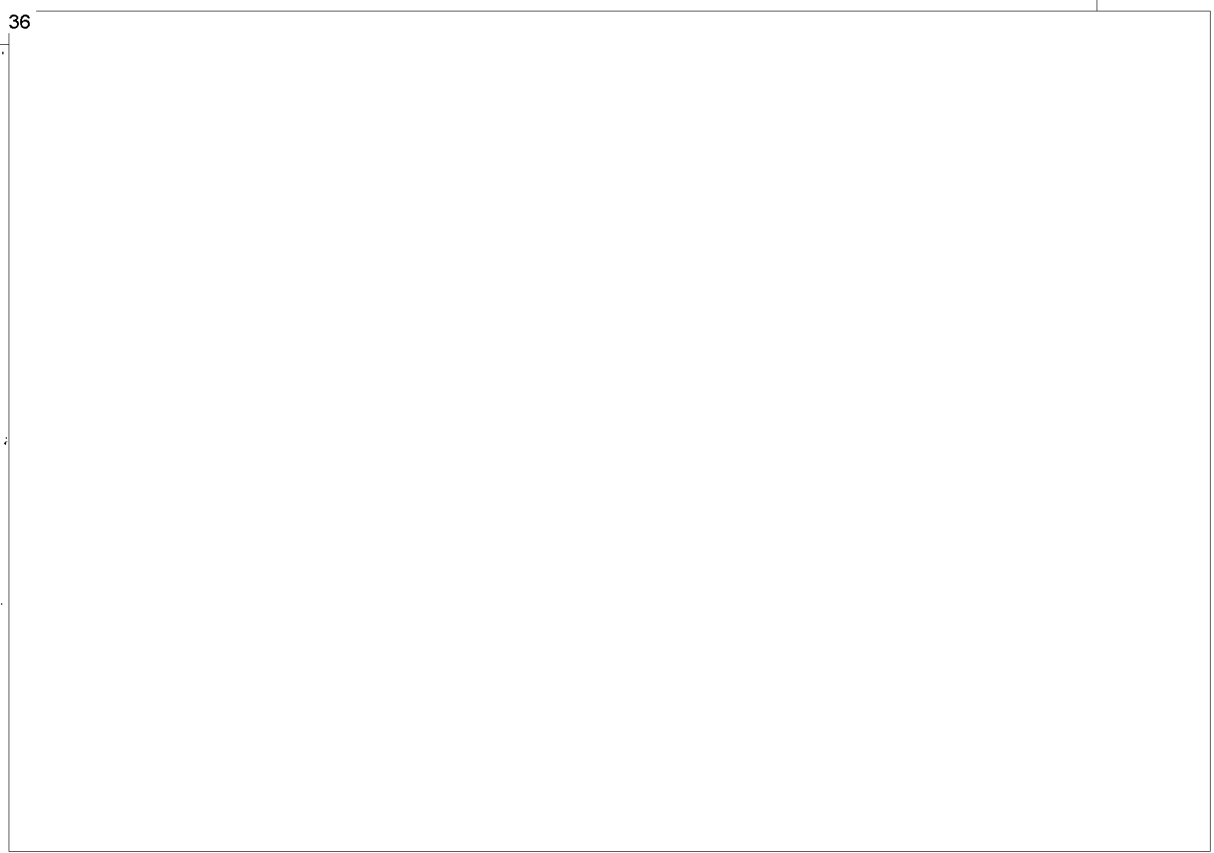

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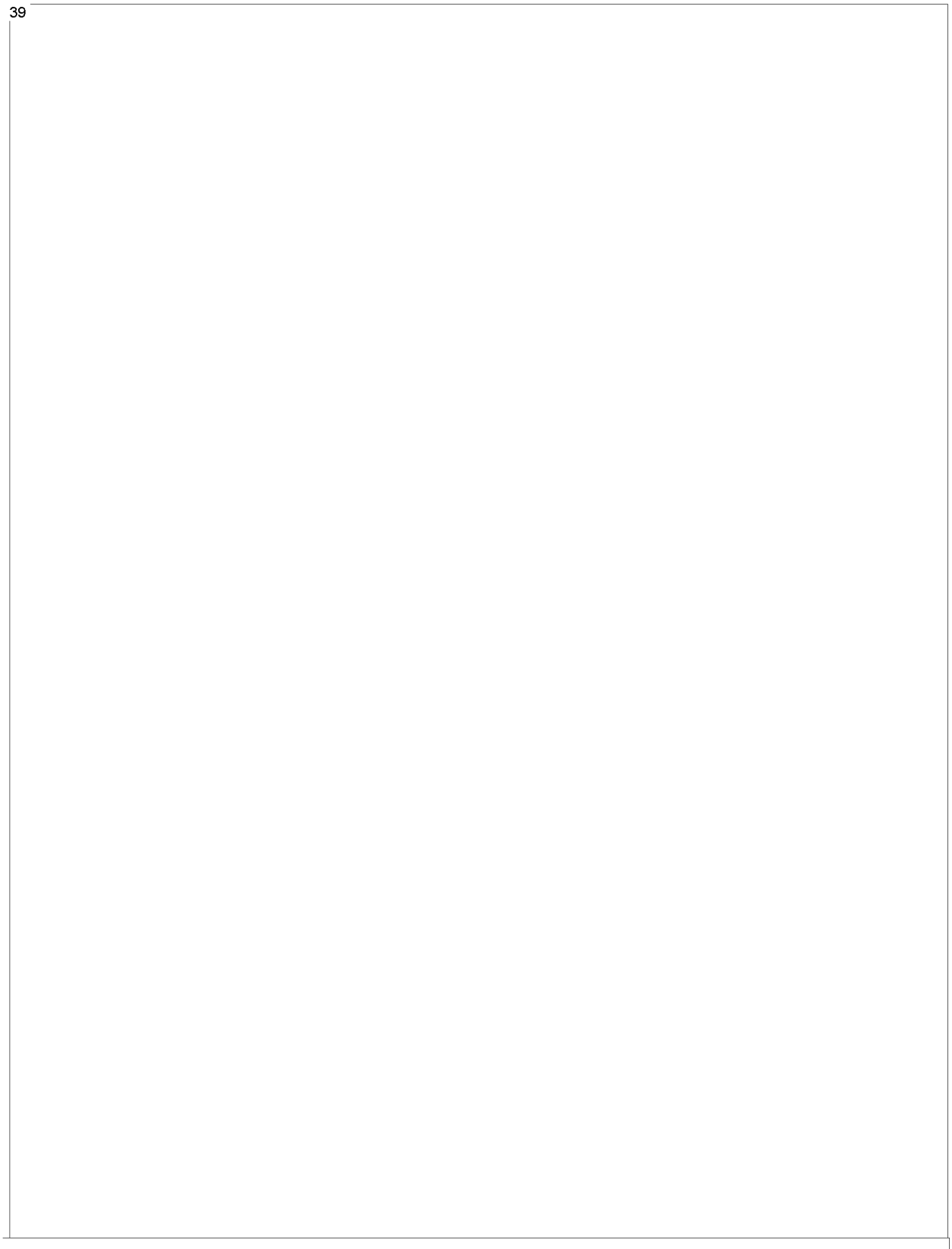

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63. This interview can be summarised as follows :-
On Tuesday, 4th June, 1963, at 1 Bryanston Mews West, W.1, I met Ward and asked him for letters of authority to examine his financial accounts. He said he was fully prepared to give these. He said he knew it had been

had not been shown in his account. He mentioned a

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is worthy of note that despite an intensive search after his arrest, no such sketch was found. He also said that he had received a cheque for £25 from one,

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64. Subsequent upon this interview, I took possession of Ward's appointment diaries and account books. It is from these that the attached summarised list of accounts has been prepared. These show, as stated earlier, that his practice was not nearly as successful as he would have people believe.

65. Ward was arrested by me on 8th June, 1963, at Hempstead Road, Watford. When told the reasons for the arrest, and cautioned, his immediate statement was "Oh, my God, how dreadful. I shall deny it. Nobody will come forward to say it is true." This latter remark is most significant when one considers the efforts made by Ward prior to his arrest to influence persons being interviewed by Police.

66. In spite of the fact that Ward was cautioned in the normal manner he was most persistent that he should discuss the case on the journey back to Marylebone Lane Police Station. A full report of this conversation is included in my statement.

permitted to discuss the case with me. As a result of this, I saw Ward again and full details of this discussion are as per my statement. It should be noted that Ward is a most garrulous man, and in spite of repeated cautions insisted on continuing the discussion.

68. Later he was formally charged, the charge was read over to him and he was cautioned, and he said, "I shall deny it." When searched, he had on his person one cigarette lighter.

69. At 8 p.m. that evening, I went with Detective Sergeant Burrows and other officers, to 1 Bryanston Mews West, and took possession of two indecent sketches, a Tenancy Agreement re: Cliveden Cottage, and other property.

70. It is anticipated that Ward will strongly defend these charges on the grounds that the women Keeler and Davies are not to be believed [45]

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will make malicious allegations against all witnesses called by the prosecution including Police, and will try to excuse his actions with regard to the young women mentioned in this report, in that he was helping 'lame dogs'. This man is an importunate liar, and will doubtlessly try to use the names of eminent people in this country to cover his nefarious activities. Some proof of this man's lies can be gleaned from the fact that in a television interview on the 6th June this year (a transcript of which is attached), he stated that expenses he had received with regard to newspaper articles were only sufficient to cover his legal

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71. It should be noted that further witnesses have to be interviewed and time permitting this will be done by 28th June, 1963. Should further offences be disclosed the fact will be brought to notice immediately.

72. I ask that this report, in duplicate, together with copy statements and copies of documentary exhibits, be forwarded to the Director of Public Prosecutions, 12 Buckingham Gate, S.W.1, in order that Police may be legally represented at the remand hearing at 10.30 a.m. on 24th June, 1963, at Marlborough Street Metropolitan Magistrates' Court.

S. Herbert.

Chief Inspector 'X' Division
(S. Herbert)

Commander 2
(F.W.C. Pennington)

At 6.15 p.m. on Friday, 7th June, 1963, in consequence of information received by Detective Chief Superintendent Davis, C.9 Branch, I went to 21, Alexander Square, S.W.3.,

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Lancaster Gate, an address well known to Police as one which has been used by prostitutes on many occasions in the past.

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parties given at that address which had been attended by CHRISTINE KEELER. 3

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interviewed by police: steps are in hand to trace and interview the other girl).

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that sort she would want £30, which was apparently more than Ward was prepared to pay, and nothing further transpired.

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At about 6 p.m. on Sunday, 9th June, 1963, I was informed

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obtained possession of all Stephen Ward's obscene literature amounting to seventeen books, which he had handed over to his

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At 9.40 a.m. on Monday, 10th June, 1963, I telephoned

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and made an appointment to see him forthwith,

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in company with Commander Pennington, [12]

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[14] by making what he regarded as a very serious complaint against police, and in a long and rambling statement, he alleged, among other things, that police had not dealt expeditiously with a breaking that had occurred at his flat: that Chief Inspector Herbert and Detective Sergeant Burrows had not taken adequate steps to contact him when he had valuable information which he could give them: and that the journalist, whose name he proposed to supply to me, had made no less than thirty attempts to get in touch with Sergeant Burrows through police at Marylebone Lane, and had received no reply whatever.

[15] that the two officers he complained of had in fact reported they had [16] and that their side of the story was a little different to his, in that, rightly or wrongly, they had received the impression that [17] to strike a bargain in regard to the information he was prepared to give, namely he

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but after carrying on again at great length, when asked whether or not he wished to pursue his complaint or wished to leave it in my hands to deal with, he agreed to leave it to me and said he did not wish to pursue it.

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the agreement of Stephen Ward, had indicated to Ward about a month ago that he was likely to be raided by the Police, and in this way he had prevailed upon Ward to hand over to him all his obscene literature, [21] handed over to the editor of the magazine [22] [23] and that the literature was at present locked in the editor's safe at the magazine's offices, 185, High Holborn, which is part of the offices of Odhams publications.

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Stephen Ward £30 a week as a retaining fee in return for some synopsis he was writing and that they were in fact hanging on to the obscene literature to use it as a lever to obtain from Ward his life story, for which, if it was sufficiently sensational and revealing, he was to receive £75,000.

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[26] who had been a reporter for the "Daily Mirror" [27] BAYswater 0591), who, he said, could supply a lot of information to police regarding procuration by Stephen Ward. Police already know something of Lee Tracy but this is being further looked into.

In company with Commander Pennington, I then went to the offices of the magazine "Today" at 185, High Holborn, where I saw [28] I had reason to believe that he had a quantity of obscene literature in his safe which had been obtained [29] from Stephen Ward, and that I wished to take possession of it. After consulting the firm's solicitors, [30]

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was most helpful and once he had received the authority from the firm's solicitors, I had the impression he was quite relieved to get rid of the literature. He stated that in fact a conference was to have been held the next day to decide what they were going to do with the literature, because they realised that once Stephen Ward had been charged it was, in fact, evidence.

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The seventeen books have been handed over to Chief Inspector Herbert for examination, and will be recorded as "property found elsewhere."

At 9 p.m. on 10th June, 1963, I had a further call

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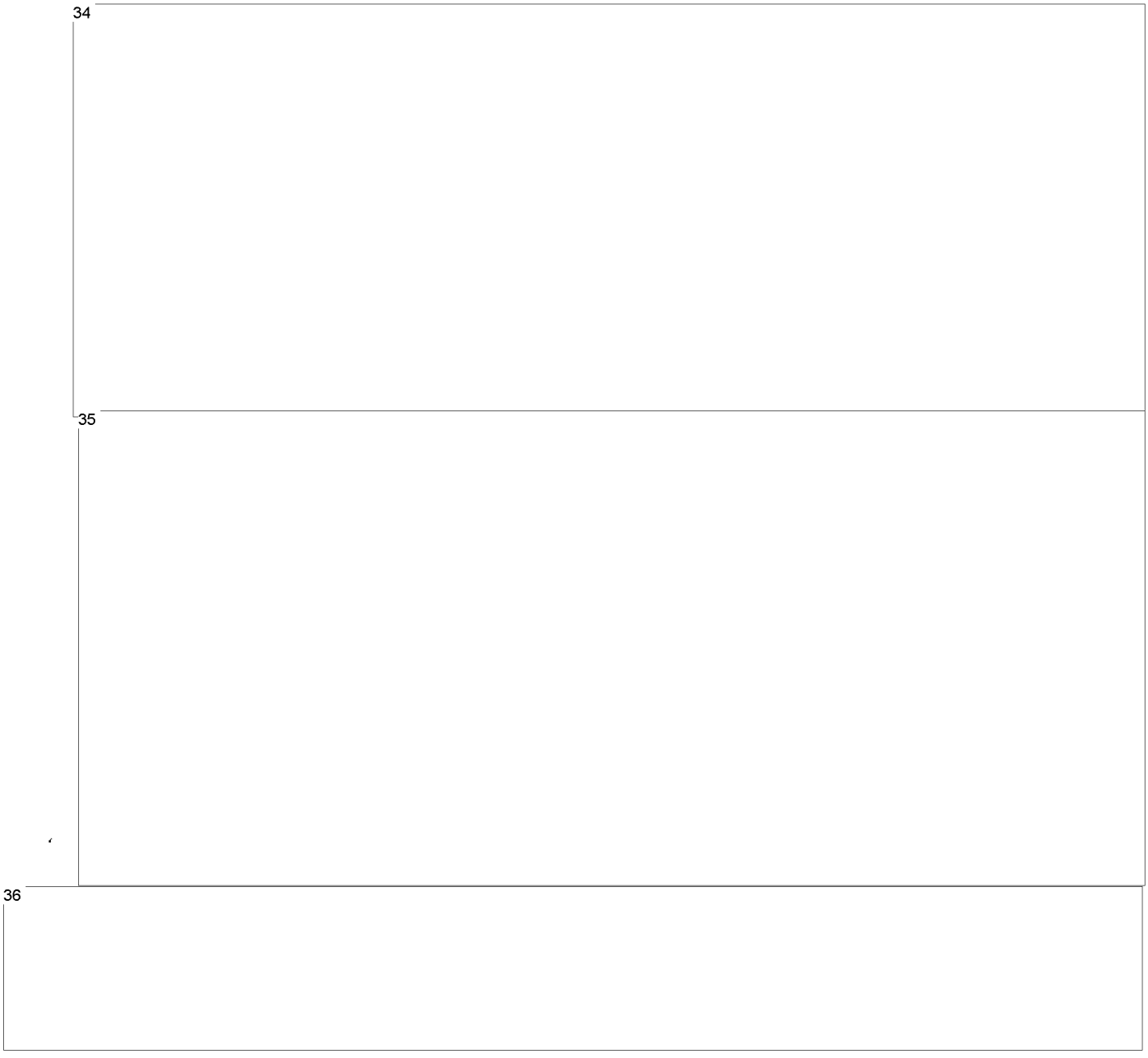

will be passed on to Detective Sergeant Burrows.

(Signed). A. Townsend.

Commander "A"

11/6/63.