

MINUTRS OF SPECIAL LEADERSHIP MEETING, 12/11/79

resent: Biggs, Dennis, Inglefield, Hudson, Andre (Seated), Larkin, Savage,
Matthews, Last, Hutton, Hector (seated).
Apologies: Banner.

Rport on Bolshevik Faction

Reporter Manzano

Discussion

Manzano proposed following motions:

1. In the light of comrade Monica's intervention at the I-CL public meeting on Friday, 9/11/79, that pending the hearing by the Political Committee of the case of comrade Monica on 2/12/79 the comrade be suspended from membership of the IMG. That the decision of the CC and this decision concerning comrade Monica be communicated to comrade Monica by hand be comrades Last and Manzano prior to 17/11/79. That the Camden Branch be informed of these decisions."

CARRIED UNAN

2. That the Special Leadership Meeting recommends that the following motion be put in the branches for vote:

"1. That the decisions of the IMG conference and its elected leading bodies are binding on all members of the organisation.

"2. As the British Section of the Fourth International, all decisions of the World Congress are binding on the IMG and all its members.

"3. The branch agrees to abide by these fundamental principles governing the working of the IMG and the FI as revolutionary organisations, and condemns the split from the FI by the international leaderships of the Bolshevik Faction and the LTI."

CARRIED UNAN

3. The IMG leadership reaffirms that all meetings of tendencies, factions, tendencies or factions in formation or any similar meetings must be publicised within the organisation through notification of appropriate leadership bodies and must be within the organisational framework of the IMG".

CARRIED

Motion by Inglefield:

That a letter is sent to each comrade who is a member of the Bolshevik Faction instructing them to come to a meeting with the leadership on Sunday, 18/11/79 at the National Centre.

CARRIED UNAN

3.

The following amendment to Manzano motion number 3 was moved by Hutton:

We reaffirm that the holding of secret tendency or faction meetings is unconstitutional. Any comrades who organise or attend such meetings place themselves outside of the IMG and will no longer be regarded as members.

The following procedural motion was moved by Biggs:

That we defer voting on the Hutton amendment to the PC meeting of 2/12/79.

CARRIED 9-1-0-0

Statement by Hutton on Voting on Manzano Resn number 3

I abstained on comrade Manzano's resolution on secret faction meetings because it was inadequate. It did not spell out that the organisation of secret faction meetings is incompatible with membership of the IMG. I do not disagree with what is said in the resolution, but think it does not give an adequate guide to action.