

THE STING

J. PARKER/M. JONES

J. Parker and M. Jones approached Mirror - later Parker agreed contract with Daily Mirror, 1989, for his 'story'. Other members of staff (still working in the organisation), together with ex-members of staff were involved with the attempted smear of Arthur Scargill and Peter Heathfield.

R. WINDSOR

R. Windsor contacted Pattinson of Daily Mirror - agreed contract in 1989 to sell his ‘story’. Ex-members and present members of staff were also involved, along with R. Windsor in the attempted smear of Arthur Scargill and Peter Heathfield.

5th March, 1990—Daily Mirror and Cook Report produced smear stories against Arthur Scargill and Peter Heathfield

NEC Meeting — 9th March, 1990 — Agreed to set up an independent enquiry under G. Lightman QC

Lightman enquiry: March 1990 — Report presented to NEC 3rd July, 1990.

10th July 1990	12th July 1990	11th July 1990	13th July 1990	12th July 1990	16th July 1990	27th July 1990
Fraud Squad	Libel Actions (R. Windsor)	NUM V Arthur Scargill, Peter Heathfield, NW and AS	Inland Revenue—Special Office	Certification Officer	Commissioner for Trade Union Rights	Prendergast Forged Letter Libel Case
Fraud Squad announced they were investigating the findings of the Lightman enquiry. Saw S.Hudson, I. White and H. Riley.  11th December, 1990 - Fraud Squad announced they did not intend to hold a full enquiry as the issues involved did not fall within their terms of reference.	R. Windsor brought two libel actions against Arthur Scargill in Dublin. Issued writ 24th August, 1990.  19th of November, 1991 - Windsor discontinued the actions.  Dublin High Court awarded costs against Windsor and NUM seized Windsor's Pension Fund to pay Arthur Scargill and NUM costs.	NUM on Lightman's recommendations began proceedings on 19th July, 1990 against Arthur Scargill and Peter E. Heathfield etc, for breach of trust. Claim was for some £2.2m.  10th of September, 1990 all actions against National Officials abandoned and Settlement agreed in Paris.  Ratified - NUM 13th September, 1990 and 10th of October, 1990 and IMO - 19th September, 1990.  Special Delegate Conference endorsed actions of National Officials. 1984 - 1990. Vote of confidence in National Officials. Reaffirmed commitment to IMO, refused to accept Lightman's Report and condemned G. Lightman's publishing of Penguin Book containing the Report.	Inland Revenue announced the day after the Durham Miners' Gala on Sunday, 15th July, 1990 that they were going to commence proceedings against the Union, Arthur Scargill and Peter E. Heathfield. The Revenue Special Office contacted Peat Marwick. Full Investigation carried out.  The Commissioners of Inland Revenue decided in May 1992 (following an 18 month long investigation) that the Independent Trust Funds described in the Lightman Report as belonging to the NUM were not the property of the NUM and had never been held for the benefit of the Union.  The Inland Revenue decision renders Gavin Lightman's report, its findings and recommendations, null and void - apart from that section which cleared Arthur Scargill and Peter Heathfield of the false allegation made by Roger Windsor that they used monies donated for the Union or for the benefit of its members to pay off mortgages or loans.	Certification Officer contacted Peat Marwick and indicated bringing criminal prosecution against NUM, Arthur Scargill and Peter E. Heathfield under the 1974 Act. Charges made — 7th September, 1990. Cases heard — 19th of June, 1991. <b>Case dismissed</b> with costs against Certification Officer	First received information by telephone on 16th July, 1990 and a later report in the Daily Mirror said the Ted McKay had contacted the Commissioner with a view to bringing prosecution against Arthur Scargill and Peter E. Heathfield.  No further action taken. This case appeared to be dependent upon the outcome of the Certification Officer case.	This case commenced 1985  Case intensified in July, 1990.  Arthur Scargill’s documents subject to carbon dating. <b>Action against Arthur Scargill and Peter E. Heathfield withdrawn.</b> Case settled with damages against the NUM Notts Area and NUM— 16th of October, 1990.
Case concluded 11th December, 1990. The costs of the Police Investigation were paid by the Police	Case concluded 19th November, 1991 costs paid by R. Windsor	Case concluded 10th October, 1990 Costs paid by NUM	Case concluded 14th May, 1992 Tax and Costs paid by donors	Case concluded 19th June, 1991 Costs paid by Certification Officer	Case not pursued following collapse of Certification Officer v NUM case 19th June, 1991	Case concluded 16th October, 1990 No costs incurred by Arthur Scargill or Peter Heathfield