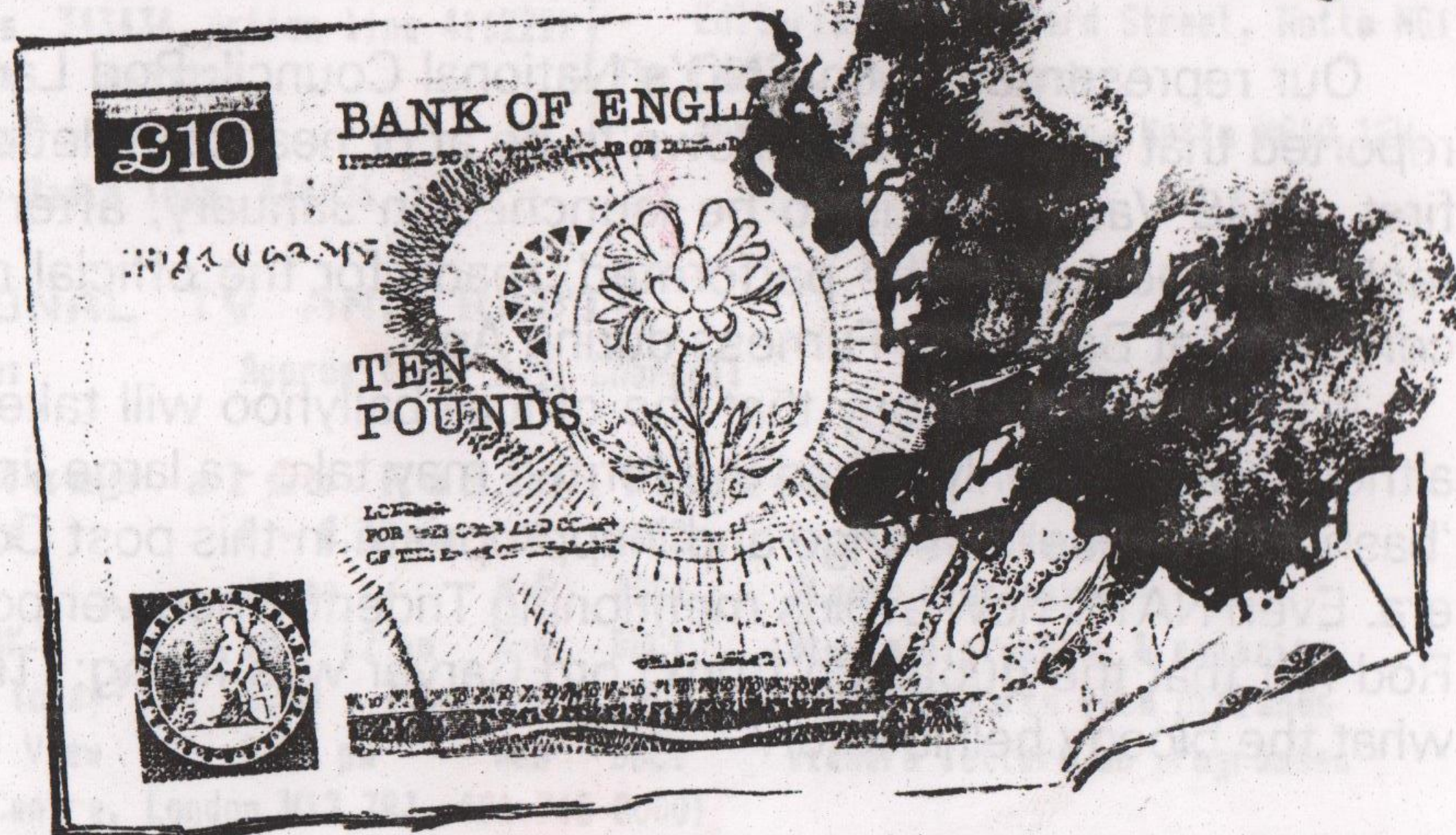


TRIDENT'S COST = £11 Billion



**That's like burning a £10 note every
minute since the first Christmas.**

(Actually, we're exaggerating.

It's really only £9.54959836 per minute)

Join Nottm CND:-

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£6 family

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or join National CND and Nottm CND:-

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The Cold War is over. The Warsaw Pact is over. In January 1992 the Government springs into action ...

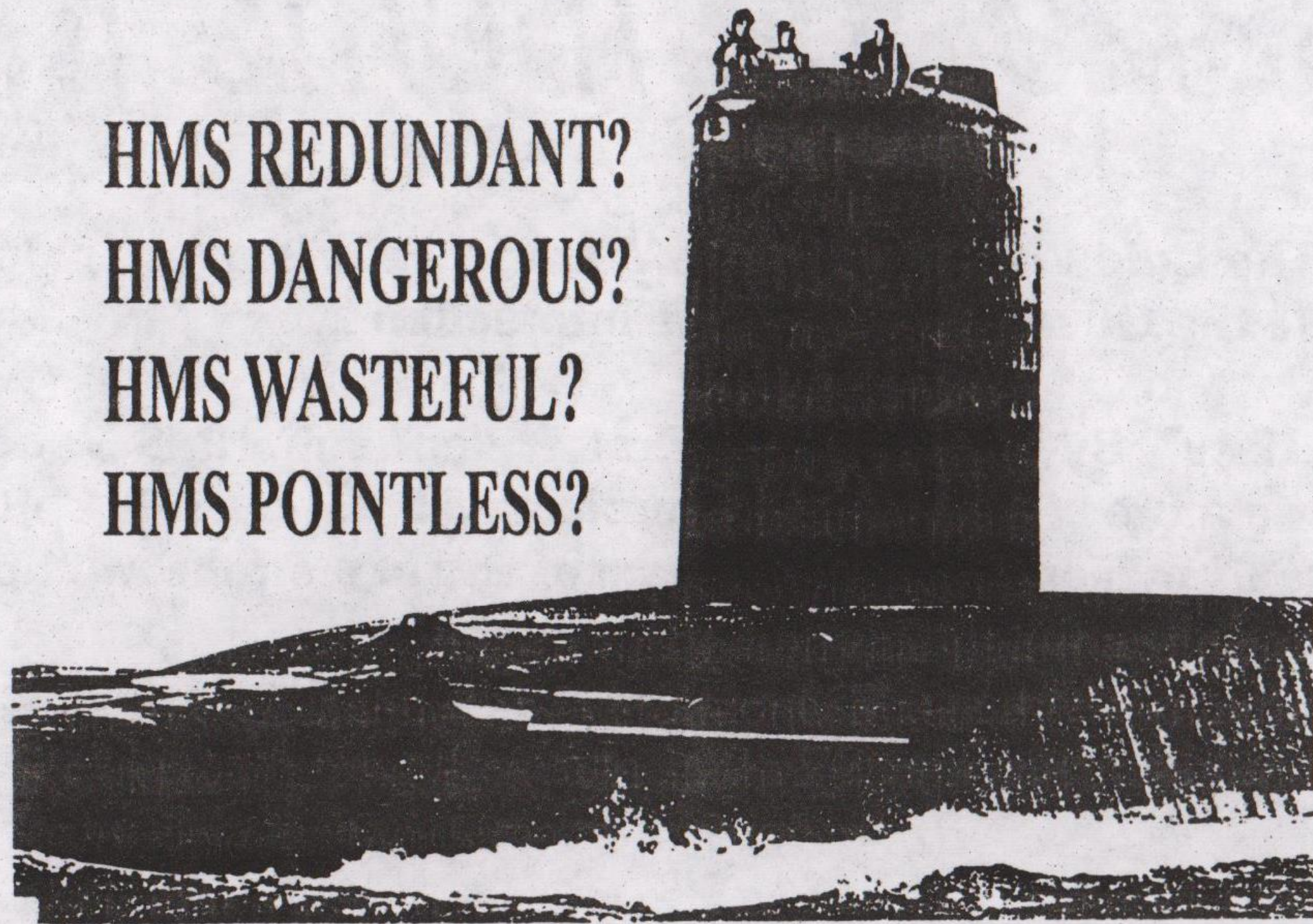
How? By launching the first Trident sub, HMS Vanguard! Three more are planned. The project will cost over £11 billion plus £1 million a day maintenance, and at a stroke multiply our nuclear strike capability eight-fold.

Aren't you proud to be British?

NOTTINGHAM'S ROLE IN THE CAMPAIGN TO STOP TRIDENT NUCLEAR SUBMARINES

NOTTINGHAM CND BULLETIN DEC 91 - JAN 92

HMS REDUNDANT?
HMS DANGEROUS?
HMS WASTEFUL?
HMS POINTLESS?



WHAT CAN BE DONE?

This bulletin covers ideas for group and individual action. In Nottingham CND we aim both to involve our own membership and also to inspire action by others who share our aims.

Action concentrates around two dates, as yet unconfirmed officially: January 31st, when Vanguard is to be submersed, and April 7th, the official naming ceremony.

POLITICS

There is everything to play for at the General Election. People cannot cancel Trident: a government CAN. All parties and candidates must be pressurised and the public informed of the issues through newspaper letters columns.

YOU can help by writing letters of protest and enquiry now.

PETITIONS

By the time Vanguard is submersed late in January, CND aims to present petitions calling for Trident's scrapping to local parliamentary candidates (or MP's if the election has taken place ...).

YOU can help by seeking all the signatories you can - a form is included in this issue.

PROTEST

Nuclear warheads are physically unstable: they require regular maintenance every few weeks - meaning dangerous trips over public roads. A recent US report concluded certain forms of lorry accident could cause detonation - Hiroshima on the motorway.

NCND will stage public protest displays in Nottingham early in 1992.

YOU can help by offering your time and skills to take part.

Phone: NCND Office 588586 or Pete Strauss 625198 or Jeremy Jago 621453

Write to NCND Office, 33 Castle Gate - or call - staffed Mon, Wed, Thurs mornings, but PLEASE phone first in case our staff volunteers are unavailable.

cancel trident now!

TRADES UNIONS & CND

by CHRIS PRESTON

We need to succeed in our campaign to stop the deployment of Trident, and thus liberate vast resources and wealth for the Social Services, NHS and the rebuilding of the infrastructure and the industrial base of our country. Trade unions are equally interested in jobs for members - and it's vital, if we are to avoid further tens of thousands out of work, that discussions of 'Arms Conversion' take place now. A market to convert to is essential and this means Government investment now.

Britain has the eighth largest economy but maintains the third largest arms industry in the world. Without the planning now of conversion, it will be us - the workers and Trade Unions, who will pay the price - unemployment, with large areas of the country devoid of work. The wholesale closure of shipyards with no alternatives being in place is an example of the need to plan.

CND is leading the campaign for the cancellation of Trident and the large-scale preparation for war. The Labour Party is developing policies via its 'Arms Conversion Agency' and the TUC in 1991 passed a motion in support of such an agency and called on the collaboration of Local Authorities to help with its implementation.

There exists a distinct role for your Union both at National and local level to ensure:-

- 1) GB joins those countries who are demilitarising
- 2) Cancel the Trident program now, saving millions
- 3) Plan now for alternative industries and work
- 4) Liaise with local authorities
- 5) Affiliate now to your local CND.

Trades Unions and other organisations can affiliate to Nottm CND for a fee of £6 by writing to NCND, 33 Castle Gate, Nottm NG1 7AR.

WRITING LETTERS

This is a vital part of the campaign. Politicians do take note of comments and questions - now is a good time to bother your MP, (a) because the election's coming, (b) because the 'justification' for Trident, such as it was, is fast crumbling.

A short, hard-hitting letter printed in a newspaper reaches thousands of readers at very little effort and cost - a very efficient way to communicate ideas.

National CND publish a detailed factual guide for letter-writers called, like the main campaign, 'Seize the Moment'. Write to CND, 162 Holloway Rd, London N7 8DQ, enclosing £1.75 + p&p, cheques payable to 'CND'. It includes many useful addresses and hints as well as detailed topic guides.

There are copies for you to refer to in our office, 33 Castle Gate. Some themes can be summarised here:

Peace Dividend: the monetary benefit of cutting arms spending. For instance, if the UK spent no more of its 'gross domestic product' on a percentage basis than other Euro Nato members, it could spend a third as much again on health, welfare and housing.

Arms Conversion: we must help our arms industries convert to useful, peaceful production - just as is happening now in the Eastern bloc. This will need an active government programme if hundreds of thousands are not to find themselves unemployed as arms markets shrink after the cold war.

Proliferation: the spread of nuclear weapons. Britain signed the U.N's Non Proliferation Treaty 23 years ago. It is breaking Article VI by not putting its own weapons up for negotiation. Trident disregards the spirit entirely since it doesn't just replace Polaris but multiplies UK's nuclear capability by eight!

MEDIA GUIDE

LOCAL TV AND RADIO

Radio Trent 581731
 Radio Nottm 415161
 (phone-ins 343434, Action line 411222)
 Central TV 863322
 BBC Nottm† 472395
 Community Radio Team 414056

LOCAL NEWSPAPERS

The Editor, Nottm Evening Post, Forman St, Nottm
 Nottm Trader Herald and Post,
 Editorial, 5 Stanford Street, Nottm NG1 7BQ
 The Editor, Nottm Recorder,
 West Gate, Long Eaton, Nottm NG10 1EH

NATIONAL TV AND RADIO

Programme: Approx time: Day: Channel: Format:

BBC (see also Radio Times)

Open Space	8 - 8.30 pm	MON	BBC2	Programme made by viewers
Kilroy	11 am	M-F	BBC1	Studio discussion
Daytime UK	10 - 12 am	M-F	BBC1	Studio discussion & magazine
Midlands Today†	6.30 - 7 pm	M-F	BBC1	News & reports from Midlands
Points of View	8.50 pm	WED	BBC1	Viewers letters on programmes

(BBC TV Centre, London W12 7RJ 081 743 8000)

ITV (see also 'Telefax' page in TVTimes)

Right to Reply ★ 6.30 - 7 pm SAT Ch 4 Viewers comments on progs.
 071 631 4444 inc. 'Video box' & discussion

This Morning 10.30 - 12 am M-F ITV Magazine & discussion
 PD Box 400, L'pool L69 3NP

Central News 6.30 - 7pm M-F ITV News & reports from Midlands
 (see Central TV above)

Comment,★ 7.50 pm on Mon, Tues, Thurs, Ch 4 Talk by a member of the public
 071 631 4444 (submit 450 word script)

★ Channel 4 TV, 60 Charlotte St, London W1P 2AX

BBC Radio 4 (BBC Broadcasting House, W1A 1AA 071 580 4468) :-

Feedback	9.45 Fri, 6.15 Sun	Listeners' letters on progs.
Call Nick Ross *	9.05 am Tuesday	Phone -in on new topic weekly
Any Answers *	2 pm Saturday	Phone -in on topics raised by preceding 'Any Questions'
* 071 580 4411		
Today	6.30 - 8.35 am M-F	News progs. including views from listeners
P.M.	5 - 5.50 pm M-F	
Sunday	7.45 - 8.50 SUN	News & discussion, religious.

NCND MEMBERS' NEWS

An open meeting was held on December 7th at NCND office, at which members discussed the Trident campaign and ways in which they could be involved.

Our representative on CND's National Council, Rod Langford, reported that two subs are known to be at or near completion. The first, HMS Vanguard, is to be launched in January, after which technical checks will be performed, ready for the official naming ceremony at Barrow-in-Furness during April.

It is at this ceremony that the official ballyhoo will take place, although we can only guess the form it may take - a large jingoistic 'bash' would seem strange and inappropriate in this post Cold war era. Even NATO now avoids mentioning Trident wherever possible. Rod felt that the quotation from Lord Carver was fitting: 'Trident - what the bloody hell is it for?'

To summarise the conclusions from the discussion:

There must be a place both for individual action (eg letter-writing and petition gathering) and group campaigning. This will centre on a large vehicle display, together with banner and poster usage, backed up by special display sessions at NCND's city centre stall.

Trident's enormous cost will be expressed in comparative terms - showing the equivalent in socially useful spending. The help of Trades Unions will be sought and the retention policies of political parties challenged.

Finally, we will highlight the danger involved in the unavoidable transport of warheads by road.

Nuclear Reactor Safety - a note from Rod Langford.

The Nuclear Inspectorate is seeking public opinion on this issue. They are seriously considering ordering the closure of power stations which are showing signs of cracked weld joints in cooling systems. If you are concerned by poor safety factors, write to Nuclear Inspectorate, Vanyards House, 1 Chepstow Place, Westbourne Grove, London W2 4TF