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Every donation, whatever its size, will help us carry out our important work. However, you can make your donation worth 33 pence in the pound more by giving tax-effectively by deed of covenant or gift-aid. A deed of covenant helps us most because it gives us the assurance of regular support.

If, however, you do not wish to use gift-aid or a deed of covenant, or cannot do so because you are not a United Kingdom taxpayer, please just send what you can.

Please make your donation payable to Searchlight Educational Trust and send it to us at Searchlight Educational Trust, 37B New Cavendish Street, London W1M 8JR.

Gift aid

If you make a donation of £250 or more and are a UK taxpayer, we can claim a tax repayment of 33p for every £1 you give. In addition, if you pay tax at more than the basic rate, you can get tax relief on your donation. If you wish to give by this method, please complete this box and send it with your donation.

Name..... Address.....

I enclose a donation of £..... made payable to Searchlight Educational Trust. (Please note that we need your name and address so that we can send you a gift-aid form to allow us to claim the tax repayment.)

Deed of covenant

We would welcome your regular support for whatever sum you can manage. If you make a deed of covenant for at least four years, we can claim a tax repayment of 33p for every £1 you give. If you can give by deed of covenant, please complete this box and the standing order form below and send both of them to us.

Name..... Address.....

I promise to pay Searchlight Educational Trust for four years, or until I die if earlier, such sum as after deduction of income tax at the basic rate amounts to:

£..... (amount) each month/quarter/year*, starting on (date)

Signed and delivered..... Date

**Please delete as appropriate*

To make this covenant valid, please get another person to witness your signature

Witness's signature

Witness's address

Standing order

Make your deed of covenant payments easy by completing this standing order form.

Name..... Address.....

To: The Manager (Please insert your bank name and address).....

Please pay Searchlight Educational Trust (Midland Bank plc, Barkingside Branch, 74 High Street, Ilford, Essex, IG6 2DN, for the credit of account number 91139770) £..... each month/quarter/year*, starting on until further notice, and debit my account number

Signature..... Date

**Please delete as appropriate*



THE UGLY FACES OF BRITISH RACISM



HOW YOU CAN HELP US STOP THEM

Dear Friend

The dark forces of racism and antisemitism are continuing to make headway in Europe. The election in Italy this year of a government that includes fascists, antisemites and nazis is a bitter blow to all people who believe in and defend democracy.

In Britain in 1994 tens of thousands of people voted for outright nazi and extremist candidates in local and European elections. But because Britain's electoral system makes it difficult for nazis to win elections, nazis in this country have concentrated more on violence and terror. Recent incidents include:

- Racist murders and serious assaults on Asian teenagers
- A brick through the window of the home of an Auschwitz survivor in his eighties
- Firebombings and vandalism at homes of black families
- Gunrunning for the murderers of the illegal Ulster Defence Association.

Searchlight has monitored and exposed the nazi and racist enemies of democracy and freedom for more than 30 years, both in Britain and in the rest of Europe. Searchlight's experience has given its staff a unique ability in investigating and analysing neo-nazism in Britain. As a result of our investigations we have often been able to prevent violence taking place or ensure the perpetrators are brought to justice.

The Searchlight Educational Trust, a registered charity, believes one of the main weapons in preventing racists and nazis gaining support in this country is education: informing young people in particular of the dangers of racism and helping them face up to the attempts of racist and neo-nazi groups to present their ideology as an attractive solution to the problems of dispossessed youth.

The past year has seen a rapid growth in the demand for us to supply information and speakers on racism and fascism. Working in conjunction with respected bodies such as the Spiro Institute (part of London University), United Against Racism, a body set up and supported by the European Union, Amnesty, and the Council for Education in World Citizenship, we have reached thousands of young people in Britain and across Europe. Searchlight's youth workers are highly respected and used as advisers and trainers in combating the evils of racism and antisemitism.



Damage caused by racists in Britain, a reminder of the German Nazis' Kristallnacht in 1938, when Jewish shops and premises were smashed

The Searchlight Educational Trust has the support of two major charitable funds, the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust and the Barrow and Geraldine S Cadbury Trust. However we are still desperately in need of funds to pay our valuable and hardworking staff and extend our published material. Many of the people who need our services cannot afford to pay for them, as school and youth work budgets are constantly cut back.

We therefore ask for your help to continue our vital work. All the money we receive goes towards carrying out research into racism, antisemitism and nazism and educating people about these dangers, so the more you can give, the more work we can do and the more effective it will be.

On the back page of this appeal, you will see how you can support Searchlight's work. I hope you will be able to give generously. The dangers are real. Racism and nazism will only be stopped by gathering and using detailed intelligence about their organisations and by making people clearly aware of what they stand for – work in which Searchlight has a proven record.

Yours sincerely

Sonia Gable, Executive Director



WHAT SEARCHLIGHT IS DOING NOW

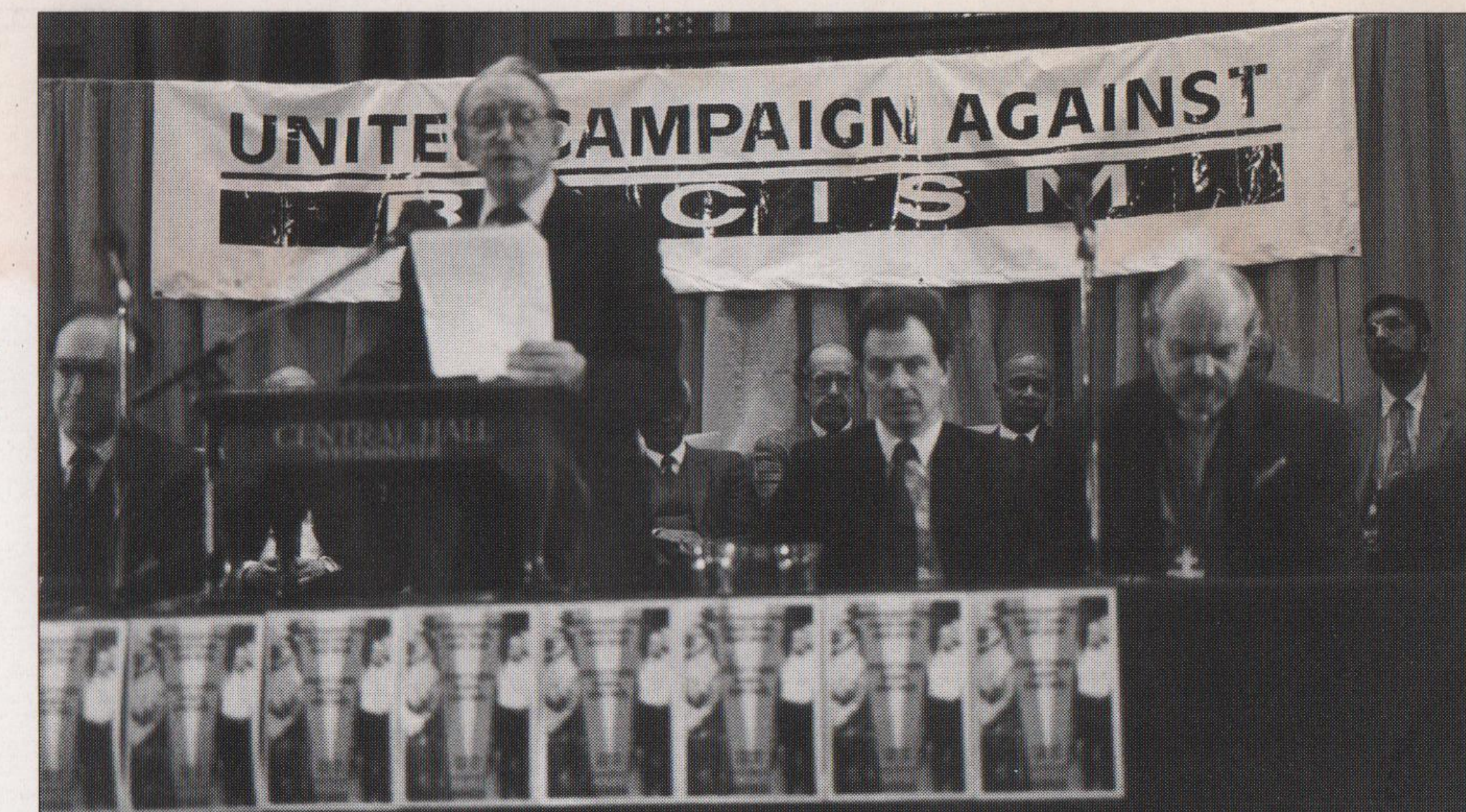
This is some of the work in which the Searchlight Educational Trust is currently or has recently been engaged.

- Cooperation with a new educational initiative supported by the Runnymede Trust and the Commission for Racial Equality. It will bring together educationalists, youth workers and experts on racism and nazism, with the goal of developing educational packs for teachers and training them to combat racist ideas among white youngsters, who are the main targets for racist and fascist propaganda.
- Speaking at events organised by all three major political parties, leading workshops, and providing keynote speakers at several large international conferences organised by the Council of Europe and similar organisations.
- Taking part in public and television debates.
- Research for numerous television documentaries and news programmes, and interviews by the world's press, reaching millions of readers and viewers.
- Speaking at church, synagogue and other religious gatherings and to a variety of youth organisations. Each year our speakers address more



than 200 meetings in Britain and the rest of the world.

- Teaching specialist courses on fascism and antisemitism.
- Searchlight gave evidence to the parliamentary Home Affairs Committee's inquiry into racial attacks and harassment. Many of our proposals were included in the Committee's findings and recommendations published in summer 1994.
- Searchlight was among the founding sponsors of the United Campaign Against Racism. Its rally in Central Hall, Westminster in spring 1994, under the slogan "Racism is no solution", brought together speakers from the three main political parties, including the Home Secretary and Tony Blair, and



leaders of the Jewish, Christian, Muslim and Hindu communities, under the chairmanship of Lord Tony Pandy.

- Searchlight will host a commemoration meeting on the anniversary of Kristallnacht, the first Nazi pogrom against the Jewish community in Germany in 1938. The meeting, on 9 November, will recall the Nazis' destruction of the Jewish and Gypsy communities and will be attended by leaders of both communities in Britain.
- Our staff and volunteers are currently working on a major specialised guide to dealing with racism and fascism at community level. This work is sponsored by the Barrow and Geraldine S Cadbury Trust.
- One of our young staff members has recently completed a major three-year study of the worrying neo-nazi skinhead movement and become a recognised expert on the subject. He is now working on a book on the subject.

We know you must face many worthwhile requests for donations.

But we hope that as concerned members of our democratic society you will want to support our work of keeping racism and nazism in Britain at bay.