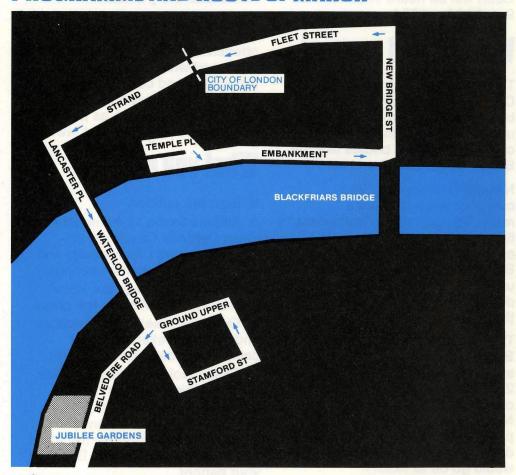
PROGRAMME AND ROUTE OF MARCH



ASSEMBLE in Temple Place (by Temple Underground Station) at 11.30 am. MARCH starts at 12 noon and proceeds along Embankment towards Blackfriars Bridge, turns left into New Bridge Street, left into Fleet Street, along the Strand, left into Lancaster Place, over Waterloo Bridge, left into Stamford Street, left into Ground Upper,

and along Belvedere Road to Jubilee Gardens. RALLY at Jubilee Gardens.

NOTE: (1) Coaches may set down on the Embankment but there is no pick-up point by Jubilee Gardens. Arrangements must be made between coach drivers and passengers to pick up elsewhere; (2) Leafleting is not allowed in the City of London Police area, and therefore no leaflets should be distributed until the march enters the Strand (marked on man).

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UHAMMAD MUST STAY!



LONDON WEDNESDAY 9 MAY (FOR THE APPEAL COURT HEARING ON 9 OR 10 MAY)

Organised by NALGO with the Muhammad Idrish Defence Campaign

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Muhammad Idrish is a founder member of the Barnardo's Branch of NALGO and is threatened with deportation. He came to this country from Bangladesh in 1976 to study at Bristol University. While there he met a Scottish woman, whom he married two years later. He had originally applied for permission to stay shortly after his marriage.

After two and half years' marriage the couple split up. During that time no decision had been reached by the Home Office on the application for permanent residence. Then, within weeks of separating from his wife, Muhammad was told that his application had been turned down. In 1977 and again last year MPs

were assured that 12 months' marriage was reasonable for estimating validity of a marriage. Muhammad was married for 2½ years and is not divorced.

It is worth noting that Muhammad Idrish successfully completed his course in further education at Bristol University and while in Bristol worked voluntarily for the Bengali and other Asian communities in the city. The Bristol Council for Community Relations has testified to the importance of his work. Since 1980 he has been employed as a social worker in West Bromwich, where he had maintained his commitment to voluntary work in the community.

His employers, Dr Barnardo's, have also affirmed the high quality and value of his work, which they regard as essential in view of the large number of black children in their care.

Appeals

Muhammad Idrish appealed against the Home Office decision. The appeal was heard by a Home Office appointed Adjudicator who supported the Home Office decision and dismissed the appeal.

An application was made for a Judicial Review in June 1983. Muhammad was called to a hearing in London at less than 24 hours' notice. That was three days after NALGO and the Muhammad Idrish Defence Campaign had held a demonstration in Birmingham to support his case. The appeal was again rejected.

A further appeal to the Appeal Court will be heard in London on 9 or 10 May 1984.

Widespread support

The Muhammad Idrish Defence Campaign has been successful in building support from the trade union and labour movement, black organisations and bodies like the British Council of Churches.

NALGO Conference 1983 overwhelmingly passed a resolution supporting Muhammad's fight to stay and calling for the national demonstration in Birmingham, support from other unions for a boycott of the deportation, and industrial action if the deportation order was served.

The national demonstration in Birmingham on 8 October attracted a wide range of support. More than 2,500 people from all over the country took part. John Daly, NALGO's General Secretary, pledged to the rally ending the demonstration that the campaign would go on to victory.

250 a month

Approximately 250 people a month are either deported or leave this country as a result of current immigration laws, and consequently black people are denied full rights in the UK.

Under these laws people may be imprisioned without trial, the Home Office makes the charges, appoints the adjudicator, and the final

appeal can only be made to the Home Secretary himself.

Muhammad's case is an illustration of the present Government's offensive against working people, black and white, who are active in the unions and community. Such cases must be taken up actively by the labour movement, as part of the struggle against racist laws.

What you can do

- Sign the petition.
- Affiliate to the Muhammad Idrish Defence Campaign (£5 organisations/£1 individuals) and send a delegate to its meetings.
- Write in protest to the Home Secretary, your MP and the press.
- Organise meetings in support and invite speakers from the campaign (video also available).
- Pass resolutions in your trade union, political party and other organisations in support.
- On 9 May join the London demonstration. Organise transport for members and friends. Bring your banner.

Demonstrate on 9 May

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