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FOR INFORMATION

INTIMIDATION

The Executive has been concerned at the recent increased level of terriorist activity and threats, and in particular, at the level of intimidation of contractors on a number of building sites over the last two months.

Intimidation has affected schemes in all regions at some stage. Some contractors had hoped to resume work on site at the end of the "marching season". Most, however, have only resumed on-site with greatly reduced levels of activity. The factor which causes most concern is that this period of intimidation has continued longer than at first anticipated, and shows no sign of abatement.

The on-site programmes continue to suffer and will inevitably influence 1994/95 expenditure and achievement of completions programmes. The schemes currently involved are appended.

A further development has been the intimidation of one of our professional consultants who has now expressed the desire to be relieved from his commission.

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REPORTED INTIMIDATION ON SITE UPDATED (JN 30	August 1994
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REGION Scheme	Contractor	Start Date	Duration (weeks)	Estimated Cost	Expenditure to Date	Work Category	Remarks
BELFAST							
2610613 RDA 64 Ph 4, North Queen St, Belfast.	Mc Quillan Bros	25/10/93	108	717,000	144,500	Redevelopment	The Contractor is working at a reduced work rate, work force fluctuating daily. Problems on site since the end of June.
2610618 RDA 4 Ph 5 North Queen St, Belfast.	Mc Quillan Bros	24/1/94	143	1,548,900	129,023	Redevelopment	The Contractor is working at a reduced work rate, work force fluctuating daily. Regional meeting taking place on 30 Aug. 94 to assess current situation. Problems on site since the end of June
2689091 Ballyfinaghy, Finaghy	Farrans Construt.	31/3/94	30	375,000	54,800	Health & Safety	meeting planned with Contractor and N.I.H.E. staff for 31 Aug. 94. This follows threats to the workforce on 11th August
2610630 Shankill	Mc Quillan Bros	21/3/94	82	817,000	23,900	Redevelopment	The Contractor is still having difficulties in obtaining bricklayers, site being progressed slowly. Contractor reported problem on 8th June.
2676322 Highfield Ph 1, Shankill	Laing (NI)	11/4/94	58	464,000	62,669	External Cyclic Maintenance	A second Consultant has been approached to take over this site. Meeting being planned to discuss terms and conditions with new Consultant. Problem reported in the middle of August.
SOUTH							
1588001 Gough Ave, Armagh	F Haughey Construction	17/1/94	100	981,200	286,300	Multi Element	The Contractor is now expected to go on site within the next two weeks. Off site since 24th June 94
1470331 Crawford Pk, Portadown	Tandragee Bldg & Mech Services	7/6/93	52	159,000	NIL	Revenue Replacement	Contractor is still progressing with a reduced workforce and fluctuating men on site daily. Problem reported at the end of June.
NORTH EAST							
2178022 Rush Park,	Mivan Const. (Released)	17/1/94	54	389,000	226,926	Ext. Cyclic Maintenance	Contracts Branch looking at the possibility of appointing second lowest Contractor. Off site since 17th June 94.
2184041 Greenisland.	MSB Construction	29/7/91	97	1,248,000	1,231,200	Multi Element	Slow progress due to lack of manpower on site. Problem reported since the end of June.
2184044 Owenreagh Ph 1,Rathcoole	Gibert Ash NI Ltd	14/3/94	48	665,900	63,500	Multi Element	Proceeding at a slow work rate with reduced manpower. Problem reported since the end of June.
0484033 Trinity Dr, Ballymoney	Mc Aleer & Rushe	26/7/93	104	810,000	351,140	Health & Safety	Still working at a reduced rate. Problem reported since the end of June.
2278013 Victoria, C'fergus	Kingsway Decorators	29/11/93	50	515,200	153,555	Health & Safety	Slow progress due to lack of manpower. Problem reported since the end of June.
2184050 Rathcoole	H & P Campbell	31/5/93	104	1,460,000	1,036,000	Multi Element	Workmen have reported for work only to leave the site fairly quickly. Incedent first reported on 23rd August.

REPORTED INTIMIDATION ON SITE UPDATED ON 30 August 1994

REGION Scheme	Dwgs	Start Date	Duration (weeks)	Estimated Cost	Expediter to Date	Work Category	Remarks
SOUTH EAST							
2589027 Braniel Square 2	Litton Group	1/8/94	60	265,367	NIL	Incremental Improvement	Discussions taking place with Contracts Branch and Contractor to see if the contract can be sub let. Problem reported on 2nd August.