

**SECTION 44 SEARCH MONITORING FORM**  
**AND POLICE HARASSMENT DOCUMENTATION AT DSEI PROTESTS**

<b>NAME-</b>	<b>AGE-</b>
<small>(or give details of a friend who we can contact you through for validation of this report)</small>	
address:	
tel.	mobile:
email:	
<b>NATURE OF INCIDENT</b> (who/what/when/where/why?)	
<small>(CONTINUE ON ADDITIONAL PAPER IF NECESSARY)</small>	
<b>LAW/POWERS USED TO STOP/SEARCH/ARREST</b> (e.g. S44 Prevention of Terrorism Act)	
<b>CHARGES BROUGHT</b> (if any...)	
<b>WHERE HELD/HOW LONG</b> (if applicable)	
<b>POLICE DETAILS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER STOPPING &amp; SEARCHING</b> (if known)	
NAME/RANK:	
NUMBER:	
FORCE/POLICE STATION:	
ANY OTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO POLICE	
<b>ANY WITNESSES?</b> (incl. contact details...)	
<b>ANY FOLLOW-UP</b> (court dates, etc.)	
<b>CONSENT FOR FORM DATA USE*</b>	
Would you be willing to have this information to be placed in the public domain with your name and age? <b>(YES/ NO)</b>	
Would you be willing to have this information be placed in the public domain if your personal details remain anonymous? <b>(YES/ NO)</b>	
<b>Do you need to be contacted before you are able to answer the previous two questions? (YES/ NO)</b>	
Are you interested in being contacted by Liberty with a view to legal action being taken on your behalf? <b>(YES/ NO)</b>	

DATE INFORMATION FORM COMPLETED.....

\*(All information will be held in accordance with you right to privacy under the data protection act 1998) Post this form to-

**SECTION 44 SEARCH MONITOR; Liberty, 21 Tabard St.; LONDON SE1 4LA**

(Note: Please include original or photocopy of any paperwork issued to you by the police)

**THIS IS NOT A BUST CARD! THIS IS NOT A BUST CARD! THIS IS NOT A BUST CARD!**

## SECTION 44 AS A POLICE TACTIC AGAINST PROTEST

During the invasion of Iraq, police used Terrorism Act Section 44 search powers to disrupt, inconvenience and inhibit protest around "RAF Fairford" (the base from which US planes were flying daily bombing runs). In spite of searching people up to 28 times in a day and allowing searches of 11 year old school girls, no terrorists were discovered around the base. See Liberty website for the detailed report "Casualty of War: 8 weeks of counter-terrorism in rural England".

Section 44 search powers have been authorised by the home secretary for the entire Metropolitan region during the week that DSEI (Europe's Largest Arms Fair) takes place. Liberty, and Berkshire CIA created this Section 44 search monitoring form in order to document the searches that are taking place at and around protests of DSEI during the week of 6-12 September ([www.dsei.org](http://www.dsei.org)).

### PLEASE FILL IN THIS MONITORING FORM

- If you are searched or police harrass you, please fill in this form and submit it to Liberty SECTION 44 SEARCH MONITOR; Liberty, 21 Tabard St.; LONDON SE1 4LA
- Liberty will not disclose any personal information from the monitoring form (to police, newspapers, etc) without your permission.
- It is important to have some name and contact details so that we can later verify the search.
- You do not have to put your real name or contact details on the form, but do give details that will allow us to reach you later for validation of the monitoring form.

### DURING SECTION 44 SEARCHES

- The police can only give you a **pat down, remove outer clothes** (eg- jacket, hat), **search your bags**, and have you **empty your pockets**.
- You do not have to give your **name** or **address**.
- You do not have to explain **why you are there**.
- You are not allowed to flee the search, **but** you are not required to be actively compliant. You are allowed to "go limp" as passive resistance during the search if you wish to not comply.
- There is no permission to collect DNA data during the search.
- You do not have to comply with any attempt to **photograph** or **record** you.
- **Women can not** be touched by **male police** during these searches.
- Make notes about the officers searching you- **name, number, and police force**.
- Note the **time** and the **events preceding** the search.
- Note the **specific wording used** by the police to explain their **authority to search** you.
- Ask police for the **reason that they are searching you**. Specifically, are they searching for terrorists or are they simply trying to **deter, delay, or inconvenience** you?

### AFTER SEARCHES(a list of options)

- Hold on to the **Search Record** or any other documentation the police give you (or note if you don't receive one). Please photocopy this and submit it with this section 44 search report form.
- Make **brief notes about the search** while you still remember all the details
- **Do not write anything down on the day that you don't want disclosed to the police. Police may search you again and be able to read anything that you have written down.**
- Please fill in the **search monitoring form** (on the opposite side of this).
- Consider **making a complaint** to the Independent Police Complaints Commission
- Write to Lord Carlile. He is the **independent monitor of implementation of Anti-Terror Legislation**. Send correspondence to- Lord Carlile; The House of Lords; LONDON SW1A 0AA
- Consider pressing charges if the officers used unnecessary force during the search.

### FURTHER INFO-

#### **LIBERTY (Protecting Civil Liberties/ Protecting Human Rights)**

<http://www.liberty-human-rights.org.uk/>

#### **Gloucestershire Weapons Inspectors**

<http://www.gwi.org.uk/legal.htm>