

Who are National Action / NS131 / Scottish Dawn?

- National Action (NA) are an **Extreme Right Wing (XRW), neo-Nazi terrorist organization** with members in several regions across the UK.
 - As of 16th December 2016 NA were **proscribed** by the Home Office under the **Terrorism Act 2000**.
- NA first attracted significant media attention in 2014 for their provocative street demonstrations and actions on several university campuses.
 - They demonstrated **openly racist, anti-Semitic and homophobic views**, largely inspired by Adolf Hitler and the Nazi regime.
 - The group spread its ideology through **Social Media, stickering, leafleting, graffiti and street demonstrations**.
- NA carried out **recruitment campaigns** to increase their membership and **continued to grow and evolve** each year. They ran a campaign online to specifically recruit female members, the "Miss Hitler" competition, and they carried out a lot of their stickering and leafletting on University campuses.

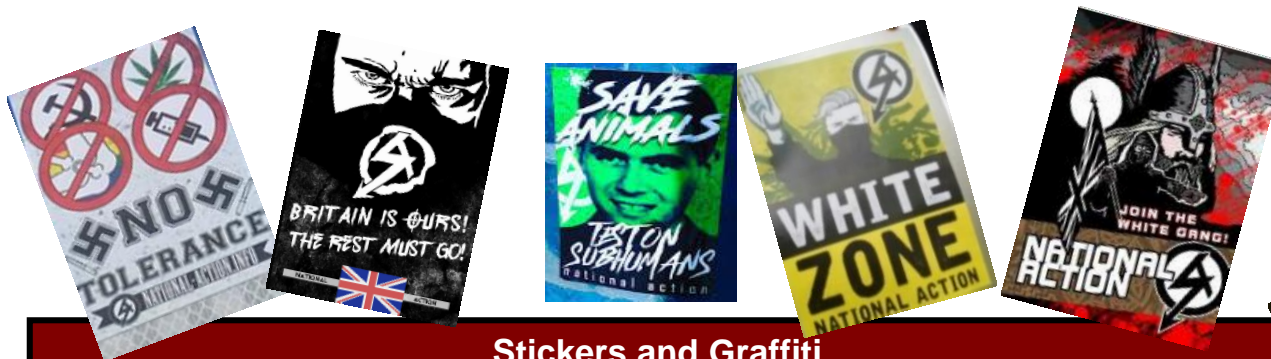


Protests, Events and Demonstrations

- NA members held and attended several demonstrations across the UK in 2016; often alongside other XRW groups. They used deliberately **inflammatory rhetoric and banners** at these demonstrations, in order to attract attention and promote their cause. They carried out **counter-protests** against left wing groups, and attended public locations, to take photographs of themselves carrying out **Nazi salutes**. NA organised **'pop up food banks'**, supplying provisions to white homeless people.

Post Proscription

- In September 2017 a national investigation into the group led to sixteen arrests and three charges for suspected membership.
- These are the first charges for this offence since the group's proscription.
- As part of the national investigation, **NS131 (National Socialist Anti-Capitalist Action)** and **Scottish Dawn** have been identified as two aliases of National Action.
 - These new names are now also proscribed.



Stickers and Graffiti

- NA made use of **stickers, leaflets and posters** to promote the group and spread their message across the UK. NA **targetted university and educational premises** with recruitment material, as well as bar and nightclub districts and other public areas, on lampposts, sign posts, and bus stops.



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Terrorism Act 2000 – Proscription Offences

S.11 Membership

A person commits an offence if he/she belongs or professes to belong to a proscribed organisation.

S.12 Support

A person commits an offence if he/she invites support for a proscribed organisation.

S.13 Uniform

A person in a public place commits an offence if he/she wears an item of clothing, or wears, carries or displays an article, in such a way or in such circumstances as to arouse reasonable suspicion that he/she is a member or supporter of a proscribed organisation.



Information sought...

In order to effectively safeguard communities, we ask for any information regarding National Action activity taking place in your respective areas; including, but not limited to:

- NA material, Flags, Banners, Stickers, Leaflets, Posters and Graffiti
- NA Demonstrations, Protests, Stalls and Events
- 'Pop up food banks' or outreach work targeting only white homeless people
- Details of any persons linked to or carrying out any of the above activity, including inviting or encouraging support for NA

If you become aware of any individual or material linked to National Action, please contact your local Police Force.



Online Activity

- NA had a **strong online presence** on several sites, which enabled them to actively and widely promote their views, and gain further support and following.
- They operated several Social Media accounts and maintained a website. NA used images of **Hitler and Nazi iconography** online and their posts were particularly **inflamatory and offensive**. The group openly supported Thomas MAIR in the murder of MP Jo Cox.

