**Inspector Stephen John Dodd**

**24th December 1983**

Stephen Dodd was an Inspector for the Metropolitan Police in London. He was seriously injured while inspecting a car near Harrods Department Store in London, the car was pried with explosives. The attack which occurred on 17th December 1983, also killed Metropolitan police Constable Jane Arbuthnot, along with Sergeant Noel Lane (aged 28); Philip Geddes (aged 24) a journalist who had heard about the alert and went to the scene; Jasmine Cochrane-Patrick (aged 25); and US citizen Kenneth Salvesen (aged 28).

Inspector Stephen Dodd spent a week fighting for his life in Central Middlesex Hospital but alas lost his battle on the Eve of Christmas, 24th December 1983.

Margaret Thatcher wrote a letter to the family on Christmas Eve expressing her sympathy to them, ‘Britain has lost a brave and wonderful member of our Police force. You have lost a dearly loved husband and father.’

Stephen was married with three children at the time of his murder. He was a very proud Police Officer and a caring husband and father.

In his spare time Stephen enjoyed sport but in particular he had a keen interest in football and played for Windsor.

SEFF's thoughts and prayers are with the families and loved ones of those murdered and those who survived but who sustained serious physical and psychological injury.