



BASIL KIRCHIN Assignment Kirchin: Two Unreleased Scores From The Basil Kirchin Tape Archive

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DESCRIPTION

Two sublime unreleased scores from **Basil Kirchin**. The next Trunk/Kirchin assignment. Basically some more unreleased music from the unpredictable and slightly chaotic Kirchin Tape Archive. These tapes were labelled up as follows: *Assignment K* (with lots of pencil scribbles everywhere); *The Strange Affair* (with lots of pen scribbles everywhere). As usual with Basil tapes/things there is little else to go on, no tracklist, no list of musicians, no singer names, no dates or anything. *Assignment K* dates from 1968, and was a film about a toy maker who has a double life as an international spy. It was directed by **Val Guest**, who'd just finished trying to rescue the cinematic hotchpotch that was *Casino Royale* – he had been brought in by the Bond producers after **Peter Sellers** had walked off the movie. As for the Kirchin score here, there is very little information, apart from the fact that the bass player was **Ron Prentice** (an ex blacksmith turned musician and craftsman) who worked on several Bond scores. *The Strange Affair* is also from 1968, and was not only controversial but also a reasonably unsuccessful movie. Directed by **David Greene** who also directed, amongst other films, *I Start Counting* and the brilliant *Sebastian*. In this rather grubby flick a policeman called **Peter Strange** (played by **Michael York**) falls for an underage girl (played by **Susan George**), finds himself compromised by a pair of pornographers and gets lured into an errand for a smack gang. This music has all the classic Kirchin mid-period sonic hallmarks that have always set him apart.

TRACKLISTING

- A1. *Assignment K 1*
- A2. *Assignment K 2*
- A3. *Assignment K 3*
- A4. *Assignment K 4*
- A5. *Assignment K 5*
- A6. *Assignment K 6*
- A7. *Love Is To Walk Away*
- A8. *Assignment K 8*
- A9. *Assignment K 9*
- A10. *Assignment K 10*
- B1. *The Strange Affair 1*
- B2. *The Strange Affair 2*
- B3. *The Strange Affair 3*
- B4. *The Strange Affair 4*
- B5. *The Strange Affair 5*
- B6. *The Strange Affair 6*
- B7. *The Strange Affair 7*
- B8. *The Strange Affair 8*
- B9. *The Strange Affair 9*

HIGHLIGHTS

- Two sublime unreleased scores from **Basil Kirchin**, taken from the unpredictable and slightly chaotic Kirchin Tape Archive.
- *Assignment K* (1968) was a film directed by **Val Guest**, while *The Strange Affair* (1968) was directed by **David Greene**.
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