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EMERGENCY RESOLUTION ON NORTHERN IRELAND ADOPTED BY

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL AT LUXEMBOURG ON 26 SEPTEMBER 1971

The International Council of Amnesty International

EXPRESSES its deep concern at the situation in Northern Ireland which has resulted in the detention and subsequent internment of many persons without charge or trial.

REQUESTS the British Government immediately either to release or to bring to an open and fair trial all persons detained under the Special Powers Acts.

EXPRESSES also its apprehension at the unsatisfactory composition and procedure of the committee of enquiry, established to consider allegations of ill-treatment of certain detainees, and regrets that the British Government has rejected the request of Amnesty International to permit an observer to attend the enquiry.

INSTRUCTS the International Executive Committee to continue collecting and evaluating information regarding the treatment of prisoners and to adopt such of them as may be prisoners of conscience and promote such international action as seems appropriate.