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The IRA in the North

Internment has shown, rather the failure of internment has demonstrated, the potency of the IRA. The IRA, as an active phenomenon, cannot be defeated by the military forces at present in the field in the North. It can only be beaten by anti-unionist leaders who can separate the Catholic communities from the IRA. In order to preserve and strengthen their position there must be immediate and radical political changes in the North. Failure to face up to this will mean a continuation indefinitely of the IRA threat and all the consequences that may flow from that.