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31st January, 1973.

Dear Sir,

We can now inform you that the staff of the Irish Press were responsible for the bomb outrage committed in Dublin on 20th January, 1973. They were given adequate warning by telephone on three occasions and failed to take any action.

We read this activity as an act to demonstrate to the plain people of Ireland what may be in store for them because of I.R.A. violence in Northern Ireland.

We were greatly affected by Mr. O'Brady's statements on 'The Advocates' when he said that his Organisation was at war with Britain and the bombing campaign was sabotage directed against the British economy.

This meant that we initiated more sophisticated efforts against the Eire economy, and while we have limited our activities, and indeed curtailed them, increasing I.R.A. violence in Northern Ireland means that we must seriously reconsider our position.

So far we have carried out sabotage operations against Bord Failte and Aer Lingus and in passing we hope they will reconsider their campaign of lying propaganda directed against Northern Ireland. Our future plans include, chemical and bio-chemical warfare and other sophisticated procedures which could influence Abbots and Pfizers.

It is unlikely that a prolonged bombing campaign could be implemented. Instead, by the nature of things, there could be a concentrated effort on a single day which will prove to the world that all is not well in Eire.

We can advise you that preparations for these initiatives are complete and the materials are already in the Republic and can be placed in situ at the agreed time (probably February, 9 or 10th).

In economic terms, the immediate damage will be relatively small, but in the context of world trade, it could be devastating.

If any of our volunteers should be picked up as he is trying to hitch a lift, we hope he is treated with the same courtesy as McGuinness.

We are now convinced that you have little or no intention of dealing firmly with subversives, except to meddle with them. Our immediate future plans will be dictated by action of the Eire Government before 7th February, 1973.

Meanwhile, enclosed is a little draft for circulation to interested parties.

We insist the Government of the Irish Republic must
TSCH/3 immediately meet the following demands. Department of the Taoiseach

- (1) Prestige members of Sinn Fein including Stevenson the two Bradys, O'Connell, Magill and the rest charged with serious offences including merder, accessory to murder, causing esplosions etc.
- (2) Declaration of intent renouncing any claim to jurisdiction in Northern Ireland.
- (3) Immediate cessation of diplomatic and propaganda pressures against Britain and Northern Ireland. (We would have felt that this was an exceedingly wasteful exercise as apart from anything else, it strengthens our resolve to act against you).

An announcement on the first clause must be made before 3rd February, 1973. In conclusion, we can advise you that we have completed our plans* and shortly you will be expected to accept them without equivocation. Oppose them and you will live to regret it. This will ensure that the 'oppressed minority' will get a message - 'Like us or leave us'.

Yours sincerely,

J. D. Stuart

A. Boyd

* Political Plan

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