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To: Brendan McMahon

From: John Fee, SDLP

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Leaflet distributed yesterday at Provisional IRA checkpoint, Newry Road, Crossmaglen.

Note:

The attached leaflet was handed to a sister of John Fee at a Provisional IRA checkpoint near the Fee house in Crossmaglen yesterday. He has no information as to what prompted it. (John Fee is a nephew of the late Cardinal and, as well as being a prominent SDLP member, runs Seamus Mallon's constituency offices).

This is a very disturbing development and would seem to constitute a threat to off-duty gardai and army personnel visiting the North (and possibly also to the "Northern travelling personnel" of this Department). We will discuss with the Department of Justice as a matter of urgency.

Dermot Gallagher, 22 November, 1990.

cc: PSM; Mr. Nally; PSS; Mr. Mathews; Mr. Brosnan; Joint Secretary; Counsellors A-I; Travellers

Oglaigh na hEireann.

A chara,

a situation has developed in South Armagh where an increasing number of Free State forces visit this area on shopping trips etc, especially to filling stations. After detailed examination over a long period of time, it has become clear that these visits are more than just of financial or recreational importance. These Free Staters are dredging for information and collecting intelligence on people in the area generally and republicans in particular, all of which is passed to the occupation forces in the six counties. Several arrest operations and a great deal of the everyday harassment suffered by our people, has been instigated by the hand over by Free State forces of intelligence gathered by them.

in future, therefore, all business premises and recreational centres should beyont all British eccupation forces, Free State forces and certain other government officials who are clearly collaborating with them. Let it be understood that envene in the company of or associating with these above will also be treated as collaborators.

These people are spies and will be treated as such by the Republican Mevement.

South Armagh, Provisional I.R.A.