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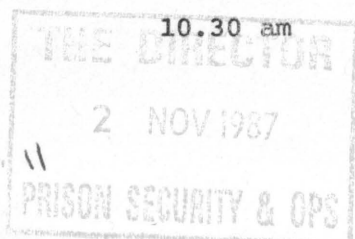
PS/Mr Stanley (B & L) (m)

**BRIEF FOR MR STANLEY'S ATTENDANCE AT THE NORTHERN IRELAND PRISON SERVICE
ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE ON 6 NOVEMBER 1987**

1. Mr Stanley has agreed to be present at this year's Memorial Service; the Secretary of State attended last year.

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2. The Service is organised by the Prisons Central Benevolent Committee whose secretary is John McKinstry, a Principal Officer at Maze Prison. The President of the Committee, Mr William Kerr, is now retired but was a former Prison Governor and Director of Prison Operations in the Prisons Department.
3. Prison Service chaplains will conduct the actual Service (a copy of the Order of Service is not yet available but we expect to be able to let the Minister have a copy within the next few days) and Mr Stanley will be asked to lay a wreath at the Memorial Stone during the Service.
4. The Service will be attended by relatives of those staff murdered by terrorists, Senior Prison Department officials, and some staff from individual prisons. Widows and widowers of all deceased staff and retired officers have also been invited. In addition the Area Committee of the POA has been invited.
5. Attached is a list of those prison staff who have been killed as a result of their employment in the Prison Service (Flag A). A brief summary of the circumstances of the more recent deaths is also attached (Flag B).
6. Programme of Events:-



The Minister arrives at the Prison Service College where he will be met by Mr Norman McCartney, Principal of the College and Mr John McKinstry, Secretary of the Northern Ireland Prison Service Central Benevolent Committee.

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10.45 am

Chief Officer II Michael Newman (HMP Magilligan) will invite the Minister to inspect the Guard of Honour which will be representative of all prison establishments.

10.55 am

The Minister will be conducted to his place at the Memorial Stone.

11.00 am

The Memorial Service

During the Service there will be a wreath laying ceremony. The Minister will lay a wreath on behalf of HM Government. Wreaths will also be laid by Mr J Steele on behalf of the Northern Ireland Office, and Mr J Semple, Deputy Director of Prison Operations on behalf of the Prison Service. Then wreaths will be laid on behalf of the bereaved families, the Prison Governors' Association and the Prison Officers' Association.

11.20 am

The Minister will be invited to proceed to the main building for light refreshments and to meet informally with those who attended the Service. There are no formal speeches but the Service is an important and emotional occasion for prison staff and for the Department.

12.00/12.15

Minister departs.

6. Attached (Flag C) is a draft press release which should be with the Press Office by Monday 2 November 1987. If the Minister is agreeable the Press Office will arrange for an in-house photographer to cover the event.

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PRISON STAFF FATAL 3 INJURED AS A RESULT
OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN THE PRISON SERVICE



7. Dress is lounge suit. Decorations are normally only worn by those uniformed prison staff forming the Guard of Honour.

Name	Grade	Establishment	Deceased
P C Dillon	Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	8. 4.78
D Cummings	Clerk Class III	HM Prison, Belfast	19. 4.78
Hamilton	Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	8.10.78
Principal Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	22. 6.77	
Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	22. 7.77	
Principal Officer	HM Prison, Maze	7.10.77	
Governor II	HM Prison, Maze	26.11.78	
Clerk II	HM Prison, Belfast	14.12.78	
Principal Officer	Retired	1. 2.79	
Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	16. 4.79	
Officer	HM Prison, Armagh	19. 4.79	
Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	14. 6.79	
A/Governor I	HM Prison, Belfast	19. 8.79	
Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	5.11.79	
Clerk III	HM Prison, Belfast	7.11.79	
Officer	HM Prison, Maze	28.11.79	
Chief Officer I	HM Prison, Belfast	3.12.79	
Senior Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	17.12.79	
Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	18. 1.80	
Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	30.12.80	
Officer	HM Prison, Armagh	7.10.82	
Officer	HM Prison, Maze (Cellular)	25. 9.83	
Governor III	HM Prison, Maze (Cellular)	4. 3.84	
Principal Officer	HM Prison, Maze (Cellular)	17. 2.85	
Civilian	HM Prison, Magilligan	23. 3.87	

J STEELE

29 October 1987

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Mr Woods
Mr Jackson
Mr McVeigh
Mr Kendrick
Mr Ginn

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NORTHERN IRELAND PRISON SERVICE

PRISON STAFF FATALLY INJURED AS A RESULT
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Name	Grade	Establishment	Deceased
R Walker	Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	6. 2.42
W McCully	Senior Officer	<u>Retired</u>	23. 9.74
P C Dillon	Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	8. 4.76
J D Cummings	Clerk Class III	HM Prison, Belfast	19. 4.76
R J Hamilton	Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	8.10.76
J W Milliken	Principal Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	22. 6.77
T G Fenton	Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	22. 7.77
D E Irvine	Principal Officer	HM Prison, Maze	7.10.77
A Miles	Governor II	HM Prison, Maze	26.11.78
J M McTier	Clerk II	HM Prison, Belfast	14.12.78
P Mackin	Principal Officer	<u>Retired</u>	3. 2.79
M C Cassidy	Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	16. 4.79
A J Wallace (Mrs)	Officer	HM Prison, Armagh	19. 4.79
G Foster	Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	14. 9.79
E D Jones BEM	A/Governor I	HM Prison, Belfast	19. 9.79
T Gilhooley	Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	5.11.79
D W Teeney	Clerk III	HM Prison, Belfast	7.11.79
G F Melville	Officer	HM Prison, Maze	23.11.79
W Wright BEM	Chief Officer I	HM Prison, Belfast	3.12.79
W Wilson	Senior Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	17.12.79
G F Cox	Officer	HM Prison, Magilligan	18. 1.80
W C Burns	Officer	HM Prison, Belfast	30.12.80
E M Chambers (Miss)*	Officer	HM Prison, Armagh	7.10.82
J A B Ferris	Officer	HM Prison, Maze (Cellular)	25. 9.83
W McConnell	Governor III	HM Prison, Maze (Cellular)	6. 3.84
P T Kerr	Principal Officer	HM Prison, Maze (Cellular)	17. 2.85
L Jarvis	Civilian Instructor	HM Prison, Magilligan	23. 3.87

* Accidentally killed in terrorist ambush

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MR LESLIE JARVIS was murdered by terrorists outside Magee University College, Londonderry on 23 March 1987. Mr Jarvis joined the Service in 17 March 1983 as a civilian instructor and had served since then at HM Prison, Magilligan.

MR PATRICK THOMAS (PAT) KERR, BEM, a Principal Officer in Maze prison was murdered on Sunday 17 February 1985. Accompanied by two of his children Mr Kerr was shot by terrorists as he left St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh. He was 37 years old and had been in the NI Prison Service for 16 years.

MR J A B FERRIS, aged 43, died during the Maze escape in September 1983. Mr Ferris was stabbed during the breakout and a number of prisoners have been charged with his murder. At their trial some weeks ago a good deal of publicity was given to medical evidence that Mr Ferris had suffered from a heart condition which could have caused his death at any time. In 1986 Mr Ferris was posthumously awarded the Queens Commendation for brave conduct.

MR WILLIAM (BILL) McCONNELL, a 35-year-old Governor III, was leaving his home in Belfast around 8.15 am on Tuesday 6 March 1984 when he was gunned down in his driveway in sight of his wife and small daughter. Mr McConnell was a Governor at Maze prison and a few weeks before his death had been interviewed by the media about the recently published Hennessey Report. A former civil servant has since been sentenced to life imprisonment for his involvement in Mr McConnell's murder.

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Press Release:

On Friday 6 November 1987, the Minister of State for NI Mr John Stanley attended a Memorial Service in remembrance of those prison service staff who have died and those who have been killed in the line of duty. During an interdenominational service conducted by the Prison Chaplains, Mr Stanley laid a wreath on behalf of HM Government. Other wreaths were laid by representatives from the Northern Ireland Office, the bereaved families and staff associations.

After the Service, the Minister of State met with the families and friends of the deceased officers and paid tribute to those who had been killed.

The Northern Ireland Prison Service Pipe Band and representatives from all prison establishments took part in the Service.

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