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17th November, 1981

Rt. Hon. James Prior M.P.,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland,
Stormont Castle,
Belfast.

Sir,

On behalf of a long suffering law abiding community we protest most strongly about lack of security and democratic institutions of government.

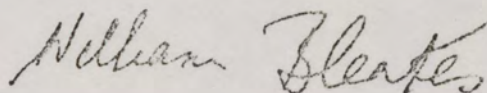
The British community is bitterly frustrated at the seemingly impunity of terrorists. Lawabiding people are no longer content to wait passively on the sidelines. It is the inescapable duty of Government to channel the resolve and determination of our beleaguered people into constructive action.

The studied impartiality of the Government between those who give their lives to maintain the Union, and those who are responsible for the killings, is to add insult to injury, fuelling the resentment of the British community.

It is the duty of the Government to make an unambiguous commitment to the Union, rejecting institutional arrangements which accord spurious credibility to the myths of Irish Republicanism.

The elected representatives of the people request a meeting with the Prime Minister at this time of grave crisis in the community

Yours obediently



Cllr. Wm. Bleakes
Chairman