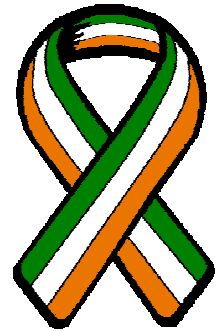




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## **The Honest Voice of Republicanism**

Due to both the Irish and British government's failure to address the root cause of the conflict which remains in the occupied 6 counties of Ulster, Irishmen and women still continue to bear arms in legitimate resistance to the illegal occupation of a part of our country. As a direct result of this and with the rapid growth of the republican base, the authorities in the free-state, the occupied counties, and other country's who allow MI5 to operate without consequence, are readily rounding up republicans and jailing them at will. Trumped up charges are not unusual and now we are returning to the days of selective internment with the revoking of former P.O.W's licence.

In Maghaberry prison, Co. Antrim the increase of Republican inmates, the unbreakable spirit which they possess and a more recognisable sense of solidarity did not go unnoticed. The "screws" have replied in recent weeks with a sustained campaign of savagery and brutality which can only be described as despicable and inhumane.

In recent years the P.O.W's held a semi-successful protest which resulted in all Republicans being held on the same wing. Political status has not been granted since Sinn Fein signed it away through the Good Friday agreement, and now more than ever its necessity is recognised as Republican P.O.W's are being returned to living conditions which mirror the conditions endured by republicans in the H-blocks during the Hunger strike of 1981 which is ironically commemorated at this time of year.

The P.O.W's are now being denied washing facilities, visits, phone calls or recreation. They are on 23 hour lock up and receive one meal a day at random times. Some days their food doesn't come at all. They are being beaten during strip searches which could occur up to 7 times a day to some individuals.



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The prisoners are then removed to the punishment unit after being beaten and in most cases their clothes are physically cut off them. All of these factors remind us all of the torture endured in previous era's of the republican struggle and if not resolved quickly will deteriorate rapidly and will result in the P.O.W's taking drastic action as a last resort.

We ask people to remember that no campaign of criminalistaion will deter these brave men who have stood up to the might of the British government and continue the legacy left to them by their comrades led by Bobby Sands in 1981 in the fight for Political status.

**.RESTORE POLITICAL STATUS**

**.END INTERNMENT**

**.END BRITISH RULE IN IRELAND**

**“England, get out of Ireland” *Vol. Bobby Sands***

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