HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF ABERCORN, THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND, HOME OFFICE, BELFAST.

IN THE MATTER of the King against Henry Cordner, William James Perry, John T. Oliver, Patrick Simpson, Joseph Cahill and Thomas Williams.

Sentence of death on all of them pronounced on 30th July, 1942, to be executed on 18th August, 1942.

WE, the undersigned, are of opinion that your Grace should exercise your clemency in granting to the above mentioned prisoners, a reprieve from their sentences as there are many extenuating circumstances in the matter. We submit that the prisoners are of extreme youth and all of them have expressed their deep regret for the tragedy which resulted in the death of Constable Patrick Murphy and have declared that there was no premeditation on the part of any of them.

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