



HUMAN RIGHTS

FOR IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS

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Charter 80 Petition

As you know the conditions of the Irish prisoners in the 'H' Block and the women in Armagh Jail are inhuman and are deteriorating rapidly. Cardinal O'Flaherty's description of their inhuman conditions as an abuse of human rights must be supported by trade unionists and civil libertarians. We therefore ask you to sign the Charter 80 petition outlining support for the 5 humanitarian demands of the prisoners.

- 1) The right to wear their own clothes.
- 2) The right to refrain from prison work.
- 3) The right to free association amongst other political prisoners.
- 4) The right to organise their own educational and recreational facilities, and receive 1 visit, 1 letter and 1 parcel a week
- 5) The right to full remission of sentences.

The following individuals are supporting the demands...

- Gordon McLennan (General Secretary of the communist party)
Frank Hague M.P. Noel Gordon (Connolly Association)
Jill Tweedie (The Guardian) Steven Dawe (Young Liberals)
Pat Arrowsmith Pat Byrne (General secretary of the C.D.U.)
Peter Hain Sheila Rowbottom Noam Chomsky
Lord Tony Gifford Fr Piaras O'Duill Adrian Mitchell
Michael Mullen (General Secretary of the I.T.O.W.U.) (personal capacity)

We ask you to present the Charter 80 demands to your trade union, Womens group, or organisation for endorsement.