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A Chara,

Please forgive the great delay in replying to your enquiry. Your letter was forwarded to us by the Irish-American Action Association. The National Association for Irish Justice is the official voice of the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association in the United States. The National Association for Irish Justice is attempting to coordinate the activities of as many groups (Irish and non-Irish) for the Civil Rights Association. All money collected by these organizations for the civil rights movement should be sent to the NAIJ (similarly all checks should be made out to the NAIJ). This is as requested by the executive committee of the CRA.

Enclosed I am sending you printed material from our First National Convention which should help give you a fuller picture of the NAIJ.

In the past we have conducted pickets of British consulates and are conducting a boycott of British goods, in addition to setting up speaking tours. We shall continue this strategy in addition to other activities. We are also planning demonstrations during the possible January visit of Harold Wilson. We hope to have a coordinating group in every major city by February as our activities here are greatly needed by the CRA.

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There is a chapter of the National Association for Irish Justice in San Francisco. For further information, please contact Mr. Michael Devlin, 3980½ 19 St., San Francisco, California. His phone number is 415-861-4361. Mr. Devlin will be happy to answer any questions or assist you in any way. It would be very helpful if you would send him a list of any Irish organizations who would possibly be interested in affiliating with the NAIJ.

Thank you for your interest and again please forgive our delay.

Yours fighting and believing,

Brian Heron National Coordinator

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FACT SHEET:

An organization proudly sympathetic to those fighting for the unqualified freedom of all Irishmen.

- 1. Organized Bernadette Devlin's tour of the United States.
- 2. During the month of November had speakers from Ireland touring the country educating the American people as to the problems facing people of Northern Ireland.
- 3. Have staged protests, rallys, and marches in major cities against the forces of British Imperialism.
- 4. Working with the N.A.I.J. are affiliate groups in San Francisco, Chicago, New York, Boston, Hartford, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Rhode Island and Washington, D.C.
- 5. Organized College Chapters (STUDENTS FOR IRISH JUSTICE) on campuses throughout the United States.
- 6. Held International Conference on November 7th, 8th & 9th With delegates from U.S., Canada, Australia, England and Ireland at City Center, 135 West 55th Street, New York.
- 7. In coordination with other Irish-American groups, participated in a demonstration against the British Government on December 4th, 1969 in front of the British Consulate. The purpose of the demonstration was to demand the release of two prisoners in Ireland being held under the "Special Powers Act" and to demand the repeal of the "Special Powers Act."

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