

per Sinn Féin

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The Army Council of Oglagh na hEireann have received the Truce situation. After four weeks of genuine and sustained suspension of hostilities by Oglagh na hEireann the response by the British Government is considered unsatisfactory by the Army Council.

1. We formally informed H.M.G. that the duration of the Truce depended on the progress made towards securing a permanent peace. Negotiations on the three basic demands of the Republican Movement for a permanent peace have not made any worthwhile progress. We therefore demand the initiation of such talks on a realistic basis. Any matters of a Truce supervisory nature must be handled by a separate team of negotiators.

2. Point one of the Truce agreement is not being honoured by Crown Forces. The arrest of three Republicans on Saturday last, in Co. Armagh, was a gross violation of the Truce. We shall gauge the sincerity and integrity of H.M.G. in ~~substantially~~ observing the Truce by the immediate release of the three men.

3. The action of the RUC over the last few weeks has been a violation of point three (3) of the Truce agreement. If this action continues Oglagh na hEireann will adopt suitable measures to bring to an end all forms of harassment and provocation by the RUC. A public statement to this effect will be issued, informing the people of Britain and Ireland of the new situation.

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