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Ein-fhreagra ar an litir seo, is mar seo ba choir e stiuradh:—

Any reply to this communication should be addressed to:—

An Rúnai
(The Secretary)

fe'n uimhir seo:—
and the following number quoted:-

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(Dublin, 2)

*Mr. Nolan
to see & see file
5/1*

An Rúnai,
An Roinn Gnothaí Eachtracha,

I am directed by the Minister for Justice to refer to your minute of the 11th July, 1977 and enclosure about Rose Dugdale's access to reading material.

For security reasons persons in custody in closed prisons, including Rose Dugdale, may not receive parcels of food or books. In Limerick Female Prison, the prisoners have access to a library which is stocked by the City Public Library. Attached is a list of the books currently in the library. These will be changed as necessary for other titles. Rose Dugdale made out a list some time ago of books which she would like to have available in the prison library. Most of these have been supplied and the rest are being obtained.

Apart from books, Rose Dugdale is allowed to buy one newspaper of her choice each day (including Sunday), Hibernia magazine (a fortnightly) and The New Yorker and Scientific America (both monthlies).

The delay in replying to your minute which arose because of leaves etc. is regretted.

| Mean Fomhair, 1977.

Handwritten notes and signatures in blue ink, including a date '13/11/77' and other illegible scribbles.

*cc'd John Conboy
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BOOKS ON LOAN TO FEMALE WING - LIMERICK PRISON

- The Age of Capital 1848-1875
by W.J. Hobsbawn
- Human and Economic Geography
by H.R. Cain
- World Problems: a topic geography
by M. Long
- Physical Geography - H.R. Cain
Great Britain and Ireland
by H.R. Cain
- The British Isles - A.V. Hardy
Voyages of Discovery
by Captain James Cook
- A girl grew up in Russia - E. Fen
- Twenty years a-growing - M. O'Sullivan
- Portrait of a marriage - N. Nicholson
- Wildlife in Custody - K. Williams
- Florence Farr - J. Johnson
- A Prince of our Disorder - J.E. Mack
- Lord North - P.D.G. Thomas
- My Life - Golda Meir
- Leaders and workers - J.W. Boyle (Ed.)
- Reluctant Judas - G. Robertson
- Memoirs of an art thief - E. Moat
- Memoirs of Constable Jeremiah Mee, R.I.C.
by J. Anthony Gaughan
- Cromwell - J. Gillingham
- The Book, the Ring and the Poet
by W. Iroine
- Kerouac - A. Charters
- The Rockefellers - P. Collier
- The Soldier Kings - W. Nelson
- Air Raid - N. Longmate
- The Course of Irish History
by
T.W. Moody & F.X. Martin
- Irish Life in the 17th. Century
by E. MacLysaght
- Ireland and the Empire 1688-1700
by F. Godwin James
- The Felon's Track - M. Doheny
- Collected writings of James Fintan Lalor
by L. Fogarty
- Dublin 1916- R. McHugh
- Six days to shake an Empire - C. Duff
- Glimpses of an Irish Felon's Prison Life
by T.J. Clarke
- The Anglo-Irish Treaty - F. Gallagher
- There will be another day - P.O'Donnell
- Ireland since the rising - T.P.Coogan
- Governing without consensus - R. Rose
- Red Hand: the Ulster Colony
by C. Fitzgibbon
- Political Murder in Northern Ireland
by M. Dillon
- Guerilla days in Ireland - T. Barry
- The Annual outing and other Excursions
by. A. Delgado
- The Anglo-Saxons - G.A. Lester
- The Wars of the Roses - C. Ross
- The Face of the Third Reich - J.C. Fest
- The French Revolution Vols 1 & 2
by T. Carlyle
- The Scourge of the Eagle: Napoleon and
the liberal opposition
by Louis de Villefosse
- A Concise History of the Spanish Civil
War - Gabriel Jackson
- Why Lenin, why Stalin } Von Laue
- Five sisters
- The Kapetanios - D. Eudes *
- Inside the cultural revolution/J.Chen*
- Red star over China - E. Snow *
- The Vladimirov Diaries *
- Hundred day war - W. Hinton *
- The hidden history of the Korean War
by I.F. Stone *
- Arabia without Sultans -F.Halliday *
- Guatemala - E. Galeano *
- Rural Guerrillas in Latin America/R.Gott

* Specially purchased for Female Wing

BOOKS ON LOAN TO FEMALE WING - LIMERICK PRISON

- Cybernetics - F.H. George
I'm o.k. you're o.k. - T.A. Harris
Analytical Psychology - D. Cox *
Vatican Finances - C. Pollenberg
Sociology - J.H. Abraham *
Women's Rights - P. Rooke
The Greening of America - C.A. Reich
(N.E.S.C.) Rural Areas *
Beliefs in Society - N. Harris
A World of Nations - D. Rustow
Anti Duhring - F. Engels *
A History of the Peoples Democracies
by F. Fejto
Warrant for Genocide - N. Cohn
The Third World - P. Worsley
Blood in my eye - G. Jackson
Ireland's English Question - P. O'Farrell
The Soviet Union and the emerging nations
by H. Kapur
Economics - S.E. Thomas *
Industry and Empire - E.J. Hobsbawn
Land, People and Politics - R. Douglas
Studies in the quantity theory of money
by Friedman *
(N.E.S.C.) Taxation of Farming Profits *
From aid to recolonization - T. Mende
A time for Angels - E. Bendiner
(N.E.S.C.) Population Projections
1971 - 1986 *
Free Masonary and the Vatican
by V.L. de Poncins
Teach yourself Lip-reading - O.M. Wyatt
Central Statistics Office -TRADE STATISTICS
1975 *
Concise Oxford Dictionary of Current English
Astronomy - D.S. Evans *
Mechanics - P. Abbott *
- Electricity - C.W. Wilman *
Electronic Computers
by F.L. Westwater *
Jewelry to make yourself - W.V. Socher
Crochet Patterns - J. Kinmond
The First Cuckoo - The Times
I never danced at the Whitehouse
by A. Buchwald
Cock-a-doodle Dandy - Sean O'Casey
The Change in Mame Fadden
by J.B. Keane
Letters of an Irish Publican
by J.B. Keane
Collected Poems - C.D. Lewis
Canterbury Tales - Chaucer
Complete Poems and Plays - T.S. Eliot
Notes on Palgreaves Golden Treasury,
Parts 2, 3 and 5. *
The Crucible - A. Miller
Complete works of Shakespeare
Selected works of Mao-Tse-Tung Vol.3
The Kasidah of Haji Abdu El Yezdi
by Sir Richard Burton

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11 July 1977

Secretary
Department of Justice

Attention: Mr. R. Crowe

I attach herewith a typed copy of a letter which the Ambassador in London received from the well-known writer, Miss Iris Murdoch, concerning the access to reading matter of Rose Dugdale.

I would be grateful if you could have the matter examined with a view to providing the Ambassador with material for a reply to Miss Murdoch.

DK

Secretary

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Ceder Lodge
Steeple Aston
Oxford.

2 July

Dear Mr. Keating,

I am sorry to trouble you, but I wonder if you could advise me or give some help in a matter relating to my former pupil, Rose Dugdale? I am worried because I fear she is not being allowed to receive serious and learned matter (on economics and history) which various people are wanting to send her. She wishes to study but cannot, a terrible extra punishment to an intellectual person. Needless to say I detest her actions and views, I have not written to her or seen her, and do not propose to. But I feel this loss of serious reading is a grave matter, not least because any hope of "a change of heart" lies in the possibility of reflection. If she could write and think there might be some hope for her in the future. Condemned to reading thrillers, in the company of uneducated IRA ladies, she is most likely to emerge an embittered urban guerilla.

Can anything be done to alter this aspect of her punishment? Is there anyone in the new government I could usefully write to? Or perhaps, you could make some representations in the appropriate quarter if you felt sympathetic? I do apologise for bothering you thus out of the blue - most gratefully and with all my fond wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Iris Murdoch.

AMBASÁID NA HÉIREANN, LONDAIN.



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7th July 1977

Secretary
Department of Foreign Affairs

Attention Mr P. Hennessy

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated 2nd July which the Ambassador has received from Iris Murdoch concerning Rose Dugdale.

The Ambassador would like to send Miss Murdoch a reply of a reassuring kind as regards Miss Dugdale's access to books she may require. With this in mind perhaps you would look into the matters raised and let us have material for reply.

John H.F. Campbell
Minister Plenipotentiary