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FIRST MEETING OF GARDINER COMMITTEE

The first meeting of the Gardiner Committee - announced by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland on April 4, 1974 - took place in London yesterday, June 19.

The terms of reference of the Committee are "to consider what provisions and powers, consistent to the maximum extent practicable in the circumstances with the preservation of civil liberties and human rights, are required to deal with terrorism and subversion in Northern Ireland, including provisions for the administration of justice, and to examine the working of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1973; and to make recommendations".

The Committee invites individuals or organisations who wish to make submissions to the Committee to make written submissions to either of the Secretaries to the the Gardiner Committee at either of the following addresses.

Northern Ireland Office,
Government Buildings,
Great George Street,
London SW1

Northern Ireland Office,
Stormont Castle,
Belfast,
Northern Ireland

Such submissions should arrive as soon as possible but not later than August 31, 1974.

NOTE TO EDITORS

As previously announced, the following have agreed to act as members of the Committee under the chairmanship of the Rt Hon Lord Gardiner.

The Rt Hon Lord MacDermott MC LL.D
His Honour Judge J P Higgins QC
Professor the Hon Alastair F Buchan CBE MA
Professor Kathleen Jones
Mr Michael Morland QC

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