STATEMENT FROM SOLAS

Friends Comrades, and fellow Revolutionaries solidarity greetings to you, your families and friends, and to all the POWs throughout the world who at this time find themselves for their Political beliefs locked up in hell holes across the world. A very special mention to our Comrades from Cuba who at this time finds themselves incarcerated in USA prisons.

The Cuban Five as they have become known throughout the world were unjustly imprisoned in the United States after being arrested by the FBI in 1998 and convicted in a Miami court in 2001, in a political prosecution by the U.S. government.

They are Gerardo Hernández, Ramón Labañino, Antonio Guerrero, Fernando González and René González.*

The Five were falsely accused by the U.S. government of committing espionage conspiracy against the United States, and other related charges.

The Five's actions were never directed at the U.S. government. They never engaged in nor planned any conspiracy against the government.

As the Cuban Five pointed out in their defence, they were on a mission in Miami, beginning in 1990, to monitor the actions of Miami-based groups, in order to prevent those groups from carrying out attacks on their country of Cuba.

They never harmed anyone nor ever possessed nor used any weapons on their mission. Their objective was simply protecting their own people.

Comrades you don't stand alone as Irish Republican POWs and their supporters give you our full support and solidarity until your freedom is secured. Onwards to Victory, and Freedom.

Revolutionary Politics in our small nation is probably one of the oldest that is still alive and going strong to this day, the British Government over eight hundred years ago invaded our small land and to this day in 2013 there are still Irishmen and Women who oppose British rule in our country.

We have been demanding that Britain through its violence and exploitation of the Irish people need to make a clear declaration to withdraw and renounce all claims to Sovereignty over any part of our land and its coastal waters, so until this day dawns there will always be a Revolutionary force in Ireland.

Below is a copy of a letter smuggled out by the families of one of our POWs who are on a dirty protest in a British Gaol in our own country.