STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1998 No. 1882

PRISONS

The Northern Ireland (Sentences) Act 1998(Specified Organisations) Order 1998

 Made
 30th July 1998

 Coming into force
 31st July 1998

Whereas I believe that the organisations mentioned in the Schedule are concerned in terrorism connected with the affairs of Northern Ireland, or in promoting or encouraging it, and that they have not established or are not maintaining a complete and unequivocal ceasefire:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 3(8) of the Northern Ireland (Sentences) Act 1998(1) ("the Act") I hereby make the following Order, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament in accordance with section 19(2) of that Act and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Northern Ireland (Sentences) Act 1998 (Specified Organisations) Order 1998 and shall come into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

Specified organisations

2. The organisations specified in the Schedule to this Order are specified organisations for the purposes of the Act.

Northern Ireland Office 30th July 1998

Marjorie Mowlam
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State

SCHEDULE Article 2

The Continuity Irish Republican Army.
The Loyalist Volunteer Force.
The Irish National Liberation Army.
The "Real" Irish Republican Army.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order specifies those organisations which the Secretary of State believes are concerned in terrorism connected with the affairs of Northern Ireland, or in promoting or encouraging it, and have not established or are not maintaining a complete and unequivocal cease-fire. The organisations mentioned in the Schedule are specified organisations for the purposes of the Northern Ireland (Sentences) Act 1998 (c. 35), which makes provision about the release on licence of certain prisoners serving sentences of imprisonment in Northern Ireland. The effect of specifying an organisation is that a prisoner who is, or who would be likely to become, a supporter of such an organisation is ineligible for release under the Act or, if he has been released under the Act, is liable to be recalled to prison.