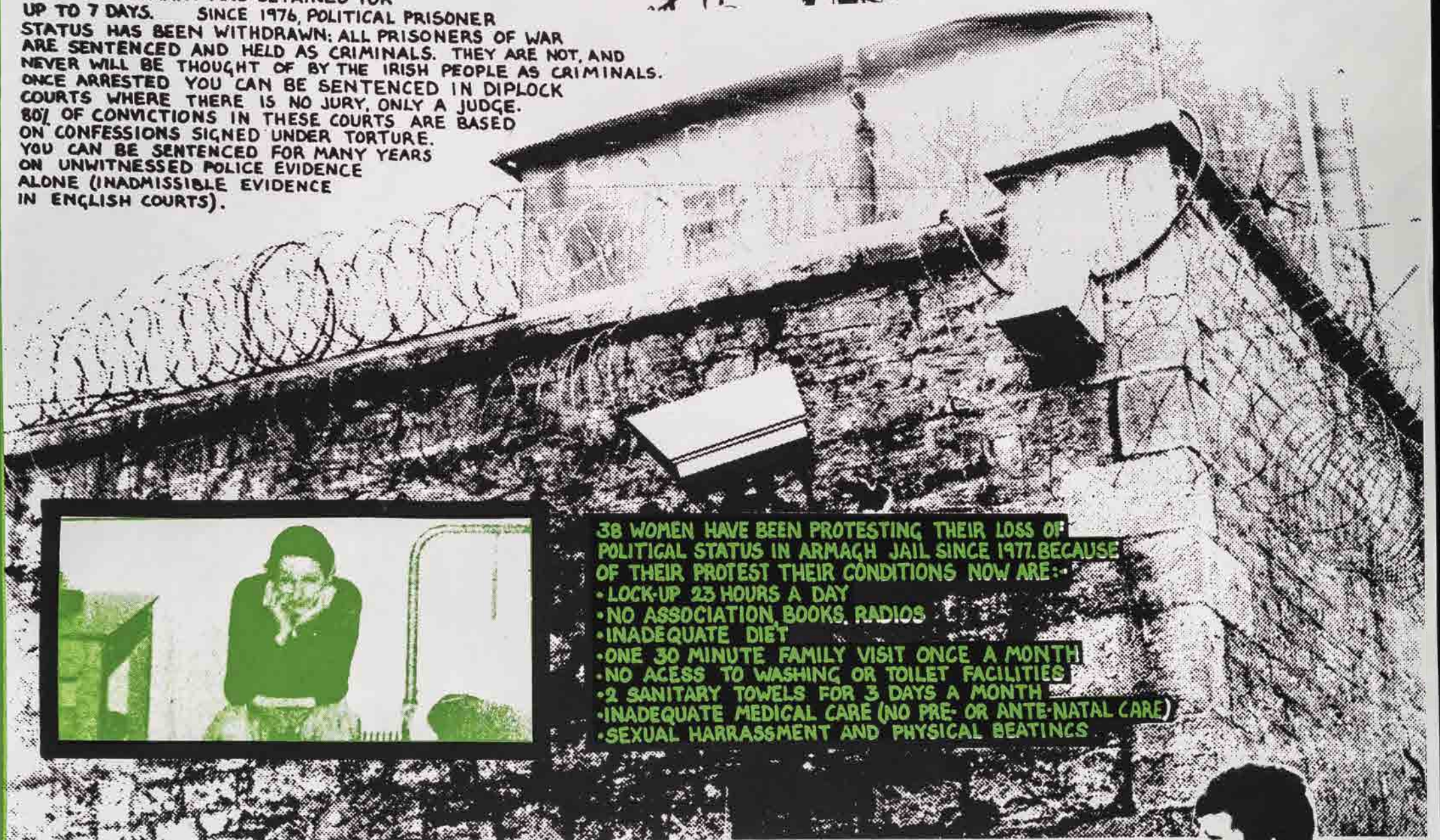




SUPPORT OUR IRISH SISTERS IN ARMAGH JAIL

IMPRISONMENT IS A DAILY THREAT TO WOMEN IN NORTHERN IRELAND. YOU CAN BE ARRESTED WITHOUT WARRANT AND DETAINED FOR UP TO 7 DAYS. SINCE 1976, POLITICAL PRISONER STATUS HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN: ALL PRISONERS OF WAR ARE SENTENCED AND HELD AS CRIMINALS. THEY ARE NOT, AND NEVER WILL BE THOUGHT OF BY THE IRISH PEOPLE AS CRIMINALS. ONCE ARRESTED YOU CAN BE SENTENCED IN DIPLOCK COURTS WHERE THERE IS NO JURY, ONLY A JUDGE. 80% OF CONVICTIONS IN THESE COURTS ARE BASED ON CONFESSIONS SIGNED UNDER TORTURE. YOU CAN BE SENTENCED FOR MANY YEARS ON UNWITNESSED POLICE EVIDENCE ALONE (INADMISSIBLE EVIDENCE IN ENGLISH COURTS).



38 WOMEN HAVE BEEN PROTESTING THEIR LOSS OF POLITICAL STATUS IN ARMAGH JAIL SINCE 1977. BECAUSE OF THEIR PROTEST THEIR CONDITIONS NOW ARE:-

- LOCK-UP 23 HOURS A DAY
- NO ASSOCIATION, BOOKS, RADIOS
- INADEQUATE DIET
- ONE 30 MINUTE FAMILY VISIT ONCE A MONTH
- NO ACCESS TO WASHING OR TOILET FACILITIES
- 2 SANITARY TOWELS FOR 3 DAYS A MONTH
- INADEQUATE MEDICAL CARE (NO PRE- OR ANTE-NATAL CARE)
- SEXUAL HARRASSMENT AND PHYSICAL BEATINGS



WE WILL HAVE
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