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Presbyterians encourage politicians and condemn boycotts

Today(11-09-96), the Church and Government Committee of the Presbyterian Church met to discuss recent developments and at the conclusion of its meeting issued the following statement.

- Church and Government Committee encourages political representatives at the Stormont talks to make every effort to reach an honourable accommodation quickly. Delay deepens despair while progress builds hopefulness. We pledge our prayerful support for courageous leadership.
- The Church and Government Committee strongly supports the call of the Four Church Leaders for an immediate end to boycotting which is not only wrong in itself but harms those places where business people belong to a minority. We commend those communities where boycotting has been resisted.

Rev Samuel Hutchinson, Clerk of Assembly, is available for interview and may be contacted through the Press Officer

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