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John - we are
issuing this at
11 am today. is
this okay
Marcin.

Press Notice

INQUIRY INTO EVENTS OF 30 JANUARY 1972 IN LONDONDERRY

On 29 January it was announced that the Inquiry to be held under the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act 1921 would be chaired by Lord Saville, a Lord of Appeal. He will be joined on the Tribunal by the Right Honourable Sir Edward Somers, a retired judge of the Court of Appeal in New Zealand; and by the Honourable William Hoyt, Chief Justice of New Brunswick, Canada.

NOTES FOR EDITORS

Sir Edward Somers was born in 1928. He was educated at Christ College, Christchurch and Canterbury University College Christchurch. He practised as a barrister and solicitor and became a Queens Counsel (New Zealand) in 1973. He was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand in 1974 and became a judge of the Court of Appeal in New Zealand in 1981. He retired in 1990.

William Hoyt was born in 1930. He was educated at Woodstock High School; Acadia University and Emmanuel College Cambridge. He was called to the New Brunswick Bar in 1957 and became a Queens Counsel (New Brunswick) in 1972. He was director of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of the Justice for 1979 to 1983. He was appointed Chief Justice of New Brunswick in 1993.

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