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LABOUR'S NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TODAY (WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 23)
UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY RESOLUTION:

"The Labour Party is appalled by the savage sentences inflicted upon the Turkish Peace Association. Eighteen of the defendants received sentences of 8 years imprisonment plus 32 months internal exile for doing no more than campaign for peace. For one at least, former ambassador Dikerdem, this is an effective death sentence, since he is 68 and suffering from cancer. The trial, conducted by a military tribunal under emergency wartime measures, bore no resemblance to a judicial process. We call for the immediate release of all the defendants, and international action to end political trials in Turkey."

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