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12 NOON. SEPT 23, 1982. CND DROPS THE BOMB ON BRITAIN

At exactly noon today, CND drops the Bomb on Britain. Whilst the Government was forced to cancel their Autumn war-planning exercise 'Hard Rock', CND's 'Operation Hard Luck' exposes for the first time ever what a nuclear attack on Britain would really be like.

'Hard Luck', based on a report by SANA (Scientists Against Nuclear Arms), details the numbers of dead and injured in every 10 km square in Britain, in the first comprehensive nationwide study ever attempted.

The 'Hard Luck' scenario does not envisage an all-out attack on Britain. Using highly accurate data drawn from official US and British sources, it examines only the effects of a limited attack on major military, and some economic targets. Population centres per se have not been targetted.

At noon, the first wave of the attack, lasting only a few minutes, brings instant death and destruction. Two hours later, slower missiles and bombers arrive to complete the devastation.

How many people would die in the weeks following September 23? What would happen to London, Glasgow or Merseyside? The casualty figures that the Home Office tell us to expect are horrific enough, but 'Hard Luck' shows up some major flaws in Home Office planning.

The results of the 'Hard Luck' attack will be released exclusively at the press conference on September 23.