

NO CLEMENCY FOR HUNGARIAN WRITERS --  
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London, Aug. 11-(Reuters)-The Hungarian Government told the International Poets, Essayists and Novelists Organization it cannot at present extend clemency to Hungarian writers jailed for their part in the 1956 uprising.

The statement was in a cabled reply published today to a plea by the Organization for leniency for the writers, particularly Tibor Dery and Gyula Hay.

Jaszai Dezső, Chief of the Hungarian Justice Ministry's Inspection Department, reported:

"The Hungarian subjects named in your telegram were sentenced by the Hungarian court on account of their crimes committed against the Hungarian people. At present your request cannot be fulfilled.

"An act of grace is only possible if the proper conditions exist."

The 64-year-old Dery, considered one of Hungary's greatest writers, is reported suffering a serious heart disease.