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NO VIOLENCE DEMONSTRATION

Positive developed 35 mm: 18 meters - 60 feet

On Saturday afternoon about 500 adepts of non-violence staged a sitdown demonstration in Vincennes, North-East suburb of Paris.

Near the old Vincennes Castle, and headed by famous writer and non-violence philosophy, Lanza del Vasto, a disciple of Mahatma Gandhi in India, and other personalities, they sat down, silently, holding placards with slogans such as "Peace in Algeria" and "No to Camps".

Police forces swiftly arrived on the scene, and when demonstrators refused to move, carried them away to waiting buses. Demonstrators did not resist, and policemen used no violence, but they were nevertheless forcibly removed from the street; a number of the non-violence demonstrators were taken to the graveside of a policeman who was killed last week in a terrorist attempt in a Paris street, to show them why force had to be used against force and treacherous attacks from terrorists in the metropolis.

The demonstration ended quietly and no arrests were made.