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Supreme Court Declares Arrests Invalid If Written Grounds Not Given Two Hours Before Magistrate Production

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In a defining reaffirmation of personal liberty, the Supreme Court has ruled that every person arrested—under any law—must be given written grounds of arrest in a language they understand, and that too at least two hours before being produced before a magistrate. Failure to do so, the Court said, would make both the arrest and any subsequent remand legally void.



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