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That is, we can **replace**  $(N, G)$  **with**  $(C \cap N, C)$  and use the statement again, provided we find another non-central involution.

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