

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 8, 1999

Daphne Trimble
32 Richmond Court
Lisburn, Co. Antrim
BT27 4EQ Northern Ireland

Dear Daphne:

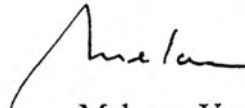
It was wonderful to see you, albeit briefly, during our visit to Belfast. Theresa and I feel privileged to have been there for the devolution and we all hope and pray that peace and prosperity will blossom in the days ahead. Congratulations to David on his steadfast leadership and best wishes to you both.

We appreciate all your efforts on behalf of Vital Voices and know that it can play an important role for women and their families in the new Northern Ireland.

Very best wishes and thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,

Happy Holidays!



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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Patrick Haren
Viridian Group FLC
Danesfort House, 120 Malone Road
Belfast, BT9 5HT Northern Ireland

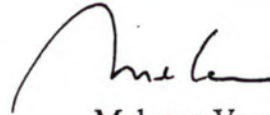
Dear Patrick:

It was a pleasure to meet you during my all-too-short visit to Belfast. Thank you again for your kind words during the lecture at Queens. It was a privilege for us to be in Northern Ireland during such a historic and hopeful time.

I hope we'll be able to work with you on Vital Voices in the future, as we believe it can continue to play an important role in the new Northern Ireland.

Wishing you a blessed holiday season,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a stylized, flowing script.

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Chief of Staff to
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Professor Bob Cormack
Pro-Vice-Chancellor
Lanyon Building
The Queen's University of Belfast
Belfast BT27 1NN Northern Ireland

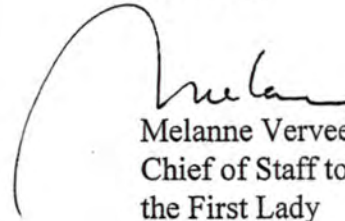
Dear Professor Cormack:

I want to express my appreciation to you and your colleagues for your gracious hospitality during my visit to your university. It was a distinct pleasure for me to deliver the lecture, particularly during such a historic and hopeful time for Northern Ireland.

I wish you and the university community a blessed holiday season.

Thanks -

Sincerely,


Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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Elaine McClure
Development Officer, Altnaveigh House
Enterprise and Culture Society Ltd.
51 Downshire Road Newry, Co. Down
Northern Ireland BT34 1DY

Dear Elaine:

What an inspiration you and the ladies of Altnaveigh House were and what a privilege to be present at your inaugural event. Elaine, you put together a memorable program, but even more importantly, the center under your leadership will become a model program to help women and demonstrate what a positive difference lifetime learning and new skills development can make in their lives and that of their families.

Thank you for the gorgeous crystal bowl, which I shall treasure and which will always remind me of your vital work. You are, indeed, a "vital voice." Thank you too for your leadership in Vital Voices Northern Ireland

Very best wishes,



Melanne Verveer
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Helen Jackson
House of Commons
London SW1A 0AA United Kingdom

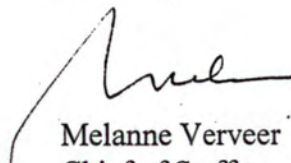
Dear Helen:

Thank you so much for your generous interventions on behalf of Vital Voices in the era of devolution. You have been a real friend of the project and a visionary for what it can become. We hope we can continue to count on you.

Theresa and I had a glorious two hours with Mo at her home before we headed back to Washington. Your ears should have been ringing as your "fan club" talked about you. We told Mo about our impressions of the last couple days and thanked her for her efforts which brought us to this day.

All the best.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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Happy Holiday's

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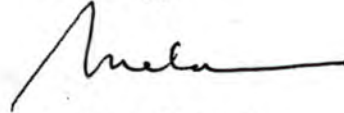
December 10, 1999

The Hon. George Mitchell
145 West 67th Street, #42D
New York, NY 10023

Dear George,

I had the wonderful privilege of being in Belfast for Devolution Day – the historic day that George Mitchell made possible! Your latest contribution to the prospect for real peace in Northern Ireland is incalculable. Everyone with whom I met from Mo and Peter Mandelson to the leaders, ministers, Assembly members, university people, to the NGO folks talked about the debt of gratitude owed to you. You make us all very proud.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady