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November 27, 1996

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December 16, 1996

TO: MS. SODERBERG

SUBJECT: IRA

Attached are four reports the FBI says it provided on IRA pursuant to the memo I showed you that approved "FBI dissemination to the NSC.

Also, attached is a new report.

You also asked if the FBI had anything from MI5 about Martha Pope/Gerry Kelly story. They do not.



Alan Kreczko

Attachments

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to: Alan Kreczko, National Security Council
fax #:
re: Provisional IRA Dissemination
date: December 11, 1996
pages: 5, including this cover sheet.

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Alan,

Per request of John O'Neill, please pass this dissemination along to Ms. Soderberg. The teletype will still be transmitted through the normal channels. Thank you very much.

From the desk of...

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UK: Links Between U.S.'s Pope, Sinn Fein's Kelly Denied LD0112183596
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By Ian Graham, PA News]

[FBIS Transcribed Text] A leading Irish republican and a senior aide of Senator George Mitchell, chairman of Ulster's multi-party talks, tonight denied meeting in secret.

However, it appeared MI5 had investigated alleged links between convicted IRA London bomber and Sinn Fein strategist Gerry Kelly and Martha Pope -- and reported to Ulster Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew.

But the Government said it was satisfied with assurances from Senator Mitchell that neither he nor any of his staff had been in contact with Sinn Fein or the IRA.

A newspaper today claimed the Government had been given an intelligence service report telling of a close "romantic friendship" between the Maze Prison escaper and Miss Pope, Senator Mitchell's Chief of Staff at the Stormont talks.

Senator Mitchell, in Washington for the Thanksgiving holiday, issued a blunt denial. "The allegation is totally false. Miss Pope has never met Gerry Kelly."

Miss Pope was equally robust: "There is categorically no truth whatsoever in this story. I have never met Gerry Kelly."

Gerry Kelly, in a rare public utterance, described the allegation as "total rubbish." He added: "There is no substance to it whatsoever."

The Government said it had been assured there had been no contact between Miss Pope and a member of Sinn Fein or the IRA.

The allegations of a link come at a time when the Government is insisting Sinn Fein can have no access to the talks process until there is a provable IRA ceasefire.

A Northern Ireland Office spokesman said: "We have had an assurance from Senator Mitchell that neither he, his colleagues nor his staff have been in contact with Sinn Fein or the IRA. We accept that."

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Asked about the MI5 inquiry, the spokesman added: "We do not discuss matters of intelligence."

Ulster Political Development Minister Michael Ancram said he was aware of Miss Pope's denial of meetings with Mr Kelly.

"I have also heard Senator Mitchell some time ago making it absolutely clear to the participants of the talks that there had been no contacts with Sinn Fein, either by him or members of his staff.

"I accept that assurance and have seen nothing to give me reason to doubt it."

There have been rumours within political circles in recent weeks about alleged contact between Mr Kelly and Miss Pope.

The Rev Ian Paisley and his Democratic Unionist Party deputy, Peter Robinson, raised the issue when they met the Prime Minister and Sir Patrick for talks in London on Thursday.

Mr Robinson said his party had received information about an MI5 report and questioned Mr Major. "The Prime Minister didn't appear to

know about it, it was the Secretary of State who appeared to know and didn't deny getting a report.

"We believe it would be thoroughly inappropriate for such a relationship between a senior IRA member and somebody supposed to be representing an impartial chairman of the talks process."

Senator Mitchell and Miss Pope are due back in Belfast tomorrow for a final series of meetings of the multi-party talks before they break for Christmas.

The Mail on Sunday claimed the MI5 report revealed secret meetings between the 51-year-old American diplomat and the 42-year-old republican in Northern Ireland and "weekend trysts" between the couple in remote parts of the Irish Republic.

Gerry Kelly is claimed to be a former member of the IRA's ruling Army Council. He was jailed for life for his part in the first wave of IRA bombs in London in 1973.

He escaped from the Maze Prison in 1983 along with 37 other IRA terrorists and spent four years on the run before being recaptured in Amsterdam and returned to the prison after a long extradition battle.

He was released in 1989.

He was involved in talks with the Government alongside Sinn Fein

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President Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness before the ending of the IRA ceasefire in February.

In May he was elected for North Belfast to the Northern Ireland Forum. In line with Sinn Fein policy he did not take his seat.

He was among Sinn Fein leaders who were refused admission to the talks at Stormont on their first day in June because the ceasefire had not been renewed.

Martha Pope is one of American politics' most senior bureaucrats and was the first woman Secretary to the US Senate.

She is Senator Mitchell's deputy and Chief of Staff and was the main organiser of President Clinton's Northern Ireland trade and investment conference in Washington in May last year.

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