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001a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: 3 Pending Cases. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	12/02/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)
001b. cable	re: SAO Request [Dublin 005791]. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	11/12/1998	P3/b(3)
001c. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0390]. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	11/30/1998	P3/b(3)
002a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler. Subject: 5 Pending Cases. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	10/13/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)
002b. cable	re: SAO Request (Doherty, Patrick Joseph). [Dublin 004709] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	09/16/1998	P3/b(3)
002c. cable	re: SAO Request (Kelly Gerard). [Dublin 005195] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	10/08/1998	P3/b(3)
002d. cable	re: SAO Request (Cahill, Joseph). [Dublin 005196] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	10/08/1998	P3/b(3)
002e. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0351] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	10/08/1998	P3/b(3)
002f. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0346] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	10/08/1998	P3/b(3)
003a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: 2 Pending Cases, and 3 Upcoming. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	09/15/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)
003b. cable	re: SAO Request (Mackin, Desmond) [Dublin 004582] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	09/09/1998	P3/b(3)
003c. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0319] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	09/10/1998	P3/b(3)

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004b. fax	re: SAO - NIV Application [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (2 pages)	09/10/1998	P3/b(3)
005a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: Belfast's new ideas on Visas. [partial] (1 page)	07/22/1998	b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)
005b. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0257] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	06/26/1998	P3/b(3)
006a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: 3 Cases (McGuinness, Dillon, Coyle). [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	06/08/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(6)
006b. cable	re: SAO Request [Dublin 002819] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	05/27/1998	P3/b(3)
006c. cable	re: SAO Response [Belfast 0235] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	06/03/1998	P1/b(1), P3/b(3)
006d. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0229] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	06/03/1998	P3/b(3)
007. email	Mary Friedrich to Lawrence Butler and @NSA. Subject: RE: For Jim Steinberg -- IRA Visa Application. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	05/19/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(E)
008a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler. Subject: Gerard Mguigan and William McGuinness. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	05/15/1998	P3/b(3)
008b. cable	re: SAO - NIV Application [Belfast 0150] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	04/15/1998	P3/b(3)
008c. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: Gerard McGuigan. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	05/07/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)

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008d. cable	[Duplicate of 008b] [Belfast 0150] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	04/16/1998	P3/b(3)
009. cable	re: 32-County Sovereignty Committee [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (2 pages)	04/24/1998	P1/b(1), P3/b(3)
010. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: Danny Morrison. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	04/28/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)
011. cable	[Personally Identifiable Information] [partial] (1 page)	03/20/1998	b(7)(C), b(6)
012. email	White House Situation Room to Daniel Benjamin, Lawrence Butler, Richard Clarke et al. Subject: More on the 32-County Sovereignty Committee. [transmitting Dublin 002039] (2 pages)	04/16/1998	P1/b(1), b(7)(C), b(7)(E), b(6)
013. email	White House Situation Room to Donald Bandler, Daniel Benjamin, Lawrence Butler et al. Subject: Northern Ireland: 32 County Sovereignty Committee. [transmitting London 003871] (4 pages)	04/14/1998	P1/b(1), b(7)(C), b(7)(E), b(6)
014. cable	[Page 2 only of an incomplete cable with marginalia] (1 page)	00/00/1998	P1/b(1)
015. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler. Subject: Martin Ferris. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	04/01/1998	P3/b(3)
016. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler. Subject: 1. Treanor 2. 32 County Folks. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	03/23/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(E)
017a. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: Joe Cahill. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	03/11/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)
017b. cable	re: SAO 212(D)(3)(A) Waiver Request [Dublin 001324] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (1 page)	03/10/1998	P3/b(3)

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018. memo	Don Heflin to Larry Butler et al. Subject: 1. New Irish waiver cases, some urgent 2. Timetable. [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (2 pages)	03/05/1998	P3/b(3), b(7)(C), b(7)(F), b(6)

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Butler, Lawrence E.

From: WHSR
Sent: Friday, October 30, 1998 9:25 AM
To: Bandler, Donald K.; Butler, Lawrence E.
Subject: TRAVEL ITINERARY FOR PATRICK DOHERTY

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DTG: 301403Z OCT 98
MSGTO: RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4207
RUCNFB/DIRFBI WASHDC IMMEDIATE
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON 0570
RUEHBL/AMCONSUL BELFAST 0777

ORIG: AMEMBASSY DUBLIN
PREC: IMMEDIATE
SSN: 5600
TOR: 981030091647 M3534778

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NSC FOR BUTLER

E.O. 12958: N/A
TAGS: CVIS, PTER, PGOV, UK, EI (DOHERTY, PATRICK JOSEPH)
SUBJECT: TRAVEL ITINERARY FOR PATRICK DOHERTY

REF: (A) STATE 194379 (B) DUBLIN 4709 (C) VICTARS 079029

1. PER REF A, ON 10/21/98 POST ISSUED SINGLE-ENTRY BL-B2 VISA VALID THROUGH NOVEMBER 16, 1998 TO PATRICK JOSEPH DOHERTY. VISA WAS ANNOTATED TO REFLECT THE 212 (D) (3) (A) WAIVER AND CONDITIONS ATTACHED THERETO AS OUTLINED IN REF A.

2. FOLLOWING IS THE ITINERARY FOR DOHERTY:

WEDS. NOV. 4:

1355: ARR. NEWARK VIA CONT. 25.
TRAVEL TO PHILADELPHIA.
ADDRESS IN PHILADELPHIA: ROSALEEN DOHERTY, 2355 ROSEMORE AVE., GLENSIDE, PA 19038.

THURS. NOV. 5 - FRI. NOV. 6:

HOLIDAY (NFI)

SAT. NOV. 7:

POLITICAL BRIEFING WITH SINN FEIN SUPPORTERS IN CLEVELAND, OHIO.

SUN. NOV 8 - THURS. NOV. 12:

HOLIDAY (NFI)

FRI. NOV. 13:

GUEST SPEAKER AT INAC TESTIMONIAL DINNER, NEW YORK. MEDIA WORK.

SAT. NOV. 14 - TUES NOV. 17:

HOLIDAY (NFI)

WEDS. NOV. 18:

2030: DEP NEWARK FOR DUBLIN VIA CONT. 25.

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Butler, Lawrence E.

From: WHSR
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 1998 8:02 AM
To: Butler, Lawrence E.
Subject: TRAVEL ITINERARY FOR GERARD (GERRY) KELLY

CLASS: UNCLASSIFIED
DTG: 271233Z OCT 98
MSGTO: RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4173
RUCNFB/DIRFBI WASHDC IMMEDIATE
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON 0562
RUEHBL/AMCONSUL BELFAST 0771

ORIG: AMEMBASSY DUBLIN
PREC: IMMEDIATE
SSN: 5549
TOR: 981027074600 M3528092

UNCLAS DUBLIN 005549

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E.O. 12958: N/A
TAGS: CVIS, PTER, PGOV, UK, EI (KELLY, GERARD)
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REF: (A) STATE 194382 (B) DUBLIN 5195 (C) VICTARS 065818

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2. FOLLOWING IS THE ITINERARY FOR KELLY:

THURS. OCT. 29:

1540: ARR JFK, NEW YORK, VIA EI 111 FROM BELFAST.
TRAVEL TO PHILADELPHIA.
ADDRESS IN PHILADELPHIA: DENIS MC KEE, 7159 LAWN DALE, PA 19111 (SIC)

FRI. OCT. 30:

GUEST SPEAKER, INAC TESTIMONIAL DINNER, PHILADELPHIA.
MEDIA WORK.

SAT. OCT. 31:

POLITICAL BRIEFINGS, PHILADELPHIA.
MEDIA WORK.

2000: GUEST SPEAKER, FRIENDS OF SINN FEIN FUNDRAISER,
SPRING LAKE, N.J.

SUN. NOV. 1:

REST DAY, PHILADELPHIA.

MON. NOV. 2:

PRISON VISIT WITH RICHARD JOHNSON, PENNSYLVANIA
PENITENTIARY, SURFACE TRANSPORT.

TUES. NOV. 3:

0820: DEP. PHILADELPHIA VIA USAIR 68

1120: ARR. SAN FRANCISCO

ADDRESS IN SAN FRANCISCO: NOT YET KNOWN.

1300: MEETING WITH H-BLOCK 3 - PAUL BRENNAN, TERRY KIRBY,
KEVIN ATT AND ATTORNEYS.

1600: MEDIA WORK.

1830: MEETING WITH SINN FEIN SUPPORTERS, SAN FRANCISCO.

WEDS. NOV. 4:

1100-1600: MEDIA WORK.

2000: DEP SAN FRANCISCO VIA USAIR 8.

THURS. NOV. 5:

0615: ARR JFK, NEW YORK.

1850: DEP. JFK FOR BELFAST VIA EI 104.

SCARLETT

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE, VISA OFFICE**2401 E STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.**Fax Cover Sheet**DATE: 10-13-98TO: LARRY Butler
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PHONE: _____

FAX: 456-9150FROM: Don Heflin
CA/W/L/c - SA-1PHONE: (202)-663-1198FAX: (202)-663-1553(202)-663-1442NUMBER OF PAGES OF FAX: 6

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To: Butler, Lawrence E.; Davidson, Leslie K.
Subject: TRAVEL ITINERARY FOR SINN FEIN OFFICIAL RITA

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL ITINERARY FOR SINN FEIN OFFICIAL RITA
O'HARE

REF: (A) STATE 174919 (B) VICTARS 065730

1. PER REFTEL, POST ISSUED SINGLE-ENTRY BL-B2 VISA
VALID THROUGH OCT. 22, 1998 TO MARGUERITE (RITA) O'HARE.
VISA WAS ANNOTATED TO REFLECT THE CONDITIONS OUTLINED IN
REFTEL.

2. FOLLOWING IS ITINERARY AS O'HARE PROVIDED IT:

THURS. SEP. 24:

1430: ARR JFK VIA EI 105.

(EVENING) - ATTEND FLAX TRUST DINNER (NFI) ✓

FRI-SAT-SUN 25-27 SEP. (NEW YORK):

ATTEND MEETINGS WITH ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS, UNITY
CONFERENCE, ETC. MOST MEETINGS TO TAKE PLACE IN O'HARE'S
HOTEL (SOUTHGATE HOTEL, 7TH AVENUE, MANHATTAN).

MONDAY 28 SEP.:
DEPART BY TRAIN FOR WASHINGTON D.C. REMAINDER OF TRIP IN
WASHINGTON (FRIENDS OF SINN FEIN). ADDRESS AT WHICH
O'HARE WILL STAY: 4320 VERPLANCK ROAD, WASHINGTON, D.C.
20016.

TUES 20 OCT.

DEPART WASHINGTON FOR NEW YORK VIA TRAIN

1920 - DEP JFK AIRPORT FOR DUBLIN.

SCARLETT

FAX MEMORANDUM

September 30, 1998

TO: NSC/EUR – Larry Butler 456-9150
EUR/UBI – Pat Nelson 7-3463

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FROM: Don Heflin, State CA/VO/L/C

RE: O'Hare

Steve Wangness faxed the attached from Dublin, and asked me to pass it to you. He says that he had assumed that it was erroneous, or else he would have passed it along Monday.

The hard facts of Rita's situation (here less than a majority of the time, characterizing her work as Dublin-based) are ok for a B visa. But whoever issued that invitation from the Hill, and talked to the Sunday Times, aren't doing her any favors.

Washington proves another safe haven for our Rita

Sunday Times 9/27/98

The Washington political scene only thinks it's tough. It ain't seen nothing yet. For Sue has learnt that the Sinn Féin director of publicity, Rita O'Hare, has finally made her way to America to take over the party's office in the capital. This means that the little matter of an outstanding warrant against the lovely O'Hare, for the attempted murder of a British soldier in the 1970s, has been quietly dropped. O'Hare beat an extradition warrant from the republic to Northern Ireland many moons ago, but it was obvious that no such scruples

would stop her deportation from post-OKlahoma America. Now it has all been swept under the carpet so that Rita can expound the new Sinn Féin line and keep those troublesome dissidents in check. In a sign of things to come, nobody has told the RUC about the manoeuvre. "As far as we are concerned the warrant is still outstanding," a senior source said. Looks like Rita has special immunity. ☐ Tim Pat "Count the Catholics" Coogan is one well-informed commentator when it comes to the affairs of Jean

Kennedy Smith, the just-departed American ambassador. He revealed last Sunday that when Smith was driving to Northern Ireland some years ago, she got a call from Warren Christopher, the then secretary of state, ordering her back to base. "However, *mirabill* [sic] didn't the bould Jean's mobile phone suddenly start to break up and she couldn't hear what the great man was saying! Car continued progress towards the N of I," wrote Coogan. Amazing. You'd swear he was in that car himself.

(Bill McNamer)



Please Join Friends of Sinn Féin
in
Welcoming

Rita O'Hare
the New Sinn Féin Representative,
to the United States

When:
Thursday 1 October 1998

Where:
Rayburn House Office Building
Room B -339
Independence Avenue and
South Capitol Streets, SW

Time:
6 PM to 8 PM

RSVP:
Sinn Féin Capitol Hill office
(202) 547-8883
by Wednesday 30 September



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Rebels pledge 'ongoing war'

Republican dissidents claim Newry bomb bid

By Chris Thornton

REPUBLICAN dissidents have claimed an attempted mortar attack on an RUC station in Newry.

Yesterday's attack is being seen as the latest step in an intensifying campaign to disrupt the peace process.

The dissident IRA - which is run by the former quartermaster of the provisionals - said the failed bombardment is part of an 'ongoing war' against the Government.

Army experts were still working this morning to clear up after the attack on the town centre station, where nine RUC officers died in a 1985 mortar attack.

One missile is believed to have been launched around 5pm from a white Transit van in a car park behind the station, which is no longer Newry's main RUC base but was manned by police and soldiers at the time.

An explosion was heard by personnel in the base, but there were no injuries.

The mortar was found to have landed a few feet from the van. Since mortar attacks usually involve a number of devices, other bombs are believed to have misfired in their tubes.

A controlled explosion was carried out during the Army clear up operation.

Nine days ago, there was another bid to bomb Newry. A 500lb car bomb, believed to have been made by the dissident IRA, was defused by the Army.

Around 1,400lbs of explosives and a mortar were found in Co Armagh days earlier, and Metropolitan police also foiled an attempt to set off bombs in London.

The INLA bombing of Newtownhamilton on June 24 is believed to be part of the same campaign.

The security forces believe republican breakaway groups are co-operating in the attacks.

The former quartermaster who runs the dissident IRA is believed to co-ordinate the campaign and provide bomb-making expertise, while the INLA and continuity IRA supply people to plant the devices.

The quartermaster was in charge of provisional IRA weapons for many years. He, his girlfriend and another senior associate were considered senior provo strategists before they broke away over the direction of the peace process.

They formed the dissident IRA last year, and have recruited up to 100 members, mostly disaffected provisionals.

They consider themselves 'the real IRA' and use the Irish name Oglagh na hEireann in statements.

After last night's attack, Political Development Minister Paul Murphy said: "This was a cold-blooded and utterly despicable attempt to murder members of the security forces.

"In addition those who carried out the attack showed a clear and callous contempt for the safety of the people of Newry.

"It is only by the greatest good fortune there were no fatalities or injuries." Police have appealed for help in tracing the movements of the white van seen in the area between 4.30pm and 5pm. Deputy First Minister Seamus Mallon, MP for the area, said the attack was "cynical and completely unjustified".

Brendan Curran, Sinn Fein chairman of Newry and Mourne District Council, refused to condemn the attack but appealed for those involved to stop.

Pensioner tells of his mortar attack fear

□□ A PENSIONER said today he feared he would not have a home to return to when he was forced out of his house by the □□ mortar bomb attack.

Alfie Doyle was one of several people, including families, who were kept out of their homes overnight while the security forces cleared up after the bombardment.

A senior police officer described the attack as "an act of absolute madness".

□ "It's not very pleasant being told to get out and not knowing when you can come back and what you will come back to," said Mr Doyle, who was evacuated from his home at the back of the station at teatime.

Mr Doyle was only allowed back home at 8.30am today.

He said: "I had to go to a friend's house for the night. I've lived here for about 20 years and this used to happen a lot, but there was hope that those days were over.

"I don't think very much of the people who cause all this worry and destruction." The area around Corry Square was reopened this morning.

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Three republican terror groups in unity talks

THE three main republican splinter groups opposed to the Good Friday peace deal have initiated moves to form a united terrorist front.

Efforts to negotiate a merger between the three have begun, it was learned last night. And senior anti-terrorist officers on both sides of the Border said they were concerned at the moves.

he Godfathers from the three gangs — the main one formed around for-

mer IRA quartermaster general and now calling itself as Ogluigh na hEireann — the Continuity IRA and the INLA, have already met in Co. Louth and it is understood most of the pressure for a joint terrorist unit came from the ex-quartermaster. It is thought likely he would be the new chief-of-staff. His group is viewed as posing the main threat to the peace process.

Intelligence reports suggest the two other groups are not so keen on a merger under such conditions and

are looking for greater flexibility.

Senior Garda and RUC officers said the development is worrying although there had been suspicion, particularly along the Border, that some activists from the ex-quartermaster's group and the Continuity IRA had been helping each other in terror attacks.

The ex-quartermaster has attracted a number of key Provision-

als to join his 70-strong group, including a former 'head of engineering' from west Dublin and whose surname is similar to one of the main Sinn Féin negotiators.

Forensic examination of bombs seized from the ex-quartermaster's supporters indicate they were not taken from Provisional explosives dumps but were made recently and confirm the splinter group can manufacture devices capable of causing loss of life and widespread destruction.

Intelligence gathering and persistent monitoring and surveillance by the Garda has enabled the force to thwart terrorist acts attempted in the Republic so far. The merging of the Continuity IRA and INLA into the organisation would make that task more difficult.

A merger with the Continuity IRA would increase the influence of the new group in the Northern Border counties while bringing in the INLA would give it a new profile in Belfast and Derry.

Top US companies on trade mission

By JOHN HICKS

A GROUP of businessmen representing top US companies last night began a five-day visit to the North and Republic. US Commerce Secretary William M Daley is leading the 18-strong business development mission.

Before dinner last night at Hillsborough Castle hosted by North Secretary Dr Mo Mowlam Mr Daley said: "We are extremely optimistic that the resounding vote for peace will not only bring an end to violence for good, but also

bring the economic stability that will allow people to prosper."

The mission will visit Belfast, Derry, the Border region and Sligo before meeting Taoiseach Bertie Ahern in Dublin on Thursday.

The US Department of Commerce last night said Secretary Daley wanted to discuss ways to promote economic opportunity in a more stable political environment.

Sinn Féin President Gerry Adams issued a welcoming statement.

Mowlam urged to 'come clean'

By DONNA CARTON

Fugitive on run for 25 years

AN Ulster Unionist Party officer has called on Mo Mowlam to inform the RUC of the whereabouts of justice fugitive Rita O'Hare.

UUP secretary David Brewster said the Secretary of State would be in contravention of the Prevention of Terrorism Act if she failed to disclose the information.

Mr Brewster also asked: "How does Ms Mowlam explain negotiating with Sinn Féin/IRA to dismantle the RUC in terms of her obligation as a Privy Councillor to protect the Queen and the sovereignty of the United Kingdom?"

He spoke out as it became clear that the RUC may be asked to investigate an NIO leak which revealed that Ms Mowlam consulted the terror suspect about the make-up of the new Police Commission.

The Northern Ireland Office spoke yesterday to the RUC about conducting an investigation after the leaked document hit the headlines.

An NIO spokesman said: "Leaks are very damaging to good government. Every effort will be made to discover who leaked this document."

"We are talking to the police

SINN Féin publicist Rita O'Hare, 56, has been on the run from the authorities for 25 years.

Charged with the attempted murder of a soldier in Belfast in 1971, she skipped bail and fled to Eire.

Bail was granted when her lawyers argued she was grievously injured in the gun attack, could not get out of bed and would be a cripple for life.

In a remarkable recovery, O'Hare gained the strength to get across the border, where she was later caught smuggling explosives into Portlaoise Prison in Dublin.

She was charged with the attempted murder of Warrant Officer Fraser Paton during an ambush. She was shot three times and a squad-die saved her life by stemming the blood from her wounds.

An arrest warrant for O'Hare is still "active" but, despite that, she has risen through Sinn Féin ranks to become chief propagandist and may become their top spin doctor in the US.

It is believed the RUC will press for her extradition from the US if she gets the job. She was married to Gerry O'Hare, former editor of Sinn Féin newspaper An Phoblacht.

Earlier this year she attended a Dublin reception, hosted by Taoiseach Bertie Ahern, where she chatted at length with Mo Mowlam.

today about conducting an investigation."

The document has outraged unionists. It revealed that Sinn Féin publicist Rita O'Hare, who skipped bail following an attempted murder charge 25 years ago, spoke to Mo Mowlam by telephone.

The Dublin-based director of publicity and one of Gerry Adams' closest confidantes - she is a member of the party ruling executive - was among those consulted by the Secretary of State because of concerns over the type of nationalist representation Dublin wanted on the body.

The conversation happened

just hours before the membership of the independent commission headed by last Hong Kong Governor Chris Patten was announced. The Commission will carry out a fundamental review of the RUC.

Eire Foreign Affairs minister David Andrews slammed those who leaked the information as "sneaky little people", high-level people who should be ashamed of themselves.

He said: "I think it is fair to say the person who leaked the document has a lot to answer for. It is an unfortunate leak, it is less than helpful to the process and I would like to think it won't happen again."

"It would appear the leaker or leakers are opposed to the peace process. They should really examine their consciences - whoever he or she is, or whoever they are."

UUP leader David Trimble described the contents of the document as "quite interesting" and said they revealed that "Sinn Féin and the Eire government were very upset about the composition of the Police Commission and made representations to her to change it and delay the appointments."

"They failed on both counts."

Baroness Denton, the former Tory NIO economy minister who was subjected to leaks dur-

ing her term in Belfast, said there should be a detailed investigation.

She said: "I think you have got to catch somebody and deal with them. Private companies would and they would be out of the door by the evening if possible."

SDLP deputy leader Seamus Mallon said the leaks raised questions about the effectiveness of the Government and the loyalty of some civil servants.

Sinn Féin President Gerry Adams said the person or persons responsible should be unmasked and removed from their post.

He said: "The reality is you have to face up to the fact that there are those in the 'No' camp who are not restricted to the public figures within the unionist parties."

"They are in the security services, the RUC and the British intelligence services, and they are also within the civil service - the bureaucrats who have run the place don't want to give up their hold and don't want to see nationalists having our entitlement and don't want to see equality."

The NI Women's Coalition said deliberate attempts were being made to impede certain aspects of the Agreement.

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Irish Independent, Tuesday, June 9, 1998

Unionist MP accuses Mowlam of consulting with terrorist

NORTH Secretary Dr Mo Mowlam was at the centre of a new political row last night after a leaked document indicated she had consulted with a terrorist suspect before naming the members of the Commission to review the future of the RUC.

Lagan Valley Ulster Unionist MP Mr Jeffrey Donaldson claimed he had been leaked an official paper which said Dr Mowlam met Sinn Fein director of publicity Ms Rita O'Hare and the

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republican party's chief negotiator Mr Martin McGuinness just prior to the announcement.

Ms O'Hare is still wanted for questioning by the RUC in connection with terrorist incidents including the attempted murder of a British army officer in 1971.

Mr Donaldson said it was "incredible" that Dr Mowlam would have such contacts prior to naming

the police review commission.

Mr Donaldson said the leaked document detailed conversations between senior figures North and South as well as in the USA.

The paper reveals that on June 2 — one day before the police commission was named — the Irish government, SDLP and Sinn Fein had all indicated their concerns both with the timing of the announcement and the perceived lack of official con-

sultation regarding those chosen to serve on the commission.

The document claims Dr Mowlam apologised to Dublin and the US government for the timing of the release but claimed her hand had been forced by the media.

Ms O'Hare is said by the document to have been 'angry and emotional' but Dr Mowlam allegedly told her Mr McGuinness had agreed not to "go ballistic" when the commission was announced.

Trimble predicts Executive delay

ULSTER Unionist leader David Trimble said yesterday it might be next year before the proposed new Executive was in place and cross-Border bodies were in operation.

The Executive will be chosen after the election later this month to create the new administration at Stormont as part of the Good Friday Agreement. But Mr Trimble, widely tipped to be First Minister, said the Executive could not be established until structures of government were in place.

"The very first thing you do after the election is to appoint a committee to draw up Standing Orders and that

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is going to be a complex business," he said.

Mr Trimble said it would also be necessary to establish a committee to look at North/South and East/West linkages and he expected this would take several months.

"Only after you have sorted that out are you looking at the possibility of forming an Executive and in the course of doing that there are political requirements that have to be established," he said.

Mr Trimble said this "transitional process" would take place over a

period of between six and nine months. He refused to speculate on when the shadow Executive might meet but expected the Assembly to meet soon after the election to select committees.

Delay in appointing the Executive could ease the problems Mr Trimble faces in sharing power with Sinn Fein.

In the short term — and for the purposes of electioneering — he would be able to brush off questions on power-sharing by saying the issue would not arise in the immediate future. In the longer term he may hope the IRA will start to decommission some weapons or that a sustained period of peace will make the issue irrelevant.

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FROM: CA/VO/L/C - Don Heflin phone 663-1198

RE: Belfast's new idea on visas

See paragraph 8 of Belfast 257 of 6/26, attached.

Belfast raises a good point (and Dublin, in a septel, agrees). In our January cable, we offered to give expedited visa waiver processing, subject to some limitations, to 2 classes of applicants: Those listed by the parties involved in the process, and those "retired terrorists" who met certain criteria and supported the peace process.

The further in time we get from the referendum and the Assembly election, the less the above criteria will make sense. How important a factor will it be a year or two from now that a person supported the Good Friday accord, so long as he has not been involved in violence? Hopefully, the vast majority of IRA and Loyalist gunmen are now on their way to being "retired terrorists."

I see 3 options here:

- Reject Belfast's suggestion,
- Ignore Belfast's suggestion,
- Draft a reply which basically agrees with them.

If policy-makers agree with Belfast, I would propose to draft a cable (NSC, indicate whether you would want it crosshatched) and seek DOJ clearance, along the following lines:

- We agree that criteria of January cable are outmoded, and that we should move towards a return to normalcy in Northern Irish visa waivers.
- In the Northern Irish context, we think that the indicators that a waiver case should be seen by post as

being in USG interest and meriting expedited processing should include:

- The seriousness of the offense,
- The date of the offense,
- The likelihood that the applicant would ever re-offend,
- The purpose of the visit,
- The role played by the applicant in post-referendum Northern Ireland, including, but not limited to, service as an elected official, a post in a party or organization which supports peace, community work, etc.
- Other criteria which policy-makers think should be included.

Please advise.

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Butler, Lawrence E.

From: WHSR
Sent: Monday, June 08, 1998 12:42 PM
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Subject: VISA REVOCATION

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SUBJECT: VISA REVOCATION

REF: (A) VICTARS 052153 (B) DUBLIN 2992 (C) STATE 99437 AND
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1. ON JUNE 8, 1998, BERNADETTE SANDS-MCKEVITT TELEPHONED THE CONSULAR SECTION IN RESPONSE TO MESSAGES LEFT AT HER RESIDENCE ON JUNE 5, 1998. CONOFF INFORMED MS. SANDS-MCKEVITT THAT HER VISA HAD BEEN REVOKED UNDER SECTION 212(A)(3)(B) FOR PARTICIPATION IN TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. CONOFF FURTHER EXPLAINED THAT IF SHE WISHED TO TRAVE TO THE U.S. IN THE FUTURE, SHE WOULD HAVE TO APPLY FOR A NEW VISA AND SUPPLY INFORMATION CONCERNING HER PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND AN ITINERARY. CONOFF FURTHER EXPLAINED THAT A DECISION TO GRANT OR DENY A VISA WOULD BE REFERRED TO WASHINGTON.

2. MS. SANDS-MCKEVITT SAID THAT SHE DID WISH TO APPLY FOR A NEW VISA AS SHE HAD PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO THE U.S. AT THE END OF JUNE, 1998, AND SHE ASKED THAT AN APPLICATION FORM BE SENT TO HER. SHE ASKED WHETHER SHE WOULD BE ABLE TO APPEAL THE DECISION TO FIND HER INELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN TERRORIST ACTIVITIES AND NOTED THAT SHE HAD NEVER BEEN CONVICTED. CONOFF STATED THAT HER INELIGIBILITY WAS PERMANENT, BUT THAT IF SHE WISHED TO MAKE A STATEMENT REGARDING HER VISA INELIGIBILITY, POST WOULD BE HAPPY TO TRANSMIT HER STATEMENT TO WASHINGTON FOR CONSIDERATION.
SMITH

division.

FAX

June 2, 1998 Page 1 of 1

TO: NSC/EUR - Larry Butler 456-9150

FROM: CA/VO/L/C - Don Heflin phone 663-1198

RE: Bernadette Sands

I just took the crosshatch cable authorizing cancellation of visa to our Executive Secretariat. Please be on the lookout for it. Minor changes from text you saw. FBI thinks Sands will try to travel week of 6/8; thus, I'd like to have the cable back Thursday at the latest, particularly if there are any changes, so that it can go out Friday. Please call me when you give it to your Executive Secretariat. Thanks.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.**Fax Cover Sheet**DATE: 5-7-98TO: Larry Butler
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Policy Management Office

PHONE: (353) (1) 668-8054

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TO:

Larry Butler

cc: Kathy Stephens

FAX NUMBER:

FROM: Richard Norland, First Secretary (Political)

DATE: *4/28/98*

*Larry - RYE, in case it comes up. But I see no
need for action. As Steve Wengsness notes, This guy &
his wife are fully aware of the options available to
them, in terms of a private bill in Congress.*

Dirk

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4/28

To: ~~Dick Norland~~ → Steve Wargness -
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From: Kathleen Stephens
Company: Consulate General, Belfast
Phone: 01232 328239
Fax: 01232 239016

Date: 04/28/98

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*This did not
reach Jim Steinberg
before he left
Dublin.*

*Do you have any
comments on the case
before I pass it
on to Larry Butler?*

Dick N.

Comments:

For your info/action.

Comment:

*O'Doherty is ineligible under
INA 212(a)(3)(B) (terrorism).
He was a bomb-maker for IRA &
taught others to make bombs.
We would agree that he has
renounced violence and we have
done a number of non-immigrant
waivers for him. Problem is, under
the law, there is no waiver for
immigrant visa for 3B. His options
(which we have informed wife of)
are (a) have Congress change the
law or (b) get a "private bill" in
Congress which would allow
a specific waiver for him.*

FAO: JIM STEINBERG
VISITING BRIEFLY MONDAY, 04/27/98
UNITED STATES CITIZEN
APPEALS FOR HUMANITARIAN HELP
FROM YOU

U. S. Citizen, Dr. Michelle Marie Sweeney, from Beverly, Chicago, Illinois, on December 30th 1995 married Irish Citizen, Shane Paul O'Doherty in St. Margaret of Scotland Church, Beverly. She had met Shane in January 1991 when they were both studying at Trinity College, Dublin.

Michelle is an only child and her parents live in Chicago.

Michelle teaches Medieval English in both Trinity College, Dublin, and University College, Dublin.

Her husband Shane runs a computer company also in the city.

Shane was involved with the IRA as a teenager in Derry, Northern Ireland. He served 14 years in prison for his teenage IRA activity and was released in 1989 to begin his English degree at Trinity. He was last involved with the IRA almost 25 years ago. He many years ago dedicated himself to peace and democratic politics. He published his autobiography for Harper Collins in 1993, entitled "The Volunteer - A Former IRA Man's True Story" and it quickly became a bestseller in Ireland. In the book, Shane argued for an end to all paramilitary violence and called on the IRA and other groups to engage in democratic politics. Shane has been a strong public advocate of the peace process on television, radio and in print.

Shane O'Doherty has had the highest character testimonials from Leader of the SDLP, John Hume, from Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Mairead Corrigan Maguire of the Peace People, from Brian Lenihan, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs in the Irish Parliament, Bishop Edward Daly of Derry Northern Ireland, etc.

However, Shane O'Doherty is banned from entering the U.S. owing solely to his involvement with the IRA almost 25 years ago, and Michelle is effectively banned with him. In spite of the fact that President Clinton last year personally intervened to stop deportation proceedings against 7 former members of the IRA in America, Michelle Sweeney cannot bring her husband to America.

The Peace Accord in Northern Ireland has brought no benefits to the Sweeney family in Chicago or to their son-in-law Shane. John Hume's office has placed the facts of Michelle & Shane's case before you, and before Nancy Soderberg, in the hope that they you will address this issue. Shane O'Doherty's case has also been raised with Congressmen Peter King, Edward Kennedy, Patrick Kennedy, Bobby Rush, and former Congressman Bruce Morrison.

We appeal to you to use your office and influence to have the ban on Shane O'Doherty lifted so that the Sweeney family might know a normal life together in Chicago.

Contact Information:

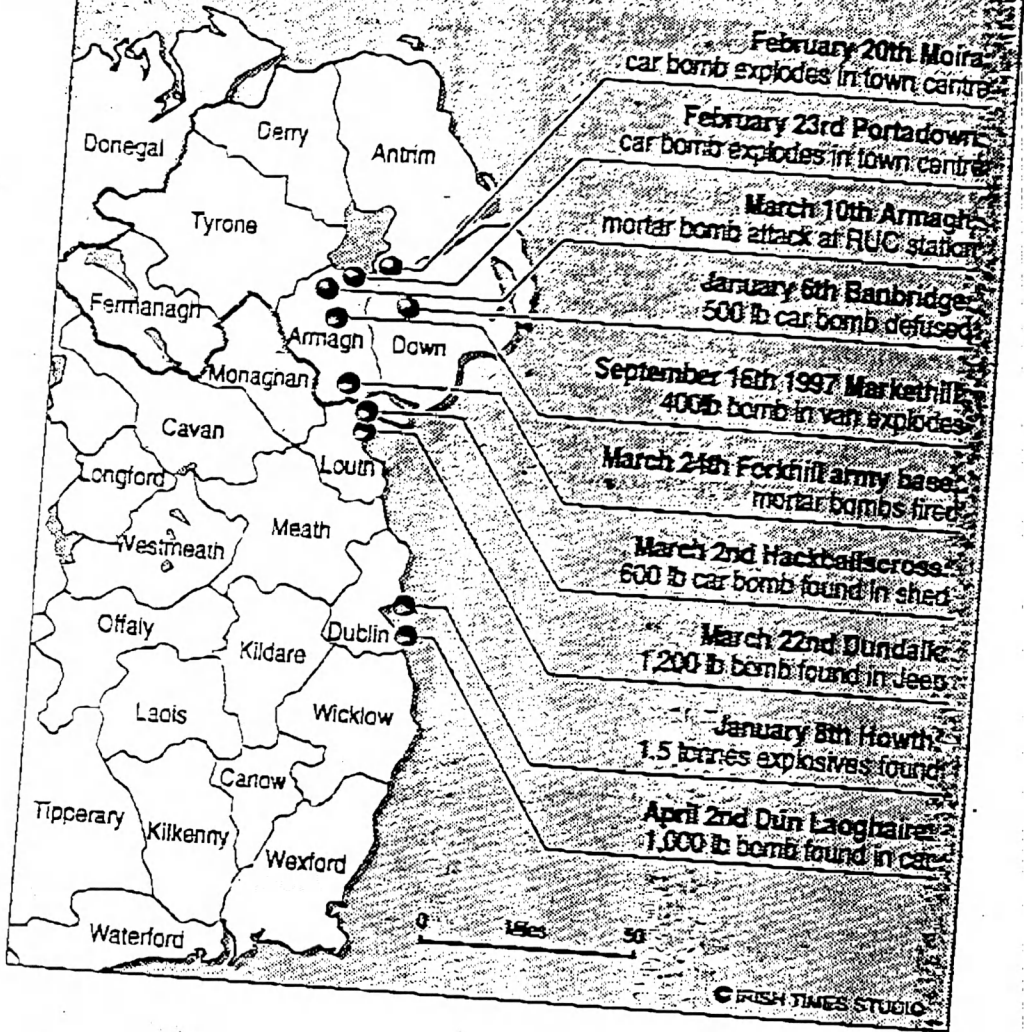
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**FAO: JIM STEINBERG
VISITING BRIEFLY MONDAY
04/29/98**

DISSIDENT REPUBLICAN VIOLENCE

The bomb found in Dún Laoghaire was the work of dissident republicans who have been responsible for several attacks and explosives finds.



THE IRISH TIMES

13 D'OLIER STREET, DUBLIN 2
FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1998

Special Garda units to the fighting republicans intent on violence

THE campaign by dissident Provisional IRA elements to wreck the peace process has been thwarted by good Garda intelligence and the armed interception unit known as the Emergency Response Unit (ERU) for the second time in as many weeks.

The Special Branch and ERU actions may yet be seen as historically significant in their contribution to saving the North's peace process from potentially destabilising attacks.

At the talks move towards their April 9th deadline, a dissident republican element, mainly concentrated in the Louth-Armagh area but with spreading support in the Republic, is desperate to wreck the process. However, its primary aim may be to undermine the Sinn Féin and Provisional IRA leadership.

The dissident group was responsible for the plan to carry out a huge bomb attack in the North, probably in a mainly Protestant town in Co Down or Co Armagh, over the St Patrick's Day period when the Sinn Féin president, Mr Gerry Adams, and other political leaders were meeting President Clinton in Washington.

If that bomb attack had gone ahead there would have been obvious difficulties for Mr Adams. He would have come under criticism from unionists who maintain that there is no split in the Provisional republican movement and that it is still wedded to violence. It would also have shown there was military opposition to him within his organisation.

The discovery of the 980 lb bomb in Dún Laoghaire on its way to Britain was to have had the same effect. It was not clear yesterday where the bomb was to have exploded but the next six days are probably the most critical in the North's political negotiations since the 1920s and an explosion could have had far-reaching consequences.

Both bomb operations were detected by officers from the Special Detective Unit, better known as the Special Branch, under the control of Chief Supt Michael Reid. The SDU is based in Harcourt Square, Dublin, but has officers countrywide. It has clearly infiltrated the dissident republican group and is able to detect the activities of its key people and pinpoint its main operations.

The job of intercepting and stopping the attacks falls to the Emergency Response Unit (ERU), a group of 50 gardai directed by Supt Basil Walsh and also based at Harcourt Square. It is its job to ensure that the bombs are stopped and that arrests are made with minimum force.

The ERU officers are trained to confront armed and dangerous criminals or terrorists who are likely to offer an "armed res-

ponse". The Garda Commissioner, Mr Pat Byrne, has ensured that the ERU has the most up-to-date and effective arms available. It is, effectively, a police commando unit.

The dissident republican element which has been the target of the SDU and ERU is based in the north Dublin-Louth-Armagh area. It is believed to be led by two men who were key Provisional IRA figures.

One is the former "quarter master general" of the Provisional IRA who lives in the Dundalk area. The other was one of the Provisionals' main bomb-makers who comes from the Newry area of Co Down.

The experience and skills — the "fingerprints" — of the bomb-maker have become evident in the discoveries resulting from the Garda operations in Dundalk and Dún Laoghaire.

Both bombs were similar to the Provisional IRA bombs which went off in London and Manchester in 1996, and before that in the City of London in 1993 and 1994. These bombs were made in the south Armagh-Louth area by teams under the Newry man.

All these bombs are primarily made from the traditional IRA

"home-made" ingredient of ammonium-nitrate fertiliser and sugar but were super-charged by Semtex booster charges and with coils of plastic tubing containing powdered Semtex.

The dissident republican military element — which has not yet given itself a name — appears to have growing support among Provisional IRA members in the Republic. Simultaneously, opposition to the peace process is mounting within Sinn Féin as increasing numbers of members voice support for the internal dissent group calling itself the 32-County Sovereignty Committee. The test of their political support may come at the Sinn Féin Ardtheis later this month.

The dissident Provisional IRA element is now believed responsible for a series of attacks in the North from September when a bomb exploded in Markethill, Co

Armagh. Since then there have been bomb explosions in Moira, Co Down, and Portadown, Co Armagh, and a large bomb defused in Banbridge, Co Down.

The defused bomb in Banbridge was found to contain Semtex and detonators identical to those used previously by the Provisional IRA. No group has admitted responsibility for these attacks.

It had initially been thought that these attacks were the work of the group known as the Continuity IRA, as the internal Provisional IRA element had not yet

shown any sign of mounting attacks which were in clear breach of Provisional IRA army council orders.

It is now clear that this group is confident of carrying out a campaign without any sanction from the Provisional IRA leadership and this suggests the Provisional republican movement is currently undergoing its most substantial split.

The dissident group was also almost certainly responsible for the mortar bombs fired at Forkhill army base and at Armagh city RUC station last month. The 600 lb car bomb found in a shed in Hackballscross, Co Louth, last month was almost certainly theirs.

There are also important similarities between the bomb attacks in the North and the bomb finds in Dundalk and in Dún Laoghaire. The dissidents have a preference for using big saloon cars.

BMW 5 series were involved in yesterday's operation in Dún Laoghaire and in the attack on Portadown on February 23rd. Four-wheel drive jeeps were involved in the attack on Moira on February 20th, and in the Dundalk find on March 22nd.

, writes Jim Cusack

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	Executive Secretariat		
	<i>Bandler</i>		
	<i>Butler</i>		

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NSC POC: _____

S/S Officer: Maureen Quinn

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IRISH NEWS

Dissident Sands starts US tour

By Ray O'Hanlon

BERNADETTE Sands-McKevitt began a hectic US tour yesterday organised by the 22 County Sovereignty Committee, one of the main groups calling into question the Good Friday agreement.

Mrs Sands-McKevitt, sister of the late hunger striker Bobby Sands, was accompanied by former Sinn Féin councillor Rory Dougan but not by suspended Co Tyrone Sinn Féin councillor Frankie Mackey who was turned back by US immigration officials at Dublin Airport.

Mrs Sands-McKevitt learned of Mr Mackey's failed second attempt to board a New York bound flight in Manhattan yesterday as she moved from one newspaper office to another accompanied by, among others, former Noraid leader Martin Gavin.

It has since emerged that Mr Mackey was quizzed by immigration officials over charges of assault and disorderly behaviour and obstruction of RUC officers eight years ago.

Mrs Sands-McKevitt will be speaking at various venues in New York, New Jersey, Philadelphia and Washington DC in the next few days.

Interviewed yesterday she said she was totally at a loss as to why Sinn Féin was apparently about to accept the agreement.

She said it was contrary to republican principles. She said she believed Sinn Féin leaders such as Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness were sincere but had miscalculated. They had made "a grave error" and were now "trapped" with the agreement.

Mrs Sands-McKevitt and Mr Dougan are following in the wake of Bernadette McAliskey who has been touring the US in recent days while also pouring scorn on the April 10 accord.

She again took issue with it yesterday in an opinion piece in the Los Angeles Times headlined "Sinn Féin should just say no".

"To date, the leaders of Sinn Féin have offered no political, ideological, pragmatic or intellectual argument to support their insistence that this is a good deal for republicans," Mrs McAliskey wrote in the paper.

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Larry,

Per your guidance, we discussed with the Amb. the matter of contacting Bernadette Sands. The Ambassador agrees, and Steve Wengrass will be attempting to contact Sands to advise her that it would be best for her to come in & apply for a visa before attempting to enter the U.S. As this could well emerge in the press, we would appreciate any guidance Washington could provide to deal with inquiries. Thanks. Dick

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CU Withdraws Invitation To Gingrich's Gay Sister

By HAMIL R. HARRIS
Washington Post Staff Writer

The president of Catholic University canceled a scheduled speech last night by Candace Gingrich, the lesbian half sister of House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.), saying her appearance "could not be compatible" with the school's identity.

Candace Gingrich, a spokeswoman for the Human Rights Campaign Fund's National Coming Out Project, was invited by the Organization for Lesbian and Gay Student Rights, a campus group. The group's president, Jacob Fabbri, said Gingrich had planned to talk about how to end discrimination against gays at universities.

The group received permission to invite Gingrich about a month ago from the Rev. Robert Friday, the university's vice president. But in a statement released yesterday, Brother Patrick Ellis, CU's president, said he was canceling the talk.

"Upon reflection, I have asked Father Robert Friday to withdraw the invitation to Candace Gingrich," Ellis said. "While I am grateful for [his] role as a moderator of the sponsoring group and for his intention to provide as much balance as

possible among viewpoints, I have concluded that the presentation could not be compatible with the Catholic identity of the Catholic University of America."

Gingrich said it was the first time in the three years that she has been speaking to churches, campus groups and business organizations that she has been "disinvited."

"I feel deep sadness and disappointment that there are those at Catholic University who felt that it was necessary to muzzle this dialogue," she said.

The incident is the latest flap between school officials and gay students, who say the administration is homophobic. Last fall, the university rescinded an alumni award to actor Joseph Sicari after learning that he once had been a member of ACT UP, a militant AIDS action group. Actress Susan Sarandon later returned her alumni award in protest.

Melinda Sayer, 20, a nursing student from Baltimore who invited Gingrich, said the group "thought that she would be an excellent speaker to create a homophobic-free environment on our campus."

Fabbri said he believes that Ellis withdrew the invitation after Dan J. Rossini, president of Graduates for

Life, a student antiabortion group, wrote Ellis on Monday. Rossini complained that Gingrich's appearance might cause "unnecessary scandal" and that her gay rights message "contradicts the truth of Catholic moral doctrine."

Rossini quoted a 1986 pastoral letter from the Vatican setting forth the church's position on homosexuality and saying that "all support should be withdrawn from any organizations which seek to undermine the teaching of the church."

But Gingrich yesterday cited a 1997 pastoral letter from the U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops, saying the letter "makes it clear that the fundamental human rights of homosexual persons must be defended."

That letter, which said the church should be more accepting of homosexuals while rejecting homosexual activity, has sparked great debate within the Catholic community.

"It is disappointing that Catholic University doesn't see an opportunity for dialogue in this event," said Francis Debernardo, executive director of New Ways Ministry, a 20-year-old advocacy group for gay Catholics. He said Catholic schools across the country differ on whether gay issues can be discussed on campus.

Fabbri said that by withdrawing Gingrich's invitation, "Catholic University is jeopardizing its academic integrity based on its Catholic identity."

Staff writer Caryle Murphy contributed to this report.

Opponent of N. Ireland Pact Enters U.S.

By WILLIAM BRANIGIN
Washington Post Staff Writer

An Irish nationalist who opposes the Northern Ireland peace agreement arrived in New York yesterday to begin a U.S. speaking tour after high-level intervention from Washington overcame U.S. officials' initial refusal to let her board a flight because her name appeared on a terrorist lookout list, according to sources familiar with the case.

Bernadette Sands-McKevitt, the sister of Bobby Sands, an Irish Republican Army hero who died on a hunger strike in a Belfast prison in 1981, said after landing at John F. Kennedy International Airport that she had not been aware of being suspected as a terrorist and was "shocked and mystified" by the episode.

Rep. Peter T. King (R-N.Y.), an Irish American who plans to meet Sands-McKevitt in Washington next week and introduce her to several members of Congress, said he was glad she was not turned back because she needs to hear firsthand that there is little support in the United States for her position.

"She should realize that everyone here [in Congress] will be supporting the peace process," he said. "She should not have false hope that there will be opposition to the peace agreement on Capitol Hill."

According to U.S. officials, her trip triggered a flurry of U.S. interagency consultations when a U.S.

Immigration and Naturalization Service official at Dublin airport found her name and that of her traveling companion on a Justice Department terrorist lookout list during a "preinspection" process. Sands-McKevitt presented a new passport, but her valid U.S. visa was in another passport that had expired, officials said.

After discussions involving the U.S. Embassy in Ireland and officials at the National Security Council, State Department and Justice Department, Sands-McKevitt was allowed to board the New York-bound plane shortly before takeoff.

Her companion, Francie Mackey, who split with the Sinn Fein leadership over the peace accord signed earlier this month, was not allowed to accompany her, however. Officials said a record check showed he had previous criminal convictions, and he did not have a U.S. visa. They said that if he were to be admitted to the United States, he would need a visa because of the convictions. Irish citizens normally can visit the United States as tourists without visas under a U.S. visa-waiver program.

In a telephone interview from New York, Sands-McKevitt said she hoped Mackey would be able to join her in a couple of days. She said that when she was questioned by U.S. officials at Dublin airport before being allowed to board the plane, "I didn't in any way feel there was anything untoward. I just assumed this was the normal procedure."

In fact, sources here said, the

decision from Washington to override the lookout alert caused considerable consternation among INS, FBI and Justice Department officials, because the system showed she was associated with "a radical splinter group" that broke away from the IRA and opposed the peace process.

One source said officials were "outraged" by the intervention, which they saw as subverting their obligation to enforce the law.

Sands-McKevitt's husband, Mickey McKevitt, allegedly served as the IRA's quartermaster in charge of its weapons caches before resigning from the group over negotiations with the British government on the fate of Northern Ireland. Police in Northern Ireland have been quoted as saying that both were members of the IRA executive board. Sands-McKevitt denies that she ever belonged to either the IRA or its political wing, Sinn Fein.

When Irish republican dissidents last year formed the "32-County Sovereignty Committee" to oppose what they described as an IRA "sellout" in the peace talks, however, Sands-McKevitt became the organization's vice chairwoman and leading spokeswoman.

She insisted yesterday that the group has no military component and denied that it is affiliated with any organizations resorting to terrorism to disrupt the peace process.

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Court Upholds Favoring Mothers Over Fathers in Citizenship Cases

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joined in her dissent by Justices Stephen G. Breyer and David H. Souter.

Ginsburg and the other dissenters took a pure, absolute approach to equality between the sexes while Stevens and Rehnquist argued that there are plenty of practical reasons to view women differently from men, at least when it comes to their roles as parents. A mother, if for no other reason than she gives birth, necessarily has a clearer relationship to a child; a father if he chooses can play a very fleeting role.

Perhaps not coincidentally, the two camps most in opposition yesterday are marked by generational and personal differences. Stevens, 78, and Rehnquist, 73, are the court's eldest justices. Breyer, 59, and Souter, 58, are among the youngest. Ginsburg, 65, only the second woman to ever serve on the court, earned a national reputation in the 1970s defending the rights of women.

How the justices look on gender roles can be critical because the court is called upon to resolve the nation's most difficult cases of sex discrimination and other disputes where traditions and stereotypes are part of the backdrop. And the justices' internal differences mirror the kinds of dilemmas that surface regularly in statehouses nationwide and in Congress as issues from child custody to family medical leave are debated.

Ginsburg, Breyer and Souter insisted that the law was unconstitutional sex discrimination and they

yesterday splintered into three pairs, each writing separately, with distinct reasons for upholding the law. Stevens's opinion focused on the law's merits and was signed only by Rehnquist. Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Anthony M. Kennedy agreed that the law should be upheld, but did not fully address the sex discrimination claim, saying the daughter could not raise that issue on behalf of her father.

Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas said the court was going beyond its congressionally granted authority to even decide a citizenship dispute.

The case was brought by Lorelyn Penero Miller, who was born out of wedlock 28 years ago to a Filipino mother and an American father. Her father had been stationed in the Philippines for the U.S. military. Miller applied for citizenship in 1992, while she was living with her father in Texas, but was rejected because her father had not, as was required by law, established paternity before she turned 21. (The law now says paternity has to be shown by age 18.)

Lower courts rejected Miller's complaint that the law violates the constitutional guarantee of equal protection of the law, saying that Congress has broad discretion when it comes to granting citizenship. The

Justice Department argued that the law reflects the reality that a mother always is present at a child's birth and naturally bound to the child. The department said the additional citizenship requirements for a child born out of wedlock to an American father ensures that his commitment to the child is real and the child would be supported in this country.

Stevens agreed with that, noting that an unmarried father may not even know that his child exists and arguing in *Miller v. Albright* that ensuring reliable proof of a biological relationship between a father and child seeking citizenship serves important governmental goals.

While O'Connor and Kennedy contended that Miller did not have a right to bring suit on behalf of her father, they noted that "it is unlikely ... that any gender classifications based on stereotypes can survive heightened scrutiny." Breyer suggested in his opinion that, had the father challenged the law, there would be five votes to strike it down.

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Larry,

Per your request, Steve spoke to George Suhr at INS. The applicant brought in her old passport with the visa as well as a new passport. George saw no entry stamps other than one from 1991 (he thought it was from April 1991 but couldn't remember).

INS has copies of the passport. If you need them, I can tell George to go to the airport and fax to you, but based on his review, the passport won't tell much. He said INS should be able to provide information on her entries, but as reported earlier, his system was down, so we could not check today. Perhaps INS HQ can give you information?

I'll be in the office until about 8 o'clock and then at home.

Madelyn

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TUESDAY 21st Rory Duggan departs Dublin Airport.

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THURSDAY 23rd Radio interview in New York.
Lodge document in United Nations.
Press Conference in United Nations.
Interview with New York Post, Irish
Echo.
Address Manhattan College.
Social Evening at Willie McBrides
Pub, New Jersey.

FRIDAY 24th Meeting with Peter Valone.
President New York City Council.
(running for Governor New York State)
Meeting Irish American City Councillors.
Meeting New York City Controller
Alan Hevesi.

SATURDAY 25th Meeting with Brian O'Dwyer.
Interview with Radio Free Eireann.
Social Evening at Aiden O'Hara's Bar
Manhasset, Long Island.
(Organised by A.O.H.)

SUNDAY 26th Free-day.
Possible Brunch Rockland County.

MONDAY 27th Philadelphia, possible meeting with
A.O.H. Clan Na Gael.

TUESDAY 28th Washington.
Possible Press Conference National
Press Club.
Meeting - Peter King Adhoc Committee.
 Father Sean McManus (Irish
 National Caucus).
 Irish American Unity
 Conference.
Interview with U.S.A. Today (Newspaper).

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Albany.
Meeting with New York Assembly.
Back to New York.

THURSDAY 30th

Bernie and Rory returning to Dublin.

FRIDAY 1st MAY

Free Day.

SATURDAY 2nd

Hunger Strike Commemoration.
Followed by Social Evening in
Manhattan. Francis Mackey to address.

SUNDAY 3rd

Francis returning home to Dublin.

32-County republicans slam deal

By Michael O'Toole

THE 32 County Sovereignty Committee yesterday came out against the Mitchell agreement - which it said was "anti republican and unacceptable".

The committee also said planned changes to articles 2 and 3 of the constitution were the "greatest attempt at national duplicity" ever carried out by politicians against the people of Ireland.

The dissident republican group, which held a press conference in Dublin to outline its objections to the Mitchell agreement, also

revealed it was sending a three-person delegation on a trip to the United States to hand in a petition to the United Nations - as well as to meet Irish American groups.

Committee chairman Michael Ahern said the agreement was contrary to the democratic wish of the Irish people for unity.

He also said the Mitchell agreement copperfastened partition.

He said: "Rather than aid or assist the goal of a genuine and just peace, it will compound the problem as it does not address the fundamental cause of conflict,

which is the denial by Britain of Ireland's right to sovereign independence."

Mr Ahern also said the consent principle enshrined in the Good Friday agreement merely contrived to deny Irish unity.

He said: "British policy on the union and the abuse of the consent principle are inextricably linked - one serves the other."

"Transitional arrangements depicted by this agreement are for a restructured partition from direct rule to an internal assembly.

"There are no transitional arrangements outlined for the

people of Ireland to sovereignty and national self determination."

Mr Ahern, who attacked proposed changes to articles 2 and 3, was also angry that there was only a five-week period of debate before the May 22 referendum.

He said: "The timetable allowed for debate is clearly inadequate when one considers the resistance of our forefathers through one hundred acts of coercion - that an Irish government is proposing that we vote to recognise British sovereignty over Irish soil

within a five-week period is obscene."

Committee vice chairman Bernadette Sands McKevitt later told reporters that the agreement was not a solution - the only solution was British withdrawal from Ireland.

She said: "We feel it would be an impossibility to sign up to this agreement if you were upholding republican principles."

And Francis Mackey, an Omagh Sinn Féin councillor suspended by the party and unable to enter last weekend's and this in Dublin, said he had been inundated by messages of support from other members.

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freed and analyses the dangers of not doing so

And now for the split...

AT 12.30pm yesterday, Francis Mackey, a Sinn Féin councillor from Tyrone, arrived at the RDS in Dublin for his party's annual ard fheis.

The stocky councillor was flanked by Gerry McNamara, a fellow Sinn Féin delegate from Balbriggan, north Dublin. As they approached the grand entrance to what was once a bastion of British establishment in Ireland, the republicans prepared for the onslaught. Surrounded by reporters, Mackey and McNamara were refused entry and sent to a back entrance. They strode through the heavy Garda presence, up to the Sinn Féin stewards and demanded entry. They were initially refused and then hurriedly bundled into a private room.

Mackey delivered a letter to Sinn Féin leadership and when he emerged told reporters: "For a party that has consistently advocated the lifting of censorship and bans on freedom of speech, it is a sad day for Sinn Féin."

Mackey and Gerry McNamara are among a growing number of republicans who have defected from Sinn Féin in protest at the peace agreement. They have switched allegiance from Gerry Adams to Bernadette Sands McKevitt, vice president of the 32-County Sovereignty Committee. A sister of Bobby Sands, the republican icon who died on hunger strike,

she stands for a return to core republican values of Brits out and a united Ireland.

There are others who are also unhappy with Sinn Féin and the settlement. One is a former IRA quartermaster who has been recruiting disillusioned IRA volunteers to his cause. Until last year, he was in charge of the IRA's arsenal, believed to include 600 AK47 rifles, and passed his annual August vacation fishing in Donegal with the IRA's then chief-of-staff. Now he has cut his ties with the IRA and won several influential republicans to his renegade outfit. They include three key figures in the IRA's Munster unit: one is an influential republican from Limerick who served a lengthy jail sentence for explosives offences; another is a hardline republican from Fermoy; and the third is the IRA's officer commanding in Cork.

The former IRA quartermaster, who lives in Co Louth, has been on a "discover Ireland" tour in the past month, according to Garda sources, canvassing support in Donegal, Kerry, Limerick, Tipperary, Louth and the midlands.

Within the last fortnight, the ranks of dissidents associated with the quartermaster have swelled to 60, according to security forces. The majority are defectors from the Provisional IRA and pose a threat to the stability promised by the historic peace deal brokered on Good Friday at Stormont.

Gardai regard the group as a more serious threat than the Continuity IRA, the military wing of Republican Sinn Féin, which has less than 30 members. A security memo circulated to special branch officers in Dublin last week warned that the quartermaster was winning increasing support from disaffected republicans in the capital city. He has access to an arsenal of weapons and some of his associates have the expertise to manufacture homemade explosives. According to security sources, these dissidents were responsible for the 1,000 lb bomb discovered by gardai in a car that was about to board a ferry for England on Grand National weekend. Their first attempt at a "spectacular" may have failed but security forces interpret it as a worrying signal of an intent and capacity to kill.

Security forces are also concerned that dissident provisionals will draw further strength from a faction of IRA prisoners who will be freed within two years if the peace agreement is passed. "Unless the IRA can keep control, there will be prisoners who will renege on the Mitchell principles and return to arms on their release," said one republican observer. "Prisoners have always brought an important influence on the Sinn Féin leadership. If the prisoners are onside, which most will be, it will make it harder for dissidents."

It is a problem of which Sinn Féin and the Government is acutely aware. This weekend, the Department of Justice approved the temporary release of four IRA prisoners in what was regarded as a tactical move to facilitate their contribution to the Sinn Féin ard fheis. Among those released was Michael O'Brien, the officer commanding for IRA prisoners, who is serving an 18-year sentence.

At the ard fheis yesterday, Gerry Kelly, a former IRA prisoner and Sinn Féin negotiator, demanded the release of all 270 IRA prisoners worldwide, and the withdrawal of extradition and arrest warrants. Court records of IRA prisoners should be destroyed and political activists on the run should be allowed back home, he said.

The prisoners issue has become the most emotive fall-out of the 10 April agreement. Sinn Féin left Stormont that day with a promise from Bertie Ahern that all paramilitary prisoners would be released within two years, and a letter of comfort elaborating on the proposal. For Adams, the promise was a crucial bonus which would go a long way towards keeping hardline IRA activists onside. On Tuesday, nine IRA prisoners were given early release from Port-

laoise in a goodwill gesture by the Government. The prisoners included five prominent IRA activists from Donegal, who were convicted on firearms and explosives charges, including Martin McGuinness's minder, Bernard O'Hagan, and Noel Magee, from Ballyshannon, who was convicted of attempting to murder Walter Glass, a UDR man. At yesterday's conference, Magee urged delegates to shun dissenters who cry "sell-out".

If the peace agreement is approved by Sinn Féin and endorsed by the electorate in the May referendum, 440 prisoners will be freed in an "accelerated release programme". The terms of the agreement specify that only prisoners affiliated to organisations that are operating an unequivocal ceasefire will be released. Their release dates will be set by both governments, taking account of the seriousness of their offences.

Remand prisoners or those awaiting extradition will not escape the judicial system. The governments have also promised to provide education and training facilities for the prisoners to help them find jobs.

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In the North, the RUC chief constable, Ronnie Flanagan, said many of his officers, whose colleagues have been killed by the IRA, were unhappy at the concession to prisoners, many of whom are guilty of mass murders. In the Republic, gardai expressed outrage at suggestions by Martin Ferris, a Sinn Féin negotiator who has a conviction for his part in an IRA gun-running operation, that Pearse McAuley and Kevin Walsh, charged with murdering Detective Garda Jerry McCabe in Limerick, should be freed as part of the agreement.

As Ferris denied the report, McCabe's widow, Ann, and the Garda Representative Association, denounced it.

Their criticisms are not of primary concern to Sinn Féin, which has had regular contact with IRA units around the country in the past few days to step up an ongoing "dissemination of information" drive. Part of their assurances concern the fate of republican prisoners. Late last month, Gerry Kelly sat in the front room of a house in Bunrana, Co Donegal, before a group of local IRA leaders. Kelly, who served a jail sentence for explosives, was now urging his former IRA colleagues to support the peace talks. Donegal is a county the Sinn Féin leadership can count on. It is regarded as a republican homeland, where many of its leaders spend their holidays. Pat Doherty, the par-

ty's vice president, comes from Inishowen and Gerry Adams and Kelly have holiday homes near Gortahork. Kelly met little dissent from the local OC, a Derry man who lives in Letterkenney, and around 11 other unit leaders and influential activists. Since then there have been many debriefing sessions with prominent IRA activists in the North and the Republic but, in some cases, dissidents linked to the 32-Sovereignty group have beaten Sinn Féin to it.

"There is a lot of confusion in the republican movement at the moment. There are lots of meetings and IRA men in all counties are travelling to different places for covert gatherings," said a senior garda.

Security sources believe that an IRA army convention will be held within a fortnight to vote on changing its constitution to accommodate the new peace agreement.

"It is a question of control. If the IRA has enough of the organisation to go with peace, those dissenters that are left will not be in a position to create a military capability," said the senior garda. "The IRA will keep them in control."

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Agreement is 'not a solution' McAliskey

SPEAKING to an overflow audience at a west side union hall in Manhattan on Friday night, Bernadette McAliskey said that she was opposed to the Stormont talks agreement. "I'm not confused about this agreement, all I'm confused about is why anyone is trying to sell it to me, why anyone is trying to tell me that this is a solution."

→ McAliskey, who is in the US for two weeks, said that the unionists in a new assembly "will exercise their veto to prevent any

Patrick Farrelly

further peaceful progress in the development of the people of Ireland towards democracy. That has been their single great contribution and will continue to be. The unionist definition of democracy does not include human rights for nationalists."

McAliskey was also critical of the manner in which the agreement was negotiated. "There is nothing democratic about leaders negotiating in secret and coming back with faits

accomplis and threats of war. What the British are saying is that they have no alternative to this agreement other than war."

At no point in her hour-long speech - some of which was devoted to thanking American supporters of the campaign to release her daughter Roisin - did McAliskey either mention or criticise the Sinn Féin leadership.

Calling for the retention of the paramilitary ceasefires, she said that if anything had been achieved in the last period it was that "we have gotten out of the

war". She added: "I hope we stay out of it and hold onto the ceasefire. That does not mean that we cannot make a better stab at creating progressive institutions which would allow us to progress towards democracy. We can at least agree on one thing, that war is not a valid mechanism for resolving conflict. Then we can start dismantling the war machinery, most of which is on the government side."

McAliskey was introduced by Malachy McCourt, brother of the author of *Angela's Ashes*, and shared the platform

with Fr Daniel Berrigan, the oft-imprisoned anti-war activist. The audience contained a large number of local Irish political activists, many of whom were in attendance to hear McAliskey's take on the agreement. Her speech was given a standing ovation at its conclusion.

One of those present was one-time Irish Northern Aid leader Martin Galvin, who said that he had "deep concerns about the agreement". Galvin said that the core principle of Irish republicanism was the right of the Irish people to

tells US supporters

national sovereignty. "Doesn't this agreement purport to abrogate that right. Are republicans being asked to accept and acquiesce in a loyalist veto on a united Ireland. Will this be copper-fastened by the two referendums and forever after be portrayed as a national referendum ceding the historic right to national sovereignty? These are some of the questions I have and, like a lot of others, I have some soul searching to do."

Galvin said that he had been contacted by the 32-County Sovereignty Com-

mittee but didn't know whether he would join them or not. Galvin will meet with two leaders of the sovereignty committee, Bernadette Sands McKevitt and Omagh Sinn Féin councillor Francie Mackey, when they visit New York this week.

One of Sinn Féin's top fundraisers in New York, Seán Mackin, told *The Irish Voice* that he had misgivings about the agreement. "My first gut reaction was I am not happy with this. From here, it doesn't look that good, and people are sceptical about Articles

Two and Three and other things," Mackin said.

Sands McKevitt and Mackey will attempt to tap into some of the evident confusion and discontent among local Irish activists. The important and intensely secretive republican support group Clann na Gael is said to be on the brink of a major split. According to Clann sources, the organisation has been in political turmoil for some time over the course being taken by the Adams leadership. "This agreement is the last straw for many people," the source said.

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FAX

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TO: NSC/EUR - Larry Butler fax 456-9150
S - Jim O'Brien fax 7-0753
EUR/UBI - Steve Kashkett 7-3463

FROM: CA/VO/L/C - Don Heflin phone 663-1198

RE: Sinn Fein list of those for whom expedited visa/waiver handling is requested

Now that the St. Patrick's Day rush is over, please let me know what you think re following:

On January 24, we sent out State 13782, asking that the parties to the peace talks submit lists of potential travellers to the U.S. for whom they would ask expedited handling of visas and waiver. Sinn Fein promptly submitted its list of 30+ names. Thus far, only one Loyalist party, the UDP, has done likewise, submitting only 2 names.

State 13782 stated that we would vet the names and discuss them among ourselves, then let the parties know who would be extended expedited processing. We have never done so. Thus far, DOJ has been taking the position that if they're on Sinn Fein's or UDP's list, DOJ will extend expedited processing to them. Logically, this could change if hard facts present themselves (say, if one of those on the list with a terrible criminal history, such as Gerry Kelly, applies).

3 possibilities present themselves:

1. Reply now; I've pretty well vetted the list, and would be happy to draft a crosshatch reply which identifies those we would be willing to give expedited processing to (the bulk), those we wouldn't (none present themselves to me, but we can dicker about the names during the clearance process), and those we have some questions about (a few; they didn't give birthdates, and some of these are common names). The reply would also remind S.F. and UDP exactly what expedited processing means and doesn't mean, as spelled out in State 13782.

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2. Reply in the medium term; Do the above, but after the peace agreement has been signed, as an attaboy.

3. Never reply; the system isn't broke, so why fix it? Should DOJ ever suspend expedited processing because we hadn't replied, we could always gin a reply up on short notice. Also, drafting a reply gives people in the interagency clearance process a chance to complicate our relationship with the parties by objecting to names.

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE, VISA OFFICE**2401 E STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.**Fax Cover Sheet**DATE: 4-1-98TO: Larry Butler
NSC

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32 County group to challenge poll on settlement

By Suzanne Breen,
in Belfast

MEMBERS of the dissident republican group, the 32 County Sovereignty Committee, say they will visit the United States, where they are attempting to set up a group.

It is understood that Ms Bernadette Sands-McKevitt, sister of the dead IRA hunger-striker Bobby Sands, and a Sinn Féin councillor, Mr Francis Mackey, plan to address meetings of republican sympathisers during the trip at the end of this month.

They also plan to lodge a case with the United Nations during the visit, challenging the British government's right to hold a referendum on any peace settlement in the North and on its "denial of sovereignty to the six counties".

The committee was formed three months ago following resignations in republican ranks over the peace process. It upholds the 1919 Declaration of Independence and opposes "any party which accepts British rule in any form". It is highly critical of the peace process and has pledged to

oppose any settlement which falls short of Irish unity.

Ms Sands-McKevitt and Mr Mackey, a Sinn Féin councillor in Tyrone, will address supporters in New York via a telephone link-up on Saturday night.

Ms Sands-McKevitt said: "We are trying to set up a 32 County Sovereignty Committee in New York. There are a lot of interested people out there. This is to give them a chance to ask us questions."

"We also plan to visit the US in a few weeks' time. There is considerable American involvement in the political situation in Ireland and a large Irish-American lobby so it is very important for us to get our views across on the peace process."

A spokesman for the committee said the group planned to hold public meetings on the peace process in Cork, Galway, Dublin and in the North over coming months.

He denied media reports that the committee had a military wing. He said it was a purely political group, although it upheld "the Irish people's right to use physical force in pursuit of national sovereignty".

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2. FOLLOWING IS THE ITINERARY PROVIDED FOR MR. MC
GUINNES:

WEDS. MARCH 11 (NEW YORK):

14:30 - ARR JFK AIRPORT NEW YORK
1800-20:00 - COCKTAIL RECEPTION, PLAZA HOTEL

THURS. MARCH 12:

18:00 - SETON HALL UNIVERSITY SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT, SOUTH
ORANGE N.J.
20:00 - FRIENDS OF SINN FEIN COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER,
CRYAN'S RESTAURANT, SOUTH ORANGE, N.J.

FRI. MARCH 13:

18:00-20:00 - TOP 100 IRISH AMERICANS, PLAZA HOTEL
21:00 - FRIENDS OF SINN FEIN COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER,
TOWERVIEW, QUEENS, NY

SAT. MARCH 14:

18:00-19:00 - FRIENDS OF SINN FEIN COMMUNITY EVENT,
ROCKLAND COUNTY
21:00 - YONKERS FRIENDS OF SINN FEIN COMMUNITY
FUNDRAISER, RORY DOLAN'S PUB

SUN. MARCH 15 (PHILADELPHIA):

PHILADELPHIA ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

SINN FEIN COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER

MON. MARCH 16 (PHILADELPHIA):

ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENTS IN PHILADELPHIA

TUES. MARCH 17 (NY-WASHINGTON):

NY ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

WHITE HOUSE ST. PATRICK'S DAY RECEPTION

WEDS. MARCH 18:

DEPART WASHINGTON FOR COMMUNITY MEETINGS IN ALBANY, NY

18:50 - DEP NY-JFK FOR DUBLIN

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Ex-UDA man wins US visa extension

AMERICAN officials gave an 11th-hour visa extension to a former paramilitary turned Protestant pastor, after he complained of bias.

Kenny McClinton, who rejected violence while serving 16 years in jail for two UDA murders, had claimed that it was harder for him to enter the US than republicans who had never condemned killing.

McClinton, from Belfast, has been trying for two years to enter America for a preaching tour - but ran into repeated rejections because of his background as a loyalist killer.

Recently - after Sinn Fein chief Gerry Adams made seven trips - US officials relented but restricted his visit to one American state.

He says he was told he must stay in Texas, the headquarters of his ministry, Moments of Faith International, which would force him to cancel preaching engagements in Florida.

But he said last night that American officials thought again and extended his visa to take in three states.

The change came after McClinton had complained that the restrictions were greater than any limits imposed on republican visitors.

He said it is a matter he intends to pursue when he leaves for the US early

By CHRIS THORNTON

tomorrow.

"Questions will be asked about parity of esteem," he said.

"I still feel frustrated that this treatment was meted out to one Protestant ex-paramilitary who rejected violence, while republicans are feted in Washington.

"But I am delighted to be finally going and to be able to tell people that terrorists can change."

A spokesman for the US Consulate in Belfast said it was not policy to comment on individual visa matters.

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18:00 - NEW ENGLAND CIRCLE RECEPTION

MON. MARCH 16:

09:00 - IRELAND-US PUBLIC LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST, SENATE

CAUCUS ROOM
19:00 - AMERICAN IRELAND FUND DINNER

TUES. MARCH 17:

WHITE HOUSE ST. PATRICK'S DAY RECEPTION

EMBASSY OF IRELAND RECEPTION

WEDS. MARCH 18:

MEETINGS ON CAPITOL HILL

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