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005. Email	Lawrence Butler to Nancy McEldowney. Subject: SAO - NIV Application. [transmitting Belfast 0394] [8 U.S.C. 1202(f)] (3 pages)	10/30/1997	P3/b(3)

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

1230

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 19, 1998

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: DONALD K. BANDLER *B*

FROM: LAWRENCE E. BUTLER *LB*

SUBJECT: Recommendation on visa for Gerry Adams

Attached is your memo to the President recommending that we issue Gerry Adams a visa for a visit next week. Adams will not come to Washington, and is doubtful for New York, too (a fund raiser had been planned). He wants the visa, anyway, for symbolic purposes.

As your memo lays out, Adams fought a skillful publicity battle this week, using the unexplained delay in making a final decision to score at will on the governments, in particular to leave telling blows on the RUC's credibility. One British paper conceded that Sinn Fein's inspired, if doomed to failure, legal challenge proved Adams is North Ireland's most gifted player.

Adams faces a challenge in explaining to the republican movement why the IRA cease fire should be maintained and Sinn Fein stay in the talks, once readmitted. Giving him a visa now, even if he doesn't use it, allows him to demonstrate the potential downside of the IRA cease-fire ending -- loss of access to the United States. We can defend it by pointing to the governments' stated intention of keeping in touch with Sinn Fein during the period it is out, along with the IRA's statement on the cease fire being intact and Sinn Fein's pledges to keep working on the peace process. We have to make this decision by early Friday in order to complete the issuance process on time.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab A.

Attachment

Tab A Memorandum to the President

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Reason: 1.5(d)

Declassify On: 2/19/08

DECLASSIFIED E.O. 13526
Department of State Guidelines, November 6, 2015

By *VR* NARA, Date *5/22/2024*

2024-0172-F

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTONACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

SUBJECT: Gerry Adams visa recommendation

DECLASSIFIED E.O. 13526
Department of State Guidelines, November 6, 2015By VZ NARA, Date 5/22/2024
2024-0172-FPurpose

To decide whether to issue Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams a visa for travel here on Monday, February 23, 1998.

Background

Gerry Adams submitted his visa application last Friday, knowing that the governments intended to suspend Sinn Fein from the talks this week. That effort to suspend is being carried out with determination and due process in the face of stiff Sinn Fein resistance (filibustering and via a legal stall). Adams portrayed Sinn Fein as the victim of unfair British treatment, and succeeded in deflecting the debate from the IRA killings to RUC inaction on loyalist killings.

Blair and Ahern will speak tomorrow morning to work out differences on the text of the suspension statement. The issues are over what Sinn Fein is suspended from (bracketed Irish version: shall not be allowed to participate in the talks), and duration (two vs. three weeks). Agreed language for the suspension is: "IRA involvement in the killings is a clear infringement of the Mitchell Principles...the republican movement -- Sinn Fein and the IRA -- are expected to honor the commitment to the Mitchell Principles observed by Sinn Fein. Governments will maintain close contact whether at officials or political levels." Mowlam and Irish Foreign Minister Andrews will inform Adams of the decision.

Adams is anxious that we issue the visa, even though he does not plan to come to Washington and is reconsidering whether he should attend the fund-raiser scheduled for New York on Tuesday. He wants a visa to show his internal critics that we continue to support Sinn Fein's engagement in the peace process. Not getting the visa would put him all the way back to where he was

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cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

last year, and is inconsistent with London's and Dublin's intention to stay in touch.

This plays a part in his plans to keep the republican movement behind him in advance of a reported mid-March IRA army council that will review the cease fire.

Both London and Dublin support our issuing Adams a visa, with London asking that we not meet with him at senior levels in the White House. London has not expressed an opinion as to whether Adams should be restricted from engaging in fund raising under these circumstances. Congressional opinion, as expressed so far, is that Adams should get a visa without restrictions.

State and Justice are prepared to issue a visa. They would prefer fund raising restrictions, but, given that Adams had only one planned for Tuesday in New York, will go along with our recommendation.

The Unionists will cry foul if we issue, as will some of the UK media and some members of Congress who have opposed previous visas.

On balance, we feel that the foreign policy impact for Adams to be able to say that he could have come here, even if he doesn't, outweighs the negative reactions here and in the UK. We would make clear publicly and privately that we expect Adams to work to maintain the IRA cease fire and reaffirm his commitment to the Mitchell Principles and the talks. This would track the British and Irish message on their expectations for his return to the talks. The anticipated time left to complete the Northern Ireland talks is under three months and it is vital that Adams lead Sinn Fein back into the talks next month. Mitchell and London have said that is when work begins in earnest on the end game.

RECOMMENDATION

That Gerry Adams be issued a visa for one entry without any restrictions.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

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TO: BERGER

FROM: BUTLER
BANDLER

DOC DATE: 25 FEB 98
SOURCE REF:

KEYWORDS: IRELAND
NSA CORRESPONDENCE

LEGAL ISSUES

PERSONS: KEANE, MAIREAD

O'HARE, RITA

SUBJECT: RE LTR FM UUP REP ON POSSIBLE TURNOVER IN LOCAL SINN FEIN OFFICE

ACTION: NOTED BY BERGER

DUE DATE: 06 MAR 98 STATUS: C

STAFF OFFICER: BUTLER

LOGREF:

FILES: WH

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February 25, 1998

INFORMATION

Natl Sec Advisor
has seen

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THROUGH: DONALD K. BANDLE *aka*
FROM: LAWRENCE E. BUTLER *aka*
SUBJECT: Letter from Local UUP Representative on
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office

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Ann Smith, the UUP Washington representative, having seen press reports on possible nomination of Rita O'Hare as new Sinn Fein Washington office head, wrote expressing concern that we would consider issuing a visa to a person with her police record. I spoke at length with her obviating the need for a written response. By background, Smith is a naturalized U.S. citizen, originally from Scotland.

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We will have to make a decision in a few weeks whether to recommend a waiver for her to come work here for an extended period. The issues that we need to clarify are (1) whether our own law enforcement community would see her as an unacceptable risk factor and (2) if we should expect a renewed British effort at extradition (currently three in progress, all subjects of intense Congressional interest). We are following up on both those issues. In any event, a visa for O'Hare will be controversial both here and with the Unionist community and could be a distraction for the peace process. Once we have a better read, we will send up a decision memorandum.

Concurrence: James E. Baker *[Signature]*

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Tab A Incoming correspondence



Ulster Unionist Party - North America

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Leader of the Party
W. David Trimble, LLB BL MP
Director, North American Bureau
Jeffrey Donaldson
Bureau Coordinator
Anne W. Smith

February 23, 1998

2/23/98

Sandy Berger
National Security Advisor
The White House
Washington DC 20500

PLEASE STAFF

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Dear Mr. Berger:

I am concerned about recent press reports that Sinn Fein intends to replace its present US representative in Washington DC, Mairead Keane, with Rita O'Hare, currently a public relations officer for Sinn Fein in Dublin, Ireland.

My concern is based on the fact that Ms. O'Hare is a suspect, and is still wanted for questioning, in the 1971 Northern Ireland shooting of Army Warrant Officer Fraser Paton. She escaped to the Irish Republic while on bail and has since been ineligible to re-enter Northern Ireland. Previous to this, she had twice been imprisoned, once for smuggling explosives into Portlaois Jail.

Your help in verifying these charges will be appreciated, as will your assurance that no one with such a criminal record, and such serious charges still pending, could possibly be considered for entry, employment and residence in the United States.

I am also writing to the State Department to alert them to this matter and trust that I will receive early clarification of the situation.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Anne W Smith

Anne W. Smith
Bureau Coordinator

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cc : David Trimble, Leader, Ulster Unionist Party

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SINN FEIN

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR BERGER

DUE DATE: 06 MAR 98 STATUS: S

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IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

ACTION OFFICER: Butler LOG NUMBER: 1316
DUE DATE: 06 Mar
DATE STAFFED: 26 Feb

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESSED TO:

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PRESIDENT

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NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR

FROM: Smith, A

PREPARE A RESPONSE FOR THE PRESIDENT'S OR NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR'S SIGNATURE WITHIN 10 DAYS. IF A LETTER DOES NOT REQUIRE A RESPONSE, PLEASE RETURN IT TO RECORDS MANAGEMENT (RM 379) WITH THIS FORM, ANNOTATED ACCORDINGLY.

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From: Marshall, Betty A.
Sent: Monday, September 08, 1997 1:19 PM
To: Butler, Lawrence E.
Subject: You received a phone call from Dan Heflin. [UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance: High

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URGENT MATTER ON NORTHERN IRELAND!

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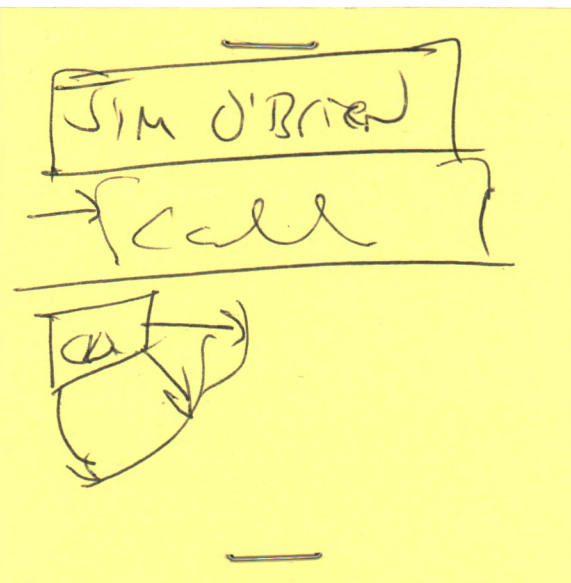
Heflin, Donald L {MsMail}

To: NSC - Larry Butler
Subject: Keogh (IRA guy at JFK)

Larry,

Dan Syckley (sp?) at DOJ told me that the decision was to let Keogh in, but he will be required to report back to INS after his planned travel (wedding, etc.). Reading between the lines, this will give DOJ some time to evaluate its info. He ran this by John Sparks. Sorry this got bumped all the way up to you guys.

Larry - See my
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but slightly
different story.
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September 2, 1997

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: DONALD K. BANDLER *DB*

FROM: LAWRENCE E. BUTLER *LB*

SUBJECT: Your meeting with Sinn Fein Leader Gerry Adams,
September 3, 5:00 p.m.

NOTED

Adams arrived in Washington Tuesday via New York. He will be accompanied by SF officials Martin McGuinness, Caoimhghin O'Caolain (Kwee-veen O'Kway-lin), and Mairead Keane (local office head). He will meet with Commerce Secretary Daley, Senators Dodd, Kennedy and D'Amato, and see members of the House tomorrow before returning to New York (full itinerary attached at Tab **E**). He has a sold out \$500/plate fundraiser at the Waldorf Astoria Thursday. He departs for Dublin on September 7. McGuinness heads to San Francisco to meet the three men facing extradition (Artt, Brennan and Kirby). O'Caolain goes to Chicago.

A key Adams priority is developing a relationship with you and Jim Steinberg. He will thank you for the President's interest, and press for our continued active engagement. He will offer his view of the U.S. role in the peace process as a counterbalance to London, and follow up on Bruce Morrison's issues, mainly deportations. He will be looking towards the Belfast talks on September 9 and seeking your support on the issues.

In Monday's call with the President, Blair outlined his plan to coax Trimble to the table with Sinn Fein by brokering a coordinated statement by Ahern and Blair on the principle of consent and calling for actual decommissioning during the talks (Tab A). Blair asked the President that we urge Adams not to be an obstacle to Ahern doing this. Blair feels this approach will provide sufficient cover to insulate Trimble from criticism by other Unionist who oppose entering talks prior to securing actual decommissioning.

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- OBJ
- ① establish relationship - interest
 - ② IRA cease fire last cease
 - ③ continue to say good things

You should let Adams know we expect the ceasefire to hold and him to seize this opportunity to participate in the talks, and that political change will only come about as the result of negotiated settlements with the consent of all parties. Stress that the parallel decommissioning mechanism must proceed, be implemented in good faith, and be credible to maintain Unionist support for the process. Tell him that we will be suspending deportation proceedings late this week or early next.

IRA ceasefire: all available information from UK and Irish sources indicate that the IRA has completely stood down on military activities. The huge bomb components factory discovered in Ireland last week had been mothballed. Fears that IRA hardliners would defect to INLA and continue attacks did not materialize. A reliable intelligence source suggests IRA will reassess political situation in mid-fall and again next March. Lack of progress in the talks could lead to renewed violence.

Belfast Talks: George Mitchell will convene all the parties September 9 for a business session, with a substantive plenary set for September 15. David Trimble's UUP will decide on participation after Princess Diana's funeral, early next week.

Deportations: Secretary Albright agreed last Friday to sign a letter for the Attorney General asking for a suspension of deportations on foreign policy grounds (Tab B). We are planning to announce this on Friday or early next week.

Points to Make

- Pleased to see you here on basis of ceasefire. You know our strong view that change can only come about through political process with the consent of all parties to achieve negotiated settlement.
- We expect this ceasefire to last. Steps we have taken are based on that expectation. We will finalize suspension of deportations by early next week. The individuals will be able to stay and work here.
- (If asked): We have treaty obligations to continue the extradition proceedings.
- British and Irish governments committed to begin substantive talks next week. We too want to see negotiations begin in three strands as outlined in Framework Documents.

- ① power sharing w/ N. Ireland
- ② N. S. dimension
- ③ Anglo-Irish

Comm
discuss
way
forward
in it to talks
SF IRA - GM
no guns given
until
settlement
GA
should
agree to
whatever 2
gants can
say short
of g'f'ing
a final
decomm

UUP -
"shadow of
gun"

UUP -
me of
Northern
Ireland

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50-95%
of Prot (60%)
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of Cath (40%)

Sign up to Mitchell
principle -
agreed to by
people

Irish
National
Liberation
Army

up to 9

- Our view is that inclusive talks are best basis for progress. We think Sinn Fein should be there, on basis of ceasefire; important for unionists to be there too.
- Hope Trimble and UUP leaders will decide to participate. If they do not, expect two governments to find format to allow negotiations to take place anyway. *U.S.*
- What is your view of UUP intentions? *[decomm]-
process of how*
- Decommissioning proposal put forward by two governments in July was sound; had hoped UUP would agree. It is important that Sinn Fein not object to the governments' efforts to get agreed language on decommissioning to allay Unionist concerns. *guns
hand in
needs
to be
developed in
parallel to
talks*
- This approach will need good faith efforts on all sides at implementation.
- Decommissioning is essential element of achieving lasting settlement; Mitchell Report provides best basis.
- Two governments are moving to set up independent commission; one of its members will be American. *U.S.
[consent]
embodies in*
- Time for parties to focus on substance of negotiations in other strands. Do you expect the governments to come with proposals? *Mitchell
principles:
no settlement
imposed on
parties*
- Agree that confidence-building measures important, many can be implemented without being discussed in talks. British have moved in number of areas; what are your priorities for further measures?
- Need to build confidence of unionist community too. What can we do towards that end?

*parallel
process -
if not at
table
urge to
accept
criticism
of govts -
but not
imposed*

Attachments

- Tab A British language on consent and decommissioning
- Tab B Albright letter on deportations
- Tab C August 29 Mowlam Announcement on Sinn Fein and the Talks
- Tab D Announcement on Independent Commission on Decommissioning
- Tab E Adams/Sinn Fein Itinerary

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: SitRoom
Sent: Friday, August 29, 1997 12:26 PM
To: Bandler, Donald K.; Butler, Lawrence E.; Sigler, Ralph H.; Vershbow, Alexander R.
Subject: LOWERING SLIGHTLY THE PROFILE OF GERRY ADAMS'

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NSC FOR SANDY BERGER FROM AMBASSADOR SMITH

STATE FOR P, E, EUR AND EUR/UBI

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TAGS: PREL, PTER, UK, EI

SUBJECT: LOWERING SLIGHTLY THE PROFILE OF GERRY ADAMS'
VISIT

REF: DUBLIN 4477

(U) CLASSIFIED BY AMB. JEAN KENNEDY SMITH. REASON 1.5 (B)

1. (C) AS GERRY ADAMS AND CO. PREPARE TO ARRIVE IN THE U.S. NEXT WEEK, I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPACT HIS INCREASINGLY HIGH PROFILE VISIT COULD HAVE ON THE PEACE PROCESS. AS JIM STEINBERG AND I RECENTLY DISCUSSED (AND AS BILL CROWE AND KATHY STEPHENS CAN CERTAINLY ATTEST), THERE IS A NEED TO TAKE STEPS TO KEEP THE UNIONISTS ON BOARD.

2. (C) ON TOP OF MO MOWLAM'S INVITATION TODAY FOR SINN FEIN TO ATTEND THE TALKS ON SEPTEMBER 9, AND RECENT BRITIS MOVES ON PRISONERS, UNIONIST AND LOYALIST REACTONS TO NEXT WEEK'S MEDIA IMAGES OF SINN FEIN COULD SEVERELY COMPLICATE THE LAUNCH OF ALL-PARTY TALKS MEETINGS WITH U.S. OFFICIALS AT ALL LEVELS WILL FEED THE WIDELY HELD PERCEPTION THAT THE U.S. IS PREJUDICED IN FAVOR OF REPUBLICANS, AND WILL PROVIDE GRIST FOR THE MILL FOR THOSE UNIONISTS DETERMINED NOT TO TALK TO SINN FEIN.

3. (C) IT IS ONE THING FOR ADAMS TO BE WELCOMED ON THE HILL OR IN MEDIA CIRCLES, BUT I THINK WE SHOULD REVIEW THE VOLUME OF SINN FEIN MEETINGS WITH CABINET OFFICIALS. (IN ADDITION TO A MEETING WITH YOU, THE ITINERAR PROVIDED TO US BY SINN FEIN YESTERDAY -- REFTEL -- SHOWS A CONFIRMED MEETING WITH BILL DALEY ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.) I RECOGNIZE IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO CHANGE MEETINGS AT THIS LATE DATE, AND WE DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO CREATE THE PERCEPTION OF A DELIBERATE CANCELLATION WHICH COULD HARMOUR EFFORTS TO KEEP SINN FEIN ON TRACK.

4. (C) EVERTHELESS, PERHAPS THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DALEY SESSION COULD BE COVERED IN A MEETING WITH JIM LYON OR STU EISENSTADT INSTEAD, AND WE COULD TELL SINN FEIN THAT THE DALEY MEETING SHOULD COME LATER, WHEN THE TALKS HAVE PROGRESSED AND THE CLIMATE FOR TRADE AND INVESTMENT HAS

RIPENED. IN ADDITION TO BEING PREMATURE, I BELIEVE AN ADAMS MEETING WITH BILL DALEY AT THIS POINT WOULD UNDERMINE JOHN HUME, WHO, AFTER ALL, PIONEERED THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMPONENT OF THE PEACE PROCESS AND SHOULD BE THE FIRST IRISH NATIONALIST TO MEET WITH THE NEW U.S. SECRETARY OF COMMERCE.

5. ~~(C)~~ I LEAVE IT TO YOU TO EVALUATE THE IMPACT OF YOUR OWN MEETING WITH ADAMS IN THIS RAPIDLY EVOLVING SITUATION. THE PRESIDENT'S PLEDGE TO WORK WITH SINN FEIN ON AN EQUAL BASIS AS THE OTHER PARTIES (IN THE CONTEXT OF AN UNEQUIVOCAL CEASEFIRE) WOULD STILL HOLD IF ADAMS IS GRANTED JUST ONE CABINET-LEVEL MEETING.

6. ~~(C)~~ TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, ADMINISTRATION STATEMENTS ISSUED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE SINN FEIN VISIT SHOULD MAKE REFERENCE TO JOHN HUME AND THE SDLP'S UNFLAGGING EFFORTS OVER THE PAST 25 YEARS TO PROMOTE PEACE AND RECONCILIATION, AND SHOULD WELCOME SINN FEIN'S ENTRY INTO THE FOLD. JUST AS WE ARE REACHING OUT TO DAVID TRIMBLE THIS FALL, WE SHOULD ALSO BE SURE TO INVITE JOHN HUME TO WASHINGTON JUST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE ADAMS VISIT.

7. ~~(C)~~ ONE FINAL THOUGHT: GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE THAT FUNDRAISING WILL PLAY IN THIS UPCOMING VISIT, I INTEND TO URGE LOCAL SINN FEIN OFFICIALS -- AND SUGGEST WASHINGTON DO THE SAME WITH ADAMS -- TO DONATE A PORTION OF THE FUNDS RAISED TO VICTIM RELIEF EFFORTS, SUCH AS THE TRUST FUND THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AT JOHN JAY COLLEGE IN NEW YORK FOR THE FAMILY OF GARDA JERRY MCCABE WHO WAS KILLED BY THE IRA IN 1996. SMITH

Butler, Lawrence E.

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TAGS: PGOV, PTER, PREL, UK, EI
SUBJECT: TRIMBLE CONSIDERS HIS OPTIONS

1. (U) SUMMARY: THE ULSTER UNIONIST PARTY (UUP) HAS POSTPONED UNTIL AFTER THE PRINCESS OF WALES' FUNERAL ANNOUNCING WHETHER IT INTENDS TO JOIN MULTI-PARTY POLITICAL TALKS INCLUDING SINN FEIN. THREE UUP MPS HAVE PUBLICLY DEMANDED THAT THE PARTY NOT REJOIN THE TALKS AT STORMONT COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 9. IN THE MEANTIME, UUP LEADER DAVID TRIMBLE, IN A CONTINUATION OF THE PARTY'S "CONSULTATIONS" PRIOR TO ANNOUNCING ITS DECISION, HELD THE PARTY'S FIRST-EVER OFFICIAL MEETING WITH THE CATHOLIC PRIMATE OF IRELAND.

2. (SBU) TRIMBLE TOLD CONSUL GENERAL AUGUST 31 THAT HE IS "THINKING ABOUT" VISITING THE U.S. AT SOME POINT IN THE AUTUMN, BUT DOES NOT WANT HIS VISIT TO, IN HIS WORDS, "PROVIDE COVER FOR SOMEONE ELSE'S VISIT" (I.E. GERRY ADAMS). END SUMMARY.

3. (U) IN THE AFTERMATH OF LAST WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENT BY SECRETARY OF STATE MO MOWLAM THAT SINN FEIN WAS BEING INVITED TO JOIN THE TALKS AT STORMONT, THREE UUP MPS HAVE SEPARATELY ISSUED PUBLIC CALLS ON THEIR PARTY LEADER NOT TO REJOIN THOSE TALKS.

4. (U) THE NEWLY-ELECTED UUP MP FOR WEST TYRONE, WILLIAM THOMPSON, WAS THE FIRST TO BREAK RANKS. "THE IRA/SINN FEIN HAVE BOMBED THEIR WAY TO THE NEGOTIATION TABLE. ALL THE BOASTS OVER THE YEARS BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT THAT THEY COULD NEVER GIVE IN TO VIOLENCE HAVE NOW PROVED TO BE EMPTY AND MEANINGLESS," THOMPSON SAID. HE CALLED ON THE UUP TO BOYCOTT THE MULTI-PARTY TALKS.

5. (U) WILLIAM ROSS, MP FOR EAST LONDONDERRY, SAID THE UUP SHOULD NOT TAKE PART IN THE TALKS UNTIL THE IRA BEGAN HANDING OVER ITS WEAPONS. ROSS SAID THAT

THE VIEW OF MANY WAS THAT THE UUP SHOULD HAVE NO CONTACT WITH "THESE THUGS." ROSS SAID THERE SHOULD BE NO UUP PARTICIPATION IN TALKS WITH SINN FEIN UNTIL WHAT HE CALLED A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED.

6. (U) THE REV. MARTIN SMYTH, THE THIRD UUP MP TO VOICE DISQUIET OVER FACE-TO-FACE TALKS WITH SINN FEIN, SAID THE PROSPECT OF ATTENDING SUCH TALKS CAUSED TRAUMA AT ALL LEVELS OF THE PARTY AND EVEN THOSE MEMBERS WHO ADVOCATED DIRECT TALKS WITH REPUBLICANS WERE DEEPLY UNSATISFIED AT THE PROSPECT.

7. (U) MEANWHILE, UUP LEADER DAVID TRIMBLE MET THE CATHOLIC PRIMATE OF IRELAND ARCHBISHOP SEAN BRADY SEPTEMBER 1. THE MEETING, WHICH WAS AT THE UUP'S REQUEST, WAS THE FIRST SUCH OFFICIAL DISCUSSION BETWEEN A UNIONIST PARTY LEADER AND THE CATHOLIC PRIMATE. THE UUP DESCRIBED IT AS ONE OF A SERIES IN A CONSULTATION EXERCISE UNDERTAKEN BY THE PARTY IN ADVANCE OF ITS DECISION WHETHER TO PARTICIPATE IN TALKS INCLUDING SINN FEIN. AFTER THE MEETING WITH THE PRIMATE, TRIMBLE SAID HE WAS POSTPONING FURTHER POLITICAL COMMENT, AND THE UUP'S DECISION ON THE TALKS, UNTIL AFTER THE PRINCESS OF WALES' FUNERAL ON SATURDAY. BOTH SIDES REFUSED TO DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF THE MEETING BUT IT IS THOUGHT THE ARCHBISHOP REITERATED HIS PREVIOUS POSITION THAT POLITICIANS SHOULD NOT WASTE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR PEACE.

8. (SBU) SDLP MP EDDIE MCGRADY TOLD CONSUL GENERAL AUGUST 31 THAT TRIMBLE IS FACING "OPEN REBELLION" IN HIS PARTY, BUT THAT HE WAS HOPEFUL TRIMBLE, WHO HAS BEEN MAKING HARD-LINE STATEMENTS ABOUT SINN FEIN WHILE CAREFULLY KEEPING HIS OPTIONS OPEN, WOULD IN THE END DECIDE TO STAY IN THE TALKS. AT THE SAME FUNCTION, TRIMBLE TOLD CONSUL GENERAL HE WAS "CONSIDERING" A TRIP TO THE U.S. BUT WAS CONCERNED THAT HIS VISIT TO THE U.S. NOT BE USED AS A "COVER FOR UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 02 BELFAST 0301

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SOMEONE ELSE'S (I.E. GERRY ADAMS') TRIP." CONSUL GENERAL TOLD TRIMBLE HE WOULD RECEIVE A VERY WARM WELCOME AND STRONG INTEREST IN HIS MESSAGE IN THE U.S., AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE HE WOULD BE ABLE TO VISIT SOON.

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MEMORANDUM

July 16, 1997

TO: POTUS

FROM: Bruce A. Morrison

RE: Report on Confidential Meeting With G.A. on July 12, 1997

1. G.A. recognizes the extraordinary personal commitment you have made to the peace process and to the effort to restore the IRA ceasefire with the resulting continuation of substantive contacts between the NSC and G.A. over the past 17 months.
2. G.A. and the S.F. leadership are committed to presenting the IRA with a package they cannot refuse as the basis of an unequivocal cessation.
3. There is no guarantee of success, but the attempt to achieve this result is imminent. The goal is to meet the time requirements to join the talks process on September 15, 1997.
4. It is essential that the IRA leadership and volunteers learn of this package from G.A., not the media; thus absolute confidentiality of the current initiative is paramount.
5. Telephone and written contact continues between the British government and SF with the expectation of a definitive public statement by Mo Mowlam very soon which will signal the continuing British commitment on a post-ceasefire process and actions.
6. Similarly, ongoing contacts between S.F. and the Ahearn government are expected to produce the necessary assurances of the Irish government role and commitments following a new ceasefire.
7. The assurances to S.F. that our group (i.e., Feeney, Flynn, Jamison, Morrison, and O'Dowd) gave in 1994 to support an Irish Republican adoption of an exclusively political strategy economically and politically remain in place.
8. Until the new ceasefire is achieved, S.F. cannot prevent the possibility that violent incidents may occur, and while condemnations would be expected, derailment of the current effort and commitments would not.

9. With the expectation that the British, Irish, and Irish American elements of the package are imminently to be put in place, the following U.S. government commitments are requested:
- a. Immediate proactive engagement with the British and Irish governments to encourage forcefully the most generous possible responses to the current exchanges with S.F.
 - b. Recognition and acknowledgment that a ceasefire is not an end in itself, but rather a necessary precursor to an inclusive negotiating process in which significant substantive change in the status quo is the prerequisite of a settlement.
 - c. Understanding that a ceasefire does not mean abandonment of the Republican objective of an independent, sovereign, united Irish Republic but a commitment to pursue this objective by solely democratic means and to stand behind any agreed settlement despite its failure to fully meet Republican objectives.
 - d. A commitment to interact with the ongoing negotiations and all parties thereto in a manner which rewards reasonable and principled compromise over intransigence and insistence on the status quo.
 - e. Proactive support of the British and Irish government commitments to handle the decommissioning issue fully in accordance with the Mitchell report and not to permit this issue to block the substantive settlement negotiations.
 - f. After a cessation, to promptly restore to S.F. representatives the visa and White House access that existed prior to Canary Wharf, including participation in fundraising activities (monitored as in the past), and not to use the waiver granting process nor White House access as a means to leverage political concessions from S.F. The expectation is that G.A. would seek to come to the U.S. right after Labor Day, assuming a new cessation is achieved by early August. He would expect to participate in fundraising events. Prior to that, there would be non-fundraising visits by key S.F. activists to meet with elements of the Republican base in the U.S.

- g. In order to prevent disruption of the settlement negotiations by the involuntary return of individuals with British convictions arising from Republican activities, to suspend and ultimately abandon the removal or extradition of such individuals currently within the U.S. This would constitute a confidence-building measure by the U.S. in parallel with British and Irish undertakings on Irish Republican prisoners and would include persuading the British government to abandon its pending extradition requests. The total number of individuals is fewer than twenty. The intervention in the judicial process would be justified by foreign policy considerations.
- h. An understanding that the settlement negotiations cannot succeed without a justice agenda which recognizes the rights of nationalists in the north of Ireland to real equality of treatment and institutional recognition of their national and political identity as Irish. The institutional arrangements to achieve this goal are negotiable. The principle is not.
- i. A presidential statement welcoming the new cessation which embodies the understandings and commitments outlined in the forgoing eight subparagraphs.

I believe this opportunity to restore the peace process is real and imminent. Your role was critical to what was achieved in 1994 and is now critical both to the achievement of the ceasefire and the substantive character of the negotiations to follow.

Advance press guidance for use after the SRB -Adams meeting
MUST CHECK AFTER MEETING FOR ACCURACY
September 3 at 5 p.m..

NORTHERN IRELAND
September 3, 1997

Q: Did Gerry Adams have a meeting at the White House today?

A: Mr. Adams, accompanied by a number of his Sinn Fein colleagues, Martin McGuinness, Caimhghin O'Caolin (Kwee-Veen O'Kway-lin), and Mairead Keane, met with National Security Advisor Samuel Berger for 30 minutes today. Earlier he met with Commerce Secretary Daley where they discussed U.S. commercial opportunities in Northern Ireland.

Q: What was the purpose of the Berger meeting?

A: The Administration continues to use its influence to support the efforts of the British and Irish governments and the people of Northern Ireland to find a just and lasting peace, once which is acceptable to all the people there. Towards this end, we maintain contacts with all parties prepared to engage in peaceful negotiating process to achieve this. We particularly appreciate the contributions that such leading politicians as John Hume, David Trimble and others have made to this process.

Q: What did they talk about?

A: They reviewed the situation in Northern Ireland subsequent to the renewal of the IRA ceasefire and the political prospects for the peace process in advance of the talks under Senator George Mitchell which resume in Belfast next week. Adams told Berger that his party is committed to peaceful negotiations in pursuit of its political objectives. Berger emphasized that we expect the renewed IRA ceasefire to last and that Sinn Fein will engage the other parties in serious negotiations starting next week.

Berger urged Sinn Fein to engage at the new Independent Commission on Decommissioning in a good faith and serious discussion on decommissioning. He told him that we are contributing a senior American diplomat to be one of the Commissioners.

(if asked) The selection of the American should be finalized this week.

I will not get into the specifics of the exchanges at the meeting.

Q: **Did they discuss assurance that the Administration give Sinn Fein regarding visas for Sinn Fein leaders, access to the President, fundraising in the United States, and suspension of IRA deportation cases, in the event of a renewed IRA ceasefire?**

A: **Early on, after Gerry Adams announced that he would recommend to the IRA that it reestablish the ceasefire, we informed Sinn Fein officials that in the event of a ceasefire, we would be prepared to take appropriate confidence-building measures to support the ceasefire and the peace process.**

We are not going to go into detail about those confidence-building measures.

Q: **What about the deportation cases?**

A: This question did come up in the meeting, but we are not going to go into specifics of possible confidence-building measures.

Q: **What will happen to the peace process if the UUP decides not to attend the September 9 and September 15 talks in Belfast?**

We hope that doesn't happen. We understand this a decision that the UUP has yet to take. The British and Irish governments have expressed commitment to a consensual process, to negotiated settlement, and have established a new Independent Commission to move the process of decommissioning forward in parallel with the Belfast talks. We would hope that the UUP is at the table in order to have all parties represented in a serious negotiation.

Q: **What is Senator Mitchell's role?**

Senator Mitchell is chairing the talks in Belfast. We expect him to continue.

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: SitRoom
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 1997 7:48 PM
To: Butler, Lawrence E.; Johnson, David T.; Luzzatto, Anne R.; McEldowney, Nancy E.; Rubin, Eric S.
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^Sinn Fein leaders arrive in U.S. for American clout, cash<

^EDs: Caiminhghin O Caiolian in 5th graf is cq.<

^AP Photo NYR113<

^By SHAWN POGATCHNIK=

^Associated Press Writer=

NEW YORK (AP) Less than a week before the start of talks on the future of Northern Ireland, three Sinn Fein leaders arrived in the United States on Tuesday to begin a whirlwind tour seeking clout and cash.

Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams, upon arriving at Kennedy International Airport, said his party is committed to achieving a united Ireland through peaceful negotiations. He called the talks the last, best chance this century to end the sectarian violence in the British province.

"We want to make it very clear that a united Ireland isn't only possible, but we're going to make it a reality," Adams said during a stopover before flying to Washington.

Adams reiterated Sinn Fein's agenda for peace negotiations, which include an end to British Army operations in Northern Ireland, a guarantee of equality for Catholics in Northern Ireland and an end to British jurisdiction over the province.

Adams, Sinn Fein chief negotiators Martin McGuinness and Caiminhghin O Caiolian, also a Sinn Fein member of the Irish Parliament, have six days of events scheduled in the U.S. They plan to lobby Wednesday and Thursday with government officials and attend rallies and fund-raisers in New York, San Francisco and Chicago.

Over the last 18 months, Adams has raised his profile in the United States and established a fundraising arm that has netted his party \$2 million.

Last week, Britain announced that the IRA-allied Sinn Fein party would join peace talks, an invitation that came after the Irish Republican Army announced a cease-fire seven weeks ago. Talks scheduled to begin Sept. 15 with Sinn Fein would be the first such negotiations since the IRA launched its violent campaign to end British rule of the province in 1970.

The last IRA cease-fire collapsed in February 1996 after 17 months.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair promised Sinn Fein speedy admission to negotiations if the IRA laid down its arms. Blair promised that Protestant demands for the IRA to start disarming the issue that deadlocked progress last time wouldn't become an obstacle.

Adams expects to meet President Clinton's national security adviser, Sandy Berger, on Wednesday. It would be his first White House visit since Jan. 30, 1996 10 days before the IRA resumed hostilities with a truck bomb in London that killed two men.

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Butler, Lawrence E.

From: Crowley, Philip J.
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NORTHERN IRELAND
September 3, 1997

Q: Who is Gerry Adams meeting at the White House today?

A: Mr. Adams will meet with the National Security Advisor later this afternoon.

Q: Who else is he meeting in the Administration?

A: Adams will see Commerce Secretary Daley this afternoon. This is consistent with the Administration's desire to maintain even-handed contacts with all parties in Northern Ireland in support of the peace process. Adams met with the previous Secretary of Commerce the last time he was here. The purpose of the meeting to discuss U.S. trade and investment opportunities in Northern Ireland, and upcoming U.S. business development missions.

If pressed: I refer you to the Washington Sinn Fein office for details of his itinerary.

Q: What will Berger and Adams talk about?

A: They will review the Northern Ireland peace process subsequent to the renewal of the IRA ceasefire and in advance of the resumption of the talks under Senator George Mitchell in Belfast.

We will stress the importance on maintaining the ceasefire and the desirability of all parties to participate constructively in the upcoming talks.

SRB Updates, September 3

Trimble at the Talks: A NI journalist told me last night that while Trimble won't be at the table with Martin McGuinness on September 9 (business session), one of his representatives will. The UUP has postponed its formal decision on whether to participate in the talks to late next week.

Northern Ireland - Loyalist Issues: Mowlam is going to factor in the Loyalist ceasefire when the life sentences for 164 loyalist prisoners come up for review (typically after 10 years in jail). This gives the Loyalist parties something to balance what they have seen as one-sided concessions to Sinn Fein/IRA.

Northern Ireland - John Hume: John Hume is doing a "Hamlet" on whether to run for the Irish presidency. He is a shoo-in, but would leave a void in the SDLP/nationalist community. Albert Reynolds would have a walkover if Hume pulls out.

Consent: Mowlam is trying to undo the damage her remarks on consent last week caused, writing to two Loyalist party leaders (Ervine and McMichael) that the status of the North as part of the UK would not be changed without majority consent of the people.

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: Rubin, Eric S.
Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 1997 10:07 AM
To: @EXECSEC - Executive Secretary; @EUROPE - European Affairs; @PRESS - Public Affairs; @PLANNING - Strat Plan & Comm
Subject: Adams Stakeout [UNCLASSIFIED]

Anne Edwards reports that the stakeout location is being set up now on West Exec Ave near the blocked outside stairs to the West Lobby entrance. This will be the first stakeout in the new temporary location and Anne requests that someone who is in the SRB meeting walk Adams out through the basement entrance so he knows where to go (he's an old pro at this but the setup is changed due to the construction). We will be at the stakeout, as will Megan Moloney of Media Affairs. Anne Luzzatto will get a readout from Jim or Larry after the meeting and will give an informinformally brief reporters after Adams leaves.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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September 2, 1997

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: DONALD K. BANDLER *B*

FROM: LAWRENCE E. BUTLER *D*

SUBJECT: Your meeting with Sinn Fein Leader Gerry Adams,
September 3, 5:00 p.m.

Adams arrived in Washington Tuesday via New York. He will be accompanied by SF officials Martin McGuinness, Caoimhghin O'Caolain (Kwee-veen O'Kway-lin), and Mairead Keane (local office head). He will meet with Commerce Secretary Daley, Senators Dodd, Kennedy and D'Amato, and see members of the House tomorrow before returning to New York (full itinerary attached at Tab C). He has a sold out \$500/plate fundraiser at the Waldorf Astoria Thursday. He departs for Dublin on September 7. McGuinness heads to San Francisco to meet the three men facing extradition (Artt, Brennan and Kirby). O'Caolain goes to Chicago.

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A key Adams priority is developing a relationship with you and Jim Steinberg. He will thank you for the President's interest, and press for our continued active engagement. He will offer his view of the U.S. role in the peace process as a counterbalance to London, and follow up on Bruce Morrison's issues, mainly deportations. He will be looking towards the Belfast talks on September 9 and seeking your support on the issues.

In Monday's call with the President, Blair outlined his plan to coax Trimble to the table with Sinn Fein by brokering a coordinated statement by Ahern and Blair on the principle of consent and calling for actual decommissioning during the talks (Tab A). Blair asked the President that we urge Adams not to be an obstacle to Ahern doing this. Blair feels this approach will provide sufficient cover to insulate Trimble from criticism by other Unionist who oppose entering talks prior to securing actual decommissioning.

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You should let Adams know we expect the ceasefire to hold and him to seize this opportunity to participate in the talks, and that political change will only come about as the result of negotiated settlements with the consent of all parties. Stress that the parallel decommissioning mechanism must proceed, be implemented in good faith, and be credible to maintain Unionist support for the process. Tell him that we will be suspending deportation proceedings late this week or early next.

all we see
IRA ceasefire: all available information from UK and Irish sources indicate that the IRA has completely stood down on military activities. The huge bomb components factory discovered in Ireland last week had been mothballed. Fears that IRA hardliners would defect to INLA and continue attacks did not materialize. A reliable intelligence source suggests IRA will reassess political situation in mid-fall and again next March. Lack of progress in the talks could lead to renewed violence.

Organization - how to proceed
Belfast Talks: George Mitchell will convene all the parties September 9 for a business session, with a substantive plenary set for September 15. David Trimble's UUP will decide on participation after Princess Diana's funeral, early next week.

Inclusive talks are a key
Deportations: Secretary Albright agreed last Friday to sign a letter for the Attorney General asking for a suspension of deportations on foreign policy grounds (Tab B). We are planning to announce this on Friday or early next week.

Points to Make

- Pleased to see you here on basis of ceasefire. You know our strong view that change can only come about through political process with the consent of all parties to achieve negotiated settlement.
- We expect this ceasefire to last. Steps we have taken are based on that expectation. We will finalize suspension of deportations by early next week. The individuals will be able to stay and work here.
- (If asked): We have treaty obligations to continue the extradition proceedings.
- British and Irish governments committed to begin substantive talks next week. We too want to see negotiations begin in three strands as outlined in Framework Documents.

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- Our view is that inclusive talks are best basis for progress. We think Sinn Fein should be there, on basis of ceasefire; important for unionists to be there too.
- Hope Trimble and UUP leaders will decide to participate. If they do not, expect two governments to find format to allow negotiations to take place anyway.
- What is your view of UUP intentions? *Have an indep. Comm. on Decommissioning - we are identifying as state and for one of 3 causes (Cottrell - Finn + Cash)*
- ~~Decommissioning proposal put forward by two governments in July was sound; had hoped UUP would agree.~~ It is important that Sinn Fein not object to the governments' efforts to get agreed language on decommissioning to allay Unionist concerns. *Ben de Chastelain*
- This approach will need good faith efforts on all sides at implementation.
- Decommissioning is essential element of achieving lasting settlement; Mitchell Report provides best basis. *Coleman Mitchell - de Chastelain*
- Two governments are moving to set up independent commission; one of its members will be American.
- Time for parties to focus on substance of negotiations in other strands. Do you expect the governments to come up with proposals?
- Agree that confidence-building measures important, many can be implemented without being discussed in talks. British have moved in number of areas; what are your priorities for further measures?
- Need to build confidence of unionist community too. What can we do towards that end?

Attachments

- Tab A British language on consent and decommissioning
- Tab B Albright letter on deportations
- Tab C August 29 Mowlam Announcement on Sinn Fein and the Talks
- Tab D Announcement on Independent Commission on Decommissioning
- Tab E Adams/Sinn Fein Itinerary

NORTHERN IRELAND

The two Governments believe that it may be helpful to clarify their views on two crucial issues, consent and decommissioning, in the run-up to the proposed resumption of all-party talks.

Consent is one of the fundamental principles set out in the Downing Street Declaration of December 1993, which received broad cross-party support at the time. The two Governments remain fully committed to these principles, which will continue to determine their own approach to the negotiations on a political settlement due to begin on 15 September. They recognise the key importance of the consent principle, under which there can be no change in the status of Northern Ireland other than with the consent of a majority of the people, and believe it should be a guiding principle through the negotiations, from which no outcome is of course excluded or predetermined.

The two Governments also attach great importance to the decommissioning of illegal weapons, which is why they have passed the appropriate legislation in their respective jurisdictions and agreed to establish an Independent Commission. Security experts in both jurisdictions have made preparations to brief the Commission so that options for draft schemes for decommissioning, in conformity with the Mitchell report and the Independent Commission's terms of reference, are available for discussion with all the participants from 15 September. The two Governments remain totally committed to the implementation of the Mitchell Report in all its aspects, and believe early progress on decommissioning will be an indispensable part of the confidence building process in the negotiations. Successful decommissioning will ultimately depend on the cooperation of the paramilitary organisations themselves. But both

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Governments want to see actual decommissioning under way alongside progress in the political negotiations and look to all parties to negotiate in good faith on this basis.

The two Governments have also considered the question of Chairmanship of the Independent Commission on decommissioning. They believe that General John de Chastelain is extremely well qualified to take on this task and have therefore asked him to do so with the agreement of the parties. This clearly raises questions about General de Chastelain's ability to devote time to his other role as one of the three independent Chairmen of the political talks, in particular his proposed Chairmanship of Strand 2 of the talks. The two Governments, following consultation with the Independent Chairmen, therefore intend to propose that, to avoid problems of overload, Senator Mitchell or Prime Minister Holkeri should be available to deputise for General de Chastelain in Strand 2 whenever necessary or appropriate.

Clarify as

Dear Madam Attorney General:

As you know, the President has been strongly committed to ending the violence in Northern Ireland and to promoting the peace process in that troubled part of the world. The United States is also committed to the eradication of terrorism and to the rigorous enforcement of the immigration laws against aliens who have engaged in terrorist activity.

The British Government on August 29 announced that the cease-fire declared on July 19 by the Irish Republican Army is "genuine in word and deed." The British and Irish Governments have long held that Sinn Fein may join in the all-party talks in Belfast only when the IRA has ceased all violent operations. The United States has strongly supported this position, and welcomes both the cease-fire itself and the inclusion of Sinn Fein in the talks, which are chaired by former U.S. Senator George Mitchell and which we consider to be the best means of achieving a lasting, overall settlement in Northern Ireland. The Administration is committed to helping the parties seize the opportunity that now exists. The suspension of U.S. efforts to deport a small number of individuals who have supported the IRA but who are now here in the United States could sustain confidence in the peace process.

It is my understanding that roughly nine individuals are at issue. We do not approve or condone their past acts of terrorism. Nor do we accept their legal arguments against deportation. But, in light of our interest in achieving a lasting, overall settlement in Northern Ireland, we request that, as a matter of discretion and without prejudice to the Administration's legal position, you take action pursuant to your authorities, including those under the Immigration and Nationality Act, to ensure that these individuals will not be deported from the United States at this time.

I would like to stress that this request does not concern or relate to cases of extradition, as to which we have international obligations and other considerations apply.

Sincerely,



NORTHERN IRELAND Information Service

29 August 1997

STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

The Secretary of State, Dr Marjorie Mowlam MP, announced today that she has decided to invite Sinn Fein to enter the Talks process.

Dr Mowlam said: "I have reached this decision after careful consideration of all the circumstances, following the announcement on 19 July of an unequivocal restoration of the ceasefire of August 1994 by the IRA.

"In reaching it I have considered carefully all of the evidence available to me about the restoration of the IRA ceasefire and about Sinn Fein's commitment to exclusively peaceful methods and their wish to abide by the democratic process.

"Among other things I have:

- reviewed the position on the ground with the Chief Constable, the GOC and my other security advisers;
- following an initial preparatory meeting by officials, met Sinn Fein face-to-face myself;
- consulted the Irish Government, as my predecessor indicated would be done during the second reading of the Bill;
- and observed over this period a consistent pattern in word and deed;
- noted the absence of IRA activity on the ground.

The Secretary of State stressed that in taking her decision she is acting in accordance with the legislation setting up the negotiations:

"Against the background of the legislation, I have now decided that Sinn Fein meets the requirements. I will accordingly invite its nominating representative to nominate a team to participate in the negotiations.

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"I know that the road ahead will not be easy. There will be differing views around the table. However, I trust that there will now be a significant step forward when the substantive talks begin on 15 September and that all participating parties will commit themselves to negotiate a settlement based on consent.

"I would like to reiterate the words of Tony Blair on his first visit to Northern Ireland as Prime Minister in May last. I am convinced that the time is right finally to put the past behind us and meet the deep thirst of the people of Northern Ireland for peace, normality and prosperity'."

Notes for Editors

Sinn Fein was one of the parties which succeeded in gaining representation in the election held in May last year under the Northern Ireland (Entry to Negotiations, etc) Act 1996, when they received 16% of the vote. By virtue of Section 2(2) of that Act the Secretary of State is obliged as soon as practicable to invite the nominating representative of each party for which delegates have been returned in accordance with Schedule 1 to nominate, from among those delegates, a team to participate in the negotiation.

However by virtue of Section 2(3) the Secretary of State is to refrain from inviting nominations from the nominating representative of a party, and shall exclude delegates already nominated from entering into the negotiations, if and for as long as she considers that the requirements set out in paragraphs 8 and 9 of Command Paper 3232 are not met in relation to the party.

Paragraph 8 of that Command Paper makes clear that the negotiations will involve all those political parties which achieve representation through the electoral process and which "as set out in the Communiqué of 28 February 1996, establish a commitment to exclusively peaceful methods" and which have shown that they "abide by the democratic process". Paragraph 9 recalls the agreement of the British and Irish Governments that Sinn Fein's participation in negotiations requires the unequivocal restoration of the ceasefire of August 1994.

Article 2

- (1) The Commission shall be independent in the performance of its functions.
- (2) The Commission shall have the legal capacity of a body corporate in accordance with the Decommissioning Act, 1997 and any Order made by the Secretary of State under the Northern Ireland Arms Decommissioning Act 1997.

Article 3

The objective of the Commission is to facilitate the decommissioning of firearms, ammunition, explosives and explosive substances (hereinafter referred to as "arms") in accordance with the Report of the International Body, any regulations or arrangements made under the Decommissioning Act, 1997 and any decommissioning schemes within the meaning of section 1 of the Northern Ireland Arms Decommissioning Act 1997.

Article 4

In fulfilment of the objective set out in Article 3, the Commission shall have the following functions:

- (a) to consult with the participants in political negotiations in Northern Ireland, including both Governments, and others whom it deems relevant on the type of scheme or schemes for decommissioning including the role it might play in respect of each scheme;
- (b) to present to the two Governments proposals for schemes for decommissioning having due regard to the views expressed by those it has consulted;

- (c) to undertake, in accordance with any regulations or arrangements made under the Decommissioning Act, 1997 and any decommissioning schemes within the meaning of section 1, and in accordance with section 3, of the Northern Ireland Arms Decommissioning Act 1997, such tasks that may be required of it to facilitate the decommissioning of arms, including observing, monitoring and verifying decommissioning and receiving and auditing arms; and
- (d) to report periodically to both Governments and, through whatever mechanism they may establish for that purpose, the other participants in political negotiations in Northern Ireland.

Article 5

The Commission shall consist of not less than two members. The members shall be appointed jointly by the two Governments who may also appoint additional members from time to time. The two Governments may jointly appoint one of the members as Chairperson. The members of the Commission shall serve on terms and conditions decided by the two Governments.

Article 6

The Commission, its property and premises, and the persons referred to in section 3(4)(b) of the Decommissioning Act, 1997 and in section 7(2)(c) of the Northern Ireland Arms Decommissioning Act 1997 shall have such privileges, immunities and inviolabilities as may be conferred or provided for in accordance with orders made by the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform and the Secretary of State under those Acts.

Article 7

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Article 9

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Article 10

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In witness whereof the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done at Belfast in two originals on the 26th day of August 1997.

For the Government of Ireland:

For the Government of the United Kingdom:

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Itinerary as of 28 August 1997 11:25am



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Public Itinerary for United States Visit
Gerry Adams, MP • Martin McGuinness, MP • Caoimhghin Ó Caoláin, TD

Tuesday 2 September 1997

WASHINGTON, DC

2:30pm

Adams, McGuinness, Ó Caoláin arrive in NY
Aer Lingus Flight EI 105M

3:15pm - 4:00pm

Press Conference - JFK Airport
The Press Room at JFK
Building 14

4:45pm

Delegation departs for Washington National
TWA Flight 7745

6:02pm

Delegation Arrives at Washington National

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Irish American Community Reception
Phoenix Park Hotel Ballroom
520 North Capitol Street, NW
Contact: Nuala Moore (202) 662-8830

Wednesday 3 September 1997

WASHINGTON, DC

9am - 10am

Press Conference
National Press Building
529 14th Street, NW

12pm - 12:30pm

Senator Alfonse D'Amato

Itinerary as of 28 August 1997 11:25am

Thursday 4 September **WASHINGTON, DC**
8:15am - 9:00am Members of Congress
403 Cannon, Rep. Peter King's Office
Contact: Dan Michaelis (202) 224-7896

10:00am - 11:00am International Relations Committee
Capitol Building H-139
Contact: Linda Solomon (202) 225-5808
Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich will attend

11:30am Senator Robert Torricelli
113 Dirksen
Contact: Mara Cleary (202) 224-3224

1pm
Thursday 4 September Depart for NYC
5:30pm - 6:00pm **NEW YORK**
Press Conference
Waldorf Astoria Hotel
Starlight Roof
Park Avenue and 50th Street
NY, NY

6:00pm - 10:00PM FOSF Fundraiser
Waldorf Astoria
Park Avenue and 50th Street NY, NY

Itinerary as of 28 August 1997 11:25am

Friday 5 September 1997 NEW YORK

10:50am - 12:15pm : Speaker Vallone
Mayor Rudolph Guillian
Press Conference - Blue Room
New York City Hall

1:45pm - 2:45pm : NY Daily News Editorial Board
450 West 33rd Street (at 10th Avenue)

3:00pm - 4:00pm NY Post Editorial Board
6th Avenue between 47th and 48th Street

5pm - 6pm Deportee Families meeting
Southgate Hotel
7th Avenue and 31st Street
NY, NY

7pm Community Rally
Roseland Ballroom
239 West 52nd Street
NY, NY

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Draft press guidance in advance of SRB meeting with Adams
September 3 at 5 p.m..

NORTHERN IRELAND
September 3, 1997

Q: Who is Gerry Adams meeting at the White House today?

A: Mr. Adams will meet with the National Security Advisor later this afternoon.

Q: Who else is he meeting in the Administration?

A: Adams will see Commerce Secretary Daley this afternoon. This is consistent with the Administration's desire to maintain contacts with all parties in Northern Ireland. Adams met with the previous Secretary of Commerce the last time he was here. The purpose of the meeting to discuss U.S. trade and investment opportunities in Northern Ireland, and upcoming U.S. business development missions.

If pressed: I refer you to the Washington Sinn Fein office for details of his itinerary.

Q: What will Berger and Adams talk about?

A: They will review the Northern Ireland peace process subsequent to the renewal of the IRA ceasefire and in advance of the resumption of the talks under Senator George Mitchell in Belfast.

Advance press guidance for use after the SRB -Adams meeting
September 3 at 5 p.m..

NORTHERN IRELAND
September 3, 1997

Q: Did Gerry Adams have a meeting at the White House today?

A: Mr. Adams, accompanied by a number of his Sinn Fein colleagues, Martin McGuinness, Caimhghin O'Caolin (Kwee-Veen O'Kway-lin), and Mairead Keane, met with National Security Advisor Samuel Berger for 30 minutes today. Earlier he met with Commerce Secretary Daley where they discussed U.S. commercial opportunities in Northern Ireland.

Q: What was the purpose of the Berger meeting?

A: The Administration continues to use its influence to support the efforts of the British and Irish governments and the people of Northern Ireland to find a just and lasting peace, once which is acceptable to all the people there. Towards this end, we maintain contacts with all parties prepared to engage in peaceful negotiating process to achieve this. We particularly appreciate the contributions that such persons as John Hume and other have made to the process that allow us to be where we are today.

Q: What did they talk about?

A: They reviewed the situation in Northern Ireland subsequent to the renewal of the IRA ceasefire and the political prospects for the peace process in advance of the talks under Senator George Mitchell which resume in Belfast next week. Berger made the points that we expect the renewed IRA ceasefire to last and that the parties will engage in serious negotiations starting next week.

Berger urged Sinn Fein, as we have in talks with all parties, to engage at the new Independent Commission on Decommissioning in a good faith and serious discussion on decommissioning.

I will not get into the specifics of the exchanges at the meeting.

Q: Did they discuss assurance that the Administration give Sinn Fein regarding visas for Sinn Fein leaders, access to the President, fundraising in the United States, and suspension of IRA deportation cases, in the event of a renewed IRA ceasefire?

A: Early on, after Gerry Adams announced that he would recommend to the IRA that it reestablish the ceasefire, we informed Sinn Fein officials that in the event of a ceasefire, we would be prepared to take appropriate confidence-building measures to support the ceasefire and the peace process.

We are not going to go into detail about those confidence-building measures.

Q: What about the deportation cases?

A: Not going to go into specifics of possible confidence-building measures.

Q: **What will happen to the peace process if the UUP decides not to attend the September 9 and September 15 talks in Belfast?**

We hope that doesn't happen, but it is a decision that the UUP has yet to take. The British and Irish governments have expressed commitment to process, to negotiated settlement, and have established a new Independent Commission on Decommissioning to move the process of decommissioning forward in parallel with the Belfast talks. We would hope that the UUP is at the table in order to have all parties represented in a serious negotiation.

Q: What is Senator Mitchell's role?

Senator Mitchell is chairing the talks in Belfast. We expect him to continue.

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THE IRISH TIMES, Monday, September 1, 1997

Sinn Féin delegation goes in search of recognition from US government

From Sean Crowin,
in Washington

P.S.

LIMERICK-born author Frank McCourt's bestseller, *Angela's Ashes*, and what it has done for the city made the front page of yesterday's *New York Times*. It appears the tale has improved Limerick's image rather than the reverse, despite earlier ridicule.

Another question of image concerns the five-day flying visit to the US of Mr Gerry Adams, Mr Martin McGuinness and Mr Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, which raises the question here: what will it do for the perception of Sinn Féin in America?

The Sinn Féin visit starts tomorrow with a Washington reception in the Phoenix Park Hotel, hosted by the Irish-American Unity Conference.

The political high point of the

visit will be Wednesday evening's meeting between Mr Adams and President Clinton's National Security Adviser, Mr Samuel Berger.

The Sinn Féin leader will meet separately with Secretary of Commerce Mr William Daley (son of the late Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago, a kingmaker, and brother of current Mayor Mr Richard Daley) and Senators Ted Kennedy, Chris Dodd and, later, Senator Robert Torricelli, Democrat of New Jersey.

On Thursday morning Sinn Féin's representatives will have breakfast with members of the US Congress in Mr Peter King's offices, and later meet the chairman of the International Relations Committee, Mr Ben Gilman.

The fund-raising high point is Thursday night's dinner at the Waldorf Astoria, New York, for which 330-plus diners will pay

\$500 a plate. The master of ceremonies is Mr Frank Durkan, an influential lawyer and nephew of Mr Paul O'Dwyer, who cannot recall a time when an Irish dinner drew so many diners at so high a price that the Plaza Hotel, which was booked initially, could not handle the crowd.

The famous Roseland Ballroom on New York's west side has been booked for Friday evening for a non-fundraising reception so that the three Sinn Féin men can meet the less wealthy New York Irish.

Mr McGuinness flies to San Francisco on Saturday to visit three Maze Prison escapees of 1983 who are fighting extradition to the UK.

Apart from publicity, goodwill and money, what does Sinn Féin hope this tour, which ends on Sunday, will accomplish? For Mr

Adams, it is no longer a matter of name recognition: he has that in spades. What he and his colleagues need now is US government approval and recognition.

Mr Berger will explore Mr Adams's thoughts on the talks which open on September 15th. What does he hope to achieve and what type of agreement is he willing to sign for Sinn Féin?

Mr Clinton's National Security Adviser will seek to learn the relationship in fact between Sinn Féin and the IRA and obviate misunderstandings in the future. He will judge Sinn Féin's commitment to peace and advise the President; this may not be through direct questioning. The administration will seek an assurance that Sinn Féin's commitment to peace can be relied upon.

The present support of Irish-Americans for Sinn Féin has kept

the ball in the air till now.

Friday's *New York Times*, a newspaper which is holy writ to many in Washington, noted, in the lead story on the invitation to Sinn Féin to join the peace talks: "Although officials and experts say that Sinn Féin and the IRA are virtually the same organisation, with close co-ordination of political and military policy, Gerry Adams is thought to strongly influence overall IRA policy."

"But he is not believed to be involved in decisions on IRA operations." This is like Lloyd George's question in cabinet in the spring of 1921 on who controlled the gun in Ireland? De Valera (Sinn Féin) or Michael Collins (the IRA)?

Lloyd George would do business with the man who controlled the gun. He decided that man was Collins.

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: Crowley, Philip J.
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 1997 4:35 PM
To: Butler, Lawrence E.
Cc: @EUROPE - European Affairs; @PRESS - Public Affairs
Subject: Gerry Adams [UNCLASSIFIED]

Larry, could you work up some guidance on the Berger-Adams meeting. Purpose, what we're going to tell him, what we hope to hear from him. I got a call from the Irish Voice. I'm sure it's the first of many. What time is the meeting, cause I'm sure there will be some interest in a stakeout once he's done.

Thanks.

PJ

Peters, Mary A.

From: Cicio, Kristen K.
Sent: Friday, August 01, 1997 8:53 AM
To: Peters, Mary A.
Cc: @EUROPE - European Affairs; @NSA - Natl Security Advisor
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Mary Ann,

Jim says yes.

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From: Peters, Mary A.
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 1997 5:24 PM
To: @NSA - Natl Security Advisor
Cc: @EUROPE - European Affairs
Subject: Adams Letter to POTUS ~~[CONFIDENTIAL]~~

Jim,

Gerry Adams wrote to the President just before the ceasefire to let him know that he and McGuinness had called on the IRA to declare it and thanking the President for his support of the peace process. The question is who should respond. PM Ahern has already met with Adams and Mowlam will see SF reps next week. (Adams will probably not attend -- he is waiting to see Blair, possibly late next month.)

One option would be not to respond at all and have SRB thank him for the letter when Adams comes here, presumably in September. There is also a case for having the President respond-- a letter would not be out of proportion with the policies of the other two governments. I don't think we should do an "on behalf of" response because it will appear that SF is still being kept at arm's length. OK to defer reply and do orally in September?

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GERRY ADAMS
SINN FÉIN
PRESIDENT

18 July 1997

President Clinton, a chara:

Martin McGuinness and I have provided a detailed political report and assessment to the IRA and urged them to restore the cessation of August '94. I have been told that they will respond with undue delay.

If this is secured it is critical that the objectives of the peace process are advanced as speedily as possible and that this new opportunity is not squandered by the British government as happened before.

I thank you for your efforts to date in pursuit of a just and lasting peace in Ireland.

Is mise,


Gerry Adams
President

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in press*



Draft press guidance for August 29 -- checked against the substance of Mowlam's statement delivered today.

NORTHERN IRELAND

August 29, 1997

Q: What is your reaction to Mowlam's announcement on the Ceasefire?

A: Mo Mowlam, the Secretary for Northern Ireland, said in Belfast earlier today that she had determined that the IRA ceasefire announced six weeks ago met conditions in word and deed to permit the entry of Sinn Fein to the substantive talks which begin in Belfast on September 15.

We welcome this decision which gives an opportunity for all parties in Northern Ireland to be part of inclusive talks leading to a negotiated settlement.

Q: How does this affect Adams' visit to the United States next week?

A: He picked up his visa in Dublin last week and arrives early next week; believe he will be in Washington September 2-4, then go to New York until 7th.

Will have meeting with Berger here September 3; understand he will also see Secretary Daley and has meetings on Hill as well. For details, refer you to Sinn Fein office here.

If asked: he has no restrictions on fundraising attached to his visa.

Q: Are there any plans for Adams to see the President?

A: No, we do not anticipate such a meeting.

If pressed: Yes, Adams did meet with the President during the previous ceasefire (at the 1995 St. Patrick's Day celebration at the White House and in Belfast in November 1995); would not rule out meetings with ceasefire restored, since we expect it to be permanent, but not going to happen during this visit.

Q: Did the Administration give Sin Fein assurances regarding visas for Sinn Fein leaders, access to the White House, fundraising in the United States, and suspension of IRA deportation cases, in the event of a renewed IRA ceasefire?

A: After Gerry Adams announced that he would recommend to the IRA that it reestablish the ceasefire, we informed Sinn Fein officials that in the event of a cease-fire we would be prepared to take appropriate confidence-building measures to support the ceasefire and the peace process.

We are not going to go into detail about those confidence-building measures.

I note that Sinn Fein official Joe Cahill was granted a waiver to visit here in early August.

Q: What about the deportation cases?

A: Not going to go into specifics of possible confidence-building measures.

Q: What will happen to the peace process now; will the UUP participate in the Belfast talks that start next month?

A: That is a decision for the UUP to make. British and Irish governments have provided mechanisms to move the talks process and decommissioning forward towards a negotiated settlement. We encourage the UUP to be at the table in September in order that all parties are represented and heard there.

Q: What is Senator Mitchell's role?

Senator Mitchell will continue to chair the talks in Belfast.

Q: Have we been asked to supply a person for the Decommissioning Commission?

A: The Irish and UK governments have jointly asked us to provide an official to be one of the members of the Independent Commission on Decommissioning. The State Department is presently working to identify a suitable candidate.



Department of Foreign Affairs

Press Release

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Statement by the Irish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Ray Burke T.D.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Ray Burke T.D. has welcomed today's announcement by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Dr. Mo Mowlam M.P. that she has concluded that the necessary requirements have been met to enable Sinn Féin to enter the substantive all-party negotiations.

The Ground Rules for the negotiations, adopted by the British and Irish Governments on 16 April 1996, require that for a party to participate in the negotiations it must establish a commitment to exclusively peaceful means and show that it abides by the democratic process. The participation of Sinn Féin was also made conditional on the unequivocal restoration of the IRA cease-fire of August 1994.

The Irish Government shares the view of the British Government that these requirements have now been met in respect of Sinn Féin. As a result, the Minister and the Secretary of State will be sending a joint letter to Sinn Féin inviting it to attend the resumed plenary on 9 September. The Governments will expect Sinn Féin to avail of that occasion to indicate its total and absolute commitment to the principles of democracy and non-violence set out in the report of the International Body.

Commenting on these developments, Mr Burke said:

"Today's decision to invite Sinn Féin to enter the all-party negotiations opens up the unprecedented prospect of genuinely inclusive negotiations involving both Governments and all the major Northern parties."

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The Irish Government welcomes Sinn Féin to the negotiations, because only through negotiation can we adequately address and resolve the differences which have divided the people on this island for so long.

I call on all eligible parties to come to the table when political negotiations begin on 15 September. No party should allow the interests of those it represents to go by default. Let everyone at the table hear your case and listen to your concerns, so that we might collectively address them.

Courage, imagination and compromise will be required on all sides if we are to reach a lasting and comprehensive agreement, based on the principle of consent in all its aspects, which will see the gun banished from political life. With these qualities I am confident that we can achieve a new beginning for relationships within Northern Ireland, within the island of Ireland and between the peoples of these islands."

DUBLIN

29 AUGUST, 1997

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SUBJECT: Press Guidance, Pls Clear ASA+

MESSAGE:

Q. What is the significance of the British decision to admit Sinn Fein to the Peace Talks? How does the United States view this development?

A. The British government has announced that the cease-fire declared on July 19 by the IRA is "genuine in word and deed." The British and Irish governments have long held that Sinn Fein may join in the all-party talks in Belfast only when the IRA has ceased all violent operations. The United States has strongly supported this position and welcomes both the *all party* ceasefire itself and the inclusion of Sinn Fein in the *peace* *process*, which we consider to be the best means of achieving a lasting, overall settlement in Northern Ireland.

Butler, Lawrence E.

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"Text" of statement by Northern Ireland Secretary Mo Mowlam]

[FBIS Transcribed Text] I have reached this decision after careful consideration of all the circumstances, following the announcement on July 19 of an unequivocal restoration of the ceasefire of August 1994 by the IRA.

In reaching it I have considered carefully all of the evidence available to me about the restoration of the IRA ceasefire and about Sinn Fein's commitment to exclusively peaceful methods and their wish to abide by the democratic process.

Among other things I have:

Reviewed the position on the ground with the Chief Constable, the GOC and my other security advisers;

Following an initial preparatory meeting, met Sinn Fein face to face myself;

Consulted the Irish Government, as my predecessor indicated would be done during the second reading of the Bill;

And observed over this period a consistent pattern in word and deed;

Noted the absence of IRA activity on the ground.

Against a background of the legislation, I have now decided Sinn Fein meets the requirements. I will accordingly invite its nominating representative to nominate a team to participate in the negotiations.

I know that the road ahead will not be easy. There will be differing views around the table.

However, I trust that there will now be a sufficient step forward when the substantive talks begin on 15 September and that all participating parties will commit themselves to negotiate a settlement based on consent.

I would like to reiterate the words of Tony Blair on his first visit to Northern Ireland as PM in May last: 'I am convinced that the time is right finally to put the past behind us and meet the deep thirst

of the people of Northern Ireland for peace, normality and prosperity'.

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Update on Northern Ireland

Decommissioning: Irish and UK Governments published Wednesday their blueprint for the new Commission on Decommissioning. The Finns have nominated a retired Brigadier General (who headed a border observer mission in Serbia in 1995. Larry Butler knows him well.) It is hoped that de Chastelain will serve as chair. State is working on recruiting FSO Donald Johnson, formerly ambassador in Mongolia, now a OSCE mission head in Moldova, as our candidate to the Commission. True to form, Unionist parties have been scathing in criticism of the Anglo-Irish plan for decommissioning, but it appears not to present a problem for the Belfast talks -- they have fallen back to the issue of Sinn Fein and "consent" as the next effort at stonewalling negotiations.

IRA Bomb factory: Irish Gardai discovered a major IRA bomb-factory in County Cavan (near the border with NI) late last week. Press reports the Gardai found component to produce time-power units for 400 explosive devices, including radio-controlled equipment for steering vehicles. The factory was in a "shut-down" mode since the ceasefire. The press called the haul the biggest ever.

Bloody Sunday: Sources expect UK to respond to information provided by Dublin on Bloody Sunday sometime in September. Dublin/families would like to see an apology/admission that the UK army fired first on the demonstrators to get this episode off the agenda. This may be impossible for London given legal implications. Original Widgery report widely regarded as a sham.

UUP/Trimble: Trimble met Blair 8/28. Number 10 said meeting was good, Trimble said there were unresolved issues (decommissioning). Mowlam's interview in the Belfast Telegraph 8/28 evoked controversy for her definition of "consent," the Unionist co-issue with decommissioning. With several key constituency assemblies (Upper Bann and Langan Road) in favor of UUP being at the table, there is speculation that UUP will have a proxy observer at the table during talks starting September 9 (a business session), sending in the A-team for votes.

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: Friedrich, Mary K.
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 1997 12:16 PM
To: @EUROPE - European Affairs; Bandler, Donald K.; Butler, Lawrence E.
Cc: @NSA - Natl Security Advisor
Subject: Pre-Breif for Gerry Adams [UNCLASSIFIED]

Don/Larry,

I have blocked 4:45-5:00pm on SRB/JS schedule on September 3 so that you can pre-brief for the Gerry Adams Mtg at 5:00 pm.

Kate

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: SitRoom
Sent: Friday, August 29, 1997 11:00 AM
To: Bandler, Donald K.; Butler, Lawrence E.; Sigler, Ralph H.
Subject: TRAVEL ITINERARY

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MSGTO: RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2039
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REF: ADAMS; A) STATE 156147 B) VICTARS 050287
C) DUBLIN 4143 AND PREVIOUS

MCAULEY; A) STATE 15616 B) VICTARS 056850
C) DUBLIN 4156 AND PREVIOUS

MCGUINNESS; A) STATE 156162 B) VICTARS 083448
C) DUBLIN 4154 AND PERVIOUS

1. AS AUTHORIZED IN REF A, ON AUGUST 20, 1997, POST
ISSUED ALL THREE APPLICANTS B-L/B-2 MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS,
VALID THROUGH NOVEMBER 13, 1997. THE VISAS WERE
ANNOTATED TO REFLECT THE 212(D)(3)(A) WAIVERS GRANTED BY
DOJ. THEY WERE WAS FURTHER ANNOTATED TO INDICATE THAT
APPLICANTS MUST NOTIFY THE USG OF THEIR TRAVEL ITINERARY
AT LEAST 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF ANY TRAVEL TO THE U.S.

2. SINN FEIN HAS PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING TRAVEL ITINERARY
FOR SINN FEIN OFFICIALS WHICH INCLUDES SINN FEIN MEMBER
CAOIMHGHIN O'CAOLAIN WHO IS NOT INELIGIBLE UNDER ANY
SECTION OF THE INA.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, DEPART DUBLIN ON FLIGHT EI 105.
1997 ARRIVE JFK NEW YORK AT 14:30

3.00PM - 3.15 (TO BE ADAMS ONE ON ONE WITH JIM
CONFIRMED) DWYER, NY DAILY NEWS

3.15PM - 4.00PM PRESS CONFERENCE - JFK AIRPORT
THE PRESS ROOM AT JFK
BUILDING 14
ALL THREE

4.45 PM DELEGATION DEPARTS FOR

WASHINGTON NATIONAL TWA FLIGHT
7745

6.02 PM DELEGATION ARRIVES AT
WASHINGTON NATIONAL

6.30PM - 8.30PM IRISH AMERICAN COMMUNITY
CONFIRMED RECEPTION, PHOENIX PARK HOTEL
BALLROOM
520 NORTH CAPITAL STREET, NW
CONTACT: NUALA MOORE (202)662-
8830

7.15PM - 8.00PM DELEGATION ARRIVES AT RECEPTION
JOE ROCHE OF THE AOH TO ACT AS
MC. ALL THREE WILL SAY A FEW
WORDS. ATTENDING:
ANDY SOMMERS - IAUC -CONFIRMED
JOHN FINUCANE - PEC - TO BE
CONFIRMED
FR. SEAN MCMANUS - INC -
CONFIRMED
JOAN MOORE - LAOH - CONFIRMED
COILIN OWENS - GAELIC LEAGUE -
CONFIRMED
PAUL DORIS - INA - PETER KING -
CONFIRMED
SEN. R. TORRICELLI - TO BE
CONFIRMED
JOE KENNEDY - TO BE CONFIRMED

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, WASHINGTON D.C.
1997

7.00AM GOOD MORNING AMERICA
TO BE CONFIRMED

8.00AM - 8.30AM WASHINGTON JOURNAL - (CSPAN)
CONFIRMED ADAMS
400 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NW,
SUITE 650, SIXTH FLOOR

9.00AM - LO.OOAM
PRESS CONFERENC
NATIONAL PRESS BUILDIG

529 FOURTEENTH STREET, NW
ALL THREE

LO.OOAM - TIME AND
LOCATION TO BE CONFIRMED MARTIN MC GUINNESS - SKY TV
INTERVIEW
WITH SANFRANCISCO
CHRONICLE
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LL.OOAM - 11.30-AM SENATOR TED KENNEDY AND SENATOR
CONFIRMED CHRIS DODD, 315 RUSSELL SENATE
OFFICE BUILDING

11.30 - 12.00PM MARTIN MCGUINNESS - SKY TV
INTERVIEW
1333 H STREET, NW FIFTH FLOOR

12.00PM - 12.30PM SENATOR ALFONSE D'AMATO
CONFIRMED 520 HART

2.00PM - 2.45PM SECRETARY OF COMMERCE WILLIAM
CONFIRMED DALEY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
14 STREET, NW AND CONSTITUTION
15 STREET ENTRANCE BLUE AWNING

3.15PM - 4.15PM USA TODAY EDITORIAL BOARD
(TO BE CONFIRMED) GANNETT BUILDING, ROSLYN, VA

5.00PM - CONFIRMED NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR SANDY
BERGER
THE WHITE HOUSE
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW

8.00PM PRIVATE DINNER - LA BRASSERIE
TO BE CONFIRMED ADAMS, MCAULEY, KEANE,
MCGUINNESS, O'CAOLAIN
PETER KING - CONFIRMED
RICHIE NEAL - CONFIRMED

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, WASHINGTON D.C.
1997

8.15AM - 9.00AM MEMBERS OF CONGRESS: PHOTO-OP
403 CANNON

LO.OOAM - LL.OOAM INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
CONFIRMED COMMITTEE
CAPITAL BUILDING H-139

11.30AM SENATOR ROBERT TORRICELLI
113 DIRKSEN

L.OOPM DEPART FOR NYC
(AMTRAK METROLINER)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, NEW YORK
1997

5.30PM - 6.30PM PRESS CONFERENCE
WALDORF ASTORIA HOTEL
STARLIGHT ROOF
PARK AVENUE AND FIFTIETH STREET
NY, NY

6.00PM - LO.OOPM FOSF FUNDRAISER
WALDORF ASTORIA
PARK AVENUE AND 50TH STREET
NY, NY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, NEW YORK
1997

9.00AM - LO.OOAM NEWSWEEK EDITORIAL BOARD

10.50AM - 12.15PM ONE ON ONE WITH SPEAKER VALLONE
CONFIRMED ONE ON ONE WITH MAYOR RUDOLPH
GUILLIANI
PRESS CONFERENCE - BLUE ROOM
NEW YORK CITY HALL

12.30PM - 1.30PM NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN
FOREIGN POLICY

(BILL FLYNN'S GROUP)
MUTUAL OF AMERICA
320 PARK AVENUE
SIXTH FLOOR

1.45PM - 2.45PM NY DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL BOARD

3.00PM - 4.00PM NY POST EDITORIAL BOARD

5.00PM - 6.00PM MARTIN MCGUINNESS
LEHER NEW HOURS
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LL.OOAM - 11.30AM CHICAGO SUN TIMES

5.30PM RECEPTION
LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

7.00PM PRESS CONFERENCE
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
ELECTRICAL WORKERS HALL
600 WEST WASHINGTON STREET,
CHICAGO, IL 60606

8.00PM COMMUNITY RALLY
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
ELECTRICAL WORKERS HALL
600 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60606

9.00PM PRESENTATION IN IRISH
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
ELECTRICAL WORKERS HALL
600 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
CHICAGO, IL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7,
1997

7.15PM DEPART FOR DUBLIN, IRELAND
AER LINGUS EI FLIGHT 124M

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Butler, Lawrence E.

From: SitRoom
Sent: Friday, August 29, 1997 11:18 AM
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Subject: TRAVEL ITINERARY

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VIA SATELLITE

5.00PM - 6.00PM DEPORTEE FAMILIES MEETING
CONFIRMED SOUTHGATE HOTEL
SEVENTH AVENUE AND 31 STREET
NY, NY

7.00PM - 9.00PM COMMUNITY RALLY
CONFIRMED ROSELAND BALLROOM

239 WEST 52 STREET
NY, NY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, NEW YORK
1997

6.30AM OCAOLAIN DEPARTS FOR CHICAGO
AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 303K

6.00AM MCGUINNESS DEPARTS FOR SAN
FRANCISCO
DELTA FLIGHT 601K TO ATLANTA

9.20AM MCGUINNESS DEPARTS ATLANTA
DELTA FLIGHT 217K FOR SAN
FRANCISCO

LO.00AM ADAMS MEETS WITH I
RISH AMERICAN
(TO BE CONFIRMED) LEADERSHIP
SOUTHGATE HOTEL

2.00PM - 4.00PM CONNOLLY HOUSE GROUP MEETING
SOUTHGATE HOTEL

SEVENTH AVENUE AT 30TH STREET
NY, NY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, NEW YORK
1997
GERRY ADAMS

6.50PM DEPART FOR DUBLIN, IRELAND FROM
JFK, NY
AER LINGUS FLIGHT 104M

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, SAN FRANCISCO
1997
MARTIN MCGUINNESS

11.06AM ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO FROM NY

L.OOPM - 2.00PM MEETING WITH PRISONERS FACING
EXTRADITION
KEVIN BARRY ARTT, POL BRENNAN,
TERRY KIRBY
FEDERAL PENITENTIARY,
PLEASANTVILLE, CA

4.00PM - 6.00PM RECEPTION

8.00PM COMMUNITY RALLY
THE RUSSIAN CENTER

2460 SUTTER STREET
SAN FRANCISCO

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7,
1997

8.00AM DEPART FOR NY JFK
DELTA FLIGHT 82L

4.15PM ARRIVE NY JFK

6.50PM DEPART FOR DUBLIN, IRELAND
AER LINGUS FLIGHT EI 104M

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, CHICAGO
1997
CAOIMHGHIN O'CAOLAIN

7.45AM ARRIVE CHICAGO O'HARE FROM NY

LO.OOAM - LL.OOAM LOCAL TALK RADIO PROGRAMS
12.00PM - L.OOPM OAK PARK, IL

Butler, Lawrence E.

From: SitRoom
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^U.S. backs inclusion of Sinn Fein in Irish talks

(Previous Edgartown, adds State Department comment)

WASHINGTON, Aug 29 (Reuter) - The United States on Friday

said it supported Britain's decision to invite Sinn Fein, the political wing of the banned Irish Republican Army, to join multi-party talks on the future of Northern Ireland.

"We welcome the decision, which gives an opportunity for all parties in Northern Ireland to be part of inclusive talks leading to a negotiated settlement," White House spokesman Joe Lockhart told reporters.

He was speaking on the island of Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts where President Bill Clinton is on vacation.

The British decision was taken in light of the IRA's cease-fire, declared on July 20, in its campaign to end British rule in Northern Ireland.

In Washington, State Department spokesman James Rubin said:

"The British and Irish governments have long held that Sinn Fein may join in the all-party talks in Belfast only when the IRA has ceased all violent operations.

"The United States has strongly supported this position and welcomes both the cease-fire itself and the inclusion of Sinn Fein in the talks, which we consider to be the best means of achieving a lasting overall settlement in Northern Ireland."

Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams will be in Washington next week to meet U.S. officials, including Clinton's national security adviser Samuel Berger, and members of Congress, some of whom support the Irish nationalist cause.

Adams will also be visiting New York and has scheduled four days of meetings and news conferences in the two cities.

In an interview with The New York Times earlier this month he said: "(The) U.S. trip is about enlisting support for a democratic peace settlement, for the notion of Irish unity, for an end to the British occupation" of Northern Ireland.

Rubin said the U.S. government would closely follow the negotiations, partly through former U.S. Senator George Mitchell, who is chairing the talks and who has close links with both Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

He said the ultimate success would depend on "whether the parties themselves have come to a conclusion that peace through the negotiating table is better than conflict through the streets."

He added: "That's their decision. And all we can do in this kind of a case is try to make ourselves available to assist in the process." ^REUTER

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