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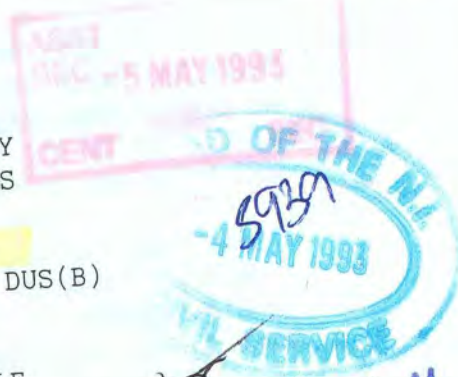
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SIR PATRICK MAYHEW'S VISIT TO THE U.S. : PUBLIC PRESENTATION

1. DURING HIS VISIT TO THE U.S., SIR PATRICK MAYHEW WILL BE ASKED WHY HE THINKS PRESIDENT CLINTON HAS BACKED AWAY FROM THE QUOTE PEACE ENVOY UNQUOTE PROPOSAL. FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, THIS NEEDS VERY CAREFUL HANDLING AND SHOULD NOT BE ANSWERED DIRECTLY. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE BEST RESPONSE IS TO SAY SOMETHING ON THE FOLLOWING LINES (IT ALWAYS IS NECESSARY ON THIS SUBJECT HERE TO GO BACK TO FIRST PRINCIPLES) :

- THE BRITISH AND IRISH GOVERNMENTS REACHED AGREEMENT IN 1985 ON THE FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH WE AGREED TO SEEK A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS IN NORTHERN IRELAND:
- THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT PLEDGED TO GIVE EFFECT TO ANY POLITICAL SOLUTION SUPPORTED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE IN NORTHERN IRELAND. THE IRISH GOVERNMENT AGREED THAT ANY OUTCOME MUST COMMAND THE SUPPORT OF THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION:
- WE AND THE IRISH GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN RE-DOUBLING OUR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE PROGRESS. TALKS BETWEEN THE PRINCIPAL PARTIES IN NORTHERN IRELAND WERE HELD LAST YEAR AND ALL POSSIBLE EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO SECURE A RESUMPTION OF DISCUSSIONS AFTER THE LOCAL ELECTIONS IN NORTHERN IRELAND IN MAY.
- PRESIDENT CLINTON HAS MADE CLEAR HIS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT AND THE TALKS PROCESS. THAT HAS BEEN EXTREMELY HELPFUL.
- PRESIDENT CLINTON HAS FLATLY CONDEMNED ALL FORMS OF TERRORIST VIOLENCE. IN HIS MESSAGE TO THE CHURCHMEN WHO CONDUCTED THE SERVICES FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE WARRINGTON BOMBING, PRESIDENT CLINTON SAID :

QUOTE  
MY PRAYERS ARE WITH THEM AND ALL THE OTHER VICTIMS OF THE RECENT WAVE OF TERRORIST VIOLENCE. THE UNITED STATES CONDEMNS IN THE STRONGEST TERMS SUCH VIOLENCE AND THOSE WHO SUPPORT AND PERPETRATE IT. .... IN MY RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PRIME MINISTERS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND, I WAS STRUCK BY THEIR DEDICATION TO THE SEARCH FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE TROUBLES IN NORTHERN IRELAND. IN THIS, THEY HAVE THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES. UNQUOTE.



WE VERY MUCH WELCOME THE FACT THAT SUPPORT IN THIS COUNTRY NORRAID, WHO HELP TO FINANCE THE IRA, HAS DECLINED DRAMATICALLY. WE ALSO WELCOME THE POSITIVE INTEREST AND INITIATIVES THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY MANY MEMBERS OF THE IRISH-AMERICAN COMMUNITY TO HELP PROMOTE PEACE AND RECONCILIATION IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

I AM PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL TO THE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS AND THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR IRELAND AND TO THE IRISH-AMERICAN LEADERS WHO HAVE CREATED THE AMERICAN-IRELAND FUND, THE BOSTON/DERRY/GALWAY INITIATIVE AND MANY OTHER POSITIVE INITIATIVES WHICH ARE MAKING A REAL DIFFERENCE TO PEOPLES' LIVES IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE OF NORTHERN IRELAND WANT A PEACEFUL FUTURE FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN. THEY WANT JOBS AND BETTER ECONOMIC PROSPECTS. THEY WANT TO BE ABLE TO SETTLE THEIR FUTURE BY DEMOCRATIC MEANS. ALL THAT IS WHAT WE AND OTHERS, INCLUDING THE IRISH GOVERNMENT AND THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION, ARE TRYING TO ACHIEVE.

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MY TELNO 923: VISIT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

#### SUMMARY

1. IRA SUPPORTERS ON THE DEFENSIVE AFTER TERRORIST OUTRAGES IN THE UK. ADAMS' VISA HAS BEEN REFUSED. CLINTON ADMINISTRATION HAS BACKED OFF UNWISE CAMPAIGN PROMISES. KEEN INTEREST IN NEXT STEPS IN TALKS PROCESS.

#### DETAIL

2. MY TWO IFTS CONTAIN THE LATEST VERSION OF THE PROGRAMMES FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND AND LADY MAYHEW IN WASHINGTON.

3. THE TERRORIST OUTRAGES OF THE LAST FEW WEEKS HAVE PUT IRA SUPPORTERS ON THE DEFENSIVE. THE WORLD TRADE CENTER BOMBING IN NEW YORK HAS GIVEN AMERICANS SOME IDEA OF WHAT LIVING WITH TERRORISM IS LIKE.

4. PRESIDENT CLINTON HAS WISELY BACKED OFF HIS CAMPAIGN PROMISES. THE NSC TELL US THAT THE PEACE ENVOY PROPOSAL IS FIRMLY ON THE BACK BURNER. AS LONG AS THERE IS A PROSPECT OF TALKS RESUMING, THERE IS UNLIKELY TO BE PRESSURE TO REVIVE THE IDEA. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE DO NOT MAKE IT HARDER FOR CLINTON TO BACK OFF BY PUBLICLY PRONOUNCING THE PROPOSAL DEAD. INSTEAD WE SHOULD WELCOME HIS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS AND CONDEMNATION OF TERRORISM AFTER THE WARRINGTON BOMBING. THE ADMINISTRATION HAS JUST DECIDED TO TURN DOWN GERRY ADAMS'S APPLICATION FOR A VISA TO VISIT THE U.S. THE SECRETARY OF STATE WILL WISH TO WELCOME THIS DECISION - ONCE IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED BY THE ADMINISTRATION. CLINTON'S SUPPORT FOR THE MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES IS IRRITATING BUT HAS NOT YET RESULTED IN AN UPSURGE OF MACBRIDE BILLS. SO FAR WE HAVE CONTINUED TO GET GOOD CO-OPERATION FROM THE ADMINISTRATION ON EXTRADITION (ARTT, SMYTH AND BRENNAN IN SAN FRANCISCO AND MCMULLEN IN NEW YORK) AND ON GUN-RUNNING (THE TUCSON FIVE). SIR PATRICK MAYHEW'S MEETINGS WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE FBI DIRECTOR PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REINFORCE THE NEED FOR ACTIVE CO-OPERATION. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW WILL ALSO WISH TO THANK THE ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS SUPPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FUND, WHICH FOR THE FIRST TIME IS BEING PLACED IN THE



GET BY THE ADMINISTRATION RATHER THAN CONGRESS.

CONGRESS IS DOMINATED BY MODERATE IRISH-AMERICANS, NOTABLY PEAKER FOLEY, WHO MADE A PARTICULARLY HELPFUL STATEMENT ON WARRINGTON DURING THE FOREIGN SECRETARY'S VISIT. FOLEY, WITH SENATOR KENNEDY AND THE FRIENDS OF IRELAND MORE GENERALLY, HAVE BEEN CRUCIAL IN STEERING IRISH-AMERICAN OPINION IN A MORE MODERATE DIRECTION AND IN SECURING MONEY FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FUND. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO SPEAK TO SENATOR DODD WHO HAS ENGINEERED A SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE HEARING ON NORTHERN IRELAND. DODD WILL WISH TO RAISE ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES BY THE SECURITY FORCES. WE HAVE TOLD HIM THAT THE LEADING PRACTITIONERS OF SUCH ABUSES ARE THE IRA.

6. AMONG OTHERS WHO ARE LESS HELPFUL TOWARDS US IN CONGRESS, MOST ARE GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS FOR THE SAKE OF CONSTITUTENCY GROUPS. JOE KENNEDY HAS BEEN PUSHED INTO CONDEMNING THE IRA. PETER KING, A NEWLY ELECTED REPUBLICAN CONGRESSMAN FROM NEW YORK, IS THE FIRST OVERT SUPPORTER OF THE IRA TO APPEAR IN CONGRESS IN RECENT MEMORY. HE WENT TO BELFAST TO SEE GERRY ADAMS IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIS ELECTION AND WAS ROUNDLY CRITICISED IN THE NEW YORK PRESS FOR DOING SO. CONGRESSMAN ENGEL IS A FAIRLY POISONOUS SPECIMEN. BUT THESE PEOPLE ARE UN-TYPICAL OF AMERICAN OPINION GENERALLY. THE FEW PRO-IRA ELEMENTS KNOW THAT THEY CANNOT DELIVER ON PROMISES TO GET THE IRA TO ABANDON VIOLENCE.

7. THE IRISH-AMERICAN COMMUNITY MORE GENERALLY IS MORE MODERATE OVER NORTHERN IRELAND THAN IT WAS TEN YEARS AGO. THAT IS LARGELY THANKS TO THE ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT. NORRAID HAS BEEN RAISING LESS AND LESS MONEY AND REMITTING LESS AND LESS TO NORTHERN IRELAND. THERE IS STILL A PROBLEM WITH WEAPONS PURCHASES BUT THE FBI ARE DEALING WITH THIS VIGOROUSLY. THE LARGE MAJORITY OF INTERESTED IRISH-AMERICANS ARE BROADLY SPEAKING NATIONALIST: JOHN HUME HAS A LOT OF INFLUENCE HERE.

8. WE HAVE PUT PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IN THE PROGRAMME ON TELEVISION AND PRESS COVERAGE. THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S VISIT OFFERS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO GET ACROSS TO AMERICAN PEOPLE A FEW SIMPLE MESSAGES ABOUT NORTHERN IRELAND:

- THE UK HAS NO SELFISH INTEREST IN NORTHERN IRELAND: THE GOVERNMENT IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT ANY SOLUTION ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH LOYALIST AND NATIONALIST COMMUNITIES.
- OUR ACTIONS TAKE PLACE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT AND WE WORK CLOSELY WITH THE IRISH GOVERNMENT.
- THE GREAT ABUSERS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN NORTHERN IRELAND ARE THE MEN OF VIOLENCE ON BOTH SIDES. THE HORRORS OF WARRINGTON AND THE LONDON BOMBINGS ARE STILL FRESH IN PEOPLE'S MINDS.
- THE TALKS PROCESS OFFERS THE BEST WAY FORWARD. THE GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO GET TALKS STARTED AGAIN AFTER LOCAL ELECTIONS IN NORTHERN IRELAND.
- WE WELCOME POSITIVE U.S. INTEREST IN NORTHERN IRELAND, PARTICULARLY THROUGH MUCH NEEDED INVESTMENT AND THROUGH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUND AND THE AMERICAN-IRELAND FUND.

9. I AM TELEGRAPHING SEPARATELY ABOUT THE PUBLIC HANDLING OF THE PEACE ENVOY PROPOSAL.

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VISIT TO NEW YORK BY SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND:  
3-4 MAY 1993

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#### SUMMARY

1. SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO NEW YORK BY SIR P MAYHEW, WITH EMPHASIS ON MEDIA CALLS. NORTHERN IRELAND CLEARLY NOT THE ISSUE THAT IT WAS HERE SOME YEARS AGO.

#### DETAIL

2. SIR P MAYHEW VISITED NEW YORK ON 3 AND 4 MAY. DETAILS OF THE PROGRAMME WERE CONTAINED IN WASHINGTON TELNO 923. THE ONLY SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE WAS A BREAKFAST GIVEN ON MONDAY 3 MAY BY MR WILLIAM J FLYNN, CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, INSTEAD OF THE POSSIBLE TV INTERVIEW.

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3. THE CALLS ON THE THREE EDITORIAL BOARDS (NEW YORK TIMES, DAILY NEWS AND NEWSDAY) WERE WELL WORTHWHILE. THE NEW YORK TIMES REPRESENTATIVES SPENT AS MUCH TIME DISCUSSING BOSNIA AS THEY DID NORTHERN IRELAND - AN INDICATION OF THEIR CURRENT PRIORITIES. THEIR QUESTIONS ON NORTHERN IRELAND WERE SYMPATHETIC AND UNDERSTANDING. AND EVEN ON BOSNIA THEY WISHED TO LEARN SIR P MAYHEW'S VIEWS RATHER THAN USE THE TIME TO PROSELITIZE. DISCUSSIONS WITH THE DAILY NEWS AND NEWSDAY WERE MORE SUBSTANTATIVE. NEWSDAY IN PARTICULAR FIELDLED A STRONG, AND INQUISITIVE (BUT SYMPATHETIC) TEAM.

4. FORMER NEW YORK GOVERNOR CAREY WAS A GUEST AT THE BREAKFAST WHICH MR FLYNN GAVE FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON 3 MAY. THE PARTICIPANTS HAD A RELAXED AND GOOD HUMOURED DISCUSSION AND BOTH MR FLYNN AND GOVERNOR CAREY EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS PROCESS AND FOR THE EFFORTS BEING MADE TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND. MR FLYNN WAS ALSO THE JOINT HOST, WITH THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (USA), OF THE LUNCH HELD ON 3 MAY. THERE WAS A CAPACITY CROWD, COMPRISED MAINLY OF WEALTHY IRISH AMERICANS, WHO HEARD THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S SPEECH WITH SOME WARMTH. IN HIS RESPONSE, MR FLYNN DID QUALIFY HIS CONGRATULATORY REMARKS BY SAYING THAT HE DID NOT NECESSRILY SUPPORT ALL THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAD SAID. BUT THIS WAS FOR THE BENEFIT OF HIS OWN 'CONSTITUENCY' AND WAS TO BE EXPECTED.

5. I GAVE DINNER FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S PARTY, WHICH WAS A



LIVELY AND INTERESTING EVENT. DURING DINNER DISCUSSION CRITICISM  
THE ENGLISH JUSTICE SYSTEM (BIRMINGHAM 6, GUILDFORD 4) ENABLED SIR  
MAYHEW TO GIVE A CONVINCING DEFENCE OF THE SYSTEM OF JUSTICE IN  
ENGLAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

6. THE CALL ON CARDINAL O'CONNOR WAS CORDIAL AND CONSTRUCTIVE. THE  
CARDINAL AND HIS COLLEAGUES, SOME OF WHOM WERE EXTREMELY  
KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT NORTHERN IRELAND, RECOGNISED THE EFFORTS WHICH  
HMG HAD MADE IN RECENT YEARS TO AMELIORATE DEPRIVATION AND  
EMPLOYMENT DIFFERENTIALS. CARDINAL O'CONNOR RECOGNISED THE  
PROGRESS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE IN NORTHERN IRELAND BUT RESERVED THE  
RIGHT TO CRITICISE CONSTRUCTIVELY AS AND WHEN THE NEED AROSE. THE  
QUESTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN NORTHERN IRELAND WAS RAISED BY THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE RATHER THAN THE CARDINAL. HERE AGAIN THE  
CARDINAL RECOGNISED THE STEPS WHICH THE GOVERNMENT WERE TAKING,  
BEARING IN MIND THE BALANCE WHICH WAS NEEDED TO SAFEGUARD HUMAN  
RIGHTS BUT AT THE SAME TIME TO PROTECT ITS CITIZENS. THE CARDINAL  
ALSO ENCOURAGED THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO MEET AS MANY POLITICIANS  
AS POSSIBLE IN WASHINGTON. IN PARTICULAR HE SHOULD USE ANY  
OPPORTUNITY TO TRY TO INFLUENCE CONGRESSMAN PETER KING, WHOM HE  
DESCRIBED AS A DECENT BUT MISGUIDED MAN.

7. THE SECRETARY OF STATE ALSO GAVE ON THE RECORD INTERVIEWS TO THE  
TWO MODERATE ETHNIC IRISH NEWSPAPERS IN NEW YORK, AND TO BRITISH  
JOURNALISTS. IN HIS INTERVIEWS HE COVERED A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES.  
MEMBERS OF THE UK PRESS WERE INTERESTED IN THE INFLUENCE WHICH  
NORRIS NOW HAD IN AMERICA. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SAID THAT IT HAD  
LESS INFLUENCE THAN IT ONCE HAD.

COMMENT

8. FROM THE VARIOUS CONVERSATIONS WHICH THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAD  
IT BECAME CLEAR THAT NORTHERN IRELAND WAS NOT THE PRESSING ISSUE  
THAT IT HAD BEEN IN THE PAST. WHILST IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT THE  
NEW YORK TIMES DID NOT SPEND THAT MUCH TIME ON THE SUBJECT, THE  
BREAKFAST WITH CARDINAL O'CONNOR SHOULD BE REGARDED AS PARTICULARLY  
SUCCESSFUL IN THAT IT SHOWED THAT THE CHURCH HIERARCHY IN NEW YORK  
IS NOT NEARLY AS EXERCISED ON THE SUBJECT AS IT ONCE WAS. THE  
CARDINAL HIMSELF POINTED OUT THAT IN THE PAST HE HAD FELT MOVED TO  
DISCUSS THE SUBJECT OF NORTHERN IRELAND, BUT FOR THE MOMENT HE WAS  
CONTENT TO LET THINGS RIDE. HE APPEARED TO ACCEPT THAT HMG WERE  
ACTING WITH THE BEST OF INTENTIONS IN THE PROVINCE. THE SECRETARY  
OF STATE AND THE CARDINAL APPEARED TO FORM A VERY WARM RELATIONSHIP.

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VISIT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

#### SUMMARY

1. SUCCESSFUL VISIT BY SIR PATRICK MAYHEW. POLITICAL CLIMATE ON NORTHERN IRELAND HAS IMPROVED. ENVOY PROPOSAL ON THE BACK-BURNER. SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE IN NO HURRY TO HOLD HEARINGS. OPPORTUNITY TO GET ACROSS SOME HOME TRUTHS TO GREENER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND ON TELEVISION AND RADIO.

#### DETAIL

2. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW VISITED WASHINGTON ON 4-6 MAY. HE SAW A WIDE RANGE OF ADMINISTRATION FIGURES, CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS AND PROMINENT IRISH-AMERICANS AS WELL AS GIVING A SERIES OF TELEVISION, RADIO AND PRESS INTERVIEWS. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW WAS WELL RECEIVED WHEREVER HE WENT THOUGH NORTHERN IRELAND WAS LOW DOWN THE AGENDA FOR MOST OF HIS INTERLOCUTORS, DEMONSTRATING HOW MUCH THE POLITICAL CLIMATE ON NORTHERN IRELAND HAS CHANGED HERE IN THE LAST TEN YEARS.

3. TARNOFF (UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE) CONFIRMED THAT THE PEACE ENVOY PROPOSAL REMAINED FIRMLY ON THE BACK-BURNER AND REITERATED THE ADMINISTRATION'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS PROCESS. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW THANKED TARNOFF FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS PROCESS, HIS CONDEMNATION OF TERRORISM AFTER WARRINGTON, FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR IRELAND AND THE REFUSAL OF A VISA FOR GERRY ADAMS (WHICH BECAME PUBLIC DURING THE VISIT). TARNOFF SAID THERE WAS NO WIDESPREAD FEELING IN THE U.S. THAT PROCEDURES IN NORTHERN IRELAND WERE ANYTHING BUT FAIR. WE COULD EXPECT SUPPORT AND UNDERSTANDING FROM THE ADMINISTRATION. IF THE BRITISH AND IRISH GOVERNMENTS THOUGHT THAT THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION COULD PLAY A HELPFUL ROLE AT SOME STAGE, THEN THEY WERE WILLING TO ASSIST.

4. JANET RENO, THE NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL, SAID THE ADMINISTRATION WOULD CONTINUE TO CO-OPERATE CLOSELY WITH THE UK ON EXTRADITING PIRA TERRORISTS AND THE PREVENTION OF GUN-RUNNING AND OTHER ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES BY PIRA SUPPORTERS. IF THERE WAS ANYTHING ELSE THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT COULD DO TO HELP, WE SHOULD LET HER KNOW. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW EXPRESSED APPRECIATION AND EXPLAINED THE DECISION NOT TO ALLOW JOE DOHERTY TIME OFF FOR THE YEARS SPENT IN U.S. JAILS, AT THIS STAGE. FBI DIRECTOR SESSIONS REITERATED THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO ASSIST IN THE BATTLE AGAINST PIRA.



5. SPEAKER FOLEY AGAIN DEMONSTRATED HIS MODERATING INFLUENCE BOTH AT THE LUNCH HE GAVE FOR SIR PATRICK MAYHEW AND IN HIS PUBLIC COMMENTS. HE REITERATED HIS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS: A PEACE ENVOY WAS EXTREMELY UNLIKELY. JOHN HUME HAD SAID THAT IRA TERRORISTS WERE WAR CRIMINALS AND NOT WAR HEROES. THERE WAS A MISUNDERSTANDING BY SOME IN THE UNITED STATES THAT BRITAIN REMAINED IN NORTHERN IRELAND FOR ITS OWN SELFISH INTERESTS: HE KNEW THAT THIS WAS NOT TRUE. SOME NON-IRISH CONGRESSMEN TRIED TO EXPLOIT THE EMOTION OF THE ISSUE FOR THEIR OWN PURPOSES. SENATOR KENNEDY WAS SIMILARLY HELPFUL, CONDEMNING VIOLENCE AND SUPPORTING THE TALKS. HE EMPHASISED THE POSITIVE WAYS IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES COULD BECOME INVOLVED THROUGH THE INTERNATIONAL FUND, THE AMERICAN-IRELAND FUND AND THE BOSTON-IRELAND VENTURES.

6. IN HIS CALLS ON THE HILL, SIR PATRICK MAYHEW FOUND KEEN INTEREST IN HOW WE WOULD GET THE TALKS PROCESS RE-STARTED. THERE WAS ALSO SOME INTEREST IN JOHN HUME'S MEETINGS WITH GERRY ADAMS. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS SIR PATRICK MAYHEW SAID THE BOMBING CAMPAIGN IN LONDON WOULD NOT INFLUENCE BRITISH PUBLIC OPINION. HE THANKED ALL INVOLVED FOR THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FUND AND ENCOURAGED INDIVIDUAL CONGRESSMEN TO VISIT THE PROVINCE FOR THEMSELVES.

7. THE SECRETARY OF STATE ALSO SAW SOME OF THE GREENER ELEMENTS ON THE HILL, INCLUDING THE AD HOC COMMITTEE AND CONGRESSMAN PETER KING, THE NEWLY-ELECTED REPUBLICAN FROM NEW YORK WHO OVERTLY SUPPORTS SINN FEIN. THEY RAISED FAMILIAR HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS. THE SECRETARY OF STATE WAS ABLE TO GET OVER A FEW HOME TRUTHS. THE TERRORISTS WERE THE REAL ABUSERS OF HUMAN RIGHTS. BOTH LOYALIST AND REPUBLICAN TERRORISTS WERE TREATED EQUALLY. THE SECURITY FORCES OPERATED STRICTLY WITHIN THE LAW. IF THEY DID NOT, THEY WERE LIABLE TO PROSECUTION. A NUMBER OF CONGRESSMEN RAISED THE MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW EXPLAINED OUR OBJECTIONS. THE MEETING WITH THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ENDED POSITIVELY WITH CONGRESSMAN MANTON PLEDGING SUPPORT FOR INVESTMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

8. CONGRESSMAN JOE KENNEDY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE DEBATE WITHIN SINN FEIN ON GIVING UP VIOLENCE AND PROBED AS TO WHETHER THERE WAS ANY POSSIBILITY OF DIALOGUE WITH THEM. HE ARGUED THAT THE FAIR EMPLOYMENT ACT DID NOT GO FAR ENOUGH AND URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO SET QUOTAS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF CATHOLICS. SENATOR KENNEDY RAISED THE PAUL HILL CASE AND CONGRESSMAN FRANK MCCLOSKEY RAISED THE NEIL LATTIMER CASE.

9. SENATOR BIDEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROPE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, BRIEFED THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THE PROPOSED HEARING ON NORTHERN IRELAND. SUCH A HEARING, HE CLAIMED, WAS THE BEST WAY TO AVOID UNWELCOME RESOLUTIONS ON NORTHERN IRELAND BEING TACKED TO OTHER BILLS IN THE SENATE. THE SENATORS WHO HAD PRESSED FOR THE HEARING FEARED THE TALKS WERE DEAD AND WANTED TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES (INCLUDING EXCLUSION ORDERS, DETENTION PROCESS, DIPLOCK COURTS, WARRANT-LESS<sup>TH</sup> SEARCHES, COLLUSION, THE USE OF LEGAL FORCE AND THE RIGHT TO SILENCE). THE SECRETARY OF STATE EXPLAINED THE BALANCE THAT HAD TO BE STRUCK BETWEEN PROTECTING PEOPLE'S LIVES AND PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS.

10. BIDEN SUGGESTED PROPOSING A RESOLUTION IN THE SENATE, POSSIBLY ATTACHED TO THE FOREIGN AID BILL, REITERATING SUPPORT FOR THE ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT AND THE TALKS PROCESS AND PROMOTING INVESTMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND. HE WOULD CONSULT US BEFORE ANNOUNCING A DATE FOR THE HEARING AND WOULD TRY TO HOLD OFF FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE TO GIVE THE TALKS A CHANCE TO GET UNDER WAY. I



SUGGESTED THAT HE SHOULD CONSIDER TAKING TESTIMONY FROM VICTIMS OF IRA AND PROTESTANT PARAMILITARY TERRORISM. HE WOULD ALSO CONSIDER COVERING THE LEGAL SYSTEM IN THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND AS WELL AS IN THE NORTH, BUT WOULD NOT TRY TO JUSTIFY OUR LEGAL SYSTEM. IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN TO WHAT EXTENT BIDEN WILL DELIVER ON THESE PROMISES.

11. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW WAS PARTICULARLY SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING OUR MESSAGE ACROSS ON CNN AND ON THE NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO BREAKFAST NEWS SHOW, WIDELY LISTENED TO IN WASHINGTON.

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VISIT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND TO BOSTON

SUMMARY

1. SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO BOSTON BY SIR PATRICK MAYHEW. EMPHASISED COMMITMENT TO A RESUMPTION OF THE TALKS PROCESS. ENVOY RAISED BY MAYOR FLYNN. CARDINAL LAW SPEAKS ABOUT BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS OF NORTHERN IRELAND. MACBRIDE AND HUMAN RIGHTS NOT AN ISSUE.

DETAIL

2. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW VISITED BOSTON ON 6-7 MAY. HE MET KEY PLAYERS WITHIN BOSTON'S IRISH AMERICAN COMMUNITY: CALLED ON THE ACTING GOVERNOR, THE SENATE PRESIDENT AND THE HOUSE SPEAKER: HAD BREAKFAST WITH MAYOR FLYNN AND LUNCH WITH CARDINAL LAW: GAVE A SPEECH AT AN IRISH AMERICAN PARTNERSHIP LUNCH AND A SERIES OF RADIO AND PRESS INTERVIEWS.

3. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW WAS WELL RECEIVED BY ALL HIS INTERLOCUTORS WITH WHOM, EXCEPT FOR THE CALL ON THE ACTING GOVERNOR, NORTHERN IRELAND WAS THE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW STRESSED THE COMMITMENT OF THE BRITISH AND IRISH GOVERNMENTS TO GETTING THE POLITICAL TALKS PROCESS GOING AGAIN, EMPHASISED THE PROGRESS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE IN THE EARLIER ROUND OF TALKS, DREW ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT BRITAIN HAD NO SELFISH OR STRATEGIC INTEREST IN NORTHERN IRELAND, WELCOMED PRESIDENT CLINTON'S STATEMENT THAT THE BEST WAY THE U.S. CAN HELP IS TO SUPPORT THE TALKS PROCESS AND ENCOURAGED MORE U.S. INVESTMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

4. THE MEETING WITH MAYOR FLYNN WENT WELL. HE SEEMED TO ACCEPT SIR PATRICK MAYHEW'S EXPLANATION OF WHY SINN FEIN COULD NOT BE

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INCLUDED IN THE TALKS PROCESS. FLYNN SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE WAS STILL CONSIDERING THE QUESTION OF A QUOTE PEACE UNQUOTE ENVOY. HE SAID THAT IF HE WENT BACK ON HIS WORD THE PRESIDENT WOULD SUFFER QUOTE SERIOUS POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES UNQUOTE. HE (FLYNN) HAD DELIVERED THE IRISH AMERICAN VOTE ON THE BASIS OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITMENT TO PLAY A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN NORTHERN IRELAND. IRISH AMERICANS WERE CONCERNED THAT HAVING RENEGED ON OTHER ELECTION PROMISES THE PRESIDENT WAS ABOUT TO DO THE SAME ON THE QUOTE PEACE UNQUOTE ENVOY. AT HIS REQUEST THE IRISH ETHNIC PRESS WERE KEEPING OFF THE PRESIDENT'S BACK BUT HE COULD NOT HOLD THEM ON A LEASH FOR MUCH LONGER. FLYNN ADDED THAT ONLY EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS PROCESS WOULD NOT BRING THE PRESIDENT ANY POLITICAL BENEFIT WITH IRISH AMERICANS, PARTICULARLY IF THE TALKS SUCCEED. WHAT ABOUT A U.S. QUOTE OBSERVER UNQUOTE AT THE TALKS QUERY. SIR PATRICK MAYHEW EXPLAINED THE DIFFICULTY WITH THIS SUGGESTION. HE ADDED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE POLITICAL PRESSURES FACING THE PRESIDENT AND THAT HE WOULD THINK HOW BEST HE COULD GIVE MORE PROMINENCE TO THE IMPORTANCE HE ATTACHES TO THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE TALKS PROCESS ETC.

5. CARDINAL LAW REFERRED TO THE INCREASING AWARENESS AND ACCEPTANCE IN BOSTON OF THE QUOTE TWO CULTURES UNQUOTE IN NORTHERN IRELAND. VISITS BY CROSS COMMUNITY GROUPS AND THE FOUR CHURCH LEADERS HAD HELPED TO GET THIS MESSAGE ACROSS. HE ASKED ABOUT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE FAIR EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION. WHEN TOLD OF THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT CARDINAL LAW SAID THAT THIS WAS QUOTE ENORMOUSLY ENCOURAGING AND IMPRESSIVE UNQUOTE. IN A PRIVATE CONVERSATION AT THE END OF THE LUNCH THE CARDINAL EXPLORED WITH SIR PATRICK MAYHEW THE POSSIBILITY OF THE CHURCH LEADERS HAVING A ROLE IN RELATION TO SINN FEIN.

#### COMMENT

6. MACBRIDE WAS NOT AN ISSUE. HUMAN RIGHTS AND ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE WERE ONLY RAISED AT A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE FOR A NEW IRELAND (MAINLY LAWYERS). SIR PATRICK MAYHEW IMPRESSED HIS INTERLOCUTORS WITH HIS FRANKNESS, SINCERITY AND COMMITMENT TO THE TALKS PROCESS. WE COULD NOT HAVE WISHED FOR A BETTER FIRST VISIT.

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