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- 1. MR COOKE (DALC 22/7)
- 2. PS/SECRETARY OF STATE (L&B)

SECRETARY OF STATE'S BREAKFAST WITH THE US AMBASSADOR -  
FRIDAY, 23 JULY

Thank you for your minute of 20 July in which you asked if there were any briefing points the Secretary of State would find useful.

2. There are indeed a few points of which the Secretary of State should be aware:-

- (a) we have heard from the US Embassy that the US Consulate-General in Belfast has decided to accede to a request from Gerry Adams for him to talk to someone in the Consulate. This strictly limited and precedented decision is subject to the qualifications that Adams will not meet anyone senior and that the discussion will be confined to an explanation of the US decision to refuse Adams a visa. The meeting will take place on 4 August after which there will be a Press Release (which we have been promised sight of in advance of issue).
- (b) The Secretary of State will, no doubt, wish to advise Mr Seitz about where we are on political development. No brief is necessary but the Administration will be looking for reassurance that the Talks are still in prospect and that we are looking for some movement in the Autumn.

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- (c) We have asked our contact in the US Embassy if he can arrange for the new US Consul-General, Mr Val Martinez, to come and be briefed by senior NIO officials here in London before taking up his post. The Secretary of State might like to re-iterate that invitation.
- (d) We are aware of at least two organisations who have invited Jean Kennedy-Smith, US Ambassador to Dublin, to the North. She cannot accept such invitations without clearing them with Mr Seitz. The Secretary of State might like to say to Mr Seitz that
- we hope that, like her predecessor Mrs Kennedy Smith will be able to visit Northern Ireland;
  - we assume she would need Mr Seitz's clearance. Our preference would be for us to refer enquiries to the US accredited representatives and deal with them about security and related arrangements;
  - we assume that any invitations to Mrs Kennedy Smith will only be accepted in a personal capacity and that she should never visit Northern Ireland as the US Government representative;
  - we assume that Mr Seitz and his colleagues will, in considering requests, take account of the sensitivities in Northern Ireland and the need for visits by Mrs Kennedy Smith not to be unhelpful frequent, and to be balanced and not such as to fuel suspicions that they are in some way furthering the territorial claim in Articles 2 and 3. The NIO would, of course, be very ready to offer the US Embassy its views when the Embassy is considering any such requests.

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3. I enclose a copy of recent press release speculation and comment about Mr Seitz' replacement as US Ambassador by Admiral CROWE (rhymes with prow).

(signed)

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