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NOTE FOR THE RECORD

BARONESS DENTON'S MEETING WITH SENATOR MITCHELL - 28 JUNE 1995 - OLD ADMIRALTY BUILDING, LONDON

The Minister met Senator Mitchell today. He was accompanied by Martha Pope and Mike Glover. Jonathan Margetts was also present.

2. The first topic discussed was follow up to the Washington Conference and Senator Mitchell explained that the US Department of Commerce is following up with every company involved. Baroness Denton confirmed that she would like regular economic bulletins issued on the benefits of the Conference eg details of trade deals and employment. She also referred to the positive meeting she had with Chuck Feeney, who is interested in developing 6 hotels in Northern Ireland.

3. Senator Mitchell asked if there were any issues he could raise either in Northern Ireland over the next two days, or on return to the United States. Baroness Denton put forward to following issues:

- CIS technology is not now setting up in West Belfast. The Minister is to meet Mr Hendron on 30 June to discuss this case and job creation in West Belfast. She stressed to Senator Mitchell the need to tackle economic issues across all groups in West Belfast, and the need for ownership of them within the local community.
- The need for council, community and economic issues to be firmly linked.

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- The need to involve women more in the political arena in Northern Ireland.
- The potential to bring business secondees into Northern Ireland, either as students or for corporate training.
- The idea of piloting a 'peace corps' from the US to work with communities and share positive influences and help in the job seeking process.
- The value of more US journalists visiting Northern Ireland and focussing on the lack of violence, and positive economic features.

4. Senator Mitchell is to explore the possibility of bringing business secondees to Northern Ireland, and to analyse existing voluntary project programmes, with a view to assessing if these could link into the 'peace corps' idea. He also agreed to talk to the New York Times to secure a positive article on Northern Ireland.

5. Ms Pope mentioned her work with Susan Brophy from the White House on job training for Women, which she will be discussing with Lady Mayhew and would also be interested in taking up with DED. Baroness Denton agreed to seek advice from T&EA. (Mr Crozier to explore further and advise the Minister).

6. The meeting concluded with a brief discussion of the current political process. Senator Mitchell expressed concern at the growing inability to move this forward and agreed that it was vital to focus on the economic message.

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