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19 June 1998

To: Heads of Division (DED HQ)
Mr Kane, IDB
Mrs Logue, T&EA
Miss O'Hare, IRTU
Mr Cartmill, NITB
Mrs Latimer, LEDU

From: Irene McAllister
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DIFFICULT DECISIONS/MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE SHADOW PERIOD

1. John Semple has written to NI Permanent Secretaries on behalf of the Secretary of State with an urgent request for Departments to provide the following information:-
 - (i) a list of difficult/controversial decisions in NI Departments that will arise during the Assembly's shadow period, up to February 1999, e.g closure of Training Centres, closure of or major redundancies in client companies, gas to the North West.
 - (ii) a list of major announcements that are planned to be made during the shadow period.
[NB: Major announcements do not include issues which have already been covered in the previous exercise on major policy issues]
 - (iii) a list of schemes that will be started/completed etc and other good news stories eg New Deal, lone parents aspect of the New Deal etc.
2. I have checked with Mr Semple's office that this is **NOT** a duplication of the earlier exercise on major policy issues.
3. I should be grateful if you would complete the attached pro forma and return to Jacqui Rose by 10.00am on Tuesday 23 June 1998.

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DIFFICULT/CONTROVERSIAL DECISIONS	MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS	SCHEMES THAT WILL BE STARTED/ COMPLETED ETC AND OTHER GOOD NEWS STORIES