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FOR STAFFING

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

CANCELLATION

4/7/82

MEMORANDUM

TO: WILLIAM P. CLARK  
FROM: GREGORY J. NEWELL  
SUBJ: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

PLEASE IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING AND NOTIFY AND CLEAR ALL PARTICIPANTS. THE BRIEFING PAPER AND REMARKS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO RICHARD DARMAN BY 3 P.M. OF THE PRECEDING DAY.

MEETING: with Lord Carrington, previously scheduled for May 7, 1982, at 11:30 am, is cancelled.

DATE:

TIME:

DURATION:

LOCATION:

REMARKS REQUIRED:

MEDIA COVERAGE:

FIRST LADY  
PARTICIPATION:

cc: A. Bakshian  
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R. Darman  
R. DeProspero  
K. Duberstein  
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TO CLARK

FROM BREMER

DOCDATE 23 MAR 82

RENTSCHLER

26 MAR 82

NEWELL, G

02 APR 82

KEYWORDS: GREAT BRITAIN

PRESIDENTIAL TRAVELS

CARRINGTON, ~~LORD~~ *Peter*

FRENCH SUMMIT

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HENDERSON, NICHOLAS

HAIG, A

SUBJECT: PROPOSED CALL ON PRES BY FOMIN CARRINGTON DURING 6 - 7 MAY

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR CLARK

DUE: 08 APR 82 STATUS C FILES WH

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: OCTOBER 15, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. JAMES C. HEANEY

SUBJECT REQUESTS INFORMATION REGARDING AMERICAN  
CITIZENS ATTACKED IN BELFAST IN AUG 84

		ACTION	DISPOSITION
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8429268

Date October 26, 1984

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
National Security Council  
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: James C. Heaney, National Council of  
Irish Americans  
Date: October 8, 1984 Subject: August 12, 1984 incident  
in Belfast, Northern Ireland

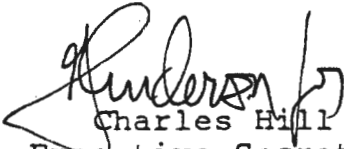
WH Referral Dated: October 24, 1984 NSC ID# 248663  
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\_\_\_\_\_ The attached item was sent directly to the  
Department of State.

Action Taken:

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\_\_\_\_\_ A draft reply will be forwarded.  
\_\_\_\_\_ A translation is attached.  
XXX \_\_\_\_\_ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.  
\_\_\_\_\_ We believe no response is necessary for the reason  
cited below.  
\_\_\_\_\_ The Department of State has no objection to the  
proposed travel.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other.

Remarks:

  
Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

October 26, 1984

Mr. James C. Heaney, Chairman  
Attorney's Committee  
National Council of Irish Americans  
Ellicott Square Building  
Buffalo, N.Y. 14203

Dear Mr. Heaney:

I am replying to your letter to President Reagan of October 8 regarding the August 12 disturbances in Northern Ireland.

We share your concern about the tragic situation in Northern Ireland which from time to time gives rise to the kind of violence that occurred in August. We understand that United Kingdom authorities have initiated an investigation into these events, and we are awaiting the results of that process with great interest, particularly because of the presence of and injury to several Americans during the public gathering in Belfast on August 12. Our Consul General in Belfast has written a letter to the appropriate authorities requesting a copy of the final report. Since the investigation is still in progress, it would not seem appropriate to make comments at this time.

Information available to us on how the August 12 situation developed indicates that the United Kingdom Home Office announced on July 28 that the Home Secretary had "decided to refuse to allow Mr. Martin Galvin entry to the United Kingdom on the grounds that his exclusion is conducive to the public good." Martin Galvin is an American citizen and publicity director for the New York-based Irish Northern Aid (NORAIID). The Home Secretary indicated that he "accepts the right of visitors to hold and express political views which may be critical of the Government and even anathema to the great majority of people in the United Kingdom." He added that he "cannot, however, accept that a person who has expressed support for terrorist murder in such terms as (Mr. Galvin)....should be permitted to visit the United Kingdom." We do not believe that any other members of the NORAIID delegation were subject to exclusion orders.

As you are undoubtedly aware, Mr. Galvin entered Northern Ireland, as we understand it by way of the Republic of Ireland, in defiance of the British decision and appeared at a public gathering for the 13th anniversary of the British decision to effect internment without trial, a practice abandoned since 1975. Mr. Galvin's appearance at the rally touched off a melee when the police attempted to arrest him because of his violation of British law.

In recent human rights reports on the United Kingdom, including the one submitted to the Congress in January 1984 (copy enclosed), the Department of State has noted that both the British people and their government continually seek to maintain and improve the high quality of human rights practices domestically and to promote high levels internationally. The Department has observed, however, that these long-standing traditions are daily put to test in Northern Ireland, where the British Government strives to combat terrorist violence--the most significant human rights problem in the United Kingdom--and to maintain public safety against a background of a deeply divided society.

President Reagan, in successive St. Patrick's Day statements and during his visit to the Republic of Ireland in June of this year, has expressed frequently the concern of this Administration with events in Northern Ireland.

The President has emphasized that "it is not for the United States to chart a course for the people of Northern Ireland." He has indicated however that "we do have an obligation to urge our long-time friends in that part of the world to seek reconciliation between the two traditions in Northern Ireland and accommodation through democratic means." The President has said that "those who advocate or engage in violence and terrorism should find no welcome in the United States." He also stated that we "condemn all such acts and oppose the forces of discord in Northern Ireland, which obstruct the process of reconciliation, so essential for peace." The President has asked all Americans "to refrain from supporting, with financial or other aid, organizations involved directly or indirectly in perpetuating violence."

The President has urged that "those Americans....who wish to help, lend their support and contributions to legitimate groups and organizations which work to promote reconciliation and economic cooperation." American business can contribute to the economy of Ireland, North and South, by creating industrial investment and job opportunities for the benefit of both traditions--Catholic and Protestant--thereby engendering a spirit of equality and tolerance.

I hope this letter is responsive to the concerns you have raised.

Sincerely,



Martin A. Wenick

Director

Office of Northern European  
Affairs

Enclosure:

1984 UK/Northern Ireland Human Rights Report

8429268

T H E   W H I T E   H O U S E   O F F I C E

REFERRAL

OCTOBER 24, 1984

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 248663

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED OCTOBER 8, 1984

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. JAMES C. HEANEY  
CHAIRMAN  
ATTORNEY'S COMMITTEE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF IRISH AMERICANS  
ELLCOTT SQUARE BUILDING  
BUFFALO NY 14203

SUBJECT: REQUESTS INFORMATION REGARDING AMERICAN  
CITIZENS ATTACKED IN BELFAST IN AUG 84

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE  
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE  
(OR DRAFT) TO:  
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Letter, Ireland

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF IRISH AMERICANS**  
**ELLCOTT SQUARE BUILDING**  
**BUFFALO, N.Y. 14203**

**8429268**

October 8, 1984

President Ronald Reagan  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

On August 12th last, about 150 American citizens were attacked in Belfast by the Royal Ulster Constabulary (RUC). Many Americans were struck by plastic bullets, shot at them point blank. Several Americans suffered fractures, as was reported in the press. At the time, they were attending a public political rally of about 2000 people.

Irish Americans are shocked that you, as President, remained silent in the fact of this brutal attack on American citizens. To our knowledge Presidential silence under these circumstances is unheard of.

Is there some reason why Irish Americans can be brutalized in this fashion with your silent consent?

Please advise me whether the above incident was ever a subject of protest to the London government. Please furnish me with a copy of any such protest under the Freedom of Information Act, together with Britain's reply.

Irish Americans should have the facts prior to the November election.

We would also like to know what action you will take to prevent a repetition of such assaults on Americans visiting Northern Ireland.

Respectfully yours,

*James C. Heaney*  
JAMES C. HEANEY, Chairman  
Attorney's Committee

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 21, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR EDWIN L. HARPER

FROM:

LEHMANN K. LI *fkf*

SUBJECT:

International Lending from London

If one considers the amount of international lending done by banks located in the UK (including both branches of foreign banks in the UK and domestic branches of UK banks), the proportion of international lending conducted from the UK is:

External claims of banks in UK	\$ 460 B
Total gross external claims of 15 BIS countries & US banks in offshore centers	1626
Proportion	28%

Source: Quarterly Series for the Bank of International Settlements, January 1983.

If one considers only the amount of international lending done by just UK banks worldwide, the proportion is:

Foreign lending by UK banks worldwide	\$ 158 B
Net international lending	945
Proportion	17%

Source: Bank of England Quarterly Bulletin, September 1982.  
The data are as of December 1981.

The reason why net international lending is so much less than total gross external claims of the BIS countries is because of the large amount of interbank lending done.

The only piece of data which approximates the 75 percent figure we talked about relates to Eurocurrency claims confined to Europe. That proportion is:

Eurocurrency claims of banks in UK	\$ 434 B
Total eurocurrency claims of banks in Europe	840
Proportion	52

cc: Roger B. Porter



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User Name	dbarrie
Status Date	2019-08-14
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 21, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. JAMES A. DELANEY

SUBJECT URGES THE PRESIDENT TO IMPRESS UPON MARGARET  
THATCHER THE NECESSITY OF A JUST & LASTING  
SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF A DIVIDED IRELAND

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8500535

Date January 12, 1985

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
National Security Council  
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: James Delaney, Irish American Unit  
Conference

Date: 12-19-84 Subject: Urges the President to impress  
upon Mrs. Thatcher necessity for a solution to problem of Northern Ireland.


WH Referral Dated: January 9, 1985 NSC ID# 258839  
(if any)

       The attached item was sent directly to the  
Department of State

Action Taken:

- A draft reply is attached.
- A draft reply will be forwarded.
- A translation is attached.
- xx An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason  
cited below.
- The Department of State has no objection to the  
proposed travel.
- Other.

Remarks:

  
Nicholas Platt  
Executive Secretary

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

RE: [illegible]  
[illegible]  
[illegible]

Reference:

The following information was received from [illegible] on [illegible]:

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on [illegible]. The [illegible] had been [illegible] in [illegible]

on [illegible]. The [illegible] had been [illegible] in [illegible]

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The [illegible] had been [illegible] in [illegible]

Enclosed:

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As indicated, [illegible] is a [illegible] who [illegible]

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United States Department of State

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

January 10, 1985

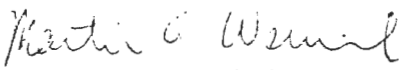
Mr. James A. Delaney  
Chairman  
Irish American Unity Conference  
571 Spencer Lane  
San Antonio, Texas 78201

Dear Mr. Delaney:

I am replying to your telegram of December 19 to President Reagan which contained your views on the present state of Anglo-Irish discussions on Northern Ireland and which urged the President to raise this issue with Prime Minister Thatcher during her December visit.

In the course of their discussions on December 22 at Camp David, the President and Mrs. Thatcher exchanged views on this matter. The President expressed his concerns on Northern Ireland and emphasized the need for all parties concerned to take steps which will contribute to reconciliation in that area.

Sincerely,

  
Martin A. Wenick  
Director  
Office of Northern European  
Affairs

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JANUARY 9, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:  
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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 258839  
MEDIA: TELEGRAM, DATED DECEMBER 19, 1984  
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN  
FROM: MR. JAMES A. DELANEY  
CHAIRMAN  
IRISH AMERICAN UNITY CONFERENCE  
571 SPENCER LANE  
SAN ANTONIO TX 78201

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO IMPRESS UPON MARGARET  
THATCHER THE NECESSITY OF A JUST & LASTING  
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DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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FMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC

AS NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE NATION-WIDE IRISH AMERICAN UNITY CONFERENCE, I URGE YOU IN YOUR FORTH-COMING MEETING WITH MARGARET THATCHER, TO IMPRESS UPON HER THE NECESSITY OF A JUST AND LASTING SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF A DIVIDED IRELAND; TO REMIND HER OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT'S CONDEMNATION OF THE USE OF PLASTIC BULLETS, OF THE SUPERGRASS TRIALS AND SUMMARY COURT PROCEEDINGS THAT HAVE BEEN CONDEMNED BY RESPECTIVE IRISH AND ENGLISH LAWYERS, AND OF THE INFAMOUS ARMAGH STRIP SEARCHES THE PURPOSE OF WHICH APPEARS TO BE HUMILIATION AND DEGRADATION OF IRISH WOMEN.

A JUST AND LASTING SOLUTION EMBODYING POLITICAL REUNIFICATION OF IRELAND AND SELF -DETERMINATION FOR THE IRISH PEOPLE ARE MATTERS OF PRIMARY CONCERN TO THE MEMBERS OF THIS AND OTHER IRISH AMERICAN ORGANIZATIONS.

JAMES A DELANEY CHAIRMAN OF THE IRISH AMERICAN UNITY CONFERENCE

571 SPENCER LN

SAN ANTONIO TX 78201

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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FO 006

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 21, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. WILLIAM F. TREACY

SUBJECT URGES THE PRESIDENT TO DISCUSS THE PLIGHT  
OF NORTHERN IRELAND IN UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS  
WITH MRS. THATCHER AT CAMP DAVID

		ACTION		DISPOSITION	
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# Irish-American Labor Coalition

## American Labor Committee For Human Rights

### In Northern Ireland

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Dec. 19, 1984

President Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Our organization is composed of American trade union leaders seeking peace and justice in Ireland. Over the past few years, we have been the strongest voice in the American labor movement calling for and end to human rights violations in the North.

We were shocked at the Thatcher government's dismissal of the moderate proposals of the New Ireland Forum for a path to peace and unity.

We urge you to discuss the plight of Northern Ireland in your upcoming discussions with Mrs Thatcher at Camp David.

For the committee,

Sincerely,

*William F. Treacy*  
William F. Treacy, Pres.  
*Joseph Jamison*  
Joseph Jamison, Dir.

cc Thomas W. Gleason, Pres.  
I.L.A., AFL-CIO

C.F.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 17, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE THOMAS P. O'NEILL JR.

SUBJECT WRITES CONCERNING THE PRESIDENT UPCOMING  
MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER THATCHER AND THE  
FUTURE OF THE NEW IRELAND FORUM

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MAIL USER CODES: (A) (B) (C)

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

January 9, 1985

Dear Mr. Speaker:

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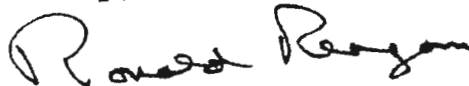
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I greatly appreciate your personal interest in this matter and look forward to your continuing advice.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill  
Speaker of the  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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January 8, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM: PETER R. SOMMER *Pete*  
SUBJECT: Presidential Reply to Speaker O'Neill:  
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RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the Tab I memo (B. has already signed it), forwarding the draft response for Presidential signature.

Approve \_\_\_\_\_

Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

Chris Lehman concurs *CL*

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BY *MSH* NARA, DATE 6/14/00

Attachments

Tab I Memo to President  
Tab A Proposed Presidential Reply to O'Neill  
Tab II State's Draft

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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WASHINGTON

January 8, 1985

ACTION

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. McFARLANE/M. B. OGLESBY, JR. *MB*  
SUBJECT: Presidential Reply to Speaker O'Neill:  
Northern Ireland *JS*

You will recall that Speaker O'Neill wrote just prior to Mrs. Thatcher's arrival asking you to discuss the situation in Northern Ireland with her; which you did.

Working from a State draft, we have made your recommended reply as positive as possible, within the limitations imposed by the complex situation in Northern Ireland.

Recommendation

OK

No

*JS*

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That you sign your Tab A reply to Speaker O'Neill.

Prepared by:  
Peter R. Sommer

cc: Vice President

Attachment:

Tab A      Presidential Response

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MEMORANDUM

## NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8435276

Date January 4, 1985

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
National Security Council  
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Congressman O'Neill

Date: December 13, 1984 Subject: Northern Ireland

WH Referral Dated: December 24, 1984 NSC ID# 259804  
(if any)

       The attached item was sent directly to the  
Department of State.

Action Taken:

       A draft reply is attached.

       A draft reply will be forwarded.

       A translation is attached.

       An information copy of a direct reply is attached.

       We believe no response is necessary for the reason  
cited below.

       The Department of State has no objection to the  
proposed travel.

XX Other.

Remarks: The attached White House transmittal was answered under  
State S/S 8434470 (attached).

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*for* *J. L. Berry*  
Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8434470/71

Date December 28, 1984

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
National Security Council  
The White House

References:

To: The President From: Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill  
December 17, 1984  
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Remarks:

By CRS

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Executive Secretary

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PROPOSED RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM SPEAKER

THOMAS P. O'NEILL DATED DECEMBER 13, 1984

CONCERNING NORTHERN IRELAND

Dear Mr. Speaker:

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I <sup>not only</sup> share <sup>but also</sup> fully your view that the way forward in Northern Ireland must be peaceful, ~~and political~~, and that it must involve the two communities in Northern Ireland <sup>but also</sup> along with the governments of Ireland and the United Kingdom. Please be

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Sincerely,

Ronald W. Reagan

The Honorable

Thomas P. O'Neill

The Speaker

House of Representatives

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advice.

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DECEMBER 24, 1984

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 13, 1984

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE THOMAS P. O'NEILL JR.  
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON DC 20515

SUBJECT: URGES YOU TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF NORTHERN  
IRELAND AND THE FUTURE OF THE NEW IRELAND  
FORUM THIS WEEKEND IN YOUR TALKS WITH PRIME  
MINISTER THATCHER. ADDS THAT THE FORUM  
REPORT REPRESENTS A SINCERE, COMPREHENSIVE  
AND REALISTIC ASSESSMENT OF FUTURE ALTERNA-  
TIVES FOR NORTHERN IRELAND.

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE  
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE  
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AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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I share fully your view that the way forward in Northern Ireland must be peaceful and political, and that it must involve the two communities in Northern Ireland along with the governments of Ireland and the United Kingdom. Please be

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Sincerely,

Ronald W. Reagan

The Honorable

Thomas P. O'Neill

The Speaker

House of Representatives

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December 18, 1984

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Thank you very much for your December 13 letter to the President regarding the scheduled talks between President Reagan and Prime Minister Thatcher.

We appreciate receiving your suggestion that the issue of Northern Ireland and the future of the New Ireland Forum be included on the agenda for this meeting. Please know that your recommendations for the upcoming discussions have been relayed to the President and to his foreign policy advisers for prompt review.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.  
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill  
Speaker of  
The House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

cc: w/copy of inc to W. Tapley Bennett, Cong Affrs, State - for  
DIRECT response  
(Advance copy sent to State Legis Affrs 12/18/84)  
cc: w/copy of inc to NSC Secretariat - FYI ✓  
(Advance copy sent to Peter  
Sommer 12/18/84)

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 18, 1984

TO: B

FROM: KATHY RATTÉ JAFFKE  
Office of Legislative Affairs

Attached is Tip O'Neill's letter regarding Prime Minister Thatcher's visit. The other letter he refers to has not come in yet.

However, we received a joint letter from 59 House Members other than O'Neill, on the same subject.

I have sent copies to Peter Sommer.

We'll redtag the other O'Neill letter when it comes in.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 18, 1984

MEMO FOR: ANNA HAWKINS  
FROM: KATHY RATTE JAFFKE  
SUBJECT: Thatcher Visit

As I explained, yesterday we received two letters from Members of Congress with respect to Prime Minister Thatcher's upcoming meeting with President Reagan.

We will prepare a quick interim from the White House and refer them to State for a followup, but I am sending an advance copy to ensure that it is routed to the proper people at State.

Please call me if you have any questions.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 17, 1984

TO: PETER SOMMER

FROM: KATHY RATTÉ JAFFKE  
Office of Legislative Affairs

Attached is another letter  
regarding the President's upcoming  
meeting with Prime Minister Thatcher.

The Speaker refers to another letter  
which he cosigned -- we haven't  
seen that one yet.

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The Speaker's Rooms  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

December 13, 1984

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I understand that you will be meeting with Prime Minister Thatcher next week. I am certain that there will be a number of important issues that will be addressed in your discussions with her.

I have signed a letter with several of my colleagues requesting that you address the issue of Northern Ireland and the future of the New Ireland Forum in your meeting with her.

Nevertheless, I want to personally share with you my deep concern that the Forum, which is the best hope for a peaceful, lawful and constitutional resolution to the tragedy of Northern Ireland may be in serious jeopardy as a result of Mrs. Thatcher's public statements about the Forum's Report.

You have been outspoken in your condemnation of the forces of violence in Northern Ireland and in your statements to Americans imploring them not to support the men of violence in Ireland. Your statements have been very helpful in educating Americans to the real threat posed by Irish terrorists.

The way forward in Northern Ireland must be peaceful and political. It clearly must involve the reconciliation of the two identities in Northern Ireland and the active participation of the governments of Ireland and the United Kingdom in bringing about such a resolution.

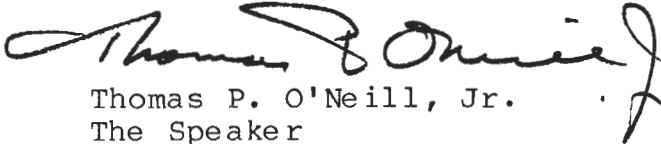
The Forum Report represents a sincere, comprehensive and realistic assessment of future alternatives for Northern Ireland. It represents the best efforts of moderate elements in Northern Ireland and in Ireland to fashion a political and constitutional framework for achieving a political solution to the tragedy of Northern Ireland.

The President  
December 13, 1984  
Page Two

If the Forum Report is not acknowledged by Prime Minister Thatcher as a basis for discussion and dialogue between the United Kingdom and Ireland, then I fear that the forces for moderation in Ireland and here in the United States as well will suffer significantly.

Consequently, I ask that you encourage Mrs. Thatcher to renew the Anglo-Irish dialogue over the Forum Report and that the Prime Minister recognize that the Forum has significant support in Congress and among Irish-Americans interested in bringing peace to the beautiful land of their forebears.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.  
The Speaker

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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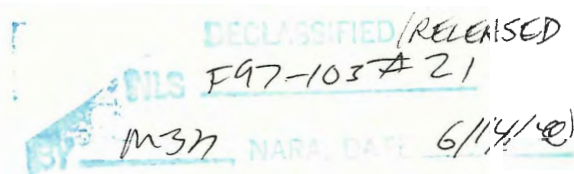
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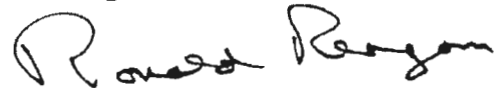
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The Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill  
Speaker of the  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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B Oglesby:

I assume you  
will want to deliver this  
letter.

Bob Kinnitt

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National Security Council  
The White House

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DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 26, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE FREDERICK E. PAROLA

SUBJECT WRITES REGARDING THE ACTIONS OF THE BRITISH  
TROOPS AND RUC UPON PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATORS &  
URGES REVERSION ON NORTHERN IRELAND POLICY

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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S/S 8500680

Date January 17, 1985

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
National Security Council  
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: N.Y. Assemblyman F. E. Parola

Date: 12-10-84 Subject: Actions of British Troops  
and RUC in Northern Ireland

WH Referral Dated: 1-10-85 NSC ID# 260063  
(if any)

       The attached item was sent directly to the  
Department of State

Action Taken:

       A draft reply is attached.

       A draft reply will be forwarded.

       A translation is attached.

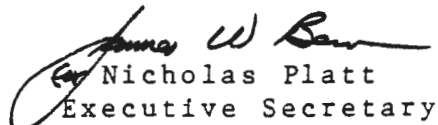
XXX An information copy of a direct reply is attached.

       We believe no response is necessary for the reason  
cited below.

       The Department of State has no objection to the  
proposed travel.

       Other.

Remarks:

  
Nicholas Platt  
Executive Secretary

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United States Department of State

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

Dear Mr. Parola:

I am writing in reply to your letter of December 10, 1984 to President Reagan on the actions of British troops and RUC in Northern Ireland.

Although your letter was not specific, I assume you are referring to an incident which occurred in Belfast on August 12, 1984. As we have said on many occasions, we regret deeply the deaths due to violence suffered by both communities in Northern Ireland, from whatever source. We understand that United Kingdom authorities have initiated an investigation into these events and we are awaiting the results of that process with great interest.

In recent human rights reports on the United Kingdom, including the one submitted to the Congress in January 1984, the Department of State has noted that both the British people and their government continually seek to maintain and improve the high quality of human rights practices domestically and to promote high levels internationally. The Department has observed, however, that these long-standing traditions are daily put to test in Northern Ireland, where the British Government strives to combat terrorist violence--the most significant human rights problem in the United Kingdom--and to maintain public safety against a background of a deeply divided society.

It is in this context, we believe, that the actions of British security forces must be addressed. The question of what might constitute the most humane, yet effective means of controlling violence by crowds or individuals is a difficult choice for any democratic government. British security forces have faced many dangerous situations in recent years, in which they have been the targets of lethal weapons, ranging from firearms to gasoline bombs, wielded in some cases by children. Also, persons not engaged in violent acts, including children, have been killed or severely injured by security force weapons, including plastic bullets. We regret these deaths and

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injuries. In addressing this problem, the anguishing choice for any democratic government would be to draw a fine line between self-protection for security forces engaged in the defense of public safety and the imperative of preserving human life and limb.

The President has emphasized that "it is not for the United States to chart a course for the people of Northern Ireland." He has indicated, however, that "we do have an obligation to urge our long-time friends in that part of the world to seek reconciliation between the two traditions in Northern Ireland and accommodation through democratic means." The President has said that "those who advocate or engage in violence and terrorism should find no welcome in the United States." He also stated that we "condemn all such acts and oppose the forces of discord in Northern Ireland, which obstruct the process of reconciliation, so essential to peace." The President has asked all Americans "to refrain from supporting, with financial or other aid, organizations involved directly or indirectly in perpetuating violence."

The President has urged that "those Americans....who wish to help, lend their support and contributions to legitimate groups and organizations which work to promote reconciliation and economic growth." American business can contribute to the economy of Ireland, North and South, by creating industrial investment and job opportunities for the benefit of both traditions--Catholic and Protestant--thereby engendering a spirit of equality and tolerance.

I hope that this letter responds to the concerns raised by you.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jayne H. Plank  
Director, Intergovernmental Affairs  
Office of Legislative and  
Intergovernmental Affairs

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JANUARY 10, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:  
APPROPRIATE ACTION

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 260063

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 10, 1984

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE FREDERICK E. PAROLA  
NEW YORK HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
ROOM 318  
LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING  
ALBANY NY 12248

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE ACTIONS OF THE BRITISH  
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URGES REVERSION ON NORTHERN IRELAND POLICY

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE  
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE  
(OR DRAFT) TO:  
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

January 3, 1985

Dear Assemblyman Parola:

On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for your recent letter in which you share your views regarding the actions of the British troops and RUC and suggest a reversion on "Northern Ireland" policy.

I have forwarded your correspondence to the appropriate officials at the Department of State for their benefit and consideration.

Thank you for sharing your views with the Administration. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Lee L. Verstandig  
Assistant to the President for  
Intergovernmental Affairs

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December 10, 1984

Ronald W. Reagan  
President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

Just a short note to share my feelings with you against the actions of the British troops and RUC upon the peaceful demonstrators.

I feel quite strongly that a reversion on the "Northern Ireland" policy should take place.

I appreciate your kind attention to my thoughts and feelings.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Fred Parola".

Frederick E. Parola  
Member of Assembly

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