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Tom King MP Secretary of State for N Ireland Stormont Castle Stormont Buildings BELFAST BT4

Thank you for your letter of 18/10/88, and for your formal invitation to present our ideas on the review of the working of the Inter-Governmental Conference. As you know, I have taken the view that a flexible and constructive approach to the review was desirable, and I am therefore pleased to note that you regard the review as "no narrow exercise".

I note also that you welcome the putting forward of proposals "on the widest possible range of political and constitutional matters".

I and my colleagues will be putting together a written response in the next few weeks, and would look forward to meeting with you to discuss our views, after this.

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