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MEETING OF LORD ALDERDICE WITH THE PRIME MINISTER

Lord Alderdice intends to raise the following matters with the Prime Minister at their meeting on 01 September at 2.30pm:

- The Alliance Party view of progress in NI since the last meeting with the PM;
- The Alliance Party's approach to the commencement of substantive talks;
- To ascertain the PM's views on the future of the inter-party talks;
- The possibility of NI being treated as a first case for the lifting of the beef export ban;
- The future of the Springvale campus of the University of Ulster - House of Lords Hansard, 18 July 1997 cols 1153 - 1155 refers.

The last two items are unlikely to take more than five minutes together since the main thrust of the meeting is the new round of inter-party talks. Lord Alderdice will be accompanied by Seamus Close, Deputy Leader of Alliance.

In order that we do not waste the PM's time, I would be grateful if you would let me know how long it is anticipated that the meeting last.