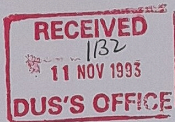


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PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH AT THE LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET

I attach the Secretary of State's draft of a possible section for the Prime Minister's speech at next Monday's Lord Mayor's Banquet, together with the covering letter which the Secretary of State has approved setting out for the Prime Minister how we intend to carry the talks process forward.

2. As he mentioned at today's ministerial meeting, the Secretary of State would welcome comments on the draft speech section. It is already longer than No 10 requested, so we shall also be offering them a shorter version.

3. I should be grateful for comments by 4 pm today.

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