



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

Personal Minute
No. M29/93

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

JOINT INITIATIVE

Though the trickiest part of the Joint Declaration initiative may yet lie ahead of us, may I congratulate you and the Northern Ireland Office on today's success?

This has been a long and difficult road, and it has required enormously hard work from your small and dedicated team, and from Robin Butler, to bring us thus far. Could you please pass my warmest thanks to all who have laboured so hard on this?

2. The annotated text is attached.

(SIGNED)

TONY BROWN
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