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Steering Note : Anglo-Irish Matters

Background Note on Security and Confidence

EC Relations with countries of Central and



Programme

15. 30	Depart Dublin Airport
16.30	Arrive Heathrow and proceed by car to Embassy
17. 30	Briefing Meeting at Embassy
17. 45	Depart Embassy for Downing St.
18.00	Arrive Downing St.
	- Tete-a-Tete (Taoiseach and Prine Minister)
	 Tanaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Justice meet Secretary of State Mayhew and Foreign Secretary Hurd
18. 45	Plenary Meeting
19. 30	Taciseach and Prime Minister meet Press outside 10 Downing St.
19. 40	Supper (8 per side)
21. 10	Depart Downing St. for Embassy
21. 45	Press Conference at Embassy (Ballroom)
22.30	Radio and TV interviews (in Ambassador's Office)
23.00	Depart Embassy for Heathrow
00.00	Depart Heathrow for Dublin
1.00	Arrive Dublin Airport

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ANGLO-IRISH SUMMIT MEETING, LONDON 16 JUNE Plenary Session - Steering Note Anglo-Trish Matters

Political Talks

- The meeting takes place against a backdrop of serious difficulty for Mr. Major. Commentators consider him 'on in the Tory Party about an alternative. However, many now expect that Mr. Clarke in his role as loyal lieutenant will tend to upstage Mr. Major, and will mend his fences with the Premiership, perhaps within the year.
- Whether or not this scenario succumbs to the unforeseen may be limited for the time being.
- The public outcome from the meeting will therefore have to take account of Mr. Major's difficulties and stick to established positions - continued joint commitment to political dialogue, to the operation of the Anglo-Irish and internally, through consultations between the
- Privately, however, the meeting might be used to stress to the British Government the diminishing credibility of the There is a danger that Mr. Mayhew may now be responding pleas. The Irish audience, whether nationalist or unionist, is growing increasingly sceptical. This limits the degree

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to which the Irish Government can remain associated with a British position which is losing credibility on the ground

- A public statement by the Titals Side that the Talks were spotted when the transparent public processes and the content of the public state of the process and the transparent public spotted that the public spotted the transparent public spotted to the transparent public spotted to the transparent public spotted that the transparent public spotted that
- 5. The Taoiseach might take the following line:
 - In spite of our best efforts there is little or no expectation in Ireland that the Unionist parties will get back into Talks under present circumstances.
 - We will continue to do everything possible to promote new Talks, and will not say anything for the present which might jeopardise the prospects, however doubtful
 - However, the authority and credibility of our two Governments will be diminished if we persist indefinitely in ineffectual pleas for Talks which noone on the ground believes will happen.
 - At some point soon we must decide either
 - (a) that Talks are not possible in present circumstances, in which case we must vigorously implement and develop the Anglo-Irish Agreement the best antidote to a political vacuum, or,
 - (b) The two Governments will change the circumstances and provide a new impetus by agreeing between

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- themselves the shape of a balanced accommodation between the two sides and using their resources to win consent for it.
- Such a balanced accommodation cannot be found through constitutional change going only in a unionist direction, which has been the British emphasis in the Talks to date. To succeed it must simultaneously and equitably address the fundamental positions of both traditions.
- We could give our officials a mandate to prepare proposals for us, which we could review early in Autumn, and make this intention known as of now.
- This would have the added benefit of signalling that the Governments do not intend to allow themselves to b paralyzed by hard-line reactions of one or other group

Security - see Department of Justice Brief

Other Issues

- 7. The Thouseach with a view to subsequent press quaries may wish to touch heafily and in general teres on confidence liming, efficiently their importance and endorsing broadly the con-point years in the Conference (e.g. Pares is Consistent, current as yet rather unclear case of alleged informer Casey in Extraham, which seems to select the Microscopic Casey in Extraham, which seems to select the Microscopic Case; in Carticological Case (1974) and the Case (1974) and the Case (1974) are consistent of the Case (1974).
- 8. Or Rendron has asked that the Taoiseach raise the Royal Viatoria Mospital and encourage Mr. Major to agree to Dr. Mendron's request for a seeting on the issue. The Taoiseach might find an opportunity to do so informally over

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The Press presentation of Northern Ireland aspects might

- Reaffirm commitment to the Anglo-Irish Agreement as the bedrock of the relationship between the two Governments.
 - Reaffirm close security cooperation
- Reaffirm joint commitment to a process of political dialogue addressing all the relationships and determination to work towards a solution.
- future and a plea for their cooperation in relaunchin dialogue.
- can be made, in particular on issues specific to the inter-Governmental relationships.

 Agreement to take stock of situation and decide further

Sean Ó hUiginn Assistant Secretary Department of Foreign Affair

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Meeting with British Prime Minister

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Security and Confidence Issues Background Note

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- There are a number of identifiable elements in the present security situation.
 - (1) There has been an upwarps in sectories attacks by paramilitary groups in the past two and a half years, most notably in the case of Leyalists, who have been cappensials for of facilities income January 1991. (In the same period Republicans were responsible for 8.1) Equility paramilitary responsible for 8.1 Equility paramility and Republican counterparts, and this for the first time sizes 1979.
 - (ii) There has been a decline over recent years in the number of security force fatalities (from 43% of security related fatalities in 1988 to 20% in 1991 to just 11% last year). Moneyer, this year, of the

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- Il deaths recorded to date, seven members of the security forces and one former member have been killed, of whom one was a Catholic member of the RUC.
- (iii) Malls the Warrington bomb led to emorpous criticism of the Foresisonal 13th in Felands and internationally, the 13th have been, if snything, emboldened by the reaction is Britain to their bending campaign there. In addition to this the campaign of bombing commercial targets in the Morth to 13th detonated four books in these days as the counting of voces in the local elections got under very last month, injuring 31 people, once seriously, and causing 122 m. event of dasage.
- (iv) The financial consequence of the IRA hombing campaign in Entitain have assend considerably greater significance over the last year. Two maying probably the income time Butter forchasps book is the probability of the probability of the probability of year of the probability of the probability of the IRA have rade non-proposeds out of these costs and have theselves claimed that their bonbe course fit?
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increasing "Loyalist alienation" and growing Loyalist paramilitary violence. Clearly attempts to link Loyalist violence with "Loyalist alienation" can have dangerous consequences and may give confort to Loyalist peramilitaries.

- 4. We are determined to ensure that the British authorities see to it that the response by the RUC and the British Army to Loyalist threats and attacks is no less vigorous than their response to Republican attacks.
- II Confidence issues
- (i) Use of Lethal Porce
- 11 Me. of Lethal Force Description of the Control of the Control of Security forces (not recently that of Pearse Jordan in New Balfact on 21 November last year) we have present for a Major review of policy in this area. Most recently marker and another seaher of strangete enter in connection with the hilling in September 1990 of two Neat Security forces are at present swatten typical for offences area in connection with the hilling in September 1990 of two Neat Security forces are at present swatten typical for offences area for the cases with have obvious implications for public confidence. The British Ownerment, on foot of discussions within the framework of the Anglo-Trish Confidence, have set up an inter-department committee to waxning the possibility of changes to the law and repulations governing the use of lethil force.

(iii) Barassent 6. While there have been signs of an improvement in some areas of Northern Ireland, we continue to receive reports of harassent of sembers of the Nationalist community by the security forces. This particularly affects young sen living in Catholic working-class areas, but problems also is air Absermire) to ensure that the Erotanh unbortetes wer to it that the response of his Age and the Aithanh may belliquist threats are screeke to their Miljoneur than their receptor in Expellions Albertha.

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the British authorities the inflammatory effect of this kind of behaviour and the obvious propaganda benefits which the paramilitaries respirors it. Developments in this area continue to be closely monitored within the Conference framework. The British Government have introduced new procedures governing complaints against the Army.

(iii) Ill-Treatment in Detention Centre

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(iv) Nelson Case/Collusion

The Lanking of incollapses information by members of the Security force remains a matter of serious consens and was the subject of the Servers Topicry which apported in 1900. The issue resurfaced with the trial and conviction last year of Brian Nelson, a member of the Lopicist COA you calso worked as an undercover appet for British Army Intelligence. Our concerns at this case have been coveryed clearly to the British anotherities, who would not be the second to the converse of the Topy have also indicated that significant lessons have been learned with regard to controls in the intelligence area to ready quadramailes and authorites define a stillutes elemented manion and has contraded to de to administered a form of particular and the lates are easily and the state of the state of the the state of the state of the state of the state of the state interest of the state of the st

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9. Most recently, however, widespread concern has been expressed over media reports that Declan "Beeno" Casey, alleged to have been quarter naster for the West Tyrone Brigade of the IBA, acted as a paid informer for the SUC. During this time it is reported that he was involved in

(VI) Accompanisent

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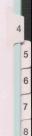
(v) Case of John Matthews

1 John Matthews, a young man from Derry, is presently on remand at Belmarch prison in British charged in connection with a bonb explosion is Noblam, London, on 24 April, 1993, the same date as the Bishopsgate bonb. He was originally arrested under the Prevention of Terrorism Act at Neathrow sipport on 27 April Bail was refused at the prison of the prison of

a preliminary hearing on 10 June and he was further remanded in custody to 9 July.

- 12. The circustiances surrounding Nr. Nathbews' arrest and continuing detention have caused considerable occern both here and among the firsh community in Erichian. Particular concern surrounds the nature of the evidence against Nr. Atthews which is similar to that in previous miscarriage of justice cases, including disputed forensic evidence and identification procedures.
- 17. The Enhancy London is actively involved in the case and is in continuing contact with Me. Gazeth Patce, Mr. Matthews collision, and with sembers of his family. A consular official wisted Mr. Nathews on It May and an Indexery Official attended the preliminary court hearing have been expected about the case with the Serial National Nation

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Maastricht: Speaking Points

- . The Community is now back on course after the Danish referendum. What is your view on British ratification?
 - The lessons of this period have been well learnt. Need for greater sensitivity to inform the public on the part of the EC Institutions. Mant progress on this in Brussels.
- Special summit could be held. Important it should have something of substance to do. Institutional development in the context of enlargement would not be an appropriate subject.
- On <u>Subsidiarity</u>, we are prepared to await President Delors final report on the review of legislation, we, of course, are anxious to ensure that Subsidiarity is not used to undermine the achievements of the Community to date.
- We should reach agreement with Parliament. A Council/Commission agreement alone on Subsidiarity would not be sufficient.

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Taoiseach's Meeting with Prime Minister Major Maastricht / Special Summit /Subsidiarity.

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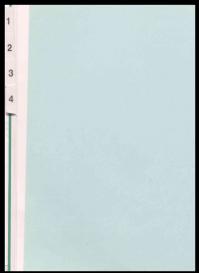
SPECIAL SUMMIT

- 2. President Mitterrand and Chancellor Robh set on 2 Jume and called for a nettraordisary summit of the EC to be convened when the Masstricht Treaty is finally ratified presumably to consider the future direction of European integration. Frame and Germany have not formally conveyed this suggestion to build be set to be suffered to the first presidency does not build last week said that the Ennish Presidency does not favour the Copenhagen European Council making a decision on a special Summit.
- 3. In Paris, the Tanismach discussed the proposal for a Special nument and did not object to the proposal provided, of course, it had something useful to do. Apart from relaunching the Community, the French envisage a discussion on the Second of a Stage of EMU. The Driving of the Court of the change sight arise and this is premature.

SUBSIDIARITY

- 4. The Edinburgh European Council received a report from President Delors on the Commission's review of fit legislation in the light of the principle of Subsidiarity and noted that the Commission will prepare a final report on this lesse for the commission will prepare a final report on this lesse for the commission of the subject in Copenhagen to welcome this and Look forward to the final report.
 - We understand the political reasons for the British view but we are mindful that Subsidiarity should not be used as a weapon to curb the Commission or roll back the achievements of the Community to date.





Taoiseach's Visit to London, 16th June 1993 Location of RC Agencies in Ireland Speaking Points

- Agreement on major institutions at Edinburgh European Council was welcome.
- We should not delay in settling the lesser agencies and this should be attempted in Copenhagen.
- The Government, have decided our priority should be the Medicines Agency.
- Solid pharmaceutical industry, long tradition and experience in medicine, medicines control and in medical and pharmaceutical research. Good package of incentives for location.
 - Only 50/60 EC employees in Ireland at present.
- I would be interested to hear the UK views on the matter.

Taoiseach's Visit to London 16th June 1993

Location of EC Agencies in Ireland

Backgroup

Agreement was reached at the Edinburgh European Council last December on the location of the main Community institutions, generally confirming the status guo, but no decision was reached on the location of the loses agencies. Agreement or a pickage which would have assigned the Health and Safeton a pickage which would have assigned the Health and Safeton in Likben in June 1932 but was impeded by the UT which counted a major campaign for the location of the European Central Bank in London.

An important gain for Ireland in Limbon was acceptance of the principle that the existence of the European Foundation for Living and Working Conditions in Loughlinstown was not a Working Condition in Loughlinstown was not a Rowwer, Article 2 of the Decision annexed to the Edinburgh conclusions would seem to qualify the scope of this principle in so far as it provides that in reaching agreement on the limbor of the Province of the Principle of the

Recent Developments

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- (i) an Agency should be assigned to those member States which had not already got one (essentially Denmark, Greece, Spain and Portugal):
- (ii) the final compromise proposed by the Portuguese Presidency at the European Council in Lisbon in June 1992 should not be used as the basis for allocating Agencies; and
- (iii) any future discussion on the location of Agencies should be confined to those Agencies whose establishment had already been agreed.

Both Prime Ministers agreed that Luxembourg, which has an interest in the European Central Bank and the Community Trade Marks Office, was already adequately endowed with Community institutions and should be satisfied with these. Prime Minister Rasmussen, however, had difficulty in foreseeing something for Ireland, which already has Loughlinatown.

rish Position

Following the decisions of the Government on 21 July and 8 September 1923 and 15 June 1933, we attach priority to the Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products (Medicines which had been conviaged for a proposed Medicin and Safety Agency - now unlikely to be established - added to the functions of the European Poundation for Living and Working Conditions in Loughlisstown. In so far as its location in Conditions in Loughlisstown of the Conditions of the

A number of other partners including Spain, the UK, Demark and Portugal and the Netherlands are interested in attractin the Neulcines Apercy. The UK have recently adopted an other spain and the Netherland and the Neulcines Apercy The UK have recently adopted in the Preparing to abandon their attempt to get the European Central Bank). Sometary Institute (Corcumnes of the European Central Bank) of the Commonistic Depter the Surpean Central Sank).

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It is clear that formidable difficulties lie in the way of securing the Modicines Apency for Ireland, given the Sinibupy decision to give priority to member States that have no Agency that group and the marker of strong contenders for the Modicines Apency. We will need to press very strongly to get the Modicines Apency. We will need to press very strongly to get the Modicines Apency. We will need to press very strongly to get the Modicines Apency. We will need to press very strongly to get minimum, the assignment of additional tasks and jobs to the Loughlianstown location but last possibly embedding the

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Taoiseach's meeting with Prime Minister Major 16 June, 1993

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- Progress being made in the enlargement negotiations is satisfactory
- Need to keep up the momentum to achieve results by the year's end. Against secting deedline in Copenhagen.
 Liebon conclusions allow for membership of 16 or 17 with present institutions. Some adaptations will be secessary to take account of numbers would be present;
- Difficult issues remain to be negotiated. The budget erea will be challenging. Our view is that current financial arrangements are for a Community of 12.
 Increased expenditure will require increased resources.

EC Division Department of Foreign Affairs 14 June, 1993

Taoiseach's meeting with Prime Minister Major

Enlargement of the European Union

Steering Note

1. The UK is very much in favour of enlargement. Apart from the increased resources that the applicants will butlet to the UK sees the ETHA applicant on as saving a similarity of outlook and favouring intergrows resonant rather than Community or federal-type governmental rather than Community or federal-type governmental rather than Community or federal-type governmental rather than 1994 and the governmental rather than 1994 review of the Treaty on European Union conference.

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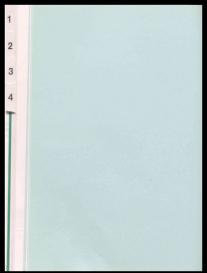
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Taoiseach's Visit to London, 17 June 1993

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Speaking Notes

-We want a GATT agreement, one that covers all sectors and is balanced.

-This can help world economic prospects, and an economy like ours 70% of whose GDP comes from exporting.

-Agriculture remains a most important element of our economy and a particular interest in the EC context.

-We have consistently signalled that we have difficulty with aspects of the Blair Bouse agreement, particularly cuts in beef exposisubsidies. A way will have to be found to protect our intercents here, We are discussing this in the EC Council.

-1 howe just had talks in Paris which dwelt on this area. The French have concerns on such areas are cercals. It are the property of the part of the managed to have the Ec olizeed require modified to allow them to accept that part of Blair Bouse.

Visit of Taciseach to London, 17 June 1993 GATT-Uruguay Round

Steering Note

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- 3. The French Mesocration was issued ofter a review by the fields discoverement of the register is issues at stake in the Round. The positions it adopted its issues at stake in the Round. The positions it adopted in representations associately new but they are placed in an overall context of promoting growth, and the review of the register is a supplication of the register in the discovered in the register is a supplication of the register in the register is sought. The French put considerable emphasis on the area of 'commercial classes' where the areanal of on the case of 'commercial classes'.

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Meeting with Prime Minister Major, 16 June 1993

EC relations with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe Speaking Points

- Ireland has always taken the view that it is in our interests to respond as positively as we can to the desire of the Central and Eastern European partners for a closer relationship with the Community.
- The detailed proposals now before the Council form the basis for a wide-ranging series of decisions at the forthcoming European Council.
- The progress made at the General Affairs Council last week leaves us well placed to take the necessary decisions in Copenhagen.
- Ireland has taken a constructive attitude to the proposals in the accession, political dialogue, market access and assistance areas.
- The commitment to eventual accession contained in the proposals is desirable. Mhile we could new insome boiling a conference at some future date to assess progress towards fulfilling the conditions necessary for membership, we wonder about the desirability of setting a date for such a conference at this stage.
- We welcome the proposals to strengthen political dialogue and support further market opening measures. We are also open to providing sore effective assistance but, like the UK have expressed reservations about using PMARE funds for capital funding of infrastructure projects.

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EC Relations with Central and Eastern Europe Steering Note

- This will be a major item for the Copenhagen European Council when the Community is expected to take decisions on the Commission's proposals for enhancing EC relations with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe (CEES).
- 2. The main elements of Community's position on enhancing relations with the CEBs were agreed at the General Affairs Council on 8 June. These include a commitment the Community to eventual accession of the CEBs when the political comperation of the CEBs when the political comperations are selected as a community of effective economic assistance. There are still some reservations including from Ireland on the proposals to use PRAME Cambs for infrastructure projects in the CEBs.
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troband is in general supportive of the Commission's approach and agrees with the need to strengthen and approach and agrees with the CETE. Initial and the commission of the

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The UK strongly supports the development of closer relations with the CERs. Alone among the Member States they argued for even greater narket opening measures that those proposed by the Commission. They are also in fewour of a strong signal at the Copenhagen European the CERs on the question of possible future accession by the CERs.

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Taoiseach's meeting with Prime Minister Major, 16 June 1993

EC - Russia Speaking Points

Partnership and Cooperation Agreement

- Important to successfully conclude new Partnership and Cooperation Agreement with Russia. Like to see Agreement signed and come into effect in the near future.
- Several problems still outstanding despite the adaptation
 of the mandate last month.
 Helpful to prioritize Russian concerns and identify most
 important problems to be tackled.
- Unlikely that Yeltsin will be in Copenhagen at the time of the European Council.
 - Appropriate for the European Council to issue a statement reaffirming Community support for reform process in Russia and including a reference to the Community's commitment to early conclusion of the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement.

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EC - Russia Relations

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- Discussion of this topic seems likely to focus on a proposed Declaration on relations with the states of the former Soviet Union at the Copenhagen European Council and prospects for the conclusion of the new EC-Russia Pathnership and Coperation Agreement (PCA)
- 2. While the Presidency and the Russians had hoped to have the text of the Agreement ready for signature by Yeltsin in Suppenhagen it is now accepted that this is no longer could be due largely to Russian unvillingness to scale down mair ambitions regarding the content of the Agreements.
- 3. Prime Minister Rammassen and Commissioner Eritan discussed the Agreement, on the basis of a creised Community mandate, with Sussian Deputy Frise Minister Community mandate, with Sussian Deputy Frise Minister Detween Britan and Schahlt noto Piace in Rooce from 4-7 Lines, while it is clear that the Russian side, at they as possible, they continue too Agrees difficulties with important aspects of the mandate. Reports from Noncow is possible, they continue to organize difficulties with important aspects of the mandate. Reports from Noncow in the Commission of the Commission of the Sussian Commission of the lift for resolution between Voltain and If these of State and Government in Copenhagen. The message has been European Communities of the Sussian Commission of the Communities o
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- 6. Incland shares the strong political will within the Community to conclude the Agreement quickly but we recognise that profile profiles remain to be resolved. We could support to profile the stronger Council on relations with Russia and the other. Soviet Union which would include the elements outlined

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Visit to Prime Minister Major 16 June 1993 Speaking Note

Delors Plan (Structural Funds)

- Under your chairmanship we reached a very complex agreement at Edinburgh on the future financing of the agreement at Edinburgh on the future financing of the the basis of the structural polificant Plan to 1999 on Edinburgh Package. It is wital for us to retain our share of the funds going to the Cohesion member States.
- We have been willing to compromise on the inclusion of the Highlands and Islands and Morseyside regions under Objective 1 and have indicated this at the General Affairs Council. We hope the Commission and in particular Commissioner Millan will show similar willingness as far as our interests are concerned.

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Visit to Prime Minister Major Delors Plan (Structural Funds)

Steering Note

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i. The 'Delors II' package on future financing of the Community, agreed at fainburgh in December 1992, provided that the funding for the four 'cohesion member States' between 1992 and 1999. The amount policy level do the between 1992 and 1999. The amount policy is a superior of the period will be approximately 85 billion ECOs (* IRK68 billion), taking the Structural Funds and the name.

National Plan

I. Ireland is well advanced in developing our National Plan. Intense communications are being carried out (by the Department of Figure and by the Minister for State in the Tannists's Office) with Government Departments and other interests. Is looped that the Plan will be ready by the and of June.

Structural Funds Regulations

The current Structural Fund Regulations run until the end of 1991. Negotiations are continuing on the revised Regulations for 1994 - 99. Since an amount was specified at Edimburgh for the four 'cohesion countries' as a group. The key issue for us is the share-out between

4. Ireland gets about 13.56% of the present allocation of Structural Funds to Obj. 1 regions in Cohesion 4 MS, by tack the highest per capita share. We are determined to Funds. It is expected the mext round of Structural Funds. It is expected the mext round of Structural vill seek to reduce the difference in the per capita

5. A Requisition has been passed saking the our Cohesion interin instrument operational from 1,811 3997 and total amount of this fund (which applies only to Ireland, Spain, Greece and Fortugal) will be over 15 billion EURO when the 1 years. Ireland will get between 7 and 10% of which will each per 16 - 20% Although our share is rather at than our present 13.56% share of Structural Funds, our per capita share is still substantially above the average of the contract of the

British concerns

6. A particular British interest (and one which Commissioner Millen himself is pursuing) is the inclusion in the Objective I category of the Bighlands and Islands and Merseyside even though their per capita GDP is above 73% of the Community average. (The UK wants these

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regions to share Morthern Ireland's eligibility for Objective 1 status). We have indicated our willingness to compressise in this "political" issue and would hope that the Commissioner will show similar understanding in the matter of our share of the Funds.

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Visit to British Prime Minister 16 June 1993

Growth and Employment Initiatives Steering Note

European Growth Initiative

- The European Council at Edinburgh in December 1992 made a growth. ECOFIN would monitor this and the European Council in June 1993 would come back to it.
- On 19 April 1993, ECOFIN approved a "new group of economic policies" as part of the European Growth basis of a major Commission Report) note the Cion estimate of an increase in growth of about 0.6% and the result of these initiatives.
- The aim of the package is to provide a short-term support to activity in the Community in a way that improves long-term growth potential, both by capital investment and investment in human capital (increasing employment). The emphasis is on a concerted and coordinated action by member States, concentrated in 1993/94, but providing the
- The main aspects of the package are
 - increased investment
 - increased investment new and enlarged Community schemes (EIF, etc.)
 - additional actions in research and development

European Investment Fund (EIF)

- The Edinburgh Conclusions called for the establishment of a European Investment Fund (EIF) to be managed by the for major infrastructural projects. On 25 Merch last, to allow for the creation of the EIF. It is hoped the
- Ireland has only limited interest in losn instruments. For us the Cohesion Fund will be the main form of new assistance to 'TENs', though it is intended for specific transport and environmental projects. However, the new loan instruments could be of major importance if they promote major infrastructural projects in Europe, which might help stimulate economic activity and growth.

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Internationalisation of Growth Initiatives

- 7. Discussions between EC and EFTA finance ministers tool place on marge of the ECOTH Souncil on 19 April astate to was agreed that the EC and EFTA chare similar problems in Economic Area will create a framework for increase common agreement of the EC and EFTA common and common agreement of the EC and EFTA common and common agreement to the reflation of the global economic common agreement to the reflation of the global economic
- 8. The ONCD Ministarial meeting in Paris on 2-3 June addressed the growth-employment insue, emphasising international cooperation employment issue, emphasising the open multilateral trading systems, a strategy agreed includes structural reform policies, including labour market policies, and trade liberalisation.

Copenhagen Summit

- The Danish Prime Minister indicated to the Taciseach last week that he wishes to have a major discussion on these issues at the Danyean Council in Copenhagen. The relevance of the Council issues of the Council issues of be enhanced by real progress on the ordinary citizen would unemployment and economic recovery lastes of
- 10. Fresident bolors is expected to present a paper as Copenhagen concentration on competitiveness and compositiveness are being compositiveness and compositiveness in the compositiveness and compositiveness are being controlled to the competitiveness issue controlled to the competitiveness is controlled to the competitiveness and controlled to the contr

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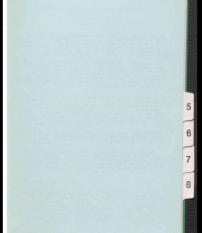
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Visit to British Prime Minister 16 June 1993

Steering Note

- The Exchange Rate Mechanism (EBM), which encountered serious difficulties in the last year, has now settled down. Interest rates, including German interest rates, are now showing a velcome downward trend. Further modulations in the EBM by the end of the decade in the run up to full Economic and Monetary Union (EBM) cannot be ruled out, but the Irish pound is strong.
- 2. Stealing and the Italian Lira left the EMN is September 1992. The Spanish Peceta and Drottoguese Encode over devailed (but the Spanish Peceta and Drottoguese Encode over devailed (but devailed by this the EMN wide hand). The Irish Pound was lated the BAIKED Shad ', the Irish devailation was caused largely the BAIKED Shad ', the Irish devailation was caused largely live with a long lay speculators) that our experience could not Irish Pound. "of Stealing at one stage of 18 against the Irish Pound." of Stealing at one stage of 18 against the Irish Pound.
- 3. Sterling is unlikely to rejoin the ERM in the near future. The former British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Norman Lamont, had the system before "the William of the Company return to the system before "the Norman Sterling" of the ERM before wish to see major changes in the functioning of the ERM before expectally, We also read improvements could be made - we were the rish broad from devaluation. Proper response to seen the Irish Pound from devaluation.
- The Irish devaluation brought the Irish pound back to equal about £1.02 Sterling. Sterling has since strengthened and the Irish Pound is now equal to 98 or 99 pence Sterling. This helpour exporters.
- The turnoil in the ERM since last September confirms for Ireland (rather than weakens) the objective of joining Economic and Moneration as provided for in the Massricht Treaty (Which provides or september 1997, or 1999 at the latest). However, the UK has a Protocol in the Massricht Treaty allowing it to opt out of ERM.

Review of Operations of ERM

6. The Committee of Governors of the Central hasks and the EC Monetary Committee have conducted separate studies of the Governors of the Central Committee of the Committee of the Committee of Commi

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Taoiseach's Meeting with Prime Minister Major

16 June 1993

International Political Questions

Former Yugoslavia

- share feelings of frustration at continued fighting and atrocities in Bosnia
- very concerned at recent attacks on UNPROFOR personnel Vance/Owen Peace Plan remains central to EC approach
- * Washington meeting on 22 May brought EC, US, Russia together. We must preserve unity of
- following adoption of SECCO resolution (836) on safe areas additional troops and funding required for implementation. (Figure of 5,000+ troops is mentioned)
- SECCO will need to consider further the question of international monitoring of Bosnian borders to increase isolation of Bosnian Serbs. Milosevic remains opposed to this
- these are interin measures
- Lord Owen and Mr. Stoltenberg have full confidence of EC.
 - dangerous situation in Croatia; risk of renewed fighting. Importance of preventing spillover of conflict to Kosovo and Macedonia

Russia

- still hopeful that Yeltsin will achieve reform goals including elections under new constitution to a new bicameral parliament this year
- growing concern in EC over Russia's relations with Ukraine, which is holding back on ratification of START, NPT
- Partnership and Cooperation Agreement now expected to be
- Community plus member States (Germany) have contributed 75% of aid to Durch (States (Germany))

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Central and Eastern Europe

 substantial progress expected at European Council in relations with central and eastern Europeans (Visegrad 4 plus Bulgaria and Evania)

Accession Negotiations/CFSP Aspects

- principles set out by Danish Foreign Minister at opening of talks on 1 February
- applicants must be ready and able to implement Maastricht
 - Maastricht Treaty has a dynamic/evolutionary character
- it would not be at all helpful to have a controversy on neutrality in the framework of the accession negotiations

ESP/WEU

- publication of the Lisbon Report on the future CFSP
- there is an emphasis in Twelve thinking on long-term approaches, including identification of the common security interests of the European Union
- in November we accepted observer status in the MEU, because of the role given to the MEU in the Maastricht Treaty
- We have attended some NEU meetings on former Yugoslavi. Ne will fully take up our rights as an observer when Masstricht has been ratified.

Common Defence Policy

- we will be ready to play our part in negotiations on a common defence policy
- an important factor for us will be an assessment of how
 - if negotiations at the Review Conference in 1996 lead to substantive results we will need to have a referendum in Ireland

Conference on Stability in Europe (French Proposal)

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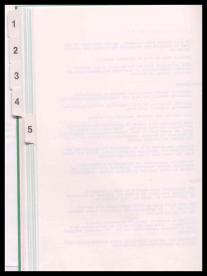
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- we will listen with interest: we are conscious of the Europeans
- central role of CSCE in European security
- CSCE principles have served us well, e.g., balance between inviolability of frontiers and possibility of

South Africa

- once TEC in place, EC will respond by lifting sanctions, improving economic relations
 - arms embargo and related measures will remain
 - some sanctions will remain in place for the time being, view, we would wish to have further assurances before the
- outside assistance will be important for organising and
 - "electoral assistance" is becoming an increasingly

- the Government have decided to make a transport contingent available to UNOSOM II, subject to enactment
- for the first time an Irish contingent will become involved in a UN operation with a mandate under Chapter VII of the UN Charter
- killing of Pakistani soldiers at weekend deeply june to express support for the UN. EC partners endorsed
- Minister for Defence intends to visit Somalia in the near



EC/US Relations

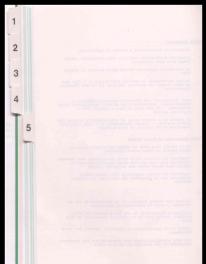
- election of Clinton/Gore a window of opportunity
- * potential differences with U.S. over Yugoslavia, work trade have been contained
- * EC has warmly supported US-led peace process in Middle
- Warren Christopher in meeting with Twelve on 9 June had an open-minded and positive attitude to further European integration
- both Christopher and Community speakers referred to common global responsibilities as well as bilateral EC/US relations. So far this is more a concept than a practical matter
- it points to a common sense of responsibility towards the global economy. Marren Christopher on 9 June mentioned reduction of US deficit in this context

World Conference on Munan Rights

- it is timely that NCHR in Vienna spotlights place of human rights in inter-State relations
- important to counter Third World perceptions that Wester countries are less serious about econonic and social rights than about evil and social in the serious countries.
- important to resist suggestion that human rights standards can be abrogated for religious or cultural reasons

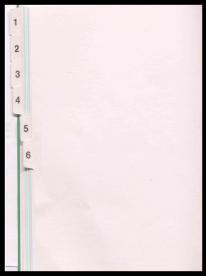
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- Ireland has strong interest in UN peacekeeping and is involved in most UN peacekeeping operations
- * continuing discussions on Sec Gen's Agenda for Peace document should lead to an enhanced capability in this area
- * safety of UN peacekeepers an important concern for Irish
 - two very practical issues are financing and the personnel



- the composition and functioning of the UN Security Council is under scrutiny. The Maastricht Treaty refers to the role of EC member States which are also members of the Security Council. How do you see this issue developing?
- disarmament and non-proliferation remain essential items on the international agenda. While we expect a "peace dividend", the capacity to buy or produce armaments is more widespread than ever before
- Ireland is seeking to promote a Code of Conduct on arms transfers within the UN





Taciseach's meeting with the Prime Minister 16 June 1991 Political Overview

- The Taoiseach's meeting with the Prime Minister takes place a week after the latest crisis to beset Mr. Major and his Government. On 9 June the former Chancellor, Norman Lamont, made his damaging resignation statement to the Commons claiming that an image-conscious Prime Minister, obsessed with presentation and short term advantage, had allowed opinion polls and party managers to dictate Government policy. In a stinging sound-bite, which struck at the Government generally and the Prime in office but not in power. Mr. Lamont's unexpected onslaught was compounded by a highly effective speech from the Labour leader, John Smith and by a weak defensive response from the Prime Minister. Mr. Major recovered some ground the following day, 10 June, at Prime Minister's Questions and at the weekend he availed himself of an address to the annual conference of Welsh Conservatives to reassert his authority and steady the nerves of anxious Tories. In the meantime his Cabinet colleagues have rallied around in a display of personal loyalty and unity, dismissing Mr. Lamont's criticisms as
- 2. There is some meets in this response and certainly the significance of the Lamot's scale in the constitution. In terms of substance and impact the case is determined cannot be librated for example to the reserve in terms of cooffesy lowe which led directly to Mrs. Thatchers covered in the control of the control of

In the meantime a great deal will depend on his ability this parliamentary session. In a broader sense Mr. Lamont's criticism is also symptomatic of the succession of difficulties which have beset the Conservatives since their success in the general election of April 1992. The former Chancellor was never a particularly popular figure among the rank and file of the Conservative party and his departure from the Cabinet was brought about in large measure by growing disenchantment among Tory activists with his handling of economic policy. It is an ironic schoes the widespread misquivings among those very people who a few weeks ago were classouring for his removal. It is a double irony that a man never renowned for the launch his attack at the very time when Conservative to terms with their heavy defeat in the recent local Government elections and the loss, on the same day, of one of the safest Tory seats in a by election at Newbury

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Masatricht that the right wing feel uneasy: there are, for example, deep rooted concerns about law and order, dismay at the rise in public spending and a general unease about the direction of economic policy and the slow rate of economic recovery.

- The economy is the key issue. Recent months have witnessed the beginnings of what is recognised as a very tentative recovery. The economic statistics give a mixed comfort from the figures on new company start ups, which show a 4.9 per cent increase on the corresponding period of the recession in 1989, indicates a growth in business entrepreneurial and business activity is picking up as part of a broader based recovery. Despite the positive indicators however the new Chancellor, Kenneth Clarke, Minister. While Norman Lamont was Chancellor the Prime formulation of economic policy. With the new Chancellor the Prime Minister can be seen to have put some distance between himself and this vital area. This is of course a Mr. Clarke, the Minister best placed to replace Mr. Major, would reap the obvious benefits. On the other hand with the budget deficit predicted to reach £50 cuts about to get underway, including a possible re-
- At time of writing the indications are that the Prime Minister has, for the noment, weathered the immediate crisis engendered by Nr. Lamont's resignation speech.

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The view at Westminster is that the right wing is content in the short term to rally behind him although each news Government will continue to foster the impression that it Minister told the Commons last week was "some local difficulty". It seems however to be the misfortune of to the next since no sooner had the echoes of the Lamont benefit. The next critical test for the Government will Christchurch. This constituency in Dorset is one of the anything is possible and if the pattern at Newbury were to be repeated the Liberal Democrats could well take it. boost. The writ has yet to be moved but the expectation is that it will be held in July possibly around 7 July. There is also the relief of the summer recess, which is with a victory at Christchurch and the added bonus of put behind him a thoroughly disagreeable year. The Liberal Democrat leader, Paddy Ashdown, told me about Christchurch. However, so much misfortune has befallen must surely be in more confident mood now.



THE RT. HON. JOHN MAJOR MP PRIME MINISTER

John Major was born in Merton, Surrey in 1943. Reduced circumstances obliged his family to move from the suburbs when he was only ten years old to a two-room multi-racial council estate in Coldharbour Lame, Brixton.

We left school at 16 and spent some time as cleak and a labourer, also speciescoin a pactod of ussept/special, before beginning a successful career in banking where he come to become personal sessionant to Anthony Racher, discretor of the Standard Chartered Bank and the former Chancellor in Health's Operment. As next'us member of Britain Foung Conservatives from his teams, he founded Labeth Soroub, Young Conservatives and served as Its first Chairman. He was elected to Lambeth Council in 1864 where he wom hipartians respect for his liberal Social views as Chairman of the Housing Committee.

Having failed to win a seat in both 1974 elections he was adopted for Huntingdon in 1976 and elected MP in the 1979 General Election.

Me narried Morma Johnson, a former home accomories teacher and dressanksor from Shropshire, in 1970 having met her as a she festied forcy votars to the polling stations for the GCC elections sealler that year. An opera lover she has written a well-regarded biography of Joan Sutherland. They have one son James aged 17, and a dawspiter Elizabeth aged 20.

Major's first political appointment in 1981 was as Parliamentary Private Secretary to the two junior Ministers at the Home Office, one of whom, Sir Patrick Mayhew, is the Current Attorney General.







Possible Draft Communiqué

1. (Protocol Paragraph)

- The Twoiseacy and Prime Minister/onducted.a.fuel review of Anglo-Irish relations, and in particular of the situation in Horthern Iralian. They readfriend the determination of both Covernments to cooperate closely, on-with-aspects of the publish, building on the solid foundation of their joint constituent to the Anglo-Irish Apresent. To Anally part (I. P. Anally part).
- The Toolsean and Fries Histories page 18 for frame them, which is a transfer and the Friest through the form of life and binam suffering be untoutly caused by those-mon unleash the avaired terrorism, on the community. They pledged to sustain their control of the section of th
 - The Tacismach and the Prise Minister considered the prospects for a resumption of political dialogus. They agreed on the need to address sir! of the Ny relationships involved and to work towards an outcome which would exceeded and subquestly assemblated to relate the new terms of the new terms
 - involved and to work towards an outcome and extending exceptions and advantage and advantage and identities of the tow sajor traditions that werse in Irakand. There as in its on ballows a new beginning for relationships within Storbern Irakand. Their is its on the Irakand of Irakand and between the people of the tow lishing, and—thee make—a declaive break with the Teapy of plat-matcher and falliance and lay the foundations Tor-latining people and the Irakand and Irakand Ira
- 5. They appealed to the political parties in Northern Ireland
 to ping a full and constructive-role in the search for
 political progress, which the peoples of both islands
 ferrently wish to rec'in place. They agreed that contacts

would continue with the parties, with a view to seeking a

- 6. They agreed also to continue their discussions on those issues relating to the process which were ultimately for decision by the two Governments, so that their joint resources could be brought to bear as-effectively-max possible on relaunching the search for political progress, and quiding it-towards success.
- They agreed to take stock of the position and to decide on further steps at their next meeting, to be held in the second half of the year.
- The Taoiseach and Prine Minister also reviewed progress in North/South economic cooperation and welcomed the full programme of work being carried out in the Anglo-Irish Conference in this field.
- 9. [EC issues]

