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MR WALL

Meeting with Mr Nally

Thank you for your minute of 28 January. I have copied a minute of 24 January to the Foreign Secretary.

- 2. I enclose a copy of the Irish draft declaration, together with a commentary on it prepared by NIO. I apologise for the markings on it through which I recorded comments made by the Irish in our last discussion.
 - 3. In view of the sensitivity of this document, I should be grateful if you would hold it personally and ensure that no further copies of it are made.
 - 4. Mr Nally has been in touch with me, following the announcement of Mr Haughey's resignation. He is still proposing to come across next Friday. Subject to the Prime Minister's views, I do not propose to deter him from that: following Mr Haughey's resignation, and in the light of the outcome of that discussion, we will be able to consider whether Ministers want to take this initiative any further.

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ROBIN BUTLER

30 January 1992