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HM Ambassador, Dublin [1] cc PS/Secretary of State (L&B) [2&3]
PS/Michael Ancram (L) [4]
PS/PUS (L) [5]
PS/Mr Fell [6]
Mr Legge [7]
Mr Bell [8]
Mr Deverell [9]
Mr Williams [10]
Mr Watkins [11]
Mr Wood(L&B)-[12&13]
Mr Brooker [14]
Mr Cooke [15]
Mr Maccabe [16]
Mr Rickard [17]
Mr Beeton [18]
Mr Archer [19]
Melanie Leech,
PS/Sir Robin Butler [20]
→ Roderic Lyne,
PS/Prime Minister [21]
Mr Sawers,
PS/Mr Hurd [22]

JOINT DECLARATION INITIATIVE

I attach what we hope is the final and agreed version of the Joint Declaration J.D.19.

2. As we discussed we suggest you go through this text with the Irish side, probably Mr Mansergh, and ensure that there is complete understanding on both sides of the complete text, including punctuation! If there are any problems please speak to me, or to Jonathan Stephens (in OAB: 210-6461).

3. We made it clear to the Irish side that if we are to proceed tomorrow we need to settle the text by 3pm. We have missed that. But the sooner the better.

4. For the benefit of readers of JD.15C, there are changes to paragraphs 4 & 5, to the final paragraphs have been changed.

[SIGNED]

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