

PIWAL WEEK GFA.  
1998

ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED FROM MONDAY, MARCH 30, THROUGH THURSDAY, APRIL 2, IN INTENSIVE BILATERALS AND, AS NECESSARY, GROUP MEETINGS

Constitutional issues. (Initial basis for discussion to be the paper on Constitutional Issues circulated by the Governments on March 12, 1998.)

\* Support amendments of Articles 2/3.

Northern Ireland Structures:

- ( How is the Assembly to be chosen; )
- Extent of powers to be devolved to Assembly; whether Assembly should have legislative as well as executive functions; *strong legislative.*
- Arrangements for the exercise of executive functions; whether there should be arrangements for collective responsibility; →
- Checks and balances; *weighted*
- Relationship to other institutions. *Civic Forum*

Policing and justice issues in Northern Ireland.

at HR Comm.  
B of R - (Cons)  
incl. enforcement  
PAFT → state bonds

Provisions for equality and parity of esteem within Northern Ireland.

Security measures in the context of a settlement.



East/West Structures:

- Nature and extent of functions of the Intergovernmental Council;
- Role of Standing British/Irish Intergovernmental Machinery.

North/South Structures:

- Nature and extent of functions of the North/South Ministerial Council;
- Implementation of decisions;
- Relationship with Oireachtas and Assembly;
- Relationship with Intergovernmental Council.

Decommissioning.

Protection of rights.

Prisoners issues.

Arrangements for review of operation of overall settlement.