

Dec 98

N/A Act into law?

April 10

GRT

May 22

Referendum

June 24(?)

Electors to Assembly

July 1

Assembly meets; FM/DFM elected - asks them to report on progress comp.

Aug 15

Concise words / Aug 17 discussion paper on depts.

Sept-Oct

Govt steps back; consultative meetings convened; FM/DFM re depts. structures.

Oct 31

Deadline for agreement on A/S bodies passes discussions continue; not conclusive; SDLP/ULP

Nov

Dec 2

Blair arrives to continue ^{re-iterate} discussions. SDLP/ULP ^{firmly} deal 'hammered out' - Blair leaves - close to a deal.

Dec 3

Mallon says ^{Reels} deal ^{is} ^{only} ^{remained}.

Trumble renege on deal they'd done deal between 2 PMs ULP/SDLP. - no witnesses

Dec 5

Mallon & Trumble clash again over who was responsible for failure to confirm deal.

Dec 15

meetings continue between SDLP/ULP DT sees G Adams 10 mins. S Fontal Corp

Dec 17

hopes are again more SDLP/ULP meets.

Dec 18

3am - deal breakthroughs SDLP/ULP broken deal Mallon, Trumble issue statement, joint

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Jan 15

ULP begin to draw back from presenting report agreed on Dec 18 to Assembly because it might result in automatic establishment of NI exec

legislative confusion no-one knows what's going on & fear of moving for fear would cause adverse impact

• 'some stoppage in the end of the world, but it's clearly not helpful'.

Jan 16 Ass want Ass to 'take note' of report. ^{procedural aspects of} approved by ~~Ass~~ on Jan 16 and a formal determination will be made on Feb 16th. Mo Mowlam sets target date of Mar 10 for dev of powers. Allows time for further work on arrangements on Core forum & Bic.

Jan 18 Ass meets to approve FM/DFM report

Feb 16 Ass makes formal determination on report.

Feb 17 New done to broad decision ^{report} announced by AM/G/R/IG, to happen in next F/Night.

Feb 17 1st party to party meet takes place between ~~DFM~~ UUP & SF. ^{Tensions change position vis a vis SF} ^{parliamentary} ^{with these}

Feb 17 DT goes to Downing St, meet with Blair

Feb 20 ~~DFM~~ Mollar - 'govts willingness to include M/Tomlinson and to let various 'deadlines' fall, might inadvertently have helped enhance the UUP leader in the decision ditch'.

8 Mar 99 Mowlam ^{indicates} ~~sets~~ date for d'Knot - Mar 10, would not be suitable, says it will be run no later than with beginning 2nd Mar

April 1 After wk x discussions (non-inclusive) ^{PM/ANT} ^{movement} Hillsborough Declaration produced laying down time table & way forward. rejected by UUP, APWE, SF, PUP because of process.

May 14 Double to PM in Downing St - SF/SDLP/UUP discussions - UUP reject.

PM sets deadline 30 June 25 June - 3 principles agreed.

June - Round table discussions - no agenda, no table positions, not enough ^{enough} level delegation.

2 July - Report of IICD.

2 July After all long discussions Way Forward Document
agreeing time table, fault safe clause etc.
~~then~~ PM/ANT movement - need to produce piece
of paper.
PM/ANT = dynamic UUP/SDUP/SF.
DUP/MUP in building UUP + UUP

12 July No Bill introduced - fault safe mechanism

15 July UUP reject a strong currency from the

20 July PM/ANT say GM has agreed to facilitate new process.

● 22 July George Mitchell indicates new process will
resume on Mon 6 Sept.