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7 February 1990

Dr John T Alderdice
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Dear John

British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body

Thank you for your letter of 5 February and it so happens that a few minutes after I spoke to you I received a telephone call from a Miss June Reid who is a member of the above Body's Secretariat. She was ringing to check whether I would be available to attend the first Session which starts at 12.30 pm in the Houses of Parliament on Monday, 26 February. She confirmed that I would be entitled to be present throughout the proceedings which are scheduled to continue through Tuesday, 27 February and conclude on Wednesday, 28 February. Her telephone number is 01-219-6868 which now gives us a direct contact.

Miss Reid promised that she would let me have a programme for the Session as soon as it was available so it would probably be advisable for us to meet to discuss our approach as soon as this has been received.

I congratulate you on the provisional success of your lobbying as even if my admission to the Body at this stage is only due to the fact that Mr Alec Carlisle cannot be present for the full Session at least it means that we have a foot in the door and I shall have an opportunity of assessing what it is all about. I am glad to see that Austin Currie will be there representing Fine Gael as I always found him to be reasonable and approachable in the days when we were both at Stormont.

I shall let you know as soon as I hear anything further from Miss Reid and thank you once again for your good offices in this matter.

Yours ever

Henry

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Dear John

British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body

Further to my letter of 7 February I enclose a copy of the Programme received here on Saturday morning for the first Session of the above to be held from Monday, 26 - Wednesday, 28 February next. I have also received a draft copy of the Rules for the Body which would be rather a bigger job to copy but I shall try to assimilate them.

You will note from the proposed programme of business that the items specified are "that the Body takes note of Britain and Ireland in the European Community" and "that the Body takes note of issues of common concern and possible co-operation between the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland." These are obviously designed to be as wide and general as possible. The question is whether I should endeavour to introduce a topic under this broad heading or whether I should just keep my head down and try to assess the mood of the Body.

If the former course of action were considered desirable, one topic that occurs to me at present is the delay in applying for a £50M grant from EEC funds to upgrade the Belfast to Dublin Railway Line due to foot dragging on behalf of Irish Rail and the Dublin Government. There may be other topics more pertinent but my judgment is that for the time being it might be wise to avoid any subject that might be construed as being politically controversial.

In any event I shall be travelling to London on the evening of Sunday, 25 February and should much welcome a meeting with you before then. I shall be in Belfast this Wednesday and could be there again on Friday. Either of those dates might be better than the following week when I may have to go to the South of Ireland.

In any event, I shall give you a ring so as to speed things up but in the meantime you will have an opportunity of studying the enclosures.

Yours ever

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From: Peter Temple-Morris MP, Co-Chairman Designate
To: All British Members and Associate Members

BRITISH-IRISH INTER-PARLIAMENTARY BODY

I enclose the following:

1) The Proposed Rules of the Body

These have been drawn up by the Interim Steering Committee with the very considerable help of our Clerk, Bill McKay, and were finally agreed by the Interim Steering Committee at their meeting on 1 February 1990. They reflect our decision to get a good set of Rules in place even if our proceedings can be kept reasonably informal. They will be subjected to a thorough review after the second Plenary Meeting of the Body later this year.

2) Programme of Business for our Inaugural Plenary Meeting

The subjects are general but so far as possible the Chair will encourage continuity and debate. In this regard and generally, it would be a great help if applications to speak in any debate could be made to me as soon as possible. It would also assist to know something of the speaker's subject area to better structure the debate. All this particularly applies to the Private Debate on Tuesday afternoon. We have left the debate entirely open for the moment but once we know what Members want to raise, we will react accordingly and structure the time available to the best advantage.

3) Programme of events

A programme of events is enclosed. A printed programme will be distributed prior to the start of the Session.

With all good wishes,

Peter Temple-Morris

BRITISH-IRISH INTER-PARLIAMENTARY BODY

PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF BUSINESS

1. Monday 26 February

2.45 pm, Committee Room 14, House of Commons.
Meeting in private.

1. RULES

That the proposed Rules for the Conduct of Business by the British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body be approved.
(to be moved by the Provisional Chairman).

2. ELECTION OF CO-CHAIRMEN.

3. ELECTION OF STEERING COMMITTEE.

4. ADOPTION OF PROGRAMME OF BUSINESS.

5. Any other business.

It is hoped the meeting will conclude not later than 3.45 pm

At 4.00 pm

FORMAL OPENING SESSION

It is hoped the opening session will conclude not later than 5.00 pm

2. Tuesday 27 February

10.00 am, Mountbatten Suite, Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre.

Morning proceedings in public; afternoon proceedings in private.

1. EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

The Steering Committee

That the Body takes note of Britain and Ireland in the European Community.

A suspension from about 12.30 pm until 2.30 pm is intended.

2. ADJOURNMENT

The Steering Committee

That the Body do now adjourn.

Separate topics for discussion will be proposed.

The meeting will conclude not later than 5.30 pm.

3. Wednesday 28 February

1. COMMON CONCERN AND CO-OPERATION

The Steering Committee

That the Body takes note of issues of common concern and possible co-operation between the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

The meeting will conclude not later than 12.30 pm

Monday 26 February.

- 1035 Arrival of Irish Parliamentarians at airport, Flight EI 156. Met by 2 Members of British Delegation, H E Mr Andrew O'Rourke, Irish Ambassador, Captain Shaw and Miss June Reid, IPU, Proceed to Hounslow VIP Suite.
- Proceed by coach to IPU room via North Door, Westminster Hall, Palace of Westminster. Met by Members of the British Delegation.
- (0950 approx Steering Committee depart St Ermins Hotel for Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre.
- 1000 - 1215 Meeting of Interim Steering Committee in Room 6/7, 6th Floor Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre.
- 1220 Interim Steering Committee proceed to IPU Room, Palace of Westminster, by mini-coach via North Door, Westminster Hall.)
- 1230 Photocall
- 1230 Reception for Members of Body and Officials in IPU Room.
(Full Members only)
- Coach and luggage to St Ermins Hotel
- 1255 Proceed to Dining Room "A"
- 1300 Lunch for all Members of the Body in Dining Room "A",
(Full Members only) House of Commons
- 1440 Proceed to Committee Room 14, House of Commons
- 1445 - 1545 First Plenary Meeting to constitute Body and agree the Rules.
- 1600 - 1655 Formal Opening Meeting in Committee Room 14, House of Commons.
- 1700 Photocall for Members of Body on steps of Westminster Hall
- 1720 Proceed to hotel by coach.
- 1930 - 1945 approx 6 cabs awaiting British Members at Members Entrance for transport to Lancaster House.
- 1955 Depart hotel by coach for Lancaster House
- 2000 for 2015 Dinner hosted by The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Leader of the House of Commons, on behalf of Her Majesty's Government, at Lancaster House

2140 For those needing to vote: Coach will take British Members to House of Commons, wait and return to Lancaster House.

2315 approx. Return to hotel by coach.
NB: British Members make their own way home

Tuesday 27 February.

0945 Depart hotel by coach for Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre

1000 - 1230 Plenary Meeting in Mountbatten Suite, 6th Floor

1230 - 1430 Buffet Lunch, hosted by Mr T V Finn, on behalf of
(By invitation from RTE. Radio Telefis Eireann, Mountbatten Lounge
Full Members only)

1430 - 1730 Plenary Meeting in Mountbatten Suite.

Return to hotel by coach

1820 Depart hotel by coach for Mr Speaker's House

1830 - 1930 Mr Speaker's Reception in State Rooms,
Mr Speaker's House.

1930 Depart Mr Speaker's House by coach for Irish Embassy

2000 Dinner hosted by H E Mr Andrew O'Rourke,
(by invitation from Irish Embassy) Irish Ambassador, Irish Embassy,
17 Grosvenor Place, London SW1

2230 approx Return to hotel by coach.
NB British Members make own way home.

Wednesday 28 February.

0945 Depart hotel by coach for Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, with luggage embarked.

1000 - 1230 Final Plenary Meeting, Mountbatten Suite.

1230 Steering Committee Press Conference,
Mountbatten Suite.

1300 Lunch in Mountbatten Lounge, 5th Floor
(Full Members only) Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre.

1445 approx. Depart Conference Centre by coach for airport.
Proceed to Hounslow VIP Suite.
Accompanied by Peter Temple-Morris MP,
Stuart Bell MP, Miss June Reid and
Miss Natasha Wall.

1645 Depart on Flight El 169

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has their staff located with
the IPU - Interparliamentary Union
(used to be called British-Irish Secretariat.)

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John

BRITISH-IRISH INTER-PARLIAMENTARY BODYGovernment:

MEMBERS: ~~Tony Baldry MP~~
 Michael Brown MP
 James Couchman MP
 Hugh Dykes MP
 Andrew MacKay MP
 Michael Mates MP
 Norman Miscampbell QC MP
 Sir David Mitchell MP
 Barry Porter MP
 Sir Giles Shaw MP
 Peter Temple-Morris MP
 Tim Wood MP
Jeremy Hanley
 Lord Lyell

ASSOCIATES: Henry Bellingham MP
 Edward Leigh MP
 David Madel MP
 William Benyon MP
~~Jeremy Hanley MP~~
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Opposition:

MEMBERS: Stuart Bell MP
 Martin Flannery MP
 Roy Hughes MP
 James Marshall MP
 John McFall MP
 Rt Hon Stanley Orme MP
 Rt Hon Merlyn Rees PC MP

 Lord Prys-Davies

ASSOCIATES: Lord Blease of Cromac
 Baroness Ewart-Biggs
 Mrs Llin Golding MP
 David Winnick MP

Liberal Democrats:

MEMBER: Alexander Carlile QC MP
 ASSOCIATE: Lord Dunleath

SDLP:

MEMBER: Seamus Mallon MP
 ASSOCIATE: Eddie McGrady MP

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17 Grosvenor Place,
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(December, 1989.

Mr. Peter Temple-Morris MP,
House of Commons,
Westminster,
London SW1A 0AA.

Dear Peter,

We have now received from Dublin the full list of the Irish Members of the Parliamentary as follows:-

Fianna Fail

- Mr. James Tanney, T.D., Leas-Ceann Comhairle
- Mr. David Andrews, T.D.
- Mr. Mervyn Aherne, T.D.
- Mr. Joe Jacob, T.D.
- Mr. Donn O'Donoghue, T.D.
- Mr. Colm Hilliard, T.D.
- Mr. John Deanehy, T.D.
- Mr. Tom Kitt, T.D.
- Mr. John Stafford, T.D.
- Mr. Brian Cowan, T.D.
- Mr. Jimmy Leonard, T.D.
- Senator Brian Mullarkey
- Senator Seán Byrne

Fine Gael

- Mr. Peter Barry, T.D.
- Mr. Jim O'Keefe, T.D.
- Mr. Tom Knight, T.D.
- Ms. Nora Owen, T.D.
- Dr. Garrett Fitzgerald, T.D.
- Mr. Eada Kenny, T.D.
- Mr. Austin Currie, T.D.
- Senator Maurice Manning, T.D.

Labour Party

- Mr. Dick Spring, T.D.
- Mr. Liam Kavanagh

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Progressive Democrats

Mr. Peadar Clonessy, T.D.

Workers Party

Mr. Tomas MacGiolla, T.D.

the composition on our side will be announced to the press today (3 December) by the Leas Ceann Comhairle, Jim Tunney T.D. The list of substitutes is not yet complete and I will let you have it the moment it comes to hand.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Joe Hayes —
Councillor

Substitutes:

Mr. Bernard Allen T.D.	Fine Gael
Ms. Mary Coughlan T.D.	Fianna Fail
Mr. Jimmy Deenihan T.D.	Fine Gael
Mr. John Ellis T.D.	Fianna Fail
Mr. Brendan Howlin T.D.	Labour
Senator Helen Keogh	Progressive Democrats
Senator Charles McDonald	Fine Gael
Mr. Tom McEllistrim T.D.	Fianna Fail
Mr. Pat MacCartan T.D.	Workers' Party
Mr. Brendan McGahon T.D.	Fine Gael
Mr. M.J. Nolan T.D.	Fianna Fail
Mr. Willie O'Dea T.D.	Fianna Fail
Mr. Ned O'Keefe T.D.	Fianna Fail

Mon. 5 Feb.
5.15.

JOHN -

A. CARLILE Evidently
can not make the

the Inter-Parliamentary Tier
at all. (26 - 28 Feb)

Is Dunleath OK for it?

(Peter Temple-Morris thinks Henry
is the Bee's knees evidently)

Also.

P.S. Carlile JUST rang to say the
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5 February 1990,

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British-Irish Parliamentary Body

Further to your letter of 22 January.

I went to Dublin on Wednesday last on a number of errands, and took the opportunity to lobby the Southern members of the Steering Committee (Jim Tunney FF, Peter Barry FG and Dick Spring Lab.) on our request for a place in the Inter-Parliamentary Body. I don't know how successful that will be, but in any case I have just this evening had a fax from London to say that Alex Carlile QC MP, the Liberal Democrat, will probably be unable to attend the session on 26-28 February, so in any case your services will be required.

I will give some thought to the question of our approach to the first session and will arrange to meet and have a chat with you as soon as I can clarify my thoughts on it.

By the way Austin Currie tells me that he will be there representing Fine Gael.

With Best Wishes,

Dr John T. Alderdice
PARTY LEADER

*Confirmed by telephone
6.2.90.*

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Dear John

British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body

Thank you for your letter of 17 January and it is good of you to keep me informed.

I must say that the position inferred in Mr Peter Temple-Morris's letter of December 19 (which I had already seen) is slightly different from the impression which I perhaps mistakenly gained during my meeting with them just before Christmas. Of course it will be necessary to play it diplomatically and I would be the last to take offence if in the event I am told that I am not required. Anyway, I have booked accommodation in London at the end of February which can easily be cancelled at a few days' notice. At the same time I continue to think that it would give better balance to the Body if there could be some Ulster Protestant representation on it in the regrettable absence of the Unionists.

In any case we shall see how events unfold but if I am summoned to be present I should welcome a brief in advance.

With all good wishes and I salute your perseverance.

Yours ever

Henry

428 CONDEMNATION OF APARTHEID: 'A DRY WHITE SEASON'

31:1:90

Mr Tom Pendry
 Mr Keith Bradley
 Mr Mark Fisher
 Mr Brian Sedgemore
 Dawn Primarolo
 Mr Brian Wilson

Mr Tam Dalvell
 Mr Roland Boyes
 Mr. David Winnick

Mr Roy Hughes
 Mr David Winnick
 Mr. David Winnick

Mr Terry Patchett
 Mr Doug Henderson
 Mr. Doug Henderson

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That this House commends the makers of the excellent film, *A Dry White Season*, which is a damning exposé of the horrors of apartheid in South Africa; and recommends that Mike Gatting and the other members of his rebel cricket team should see this production, in order to bring home to them the stark reality of the situation in that country and to dispel once and for all the incredible naivety that has been shown by those taking part.

429 NEW CONSENSUS IN IRELAND

31:1:90

Mr Harry Barnes
 Mr John McAllion
 Mr Robert N. Wareing
 Mr Simon Hughes
 Mr Archy Kirkwood
 Mr Matthew Taylor

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That this House gives its full support to the broad-based Irish group *New Consensus* which aims to challenge at every opportunity apathy and ambivalence about the right to human life in Northern Ireland, to promote the equal right of all citizens to the democratic control of their destiny, to defend the principles of mutual respect and civil liberty as the basis for democratic, non-sectarian social activity in Ireland, North and South, and to reject all forms of paramilitary activities, and further supports the initiative of *New Consensus* in organising a dignified picket of the Sinn Féin annual conference in Dublin on the weekend of 3rd and 4th February, to call upon the Irish Republican Army to stop its murder campaign and to reject the claim that they act in the name of the people of Ireland.

NAMES WITHDRAWN

- 388 COMMUNITY CHARGE (S.I., 1990, No. 2): Mr Michael Meacher, Clare Short, Mr Paul Flynn and Mr Allen McKay have withdrawn their names.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

- 402 NO CONFIDENCE IN HER MAJESTY'S LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION: Mr Ivor Stanbrook has withdrawn his Notice of Motion.

* The figure following this symbol gives the total number of names of Members appended, including those names added in this edition of the Notices of Questions and Motions.