

17 September 1994,

The Prime Minister,
10 Downing Street,
LONDON SW1A 2AA.

Thank you for your letter of 16th inst., and the statement which you made to the people of Northern Ireland.

Having received the letter, I was in a position, immediately, to respond in a fully positive manner, to your statement. I regard it as a masterly intervention, and am pleased to advise you, that when I presented it, in full, to the quarterly meeting of the Alliance Party Ruling Council held in Omagh today, it was given a unanimous welcome by the delegates - well over a hundred of them from almost every District Council area in Northern Ireland.

I believe that your announcement has steadied the process considerably, and I look forward to discussing with you how we may progress further, on the Framework Document, and beyond, when we meet on September 29th.

Dr John T Alderdice
PARTY LEADER