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JOINT DECLARATION INITIATIVE: OPENING STATEMENT AND BRIEFING

Thank you for your submission of 9 December.

2. The Secretary of State is broadly content with both the opening statement and briefing material attached to your submission. He is content for these to be put to the Irish side now on an ad referendum basis, and does not think that they need to be shown to the Prime Minister first.

SIGNED

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