

Possible Amendments to JD.15

1. Paragraph 3, line 3, after "of" insert "the island of".

2. Amend beginning of paragraph 4 to read:

"The Prime Minister reaffirms, on behalf of the British Government, that their concern is to uphold the democratic wishes of the people of Northern Ireland. On this basis he reiterates that they have no selfish strategic or economic interest in Northern Ireland. Consistent with this, ..."

3. Paragraph 4, line 16 delete "including a sovereign united Ireland".

4. Paragraph 4, line 20 on next page after "a" insert "sovereign".

Paragraph 4, line 23 after "or" insert "equally".

4. Paragraph 12, penultimate line after "made" insert "their own".

4. Joint Declaration text agreed in Brussels.

[Irish Government will probably seek to ascertain reaction in wider nationalist community and gauge prospects for a cessation of violence.]