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Dear Roderic,

PRIME MINISTER'S TALKS WITH MR REYNOLDS: 3 DECEMBER

The Northern Ireland Office will submit the detailed briefing covering both political talks and security cooperation separately. I enclose:

- (a) A draft programme suggested by the Irish (with a query about a possible joint press conference);
- (b) Briefing on EC points (Commission White Paper, Article 103 Broad Economic Guidelines, International aspects of Enlargement and GATT);
- (c) A scene-setting telegram from the Ambassador in Dublin.

Possible points to touch on in informal conversation at lunch include:

- Domestic economic outlook, perhaps linked to the Budget (the outlook for the UK economy has a vital bearing on the outlook for Irish exports and unemployment figures).
- Recent international developments (the Irish would welcome a quick tour d'horizon from a UK perspective).
- Ireland's prospects in the World Cup.

I am copying this letter to Jonathan Stephens (NIO) and Melanie Leech (Cabinet Office).

Yours truly,

Janie

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