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Declan O Donovan telephoned to alert us to the fact that news bulletins in Northern Ireland are carrying the following: "A spokesman for President Mary Robinson has confirmed the President's intention to visit West Belfast. The intinerary and dates have not yet been fixed."

As I understand it from Mr. O' Donovan, this is the first indication of an 'on the record' comment by the Aras on the President's visit to Northern Ireland.

Para 3 of O'Donovan's secure fax re tonights Summit relates directly back to your comment at the Diner meeting where, he feels, due to the absense of support on our side for your comment the impact of what Molyneaux said in the Commons was not therefore fully registered on the British side.

Joe Hayes 16 June 1993