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JOINT DECLARATION INITIATIVE: PARAGRAPH 4

I do not think the No.10 record of the Prime Minister's meeting of 30 September will include an account of amendments which were suggested, on a contingent basis, to the revised paragraph 4 suggested, on a contingent basis, to the revised paragraph 4 attached as Annex A to your letter of 27 September to Roderic Lyne.

2. The Prime Minister read the paragraph carefully concentrating in particular on sensitivities on the Unionist side. It was agreed that there was no question of handling any text to the Irish side at present. But on a contingent basis it was agreed that the paragraph would be more acceptable to HMG if it were revised as attached.

[SIGNED]

Q J THOMAS 4 October 1993 OAB 6447

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