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From: Independent Chairmen Notetakers
26 July 1996

SUMMARY RECORD OF INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS ON PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES
AND AGENDA FOR PLENARY SESSION - 25 JULY (20.16-20.25)

Those present:

Independent Chairmen	Government Teams	Parties
Senator Mitchell	British Government	Alliance Party
General de Chastelain	Irish Government	Labour Party
Mr Holkeri		Northern Ireland Women's Coalition
		Progressive Unionist Party
		Social Democratic and Labour Party
		Ulster Democratic Party
		Ulster Democratic Unionist Party
		United Kingdom Unionist Party
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1. The Chairman called the meeting to order. He said that the Governments and the other participants who had been involved in bilateral talks had advised him that while some progress had been made on the issues in contention there was no prospect of an agreement on those matters being reached that evening. The Chairman thought it advisable therefore to inform those participants who were not presently involved in bilateral meetings that they could leave. The bilateral meetings would, however, continue for those participants who wished to stay on.

2. The Chairman proposed that full round table discussions would in Plenary format at 10.00 on Monday 29 July. He said that it would probably be a lengthy and hopefully productive session. The

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Plenary would proceed immediately to the adoption of paragraphs 30-36 in the rules of procedure in relation to the decision making process and it will then work its way through the various items that had been agreed for adoption. He envisaged it then breaking at 12 noon until 14.00 for the purposes of lunch and to enable bilateral meetings to continue on the agenda for the Opening Plenary. The Chairman hoped that agreement would be reached on the latter items by that time.

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