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	Mr Wood(L+B)	-B
	Mr Howard(L+B) (Personal)	-B
	Mr Lavery	-B
	Mr Maccabe	-B
	Mr Perry	-B
	Mr Stephens	-B
	Ms Checksfield	-B
	Miss Harrison	
	Mr Whysall	

Mr Leach -B

PUBLICATION OF "SCENARIO": DRAFT SPEAKING NOTE

Thank you for your minute of 5 June. I think the draft Statement reads very well.

2. My only suggestion is to add the following passage after the first sentence of paragraph 6, to illustrate how the Agenda and Procedural Rules are intended to provide reassurance that a meaningful and inclusive process of dialogue is genuinely on offer:

"We therefore also envisage the Opening Plenary Session will adopt and commit the participants to negotiate a comprehensive agenda covering the substantive political issues which arise in each of the three main sets of relationships concerned. To that end, we [have today also circulated] [intend very shortly to circulate] an outline agenda for the parties' considerations. Additionally, we are proposing a set of procedural rules which we trust will help the whole negotiation to run smoothly."

3. The rest of paragraph 6 might then become a new paragraph.

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4. Could I ask Mr Whysall to draw up and circulate as soon as possible a couple of Q&A pieces on the agenda and procedural rules.

(Signed)

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Mr Stephens - B  
Mr Hill - B  
Mr Parry - B  
Mr MacCabe - B  
Mr Beeton - B  
Mr Lavery - B  
Miss Harrison - B  
Ms Checkfield - B  
Mrs Mapstone - B  
Mr Whysall - B  
Mr Wood, Cab Office (via EPL)  
Mr Leont, RID - B  
HMA Dublin - B  
Mr Campbell Bannerman - B

#### ALL-PARTY NEGOTIATIONS: LAUNCH OF DOCUMENTS

Following agreement on paragraph 4 of the "Scenario" paper last night, the Liaison Group met this morning to finalise the range of papers which, in order to launch the negotiations, it is necessary to send to the prospective Chairmen and (once they have accepted the invitation to serve) to the participating parties and then to publish. We reached agreement with the Irish this morning on all these texts, which are attached:

- ✓ - Scenario for the Opening Plenary Session;
- ✓ - Procedural Guidelines for the conduct of substantive all-party negotiations;

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