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19 JUNE 1996

cc: PS/Secretary of State (B&L) - B
PS/Sir John Wheeler (B,L&DFP) - B
PS/Michael Ancram (B,L&DENI) - B
PS/Baroness Denton (B,DOE&DANI)
PS/Mr Moss (B,DHSS&DOE)
PS/PUS (B&L) - B
PS/Sir David Fell - B
Mr Legge - B
Mr Thomas - B
Mr Bell - B
Mr Leach - B
Mr Steele - B
Mr Watkins - B
Mr Wood (B&L) - B
Mr Beeton - B
Mr D Hill (B&L) - B
Mr Lavery - B
Mr Maccabe - B
Mr Perry - B
Mr Stephens - B
Mr Currie - B
Ms Checksfield - B
Miss Harrison - B
Ms Mapstone - B
Mrs McNally - B
HMA Dublin - B
Mr Jeffrey (Cabinet Office)
Mr Lamont, RID FCO - B
Mr Westmacott, Washington via IPL-B
Mr Campbell-Bannerman - B

NOTE FOR THE RECORD

PLENARY 12.03 PM, 19 JUNE: INT/7

I attach the internal record of this afternoon's session.

Signed.

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RECORD OF PLENARY SESSION, CASTLE BUILDINGS, 19 JUNE

Independent Chairmen

Senator Mitchell
General de Chastelain
Mr Holkeri

British Government Team

Secretary of State
Michael Ancram
PUS

Alliance Party

Dr Alderdice
Mr Close

NI Women's Coalition

Ms Sagar

SDLP

Mr Hume
Mr Mallon
Dr Hendron

UDUP

Mr Robinson
Mr Campbell

UUP

Mr Trimble
Mr Taylor
Mr Empey

Irish Government Team

Tanaiste
Mrs Owen
Mr de Rossa

Labour

Mr Curran
Mr Casey

PUP

Mr Smyth
Mr Ervine

UDP

Mr McMichael

UKUP

Mr McCartney
Mr Wilson

1. The meeting began at 12.03 pm, Senator Mitchell in the Chair.

2. The Chairman stated that, pursuant to the request registered at the last Plenary session, he proposed to make a report. This would be in two parts. The first part concerned actions taken by party delegations to confirm their commitment to the principles of democracy and non-violence. He then read into the record the following statement -

"During the course of the meeting I chaired in the late morning of Wednesday 12 June 1996, the Democratic Unionist Party and subsequently the United Kingdom Unionist Party confirmed their total and absolute commitment specifically to the principles of democracy and non-violence as set out in paragraph 20 of the report of International Body. This took place in the presence of the delegations representing parties which had already signified their commitment to these principles at a Plenary meeting earlier the same day."

The Chairman stated that he accepted these two statements as evidence of the requisite commitment on the part of the parties concerned.

3. The Chairman then announced that the second part of his report concerned the status of the ongoing discussions about rules of procedure. A number of informal meetings had taken place over the past three days, focussing on the written submissions made by various parties and received on 14 June. Considerable progress had been made in the course of discussions, but no final recommendation could be made at present. Further informal meetings would take place. In the circumstances, and subject to there being no objection from those present, he proposed to adjourn the present session of the Plenary, to be reconvened subject to the call of the Chair.

4. There being no objection, the meeting ended at 12.06 pm.

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