

TO: ALL PARTICIPANTS

FROM: THE BRITISH & IRISH GOVERNMENTS

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STRAND THREE REPORT TO THE REVIEW PLENARY

The British and Irish Governments have discussed Strand Three issues and there has been one meeting of the Strand Three Liaison Group. On 14 October the two Governments invited the views of the parties on a consultation paper "Strand Three A New Agreement". Most parties responded to this invitation and the Governments are now reflecting on the views of the parties as they consider how the totality of relationships between the two islands can be accommodated within the negotiations. In addition a number of the parties have also discussed Strand Three issues in bilateral meetings with the two Governments.