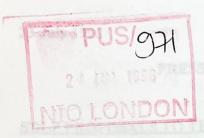
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## FILE NOTE

SDLP PRESS RELEASE AND INFORMAL DRAFT PAPER FROM THE IRISH GOVERNMENT, 23 JULY 1996

I attach a copy of the SDLP Press Release issued today setting out their proposals on the immediate way forward.

2. I also attach a copy of an informal draft paper on procedural issues produced by the Irish Government today. This has only been passed to the British side and therefore I should be grateful once again for due circumspection.

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