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cc Mrs Brown
Mr Hill
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Mr Maccabe

NIWC CONFERENCE

1. After yesterday's plenary Ms Bronagh Hinds handed me the attached programme of the Women's Coalition Conference on Saturday 19 October. She said that, if any of our colleagues were free, we would be welcome. I gave no undertakings.
2. I find it hard to imagine that any of us will be free to attend, particularly in your case on the weekend of the UUP Conference; and I do not think that we are under any obligation. If however, any her^{one} wishes to step forward!

[Signed: DJW]

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A society in transition: Building Confidence

A consultative conference organised by the Women's Coalition

Wellington Park Hotel, Belfast
October 19th 1996, 10.30 am—3.30 pm

10.30—10.45	Introduction and Welcome	Felicity Huston
10.45—11.05	Deeply Divided Societies in Transition: Building Confidence	Adrian Guelke
11.05—11.15	Questions to overview	Open
11.15—11.45	Introductions to workshops A. Decommissioning: Rhetoric and reality B. Alternative decision making processes C. Taking responsibility, tackling sectarianism D. Human rights, Communal rights	Roger McGinty Ann Hope Marie Smyth Billy Robinson Barbara McCabe Maggie Beirne
11.45—13.00	Workshops	
13.00—14.00	Lunch	
14.00—14.45	Report back	
14.45—3.15	Panel response to reports	Jane Wilde (Chair) Adrian Guelke Beverly Milton-Edwards Roger McGinty Fionnuala O Connor
3.15—3.30	Summary and conclusion	Northern Ireland Women's Coalition