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Yours sincerely

Dear Ian,

We are writing to you about a number of arrangements for the negotiations that are to begin next Monday.

The opening plenary will begin at 2pm in Castle Buildings in Belfast. The Talks Administration Unit will be in touch about access and other practical arrangements.

We enclose a number of papers prepared by the two Governments:

- Scenario for the Opening Plenary Session
- Procedural Guidelines for the Conduct of Substantive All-Party Negotiations (as referred to in paragraph 5 of the "Scenario for the Opening Plenary Session")
- Draft Agenda for Substantive All-Party Negotiations (as referred to in paragraph 9 of the "Scenario for the Opening Plenary Session"). (The list of Strand 1 issues for inclusion on the agenda is suggested by the British Government alone).

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SCENARIO FOR THE OPENING PLENARY SESSION

PAPER BY THE UK AND IRISH GOVERNMENTS

We look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Yours sincerely

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1. The communiqué issued by both Governments on 28 February agreed that an elective process "would lead immediately and without further preconditions to the convening of all-party negotiations with a comprehensive agenda". The two Governments agreed that, following consultation, substantive all-party talks would be convened on Monday 18 June.

2. The Ground Rules paper published in April set out the requirements for the opening plenary session. The Governments are agreed that at this session the requirements of paragraph 12 of the 28 February Communiqué must be fulfilled - that is:

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- all participants would need to make clear at the beginning of the discussions their total and absolute commitment to the principles of democracy and non-violence set out in the report of the International Body;
- they would also need to address, at that stage, its proposals on decommissioning;
- confidence building would also require that the parties have reassurance that a meaningful and inclusive process of negotiations is genuinely being offered to address the legitimate concerns of their traditions and the need for new political arrangements with which all can identify.