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From: Angela Dullaghan PS/Michael Ancram 12 September 1996

PS/Secretary of State (B&L) - B CC PS/Michael Ancram (B&L) - B PS/Sir John Wheeler (B&L) - B PS/PUS (L) - B PS/Sir David Fell - B Mr Thomas - B Mr Legge - B Mr Bell - B Mr Watkins - B Mr Steele - B Mr Wood (B&L) - B Mr Beeton - B Mr Hill - B Mr Lavery - B Meman Mr Maccabe - B Mr Perry - B Mr Stephens - B Mr Priestly - B Mr Whysall - B Ms Mapstone - B Ms Bharucha - B Mr Campbell- Bannerman - B Mr Nissan, HOLAB - B Mr Lamont, RID FCO - B HMG OPENING GUARGE ON DECO HMA Dublin - B Ms Collins Cab Off (via IPL) - B Mr Leach - B vised version of the HMG opening statement for the

opening plenary. This has been updated and amended from the version

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plan aims for early deployment of such opening statements. The Minister has seen a copy of your note to Mr Steele of 11 September. He believes that it is important that the Secretary of State is present when David Trimble is shown the draft Bill on a confidential basis at this stage. been put to the Prime Minister. That has get to be approved by the

Signed inister and may be something which he would prefer to ware

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for his own usa.