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From :

David Trimble

To:

John Holmes

Subject:

Grand Rules

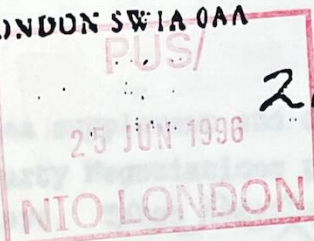
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Dear Mr Holmes

Further to our conversation today I enclose a fax of the page from which Anwar read out the typed text. After he did so he passed the paper to us. I immediately scribbled out the second sentence Anwar then wrote, as you can see, that the object was for the parties to adopt the ground rules. The number 240 at foot shows that this text was proposed well before Wednesday. This "accident" had been waiting to happen for some time!

Sincerely

David Turrill

① Mr Holmes
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② Room for
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rules of procedure
These ~~procedural guidelines~~ supplement and develop the Ground Rules for the Substantive All-Party Negotiations published by the two Governments on 16 April 1996. Taken together they constitute the ~~procedural rules~~ for the negotiations as a whole and can only be amended by agreement, *in accordance* - - -

- this proposed formula gives the parties the opportunity formally to adopt the Ground Rules
- and acknowledges the ~~of~~ ability to amend Ground Rules,