

PARADES: LINES TO TAKE ON 10 AUGUST

- Very considerable efforts being made to defuse the situation with regard to the Apprentice Boys parade on 10 August. Grateful for any assistance Taoiseach can give in pressing those involved to reach an accommodation. Best to avoid public statements about 10 August except to press for this.
- It is not possible to say at this stage what the Chief Constable's decision will be with regard to the Apprentice Boys parade. This will in any event be an operational decision for the Chief Constable and Ministers will not attempt to influence him.
- RUC will continue to act impartially to protect life and property, preserve order and to uphold the law in the light of the operational situation confronting them.
- A comprehensive review of the parades issue is about to commence. Announcement of the members of that review will be made shortly [Chairman, Dr Peter North, may be announced today. Irish did made suggestions through AI Secretariat, PM should avoid being drawn on the names of the other review members as these are not yet final.]

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