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APPROACH TO USA AMBASSADOR BY REPUBLICAN SINN FÉIN

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1. You might like to be aware that, at the opening by the USA Ambassador of the Fund project in Kiltyclogher, Co Leitrim, on Friday 21 June, two members of Republican Sinn Féin turned up and indicated that they wished to hand her a letter. In the event, they gave the letter to Dick Norland, a First Secretary of the Embassy, who was with her. The two men involved were cooperative and the Gardaí (under a very helpful Inspector Forde) were present throughout the exchange. It was carried out unobtrusively before the opening events began, with Norland undertaking to bring the letter to the Ambassador's attention.
2. The letter contained two main points
 - a request for her assistance to have nine prisoners in Limerick prison receive some special privileges
 - that she intervene to obtain a USA visa for Ruairí Ó Brádaigh.

The letter was signed by a Declan Curneen on behalf of the Ard Comhairle.

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 24 June 1996

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