

INDEPENDENT CHAIRMEN'S SUGGESTED
TIMETABLE FOR REMAINDER OF OPENING PLENARY

July 1997

- Tuesday 8 Chairman presents to the participants, for their consideration, this suggested timetable for the remainder of the opening Plenary.
- Wednesday 9 Bilaterals continue.
- Friday 11 Noon deadline for submission in writing to the Chairmen and circulation to the participants of any further requests for clarification of the Governments' proposal.
- Wednesday 16 Noon deadline for submission in writing to the Chairmen and circulation to the participants of request by any party which wishes its proposal on decommissioning to be put to a vote alongside those of the two Governments.
- Plenary meets at 2:00 pm for further discussion of proposals on decommissioning and clarification by the Governments in response to requests by participants.
- Friday 18 Noon deadline for submission in writing to the Chairmen and circulation to the participants of any proposed amendments to the Governments' proposal, or to other proposals to be voted upon.
- Monday 21 & Tuesday 22 Plenary meets for debate on pending proposals on decommissioning and any proposed amendments thereto.

Wednesday 23 Plenary meets for votes on proposals and amendments.

The order of voting to be as follows:

First, the parties' proposals which have been presented for a vote (the DUP has already indicated its desire for a vote on its proposal, so it will be voted on first; votes will then be taken on proposals by other parties which present a proposal for a vote, if any, in the order that they are received; if any amendments are offered to any party's proposal, votes on those amendments will be taken just prior to the vote on the party's proposal);

Second, amendments to the Governments' proposal;

Third, the Governments' proposal, as amended if amended, or in its original form if not amended.

Monday 28

(Assuming agreement on a proposal on decommissioning voted on July 23.) Plenary meets for participants to commit themselves to work constructively to implement agreements on decommissioning, for discussion and adoption of comprehensive agenda (item 3), and agreement to activate the Business Committee which begins work on preparations for the three-stranded negotiations.

Tuesday 29

Plenary meets for launch of three stranded negotiations and establishment of agreed mechanisms on decommissioning (item 4) and for concluding remarks by the Independent Chairman (item 5).

Plenary adjourns until September 15.