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cc PS/Secretary of State (B&L) - B  
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PS/Michael Ancram (B&L) - B  
PS/Malcolm Moss (DHSS,DOE&L) - B  
PS/Baroness Denton (DED,DANI&L) - B  
PS/PUS (B&L) - B  
PS/Sir David Fell - B  
Mr Thomas (B&L) - B  
Mr Steele - B  
Mr Bell - B  
Mr Leach - B  
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Mr Wood (B&L) - B  
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Mr Lavery - B  
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Mr Dickinson, TAU - B  
Mr Lamont, RID - B  
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Mr Westmacott (via RID) - B  
Mr Campbell-Bannerman - B  
Mrs McNally (B&L) - B

NOTE FOR THE RECORD

TALKS: WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER 1996

Summary

Completion of initial statements on decommissioning. Impressive paper from Alliance party followed by a long negative UUP statement which will have done little to encourage the Irish that the UUP are ready to negotiate on any serious basis. Secretary of State reaffirmed HMG's attachment to the 30 September "suggested conclusions" paper. Plenary adjourned until 1300 on Monday 4 November.

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