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Mr. Whysall:

Is this type of note period
 is to give No 10 ^{under} ^{confident}
 the full flavour, I ^{gwl}
 guess it should also ^{3/3}
 give some account
 of the bilaterals
 which occur in between
 Plenary meetings.

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cc PS/Secretary of State (B&L)
 PS/Sir J Wheeler (B,L& DFP)
 PS/M Ancram (B&L)
 PS/Bns Denton (DOE,DANI&L)
 PS/Mr Moss (B&L)
 PS/PUS (B&L)
 PS/Sir David Fell
 Mr Legge
 Mr Bell
 Mr Leach (B&L)
 Mr Steele
 Mr Watkins
 Mr Wood (B&L)
 Mr Beeton
 Mr Hill (B&L)
 Mr Lavery
 Mr Maccabe
 Mr Perry
 Mr Priestley
 Mr Stephens
 Ms Checksfield
 Ms Mapstone
 Mr O'Mahony, TAU
 Mrs McNally (B&L)
 Mr Holmes, No 10 (via
 PS/Sofs)
 Mrs Collins, Cab Off
 HMA Dublin
 Mr Lamont RID, FCO
 Mr Westmacott, Wton (via RID)
 Mr Campbell Bannerman

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NOTE FOR THE RECORD

TALKS, 9 SEPTEMBER: SUMMARY, 3PM

- At the start of the proceedings, the Chairman made a statement denying as 'unfounded and untrue' speculation that he would shortly leave the talks: though, as the Governments were aware, there would be occasional days when he would need to be absent to fulfil other commitments.
- The DUP had prepared a 'Notice of Indictment' against the PUP and UDP. The Chairman proposed to allow the two parties time to prepare a response; then circulate both documents to the other participants. After some debate about procedure and an adjournment, it was agreed that the 'notice' would be circulated forthwith; the PUP and UDP would have until tomorrow at 10 to prepare a response. The talks would adjourn in the meantime, the Chairman urging participants to engage in bilaterals about the rest of the opening agenda.

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3. Dr Paisley (joined by Mr McCartney) indicated that he would not sit in talks while the loyalist parties were present with the allegation standing against them; privately he suggested that if they were found not to be in breach, he would leave the talks.
4. There was no Sinn Féin demonstration, as had been thought likely; but a small stunt outside the gates by Republican Sinn Féin.

(Signed)

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