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From the Private Secretary

2 May 1997

Dear Ken,

SINN FEIN

I attach a letter to the Prime Minister from Gerry Adams, congratulating him on his success in the Election. The key point is a request for officials to meet Sinn Fein to explore the rebuilding of the peace process.

I would be grateful for rapid advice and a draft reply if appropriate, either from the Prime Minister or me.

I am copying this letter to Jan Polley (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever

JOHN HOLMES

This document is confidential.

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