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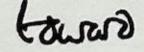
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I am faxing down to you two bits of Irish business.

First, explanatory notes for Norman to use on the Prime Minister's speech.
The Duty Clerks have already copied you direct the NIO letter commenting on John's draft. I found their redraft on decommissioning legislation

incomprehensible; and have redone it. Clean texts of both notes attached.

I have also faxed you some papers on Hume/Adams. You do not need to study these in detail. I will put them into the weekend box. But they are now circulating in Whitehall, and you (or conceivably the Prime Minister) may hear references. So you might like to know what they are about.



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