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From the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff

PARADES

The Prime Minister had a brief meeting with the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland in the margins of the Party Conference today.

The Prime Minister and your Secretary of State agreed that she should consult David Trimble on the issues and then press ahead as proposed in her note of 26 September. Any announcement should be postponed until after the UUP Conference. Trimble should, however, be told privately of the decision beforehand.

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