

I am afraid I still don't understand from this what the "new" evidence is.

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Philip*

PRIME MINISTER

From: Philip Barton
Date: 16 January 1998

cc: Jonathan Powell
John Holmes

BLOODY SUNDAY

Can you ask the S-G. to do a full analysis + give me his views.

You asked to see the papers on Bloody Sunday. By way of background attached are:

- Lord Widgery's original report;
- John Bruton's letter to you last June which started the present process;
- the paper analysing the Irish Government's submission and evidence prepared by officials;

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This was prepared before you suggested we might say that we were considering the question of an independent inquiry. It would obviously need to be amended if you decided to go down that route.

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