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Dear Rod,

## PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

1. Many thanks for your letter of 7 December.
2. You asked whether there will be time between the end of talks and the musical performance for the Prime Minister to get to Glencairn and back. Provided the talks do not overrun, this should be possible. With a Garda motorcycle escort, the journey from the centre of town can be done in about 20 minutes. Paddy Teahon was however wondering about a pre-performance drink of some kind. It might be best to have a word with him direct.
3. Paddy and I had a brief word about the agenda and he mentioned specifically prisoners, including Kelly, and also the proposed communications link about which I wrote to Edward Oakden on 23 November. We also mentioned President Robinson's visit. I hope you can come with some suggestions for dates.

Yours ever,

Veronica.

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