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Taoiseach.

Mr. Whitaker, Secretary, Department of Finance, stated this afternoon that he has with him Mr. Malley, Secretary to Captain O'Neill, who wishes to convey to you a personal message from Captain O'Neill to the effect that the latter feels that a fresh approach should be made in the matter of cooperation between the two parts of Ireland as he feels that there are very good prospects for cooperation in such aspects as tourism. Captain O'Neill would also like to know if you and Mrs. Lemass would be prepared to consider favourably an invitation to stay with himself and Mrs. O'Neill at their official residence in Belfast - to be followed perhaps in due course by a return of the visit by Captain O'Neill.

Mr. Whitaker thought it would be desirable for you to see Mr. Malley in person, if this is feasible: he understands that Mr. Malley would be available up to 6 p.m. this afternoon and he (Mr. Whitaker) has advised Mr. Malley to communicate with him about 4 p.m. in the hope that you would be free about that time.

Mr. Whitaker has mentioned to Mr. Malley that you are not provided with an official residence in Dublin, as in the case of Captain O'Neill in Belfast, but Mr. Malley states that this would cause no difficulty.

May I arrange for an appointment about 4 p.m. or shortly thereafter?

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