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The following is message sent to Mr. Brian Faulkner,
Chief Executive from Mr. Liam Cosgrave T.D.; An Taoiseach

On behalf of my Government and on my own behalf
I send to you and your colleagues in the Executive
congratulations on your entry into office and the
assurance of our co-operation.

The peace of Northern Ireland, and indeed of the
Republic, depends upon the success of your efforts.
It is therefore our duty in this part of Ireland
to spare no effort to help you in your task - I wish
to assure you and your colleagues that we join
with you in defending your democratic institutions
against violence and those who seek to undermine
or wreck those institutions by violence will find no
refuge here.

These are not mere words.

/In addition

In addition I wish to assert again our determination that the status of Northern Ireland will not be altered without the consent of its people.

The people of the Republic believe that the work which your Executive now undertakes will bring social justice, peace and prosperity to Northern Ireland. I know I speak for all men of good will in conveying good wishes to you and your colleagues on this historic occasion.

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