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**WHITE HOUSE DISCUSSIONS**

Dear Secretary

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I have been keeping the White House fully up-to-date on our discussions with the British, including to-day's talks in London. If tonight's session produces an agreement on the Chairmanship issue, I suggested to Nancy Soderberg that it would be very timely indeed for Tony Lake to make an early call to Gerry Adams. She agreed completely. We will now review matters further in the morning and I will, of course, call you in advance of this.

Further to my recent discussions with the White House about Presidential involvement, Ms Soderberg said she would also welcome our advice on whether the President should speak to the British Prime Minister and the Taoiseach later in the week. I said we would welcome this. The nature of the message to be conveyed from here will, of course, be different, depending on the outcome of to-night's discussion.

I also spoke to Martha Pope this afternoon who, as you know, has been keeping closely in touch with the developing situation. Senator Mitchell will be returning from Paraguay tomorrow. He, Martha Pope and David Pezorski are provisionally booked to travel to London on Saturday (the Embassy has, financially, facilitated this arrangement, at the request of the Senator's Office).

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely



Dermot Gallagher  
 Ambassador

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 Secretary  
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