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### STATEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL BODY FOLLOWING DECEMBER MEETINGS IN BELFAST Saturday, December 16, 1995

We have just completed two days of meetings in Belfast. We met with Sir Patrick Mayhew and other officials of the Government of the United Kingdom, representatives of the political parties, religious leaders and other relevant persons. A complete list of the participants is attached.

We appreciate the participation of all who met with the International Body during these two days. The discussions were candid and straightforward. We learned a great deal about this complex issue.

As we announced yesterday, we will return to Belfast and Dublin in January to continue our work. We will announce that schedule in the near future.

We want to reiterate a statement we made yesterday morning - we have and we will continue to have open minds and are motivated solely by the desire to make a constructive contribution. We look forward to our meetings in Dublin.

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THE INTERNATIONAL BODY MET ON DECEMBER 15 & 16, 1995 IN BELFAST WITH THE FOLLOWING:

### The Government of the United Kingdom

The Secretary of State Sir Patrick Mayhew QC MP  
supported by: Sir John Wheeler MP  
Minister of State for Security  
Michael Ancram MP  
Minister of State for Political Development  
and senior officials

### The Alliance Party

Mr. John Alderdice, Leader  
Mr. Seamus Close, Deputy Leader  
Mr. Sean Neeson, Chief Whip  
Mr. Steve McBride, Chair  
Ms. Eileen Bell, Vice Chair

### The Labour Party

Dr. Marjorie (Mo) Mowlam, MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Northern  
Ireland  
Mr. Tony Worthington, MP, Labour Shadow Northern Ireland Minister  
Mr. Clive Soley, MP  
Mr. Nigel Warner, Assistant to Dr Mowlam

Reverend Roy Magee, retired Presbyterian minister



The Ulster Unionist Party (UUP)

Mr. David Trimble, MP, Leader  
Mr. Ken Maginnis, MP

The Workers Party

Mr. Tom French  
Mr. John Lowry  
Mr. Des O'Hagan