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PRESS NOTICE

Mr. Cosgrave and Mr. Corish met the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs for discussions on 8 and 9 March. The discussions, which were confidential, covered a wide range of matters of common interest, including the situation in Northern Ireland, the Irish dimension, security issues (for discussions of which the Secretary of State for Defence was present), and joint interests in the European Community.

The discussions began at 4.00 p.m. on Thursday 8 March, continued over and after dinner that evening, and were concluded at noon on Friday 9 March.