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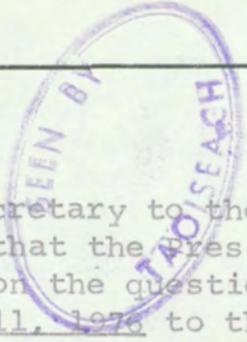
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NOTE:

The Secretary to the President informed me at about 11 a.m. today that the President proposes to consult the Council of State on the question whether he should refer the Criminal Law Bill, 1976 to the Supreme Court under Article 26 of the Constitution. The meeting of the Council of State for this purpose will be held at 4 p.m. on Thursday next, the 23rd inst. (i.e. immediately after the meeting already convened to consider the Emergency Powers Bill, 1976).

The formal notification about the second meeting is being issued later today.

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20.9.76.

Mr. Murray

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To see and advise the Taoiseach as early as possible.

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