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## Draft Conclusions of Northern Ireland Review Meeting

Note

The Taoiseach spoke to me yesterday about these draft conclusions submitted to him under cover of minutes dated 5 August from Mr. Murray and myself. He cleared the draft as submitted, subject to one amendment. This was the conclusion (ii) which, with the Taoiseach's amendment, would read as follows:

"Our approach to Anglo-Irish relations should be neutral. We should not seek meetings and risk a refulal. On the other hand, we should respond positively if suggestions for meetings or contacts emanated from the British".

As extended in this way, this conclusion overlaps in part with conclusion (i) and the wording of the two conclusions in relation to meetings is not fully ad idem. However, it is clearly unnecessary to remedy this minor discrepancy and it may be assumed that the line in amended conclusion (ii) will apply in relation to any approaches from the British for meetings or contacts, subject to clearance of proposals for Ministerial meetings as per conclusion (viii) and to the spirit of conclusion (i) applying in relation to any British suggestion for a Summit meeting.

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