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ENNISKILLEN BOMBING

FOREIGN MEDIA COVERAGE OF

8 NOVEMBER 1987

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(a) Athens

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(e) Copenhagen

(g) Holy See

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(a) Baghdad

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Foreign Media Coverage of Enniskillen Bombing 8 November 1987

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2. U.S.A. and Canada

- (a) Boston
- (b) Chicago
- (c) New York
- (d) Ottawa
- (e) San Francisco
- (f) Washington

3. Europe

- (a) Athens
- (h) Lisbon
- (b) Berne
- (i) Madrid

- (c) Bonn
- (j) Paris
- (d) Brussels
- (k) Rome
- (e) Copenhagen
- (1) Stockholm
- (f) The Hague
- (m) Vienna
- (g) Holy See

4. Others

- (a) Baghdad
- (b) Beijing
- (c) Buenos Aires
- (d) Canberra
- (e) Lusaka
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- (g) Nairobi
- (h) Riyadh
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- From 1 p.m. Sunday 8 November to Monday morning this 1. latest terrorist atrocity has become one of the biggest news stories in Britain this year, comparable to the Hungerford massacre and the Zeebrugge drownings. The combination of an attack on the innocent men, women and children with a deliberate desecration of Remembrance Day has caused a widespread and profound sense of outrage in the British public. Previous IRA atrocities in N.I. were often seen as regrettable parts of N.I. tribalism but these killings directed as they were against a "Poppy Day" soft target have caused a negative reaction similar to IRA murders within Britain. It is, perhaps, necessary to live in Britain to appreciate the extraordinary national fervour and conformism that attends the Remembrance Day ceremonies every year.
- 2. <u>Summary</u> of Television and Front Page Headlines which were accompanied by gruesome photographs.

BBC & ITN extended their Sunday news bulletins to broadcast special reports with harrowing video reports. The four early evening (6 p.m.) and later bulletins led with the Queen's expression of shock, followed by Mrs. Thatcher's interview, followed by quotes from Mr. Kinnock, the Taoiseach, Mr. Hume and Tass news agency. BBC quoted the Taoiseach as saying that the perpetrators must be repudiated utterly and no effort spared to bring them to justice. ITN said that the Taoiseach like all decent Irish people felt anger and revulsion (I had phoned the respective editors several times in the afternoon to encourage them to carry segments of the Taoiseach's two statements).

On Monday morning bulletins Tom King was asked about extradition but refused to comment beyond saying his views were well known. The O'Hare shooting of his wife also received coverage.

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Newspaper Headlines

11 Die in Poppy Day Massacre Times

F.T. Ulster Remembrance Day Bomb Kills 11

Remembrance Day Bombing Kills Eleven D. Telegraph Children among 63 injured

Independent 11 Die in Cenotaph Blast

Ulster Terrorist Bomb Kills 11 Children and Guardian Elderly among 61 injured in Remembrance ceremony blast

Poppy Day Massacre - 11 killed without Mail

warning

Desecration of the dead - Maggie Speaks EXPRESS

Poppy Day of Blood Mirror

Lest we forget the Bloody IRA - Slaughter of Innocent Today

Poppy Day Massacre Sun

- Women & Children in Bomb Blast at Cenotaph

SCUM - Cowards Strike on day we honour our Star

dead

Specific Reference to Dublin

- Times
 P.1 carried segments of Taoiseach's condemnation and added that he "will come under renewed pressure to recommend ratification of the extradition act.
 - P.2 reports that Dublin will call off visit to
 Libya and also refers to <u>Sunday Press</u> poll in
 favour of extradition.

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- Editorial editorial sees killings as Dublin
 Government "wriggles uneasily to rid
 itself of its predecessor's commitment
 to tighten extradition law" and
 "appalling police bungles" and Eksund
 arms haul.
- Telegraph gives small P.1 headline "Haughey's anger and revulsion". P.2 says "Irish may call off trip to Libya". P.21 "Haughey on spot over Extradition" (La Guardia) refers to increased pressure to implement but argues that the Act and three judge courts are disputes about symbols. Mrs. Thatcher's reference to "not hiding place" is seen as a pointed reminder to Mr. Haughey.

Nick Comfort's leader is more constructive; it concludes that even if extradition proposals are defeated "another date can be set for their consideration next year, provided that in the interim, a civil dialogue between the British and Irish Governments is maintained. Rage must not be allowed to dominate AI relations in the wake of Enniskillen".

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The Guardian

concludes: "The only threat to the IRA ... would be the sense among nationalists that they have benefited from the Agreement and among unionists that they have lost nothing of importance. It requires less effort in Britain than in Ireland to say so".

Independent

concludes "the best memorial to the bomb victims would be that degree of cooperation between the security forces of the North and South which the A-I Agreement promised but which has not yet come to pass".

In the Mail

Paul Johnson writes "The IRA massacre in Enniskillen will live in infamy as long as decent people meet, in faith and sorrow, to remember the honourable dead".

The Express

editorial concludes: "It will make us a nation ever more determined to wipe out a terrorist which brings such hatred and cruelty on a solemn November morning".

The Mirror

"Total War Against Terrorists" argues that the terrorists should be eliminated and "as soon as that is done we should leave Ireland altogether".

The terrorists "get away with it because many otherwise decent Irish people shield them. They get away with it because politicians like the Irish Premier, Charles Haughey, are not prepared to join us genuinely to root them out".

Today

also quotes the Taoiseach's statement but referred to extradition under "World must unite to nail terror".

In its editorial "From Dublin that requires an end to the dithering that has prevented the Haughey Government from signing the Extradition treaty. Mr. Haughey must show the world he means business in cracking down on terrorists".

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The Sun

asks that Dublin "must finally recognise that terrorism is as much a threat to them and all civilisation".

The Star

"Scum should be strung up".

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Embassy London,
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FOLLOWING ARE EDITORIALS ON THE SUBJECT FROM DIE WELT AND FRANKFURTHER RUNDSCHAU, A COMMENTARY FROM THE FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG WITH A SUMMARY OF ADDITIONAL COVERAGE.

DIE WELT EDITORIAL FROM LONDON CORR. RAINER GATERMANN
''TERRORISM WITHOUT BORDERS'. ''EVEN IF THE ENNISKILLEN
BOMB ATTACK WITH ELEVEN DEAD AND 61 INJURED IS, PURELY
STATISTICALLY, NOT THE WORST EVENT OF THE ALMOST TWENTY-YEAR
HISTORY OF NORTHERN IRISH TERRORISM, IN ITS BESTIALITY IT IS
HARD TO BEAT. THERE THE CITIZENS OF A SMALL TOWN GATHERED TO
COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAD DIED IN BOTH WORLD WARS, AMONG
THEM MANY YOUNG PEOPLE, TO SUDDENLY BECOME THEMSELVES VICTIMS
OF A COWARDLY ARMED ATTACK.

THE NORTHERN IRISH TERRORIST ORGANISATION THE IRA HAS NOT YET ACKNOWLUNDSED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK BUT IT CARRIES THEIR HANDWRITING. ANYWAY THEY HAVE ANNOUNCED SINCE THEN THAT THEY PLANTED A BOMB WHICH HAS NOT EXPLODED AT ANOTHER MEMORIAL NOT FAR FROM ENNISKILLEN. THE IRA HAS BY THIS

TACTICS PURSUED BY THEM IN THE LAST YEARS WHEREBY THEY CONCENTRATE THEIR ATTACKS ON WHAT THEY CALL THE ''BRITISH WAR MACHINE'': THE POLICE AND THE MILITARY. THEY HAVE OBVIOUSLY BECOME DESPERATE AFTER THE SEVERE BLOWS WHICH THEY HAVE SUFFERED FROM THE SECURITY FORCES IN RECENT TIMES.

IF THIS CHANGE IS CONFIRMED IT WOULD BE A REVISION OF THEIR LINE UP TO NOW WHEREBY THE BRITISH WOULD BE DRIVEN OUT OF ULSTER NOT ONLY BY THE GUN BUT ALSO BY THE BALLOT BOX. AFTER SINN FEIN, THE POLITICAL WING OF THE IRA WAS CLEARLY REJECTED IN THE BALLOT-BOX, IN NORTHERN IRELAND AS WELL AS THE SOUTH, IT IS TO BE FEARED THAT THE SUPPORTERS OF THE EXCALATION FOF VIOLENCE HAVE GAINED THEUPPER HAND UNCONCERNED WITH THE DANGER OF EVEN MORE PEOPLE TURNING AWAY FROM THEM.

AS WELL AS THAT, ON ANOTHER LEVEL TERRORISM COULD BE MORE EFFECTIVELY COMBATTED. THE ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT WILL BE TWO YEARS OLD ON 15 NOVEMBER. IT HAS IMPROVED RELATIONS BETWEEN DUBLIN AND LONDON BUT IS DOING VERY LITTLE AT THE MOMENT. IT IS TIME THAT DUBLIN FINALLY RATIFIED THE EUROPEAN ANTI-TERRORISM LAW AND THEREBY MADE IT POSSIBLE TO EXTRADITE ULSTER TERRORISTS TO GREAT BRITAIN. ON THE OTHER HAND, LONDON COULD CONTRIBUTE SOMETHING TO REDUCE THE NOT ALWAYS UNFOUNDED DISTRUST OF THE IRISH REGARDING BRITISH COURTS.

FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG COMMENTARY BY FOREIGN EDITOR GERHARDT NONNENMACHER, ''IRISH TERRORISM''. ANNUALLY THE BRITISH COMMEMORATE ON 8 NOVEMBER THOSE WHO DIED IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR. A BOMB EXPLOSION AT ONE OF THESE COMMEMORATIONS MUST, THEREFORE, HIT MANY PEOPLE. IN ENNISKILLEN EVEN MORE THAN THE ELEVEN DEAD AND THE OVER SIXTY INJURED WOULD HAVE BEEN VICTIMS IF THE BOMB HAD BEEN EXPLODED AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE COMMEMORATION. THE NEXT MORNING THE POLICE FOUND IN BELFAST IN A STOLEN CAR IN THE CENTRE OF THE CITY AN EXPLOSIVES STORE WHICH WOULD HAVE SUCCEEDED IN DESTROYING MANY HOUSES. A FEW DAYS BEFORE THE FRENCH COASTGUARD HAD CAUGHT A TRAWLER OFF THE COAST OF BRITTANY WHICH WAS SUMUGGLING ALMOST 200 TONNES OF ARMS AND MUNITIONS FROM THE NEAR EAST FOR THE IRA. THE IRA WANT TO FAN THE FLAMES OF THE CIVIL WAR IN NORTHERN IRELAND ANEW. TWO YEARS AGO LONDON CONCEDED A RIGHT TO A SAY

IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF N.I. TO THE DUBLIN GOVERNMENT WHICH HAS ANGERED THE PROTESTANTS THERE. INDIRECT AIMS OF THE I.R.A. BY SUCH ATTACKS ARE TO PROVOKE THE RADICALS IN ULSTER, TO INTIMIDATE THE MODERATES AND TO DESTROY HOPEFUL SIGNS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE THREE CAPITALS.''

FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU'S EDITORIAL BY LONDON CORR. PETER NONNENMACHER IS CAPTIONED ''A STRAIN''. THE BOMB ATTACK IN THE SMALL NORTHERN IRISH TOWN OF ENNISKILLEN WHICH KILLED ELEVEN PEOPLE ON SUNDAY HAS CAUSED CONSIDERABLE SHOCK IN THE ULSTER PROTESTANT CAMP AS WELL AS CONSIDERABLE UNEASE AMONG IRISH AND BRITISH POLITICIANS: IT IS NOT ALONE ONE OF THE MOST ABOMINABLE ACTS PERPETRATED OVER THE LAST FIFTEEN YEARS IN A PROVINCE WHICH IS NOT SHORT OF ABOMINATIONS. IT IS AT THE SAME TIME AN ATTACK ON THE CAUTIOUS ATTEMPT BY LONDON AND DUBLIN TO DEAL WITH THE NR. IRELAND CONFLICT THROUGH PEACEFUL MEANS AND POLITICAL COOPERATION AS WAS SET OUT TWO YEARS AGO IN THE HILLSBOROUGH AGREEMENT, IF ANYTHING WAS ACHIEVED BY THE BOMBERS IT WAS TO RAISE THE STANDING OF OBSTINATE PROTESTANT UNIONISTS LIKE IAN PAISLEY WHO ARE OPPOSED TO ALL COOPERATION BETWEEN LONDON AND DUBLIN AS WELL AS ALL CONCESSIONS TO THE CATHOLIC-NATIONALIST POPULATION OF N.I. TO THE HARD BUT CENTRAL QUESTION, WHETHER AND HOW LONDON IN THE LONG-TERM CAN WIN THE CONFIDENCE OF THE NORTHERN IRISH CATHOLICS, THE DEBATE IS AGAIN BEGINNING TO MOVE TO THE SIMPLE DEMAND 'IRISH TERRORISM'' HAS TO BE BEATEN WITH ALL THE FORCE OF THE STATE AND THE IRISH GOVERNMENT AT THE VERY LEAST SHOULD PROVIDE MORE HELP AND NOT BE SO HESITANT AS FOR EXAMPLE IN THE CASE OF EXTRADITING IRISH CITIZENS TO BRITAIN .

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FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU ALSO HAS A LENGTHY COMMENTARY BY
NONNENMACHER ''TRAIL OF BLOOD TO ENNISKILLEN'' WHICH DETAILS
THE LIST OF ATROCITIES COMMITTED BY THE IRA AND INLA THROUGH
THE YEARS CONCLUDING THAT ''ALL THESE ACTIONS HAVE CONTRIBUTED
TO THE HARDENING OF THE PROTESTANT SIEGE MENTALITY IN ULSTER AND
HAVE LED TO OCCASIONAL BLOODY REVENGE ACTIONS AGAINST THE
CATHOLIC POPULATION''.

IN THE ARTICLE, NONNENMACHER SAYS THAT THE RUC CHIEF HERMON BELIEVES ENNISKILLEN TO BE 'CLEARLY' THE WORK OF THE IRA. SECURITY FORCES BELIEVE THAT THE IRA DID IT TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR CAPACITY TO ATTACK AFTER RECENT SETBACKS. SOME OBSERVERS CONSIDER IT POSSIBLE THAT IT WAS THE WORK OF THE INLA OR SOME OTHER REPUBLICAN SPLINTER GROUP AS THE IRA POLICY FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS WAS TO AVOID CIVILIAN CASUALTIES WHICH COULD LOSE THEM SYMPATHY.

DIE WELT IN ITS SECTION ENTITLED ''OTHER OPINION'' CARRIES THE DAILY TELEGRAPH EDITORIAL ON THE ISSUE OF THE EXTRADITION ACT BEING BROUGHT INTO EFFECT.

DIE WELT ALSO CARRIED AN AP REPORT THAT THE IRA HAD ACCEPTED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BOMBING AND ALSO REPORTED THAT FIVE CATHOLICS WERE SHOT IN BELFAST IN APPARENT REVENGE. SUEDDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG CARRIED THE AP REPORT ON THE SHOOTING OF FIVE CATHOLICS IN BELFAST IN DETAIL CAPTIONED ''IRISH PROTESTANTS TAKE REVENGE''. FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG LONDON CORR. ULRICH GRUDINSKI REPORTED ON THE BELFAST SHOOTINGS AS AN OBVIOUS REVENGE ACT. IN HIS ARTICLE HE ALSO SAYS THAT " THE POLICE DO NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE NEW IRA ARMY COUNCIL INTENDED WITH THE ENNISKILLEN BOMBING TO AROUSE A VIOLENT REACTION BY THE PROTESTANT PARAMILITARIES IN ORDER TO ''DESTABILISE'' THE SITUATION BETWEEN DUBLIN AND LONDON AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE HILLSBOROUGH AGREEMENT. THE EVENT INDICATES TO OTHER OBSERVERS THAT THE IRA HAVE MOVED AWAY FROM THE STRATEGY OF THE LAST FEW YEARS TO AVOID CIVILIAN VICTIMS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE IN THE ELECTORAL INTERESTS OF SINN FEIN AND TO CONCENTRATE PRINCIPALLY ON POLICE, SOLDIERS AND ''THOSE DNAI/TSCH/20011/10/BAIG THE BRITISH WAR MACHINE'' ..

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ENNISKILLEN BOMBING REPORTED PROMINENTLY IN ALL PAPERS HERE BY AGENCY REPORTS DATELINED BELFAST OR ENNISKILLEN. SUEDDEUTSCHE

ZEITUNG CARRIED REUTERS REPORT FROM ENNISKILLEN AS SECOND LEAD ON FRONT PAGE ''ELEVEN DEAD IN BOMS ATTACK IN N.I. - BOMS DETONATED IN A SCHOOL AT WAR COMMEMORATION - IRA SUSPECTED.'' THE REPORT GIVES DETAILS OF THE EXPLOSION AND SAYS THAT ''THE N.I. POLICE HAVE RECKONED FOR SOME TIME NOW WITH AN IRA ATTACK AFTER THAT ORGANISATION HAS HAD TO ACCEPT MANY SETBACKS IN THE LAST MONTHS IN MAY, THE IRA LOST EIGHT OF THEIR MEN IN A BRITISH COMMANDO OPERATION. LAST WEEK A FREIGHTER WAS HELD IN FRANCE WHICH HAD AROUND 200 TONNES OF ARMS AND MUNITIONS ON BOARD FOR THE IRA.'' SUEDDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG S REPORT ALS NOTED THAT THE OFFICIAL SOVIET

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NEWS AGENCY TASS CALLED THE ATTACK ''BARBARISM'' FOR WHICH THE IRA WAS OBVIOUSLY RESPONSIBLE. ''IN PREVIOUS TASS REPORTS ON N.I. THE BRITISH ROLE THERE WAS ALWAYS CONDEMNED WITHOUT THE IRA BEING MENTIONED.''

GENERAL ANZEIGER CARRIED A SHORTER VERSION OF THE SAME REUTERS

REPORT ON THE FRONT PAGE ''ELEVEN DEAD IN BOMB ATTACK IN N.I.''
FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU 'S FRONT PAGE REPORT SAID TEN HAD DIED

IN THE EXPLOSION, AND WAS BASED ON BOTH DPA AND REUTERS DESPATCHES. IT NOTED THAT IT WAS ONE OF THE WORST ATTACKS IN THE HISTORY OF THE TROUBLED PROVINCE AND ALSO HIGHLIGHTED THE FACT THAT THE SECURITY FORCES HAD RECENTLY WARNED OF AN IMMINENT ATTACK BEING PLANNED BY THE IRA AFTER THEIR LOSSES IN RECENT MONTHS. INSIDE THE PAPER CARRIED A LENGTHY AND DETAILED REPORT OF THE ''EKSUND'' AFFAIR AND THE ''BIRMINGHAM SIX' APPEAL HEARING. DIE WELT, ALSO FRONT PAGE, THIRD LEAD, ''BOMB ATTACK OF THE IRA''

DATELINED BELFAST GAVE DETAILS OF THE BOMBING, SAID THAT AT LEAST ELEVEN WERE DEAD AND 40 INJURED AND SPECULATED THAT IRA WAS RESPONSIBLE. IT ALSO WROTE THAT THE IRA HAD THREATENED THE SECURITY FORCES WITH A MAJOR ACTION AS THEIR ANSWER TO THE CONSIDERABLE LOSSES SUFFERED BY THEIR ORGANISATION IN THE PAST MONTHS. REPORT QUOTES RESPONSE OF THE QUEEN, MRS. THATCHER, MR. KINNOCK AND CONCLUDES 'THE IRISH PRIME MINISTER CHARLES HAUGHEY SAID THAT EVERY DECENT IRISH PERSON FEELS ANGER AND REVULSION TOWARDS THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CRIMINAL AND BLOODY ACT AGAINST INNOCENT PEOPLE.' DIE WELT ALSO CARRIED SEPARATE REPORT INSIDE ON THE 'EKSUND' AFFAIR AND THE RELEASE OF THE KIDNAP VICTIM O'GRADY. WHICHHIGHLIGHTED THE INABILITY OF THE POLICE TO CAPTURE AND HOLD THE SUSPECTS UNDER THE CAPTION 'IRELAND'S WAR AGAINST TERRORISM 'INADEQUATE'.

FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG ALSO CARRIED BRIEF FRONT-PAGE

DPA REPORT ''MANY DEAD IN BOMB ATTACK IN N.I.'', GIVING THE BASIC DETAILS OF WHAT HAPPENED. IT WAS ALSO THE MAIN ITEM ON T.V. NEWS LAST NIGHT WITH VIDEO FOOTAGE FROM A BYSTANDER WIDELY BROADCAST.

OSSERVATORE ROMANO TODAY (DATED MONDAY/TUESDAY 9/10 NOVEMBER)
CARRIES BOX IN LEAD POSITION FRONT PAGE HEADLINED 'SORROW OF THE
POPE FOR THE SLAUGHTER IN MORTHERN IRELAND'. ARTICLE READS:
'CARDINAL AGOSTINO CASAROLI SECRETARY OF STATEON BEHALF OF THE HOLY
FATHER HAS SENT A TELEGRAM TO MSGR JOSEPH DUFFY, BISHOP OF CLOGHER, I
N WHICH

WHICH THE POPE CONDEMNS THE SLAUGHTER OF INNOCENT PEOPLE CARRIED OUT YESTERDAY AT ENNISKILLEN IN NORTHERN IRELAND, AND EXPRESSES HIS PROFOUND SORROW FOR THE VICTIMS, ASSURING THEIR FAMILIES OF THE COMFORT OF HIS PRAYERS. THE TEXT OF THE TELEGRAM FOLLOWS:

'PROFOUNDLY SHOCKED AND SADDENED BY THE LATEST OUTRAGE IN NORTHERN IRELAND THE HOLYFATHER COMMENDS THE SOULS OF THE VICTIMS TO ALMIGHTY GODS ETERNAL LOVE. HE EXPRESSES HIS HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF THE INNOCENT PERSONS KILLED BY THIS CRUEL ACTAND HE INVOKESTHE DIVINE GIFTS OF STRENGTH AND COMFORT UPON THE INJURED. HIS HOLINESS REITERATES THE CHURCH'S CLEAR CONDEMNATION OF VIOLENCE AND OF ANY SUPPORT OR TOLERANCE OF SUCH CRIMES AGAINST HUMAN LIFE. HE ARDENTLY PRAYS TO THE PRINCE OF PEACE OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PROVINCE."

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THERE FOLLOWS A SHORT REFERENCE TO THE INCIDENT REFERRING TO THE REACTION OF THE BRITISH PEOPLE, QUEEN ELIZABETH AND MRS TATCHER.

IN LEAD POSITION ON PAGE TWO (PAGE ON WHICH INTERNATIONAL NEWS IS USUALLY COVERED) THERE
THERE IS A LONG PIECE ON THE INCIDENT WRITTEN FROM LONDON
AND DATED 9TH NOVEMBER. THE PIECE, WRITTEN BEFORE IRA CLAIMED
RESPONSIBILITY, GIVES A FACTUAL ACCOUNT OF THE INCIDENT AND QUOTES
MRS TATCHER (AT SOMELENGTH) AND SIR JOHN HERMON. TEXT OF
TAOISEACH'S STATEMENT IS GIVEN TOO. PIECE ALSO GIVES REACTION
OF FERMANAGH SINN FEINN REPRESENTATIVE PAUL CORRIGAN, EXPRESSING
SORROW FOR THE VICTIMS.

ON VATICAN RADIO INTERNATIONAL NEWS THIS MORNING, ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDITION CARRIED NEWS OF IRA RESPONSIBILITY FOR ATTACK AND GERRY ADAM'S STATEMENT, BRIAN O'CONNELL REPORTING FROM DUBLIN MENTIONED STATEMENTS BY MRS TATCHER, TAOISEACH, CARDINL O FIAICH AND PRESBYTERIANMODERATOR.

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- 1. OSSERVATORE ROMANO NOT PUBLISHED MONDAY.WILL REPORT ON TOMORROW'S
- 2. QUATTROVOCI, THE SUMMARY OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS RELAYED THREE TIMES A DAY IN ITALIAN, FRENCH, ENGLISH AND SPANISH ON MEDIUM AND SHORT WAVE, HAD IN 12.30 P.M. EDITIONS REPORTS ON ENNISKILLEN BOMBING. IN ITALIAN THERE WASA REPORT FROM RENZO FARINELLA (FREELANCE WHO ALSO WORKS FOR ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE IN DUBLIN) IN ENNISKILLEN AS SECOND NEWS ITEM. IN ENGLISH NEWS WAS A REPORT FROM BRIAN O'CONNELL IN DUBLIN AS SECOND NEWS STORY AFTER MIDDLE EAST ITEMS. IN SPANISH., IT WAS THIRD NEWS STORY WITH A REPORT FROM BROADCAST. ENGLISH REPORT MENTIONED TOM KING'S CALL FOR RESTRAINT FOLLOWING GUN ATTACK ON CATHOLIC YOUTHS AND RUC CHIEF CONSTABLE'S BELIEF THAT BOMBING WAS BY IRA.

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3. RADIOVATICANA RADIOGIORNALE, THE MAIN DAILY NEWS SERVICE OF VATICA

RADIO BROADCAST IN ITALIAN FRENCH ENGLISH SPANISH AND POLISH AT 14.30 LOCAL TIME CARRIED A BRIEF REF IN ITS ITALIAN EDITION AS PART OF ITS ROUNDUP OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS. ENGLISH EDITION CARRIED BRIAN O'CONNELL'S

REPORT AGAIN . IT ALSO MENTIONED STATEMENT MADE BY TOM KING AND IAN PAISLEY, AND TELEGRAM EROM POPE OFFERING CONDOLENCES TO FAMILY AND CONDEMNING SUCH ACTS OF VIOLENCE.

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