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TO WASHINGTON FROM ANGLO-IRISH
FOR M BURKE FROM R BASSETT

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THREATENED BOYCOTT OF GUINNESS PRODUCTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

I SPOKE AGAIN TO PAT BARRY, EXPORT MANAGER OF GUINNESS DUBLIN, ABOUT THE AOH, NORAID, IAUC AND PEC THREAT TO ORGANISE A BOYCOTT BECAUSE OF THE OLIVER KEARNEY CASE. I MENTIONED THAT YOU HAD A VERY BRIEF WORD WITH NICK MURPHY ON THE SUBJECT. BARRY SAID THAT THEIR ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION BASED ON THEIR AGENTS IN THE STATES IS THAT THERE IS NO SERIOUS ATTEMPT YET TO ORGANISE SUCH A BOYCOTT. GUINNESS HAVE ARRANGED A MEETING WITH NICK MURPHY TO PUT THEIR SIDE OF THE CASE AND WILL DO NOTHING UNTIL THEY HAVE HAD THIS MEETING. ~~THEY~~ THEY WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE ANY INFORMATION WHICH EMBASSY OR CONSULATE MIGHT HAVE ON ANY BOYCOTT INTENTIONS BY THE ABOVE MENTIONED GROUPS.

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