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abridged*

John Hume M.P.
Copy to Dermot Gallagher.

Dear John,

Thank you for the document sent to me yesterday per the Irish Embassy, London.
The only agreement entered into by me at the meeting in Duisberg was to inform you of the following -

" I have heard a suggestion which in my opinion is worthy of further consideration - 'The meetings of the conference will not be held for a period (specified) to facilitate dialogue involving the major constitutional parties in N. Ireland' ".
I gave you this message by telephone on the morning of Monday 17th October, the day after my return.

There were, of course, a number of other matters discussed including my submissions that the only lasting solution would be found in the context of the Forum Report, that there could be no suspension of the conference or its Secretariat and that there could be no "internal" solution, as well as the matters referred to in the document you sent me. There was also discussion on "presentation".

I repeat there was no agreement on any matter other than the one matter I have mentioned which was drafted and put to the meeting by me.

What are described as "agreed" in the report you sent me appear to represent the views of one individual involved in the discussions.

Sincerely,
Austin
J. Austin Currie.

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