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Please see attached from Mary Bunting.

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With regard to the proposal to site the temporary camera on an existing street-lighting column at Ardoyne Road/Alliance Avenue, we have been advised by the Department of Regional Development (DRD) that this proposal may not be suitable for a number of engineering reasons including column suitability, electrical safety and attack resistance. With regard to attack resistance we have been advised that Roads Service understands that most town centre CCTV security systems now use anti-rain columns.

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18 January 2002

Dear Minister of State

We are replying to your letter of 16 January concerning the Chief Constable's report on his policing response to the problems in Glenbryn/Alliance/Ardoyne.

We note that the Chief Constable has recommended a CCTV system operated on a permanent basis and that since this will take some time to design and install he recommends a temporary solution of a 360 degree camera to be located at the interface. In your letter you indicated a number of options for the location of such a camera.

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With regard to the proposal to site the temporary camera on an existing street-lighting column at Ardoyne Road/Alliance Avenue, we have been advised by the Department of Regional Development (DRD) that this proposal may not be suitable for a number of engineering reasons including column suitability, electrical safety and attack resistance. With regard to attack resistance we have been advised that Roads Service understands that most town centre CCTV security systems now use anti-ram columns.

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could be implemented quickly. The Department has suggested that it would be possible for the Northern Ireland Office to install a new anti-ram CCTV column at a suitable position in the existing footway.

The Department has suggested that it would be possible to position the new camera column in the existing footway in such a position that it could remain there even in the event that the proposed realignment at the interface, which is currently being discussed with both communities, were to go ahead. Our officials are working closely with DRD officials on the proposed realignment scheme which was included as part of the 'package' detailed in our letter to interested parties in both communities of 23 November 2001.

We have been advised that a member of Roads Service staff would be happy to meet officials from your Department and Police representatives on site to confirm the proposed position as soon as possible. DRD has also indicated that installation of the new column and any associated cable ducts in the public footway will require a licence from Road Service. In view of the urgency of the requirement, the Department has said it will give approval verbally and issue the necessary paperwork later.

We have given the proposal concerning a temporary camera very careful consideration. As we indicated to you in our telephone conversations last week, we recognise that CCTV would be a helpful measure at this very difficult interface. We note that a 360 degree camera is proposed and understand that if such a camera was located at the interface, at the location suggested by DRD, it could provide additional security to both communities and a 'watchful eye' on the route to Holy Cross Primary School.

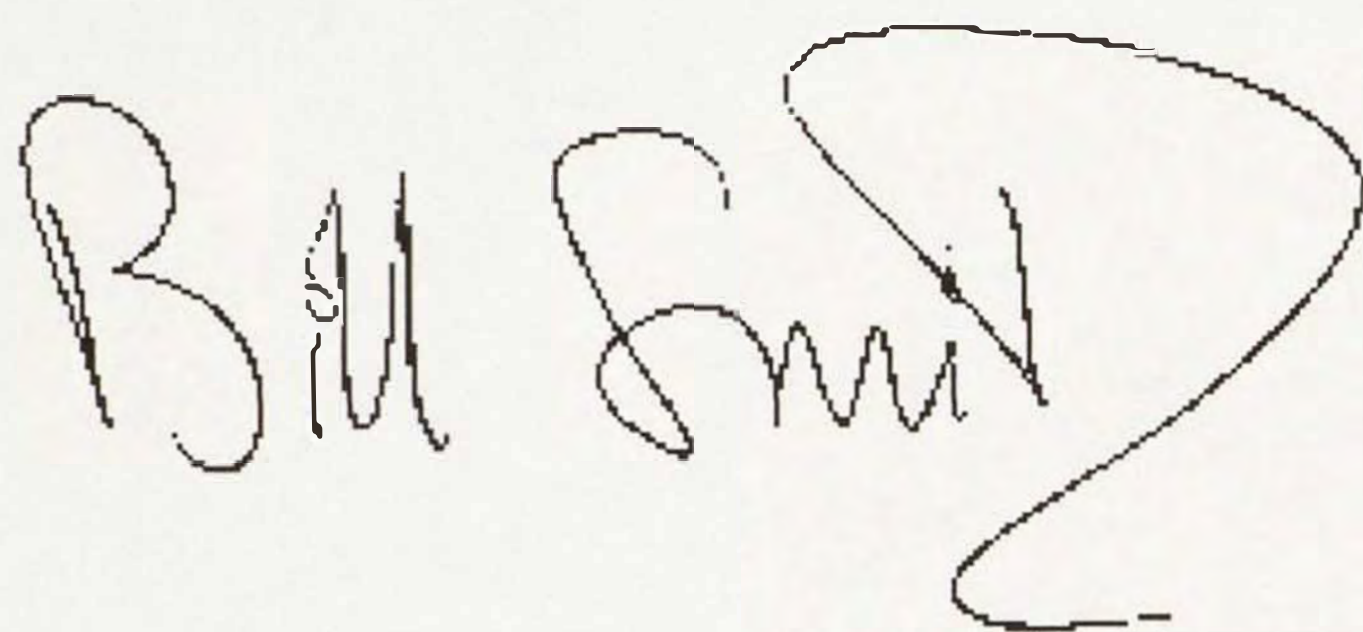
Arising from our discussions with both communities this week, we understand that tentative steps are being taken towards the formation of a possible Community Forum and that this might involve representatives from Twaddell/Woodvale areas. We are also aware that against the background of last week's events, emotions are running high.

We would therefore recommend that communication and implementation of this measure is handled with the greatest possible sensitivity. We would suggest that it might be helpful for you to consider meeting both communities and their representatives to explain the rationale for the measure, and the proposed arrangements for implementation. We have adopted an approach of 'no surprises' in our discussions with both communities and would wish this to continue.

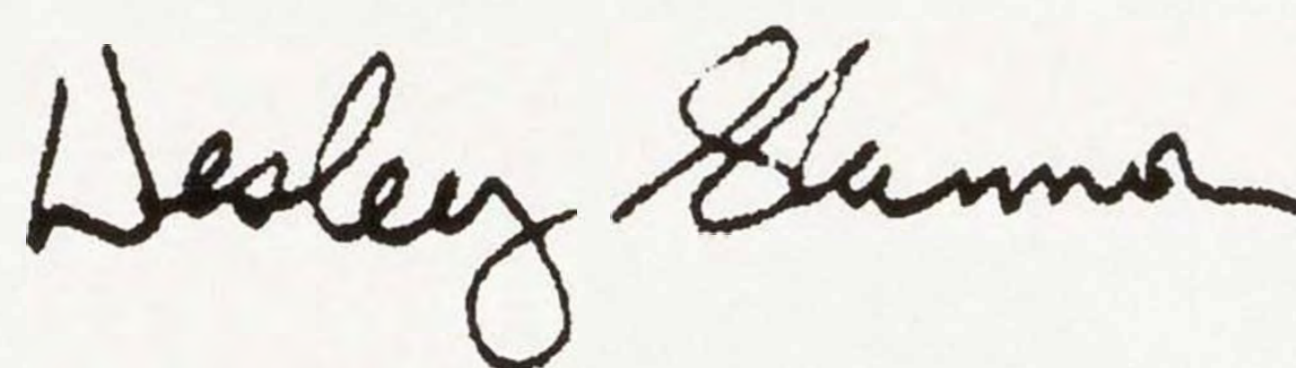
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With regard to the Chief Constable's proposal for a permanent system we would wish to be consulted about any proposals on this well in advance of any announcement. As you are aware, we have established an inter-departmental group comprising of officials from Departments in the devolved administration and your Department. It would be helpful if proposals could be brought to that forum as and when they are developed.

Yours sincerely



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