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NORTHERN IRELAND: VISIT OF SINN FEIN REPRESENTATIVE TO THE USA

1. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED FROM SAN FRANCISCO THAT A MEMBER OF THE SINN FEIN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MARTHA MCCLELLAND, IS IN THE UNITED STATES ON A SPEAKING TOUR ORGANISED BY NORAIID. SHE IS TO ADDRESS A NORAIID MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO TOMORROW (13 NOVEMBER). WE HAVE ALSO HEARD THAT SHE IS TO ADDRESS THE DALLAS PRESS CLUB ON 24 NOVEMBER.

2. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION PUT OUT BY NORAIID, MCCLELLAND IS A RESIDENT OF LONDONDERRY, AND A MEMBER OF THE PSF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. SHE IS SAID TO BE A NATIVE OF CALIFORNIA AND, AS SUCH, WOULD NOT REQUIRE A VISA TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES.

3. WE HAVE ASKED THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO CHECK URGENTLY THAT MCCLELLAND IS INDEED A US CITIZEN AND THAT SHE IS NOT THEREFORE HERE ILLEGALLY. WHILE WE CANNOT DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE SAN FRANCISCO MEETING (WHICH IS A NORAIID AFFAIR), WE SHALL DO WHAT WE CAN TO DISSUADE THE DALLAS PRESS CLUB FROM GIVING HER A PLATFORM. WE SHOULD THEREFORE BE GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION ABOUT MCCLELLAND WHO WE UNDERSTAND, IS A FORMER INMATE OF ARMAGH PRISON.

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