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10 YOUR TELNO 415: MEETING WITH DR FITZGERALD

11 1. The Prime Minister does not like the arrangements proposed

12 by the Taoiseach in your paragraph 2. She accepted the

13 proposed meeting because she was persuaded of the advantage of

14 discussing the Community budget with him at this stage. She

15 would therefore like him and herself to be present for all the

16 discussions on Community business. She would also like to take

17 Community matters first.

18 2. We therefore hope that the Irish can agree that the meeting

19 will open at 12 noon with full delegations present with the

20 Community items of the agenda. Half an hour has been set aside

21 beginning at 3 for a restricted meeting on Anglo-Irish relations.

22 The Prime Minister will be accompanied by Sir Robert Armstrong.

23 She has however agreed that you should take part in the session

24 on Community business.

25 3. The UK team will therefore consist of the Prime Minister,

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2 the Secretary of State, the Economic Secretary to the Treasury
3 (Mr Stewart), Sir Robert Armstrong, Mr Williamson (MAFF)
4 and yourself.

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YOUR TELNO 156: MEETING WITH DR FITZGERALD

1. THE TAOISEACH AGREES THAT HIS VISIT SHOULD BE ANNOUNCED ON 29 AUGUST. THE WORDS "THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE IRISH REPUBLIC" IN YOUR DRAFT TEXT SHOULD BE REPLACED BY "THE TAOISEACH".
2. THE TAOISEACH PROPOSES THAT HE AND THE PRIME MINISTER, PERHAPS EACH ACCOMPANIED BY ONE OFFICIAL, SHOULD DISCUSS ANGLO/IRISH RELATIONS FOR AN HOUR FROM NOON ONWARDS. MEANWHILE, THE REST OF HIS PARTY WOULD DISCUSS COMMUNITY MATTERS WITH THE BRITISH SIDE, WHICH WOULD BE PURSUED FURTHER AT LUNCH. THE HOPE HERE IS THAT THE COMMUNITY BUSINESS COULD BE DISPOSED OF FAIRLY EXPEDITIOUSLY.
3. DURING THE DISCUSSION ON ANGLO/IRISH RELATIONS THE TAOISEACH HOPES THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO FIX A DATE FOR A SUMMIT LATER THIS YEAR. HE HOPES THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WILL AGREE THAT THE MONTH IN WHICH THE SUMMIT IS TO TAKE PLACE WOULD BE ANNOUNCED AT ONCE. (I AM SURE HE ALSO HOPES THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WILL COMMIT HERSELF TO COMING TO IRELAND FOR THE SUMMIT.)
4. THE IRISH TEAM WILL CONSIST OF THE FINANCE MINISTER, MR DUKES, IF THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER IS TO BE PRESENT, OR THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE EC BUDGET COMMITTEE, MR O'KEEFE, IF WE ARE NOT FIELDING A CABINET MINISTER, AND NALLY, DONLON, FOGARTY, LILLIS, AND THE IRISH AMBASSADOR IN LONDON, DORR.
5. GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION ON OUR TEAM.

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