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 OF 261600Z JANUARY 94  
 AND TO IMMEDIATE NIO(L)

*Foreign Sec. spoke to  
 W. Christopher this evening.  
 Welcomed by Christopher:  
 he's onside. Outcome still  
 uncertain.*

*Review*

FOLLOWING PERSONAL FOR PRIVATE SECRETARY AND ARCHER (RID)  
 NIO(L) - (PERSONAL FOR PS/SECRETARY OF STATE AND SIR J CHILCOT)

MY TELNO 179: GERRY ADAMS

1. A DOZEN SENATORS HAVE NOW SIGNED THE LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT URGING HIM TO GRANT A VISA TO GERRY ADAMS. AS THE SUBMISSION ABOUT THIS IS NOW ON THE PRESIDENT'S DESK WITH, WE BELIEVE, A SPLIT RECOMMENDATION, WITH THE NSC SUGGESTING THAT ADAMS SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK ON 1 FEBRUARY SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS WEAKER THAN THOSE WE WOULD WANT TO SEE IMPOSED, I RELAYED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE THIS MORNING TO WARREN CHRISTOPHER:

(A) YOU HAD SPOKEN TO THE U.S. AMBASSADOR LAST NIGHT AND MIGHT WANT TO SPEAK DIRECT TO WARREN CHRISTOPHER ABOUT THIS.

(B) ADAMS WAS CONTINUING TO DECLARE HIS SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM, MOST RECENTLY IN HIS INTERVIEW ON IRISH RADIO

(C) IT WAS TOTALLY INADEQUATE TO ASK HIM TO MAKE A VAGUE DECLARATION ABOUT PEACE HIMSELF AND TO CALL ON ALL PARTIES TO END THE VIOLENCE.

(D) WHAT WAS NEEDED WAS A CLEAR CUT STATEMENT FROM HIM CALLING ON SINN FEIN/PIRA TO END THE VIOLENCE.

(E) IF HE WERE ADMITTED WITHOUT MAKING ANY SUCH COMMITMENT, THIS WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE JOINT DECLARATION AND CREATE A WAVE OF CRITICISM IN BRITAIN.

(F) IF ADAMS' VISIT WERE ACCOMPANIED OR FOLLOWED BY MORE TERRORIST ATTACKS THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WOULD FIND HIM CONTINUING TO JUSTIFY THEM.

(G) WE HOPED THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT CONSIDER GRANTING HIM A VISA UNLESS HE TOOK A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS ACCEPTANCE OF THE JOINT DECLARATION.

FCO PLEASE ADVANCE TO LYNE, NO. 10.

RENWICK

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