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1. IRISH DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS HAVE CONFIRMED TO HM EMBASSY THAT THEIR BRIEFING FOR VILLERS-LE-TEMPLE WILL REFLECT HAUGHEY'S LINE ON RENEWAL. THEY HAVE ALSO HINTED PRIVATELY THAT THEY WOULD NOT TAKE IT AMISS IF WE BRIEFED OUR OTHER PARTNERS ACCORDINGLY. PLEASE ACT IN ANY WAY WHICH YOU THINK WOULD BE HELPFUL WITH GOVERNMENTS TO WHICH YOU ARE ACCREDITED. YOU SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR THAT YOU ARE SPEAKING IN CONFIDENCE, AND THAT THIS IRISH FLEXIBILITY MAY NOT BE IMMEDIATELY EVIDENT, AND THAT IT MAY EMERGE ONLY AFTER STATEMENTS FOR THE RECORD AND UNDER PRESSURE, BUT THAT IT NOW LOOKS AS IF THE IRISH WILL GO ALONG WITH A CONSENSUS TO RENEW. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT NOBODY ELSE SHOULD SHELTER BEHIND THE INITIAL IRISH POSITION AND THUS MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO COME OFF IT.

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