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Mr. Roy U.S. Embassy telephoned to say that Mr. Michaud the Consul in Belfast had informed him that he had been in contact with Congressman Foley's office some days ago. He had received indications of Foley's wishes and had made the following arrangements for Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 May: -

Group would travel by car and meet McCusker in Portadown,

Lunch:

Belfast - Consul's residence

Afternoon:

Meeting with Gowrie

Meeting John Hume

Evening:

Dinner party Consul's residence

Overnight:

Belfast

Sunday morning: Tour of Belfast

Hillsborough Castle, Lord Gowrie

The Consul thinks that a three hour trip to Derry would be too much for the group and recommends that they return directly to the South from Belfast. They will be finalising details through the State Dept.

I checked with J. Sharkey who, while regretting that Derry should be left out, felt that the programme as outlined would co-incide with the group's wishes. If Dougherty had special wishes re a visit to Derry/Donegal, no doubt Consul would arrange.

Roy confirmed that Embassy will arrange transport to and from N.I.

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M. Hennessy

18 May, 1982