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Matterna, 10 21/4/81 . p : 253006 ESTR EI 0002222222222222222 D, 440026 HIBERNIAQQQQ 00312 INITIA 19 O NOV 1935 WASHINGTOL. FROM TO .HQ DERSON FOR . B DAVENPORT MMMWERTY ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT BRIEFING OF LABOUR LEADERS ON AMBASSADOR HELD A MEETING IN THE EMBASSY YESTERDAY WITH A GROUP OF LABOUR LEADERS TO BRIEF THEM ON THE ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT. A LIST

LABOUR LEADERS TO BRIEF THEM ON THE ANGLO-TRISH AGREEMENT. A LIST OF THOSE WHO ATTENDED IS SET OUT BELOW. THE MEETING WAS A SUBSTANTIVE ONE; LASTING ABOUT TWO HOURS, AND INCLUDED A DETAILED PRESENTATION BY THE AMBASSADOR ON BACKGROUND TO, CONTENTS OF AND PROSPECTS FOR THE ABREEMENT FOLLOWED BY A QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION. IN GENERAL THE QUESTIONING WAS WELL-INFORMED AND SEARCHING, THE OVERALL TONE WAS ONE OF CAUTIOUS WELCOME FOR THE AGREEMENT WITH A RECOGNITION THAT EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON IMPLEMENTA-AGREEMENT WITH A RECOGNITION THAT EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON IMPLEMENTA-TION. APPRECIATION WAS EXPRESSED THAT THE EMBASSY HAD ARRANGED A BRIEFING SPECIFICALLY FOR THE LABOUR COMMUNITY AND THE DESIRABILITY OF CONTINUING DIALOGUE WAS STRESSED. IN CONVERSATION AFTERWARDS TOM DONAHUE SUMMED UP HIS ATTITUDE TO THE AGREEMENT AS FOLLOWS: 'SINCE THE SDLP CAN SUPPORT IT, WE CAN SUPPORT IT TOO.''

## ATTENDANCE

TOM DONAHUE, SECRETARY-TREASURER, AFL-CIO PAT CAMPBELL, PRESIDENTE CARPENTERS UNION RICHARD KILROY, PRESIDENT, BROTHERHOOD OF RAILWAY AND ACCOUNTING MLOTIKG NJ -==O£9ASXFC06RKF0GMTGIOFTZTUZNOO6#3%9 UPUSYN

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CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT, CARPENTERS UNION RICHARD KILROY, PRESIDENT, BROTHERHOOD OF RAILWAY AND ACCOUNTING CLERKS JOHN LAWE, PRESIDENT, TRANSPORT WORKERS UNION BILL OLWELL, INTERNATIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT, UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS WALTER SHEA, INTERNATIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT, TEAMSTERS FRANK HANLEY, SECRETARY-TREASURER, OPERATING ENGINEERS JOAN BAGGETT, COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR, BRICKLAYERS JOAN BAGGETT, COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR, BRICKLAYERS PATRICK SULLIVAN, LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR, LONGSHOREMEN JOSEPH CAVANAGH, ASSISTANT ON POLITICAL AFFAIRS, ELECTRICAL WORKERS JOE JAMISON, DIRECTOR, IRISH-AMERICAN LABOUR COALITION