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TO HQ FROM BELFAST

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NAIRAC CASE  
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FOR HOLOHAN FROM SCULLION

<b>CODED MESSAGE</b>	
<b>IMMEDIATE URGENT</b>	
<b>CONFIDENTIAL</b>	
DATE.....17/8/87.....	TIME.....1548
INITIALS..... <i>SJB in Ray</i> .....	

FURTHER TO YOUR TELEPHONE CALL TODAY I ASKED THE BRITISH SIDE IF THEY COULD PROVIDE THE NAMES OF THOSE CONVICTED IN NORTHERN IRELAND IN CONNECTION WITH THE MURDER OF ROBERT NAIRAC. THEY HAVE NOW ADVISED THAT OF THE FIVE PERSONS CONVICTED AND SENTENCED ONLY ONE, GERALD FEARON, REMAINS IN CUSTODY. FEARON IS NOW TAKING PART IN A PRE-RELEASE SCHEME IN BELFAST PRISON AND HIS RELEASE IS THEREFORE IMMINENT. YOU ARE PROBABLY AWARE THAT FEARON WAS QUESTIONED ABOUT THE NAIRAC MURDER AND REPLIED THAT HE GENUINELY DIDN'T KNOW WHERE THE BODY HAD BEEN DUMPED. APPARENTLY HE TOLD THE AUTHORITIES THAT AT THE TIME IT HAD BEEN AGREED THAT THE BODY WOULD BE DUMPED ON THE NORTHERN SIDE OF THE BORDER. HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT THE NEXT DAY HE WAS TOLD THAT THE DEED HAD BEEN DONE BUT HE CONTENDS THAT HE WAS NEVER TOLD WHERE OR HOW THE BODY HAD BEEN DISPOSED OF. THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF THE PRISON SAID THAT HE WAS INCLINED TO BELIEVE FEARON'S STATEMENT.

THE OTHER FOUR, WHO ARE NO LONGER IN DETENTION, ARE D.J. O'ROURKE (10 YEARS), O. ROCKS (3 YEARS), M. F. MCCOY (5 YEARS) AND T. MORGAN (S.O.S. PLEASURE CASE).

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