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cc: PS/SOS (B&L)  
 PS/Sir Kenneth Bloomfield  
 Mr Burns  
 Mr Stephens  
 Mr Fell  
 Mr McAllister  
 Dr Quigley  
 Mr Chesterton  
 Mr Innes  
 Mr McConnell  
 Mr Hamilton  
 Mr Hunter  
 Mr Kirk  
 Mr Wilson  
 Mr Wolstencroft  
 Mr A Wood  
 Supt Curral

PS/Mr Viggers (B&amp;L)

**VISIT BY CONGRESSMAN DONNELLY AND CONGRESSMAN WILLIAMS AND PARTY, CONGRESSIONAL FRIENDS OF IRELAND DELEGATION : LONDONDERRY 20-21 JANUARY 1988**

The Minister has kindly agreed to host a working lunch in respect of the above-mentioned Congressmen and their group on Wednesday 20 January at the Glen House Hotel, Eglinton, 1300 for 1315.

Attached (TAB A) is a copy of the guest list together with biographical notes in respect of Congressman Donnelly and Congressman Williams (TAB B). I am also attaching for your information an outline itinerary for their visit to the Republic of Ireland and an outline programme for their visit to Londonderry (TABBED C & D respectively).

I understand you have already received separate briefing from DED covering MacBride and Equal Opportunity in Employment issues. Attached is additional background briefing on:-

- Diplock Courts, the Birmingham 6, Extradition and Anglo-Irish Relations (TAB E);
- the International Fund (TAB F).

You may wish to note that it likely that Congressman Donnelly may seek to raise with the Minister the question of an EC contribution to the International Fund. This difficult issue is addressed in Annex 2 of TAB F but is one on which the Minister may require oral briefing. Mr Hunter and his DFP colleagues would be happy to brief the Minister on this issue or any other issue raised by the papers at TAB F.

As Congressman Donnelly's constituency is the 11th District of Massachusetts, a heavily Irish area of Boston, the Minister might care to mention to Mr Donnelly his meeting today with Mr Philip McLean the new HM Consul-General to Boston (from February 6). The outgoing Consul-General, David Burns is a respected



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figure in the Boston-Irish establishment. Mr McLean would like an entree to Mr Donnelly and his associates and mention by the Minister could assist that.

Attached (TAB G) is a copy of a draft table plan for consideration.

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M L HUTCHINSON (Mrs)  
Central Secretariat

*19* January 1988

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TAB A

GUEST LIST FOR WORKING LUNCH HOSTED BY MR P VIGGERS MP, INDUSTRY MINISTER:  
WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY 1988

Host

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|----|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | Mr Peter Viggers MP | Industry Minister |
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Main Guests

- |     |                              |   |
|-----|------------------------------|---|
| 2.  | Congressman Brian J Donnelly | (D Massachusetts) Chairman Congressional Friends of Ireland   |
| 3.  | Congressman Patrick Williams | (D Montana) Member of the Executive Committee of Congressional Friends of Ireland                       |
| 4.  | Mr Kevin Peterson            | Assistant Sgt-at-Arms, Department of State and Chief Staffer to the Friends of Ireland                  |
| 5.  | Mr John Caruso               | Administrative Officer, US Embassy Dublin, Close friend of Mr Donnelly's and official organiser of trip |
| 6.  | Mr Cohen )                   | Described as friends and travelling companions of Mr Donnelly (no further information at this stage)    |
|     | )                            |   |
| 7.  | Mr Flynn )                   |   |
|     | )                            |   |
| 8.  | Mr Bradigan )                |   |
| 9.  | Mr Bob Myers                 | US Consul General, Belfast  |
| 10. | Mr Francis T (Paco) Scanlan  | US Consul, Belfast  |

Officials

- |      |                   |                                    |
|------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 11.1 | Mr I Burns        | Deputy Under Secretary (NIO)       |
| 12.  | Mr W Innes        | Law and order Division (NIO)       |
| 13.  | Mr R Wilson       | Department of Economic Development |
| 14.  | Mr J Wolstencroft | Department of Economic Development |
| 15.  | Mr J Hunter       | Department of Finance              |
| 16.  | Mr J McConnell    | Political Affairs (NIO)            |
| 17.  | Mr D McAuley      | PS/Mr Viggers                      |

In Attendance

- |     |                    |                     |
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| 18. | Mrs M L Hutchinson | Central Secretariat |
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BROAD OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR VISIT BY FRIENDS OF IRELAND DELEGATION:  
16-23/24 JANUARY 1988

~~Thursday~~ <sup>SATURDAY</sup> 16 January

Arrive Dublin: spend weekend privately

Monday 18 January

Meetings at Leinster House with the Taoiseach and the Tanaiste

Calls on Mr Spring and Mr O'Malley

Briefing by Donnelly of Backbench TDs on Irish Immigration Issues

Dinner given by US Ambassador

Tuesday 19 January

Plant Tree outside IDA Office in Dundalk

Visit IFI Project

Meeting in Dublin with Representatives of "Donnelly Visas"

Wednesday 20 January

As attached (Tab D)

Thursday 21 January

Travel to Galway

Meeting with Mayor and local TDs



OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR VISIT BY CONGRESSMEN, DONNELLY AND WILLIAMS, FIRENDS  
OF IRELAND DELEGATION: LONDONDERRY: 20-21 JANUARY 1988

WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY

0950	Arrive Eglinton Airport	2 Congressmen, Messrs Cohen, Flynn, Bradigan, Peterson, Caruso
1010	Drive to Guildhall	
1030	Courtesy call on the Mayor of Derry City Council, Alderman Jim Guy, Guildhall	Arranged by Mr Myers
1130-1230	Visit to United Technology Automotive Group, Blighs Lane (Bogside) (contact Mr Eddie Duffy)	Arranged by Mr Myers
1300 for 1315	Working lunch hosted by Mr P Viggers MP Industry Minister, Glen House Hotel, Eglinton	
1500	Meeting with the Rt Rev Dr J Mehaffey, Bishop of Derry and Raphoe and Most Rev Dr Edward Daly, Bishop of Londonderry, The See House, Culmore Road, Londonderry	Arranged by Mr Myers
1615	Visit to Euro-Centre West, International Fund Assisted Project - Enterprise House, No 1 Little James Street, Londonderry	
1715	Meeting with Mr Paddy Doherty, [REDACTED] Director Derry Youth and Community Workshop, 9 Shipquay Street, Londonderry	Arranged by Mr Myers
1830	Arrive Everglades Hotel	
Dinner	To be arranged by the SDLP, Everglades Hotel	

OVERNIGHT EVERGLADES HOTEL



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THURSDAY 21 JANUARY

Early am	Depart Londonderry for Galway	(Hire car) Congressman Donnelly Messrs Cohen, Flynn, Bradigan, Caruso
0900	Depart Londonderry for Belfast International Airport	Congressman Williams (Transport provided by Mr Myers)

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