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Dear Phesident Elect

In the month of your inauguration as President of the United States of America may I, on behalf of the greater number of people in Northern Ireland, offer you warm congratulations and prayerful good wishes in all your endeavours to resolve the daunting problems facing you and your administration.

Having seen reports of a White House representative being sent to Northern Ireland, I am wondering if it would be helpful for one of my Party colleagues to visit Washington to clarify the position resulting from the termination of the Talks at the end of the agreed period of six months.

As you know, the Parties are now proceeding to engage in bi-lateral contacts at a more modest level which is likely to prove more productive than the high level drama of past months.

It goes without saying that success in this new phase will be dependant upon the avoidance of anything resembling the former summitry which tends to force the Northern Ireland Parties into confrontation.

If you feel that a discussion with your staff would be a useful paving operation we could send a senior representative to Washington at an early stage.

You will be aware that Political Parties and Religious Groups across the spectrum have all paid tribute to the work of successive Consul Generals in Northern Ireland.

Both the Dublin and London Administrations hae also been happy to have the Consul General's facilities available as a neutral venue for cross community and political dialogue.

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President-elect William J. Clinton, c/o Transition Team, Little Rock, Arkansas.