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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ANTHONY LAKE

SUBJECT: Reply to Letter on Northern Ireland

Purpose

To reply to a letter for Dr. John Kelly of Michigan offering ideas for the Northern Ireland peace process.

Background

Dr. Kelly wrote following a brief conversation with you in the receiving line at the March 4 VIP reception in Detroit. Your reply explains the current status of the peace process and assures Dr. Kelly of your continued support for the process.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

Attachments

- Tab A Draft Letter to Dr. Kelly
- Tab B Incoming Correspondence

Todd  
 OK.  
 Helen  
 (AP)

cc: Vice President  
Chief of Staff

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Thank you for your continued interest and support. Please do not hesitate to share any further ideas on this subject. I welcome all contributions that may assist in resolving this long-standing problem.

Sincerely,

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Dr. John F. Kelly  
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Rochester, Michigan 48309-4401

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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REFERRAL

DATE: 05 APR 96

MEMORANDUM FOR: WH STRIPPING DESK

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION: TO: KELLY, JOHN F

SOURCE: PRESIDENT

DATE: 04 APR 96

SUBJ: REPLY TO LTR ON NORTHERN IRELAND

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REQUIRED ACTION: FOR DISPATCH

DUE DATE: 06 APR 96

COMMENT:

FOR



JOHN W. FICKLIN

NSC RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICE

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RM:

OK FOR SIGNATURE PER TODD STERN

RETURN ALL LETTER(S) AND ORIGINAL MEMO(S) TO STERN'S OFFICE

DRB  
(Initials)

From  
TEOP

for

All  
AP