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March 15, 1993

The Honorable Bill Clinton, President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton:

Professor Bill Meulemans has expressed an interest in being appointed as a United States Peace Envoy to Northern Ireland. I have known Professor Meulemans for many years and would like to recommend him for your consideration.

I first met Professor Meulemans when he was an instructor of political science at Southern Oregon State College. Professor Meulemans is known throughout the Pacific Northwest for his practical applications of politics. He has served as a consultant in Democratic campaigns for more than twenty years, and has worked as a specialist in resolving community conflicts. In recent years, he has devoted his full energies to the conflict in Northern Ireland. He has spent extended periods of time in Ireland working with people on both sides of the dispute, and has also written several articles on the topic.

Professor Meulemans is not only well qualified to represent the United States in the Northern Ireland peace process, but by virtue of his personality is also well suited. Meulemans is thoroughly objective on the issues, and can therefore serve as an honest broker in the current peace process. He is a completely trustworthy man who is sensitive to the needs of people in conflict.

I know he would be a tireless worker on behalf of the United States, and recommend Bill Meulemans without reservation.

Sincerely,

Barbara Roberts
Governor

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SOUTHERN OREGON
STATE COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

PROF. WILLIAM C. MEULEMANS

P6/b(6)
USA

[001]

TELEPHONE P6/b(6)

January 21, 1993

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Clinton: Re: Peace Envoy to Northern Ireland

During the presidential campaign you pledged to appoint a special peace envoy to Northern Ireland when you assumed office. You indicated an interest in sending an American representative to Northern Ireland who would meet with all parties in the conflict and provide aid in reaching a peaceful settlement.

I am hereby applying for the position of special peace envoy, or to be considered for an appointment to a team of persons who would assist in the Northern Ireland peace process. I would be able to devote full time to the task.

During the past three years I have been a visiting professor of political science at The Queen's University of Belfast on a regular basis for three months each year. I plan to continue my lecturing and research in Belfast in 1993. Last year I elected to take early retirement from my college teaching career at Southern Oregon State College so I could devote full time to my research in Northern Ireland.

In my research work, I have become acquainted with major political persons in the province including the British Secretary of State, Sir Patrick Mayhew and the chief representatives of the Nationalist and Unionist Communities. I have also spent a considerable amount of time with members of paramilitary units on both sides of the dispute. I have a good working rapport with the principle leaders in Northern Ireland.

I am in the process of writing a proposed agenda of specific actions that can be taken to ease the current tensions, and that will also help establish a foundation for political cooperation. To this end, I am formulating a series of steps in a scenario that can be taken by the governments in London and Dublin, and also by members of both communities in Northern Ireland.

After devoting many years to studying this subject, I believe that an American Peace Envoy can provide an important ingredient in the peace process because, to date, there has never been a neutral party involved; all those engaged in the talks, including the British, have specific self interests. Well informed representatives from the United States, who are truly neutral, can play an important positive role, however, if an American Envoy is perceived as being partisan, the net result will not be constructive.

As an American with a non Irish background, who is not identified with either religious community, I have a special strength and position of neutrality in Northern Ireland. Through many years of careful cultivation I have earned the trust of leaders in both communities. I am certain that I can be of service as a representative of the United States in the peace process.

If I were appointed to this position, I would recommend that a small team of persons be selected as peace envoys, and that observer status be requested for the talks that have been in progress. Within the confidential format of the talks, representatives from the United States could assume an honest broker role that could bring progress to the proceedings. I believe I could make a positive contribution through that process.

The following four people in Northern Ireland have agreed to be references in my behalf:

Mr. Chris McGimpsey
Special Negotiator
Ulster Unionist Party
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Belfast BT5 6JG
Northern Ireland
Telephone 011 44 (232) 471549

Mr. Francie Molloy
Sinn Fein Councillor
Derrymagowan
Dungannon
Co. Tyrone
Northern Ireland
Telephone 011 44 (8687) 84042

Mr. Robert Hall, Librarian
Northern Irish Political Collection
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Belfast BT7 1NN
Northern Ireland
Telephone 011 44 (232) 245133 Ext. 3655

In addition, a letter of recommendation will be sent under separate cover from the Honorable Barbara Roberts, Governor of Oregon.

My resume is enclosed for your convenience. Please advise me of any other materials that will be necessary to submit.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

William C. Meulemans
Professor of Political Science,
Emeritus

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WILLIAM C. MEULEMANS
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

*Living association maintained with community made up of Catholic and Protestant clergy
(1991 to the present)*

*Columbanus Community of Reconciliation
683 Antrim Road
Belfast BT15 4EG
Northern Ireland
Tel. (0232) 778009*



Annual Research and Lecturing Trips to England and Northern Ireland (1990 to the present)

*Presenter of Paper, "Northern Ireland: The Dimensions of the Conflict in the 1990s"
American Conference for Irish Studies: Western Region, 1990.
Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, 1990.*

Research Trip to Israel (Fulbright), 1989.

Board Member, KSYS-TV (Public Television), Medford, Oregon, 1988-90.

Political Commentator, KDRV-TV, Medford, Oregon, 1988-89.

Survey Director, Jackson County Greenway Public Opinion Survey, 1985.

Political Consultant for the 3M Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, 1978-1982.

Political Organizer, Oregon Nurses Association, 1980.

Survey Director, Jackson-Josephine Counties Job Council Public Opinion Survey, 1979.

Political Organizer, Southwest Oregon Indian Health Project, 1979.

Political Director, Medford City Public Opinion Survey, 1978-79.

Written and implemented over 20 political public opinion surveys since 1974.

Taught courses in Community Organizing at Southern Oregon State College since 1972.

*Co-worker with Dr. Irving Goldaber and Ms. Holly Porter of Community Confrontation and
Communication Associates of Grand Rapids, Michigan, 1972.*

*Staff aide, Committee on Education and Labor, United States House of Representatives,
Washington DC, 1972.*

Taught courses and seminars on political campaigning throughout Oregon since 1966.

Campaign worker and/or consultant in over 100 political campaigns since 1958.

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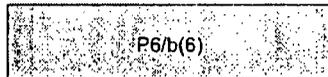
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Professor of Political Science (1964-1992)

Southern Oregon State College

Ashland, Oregon 97520-5084

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Concentration
of Research:

*The Causes of Internal Violence in Northern Ireland and
the Prospects for Peace.*

<u>Education:</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major</u>
	Ph.D.	1969	University of Idaho	Political Science
	M.A.	1963	University of Idaho	Political Science
	B.S.	1960	University of Wisconsin, River Falls	Political Science and and Sociology

Academic Distinctions:

Research and Writing Grant, *The Causes of Internal Violence in Northern Ireland*,
Southern Oregon State College (April 1, 1990 to September 15, 1991)

Fulbright Seminar Abroad in Israel (Summer 1989)

First Place Award for Best Summer Session Program in the Nation (June-August 1977),

National Association of American Universities and Colleges (February 1978).

Danforth Foundation Fellow (1971-1972).

National Defense Fellow of Political Science, University of Idaho (1962-1964).

Articles Published:

"An American in Northern Ireland," Protestant and Catholic Encounter (PACE)
Belfast, (January, 1993)

"Northern Ireland: The Dimensions of the Conflict in the 1990s," American
Conference For Irish Studies (October, 1990)

"The Dimensions of The Israeli/Palestinian Conflict," The Jerusalem Seminar on
Ancient and Modern Israel, Jerusalem (July, 1989)

Books Published:

Making Political Choices: An Introduction to Politics. Englewood Cliffs,
New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 1989.

Forthcoming Book:

"Ireland: An Agenda for Peace," 1994.