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Anglo-Irish Agreement: Prime Minister's  
Speech in the House

I suggest that the first paragraph on page 12 could seem critical of the Irish Government in the past. The second sentence could be amended:

"In the absence of a mechanism for conveying it, that concern has sometimes been expressed in critical or negative form. Systematic arrangements should help the cause..."

2. The Prime Minister might wish to use a sentence from the Taoiseach's speech to the Dail about the Agreement:

"We shall fight the battle against these terrorists to the utmost of our power, for ultimately our survival as a democracy is at stake as well as peace in Northern Ireland."

3. The Northern Ireland Office will comment separately.

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