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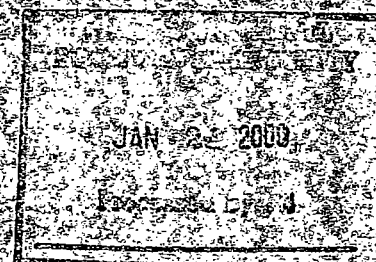


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Tuesday, January 11, 2000

To President Clinton:
Att. Richard Norland
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Dear Mr. President:

I hope you received our Christmas message. I am sending you and your family our best wishes for the New Year - new epoch. A world in transition - a nation 'on course' - with a sense of security and purpose. This, thanks to your consistency and courage. This, also no better exemplified than in your timely intervention in an arena of conflict close to so many of us, Irish Americans - part of the concerned Irish diaspora.

Your consistency and that of your emissary, Senator Mitchell - the unrelenting dedication of you and your 'team' - from the U.S., the U.K. and from all the island of Ireland, have given hope and the vision of a new constructive and creative future for the people of Ireland and, of the four countries - goals for the next generation and for the new Millennium. Hopefully, an example for peoples in other long standing areas of conflict.

I enclose a copy of one of your letters of support and interest - in 1998 - a color sheet of the region where we are now sited in Northern Ireland and, more recent letters of support. We also include a letter to the Attorney General of Maryland, Joe Curran explaining our focus for recruitment of further inward investment to Ireland North and south - a timely purpose, we feel, in view of the recent changes in the Baltimore city administration - the appointment of a new mayor of the city - Martin O'Malley, of Irish heritage. Also, that one of our guests who came to Baltimore for the Friendships Without Borders (FWB) organized meeting in '98 - Bairbre De Brun, has been elected Minister of Health in the new Northern Irish Government. Surely, a good time for a new trade mission from the whole island - to extend the affluence of the 'Celtic Tiger' - south to north. In the north, more than five billion in debt each year - in the south, a five billion surplus - for the busiest economy in the EU - GDP over 9% and less than 2% inflation. These goals, simultaneous with the coming visit of the Jeanie Johnson - in May - a close replica of the famine ships that brought so many of the Irish heritage to the

United States - now over a hundred and fifty years ago. Perhaps, a sensitive reminder of the good fortunes of some - the trials of others, of a previous generation.

We hope you enjoy the enclosed material showing the progress FWB is making in Ireland and, in recruiting continued involvement and support from the United States. The newspaper we enclose - The Mourne Echo - published, October '99 in Castlewella, Co. Down - is one mechanism for the new Media Voice we are proposing as a means of expression for the young people in the regions, north and south - involved in the program. Film equipment is also being used for this purpose - part of our education program and a response to the escalating suicides among young people in Ireland during the past year. If you find this publication of interest and enjoyment - we would be most grateful if you could send a note to the Publisher and Editor, Regional Director of FWB, Ireland. This would be helpful and encouraging. His name and address -

Mr. Francis Gallagher - 16 Upper Clarkehill - Castlewella - Co. Down BT 31 N. Ireland.

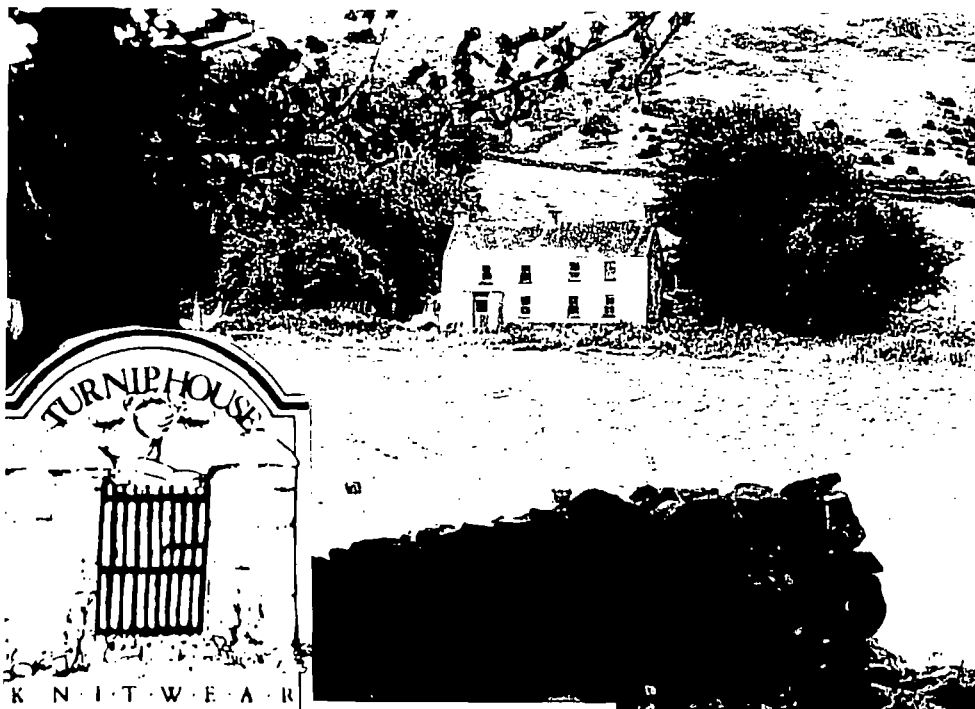
Thank you for your continued support and encouragement - for your courage and sensitivity in handling a myriad of different problems - nationally, in education and health care - and, internationally in recurring areas of human suffering and deprivation.

With best wishes to you and your family,

Respectfully yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Niall Mac Allister', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Niall P. Mac Allister MD FACA (Founder and Pres FWB)



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1998

Dear Dr. Mac Allister:

I appreciated learning of your further work on "Friendship without Borders." In order for the Good Friday agreement on a political settlement for Northern Ireland to work, great effort to enhance understanding and develop personal ties amongst the people will be required. Your commendable initiative, which seeks to contribute significantly to peace and reconciliation on the island of Ireland, merits our continuing interest and the broad support it is receiving in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Your emphasis on increasing community interchange and affirming individual and family responsibility reflect universal values and a commitment to civil society. In this way, we can all work together to transform a written agreement into a lasting peace.

I continue to wish you success as your project develops, and hope it will serve as an example to other troubled regions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Clinton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. Niall P. Mac Allister
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Embassy of the United States of America

Dublin, Ireland

March 4, 1998

Dr. Niall P. Mac Allister, MD ABA FACA
Friendship Without Borders
139 Stevenson Lane
Baltimore, Maryland 21212-1402

Dear Dr. Mac Allister:

Thank you for your letter describing the "Friendships without Borders" project. Your initiative to develop conflict resolution skills among the young people of Ireland is admirable. More specifically, the plan includes the elements of cross-community contact and improved economic opportunities for all people on the island which would reinforce the spirit of resolution and harmony necessary for peace.

As you know, helping to achieve a solution to the conflict in Northern Ireland is a top priority for President Clinton and his Administration. I welcome your effort as a necessary contribution to assuring peace returns to Northern Ireland. I wish you the best of luck in your endeavor.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean Kennedy Smith".

Jean Kennedy Smith
Ambassador

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April 24, 1998

Niall P. Mac Allister, M.D.
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Baltimore MD 21212

Dear Dr. Mac Allister:

Thank you for your letters and the additional materials concerning "Friendships Without Borders." This initiative promotes a unique and promising way to developing relationships between young people from the United States and Ireland. It is my pleasure to write in support of this excellent program to help bridge the gap between these and other countries.

The goal of "Friends Without Borders" is to bring together students from various ethnic and cultural backgrounds to address issues they are facing today and develop solutions for the future. I truly value all of your efforts in this area. Your hard work, dedication, and commitment to the young people of the world is greatly appreciated. It is great that you have been receiving such tremendous support from many leaders and organizations.

Thank you again, for presenting this outstanding project to me. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-974-2804. You have my best wishes for continued success and a productive and prosperous future.

With warm wishes,

Kathleen Kennedy Townsend
Lt. Governor

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March 31, 1999

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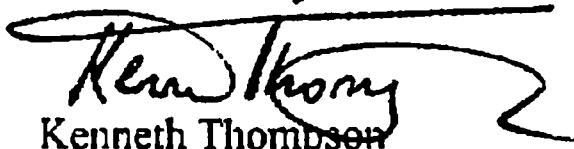
Dear Dr Mac Allister

Friendship Without Borders

I was very pleased to discuss your project on the phone with you, and the outcome of the meeting you held in Baltimore. You have demonstrated an extraordinary amount of energy and commitment to make a success of the project.

The Embassy deeply appreciates your efforts to keep us informed how the project is developing and we will in turn ensure that Dublin is kept in the loop as the question of financing is considered.

Yours sincerely


Kenneth Thompson
Counsellor

Poverty Scholar Wins Nobel in Economics

By STUART SILVERSTEIN
and MARJORIE MILLER
TIMES STAFF WRITERS

Amartya K. Sen, who as a boy witnessed famine in his native India and went on to research poverty in a way that stretched the limits of economics, on Wednesday was awarded the Nobel Prize.

Sen, 64, is a well-liked academic who left Harvard University this year to take the helm of Trinity College at Cambridge University in England. He is regarded in his field as something of a renaissance man with expertise in human welfare, poverty and economic development.

Although Sen long was considered a leading candidate for the Nobel in economics, his selection marks a departure from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences' general pattern of opting for economists specializing in theoretical topics with far less impact on social conditions.

The choice of Sen "recognizes that economic problems cannot always be solved with only econometric models and scientific approaches," said Dimitri Papadimitriou, executive director of the Jerome Levy Economics Institute of Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y., where Sen was awarded an honorary doctorate last year.

Papadimitriou said Sen "has brought in the ethical and philosophic dimensions to economics" to deal "with questions of hunger, famine and the general welfare of individuals."

Sen received the news of his prize in a 5:15 a.m. telephone call from Stockholm to his hotel room in New York, where he is visiting the United Nations.

At an afternoon U.N. news conference, he said, "My initial thought [at that hour] was that something terrible must have happened, some accident, having four children in different parts of the world and an aged mother, but happily it turned out to be good news."

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November 7, 1998

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Dear Dr. Mac Allister,

It was very nice to hear from you and to get the material you have sent me on Friendships Without Borders. I also appreciate very much your kind thoughts.

I am most encouraged by the progress that is being made under your leadership by Friendships Without Borders. My new address is the one above - I am visiting Harvard for only a few days at this time, and will return to England this Wednesday.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,


Amartya Sen



**American
Red Cross**

National Headquarters
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Washington, DC 20006

Bernadine Healy, M.D.
President and
Chief Executive Officer

November 9, 1999

Niall P. MacAllister, MD, FACA
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Dear Dr. MacAllister,

Thank you for sending me the information on Friendships Without Borders. Your organization is doing a great deal for those in need in Northern Ireland.

Best of luck in this important work.

Sincerely,

Bernadine Healy

*I remember
our Hopkins
years well!
That's where
our first humanitarian
jobs were —
Bernadine.*

Niall P. Mac Allister MD
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Attorney General Joseph Curran
Office of the Attorney General
200 St Paul Place
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December 12 1999

Dear Joe:

Following up on my phone call last week, I am writing to seek your support - your suggestions, in advocating mutually beneficial goals - the promotion of trade and tourist relations between Ireland and Baltimore - a 'sistering' between Baltimore and the port cities of Belfast and with Dublin, capital of the Celtic Tiger. The benefits clearly evident - especially at this time, enhancing our relations with the cherished roots of so many in our Irish American community and ensuring further progress in the Irish peace accords in a season of reconciliation.

During a meeting held by the NIIDB in Washington in November, we were appraised of the intention of creating a trade delegation from Ireland to meet with companies in the United States, creating new business options from Boston to Pittsburgh, to Washington, this coming April 2000. It is barely a sidestep and most appropriate, we feel, for the Irish trade delegation to also pay a constructive visit to the significant other Irish community of Baltimore. We advocate Baltimore as a very rewarding site, for business and cultural reasons.

This, I feel, is a timely and auspicious occasion for Baltimore, with its unique Irish American heritage and history, from the Carrolls, to the Barrys - and less well known, to the eloquent and compassionate witness of Frederick Douglass to the sufferings of the Irish people back in Ireland during the Irish Famine years. And to a more recent Irish success story - with the election and inauguration of our new Mayor, Martin O'Malley, descended from another distinguished Irish family - the O'Malleys of Galway. This, a singular and timely honor, with the almost simultaneous establishment of the new government in Northern Ireland - the inevitable reconciliation of all the people of Ireland.

Especially appropriate, in view of the role Martin O'Malley played in the welcome extended by the previous administration to the speakers of the panel - "The Women's Voice in the Peace Accords" - held at Loyola University in April of '98 under the auspices of Friendships Without Borders Inc. The speakers were given the "freedom of the city" by Mayor Schmoke - among them, Bairbre DeBrun, now Minister of Health in the Northern Irish government - Bronagh Hinds, President and founder of the European Women's Coalition - and from the United States, Mary Boergers, Director of Leadership Program, School of Public Affairs, American University D.C, and, presently, a member of the Board of FWB. In organizing this meeting at Loyola, we

were very fortunate in having the assistance of Ms Haydee Rodriguez - representative for the Hispanic community in Mayor Schmoke's administration. Though Ms Rodriguez is presently a law student at Loyola, she has continued her interest in the cause of people, victims of socioeconomic oppression everywhere - in Ireland, to undo the longest lasting focus of ethnic or sectarian conflict in the western world. We are most grateful to her.

Ireland - the outer island of Europe - first stop to the EU markets. From the United States and Asia as investors, partners - alliances and strategic opportunities in the highly competitive global market place - access facilitated - lower cost, increased sales, decreased overhead, increased growth. Other benefits, a highly trained, lower cost work force - through Ireland, cheaper assembly, transport - from the south, tariff free. Return from investment in Ireland 24% in '94 - four times the world average - the elusive 20% margin an attainable goal. Ireland's GNP 106% - GDP 9%, highest in Europe - inflation consistently less than 2%. The border counties - a population of some six hundred thousand people - almost fifty percent, twenty-five years old and younger, the highest in the European Union. These regions also representing some of the highest pockets of rural unemployment in Europe. Of the countries of the EU, Ireland, at present, has the highest percentage of its young population living outside its borders. This, in the south, in the face of a selectively burgeoning Celtic Tiger economy. In the North, different circumstances prevail - the majority of our brothers there, stumbling along in what the Cambridge economist, Rowthorn called, a "debtor, branch plant, workhouse economy" - the crutch there, an obligatory handout or subvention from the U.K. and EU taxpayer to the tune of nearly eight billion pounds per year. The challenge, to reverse this bizarre anachronism - to empower the economy - south to north, with increased education opportunities - with inward investment and development, especially in the rural areas.

Friendships Without Borders, Inc., founded in Baltimore in 1997 - twin goals - socioeconomic affirmative action in areas of conflict and social deprivation in Ireland - a partnership to recruit the social factor - to enhance viable cross border economic opportunities - both through education and regional business investment and development - from the US, EU and Asia. The latter already commenced following visits to these areas by our Director of Inward Investment, Colm McClean of Newcastle Co. Down, Northern Ireland. To share advantages in the new global economy for young people from both communities - the media voice, a local newspaper recently produced by Regional Director of FWB, Francis Gallagher of Castlewellan, Co. Down, NI - and film expression - a continuous forum for young concerns and interests between the adjoining communities. Simultaneously, a new market force and focus to enhance rural economic opportunities.

Our education program was greeted with enthusiasm from communities, schools and universities in Ireland north and south - see enclosed documents. FWB has received strong support from President Clinton, from former Irish Taoiseach John Bruton - from Irish Ambassador Sean O'Huiginn - from Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend - our consultants include Amartya Sen, professor at Harvard and Cambridge and winner of the Nobel prize in economics in 1998 - other supporting testimony and letters enclosed.

In February of '99, with these goals in mind - FWB organized a meeting at the World Trade Center - with a view to increasing inward investment to Ireland north and south - to the three hundred fifty million person EU markets and with the Hong Kong and Chinese markets. This also with the support of our sponsor, Allied Irish Banks. The opportunity evolving on short notice, FWB had a very representative audience - from the UK Embassy, NIIDB - from the US Dept. of Commerce and Small Business Development - from Baltimore Empowerment - also present faculty (FWB/ US) - Mary Boergers, professors of sociology from Hopkins, Ohio State and U. Florida - from Congressman Ehrlich's office etc. Subsequently, in continued meetings with those present - our goals to recruit interest in the FWB program were met with an overwhelming volume of contact and inquiries.

I spoke with Joe Hendron, member of the new Northern Irish government, in Belfast last week - who indicated his enthusiastic support for the program and his intention to speak with John Hume, Leader of the SDLP party, the following day.

"Trade exchange and trade expansion is the life blood of our city", (Sun editorial Dec 3) and the means to expand it lies in our hands. In this respect, the plans of the peace accords in Ireland further includes improved educational programs and inward investment - all increasing regional job opportunities - this, we believe, the keystone of conflict resolution at home and abroad. Baltimore's future and that of the Irish Peace Accords depends on trade expansion - is export dependent. Let's not lose the momentum

Our request to you, Joe, to help us to recruit the support we'll need to put this opportunity into effect - to the advantage of both communities - to the success of the peace accords in Ireland north and south, and to help achieve the socioeconomic goals of Mayor Martin O'Malley's new administration for Baltimore. Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

Niall P. Mac Allister, MD, FACA
Founder and President, FWB, Inc.

A "FRIENDSHIPS WITHOUT BORDERS" PROJECT

The Community Development Youth Corps

A Proposal for US, EU, and Irish
funding and involvement

Re: Staff and project development - long term

'Given so much - we owe so much' Voltaire.

GOALS

Facing the challenging imminence of the third millennium - in a world where more than fifty areas of unresolved sectarian or ethnic strife endure, at a time of increasing global unemployment - a response to reverse the process, to promote effective alternative priorities is proposed. Long and complex histories of local quarrel and grievance have helped to shape hostile and extremist behavior between different ethnic groups in regions of repressed national identity around the world. The globalization of markets - the mechanization and downsizing of labor - the increasing economic disparity has only intensified the problem. However, many long-standing and deeply-rooted community conflicts previously described and thought of as intractable, have recently taken historic steps on the path toward resolution. The victim peoples are now at a crossroads. Passivity is not an option. The Chinese expression, 'weiji', translates equally to both 'crisis' and 'opportunity'. While the clash of ethnic identities has led to recurring contention between neighbors in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Rwanda, and East Timor, recent and very fragile ceasefires in Northern Ireland promise a brighter future for all.

Paradoxically - in a more global society, the rapid evolution in communication technology - instant communication, witness and response - the very forces exacerbating the confrontation, combined with an evident increasing commitment to address the problems - have given us grounds for future optimism - confidence our efforts will prevail. In Ireland, the current climate of the socio-political evolution north and south, provides an opportunity as well as a challenge, to re-inspire the younger generation and recruit the older generation into a new crusade - 'Friendships without Borders' - a commitment to cross community and intergenerational sharing. The further purpose of this project is to develop positive conflict resolution skills. The overall vision seeks to recruit from the total generational spectrum, irrespective of religious affiliation - to restore and re-empower the role of the community through inclusion of all its members in a program of re-investment in the social fabric which will foster sharing, caring and creation of new opportunity, will, and purpose for young and old alike, thus rendering old divisions and animosities irrelevant.

The CDYC

The Community Development Youth Corp, the active unit for this project, a free-standing non-profit organization, will seek to provide a model of youth commitment to the development of community as well as self-development in the 21st Century. Based initially

in Ireland, north and south - later extended to Britain and other areas of social conflict e.g., in the Balkans, South Africa and the Americas - CDYC members, in a time of fragility and rapid change in society, will dedicate themselves to the strengthening of community-wide structures, to identifying community needs and to harnessing the capacity of youth to meet those needs with an ongoing agenda. The CDYC project is based on a strong belief that youth can bring enormous idealism and enthusiasm to the task of building community if offered the challenge and supported through appropriate structures.

CDYC participants will commit themselves to community development projects which also strengthen their own development while continuing their education - meeting standard educational requirements. They will be provided with training for that community service, and with the assistance of CDYC staff they will provide leadership for youth projects in the communities in which they serve. They will gain support and guidance from a Senior Corps, CDYC staff and peers, drawn from seniors in the communities in which they serve. In return they will receive tuition assistance for the training program, and college level students will also receive academic credits for the educational program and significant grants toward college tuition, vocational education or living expenses.

The Senior Corps: A further resource, the older population, will be included on a voluntary basis, to enlist their skills, experience and abilities. The project will seek the commitment of older community residents through a Senior Corps, which will harness the expertise and experience of older adults and re-inforce traditional moral and family values through a mentoring program designed to assist CDYC youths to achieve success in their projects, and to bring to bear assets in the communities in which they serve. It is expected that several Senior Corps mentors can be recruited in each community in which CDYC members carry out community development activities, providing at least two mentors for each group of five CDYC students.

STRUCTURE

The CDYC project will be a free-standing non-profit organization, dedicated to the purposes stated above. It will have a Board of Directors, composed of educators, human service leaders, business and financial, religious and cultural leaders. The board will have responsibility for overall policy direction for the project. They will also assist in development of the resources, financial and otherwise, necessary to the success of the project. The CDYC project will have professional staff with a solid base of knowledge of community development, youth education and psychological development. The staff will be supplemented with expertise provided by academic and other consultants. Senior community residents will provide an important mentoring resource to CDYC members and will participate in all training programs.

CDYC participants will be drawn from the teenage population in secondary schools for the initial two years of the project, and college students will be invited to participate from the third year forward. The primary age group involved in CDYC will be from 15 to 18 years of age, since those are the years in which fundamental career choice and commitment to community service can be nurtured most positively. Participation will be

open equally to male and female youth, and students will be drawn from private and public schools, religiously affiliated and other community schools, without exclusion. Participation from the inception of the project will be open to youth from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. The CDYC project will be open to youth from any part of Britain as well as Ireland after the initial four years. Participation in EU sponsored intra-European learning and service experiences will also be incorporated, as feasible, in the Friendships Without Borders project.

Current Resources include:

Niall Mac Allister M.D., ABA, FACA North American Co-Chair. Dr. Mac Allister is the source of the original concept and vision for the project , and a native of Ireland. He has had an internationally recognized career in the field of medicine.

Expert resources:

Fred Bemak, PhD., Associate Professor , Ohio State University. International expert on education, mental health and community development.

Sean Byrne, PhD. Department of Dispute Resolution, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Expert on youth, cross-cultural, international, and community conflict resolution, and a native of Ireland.

Michael Creedon, D.S.W. Coordinator of the Odyssey Certificate in Aging Studies Program, School of Continuing Studies, The Johns Hopkins University. Visiting Professor of Gerontology and Social Work, University College Cork. Expert on retirement and senior roles in family and community, and a native of Ireland.

The Board will have a Chair-person based in Ireland, along with a North American Co-Chair. The Board's membership will be by majority based in the island of Ireland, and will draw from leadership in both the North of Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. As the CDYC expands to England, Scotland and Wales, Board membership will expand to reflect new constituencies.

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Excerpts - Relevant Quotations - FWB - '97-'99

Professor Amartya Sen - Professor Emeritus of Harvard, Master, Trinity College, Cambridge and winner Nobel Prize in Economics, 1998 - "I am most encouraged by the progress that is being made under your leadership by Friendships Without Borders... "

President Bill Clinton Washington D.C., 1998 - "Appreciated learning of your further work on 'Friendships Without Borders'...your commendable initiative, which seeks to contribute significantly to peace and reconciliation on the island of Ireland, merits our continuing interest and the broad support it is receiving in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Your emphasis on increasing community interchange and affirming individual and family responsibility reflects universal values and a commitment to a civil society. In this way, we can all work together to transform a written agreement into a lasting peace. I continue to wish you success as your project develops, and hope it will serve as an example to other troubled regions."

Bernadine Healy, Pres and Chief Executive officer - American Red Cross - Nov. '99 - "Remember our Hopkins years well - where our first humanitarian jobs were! Your organization is doing a great deal for those in need in Northern Ireland."

John Bruton - Irish Taoiseach - 97 - "Am very interested in your proposal and delighted to support it in whatever way I can. 'Friendships Without Borders' is an excellent banner under which to develop your project and I hope to be in a position to discuss it with you in the not too distant future."

Dermot Gallagher - Irish Dept. of Foreign Affairs - Secretary Anglo-Irish Div. Former Irish Ambassador to U.S. - '98. "It is innovative and stimulating to see such work taking place in areas that will promote contact between young people on both sides of the border. You have put together an impressive team and the details of the proposed curriculum look highly attractive as well as catering for the regular educational needs of children of that age... I have ensured that the International Fund for Ireland are aware of my positive assessment... also passed the proposal to the Peace and Reconciliation Program to see if they would be able to assist..."

Irish Embassy, Counselor Kenneth Thompson, 1999 - in relation to World Trade Center meeting organized by Friendships Without Borders for inward investment to Ireland - 1999 - "You have demonstrated an extraordinary amount of energy and commitment to make a success of the project. The Embassy appreciates your efforts to keep us informed..."

Jean Kennedy Smith, Ambassador to Ireland - 1998 - "Your initiative to develop conflict resolution skills among the young people of Ireland is admirable. More specifically, the plan includes the elements of cross-community contact and improved economic opportunities for all the people on the island which would reinforce the spirit of resolution and harmony necessary for

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peace. I welcome your efforts as a necessary contribution to assuring peace returns to Northern Ireland"

Kathleen K. Townsend - Governor Maryland - 1998 - "Friendships Without Borders - this initiative promotes a unique and promising way to developing relationships between young people from the United States and Ireland. It is my pleasure to write in support of this excellent program to help bridge the gap between these and other countries... the goal to bring together students from various ethnic and cultural backgrounds to address issues they are facing today and develop solutions for the future. I truly value all your efforts in this area. Your hard work, dedication, commitment to the young people of the world is greatly appreciated. It is great you have been receiving such tremendous support from many leaders and organizations ..best wishes for continued success..."

Paul Sarbanes U.S Senator - 98 - "I want you to know that I have taken the liberty of bringing your project to the attention of the United States Agency for International Development... commend you for your efforts to address social conflicts around the world and in Northern Ireland... best regards."

Robert Ehrlich - Member of Congress - '98 - "I wholeheartedly endorse this project... embodies core concepts of voluntarism and civic involvement that are critical to the future of our community. In addition encourages voluntarism by young people... a worthy project that encompasses important goals and principles... I endorse the community development Youth Corps that you have conceived... also encouraged that this project will be international in focus."

Political comment and from schools and colleges in Northern and southern Ireland.

Joe Hendron M.P. - '97 - Minister in new Northern Ireland government - "Your idea of promoting school exchanges between Ireland and Britain is indeed admirable. I am sure will get support from both British and Irish governments and indeed from many independent charitable organizations ..your proposal would definitely structure a more cohesive, comprehensive and shared productive approach."

Denis Murphy, Acting Director - Dundalk Inst. of Technology - '99. "We will work with John and yourself (Francis Gallagher, Regional Director N. Ireland FWB) in arranging appropriate exchange visits (cross border) for our students to your centers... identifying a number of projects, which would involve partnership between your activities and our students, to be undertaken during the next academic year... other student/academic activities appropriate to our aims... would reiterate our commitment to assist you in the way we assist the IDA industrial itineraries with any inward investment opportunities you are examining."

Eileen Murphy - Head of Section of Applied Cultural Studies - '98 'Dundalk and Casteltwellan represent ideal locations for a pilot phase of the Media Image 2000 project (Media i.e. Newspaper

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and Film expression for young people) - "We were impressed with the quality of the newspaper which represents a good role model for us here in Dundalk. I believe we can match and complement each other in providing self-supporting skills and ultimately employment in these designated fields."

Tony Johnston - Senior Lecturer School of Business and Management - University of Ulster, Magee College - '99. "We would be delighted to be associated with your project... I am sending information to Jack O'Herlihy, Director of Development Letterkenny Inst. of Technology... our local cross-border partner institution... I am sure will be interested in hearing more about your project."

Jack O'Herlihy - Head of Development - Letterkenny Inst. of Technology - '99. "Very pleased to review FWB's plan - goals and priorities - its present and future agenda... closely fits many of our own aspirations and the path to achieve them. We are happy to join your program in a working partnership. We include a note of enthusiastic endorsement and look forward to working together. Essentially economic re-empowerment for the whole island - especially in the rural areas north and south - east and west... also happy to note your warm welcome for our ideas and participation with that of other involved schools and communities - FWB's 'on site' team for the whole island - focus of all our concern for present and future generations - the resolution of the problems we all face together - confident that we can make a difference."

Also interesting quotations, worth recalling - the continuing heritage - from Frederick Douglass - former escaped slave, living in Baltimore - later ambassador for the United States - his letters from Dublin and Belfast in the 1840's - during the Irish famine - his sensitive observations of a people oppressed and enslaved - sometimes "worse than the conditions of the African slaves in America... dreaded to go out of the house... streets alive with beggars, stumps of men - without feet, without hands - without arms - deformed - on their hands and knees. Women bare foot, bare headed - little children in the late hours of night covered with rags... no exaggeration to say that the British rule, wherever established, is about the most tyrannical and oppressive of all... the great remedy is certain and not far off ... the people will, in the course of time... work out a new government, a new state, really the representative and embodiment of its sovereignty."

MOURNE OBSERVER WEDNESDAY 7 JULY 1999

JFK press ch'ef pays visit to Castlewellan

JOHN P Cosgrove, senior past president of the United States National Press Club and a former publishing associate of the late President John F Kennedy, has visited Castlewellan.

Mr Cosgrove, a current board member of the International Fund for Ireland, was invited to Castlewellan and district by the local branch of 'Friendships Without Borders' which is a joint US/Northern Ireland investment initiative.

Mr Cosgrove and his wife were taken on a working tour of the Mourne region, from Newcastle to Kilcoo and Castlewellan.

Dr Niall McAllister is the founder of the project and although he lives in Maryland his family was originally from Kilcoo. He stated, "We are trying to improve the quality of life for the people of the district, young and old, but especially for the youth of the area who are being educated for emigration only, since the local economy is so under-developed."

Dr McAllister continued, "More opportunities need to be created for the youth of these townlands in order to help them fulfil their true potential. We discussed with Mr Cosgrove what the area and its people could offer in terms of skills, education and ideas."

"One of our projects will examine the use of filmmaking, cinema and other forms of multimedia expression as a means of encouraging young people to present their vision of the future type of society they would like to live in and to voice their thoughts about society as it is today," he added.

Mr Francis Gallagher,

a regional director of the Friendships Without Borders project, stated, "This was a fact-finding visit for Mr Cosgrove. We explained to him our many economic problems and the need for more investment to create better opportunities for people."

"We feel that by giving young people the opportunity to use filmmaking techniques, cinema participation and other multi-media skills, a positive contribution will be made toward developing their self-confidence in a more difficult world," he noted.

DECENT LIVING

Newcastle representative and director of inward investment for the project Mr Colm McClean continued, "Eighty per cent of young people who have emigrated will come back after five years if there are jobs to earn a decent living."

"Many students like to travel and this is productive because they can also learn more about how to apply their skills when they return home."

"There were 3,000 applications for DV2000 Green Cards last year from Ireland. Our primary aim is to increase job opportunities in the region."

Mr Cosgrove said, "I thoroughly enjoyed my visit and the great hospitality. I can return to Washington with a lot more awareness about the problems confronting the Castlewellan and Newcastle people and those from the other townlands in the district. I met citizens from the whole community and I was able to listen to many varied and worthwhile points of view."

Mr Cosgrove was president of the US National Press Club in 1961, the year John F Kennedy became President of the United States.

Mr Cosgrove continued, "I attended Kennedy's inauguration and he attended mine at the Press Club. That was a very eventful year which I will never forget."

J P Cosgrove was a guest at a recent meeting of the International Fund for Ireland and the Industrial Development Board in Washington to which Friendships Without Borders was also invited. He expressed an interest in visiting the Mourne region at that meeting. He was elected Gael of the Year for 1999 at the Washington St Patrick's Day celebrations.



The Women's Voices On The Irish Peace Accords Are Heard In Baltimore

By Haydee M. Rodriguez

Bronagh Hinds, founding member of the Northern Ireland Women's Coalition and member of the NICW Talks Team at the Stormont negotiations, was in Baltimore on April 27. After meeting with Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke and members of the Baltimore City Council, Ms. Hinds joined Bairbre de Brún, a representative of Sinn Féin, Mary Boergers, Director of the Ireland-U.S. Public Leadership Program at the University of Maryland, and Michael A. Creedon, Visiting Professor of University College Cork, in a panel discussion entitled "Lessons from the Irish Peace Accords - The Women's Voice in Conflict Resolution for the Twenty-First Century," held at Loyola College.

The event was sponsored by "Friendships Without Borders," and Loyola College's Philosophy Department. Friendships Without Borders is a newly founded organization that seeks, among other things, to promote cross-cultural dialogue and understanding initially targeting high school and college students. Its founder, Dr. Niall P. MacAllister, is a retired physician whose parents emigrated from Belfast to England, where he was born. Dr. MacAllister is currently a resident of Towson.

Bronagh Hinds, a member of the Monitoring Committee of the Special Support Programme for Peace and Reconciliation, and founding Chair of the UK Joint Committee on Women, is also Executive Director of the Ulster People's College which specializes in "education, training and development designed to



Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke presents Ms. Bronagh Hinds with an Honorary Citizenship Citation. (Photo by Jay L. Baker)

secure inclusive non-discriminatory delivery of and opportunities in political, economic, social and cultural development." Ms. Hinds served as Commissioner of the Equal Opportunities Commission for seven years and also served as Northern Ireland Director for the International Development Agency Oxfam.

Ms. Hinds talked about the struggle for peace in Northern Ireland, in particular addressing the efforts to ensure that women have equal participation and representation. She emphasized that the three main objectives of the Northern Ireland Women's Coalition encompass issues of: "inclusion, human rights and equity."

Bairbre de Brún is a Senior Negotiator

for Sinn Féin and Director of the International Affairs Department. A teacher by profession, Ms. de Brún is fluent in Irish, English and French. She played a key role as a senior negotiator at the Stormont peace negotiations, chaired by former U.S. Senator George Mitchell.

The visit by these dynamic leaders gave Baltimore an opportunity to get first-hand accounts of the historic Peace Accords in Northern Ireland. The presence of Bronagh Hinds and Bairbre De Brún in this small eastern city highlighted, at another level, the universality of the struggle for equal access and representation as these are experienced across the globe. ■

Loyola Peace and Justice Activities Presents:

An International Panel Discussion

Lessons from the Irish Peace Accord:

April 27th, 1998

**The Woman's Voice in Conflict Resolution
for the Twenty-first Century**



Front row - Haydee Rodriguez, representative of the Hispanic Community and asst. to former Mayor Kurt Schmoke; Bronagh Hinds, Founding Chairperson of the UK Joint Committee on Women and Executive Director of Ulster People's College; Honora Morrissey Freeman, former deputy chief for intergovernmental affairs. Back row - Martin O'Malley, present Mayor of Baltimore; Niall Mac Allister, MD, President and Founder of FWB, Inc.; Robert Curran, councilman



Niall Mac Allister, Haydee Rodriguez, and Bairbre de Brun, Sinn Féin Irish Nationalist representative presently Minister of Health in new NI government, Nov. 1999

ACTION TO ALLEVIATE SUICIDES

THE *Mourne Echo* has learned that discussions are taking place between a joint U.S./Down District regeneration project and local statutory services in an effort to alleviate the growing suicide rate among young people from the Kilmegan area.

An increasing number of families from the Castlewella district have suffered recently at the hands of the modern day suicide phenomenon that appears to strike down mainly young males.

The spiralling number of individuals taking their own lives from our society in general has stunned the whole community. There were 405 deaths caused by suicide in Southern Ireland last year while the underlying rate for the North is similar. If this trend were applied to the more populated European countries the number of young people dying through suicide would represent thousands.

This local initiative is the first of its kind to look at the Down District and the Castlewella area in particular. It has been initiated by 'Friendships Without Borders' which is a peace and reconciliation project originally founded in Maryland, U.S.A by Dr. Niall Mc Allister. His parents were from

Kilcoo.

Dr Mc Allister stated. "The project has representatives from Castlewella, Kilcoo, Newcastle and Downpatrick. It will look at ways of addressing this heart breaking problem where an increasing number of people, many of whom are so young, attempt and in some cases succeed in taking their own lives."

Research

Dr. Mc Allister continued. "More research needs to be conducted into the problem from a Down District perspective because there are social and economic factors at work specific to the Mournes which are not taken into account by general studies. These include a lack of facilities and high unemployment. We will be discussing with the statutory services new ways available to help people with emotional difficulties so they can obtain more support in terms of information and professional guidance."

Dr. Mc Allister stated. "Families are left traumatised when a son or daughter attempts or indeed follows through with ending their life. Relatives devastated by such tragedy need support in a situation that they find very difficult to understand."

Dr. Niall Mc Allister told the *Mourne Echo* that every option would be discussed with professionals and community leaders in an effort to address the problem. He stated. "We are also focusing on providing the youth of the area with more opportunities to build up their self confidence by giving them the space to express their anxieties and hopes through film making, cinema and other forms of media. We should know in the new year."

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Friendships Without Borders Inc.

Friendships Without Borders is a programme for the victims of regional conflict and socio-economic deprivation in Ireland. It is a free standing non-profit agency based in Baltimore USA and Ireland. Programme supporters include Nobel Peace Prize winner Martia Sen, Cambridge Professor Bob Rowthorn and Irish playwright Ulick O Connor, Mary Boergers (former Maryland State Senator) and Jean Kennedy Smith.

Alternative Priorities — In a world where there are more than 50 areas of unresolved sectarian or ethnic strife. At a time of increasing global unemployment where more children are living in poverty, jail and committing suicide. Where moral apathy, a pandemic of drugs and violence with its incurable diseases of mind and body prevail, there is a need for a multi-ethnic, non sectarian response to reverse this process in order to promote effective alternative priorities.

Network — Through the Friendships Without Borders network, a programme will seek to provide a model of commitment for young and older alike. With the ultimate guidance, direction, monitoring and supervision of an experienced faculty from participating colleges each individual taking part will be encouraged to realise their own unique role in the ultimate priorities of the human family.

Programme — It will help to initiate an awareness programme on self-development and mutual fulfilment, the development career aspirations, job opportunities and the reaffirmation of the family's role in society. The communities embraced by this programme will be in areas of economic deprivation and residual social conflict in Ireland, North and South initially. The programme will be implemented with the assistance and involvement of colleges with similar educational facilities and objectives. Our long-range goals anticipate the inclusion of other organisations with sensitivity to the cultural and historic diversity of the region. Later with goals achieved the programme can be extended into relevant areas in Europe and other communities.

Participants — Participants will be drawn from the teenage to the elder population in each community where people can join particular aspects of the programme such as community journalism, filmmaking, cinema, theatre, arts, crafts and business awareness. Further Education college students and other young people can take part with the supervision of their school. Friendships Without Borders will assist in programme development and the raising of finance for building, equipment and project running costs. Ultimately when the programme is fully up and running it is anticipated that over 150 to 200 young people per year will have taken part in the program.

Pilot Project — Initially Friendships Without Borders intends to complete a pilot project where a smaller number of young people will use film making, cinema and journalism to decide how they feel the long term programme should be developed. This will be done in conjunction with expert tutorial guidance so exact projects goals are established in a non-prescriptive manner. Castlewellan in Co. Down, N. Ireland has been chosen as the base for the pilot study and from here contact will be made with other schools and colleges from the Down area and the border counties. A club cinema, film making and tuition in journalism will be provided in Castlewellan where as well as providing a unique facility for the area, a feasibility study will be completed to help map out the mission statement for the ultimate success of the Friendships Without Borders Project.

How To Take Part

Schools, colleges and individuals interested in taking part in the pilot study should contact Mr. Colm McClean, Director for Inward Investment, Friendships Without Borders, 14 Bryansford Gardens, Newcastle, Co. Down. Please list the aspects of the project you would be most interested in developing i.e. cinema or journalism etc. If you're from a college or other professional organisation it would be helpful if you could enclose a short account of areas of the programme most relevant to your interests, qualifications and experience.

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Re: Friendships Without Borders Inc - update

Dick - hope this helps!
know how busy you are but - the fax encloses a suggestion - what I feel is an urgently needed change in tactics re the 'decommissioning glitch' - a definite chance to achieve what we all want - weapons gone with a purpose. please give it a read through - the significant U.S. support funding through IFI and other grant and Edu agencies could be used to facilitate the exchange - weapons for a purpose - jobs and edu opportunities - a 'handover of 'stuff' without making the issue an obstacle. All leading to the inevitable 'reconciliations' of history.

To quote Sister Michelle from the Pittsburgh Irish Org - 'Niall you'd do better to sweeten it with 'handouts' - they're used to that by now!' NI with it's Budget supported (40% of it's GDP) with a six billion 'handout' (subvention) every year - paid by the EU and UK taxpayer - they're hardly in a position to 'dump the whole show' back on the Brits who are only too eager to unload without making it too apparent. An option to bypass the 'decom' glitch might be to 'get more appropriately reimbursed for it! Not with money but, what they've been denied. A fair share of a Real Life!

If you agree - could you show the note to President Clinton - it might make a difference. The 'hitch' is unjustified and unacceptable - the President and Senator Michell have done to much to be stopped by this unwise - innappropriate stress on 'name calling' - the guns given in by their own elected community representative - who cares what names are on them.

I look forward to hearing from you, Dick- a chance to make it work - time is critical. received a very supportive letter from Lt Gov. Kathleen Townsend K. have been in touch with Mary Harney's office - Minister of Economic and Ind. Develpt etc re Ireland Trade Fair when the famine ship JJohnson comes to Baltimore in June. God go with your efforts.

I've just been rereading Prof Bob Rowthorns' book on NI Conflict - it's all so wrong - page 170, 171 - that 'Britain should withdraw .. a state which should never have been created, which cannot be saved ..the costs, economically burdensome and morally unacceptable.' As Tom Kineally author of Schindler's List recently wrote - his new book on Irish history - 'The Great Shame' .

Will check with you later Best of Luck

Niall Mac Allister.

Strategy to Negotiate 'Decommission Impasse'

Relation to SALT - Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty - a restraint versus the primacy of weapons - the people's point of view.

1. The present decommissioning agenda sets groups and factions - high profile - center stage - a chance for another skirmish - a winners and losers scenario. PEOPLE forgotten. A 'media op.' to highlight what should be a discreet occasion to dump irrelevant 'rubbish'. To DUMP - right U.S.N.R.A.? PEOPLE first!

Northern Ireland's decommissioning strategy as presently prescribed is incomplete, inciteful, divisive - for some, even intentionally so. The aim cannot be to humiliate - to demonize one faction over another - to prolong the historically and presently redundant - too long brawl. "No one supreme, in a socially and economically, nonfunctioning society." (Rowthorn).

2. Immediate Goals - to reduce PRIVATE WEAPON resources and supplies (as practiced in USA) held by everyone. That is the BASIC goal. To identify factions - a figure in "green" - in "orange" - or "red, white or blue" - that they "crawl forth" in the "public stadium" in guilt and contrition - dropping their wares to some triumphant recipient - is a NO GO! Was not intended, but is implied by the manner in which this is being carried out.

3. One suggested ANSWER to this conundrum - a successful negotiation of what should be a passing detail - its significance over stressed, as in the U.S.A. - the N.R.A. - stubborn to concede - is the terse and constant reminder. "It's not the guns... it's people that kill people!" And, on a global scale, similarly, a reluctance to submit to SALT. The insensitively designed "weapons platform" is WAY out of focus - relevance, and, incidental - gleefully, used by some as a weapon of its own - an excuse to halt the inevitable.

Weapons, per se - irrelevant now. Only an excuse. The recalcitrant, dragged, kicking to the Civil Society - untrusting, afraid - try to look back. Put on stage, in this unfavorable light by the SUCCESSFUL, Mitchell - Clinton Peace Agenda - the actions of the contending factions or individuals are seen in a clear light - reservations open to the PEOPLE'S scrutiny - to an international audience.

The motives of the necessary international intervention - are PEACE and RECONCILIATION, too long delayed - RESTORATION of equal opportunity... rights... a proportionate voice. E.G. In any Democracy, the greater numbers - louder voice... will not diminish the basic principles of an EQUAL FRANCHISE.

"STRATEGY is not about arms... weapons... it's about PEOPLE" (N.R.A.) - a consonance - a civil strategy for the Civil Society. And, we're there. Some want to return clawing and scratching. But what was there is NO MORE. Some don't want to acknowledge it.

HOW TO - As recently, partly tried in U.S. and partly successful - "rewards" were given for positive action - a monetary incentive to the individual to "dump" his "pieces". If he hasn't understood the motivation, given money - he'll make a business of it - and, in some cases, so will the receivers. In some cases, they did!

In our proposed program - REWARDS of greater significance stress the message. JOBS, EDUCATIONAL OPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, to every responsible DISTRICT and their REPRESENTATIVE e.g. to Adams, Trimble, Hume, Hendron, Taylor, Ervine, DeBrun etc., for registering and depositing weapons from their communities, versus factions or individuals - weapons of

any sort - guns, semtex, pipes, rockets, "ANY & ALL SUCH DANGEROUS JUNK"- heroin, cocaine no different... in exchange FOR A FUTURE & A REAL LIFE. This organized under the direction of Chasterlaine etc. It's not the "guns ..it's the people!" right?

SOURCE of Economic-educational opportunities - increased north south business ventures - roll the Tiger north - Trade Fairs, eg. Baltimore, on the arrival of the Jeanie Johnston - crewed by children from north and south - of all persuasions. An All Ireland TRADE FAIR - Educational opportunities - College and University - Technical Schools - offering Government sponsored scholarships - re-empowering the rural areas - port cities - Belfast to Derry to Dublin and Dundalk and Newry and to the west. For all communities - the priorities reestablished - as in SALT - as the NRA reminds us - the priority is PEOPLE.

RESULTS -

Old affinities - redundant separatisms - all adjust in a DEMOCRATIC society - if their only access to a Socioeconomic Reempowerment is through delivery of what is now useless baggage - eg. semtex for jobs. The designation - IRA, SAS, UVF, RIC or RUC is no longer relevant - who cares! The people, as a constituency - a community for all - they're the WINNERS. The overblown "arms issue" is a non-contender. Our suggestion is a path to the future - in a world where SALT prevails - an island - all Ireland at peace, with a political means available to resolve all issues.

Again, our Strategy is about PEOPLE - not demonized groups - about long sought relevancy of weapons - drugs not excluded. Let's show them!

Our rewards - the FACTS OF LIFE - to earn them for all our people, our children - a useful, justified COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES MISSION - death or jail or A REAL LIFE - a job and a future for all.

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January 27, 2000

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Dear Dr. MacAllister:

Thank you for your recent note updating me on the work you are doing to bring Ireland and Maryland closer together. This should be a wonderful year for Maryland and Ireland. In addition to the arrival of the Jeannie Johnson in Baltimore, we are working closely with Aer Lingus to begin direct, daily service between BWI and Ireland. While federal approval is necessary before the flights can commence, I am very optimistic that this will be granted shortly.

I strongly encourage you to be in touch with the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) concerning your initiatives. The Division of Tourism is involved in the Jeannie Johnson's visit to Baltimore and the Office of International Business is actively promoting trade and investment with Europe. Please contact Jim Hughes, 410-767-0684, Director of International Business, to explore how you can cooperate in expanding business opportunities for both Maryland and Irish firms.

Congratulations on the progress you are making. Please continue to keep me informed.

With warm wishes,

Kathleen Kennedy Townsend
Lt. Governor

*All Best to you
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Dick

- just so that you know what we sent Minister of Trade etc Mary Harney - and to Att. Gen Md - Joe Curran - cc of note from Martin O'Malley's friend Mike O'Shea - FWB Inc's Trade Fair 2000 Baltimore proposal to city admin. Also note from web NI re meeting in Newry north and south to empower the old 'do nothing' north south trade bodies - renewed resolve well apparent. Also Baltimore Sun comment on the opportunities represented by such an event FOR BALTIMORE as well as for ALL the people of the whole island of IRE! In gratitude to President Clinton and - Finally, a note re O'Malley's appt.

Dick, it is apparent to all clear minded Irish and others as well, that President Clinton's efforts HAVE been successful - it is all over. U.S.N.R.A.'s reminder - via Charlton Heston - 'It's not guns - it's people that kill people! The focus on 'semtex' or guns is the last 'frantic struggle' to 'show they're still 'in charge' - to keep looking back - knowing for them, there's no 'turning back'

Bob Rowthorn, the Cambridge Prof - his best book on NI Affairs - his resolution never changed - 'set the timetable and 'stick to it'. As in Hong Kong - as in Algiers - drop the flag and begone! De Gaulle's response. Everyone knows - too embarrassed to focus on IT - the six billion deficit (40% of the GDP of NI!) paid as a 'hand out' each year and more. Paid by the EU and UK taxpayer without 'consultation' (Extortion??) to keep the status quo?

In the south, a six billion budget surplus - time to share the Celtic Tiger - the right of all the people of the whole island - their politicians notwithstanding. to refocus on. Rowthorn's own words - 'time to withdraw' - a 'state which should never have been created and which cannot be saved' ..'morally unacceptable' (Page 170-71 NI The Political Economy of Conflict.)

No return to London - settle your affairs - the people gave you a mandate - President Clinton, Senator Mitchell gave you the means - sorry. No is not an acceptable answer. Weapons now irrelevant -- a dead issue. Every step taken makes them more so. Enter into 'weapons negotiations' - timed 'handover' - we'll buy them from you - with receipts for education and jobs for your kids - any gesture to remove the last 'grip' on the slippery slope to a shared economy - for all the people. It's over and done - the last pointless cry.

I believe this Trade Fair is a good and honest priority - the access to a better future for all of us.

With all my heart- best wishes to you Dick and to the President - if only he too could have another term.

Niall Mac Allister MD (FWB Inc)

Enclosed below - ltr to An Tanaiste sent two days ago

Att Mary Harney - An Tanaiste

Just a short note plus some enclosures - to update on our background and to seek your assistance and support in energetically promoting an All Ireland Trade Fair in Baltimore during the summer months - this, to coincide with the celebrations to welcome the 'Tall Ships' - some twenty five sailing ships from countries all over the world - during June of 2000.

Among the visiting ships - the Jeannie Johnson from Ireland - prompting remembrance of tragedy and triumph over the intervening one hundred and fifty years. Truly a magnificent occasion for all including the significant Irish American community in the city and throughout the country - in America and in Ireland. It is estimated over a million people will be here to celebrate the occasion. Especially, in view of the meeting in Newry 1/24 the affirming of shared goals in a shared economy - for all the people of the whole island of Ireland - the succeeding generations - sharing a rich rewards - this the chance to show - our strength in our differences - separatism more redundant now as time heals the wounds.

Our organization Friendships Without Borders' Inc - our goals - our priorities - literally

intercommunity, cross borders - edu and economic development - especially in our region of prime focus - reempowerment of the rural areas - the border counties. Francis Gallagher, Castletwellan - 013967 78192 our man in NI - presently, with few resources - produces with young help, a newspaper Mourne Echo - to give the 'young voice' its' channels for expression. In paper and in film. This with the growing support in Schools and Universities north and south.

Here in Baltimore - our chance to recruit inward investment - Director in NI Colm McClean of Newcastle - 013967 24552 - partnerships in these regions- the cross border regions and to Belfast and Dublin - as the Mayor of Baltimore recently expressed it - sister cities - with the same goals - and now for the Baltimore business community and the cross border counties - the chance to benefit from the opportunities offered in Ireland north and south - and as a vehicle and access to the 350 million EU communities.

Enclose an outline of our ideas - we are presently in discussions with the Mayor of Baltimore Martin O'Malley and his staff - with the chamber of commerce and other agencies. Wished to seek your support for our twin goals - and our offer of assistance in bringing this unique opportunity to reality and fulfillment. We have been in contact with IDA - with Enterprise Ireland - with ICCUSA - with President Clinton's National Security Advisor - with Business community in Baltimore - seeking both support and the necessary funding to realize this extraordinary challenge. Literally, a two to three day mtg with Business Reps from Ireland N and S - and the Baltimore business community - the opportunity is a rare chance for community empowerment.

Have notified Jim Mulcahy in Dundalk - Dermot Ahern's office - will pass on info to Dr McDonagh the new Director of Dundalk Inst. with whom we developed a positive association in '99.

Thank you for your interest and assistance - time is short but enough for us to show Baltimore and the world - when it comes to providing a resourceful and optimistic future for our children - an all Ireland team can show the way for everyone - no one excluded. We will be spending the summer months working on our program Friendships Without Borders in the Down region as we have done for the past four years - we look forward to seeing the benefits of an All Ireland Trade Fair - on all the communities especially the border counties - reinforcing the Celtic Tiger and sharing its benefits north and south.

Niall P. Mac Allister MD (Founder and Pres FWB) I enclose cc of -
Included cc of ltr to Att gen Maryland Joe Curran
cc of ltr from Mike O'Shea to Mayor O'Malley
Trade Fair Proposal - Baltimore 2000
News article on 'All Ireland Trade Body'
News Article Sun on Globalization
News on Mayor O'Malley

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Dear Joe:

Following up on my phone call last week, I am writing to seek your support - your suggestions, in advocating mutually beneficial goals - the promotion of trade and tourist relations between Ireland and Baltimore - a 'sistering' between Baltimore and the port cities of Belfast and with Dublin, capital of the Celtic Tiger. The benefits clearly evident - especially at this time, enhancing our relations with the cherished roots of so many in our Irish American community and ensuring further progress in the Irish peace accords in a season of reconciliation.

During a meeting held by the NIIDB in Washington in November, we were appraised of the intention of creating a trade delegation from Ireland to meet with companies in the United States, creating new business options from Boston to Pittsburgh, to Washington, this coming April 2000. It is barely a sidestep and most appropriate, we feel, for the Irish trade delegation to also pay a constructive visit to the significant other Irish community of Baltimore. We advocate Baltimore as a very rewarding site, for business and cultural reasons.

This, I feel, is a timely and auspicious occasion for Baltimore, with its unique Irish American heritage and history, from the Carrolls, to the Barrys - and less well known, to the eloquent and compassionate witness of Frederick Douglass to the sufferings of the Irish people back in Ireland during the Irish Famine years. And to a more recent Irish success story - with the election and inauguration of our new Mayor, Martin O'Malley, descended from another distinguished Irish family - the O'Malleys of Galway. This, a singular and timely honor, with the almost simultaneous establishment of the new government in Northern Ireland - the inevitable reconciliation of all the people of Ireland.

Especially appropriate, in view of the role Martin O'Malley played in the welcome extended by the previous administration to the speakers of the panel - "The Women's Voice in the Peace Accords" - held at Loyola University in April of '98 under the auspices of Friendships Without Borders Inc. The speakers were given the "freedom of the city" by Mayor Schmoke - among them, Bairbre DeBrun, now Minister of Health in the Northern Irish government - Bronagh Hinds, President and founder of the European Women's Coalition - and from the United States, Mary Boergers, Director of Leadership Program, School of Public Affairs, American University D.C, and, presently, a member of the Board of

FWB. In organizing this meeting at Loyola, we were very fortunate in having the assistance of Ms Haydee Rodriguez - representative for the Hispanic community in Mayor Schmoke's administration. Though Ms Rodriguez is presently a law student at Loyola, she has continued her interest in the cause of people, victims of socioeconomic oppression everywhere - in Ireland, to undo the longest lasting focus of ethnic or sectarian conflict in the western world. We are most grateful to her.

Ireland - the outer island of Europe - first stop to the EU markets. From the United States and Asia as investors, partners - alliances and strategic opportunities in the highly competitive global market place - access facilitated - lower cost, increased sales, decreased overhead, increased growth. Other benefits, a highly trained, lower cost work force - through Ireland, cheaper assembly, transport - from the south, tariff free. Return from investment in Ireland 24% in '94 - four times the world average - the elusive 20% margin an attainable goal. Ireland's GNP 106% - GDP 9%, highest in Europe - inflation consistently less than 2%. The border counties - a population of some six hundred thousand people - almost fifty percent, twenty-five years old and younger, the highest in the European Union. These regions also representing some of the highest pockets of rural unemployment in Europe. Of the countries of the EU, Ireland, at present, has the highest percentage of its young population living outside its borders. This, in the south, in the face of a selectively burgeoning Celtic Tiger economy. In the North, different circumstances prevail - the majority of our brothers there, stumbling along in what the Cambridge economist, Rowthorn called, a "debtor, branch plant, workhouse economy" - the crutch there, an obligatory handout or subvention from the U.K. and EU taxpayer to the tune of nearly eight billion pounds per year. The challenge, to reverse this bizarre anachronism - to empower the economy - south to north, with increased education opportunities - with inward investment and development, especially in the rural areas.

Friendships Without Borders, Inc., founded in Baltimore in 1997 - twin goals - socioeconomic affirmative action in areas of conflict and social deprivation in Ireland - a partnership to recruit the social factor - to enhance viable cross border economic opportunities - both through education and regional business investment and development - from the US, EU and Asia. The latter already commenced following visits to these areas by our Director of Inward Investment, Colm McClean of Newcastle Co. Down, Northern Ireland. To share advantages in the new global economy for young people from both communities - the media voice, a local newspaper recently produced by Regional Director of FWB, Francis Gallagher of Castlewella, Co. Down, NI - and film expression - a continuous forum for young concerns and interests between the adjoining communities. Simultaneously, a new market force and focus to enhance rural economic opportunities.

Our education program was greeted with enthusiasm from communities, schools and universities in Ireland north and south - see enclosed documents. FWB has received strong support from President Clinton, from former Irish Taoiseach John Bruton - from Irish Ambassador Sean O'Huiginn - from Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend - our consultants include Amartya Sen, professor at Harvard and Cambridge and winner of the Nobel prize in economics in 1998 - other supporting testimony and letters enclosed.

In February of '99, with these goals in mind - FWB organized a meeting at the World Trade Center - with a view to increasing inward investment to Ireland north and south - to the three hundred fifty million person EU markets and with the Hong Kong and Chinese markets. This also with the support of our sponsor, Allied Irish Banks. The opportunity evolving on short notice, FWB had a very representative audience - from the UK Embassy, NIIDB - from the US Dept. of Commerce and Small Business Development - from Baltimore Empowerment - also present faculty (FWB/ US) - Mary Boergers, professors of sociology from Hopkins, Ohio State and U. Florida - from Congressman Ehrlich's office etc. Subsequently, in continued meetings with those present - our goals to recruit interest in the FWB program were met with an overwhelming volume of contact and inquiries.

I spoke with Joe Hendron, member of the new Northern Irish government, in Belfast last week - who indicated his enthusiastic support for the program and his intention to speak with John Hume, Leader of the SDLP party, the following day.

"Trade exchange and trade expansion is the life blood of our city", (Sun editorial Dec 3) and the means to expand it lies in our hands. In this respect, the plans of the peace accords in Ireland further includes improved educational programs and inward investment - all increasing regional job opportunities - this, we believe, the keystone of conflict resolution at home and abroad. Baltimore's future and that of the Irish Peace Accords depends on trade expansion - is export dependent. Let's not lose the momentum

Our request to you, Joe, to help us to recruit the support we'll need to put this opportunity into effect - to the advantage of both communities - to the success of the peace accords in Ireland north and south, and to help achieve the socioeconomic goals of Mayor Martin O'Malley's new administration for Baltimore. Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

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RE: "A NEED TO TALK TO YOU"

Hello Martin.

.....there are several things that I need your help with-

1.) The first, is this possible Irish delegation from the North and South to promote business for our city and state. Doctor Niall MacAllister is spearheading this mission which he is attempting to coincide with the Jeanie Johnston's arrival in late May. I believe Michael Enright has some knowledge of the upcoming mission but Niall is having trouble getting a call back. Can you.....will you expedite this in your O'Malley style? I have enclosed the reams of backup for your "cursory" perusal. Please keep me posted. I would be happy to bring Dr. MacAllister down for a short briefing at your office or lunch soonest. Time, of course, is of the essence.

2. I have been in touch with my Calvert Hall schoolmate, Mo Wyatt. We would like to get down to a favorite spot of yours for a quiet luncheon to discuss GENERAL TOPICS and since we all have to eat, you'll not be wasting taxpayers time!! I am planing some travel so if you could let me know what your schedule is, I'll arrange mine and inform Maurice.

Cordially,

Mike
enclosures

P.S. I sort of feel like the guy in the song "Put me in Coach".



... I'm ready to play!!!!!!

"MERCHANTS OF FINE WOODS"

ALL IRELAND TRADE FAIR MAY...JUNE 2000
JAN. 2000 - NIALL P. MAC ALLISTER (FWB INC.)

This is a suggested program for an All Ireland Trade Fair planned to greet the arrival of the S.S. Jeanie Johnston, replica famine ship - due in Baltimore this summer - a significant tourist attraction - for the Irish community and for all - a FEIS, Irish music, dancers - book fair etc.

Aim - with the initiation of the new All Ireland Body on Trade and Business Development, January 2000, a Trade Fair for Baltimore, June 2000, will celebrate this progress - to benefit both economies - for Maryland and Ireland, north and south - to strengthen and recall the Irish inheritance - "to remember and to forget". To remember why they came, and how they fared - to look to a new shared identification for all the people of Ireland and their American family. Also, empowering Clinton's Irish "Peace Process" - and to greet the All Ireland Body on Trade and Business Development newly organized in Newry N.I., enabling the people of Ireland to enjoy the benefits of the *whole* island economy - division, separatism redundant.

These events can represent a major plus for Baltimore business development and for the Irish American role in the American Irish "Peace Initiative" and a major promotion of the hospitality of Baltimore offered by Mayor Martin O'Malley's administration, himself of Irish American heritage.

Speakers to include, Irish Ambassador - NIIDB - IDA - ICCUSA - and the Mayor - also, explore the possibility of a "Mitchell - Clinton" presence etc. Promotion arranged through Baltimore Chamber of Commerce, Greater Baltimore Alliance, W.T.C., Baltimore Empowerment, I.D.A. etc.

Additional points for further planning and discussion: the fortuitous timing - re. the Irish Peace Accords - reinforcing its fragile but sure progress - Stormont govt. in office - an equal voice for all the people. Progress in all Ireland economic planning.

Historic relevance - the 1840s Famine in Ireland with the loss of over a million from starvation - a million died - a million came! The arrival of Replica Famine Ship S.S. Jeanie Johnston - reminding us of the memory, the tenacity, courage and hope. The Irish contribution to Washington's army - to the U.S. Navy, founder Commodore Barry - the Carrolls, from Baltimore, signers of Declaration of Independence - over twelve of Washington's generals and 40% of his army.

More recent - the Rebellion, 1916 - the border imposed in the Treaty of 1921 - the 1918 All Ireland election results ignored. The British imposed "separatist" majority. The division has been a total and tragic socioeconomic failure. The NI Budget - with a deficit of over 6 billion pounds a year - equal to 40% of its GDP, requiring British subvention to support its insolvency - Bob Rowthorn, Prof. Economics Cambridge, says, "time to move out!"

ALL IRELAND TRADE FAIR MAY...JUNE 2000
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In contrast - The Southern Ireland Celtic Tiger - Budget surplus - 6 billion a year - GDP 10% - the highest in the EU - 2% inflation - 24% return on investment. FWB Inc.'s aim - to "roll the bonus north" - with the inalienable right to share the island benefits for all the people of Ireland.

Recalling the insightful comments of our own Frederick Douglass - from Fell's Point - in Dublin, 1846 - he described the "hard times" - the hopes for the future he predicted - the links he saw with American slavery - the associated personalities. T.F. Meagher, Lowe, O'Connell and Tom Kineally's account - author of "Schindler's List" - and, more recently - the story of "The Great Shame" - the Irish Famine, its resulting tale of tragedy and courage.

This strategy is being introduced by Friendships Without Borders, Inc., sited in Ireland, north and south, to resolve conflict - resolution through Education and Economic reempowerment - working with young and old - via a Community Development Youth Corps and voluntary Senior Corps - cross community - cross border. Eg., media, newspaper and film production, etc. Between Baltimore, a port city - and Ireland - with rural investment focus - and to EU markets. Nowhere in Ireland is more than an hour from ports of exit and entry and to the EU. Irish borders, 5 Counties and 7 Districts - comprise one of the "most deprived regions in the EU." Disparity in income of the O.E.C.D. countries, only second to that in the United States.

Developments of FWB to date - Forum held at Loyola College in April '98 - "Womens' Voice in the Peace Accords" - one of the speakers, Bairbre Debrun, now Minister of Health in the new NI government.

A World Trade Center meeting held in '99 - re. inward investment and partnerships - established contacts - Baltimore Empowerment - with NIIDB and with Chris Jackson, Director, Hong Kong business investment - subsequent meetings with NIIDB in Washington and with IIDA - Enterprise Ire., in New York.

FWB, Inc., presently sponsored by Allied Irish Banks and private sources, is currently developing a web site.

Of note - a recent Ireland-America partnership, between Boston and Baltimore Tech, Dublin - a 150 million partnership - potential is the same for Baltimore, and with other regions of Ireland, etc.

Possible areas to promote and explore for joint business interest - e.g. Alternative Medicine - Foodstuffs - Hi tech assembly and communications - plastics - knitwear, business packaging and distribution etc. - with favorable license, tax or tariff duties available. Cheaper access and transport via Irish assembly, to the E.U. 350 million market.

...All-Ireland Body

The first steps towards creating an island economy were taken this week when a new all-Ireland body on Trade and Business Development was set up in Newry.

26-County Enterprise, Trade and Employment minister Mary Harney, together with Assembly Enterprise, Trade and Investment minister Reg Empey and Higher Education minister Sean Farren, met in Newry on 24 January for the first sectoral meeting of the North/South Ministerial Council.

Launching the new body, the ministers said in a joint statement that the Trade and Business Development Body would have "an important role to play in enhancing co-operation between North and South on business development issues in the promotion of trade between the two parts of the island and in undertaking specific projects and events in relation to trade promotion... Both sides agreed that these areas held real potential for mutual benefit in economic terms for North and South." The new body will be asked to bring forward proposals within the next three months to the North-South ministerial council.

The deputy mayor of Sligo, Sinn Féin's Sean Mac Manus, welcomed the launch of the new all-Ireland body. He said: "This is an important first step on the road towards creating an all-island economy. There is widespread expectation among communities throughout Ireland of the benefits that socially inclusive and democratically planned economic policies can bring, particularly in border areas and economically marginalised urban communities".

"The action plan to be drawn up by the new body must have at its core a commitment to support business and trade initiatives that will help overcome social disadvantage."

"There is enormous potential in this new body to overcome the negative effects of partition and decades of economic planning that ignored the Northwest, West and socially neglected communities throughout Ireland."

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Port Cities eg. Baltimore, L.A., Dublin Globalization is now an irreversible process

WTO: *Maryland's prosperity rests on expanding foreign trade and foreign investment.*

GOV. Parris Glendening addressed the Baltimore Council on Foreign Affairs Tuesday while some 50 people with placards denouncing the World Trade Organization and capitalism picketed the World Trade Center where he spoke.

He did not say yea or nay about the WTO, which has drawn the ire of demonstrators who know little about it.

Commentators have suggested that the protests in Seattle are really about the whole effect of globalization of the economy, with the trade body conference just a convenient peg for venting.

The governor made clear his approach to globalization: It's here to stay and Maryland must make the most of it.

His speech about promoting trade with foreign countries and foreign investment in Maryland assumed that the global economy is irreversible.

The policies he advocated for strengthening this might surprise some people. The first was

stronger education, to produce the technologically sophisticated work force that expanding industries — the only ones likely to invest in new plant or operations — require.

And the second was to resolve the dispute over where to place dredge spoil channels in the Chesapeake Bay that are the lifeline of the port of Baltimore. Mr. Glendening brings a formidable environmentalist reputation to the table. He says he has seen no evidence that moving the drifting sand out of the channels is harmful to the bay.

Not a few observers have suggested that the demonstrators in Seattle must not be locals. Washington state is export dependent, growing rich by shipping Boeing airliners, Microsoft software and apples to world markets.

Seattle needs the WTO to agree on an agenda for negotiations to reduce trade barriers further in the next three years. So does Baltimore. Washington State's economy is part of the global economy, as is Maryland's.

Contraction of world trade on balance would be harmful. That may be hard to say on a placard. Maryland needs the WTO. Baltimore's future depends on trade expansion, the same as Seattle's.

Baltimore reels in a musical mayor

By Susan Falvella-Garraty

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Baltimore's city government took on a decidedly Irish flavor recently with the election of 35-year-old Martin O'Malley.

O'Malley is the youngest person ever elected mayor of Maryland's largest city. During the course of the campaign, O'Malley's position as the front runner was profiled in several major U.S. newspapers and magazines because of the groundswell of support he received from African-American voters even though there were several black contenders in the race.

The Washington Post ran a headline after O'Malley won the Democratic nomination with "White Man Gets Mayoral Nomination in Baltimore." Many, including the very proud to be Irish American O'Malley, shuddered at the appearance of the front-page bold print.

"That's not what my campaign was about," O'Malley said.

For the man who quoted John Boyle O'Reilly during his acceptance speech, O'Malley's race to become mayor of one of the East Coast's largest cities, with a population composed of two-thirds African American, centered on public safety and increased prosperity for those who have not benefited America's economic regeneration.

"It's huge, I'm really excited for the whole city for what we can do for those who have the confidence in me," O'Malley said.

During the campaign there was at one point more than a dozen, con-



Martin O'Malley

tenders for the post, many of them African American. O'Malley was accused of being an opportunist, benefiting from a black vote split. One of his opponents, City Council President Lawrence Bell, asked fellow black constituents at one point in the campaign to vote for a candidate who "looks like you."

Martin O'Malley, trim and preppy, has been preparing for a life in the political spotlight for a long time. He was drawn to the footlights too.

He is the leader of the traditional Irish band O'Malley's March. It's anyone's guess what his new status as mayor will mean for sales of the band's latest CD. His favorite tune on the release is "Wait for Me" about the coming to America from Galway of his great grandfather. O'Malley plays the pipes and guitar and sings.

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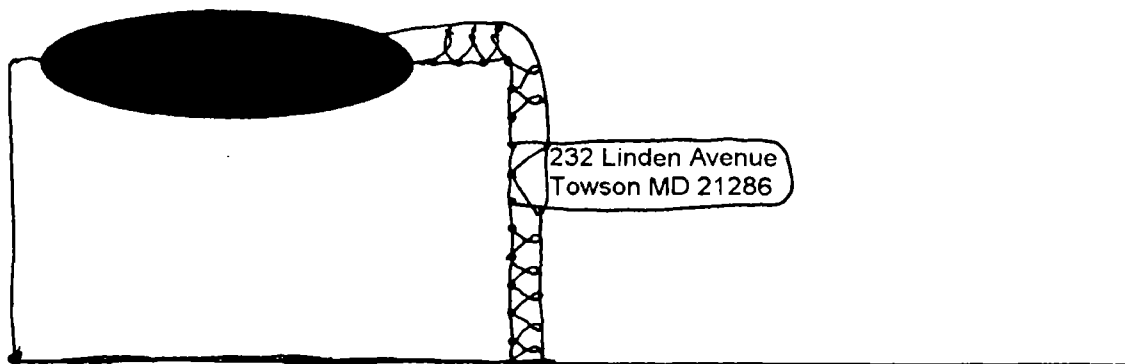
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Dick - hope this helps!

know how busy you are but - the fax encloses a suggestion - what I feel is an urgently needed change in tactics re the 'decommissioning glitch' - a definite chance to achieve what we all want - weapons gone with a purpose. please give it a read through - the significant U.S. support funding through IFI and other grant and Edu agencies could be used to facilitate the exchange - weapons for a purpose - jobs and edu opportunities - a 'handover of 'stuff' without making the issue an obstacle. All leading to the inevitable 'reconciliations' of history.

To quote Sister Michelle from the Pittsburgh Irish Org - 'Niall, you'd do better to sweeten it with 'handouts' - they're used to that by now!' NI with it's Budget supported (40% of it's GDP) with a six billion 'handout' (subvention) every year - paid by the EU and UK taxpayer - they're hardly in a position to 'dump the whole show' back on the Brits who are only too eager to unload without making it too apparent. An option to bypass the 'decom' glitch might be to 'get more appropriately reimbursed for it! Not with money but, what they've been denied. A fair share of a Real Life!

If you agree - could you show the note to President Clinton - it might make a difference. The 'hitch' is unjustified and unacceptable - the President and Senator Michell have done too much to be stopped by this unwise - inappropriate stress on 'name calling' - the guns given in by their own elected community representative - who cares what names are on them.

I look forward to hearing from you, Dick- a chance to make it work - time is critical. received a very supportive letter from Lt Gov. Kathleen Townsend K. have been in touch with Mary Harney's office - Minister of Economic and Ind. Develpt etc re Ireland Trade Fair when the famine ship JJohnson comes to Baltimore in June. God go with your efforts.

I've just been rereading Prof Bob Rowthorns' book on NI Conflict - it's all so wrong - page 170, 171 - that 'Britain should withdraw... a state which should never have been created, which cannot be saved... the costs, economically burdensome and morally unacceptable.' As Tom Kineally author of Schindler's List recently wrote - his new book on Irish history - 'The Great Shame'.

Will check with you later. Best of Luck

Niall Mac Allister.

Strategy to Negotiate 'Decommission Impasse'

Relation to SALT - Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty - a restraint versus the primacy of weapons - the people's point of view.

1. The present decommissioning agenda sets groups and factions - high profile - center stage - a chance for another skirmish - a winners and losers scenario. PEOPLE forgotten. A 'media op.' to highlight what should be a discreet occasion to dump irrelevant 'rubbish'. To DUMP - right U.S.N.R.A.? PEOPLE first!

Northern Ireland's decommissioning strategy as presently prescribed is incomplete, inciteful, divisive - for some, even intentionally so. The aim cannot be to humiliate - to demonize one faction over another - to prolong the historically and presently redundant - too long brawl. "No one supreme, in a socially and economically, nonfunctioning society." (Rowthorn).

2. Immediate Goals - to reduce PRIVATE WEAPON resources and supplies (as practiced in USA) held by everyone. That is the BASIC goal. To identify factions - a figure in "green" - in "orange" - or "red, white or blue" - that they "crawl forth" in the "public stadium" in guilt and contrition - dropping their wares to some triumphant recipient - is a NO GO! Was not intended, but is implied by the manner in which this is being carried out.

3. One suggested ANSWER to this conundrum - a successful negotiation of what should be a passing detail - its significance over stressed, as in the U.S.A. - the N.R.A. - stubborn to concede - is the terse and constant reminder. "It's not the guns... it's people that kill people!" And, on a global scale, similarly, a reluctance to submit to SALT. The insensitively designed "weapons platform" is WAY out of focus - relevance, and, incidental - gleefully, used by some as a weapon of its own - an excuse to halt the inevitable.

Weapons, per se - irrelevant now. Only an excuse. The recalcitrant, dragged, kicking to the Civil Society - untrusting, afraid - try to look back. Put on stage, in this unfavorable light by the SUCCESSFUL Mitchell - Clinton Peace Agenda - the actions of the contending factions or individuals are seen in a clear light - reservations open to the PEOPLE'S scrutiny - to an international audience.

The motives of the necessary international intervention - are PEACE and RECONCILIATION, too long delayed - RESTORATION of equal opportunity... rights... a proportionate voice. E.G. In any Democracy, the greater numbers - louder voice... will not diminish the basic principles of an EQUAL FRANCHISE..

"STRATEGY is not about arms... weapons... it's about PEOPLE" (NRA) - a consonance - a civil strategy for the Civil Society. And, we're there. Some want to return clawing and scratching. But what was there is NO MORE. Some don't want to acknowledge it.

HOW TO - As recently, partly tried in U.S. and partly successful - "rewards" were given for positive action - a monetary incentive to the individual to "dump" his "pieces". If he hasn't understood the motivation, given money - he'll make a business of it - and, in some cases, so will the receivers. In some cases, they did!

In our proposed program - REWARDS of greater significance stress the message. JOBS. EDUCATIONAL OPS. SCHOLARSHIPS, to every responsible DISTRICT and their REPRESENTATIVE e.g. to Adams, Trimble, Hume, Hendron, Taylor, Ervine, DeBrun etc., for registering and depositing weapons from their communities, versus factions or individuals - weapons of

any sort - guns, semtex, pipes, rockets, "ANY & ALL SUCH DANGEROUS JUNK"- heroin, cocaine no different... in exchange FOR A FUTURE & A REAL LIFE. This organized under the direction of Chasterlaine etc. It's not the "guns ..it's the people!" right?

SOURCE of Economic-educational opportunities - increased north south business ventures - roll the Tiger north - Trade Fairs, eg. Baltimore, on the arrival of the Jeanie Johnston - crewed by children from north and south - of all persuasions. An All Ireland TRADE FAIR - Educational opportunities - College and University - Technical Schools - offering Government sponsored scholarships - re-empowering the rural areas - port cities - Belfast to Derry to Dublin and Dundalk and Newry and to the west. For all communities - the priorities reestablished - as in SALT - as the NRA reminds us - the priority is PEOPLE.

RESULTS -

Old affinities - redundant separatisms - all adjust in a DEMOCRATIC society - if their only access to a Socioeconomic Reempowerment is through delivery of what is now useless baggage - eg. semtex for jobs. The designation - IRA, SAS, UVF, RIC or RUC is no longer relevant - who cares! The people, as a constituency - a community for all - they're the WINNERS. The overblown "arms issue" is a non-contender. Our suggestion is a path to the future - in a world where SALT prevails - an island - all Ireland at peace, with a political means available to resolve all issues.

Again, our Strategy is about PEOPLE - not demonized groups - about long sought irrelevancy of weapons - drugs not excluded. Let's show them!

Our rewards - the FACTS OF LIFE - to earn them for all our people, our children - a useful, justified COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES MISSION - death or jail or A REAL LIFE - a job and a future for all.

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Dear Dr. MacAllister:

Thank you for your recent note updating me on the work you are doing to bring Ireland and Maryland closer together. This should be a wonderful year for Maryland and Ireland. In addition to the arrival of the Jeannie Johnson in Baltimore, we are working closely with Aer Lingus to begin direct, daily service between BWI and Ireland. While federal approval is necessary before the flights can commence, I am very optimistic that this will be granted shortly.

I strongly encourage you to be in touch with the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) concerning your initiatives. The Division of Tourism is involved in the Jeannie Johnson's visit to Baltimore and the Office of International Business is actively promoting trade and investment with Europe. Please contact Jim Hughes, 410-767-0684, Director of International Business, to explore how you can cooperate in expanding business opportunities for both Maryland and Irish firms.

Congratulations on the progress you are making. Please continue to keep me informed.

With warm wishes,

Kathleen Kennedy Townsend
Lt. Governor

*All Best to you
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Dick - include update on proposal for BAIT 2K and lcc of ltr from Irish Consul Gen NY Barrie Robinson - thanks for your interest and support Niall

Dear Joe -

I enclose a Fax - the invitation of the Irish Consul General for a meeting in N.Y. next week with representatives of Mayor O'Malley's Admin to explore the opportunity - what role they might play in bringing companies to Baltimore - festival etc - an equivalent or better reception than N.Y. (fireworks and President's appearance - ie a great 'first' for Baltimore All Ireland Trade fair 2000. The occasion representing increased business opportunity to Baltimore and Maryland communities - and with 'festival' increased tourist attraction.

If Mayor O'Malley - Mike Enright or other, is interested in this opportunity FWB with its extensive connections and similar goals - in Baltimore and of course, for us, also the advantages to the Irish economy north and south - we would be happy to help Mayor O'Malley's administration develop this option and the J.J. visit in June - ie send representation to meet with Consul Gen and Irish Trade Reps during the coming week.

If the Mayor's office is unable or not interested in this opportunity, Joe and Mike - please let us know ASAP - so that we may cancel the meeting etc. Hope you decide to join us and show

N.Y. how it's done! Joe, please inform Mike of this opportunity.
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Dear Dr. McAllister,

Thank you for your recent correspondence concerning the All-Ireland Trade Fair you plan to organise in Baltimore next June to coincide with the visit of the *Seanic Johnston* vessel.

I wish to confirm that, as agreed by telephone, I would be delighted to receive you and your delegation at Ireland House, 345 Park Avenue, 17th Floor, New York on Wednesday 23rd February 2000 at 2.30 p.m. I hope to have with me on that occasion some of my Ireland House colleagues representing relevant State Agencies engaged in the promotion of Irish economic interests in the U.S. I understand that you have been in direct contact with some of them. The discussion will be helpful to our subsequent consideration ~~how~~ of practical possibilities that might exist for official Irish involvement.

Yours sincerely,

Barrie Robinson
Consul General.

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BALTIMORE ALL IRELAND TRADE FAIR - JUNE 2000

Preliminary proposal.

This is an outline of a proposed program for a Baltimore All Ireland Trade Fair planned to greet the arrival of the S.S. Jeanie Johnston, replica famine ship - due in Baltimore this summer - a significant tourist attraction - for the Irish and American communities, with the opportunity for other attendant attractions - FEIS, Irish music, dancers - book fair etc.

Aim - with the recent initiation of the new All Ireland Body on Trade and Business Development, January 2000 - a Trade Fair for Baltimore, June 2000, would celebrate this progress and benefit both economies - for Maryland and Ireland north and south, and through Ireland, to the European markets - also an occasion to strengthen and recall the Irish inheritance - "to remember and to forget". To remember why they came, how they fared - to look to a new shared identification for all the people of Ireland and their American family - and to forget past differences.

Historic relevance - the 1840s Famine in Ireland with the loss of more than a million from starvation - over the succeeding decades, "two million died - two million came!" The arrival of the "Replica Famine Ship" S.S. Jeanie Johnston - reminds us of the tragic memory, the ultimate victory of the survivors - their tenacity, courage and achievement.

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Few regions in Ireland are more than an hour from ports of exit and entry and from immediate access to the EU markets. The Irish border area, with some five hundred thousand people, almost 50% 25 and under - with zones of poverty amidst plenty - comprises one of the "most deprived regions in the EU." The disparity in income in such areas of the O.E.C.D. countries, is only second to that in the United States. As stated in the "Sun", December 1999, Baltimore is also dependent on world trade. Our goals, in Ireland, an opportunity to reduce the north-south disparity. Our aim - to help "roll the bonus north" - with the inalienable right of all the people of the island to fully share the all Ireland resources. This Baltimore, all Ireland investment strategy, and the young population resource, could create the opportunity for low cost, highly educated labor for assembly of hi-tech communications systems and low tariff transport to local and EU markets.

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Speakers to include, Irish Ambassador - NIIDB - Enterprise Ireland - IDA - ICCUSA - the Baltimore Administration - also, explore the possibility of a "Mitchell - Clinton" presence etc. Promotion arranged through Baltimore Chamber of Commerce, Greater Baltimore Alliance, W.T.C., Baltimore Empowerment, Irish Trade organizations etc.

Of further significance on the occasion of the visit of the Famine ship - to recall the insightful comments, compassionate words of our own Frederick Douglass - then, an escaped slave from Fell's Point - in Dublin, in 1846, describing the "hard times" he saw in Ireland - the condition of the people, "worse than American slavery" - his prediction for the future that one day "they would have a voice". Further historic links - the associated personalities of T.F. Meagher, Lowe, O'Connell from Tom Kineally's account - author of "Schindler's List" - his more recent story, of "The Great Shame" - the Irish Famine, its resulting tale of tragedy and courage - the close association with Baltimore. The opportunity perhaps, for another potential film account.

This project is also being promoted by Friendships Without Borders, Inc., (FWB) a social affirmative action program, presently sited in Baltimore and, in Ireland, north and south - its purpose, resolution of conflict through education and economic re-empowerment - similar to re-empowerment programs for deprived minorities presently active in Baltimore. The words of Frederick Douglass still pertinent and timely for all of us.

Developments of FWB to date - Forum held at Loyola College in April '98 - "Womens' Voice in the Peace Accords" - one of the speakers, Bairbre Debrun, now Minister of Health in the new NI government.

A World Trade Center meeting held in '99 - re. inward investment and partnerships - established contacts - Baltimore Empowerment - with NIIDB and with Chris Jackson, Director, Hong Kong business investment - subsequent meetings with NIIDB in Washington and with IDA - Enterprise Ire., in New York.

FWB, Inc., sponsored by Allied Irish Banks and private sources, is currently developing a web site.

BALTIMORE ALL IRELAND TRADE FAIR - JUNE 2000

Preliminary proposal.

Of note - a recent Ireland-America partnership, between Boston and Baltimore Tech, Dublin - a 150 million partnership - has a similar potential for Baltimore with other regions of Ireland, etc.

Possible areas to promote and explore for joint business interest - e.g. alternative medicine - foodstuffs - hi tech assembly and communications - plastics - knitwear, business packaging and distribution etc. - with favorable license, tax or tariff duties available. Cheaper access and transport via Irish assembly, to the E.U. 350 million market.

addendum: Sufficient interest, support and funding sources would enable Baltimore and Ireland to realize and share this unique opportunity.

Niall P. Mac Allister MD
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To President Clinton and to Lt Gov K.Kennedy Townsend - attention Dick Norland and Everett Hawkins

Enclose minutes of mtg with Irish Consul General NY - promoting All Ireland reception Trade Fair in Baltimore to greet - JJohnston with intercommunity 'crew' - the reality of sincere intent - the shared resource for all the people - noone excluded. The JJ funded by IFI - the reception organized by Baltimore with the help of the 'cross border Trade bodies' - in keeping with the purpose of the Belfast Trade agreement of '99 - the World supported Peace Accords and recent mtg in Newry 1/24/00.

Respectfully, Niall P. Mac Allister (FWB Inc etc)

Meeting with Irish Consul General, Barrie Robinson
Consulate, Park Ave. N.Y. Wednesday, February 23, 2000.

The meeting convened 2:30pm. Present were Barrie Robinson and assistant - accompanied by Director of IDA U.S., Enda Connolly, John Corrigan, Director U.S. Enterprise Ireland, Helen Maguire, Aer Lingus, Niall Mac Allister, MD (Founder and Pres. Friendships Without Borders, Inc.) accompanied by Steve Kearney, Asst. to Mayor O'Malley, and the Baltimore Public voice representative - attorney and respected human rights advocate, William "Billy" Murphy Jr. and his son, attorney and investment banker, Mr. William "Hassan" Murphy.

A proposal was presented by Niall Mac Allister, supported by Billy Murphy and Steve Kearney - the organization and development of a Baltimore all Ireland trade fair/festival to correspond with the arrival of the Irish famine ship replica, Jeanie Johnston in Baltimore, June, 2000. (see enclosed description - preliminary program BAIT-2000). The goals, shared business opportunity to partnerships in both US and Ireland north and south - and access to the wider (370 million EU markets) Also, to remember those who came, and those who died during those momentous years - in Ireland, in Europe and in the newly liberated colony of the United States. Well described at the time in the words of the Afro-American proponent of human rights, Frederick Douglass - resident of Fells Point, an escaped slave, traveling to Ireland and Europe in the cause of liberation for all victims of discrimination and oppression. In his own words, "not insensitive to the sufferings of peoples everywhere".

The presentation was deliberately focused and explicit - the effort on the part of the city of Baltimore representatives and supporters, to promote the opportunity for both participants - and, in turn, the explanation from the Consul General's team to seek further details regarding the proposal - the specific small to medium companies available to participate in the U.S., and similar companies in Ireland - this to be explored in the interval - the size of the Irish market - 3.5 to 4.5 (all Ireland) and the EU opportunity - in the words of Enterprise Ireland - in the right circumstances an - "unprecedented opportunity to develop strategic business alliances with Irish companies specializing in hi-tech communications technology, biotechnology, medical products. As commented by Billy Murphy, also in the Baltimore precincts, more than 650 companies in hi-tech, and more in other interests, pharmaceuticals and health care systems, international services, packaging products and plastics.

Ireland, as we were reminded, the ideal starting place for American companies seeking alliances that can extend to the EU. The Irish economy in the south - with less than 2% inflation - with a 24% return in investment - the highest in the EU - with a GDP of more than 9% - in a remarkably opportune position to extend its benefits north to south - the ultimate goal to be explored to alleviate the six billion deficit and tax burden to EU and UK - affecting the economy of the northern counties. Favorable license, tariff and tax reconstruction and other necessary amendments - to restore the benefits of the total resources of the whole island to all the people of Ireland - the primacy of the family - as proposed by Mr. Murphy, an inalienable right surpassing and determining any separate political agendas.

Mr. Hassan Murphy, with the Baltimore proponents of the proposal, BAIT, clearly explained the similar challenges of a similar community in Baltimore - illustrating the potential benefits from such a program and such priorities - here again, suggesting the occasion might also be used to celebrate the shared historic significance - its special appropriate role in greeting the J. Johnston, crewed by a deliberately chosen group of young people from both communities, north and south..

Not inappropriately, an All Ireland Trade fair and reception would additionally reflect the intercommunity aspect of the crew of the Jeannie Johnston. As pointed out by Professor Bradley of the Economic and Social Research Institute of Ireland - in his recent analysis of the 'cross border linkages' - their importance, in promoting the socioeconomic aspirations of the Peace Accords - the Belfast

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Agreement - the further 'deepening all Ireland linkages might well aid in the consolidation of peace - harmony and economic prosperity for the whole island.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m

Niall P. Mac Allister MD (FWB Pres. and Founder)
Steve Kearney (Asst. to Mayor O'Malley)
William H. Murphy Jr (Advocate for community interests)
William Hassan Murphy (Advocate for community interests)

cc Steve Kearney
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Mary Harney - An Tanaiste, Minister of Trade, Ireland
Dermot Ahern - Minister for County Louth, Ireland
Kevin Leonard (J. Johnston project Director. Asst to Mayor O'Malley)
Paul Mc Cormack, (consultant, Newry and Mourne Enterprise agency)
Barrie Robinson Irish Consul General N.Y.

The Cross Border Dimension: Economic Policy Aspects of the Belfast Agreement. Comments by
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Please take some time to visit this site. We would greatly appreciate your feedback. Thanks for your continued support.

Niall P. Mac Allister, Founder, FWB, Inc.

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Friendships Without Borders, Inc. - is a program for resolution and conciliation in areas of conflict and social deprivation, achieving its goals through the creation of inter-community educational, career and job options through inward investment, to sustain and re-empower the rural communities.

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Organization

Friendships Without Borders Inc (FWB) - presently sited in Ireland, is a **universal strategy for the victims of regional conflict and socio-economic deprivation**. A free standing, not for profit agency, FWB was initially founded in Baltimore - is now based in the United States and Ireland North and South. Program supporters range from Nobel Prize winner, Amartya Sen, Professor Harvard University in the U.S. and Master, Trinity College Cambridge, U.K., Professor of Economics, Cambridge, Bob Rowthorn, Irish playwright, Ulic O'Connor - to President Clinton, former Irish Taoiseach John Bruton and Jean Kennedy Smith, U.S. Ambassador to Ireland to recently appointed President of the American Red Cross, Bernadine Healy.

Alternative Priorities

In a world with more than fifty areas of unresolved sectarian or ethnic strife - at a time of increased global unemployment - where millions live, exploited, in poverty - ever more dying of AIDS - one every three minutes in the U.S. alone. Where the incidence of young deaths from suicides and violence has doubled in Ireland and elsewhere. Where a 'philosophy of nothing' - a moral apathy, a pandemic of drugs and violence - more living in jail, with incurable diseases of mind and body

prevails - where there is **urgent need for a multi-ethnic, non sectarian response** to reverse this catastrophic course - to promote effective alternative priorities. One family - *«from each according to his abilities - to each according to his needs.»* Morelly.

Network

Through the Friendships Without Borders network, **the program seeks to provide a model of commitment for young and old alike.** For the older members of the community a voluntary participation through the SC (Senior Corps) - for the younger members CDYC (Community Development Youth Corps) - with the ultimate guidance, direction, monitoring and supervision of an experienced faculty from participating colleges - each individual taking part from each community, will be encouraged to realize their own unique role within the ultimate priorities of the whole human family and to share their role with others.

Program

The program is designed to **initiate an awareness program on self development and mutual fulfillment, the development of career aspirations, job opportunities and the reaffirmation of the families role in society - the recruitment of the Social Capital.** The communities embraced by this program will be in areas of social deprivation and residual social conflict - initially, in Ireland, North and South. The program will be implemented with the assistance and involvement of colleges with similar education facilities and shared objectives. Our long range goals anticipate the inclusion of other organizations with sensitivity to the cultural and historic diversity of the region. Later with goals achieved, the program can be extended into relevant areas in the European and other communities.

Participants

Participants will be drawn from the teenage to the elder population - the CDYC to the SC in each community where people can join particular aspects of the program such as community journalism, film making, cinema, theatre, arts, crafts, business awareness and a shared awareness of a joint civic responsibility. Further Education college students and other young people can take part with the assistance and supervision of their school. **Friendships Without Borders will assist in program development and the raising of initial funding for building, equipment project 'set up' costs.** The goal in media expression, arts etc., to attain self supporting status. Ultimately, when up and fully running the program anticipates sharing its objectives with 150-200 young people per year.

Pilot Project

Initially, FWB intends to complete a pilot project where a smaller number of **young people will use film making, cinema and journalism** - total media expression to **express their concerns** - their goals and aspirations - **to tell 'the story' of their generation**, its challenges and frustrations - also to express how they feel the program should be developed. This will be done in conjunction with tutorial guidance, so exact project goals are established in a non-proscriptive manner. Where possible, from the United States and elsewhere Inward Investment will also be sought to provide other skills and job opportunities for the younger generation and to help reempower the rural communities. **Castlewellan, Co Down, Northern Ireland has been chosen as the base for the pilot study** interacting with other schools and colleges from the Down area and the contiguous border counties - North and South. The facilities to accomplish these goals - total media expression 2000 - will be established in Castlewellan and the surrounding districts. As well as recruiting these unique facilities to this region - **these activities will demonstrate the practical feasibility of joint community interaction** and purpose - a means for the mutual enhancement of an all island 'Tiger economy' - a socio-

economic resolution - mutually beneficial, north to south.

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With the participation of a limited number of students and faculty from Dundalk and other cross-border schools and Castlewellan to Newcastle, etc. - the **voluntary involvement of community members** - over a one year period - to show the long term impact of Friendships Without Borders - the **promotion of inter and intra-community self reliance, re-empowerment**. The students and their mentors - with the use of various media representation will participate in preparing a mission statement demonstrating the advantages for the continuing development of the long range goals and priorities of Friendships Without Borders. This initial pilot project - with the help of the students and the community - the development of career and job options for the individual and the community - the resolution of deprivation and conflict will assist in ensuring a further continuance of the long range program of Friendships Without Borders.

Primary Objectives

1. Feasibility Study - A feasibility study for **establishing a multi - media centre in Castlewellan, Co. Down** shall be completed. Students from Dundalk, other schools and the local area, will help design a model of the proposed centre in conjunction with the consultants. The results will be used as part of the application to the long term FWB proposal.
2. Film - **The students will help to produce a short film** on the potential of the project and how it can be developed - the film can also be used to explore the type of role they see for themselves in a new Ireland - they will use the facilities of the multi - media centre **to express their ideas and develop their skills.**
3. Club Cinema - **A cinema will be set up in Hillyard House**

conference centre, Castlewellan. Students will use the facilities to make and premiere a film for the FWB long term application. Hillyard House was established as part of a local IFI Community Regeneration Programme. The Friendships Without Borders pilot study will help to make Hillyard House more economically viable by attracting students and visitors to its hostel accommodation, restaurant and wine bar, and by providing it with use of video conferencing facilities. Students will also be encouraged in independent film making. The cinema will also provide an important facility for the local community, promoting local film festivals, and showing current films - increasing the viability of the project.

4. Newspaper - The students will produce a publication in newspaper format that will examine cultural progress and change - building a more wholesome society - to be used as part of the overall application to funding sources.

5. Video Conferencing - Video conferencing will be explored by the students, networking with others internationally - an important form of cross border communication.

Long Term Objectives

1. A focus on continuing cross-border and inter-community exchange - education on conflict resolution - educational and social exchange. Dundalk, etc. and students from local schools and colleges will work together with all communities involved, through the CDYC and the Senior Corps. The long range plans will include working with students and faculty from our partners at Ulster Peoples' College Belfast.

2. Shared Multi - Media Centre - A new multi media centre containing facilities for film making, multi screen cinema, journalism, theatre, video conferencing and workspace for investment and employment in the communications industry which FWB is currently pursuing.

3. Communications, Industrial Investment - Rent from companies using the facilities provided at the multi media

centre will contribute to the running costs of the centre itself - as well as provide local employment. Potential US investors are being contacted through efforts of Niall Mac Allister, founder of Friendships Without Borders - with the assistance of the Baltimore Industrial development groups - Enterprise Ireland - the IDA and agencies from Northern Ireland e.g. NIIDB and others.

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The **Community Development Youth Corp**, the active unit for this project, a free-standing non-profit organization, will seek to **provide a model of youth commitment to the development of community** as well as self-development in the 21st Century. Based initially in Ireland, north and south - later extended to Britain and other areas of social conflict e.g., in the Balkans, South Africa and the Americas - **CDYC members**, in a time of fragility and rapid change in society, will **dedicate themselves to the strengthening of community-wide structures, to identifying community needs and to harnessing the capacity of youth to meet those needs with an ongoing agenda**. The CDYC project is based on a strong belief that youth can bring enormous idealism and enthusiasm to the task of building community if offered the challenge and supported through appropriate structures. --> [Full Text](#)

Inward Investment

Ireland, the outer island of Europe - is first stop to all the EU markets - 350 million customers. From the United States and the Asian market - investors, partners, alliances - offering strategic opportunities in a highly competitive market. Through Ireland, access to the EU market is facilitated by lower costs - increased sales, decreased overhead, increased growth. Benefits include a highly trained, lower cost work force - cheaper assembly, transport - tariff free. **Return from investment in Ireland was 24% in 1994** - four times the world average. **Ireland's GNP 106% - is the highest in Europe** - inflation less than 2%. In 1994, Ireland's trade with China and Hong Kong totaled three million pounds - in 1998, greater than 30 million pounds! --> [Full Text](#)

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Friendships without Borders, Inc. (FWB) - founded in the United States in 1997 - **is a socio-economic affirmative action program for areas of conflict and social deprivation.** It incorporates twin goals - a partnership to **recruit and inspire the social factor - to provide and restore a viable economic community through regional business investment and development** - through education and inter-community affiliation, to re-empower the rural resource. An enterprise to recruit new markets and new ideas from the United States to the European market, and with new partnerships in the Asian markets - to Hong Kong and China. With new technologies, time and distance are no problem - computerized, immediate access.

Friendships Without Borders is presently sited in Ireland, north to south - across a political division imposed more than seventy years ago, a meandering 350 mile "border", east to west, sea to sea - this covering a less than 150 miles distance, as the "crow flies". The rural communities - families and neighbors divided in conflict and an unequaled economic disparity, despite the fact that "a number of dodges and devices were invented to keep the 'separated' northern six counties from coming on the dole." (Richard Hopkins, Treasury's controller to 1931). Shortly after its founding - the yearly budget for the North of Ireland political division was in increasing debt - now, a greater than six billion pound deficit - this, paid annually by the E.U. and other U.K. taxpayers - as a so called subvention. **The yearly budget in the southern part of the island, this year, showed a more than five billion surplus, with a G.D.P. of almost 10%, the highest in the E.U.** This well illustrates the original political miscalculation, the present logical option - the only sensible

socio-economic goals - restore the inalienable rights of the next generations of the whole island - to share the almost unlimited resources of the whole island economy.

Now is the time for conciliation in areas of conflict across the world, Ireland to lead the way! History of prejudices and discrimination hinders our progress. Forgive and forget - time to move on. As in the new EU - a new Ireland - a new England, in a devolving "Britain" - each struggles with a new identity. Conquest of time and space bring us together. One world, one family - global markets - borders irrelevant. Cultural or sectarian differences viewed only as a rich resource.

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At a time when more than fifty areas of conflict escalate worldwide - where dis-employment and disparity in wealth prevail - from the 70's to the 90's worldwide, manufacturing sales grew from 700 billion to 60 trillion in the 90's, with a decrease in the labor force required - a reflection of the high technology, low labor intensive market that provides bull markets - with increasing loss of jobs. A Celtic Tiger for some - for others not so lucky! 1 in 5 are in poverty worldwide. We have created a world of surplus goods and surplus people. The Darwinian or Malthusian predictions realized - the debris - increasing violence, increasing wars, drug abuse, spread of

AIDS and other diseases, increasing jail population - an increase in the "dependent population". This is the scenario - unless urgent steps are taken, a world at risk for yet another of the genocidal agendas of history.

Urgent among our priorities is FWB's investment in the Social Factor. **In Ireland, the under 20 age group comprises more than 40% of the population - the highest in Europe.** Their participation is encouraged through the mechanism of the Community Development Youth Corps - to realize their unique role in the community, with the voluntary assistance of the senior corps members. A cross border and inter-community imperative, with tutorial input and guidance - a shared commitment to combining the civic and economic factors in re-empowering their communities.

FWB's priorities - recruiting the regional community and school facilities from all communities - a consensus of caring and sharing - to assist in **creating new resources**, a new wealth and the empowerment it generates for all the people - a new market focus in the rural community - to **increase self reliance, self respect and pride** - to redistribute opportunity - to **promote the Irish business agenda south to north** - to share opportunity and careers from successful market enterprise - the "Clinton - Mitchell - Irish and British peace agenda".

FWB's "team USA" is first class - sometime consultants to the UN in Africa and in the Balkans - members specialized in Sociology - in Education - in Conflict Resolution - in Health Care - among them, consultant in Economics, Amartya Sen, Professor at Harvard and Cambridge and winner of Nobel prize in '98. "Team Ireland" has also shown its imagination and dedication - with introduction of the regional media voice for young people - publication of a local newspaper and submission for film equipment funding - this, part of a response to an increase in teen suicides and urban migration..

New generations must be given a peaceful resolution. No alternative - together, all equal, all different. We must free ourselves of the chains of bigotry. As in South Africa, honest confrontation without recrimination. The children must not share the blame. To share the wealth of ideas we must assist in realizing them. Equal opportunity maximized - no one excluded. Neither migrant labor, nor rural exodus the solution - these only magnify and postpone the commitment to a shared prosperity for all.

The present Northern Ireland economy, a socio-economic disaster - described by the eminent Cambridge economist, Bob Rowthorn, *Northern Ireland - the Political Economy of Conflict*. 1989 - "decline to decay - a branch plant, Poor House, Civil Service economy"... a sectarian-gap, social support service society - in a war no one can win. The will of the majority of the people of the whole island marginalized for the sake of a favored minority - transformed by the "enforced Treaty" of 1921 into a "majority" in a suitably downsized portion of the community. Rowthorn's further words - "A state which should never have been created, which cannot be saved - the cost, economically burdensome, morally unacceptable. In summary, for Britain, the only viable, forthright alternative, to announce a public timetable for withdrawal and stick to it!"

In the words of the New Ireland Forum in 1983 - "Partition and its failure to provide political stability, have inhibited the socio-economic development of Ireland, especially in the North. Division has had an adverse effect on the general ethos of society and has contributed to a limiting of perspective, North and South. Had the division not taken place, or had the nationalist and unionist traditions in Ireland been encouraged to bring it to an end by reaching a mutual accommodation, the people of the whole island would be in a much better position to benefit from its resources and to meet the common challenges that face Irish society, North and South toward the end of the 20th century."

Niall P. Mac Allister MD FACA (President and Founder
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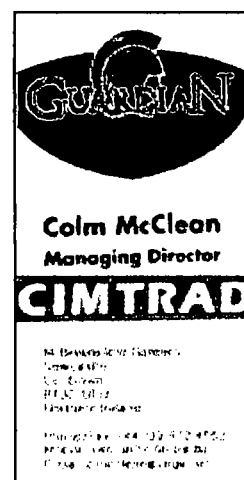
Regional Director - Ireland

Francis Gallagher - Castelwellan community worker and Regional Director Friendships Without Borders Inc. 'on site' in Ireland - a graduate of the University of Ulster in History, Education and career guidance - author and founder of local social programs studying emigration patterns - a strategy to respond to the increasing incidence of young suicides - local welfare benefits enhancement and recently, producer and editor of a successful, regional newspaper - the Mourne Echo. The newspaper, a vehicle for the 'young voice' in confronting divisive local issues and promoting ideas for community development and inclusion.

Promoting the self supporting one year introductory Pilot Program of Friendships Without Borders - Francis Gallagher is presently setting up the other arm of the young 'media voice' in film production and presentation.

Director of Inward Investments

Mr Colm Mc Clean - resident of the Mourne region - local business entrepreneur and consultant, expert in the field of hi tech communications electronics - international investor - and, presently Regional Director of Inward Investment for the Moune region for the Pilot Program of Friendships Without Borders Inc. Colm McClean has recruited business investment from the Chinese and Hong Kong business



communities - has worked in New York as a service engineer consultant - lecturer in electronics in several colleges - also inventor of rust proofing technology for heavy industrial equipment and a car immobilizer unit - the former sold to a large firm in southern Ireland, now employing twenty seven workers. Mr Mc Clean's present plans also include a joint venture with a hi tech communications company from the United States and, with creating assembly plant job opportunities for the EU market in the Mourne region.

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Board Members

The Board is presently recruiting a Chair person based in Ireland along with an American Co-Chair. The Boards membership will be majority based in the island of Ireland, and will draw from leadership in both the North of Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. As the CDYC expands to other countries, Board membership will expand to reflect new constituencies.

Niall Mac Allister M.D., ABA, FACA President and Founder.

Dr Mac Allister is the source of the original concept and vision for the project, and a native of Ireland. He has had and internationally recognized career in the field of medicine.

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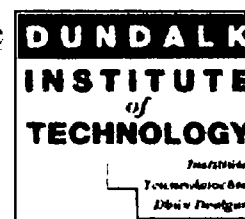
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"I am most encouraged by the progress that is being made under your leadership by Friendships Without Borders... "

Professor Amartya Sen of Harvard and Cambridge, 1998



"This institute is happy to support this project in achieving its objectives... I would reiterate our commitment to assist you in the way we assist IDA industrial itineraries with any inward investment opportunities..."

Dennis Murphy, Acting Director Dundalk Inst. of Technology, 1999

"Your idea of promoting school exchanges between Ireland and Britain is indeed admirable. I am sure will get support from both British and Irish governments and indeed from many independent charitable organizations ..your proposal would definitely structure a more cohesive, comprehensive and shared productive approach."

Joe Hendron M.P. - 1997 - Minister in new Northern Ireland government

"Appreciated learning of your further work on 'Friendships Without Borders'...your commendable initiative, which seeks to contribute significantly to peace and reconciliation on the island of Ireland, merits our continuing interest and the broad support it is receiving in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Your emphasis on increasing community interchange and affirming individual and family responsibility



reflects universal values and a commitment to a civil society. In this way, we can all work together to transform a written agreement into a lasting peace. I continue to wish you success as your project develops, and hope it will serve as an example to other troubled regions."

President **Bill Clinton** Washington D.C., 1998

"Your organization is doing a great deal for those in need in Northern Ireland"

Bernadine Healy, MD - President and Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross - 1999

"Your initiative to develop conflict resolution skills among the young people of Ireland is admirable. More specifically, the plan includes the elements of cross-community contact and improved economic opportunities for all the people on the island which would reinforce the spirit of resolution and harmony necessary for peace. I welcome your efforts as a necessary contribution to assuring peace returns to Northern Ireland"

Jean Kennedy Smith, Ambassador to Ireland - 1998

"Friendships Without Borders - this initiative promotes a unique and promising way to developing relationships between young people from the United States and Ireland. It is my pleasure to write in support of this excellent program to help bridge the gap between these and other countries... the goal to bring together students from various ethnic and cultural backgrounds to address issues they are facing today and develop solutions for the future. I truly value all your efforts in this area. Your hard work, dedication, commitment to the young people of the world is greatly appreciated. It is great you have been receiving such tremendous support from many leaders and organizations ..best wishes for continued success..."



Kathleen K. Townsend - Lt. Governor Maryland - 1998

"I want you to know that I have taken the liberty of bringing your project to the attention of the United States Agency for International Development... commend you for your efforts to address social conflicts around the world and in Northern Ireland... best regards."

Paul Sarbanes U.S Senator - 1998



"I wholeheartedly endorse this project... embodies core concepts of voluntarism and civic involvement that are critical to the future of our community. In addition encourages voluntarism by young people... a worthy project that encompasses important goals and principles... I endorse the community development Youth Corps that you have conceived... also encouraged that this project will be international in focus."

Robert Ehrlich - Member of Congress - 1998



"Am very interested in your proposal and delighted to support it in whatever way I can. 'Friendships Without Borders' is an excellent banner under which to develop your project and I hope to be in a position to discuss it with you in the not too distant future."

John Bruton - Irish Taoiseach - 1997



"It is innovative and stimulating to see such work taking place in areas that will promote contact between young people on both sides of the border. You have put together an impressive team and the details of the proposed curriculum look highly attractive as well as catering for the regular educational needs of children of that age... I have ensured that the International Fund for Ireland are aware of my positive assessment... also passed the proposal to the Peace and Reconciliation Program to see if they would be able to assist..."

Dermot Gallagher - Irish Dept. of Foreign Affairs - Secretary Anglo-Irish Div. Former Irish Ambassador to U.S. - 1998

'Dundalk and Castelwellan represent ideal locations for a pilot phase of the Media Image 2000 project (Media i.e. Newspaper and Film expression for young people) - "We were impressed with the quality of the newspaper which represents a good role model for us here in Dundalk. I believe we can match and complement each other in providing self-supporting skills and ultimately employment in these designated fields."

Eileen Murphy - Head of Section of Applied Cultural Studies - 1998

"We would be delighted to be associated with your project... I am sending information to Jack O'Herlihy, Director of Development Letterkenny Inst. of Technology... our local cross-border partner institution... I am sure will be interested in hearing more about your project."

Tony Johnston - Senior Lecturer School of Business and Management - University of Ulster, Magee College - 1999

"Very pleased to review FWB's plan - goals and priorities - its present and future agenda... closely fits many of our own aspirations and the path to achieve them. We are happy to join your program in a working partnership. We include a note of enthusiastic endorsement and look forward to working together. Essentially economic re-empowerment for the whole island - especially in the rural areas north and south - east and west... also happy to note your warm welcome for our ideas and participation with that of other involved schools and communities - FWB's 'on site' team for the whole island - focus of all our concern for present and future generations - the resolution of the problems we all face together - confident that we can make a difference."

Jack O'Herlihy - Head of Development - Letterkenny Inst. of Technology - 1999

"You have demonstrated an extraordinary amount of energy and commitment to make a success of the project. The Embassy deeply appreciates your efforts to keep us informed

how the project is developing and we will in turn ensure that Dublin is kept in the loop..."

Kenneth Thompson - Counsellor Embassy of Ireland
Washington D.C - 1999

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- September 1998 -- Meeting with Arch Bishop Tu Tu

- April 1998 -- "Freedom Of The City" Award

"April of 1998 brought the Women's Voice in the Irish Peace Accords to the United States and to Baltimore - to a meeting held at Loyola University. Sponsored by Friendships Without Borders, Inc., the speakers included Baibre DeBrun, now a recently appointed minister in the newly devolved Northern Irish government." --> Full Text

Press Articles

- July 1999 -- Mourne Observer

"John Cosgrove, senior past president of the United States National Press Club and a former publishing associate of the late President John F. Kennedy, has visited Castlewellan.

Mr Cosgrove, a current board member of the International Fund for Ireland, was invited to Castlewellan and district by the local branch of "Friendships Without Borders" which is a joint US/Northern Ireland investment initiative.

Mr Cosgrove and his wife were taken on a working tour of the Mourne region, from Newcastle to Kilcoo and Castlewellan." --> Full Text

- May 1998 -- Baltimore Progress

"Bronagh Hinds, founding member of the Northern Ireland Women's Coalition and member of the NICW Talks Team at the Stormont negotiations, was in Baltimore on April 27. After meeting with Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke and members of the Baltimore City Council, Ms. Hinds joined Bairbre deBrun, a representative of Sinn Fein, Mary Boergers, Director of the Ireland-U.S. Public Leadership Program at the University of Maryland, and Michael A. Creedon, Visiting Professor of University College Cork, in a panel discussion entitled "Lessons from the Irish Peace Accords - The Women's Voice in Conflict Resolution for the Twenty-First Century," held at Loyola College." --> [Full Text](#)



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Re: Friendships Without Borders Inc - a parting thought

Dick -

as we are about to leave - I read negative comment re President's presence in Ireland during 'marching season' - I understand 'caution' but don't know how anyone could see President Clinton's presence in Ireland during this 'season' as other than appropriate - a unique opportunity - his presence could defuse this 'grim parody' (dictating to the civil society - a month of 'barbarism' by those who wouldn't survive a week without the yearly 'stipend' from the UK - the President's Belfast Agreement (and US - EU and Ireland south) -

I realize it's a challenge but also a time of courage and commitment - both characterizing President Clinton's course in Ireland to date - if President Clinton happened to be in Ireland to help celebrate this special July 4 American Independence day - his final one as President - how unforgettable and incredibly appropriate - as you know, Dick - 12 of Washington's generals and 40% of his army of Irish descent from ALL 'traditions' - to be in Ireland July 4 2000 north and south would be a serendipitous reminder - a distraction from divisive issues (confrontation and nausea) - would starkly stress the contrasting conciliation warmth and unity - of those from all traditions in remembering America's own liberation from oppression with both their help.

Twelve of America's Presidents of Irish descent - many of Irish Presbyterian extract - eg Jackson and Wilson - July the 4th - a unified celebration - all 'sides' invited - an 'all island' party - respecting their different traditions but unification in a great cause - America and Democracy. It

would discourage the subsequent efforts(a week later) to reignite morbid redundant and yearly, the less affordable Gran Guignol. In contrast to what President Clinton could show everyone - 'the season of marching' could only be an embarrassment if more of 'the same' - only attended by the 'apatrides' - the sad debris of 'oppression' and the 'colonial divide'

Sorry to take more of your busy schedule - but I believe in not losing an opportunity - in not reminding you of what many also think I would be less than honest - forgetting what we all seek - to diminish the archaic and now less affordable, reminders of conflict.

Incidentally it was great to be told by Steve Hanke that to focus on the Economic Initiative is the way to go - to show both sides what they're missing - the shared 'tiger' - both sides already cautiously discussing this option - John Bradley of ESRI has presented this in the 'commons to all parties in May - just needs support and honest confrontation - where the monies might be better spent from a joint economy. Take care Dick - if we can do anything to help - in Ireland our phone [REDACTED] P6/(b)(6)

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Sorry we'll miss you at the pic nic

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^Irish emigrant ship to retrace Atlantic crossing

By Keith Weir

DUBLIN, April 7 (Reuters) - A replica of a ship that carried thousands of Irish emigrants from famine to new lives in North America will set sail from Ireland next month to retrace the journey across the Atlantic.

Project organisers said on Friday the "Jeanie Johnston" was scheduled to arrive in Alexandria, the port of Washington DC, around June 21 and would visit some 20 cities in the United States and Canada in the coming months.

President Bill Clinton, who has ancestral roots in Ireland, is expected to greet the ship, a three-masted barque, on its arrival in the United States after its three-week crossing.

The original vessel famously never lost a passenger to disease or the sea in 16 voyages across the Atlantic in the 1840s and 1850s.

"We look forward to promoting Ireland overseas and celebrating the enormous contribution of the Irish to every sphere of American and Canadian life," said John Griffin, chief executive of the project.

A team of experienced shipwrights and unemployed youngsters have been working for more than two years to build the boat at a special yard close to Tralee in southwest Ireland. The replica of the 150-foot (50-metre) vessel has cost 5.5 million Irish pounds (\$6.70 million) to construct.

The original was built in Quebec by master shipbuilder John Munn. The ship was bought by the O'Donovan family of Tralee and served as a passenger and cargo vessel, carrying 200 passengers and 17 crew on her maiden voyage in 1848.

THE HORROR OF THE 'COFFIN SHIPS'

The mid-19th century was a period of mass emigration from Ireland as the Irish sought to escape starvation after the potato crop was ravaged by blight.

Census records suggest some 1.4 million people left Ireland between 1841 and 1851 and a similar number of those left behind died of starvation and disease.

Large numbers of those fleeing the famine for North America never made it across the Atlantic. Many died at sea in dreadful conditions on so-called "coffin ships."

The replica ship will carry 40 people -- 10 professional sailors, 18 volunteer crew and 12 passengers.

It is expected to cover some 13,000 nautical miles on a voyage that will take in cities including New York, Boston, Montreal, Toronto, Detroit and Chicago. It is scheduled to return to Ireland from New York this November.

The project has been accompanied by efforts to computerise and index information relating to an estimated six million 19th century Irish emigrants to the United States and Canada.

A 20-strong team based in Tralee has spent four years logging data from ships' passenger lists and its records will be housed in a research centre at the shipyard.

And in an ironic modern twist, Ireland's FAS Training and Employment Authority is expected to use publicity created by the ship to boost efforts to bring skilled workers to Ireland.

Ireland's booming ``Celtic Tiger" economy has left it with tens of thousands of unfilled job vacancies in areas such as IT, software design, electronics, healthcare, civil engineering and tourism.

It is now looking to recruit workers from overseas to fill the jobs, with the Irish diaspora one of the targets.

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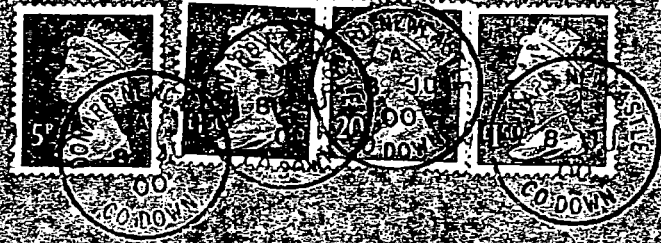
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June 4 2000

Dear Mr. President:

Since and before Friendships Without Borders' arrival in Ireland we have been recruiting further funding – promoting our programs on inter-community projects in the cross border regions of Northern Ireland and the Republic – our goals presently being realized in the regular production of a regional newspaper – The Mourne Echo - a 'media voice' for the young generation in this long standing area of conflict and segregation. Now in its third edition and subscribed to by all communities, this publication – of bipartisan authorship, is reaching out with a shared 'voice' to a future of more tolerant exchange – the 'peace process' you initiated - focusing on the more immediate concerns for future generations – on peace and career prospects. Our further goal here is the production of a film, recording the story as they see it – as they live it – again, between communities north and south, from Dundalk to the Mourne region border country. Funding here has been sought from the America-Ireland Fund – response due in the coming weeks.

Our other objectives, beyond the educational process described above, is outlined in our Website - www.fwbinc.org. The promotion of what we and others associated with our effort feel is the only final, mutually agreeable and eagerly sought 'pathway to peace' – the 'economic imperative' – enhanced inward investment through a synergic economic strategy – the mutual benefits of a 'shared tiger' north to south. In discretely promoting this objective before and since our arrival in Ireland, we have received enthusiastic endorsement, while in the United States, from Professor Steve Hanke of Johns Hopkins, international consultant in economics – from Professor in Brehon Law and the Kings Inns, and international consultant in New York, Richard Harvey – from Professor Bob Rowthorn of Cambridge, distinguished author ("N.I., the Political Economy of Conflict", with Naomi Wayne). Following arrival in Ireland, from Professors Michael Smyth, of Ulster University, Economics, and from Senior Lecturer in Social Science and Law at Queen's, Mike Tomlinson.

This focus, alternative to the divisive political issues, it is uniformly agreed – discloses the ultimate solution and future 'containment' of the problem. Primarily, a closer analysis of the present or future need for the yearly 'handout', subvention from the U.K., the E.U., the U.S., and indirectly, from the Republic (duplication of public services etc.) John Bradley's 'synergistic strategy' for an 'all island economic resolution' addresses this issue. So too, Steve Hanke's comments published on the proven disparity of the 'free' versus the 'unfree economy' – in Ireland, in this instance, on one island - the NI 'budget deficit' versus the Republic's 'budget surplus'. The ensuing incalculable cost – not alone to the U.K. taxpayer but, again, as Rowthorn wrote, to the E.U., to the U.S. and rarely mentioned, we contend, to the Republic.

These different yet complimentary studies by this brilliant team present a unique opportunity to reinforce this strategy – to empower the objectives for an ‘all island economy’. As Richard Harvey published in the New York Law School Journal of International Law Vol 11 1990 – according to International Law and the mutually signed United Nations decolonizing process – “the resources of the whole island are the inalienable right of all the people of the island’- whatever political or religious preferences they choose.” Obviously, this agenda will also lead the way to increased job opportunities for the high proportion of young population of the border counties – some 300,000 twenty-five years of age and under – one of the most depressed areas of western Europe, with a recent record of rising suicides. A single economic strategy also enables the ‘all island’ economic entity to decrease its dependency. A ‘beggar-nanny’ economic disaster in the north, subsisting on ‘grant and favor’, could well be replaced by uniform independence, with continued respect for the political voice of the separatist faction. One economic ‘country’ – two ‘systems’ of government.

Increasing financial liabilities of the evolving E.U. as recently commented by Professor Steve Hanke, also persuade more independent economic measures among member states in the face of more intractable problems among the southern and eastern nations seeking future membership.

In Baltimore, in the past months, we presented these ideas to Mayor O’Malley, and with representation from his administration, to the Irish Consul General in New York. Our strategy - a Baltimore All Ireland Trade Fair, to greet the arrival of the Jeanie Johnston. A copy of this strategy was also sent to you, Mr. President – further enhanced in a suggestion of “Jobs for Guns” – as a mode of decommissioning – also cc sent to Senator George Mitchell and to President Mary McAleese, and with continued support from Lt. Governor of Maryland, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend. (see enclosed photo of reception for Irish President with Mayor O’Malley and Friendships Without Borders represented).

Your expressions of continued interest and support from the founding of Friendships Without Borders has been deeply appreciated – also now, is critical for continued future funding, enabling us to continue to support the now inevitable resolution of the longest enduring colonial conflict in the Western Hemisphere. We would request the privilege of meeting with you, Mr. President, on the occasion of your visit to Ireland. This would indeed be a further inspiration for our organization and its supporters. As with President McAleese, the personal opportunity is the ultimate confirmation in helping us to achieve our goals, closely shared by FWB.

Finally, as in previous communications, we would like to express our unqualified admiration for what you have achieved in areas of conflict worldwide – what has inspired us and many others, to continue in the years ahead. As said by another Irish hero, a former student at my school in Ireland – the first to die in the Easter Rebellion – “I helped wind the clock – I came to hear it strike!”

Your visit in July of 2000 would be most timely, commemorating American independence – a common ground for both communities. A unique opportunity – an alternative shared celebration to divisive other parades. In northern Ireland and the Republic, sharing the heritage of those who helped Washington – twelve of his generals, forty percent of his army, the founder of his navy – of all religions – helping America achieve its goals, over two hundred and fifty years ago – as the United States and its President has now helped us on the road to achieving our goals. In 1776, as one – again, in 2000. Thank you, Mr. President, for all you have achieved and enabled us to follow.

Respectfully yours,



Niall P. Mac Allister, MD President & Founder, FWB, Inc.

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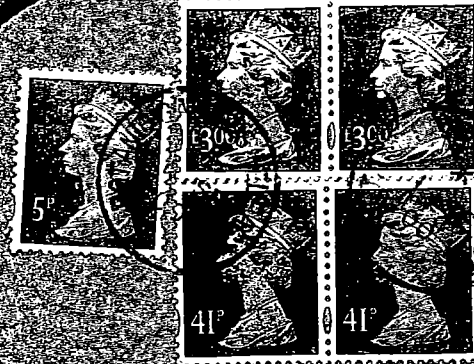
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Re: Friendships Without Borders Inc - (FWB) - update!

Enclose copy of Presidents letter - thank you for all your help. I also enclose cc of letter from Michael Durkin and co. who are pursuing this initiative - the economic imperative - of President Clinton - of Steve Hanke - of John Bradley of ESRI - advisor to the Irish gov. and to Stormont on economic affairs - also strong supporters of President Clinton's path to peace. I do hope you get the chance to meet with John Bradley and with Michael Smyth of Ulster University also supporting the initiative. Also to visit the first 'cross border' trade strategy Newry to Dundalk - I know they showed the letter to Reg Empey anxious for him to convoke a meeting at that site - the site of the famine ships leaving Ireland - memorial just set - and now, of a regional newspaper the Echo I sent to you - they are good people and eager fans of all you have helped achieve - God bless and good luck Richard.

Regards Niall Mac Allister
ltr Pres Clinton
ltr Michael Durkin

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 15, 2000

Dear Dr. MacAllister:

Thank you for keeping me posted on your tireless efforts to promote peace and reconciliation in Northern Ireland. Your focus on the economic dimension of the peace process is especially timely, as prospects for increased trade and investment benefit from and reinforce progress in implementing the Good Friday Accord. Of course, as you know, difficulties remain. Nevertheless, your work in establishing people-to-people contacts that build trust across the community and across the border is vital to securing a lasting peace.

I appreciate the invitation to attend your conference in Newry on October 19; I will not be in Ireland then so I must decline your kind offer. Again, thank you for keeping us informed of your activities, and keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Clinton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. Niall P. MacAllister
232 Linden Avenue
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Dr. Niall McAllister

September 28th 2000

Dear Niall,

Our plans continue for the Doing Business in Ireland Trade Fair, October 19 and 20th. We did make representations back in July to Patrick Tunison and Deborah Conrad of the Small Business Administration Office of International Trade in Baltimore asking them to bring this to the attention of the business community.

I have also been in touch with the Mayor's office and Mayor O'Malley did say he would refer it to Lee Tawney for his attention. I have spoken to Mr. Tawney and I understand that the Mayor could not attend due to his busy schedule. Mr. Tawney was very helpful and directed me to the office of Mr. Jim Hughes with reference to Economic Development. Unfortunately Mr. Hughes was on holiday at the time.

It has been difficult to raise the profile of this event in Baltimore which is in effect a ground breaking one, where cross-border groups have come together to organise it. I would hope that in the future we can develop active business links between ourselves and Baltimore based in some part on the historical links that exist between our two areas, and eased now by direct flights from Dublin to Washington.

✓ Even at this late stage we would be pleased to see any representative from Maryland to help initiate this growth in the future. This Event is a unique opportunity for Companies and officials from Government Agencies tasked with investigating the possibility of US Companies entering the European Market.

Ireland has proved a successful 'stepping-stone' for upwards of 500 US Companies into the EU market and has contributed in no small measure to the 'Celtic Tiger'.

Ireland has now become the largest exporter of Software in the world.

We believe we have the know-how to help other US Companies to achieve increased sales through entering new markets.

Any help that you can give us now or in the future to strengthen the economic links between our two areas will be greatly appreciated. Extend our invitation to all of the business community to come and see what we have to offer.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Durkin
Michael Durkin

Friendships Without Borders – Update 1997 to October 2000

Founding of socio-economic empowerment program 1997 with support of President Clinton, An Taoiseach John Bruton – in U.K., Professor Bob Rowthorn of Cambridge (Economics) and Joe Hendron MP (SDLP).

1998 ‘Womens’ Voice in the Peace Accords’ - meeting at Loyola University in Baltimore – participants given the Freedom of the City of Baltimore – including Ms Baibre DeBrun, now Minister of Health in the Northern Ireland Government.

1999 meeting at World Trade Center in Baltimore, promoting interest in Trade with Ireland in the ‘cross border regions’ (one of the most deprived in Europe) – job and career opportunities. Initiated relationships with schools east to west, Omagh to Dundalk to Letterkenny, and in the cross border regions. Funded and founded regional media expression – Francis Gallagher’s newspaper, Mourne Echo – now in it’s third edition – established web page - fwbin.org

1999 - meetings organized with representative John Cosgrove of IFI in Newcastle etc – and with Education Dept of Southern Ireland Government – Promotion of Baltimore All Ireland Trade Fair (BAIT)– letter to Att. Gen. Joe Curran Baltimore, Dec ‘99. BAIT to coincide with arrival of Famine Replica ship the Jeannie Johnson. Attended reception for President Mary McAleese in May of 2000 held in Baltimore – also working with Professor Steven Hanke of Hopkins in developing the ‘economic initiative, the pathway to peace’ – with Professor John Bradley of ESRI advisor to the Irish and Northern Irish governments on economic policy and with Micheal Smyth of Ulster University and Micheal Tomlinson of Queens. This submitted in publication The Economic shift.

2000 – May, meetings with Michael Durkin and Paul McCormack of Cross Border Trade Organization May 2000 in Newry – suggested plans for ‘Twin City’ relationship – Baltimore to Newry to Dundalk in October trade fair to be held in this region. Also visits by significant political reps, Mayor of Baltimore and President Clinton, President Mary McAleese etc – time short but plan logical to promote this, the first shared economic agenda – the economic resources of the whole island the rightful resources of all the people of the island by International Law, Ric Harvey of NY Law Journal 1990.

In communications with Michael Smyth, economist sharing in discussions with earlier purpose - economic initiative - brought Colm McClean’s role as inward investment Director FWB to attention of Belfast group initiating Home Care for the elderly plan - Colm offered role as consultant or partner - enabling further ops for inward investment assembly and packaging meds and equipment in Dundalk Newry area. Same time Francis Gallagher meeting Newry, with Nina Harrison of Butte Montana, experience with BBC documentaries, possible mutual other goals - Internet for Newspaper and role with International contacts through Newry ‘Ambassadors club’.

Seamus McCarton of Castlewellan invited in as techno and partnership with WW II Irish American association prior to D-Day - recovery of equipment interred since the wartime period. American consul in Belfast notified for possible further assistance. Niall P. Mac Allister, Francis Gallagher, Colm McClean of FWB Inc.

Friendships Without Borders – Update
1997 to October 2000

Hopkins Health Care Plan in association with NI Health Care being promoted at time of leaving NI. Further discussions planned in Dublin and in Baltimore. Newcastle Co Down.

Niall P. Mac Allister - FWB

Francis Gallagher - FWB

Colm McClean - FWB

Seamus McCarton - FWB

Sept. 20 2000

AN INTERNATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE EQUALLY AVAILABLE FOR ALL

Problems facing the administration - challenging the standards - the accessibility of contemporary medical care, are of universal and growing concern. The rising costs of new medications, of newly designed medical or surgical interventions, their immediate availability, are an urgent priority, render present health care services 'out of date' and too late, in too many instances. The rising costs of upgrading medical care demand a review of the designation criteria - the requirements for greater government spending of public monies in this foremost priority area - the redistribution of private accountability must be addressed. Without urgent re-evaluation of personnel needs, at all levels, the role of in and out of Hospital care, the facilities required, the quality of Health Care available will suffer further.

As recently pointed out, even in the United States, which spends twice as much as Britain or Ireland on Health Care, complaints are widespread. Yet, more important, as recent statistics show, with the commonly fatal disease entities, heart disease, cancer etc., between the US and Britain, there is a marked disparity in survival rates. In some instances, as much as twice as long. Life threatening delays in definitive diagnosis and treatment, unavailable appropriate physician contact, inadequate facilities, insufficient physician or physician assistant personnel and out priced options in all instances, all add to the worsening problem.

The ever present harsh times, economic trends for some - the widening disparity in income - 'private affluence, public poverty' - a significant, near three billion world population in destitution - Malthus and Ricardo's predicted 'surplus humanity' - some 14 million in Britain, over 50 million in the United States, more in the EU, all provides us with the ultimate challenge to the Hypocratic oath, it's purpose for all of us. Especially, in Ireland now, the 'peripherality' of too many - out of sight out of mind - a poor excuse. Our commitment, to provide equally accessible, affordable Health Care for all. This a rewarding option in an era of 'the cult of death', abortions and assisted suicides, facing hazardous choices in the face of 'selective cloning' a chosen semblance of the 'human counterfeit' - risky steps with our history of other recent misguided steps.

The humane imperative, in providing affordable quality Health Care for all, (see enclosed ltr. B.Healey) has always been the 'Hopkins commitment. To restrict this to chosen areas seems illogical and inappropriate. As in Asia and elsewhere, presently, the Hopkins system must really show its dedication worldwide - to address this universal human problem - addressing primarily the quality of care and its accessibility. This means recruiting the eager commitment of the governments and peoples of other nations where problems in public health are a growing focus now, of public concern or outrage. The resources to meet this challenge, as recently voted in Britain, are an increase in monies available from the public purse and further enabling progress through an equable, proportionate 'taxation according to resources'. Health care can be privately accessible - must be publicly available on demand - and, equally to both - rendered affordable through proportionately shared cost - a more realistic recognition of the cost. Quality health care has been largely, only available to the wealthy - the cost now, a widening barrier to the poor.

There is reason to discuss presently available options - the dedication, interest and available resources are there. In the United States we presently spend more than 700 million dollars a DAY on 'defense' with no enemy in sight.

We see room for discussion re a 'nurse practitioner' 'staffed out reach program' to upgrade and increase availability to the 'out of hospital' patient - his 'remoteness' occasionally signalling the higher mortality - especially, for the elderly, disabled, those dependent on home monitoring and assisted care.

We see room for an upgraded, timely communication systems - virtual and real imaging - use of internet and portable emergency units - where appropriate, alarm systems and cell phone contact. Most homes have TV - the technology is similar and no more expensive.

Obvious advantages in 'immediate availability' labelling and 'triage' through GP and Nurse Practitioner service - with upgraded transport system with personnel upgrading to initiate treatment 'on site' and 'en route' where appropriate. e.g. diabetes, stroke, heart attack etc., Early diagnosis and treatment is the prime obligation - differentiation of minimal to maximal intervention 'avenues' - increasing communication capabilities with para physician role, to upgrade quality and decrease mortality, morbidity and cost.

Long term care increases susceptibility - enhancement here, to include 'out of hospital' care - support to optimized hospital transport services - to 'long term' dependent care and, its remote monitoring. To include psychological evaluation - acute and long term - e.g. in chronic deterioration detecting urgent crises. Long term to include aged, disabled and child care. The introduction of other allied treatments e.g., Holistic medicine, alternative medicines, acupuncture, homeopathic and chiropractic etc., modes of care also to be included.

We see a redefinition of required hospital facilities - according to community requirements - emergency to medical and surgical with long and short term redefinition. Specific technological advances, in radiology and other whole body imaging techniques and therapies - in laboratory facilities for pathology diagnosis and other identification criteria - seen as also being independently, regionally available yet with equally defined standard of practice requirements. A system of care e.g., Hopkins, can sustain a degree of accountability better than random individual care.

The Hopkins system must be supported, its requirements etc., to assume primary responsibility for Quality of Care and of personnel, as for the necessary facilities for the defined mode of care offered. The quality and other standards - with instant communication systems with Hopkins approved 'staff' at all levels - from physician to physician and nurse assistant quality, must also be closely monitored through to Hopkins own required standards. To sustain this life giving, life sustaining service, an appropriate proportion of both government and private funds must be designated and assigned. The required assignment of funds for this urgent and primary public prerogative must be prior to other public or private commitments, as with and proportionate to e.g., 'military budget' - to other public services, tourist, highways, transport etc.

How this infrastructure for an upgraded system for Health Care proportionate to other demands of the current 'global village' can only be chosen and applied through rigorous analysis, urgent discussion and experimentation rather than wasted time and monies through quango's and committees, miles of paper and aeons of time.

Niall P. Mac Allister MD (Fdr & Pres., Friendships Without Borders Inc.)
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International Health Care

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Fund source – government and private – its efficient dispersion to the community.

Management infrastructure – community representation balanced with central goals...

Standards re: prevailing international – quality controls – acute – long term – preventive and overall accountability ongoing.

Accessibility and affordability

Redesign of Health Care Team – upgrade of support roles – nurse practitioner role etc., triage – nurse and technician interaction with GP – peripheral care physician.

Out of hospital – visual, verbal.com – and physician. GP to specialist etc.

Out of hospital 'home care' - long term – aged, disabled – to child care and the meeting of Public Health Care Standards – regional and international.

Instant to Acute assessment and information transmission – Hospital notification – immediate transport to Acute Care triage and facilities – proximity relative to roadway infrastructure – air transport.

Constant assessment in home and on route – cost of and quality of and affordability of premium car – also continuing upgrading of all personnel – technician to nurse to physician and continuing educational needs.

Niall P. Mac Allister MD (Hopkins Alum.) 8/24/00

domains now reflecting the high tech communication capabilities with visual and audio potential from regional centers. Proximity of 'emergency response' teams - their equipment, supplies and available transport within immediate reach.

In the emergency situation, Medical 'team' concept must now consider the escalating cost of current standards and treatment options. In the initial patient to hospital or 'health aid center' contact, the appropriate and primary use of the Para-Medical components of the 'team' in triaging and primary diagnostic contact - of Nurse Practitioner, of Emergency Technician, of Physician Assistant and other non physician members, is now a logical and more affordable priority. Ongoing education for all members of the team is now, an even more urgent consideration. An affordable and comprehensive communication system is essential to initiate early treatment decisions in conjunction with secondary physician or specialist involvement. Well rehearsed collaboration is an essential factor for the Emergency teams role in early patient evaluation and decision making.

Cost

Funding for an equally available quality and system of care - immediate and long term, is in the process of a final resolution - recognized now, as everyone's equal right. Accessibility and affordability meeting more open standards for both personnel, hospital and diagnostic facilities, has become an acknowledged tenet of international health care expectations. The corporate 'free market' health care programs, subject to unfavorable decisions in relation to available modes of treatment, or choice of physician, to the 'profit ethos' priorities - not more for less but less for more, the insurance companies are in competition with the government provided health care systems of limited patient choice and the inevitable queue for surgical or medical intervention, unaffordable prescriptions and both these options competing with the 'private care' team, choice of physician, of hospital and early treatment, available to those who can afford it.

Britain's National Health Service a once prized example of 'total people care' has fallen on bad times, unaffordable, with and overload bureaucracy administering unequal care, of varying quality, rife with malpractice claims, overlong delayed treatment - varied standards - widening quality differences between the public and private sectors. A complete revamping of the organization and funding of care - further recruitment of personnel - restructuring of in hospital role and monitoring of quality of care in and out of hospital, is in the process of implementation, this following much publicized major inadequacies during the 'flu' epidemic of '99, significant malpractice errors and increasing incidents of too late treatment for patients with cancer or heart disease.

In the United States, with better survival statistics than the UK, also afflicted with poor quality of praxes surgical results, yet sooner available, surgical intervention and other therapies, the problems have been compounded with the prevalent and increasing incidence of gun shot injuries, more than seventy thousand per year, this more than the total deaths in the Vietnam war; over twelve children dying from gunshot injuries per day. Also, with the increasing incidence of STD, a diagnosis of HIV positive testing every minute; a death from AIDS every three minutes. A prevalent culture of drugs and violence demanding a busy emergency hospital commitment - a growing elder population who cannot afford prescribed medicines and more than twenty percent of the population with no health coverage.

In summary, though research and dedicated exploration have yielded extraordinary advances - in Surgery, in Medicine and drug and other non invasive therapies - with new modalities of care - these advances are not uniformly available or affordable. Urgently needed, a reassignment of budget priorities,

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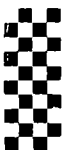
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Dick - enclose letter on delvelopments which could, we hope, be helpful for coming Presidential visits to Ireland - happy thanksgiving
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November 14 2000

Dear Richard -

We realize you certainly have your hands full. However, we thought you might also be interested to hear great news - perhaps, also with opportune timing for President Clinton's planned visit to Ireland and, indeed, the turmoil in the Middle-East. I am not aware of any other comparable opportunity!

During the past week, following up on progress in our promotion of economic opportunity as the path to permanent resolution of conflict - to shared goals for Ireland north to south, we were in productive discussion with several people who have made significant contributions to these and other humane aspirations in recent years. In the past five days, we sensed an increasingly enthusiastic response.

Each of these people is of national or international stature in their own field, exchanges taking place with, Bob Rowthorn, Professor of Economics at Cambridge - Ric Harvey, practising in New York, also of Cambridge, and a distinguished barrister, of King's Inns and Brehon Law - Steve Hanke, Professor of Economics at Hopkins, editor of Forbes magazine and advisor in economics to the Yugoslavian and other governments. Also, meetings in Dublin and Belfast with John Bradley, Professor of Economics at ESRI, Dublin, and advisor to the Irish government and to Stormont. in Belfast, with Michael Smyth, Senior lecturer in Economics at Ulster University, Colrairie. And finally in brief discussion with our long time supporter, the distinguished Professor of Economics and it's human priorities, Amartya Sen of Harvard and of Cambridge, England.

In all our exchanges, we explained our concern for one of the most enduring areas in the northern hemisphere, of discord, degradation and exploitation of the human resource, in the response, of those not routinely involved in Ireland's problems, each conveyed an interest in maintaining or renewing their previous association, awareness of, affairs in Northern Ireland (NI) - as I sensed it, in a tangible way. I am not attempting to convey their message, they have already given as much. I am sending my own real sense of a great opportunity through random chance.

Among those we corresponded with - Bob Rowthorn, co-author with Naomi Wayne of the seminal work on the total 'problem' in NI - 'Northern Ireland The Political Economy Of Conflict.' Polity Press - in less than 250 pp written in 1988 - is yet the most concise and comprehensive history of the 'British Problem' in Ireland as Rowthorn puts it - and, the solution as seen by the economist. In conversation with Bob, just this morning, my plea to him, to reissue his discourse, a panacea for peace and shared economic reempowerment. Indeed timely, to 'update' the economics - in the south, twenty years ago, a budget deficit, high unemployment, and, now, to the present, a budget surplus, the highest GDP in Europe - while the 'northern counties' are still the 'beggar-nanny' economy of the past seventy years, existing on a yearly 'handout'.

This is, at once, a paradox and an incomparable solution of 'opposites' - the problem and the solution, many agree, lying in the same geographic or all island economic realm. The opportunity, discarding 'separatism' and sharing the 'Celtic Tiger' south to north - in inward investment,

promoting the established indigenous, high tech etc economy, the job opportunities with the hopeful, soon to be, sharing of the Euro currency, 'a win-win situation', as Steve Hanke called it. This morning, after our repeated exchanges, Bob Rowthorn tells me he is going to 'give it a shot' - to re-present the substance of his book - with the economics updated! Sensational! I told him I was conveying his thoughts to President Clinton via his assistant, Richard Norland. If you can't get a copy of his book, Richard, I can loan you mine. It is probably in the Library of Congress!

More important now, this situation gives rise to an established opportunity - with a 'new look' - to be explored without contention. Why go to war when you can go to work! Jobs, education and economic solvency, few disagree on. I have conveyed my thoughts to Bob Rowthorn, namely, if the British indicated 'times up' - no more 'handout' - a phased withdrawal - would there be 'civil war'? I honestly conveyed my conviction to many in NI, regarding the 'unjustified' subvention etc' - the practical, family man and woman, if implications are discreetly firmly handled, no alternatives - all would rather hasten to the 'table' - to the job and to school. Bob Rowthorn's updated analysis will be highly respected. An invaluable contribution, well deserved.

In further exchanges with John Bradley, with Michael Smyth, and finally with Steve Hanke and Ric Harvey, this candid confrontation of issues - the redirection of more appropriately spent 'other people's money', they agreed, might well be the only viable strategy for a sure path to peace and solvency. Steve Hanke, following the past six months exchanges - including tele-conferences with John Bradley and Michael Smyth, agreed - 'if properly handled, presented - a 'win-win' situation! Agreed to consider writing an editorial in Forbes following completion of his commitment to the Yugoslavian situation in December. eg perhaps, 'how adopting the Euro currency could restore reunification' - and trust? Perfect timing for President Clinton's visit! Steve Hanke's opinion, John Bradley remarked, would make a great deal of difference. Not previously involved in U.K. or Irish affairs, his involvement in Europe being seen as from an interested but objective, 'neutral, unbiased' voice! Especially recognized, his universally regarded, international expertise.

John Bradley, in Dublin, at Stormont and Westminster, has been consistently promoting the option of the 'shared market' - and its implications. Ric Harvey, presently in N.I. as a 'neutral or other' legal opinion for investigations regarding 'Bloody Sunday' - other unsolved tragedies, wrote the seminal legal article re the NI situation and, the legal basis for its resolution - New York Law School Journal of International and Comparative Law, numbers 1 & 2, Volume 11, pp 167-206, 1990. This work requires no upgrading - only due regard for its message and the clearly stated rights of the peoples involved and their affairs, in, what Ric Harvey sees as this last vestige arena of 'post colonial subterfuge and mismanagement' I have a spare copy of this for you if you wish.

Never the 'last word', Richard - but, at this point, the key commodity - an interesting opportunity to promote a human priority we all need equally addressed - the International complaint, everyone's shared concern - the present inadequacies of an inefficiently delivered health care system. We faxed you copies (Oct 2000) of our proposal, International Health Care I and II, also sent to Health Care representatives of Health Care systems, in NI and the U.K. This, with education etc, among the most essential of the economic imperatives we have chosen as the forum focus where each and every political difference is modified, transformed - no one questions the need, is united in concern for 'how' this might be urgently and best achieved. Recruiting support for this, we find Bob Rowthorn and others' comments, 'Health Care World Wide, Niall! - John Bradley - 'a great opportunity, Niall!' also Steve Hanke, Ric Harvey and Michael Smyth - the 'way to go!' This we have sent to Professor Amartya Sen, winner of the Nobel Prize for Economics in 1998, with due regard for his seminal works on Poverty, on Equality, on Famine. We look forward to his response.

We have recruited the ongoing support of John's Hopkins International Health Care and, the continuing interest, of the NI Chief Medical Officer, Etta Campbell, of the Dean of Queens' U.

Medical School and friends in the U.K., Director of the 'Transplant Games' - their only questions, when and how? Also in the United States we are in discussions with Insurance carriers, with Health Care organizations, our own (Friendships Without Borders Inc - Universal Health Care) and other specialists and entrepreneurs in the field. This we will continue to pursue. This commitment gives all of us a universally acceptable 'united front' concern - in areas of deprivation and, of conflict - all the peoples' troubled focus, support for the dependant and those without the means to buy it. An affordable, accessible, accountable Health Care System.

Richard, to recruit the dedicated contribution of such a brilliant team, is now, a sudden opportunity, is accessible to you and to President Clinton - especially deserved for his world wide efforts and those of Mrs, now Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton over the past four years and more. Those we spoke with to promote these goals, (of FWB) would be keen, have expressed their interest, have shown their dedication elsewhere and, now in this slowly resolving field of human conflict in NI - have also agreed, in Bob Rowthorn's words just this morning - 'the same strategy must be advocated for the solution of similar problems, in the Middle-East, in the Balkans and elsewhere, wherever peoples, their 'differences' and their resources have been colonized and exploited.'

If you, Richard, for President Clinton, wish to contact these names I have mentioned, I include their location and phone numbers. Nothing tried, nothing gained, right? I have, of course, not presumed to tell anyone they could be called to 'join' in - 'consultant' or other capacity, President Clinton's 'peace mission' - world wide - their 'potential' role, I'm sure you'll agree, is a unique opportunity. In NI - and from England, and in Dublin and Baltimore, I have only listened to their eagerness to support such a strategy as described. We realize, the 'womens' voice' is also critical to complete this effort to restore the 'family' and have stayed in communication with Ireland's President McAleese, updating on our promotions. Others we have worked with -

- Bob Rowthorn, Professor Economics, Trinity College Cambridge, CB2 1TQ England
011 44 1 223 335 230 - with friends in all 'sides'
- Amartya Sen, Professor Economics, Trinity College Cambridge, CB2 1TQ
011 44 1 223 338 412 - such a significant background
- John Bradley, Professor Economics, ESRI, 4 Burlington Rd Dublin 4 Ireland
011 353 1 667 1525 - I'm sure, almost weekly involved
- Steve Hanke, Professor Economics, Johns Hopkins University, 34 & Charles St.,
Baltimore, 21218, Md. 410 516 7183 - is interested and involved in EU
- Ric Harvey, LLB, (Kings Inns & Brehon Law) 116 West 111 St., New York, NY.
10026. 212 864 4445 - a lifelong and dedicated to affairs eg in S.Africa, NI etc
- Michael Smyth, Senior Lecturer, Economics, School of Public Policy, Economics and
Law, Ulster University, Shore Rd, Newtown Abbey, Co Antrim, NI BT370 QB -
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If we can be of any other assistance, we would be more than happy to try - just let us know your thoughts. This would be a well deserved Christmas send off, both for the President at the conclusion of his term and an appropriate 'welcome' for our new Senator, Mrs Hillary Rodham Clinton, a courageous reemergence of Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt in Public Service.

With Sincere Regards to you, Richard and respect for a historically achieving Presidency

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December 3, 2000

Dear President Clinton:

Here's wishing you and your family, the best Christmas ever - and, well it deserves to be as you prepare to leave your seal on the Presidency and especially in Ireland, on a 'family', however reluctantly, following the path you have indelibly set - to peace and, in Ireland, to an 'all island' future.

As a travel companion, gift and sometime 'guide' we enclose a copy of Cambridge and Harvard academic and '98 Nobel winner in Economics, Amartya Sen's 'Development as Freedom' - surely one of the three recent and seminal texts on 'Northern Ireland' - also a copy of the second, the legal history and directions for the path to permanent resolution of the conflict, New York Law School Journal of International Law etc. by Ric Harvey LLB (Brehon Law and King's Inns) also of Cambridge. Ric's quotations from the third chosen text Bob Rowthorn's book, 'Northern Ireland, the political economy of Conflict.', Economics Cambridge, completes what I believe to be the foremost Internationally recognized analyses of the problem.

The material we enclose, including the recent 'update on the NI Health Care status - the long term effects of the ongoing 'subvention' enhancing isolation and terminal and disproportionate economic dependancy - paradoxically point the way forward! Chance of a lifetime! The strategy to enhance self reliance - a focus for shared constructive criticism - the 'way forward' for both communities.

Sen's book well describes the core you have tried to reestablish in Northern Ireland (NI) and elsewhere - his five essential criteria of the free society (p.10) - few of which now exist in Northern Ireland or other areas of ongoing conflict (Sen well describes the sequelae in it's absence.) Sen's second requisite, economic facilities. the path we are all promoting, the shared economic imperative, needs little explanation. Jobs and equal opportunity. Sen's third factor, Social Opportunities, the path to an improved Health Care System, which FWB is also promoting (see enclosed - Outline International Health Care) This, is an urgently needed, a logical and shared focus of concern for all the people - also, a great opportunity.

The recent update, status of some relevant Health Care statistics from NI - deaths from Cancer, from Coronary Artery Disease and, life expectancy, among the worst in Europe. And, more telling, long term unemployment rates, the highest in the UK. As Sen comments, characteristic of the unequal, (unfree) Social Opportunities development programs

from China to Africa to Asia (even to Afro-American communities in the Bronx or Los Angeles where life expectancy is less than in similar age groups in China, India or Jamaica or same age Caucasians in the United States!) All clearly illustrating the disparity factor in social opportunities, economic facilities - in development as Freedom.

The steps taken to correct the missing economic incentives - a shared strategy, north to south - ways to reduce the divisive disincentive of the yearly 'handout' - growing social dependancy in contrast with the 'free economy' to the south - possible path through a shared EU currency - the norths' 'peripherality' in UK affairs all urges consideration of these steps. In this respect the advise of Sen, of Harvey and Rowthorn to reempower an independant and community spirit with a shared, reasoned stance e.g. a 'revived' Health Care System, sharing facilities north to south, as in Tourism, infrastructure of highways, Trade Policy Systems - ie Sens' Economic and Social opportunities, will finally 'deliver' the first, the development of Political Freedoms.

In a recent exchange with Bob Rowthorn, he agreed, the problems in Northern Ireland, the absence of Sen's criteria of 'essential freedoms' - economic and social, also an underlying factor in other ongoing areas of divisive conflict, both in the Balkans and, the Middle-East. Again, their restoration, contributing to e.g. political freedoms, as now commenced in Ireland, offering a similar path to permanent resolution.

This, we believe, is surely, the uniformly acceptable path to equally shared concerns resolved - sharing the answers, divisive issues of less relevance to parents, to their children. Finally, re the 'rejects' of a NI society in conciliation, to be labelled as 'outcasts', 'terrorists' is a mistake - rather, as in all regions of long term conflict, to bring them back to the community - to support them in their mistrust, their fears, psychological 'fallout' - our challenge and responsibility. As in the United States after the Civil War, 'a house divided will not stand.' All in pursuit of all our goals, the total family, all our human heritage.

Mr President, to wish you and your family, a well deserved great Christmas season - and, a successful visit to Ireland.

Respectfully yours,

Niall P. Mac Allister

Niall P. Mac Allister (FWB)

PS in his painting exhibit in DUBLIN
Temple Bar Galleries Nov 30 - Jan 12
My son sold 10 of 12 major paintings
in the first day! (invite sent earlier)
Equal Good Luck to you
Mr President Niall

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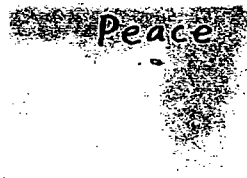
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