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### LOG 2342 DEATH OF ROBERT HAMILL

The Irish Side of the Secretariat have asked for an update on the investigation into the murder of Robert Hamill.

The current position is that six people have been charged. In addition, the Independent Commission for Police Complaints is deeply involved, through its supervision of the police investigation of the complaint. It has appointed one of its Deputy Chairmen to the case. He has met with the police investigating officer on several occasions and will attend the interviews arranged by that officer. To date arrangements have been made for around 30 interviews of witnesses. However, a number of witnesses have failed or declined to turn up for interview. Anything the Irish Side can do to encourage witnesses to co-operate with the police and ICPC would assist the investigation.

The Irish Side asked about the deployment of the officers who are the subject of the complaint by Diane Hamill. Operational deployment is, of course, a matter for the Chief Constable and it would not be appropriate to disclose this information.

They also asked about the outcome of forensic tests. This information forms part of the prosecution case and, again, it would not be appropriate to give details on it.

Signed:

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