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between the Government of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
and the Government of Ireland concerning the
interpretation of certain terms in the Agreement
establishing Implementation Bodies

(Dublin and London, 18 June 1999)

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by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND CONCERNING THE INTERPRETATION OF CERTAIN TERMS IN THE AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING IMPLEMENTATION BODIES

No. 1

The Secretary of State for Northern Ireland to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ireland

*London
18 June 1999*

I have the honour to refer to recent discussions between our two Governments concerning the interpretation, in relation to post-1999 Structural Funds, of the terms “Community Initiatives”, “Initiatives” and “CIs” in Part 4 of Annex 1 and Part 4 of Annex 2 to the Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland establishing Implementation Bodies done at Dublin on 8 March 1999¹ (“the Implementation Bodies Agreement”).

It is the understanding of my Government that it was the joint intention of our two Governments that the aforementioned terms would include any successor to the PEACE programme established within the framework of the European Community’s Structural Funds and should be construed accordingly. If this is also the understanding of your Government, I have the honour to propose that this letter and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments concerning the interpretation of these terms which shall enter into force on the date on which the Implementation Bodies Agreement enters into force.

MARJORIE MOWLAM

No. 2

The Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ireland to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

*Dublin
18 June 1999*

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 18 June 1999 concerning the interpretation of certain terms contained in the Agreement between our two Governments establishing Implementation Bodies done at Dublin on 8 March 1999. I confirm that it is also the understanding of my Government that it was the joint intention of our two Governments that the terms as specified in your letter would include any successor to the PEACE programme established within the framework of the European Community’s Structural Funds and should be construed accordingly.

I have the honour to confirm that this letter and your letter shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments concerning the interpretation of these terms which shall enter into force on the date on which the Implementation Bodies Agreement enters into force.

DAVID ANDREWS

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