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- . We confirm that we stand by the nine paragraph document.
- 2. We confirm that the ordering of events is important and that the nine paragraph note made it clear in paragraphs 3 and 4 that any dialogue could only follow a halt to violent activity and the receipt of a private assurance that organised violence had been brought to an end.
- 3. The Chairman is, as you know, away until next week. This gives the opportunity for you to consider any other questions which you may wish to put to us or to seek further explanation.

Off the record: We are appalled at the present mess. We are trying to think of questions that you could put that will give you all the assurance of our good will and good intentions that you need. Suggest you ask for instance for clear answer on timing which only Chairman can answer.

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Dated by S.F.

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straight as 7/5/53.)

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paragraphs 2+3 are

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The Chairman is

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Secretary of State.