

17/7/93.

(B.D.)

Mr. C. gave Mr. Brown a doc. dated simply April 93.

It contained 11 paragraphs or points urging the British to get on with peace. (doc. is filed by FMD at end of April 93).

Dated is confirmed by S.F. version pp31.

FMD has difficulty dating the doc. precisely but knows that it was at least after 26/4/93 cos at a meeting between B.Gov + S.F., S.F. told them they would have a policy document soon. (see S.F. version pp29).

Question

Did B.D. pass this doc. on in July or had it already been passed from MG to B.Gov. some other way.

i.e. July is a bit late to get a policy document which is supposed to be in response to the B.Gov. 9 paragraph doc. of 15/3/93.

Circa 22 / 23 July 93.

Fred asked for meeting with Mr. Brown + categorically assured him that there was no deal with the Unionists.

~~Fred~~ Brown said it didn't matter, it was what people believed that mattered.

Fred asked for a reply to his 15 / July 93 doc. which Mr. Brown gave to S.F. on 16 / 7 / 93.

Mr. Brown didn't have a reply but said that Reps had lost faith + recent Parliamentary manipulations had made a bad situation worse.

MD wonders whether this meeting between Fred + Mr. Brown took place before or after Major made his "no deal with unionists" statement on 23 / 7 / 93.

23/7/53.

Major tells Commons that there was no deal with Unionists in return for support on the Social Chapter vote on the Maastricht Treaty - Oh yeah?