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Sent: Wednesday 4 August 2021 12:51
To: Kavanagh Sarah HQ-POLITICAL
Subject: FW: Special Envoy - Freedom of Expression
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Gerry, Michael

The attached looks as though it due to go to government on Tuesday. The support structure in HQ will need a bit of thought. I have already said to SG that it is unlikely that HRU will be able to engage in any substantive way before end September given staffing gaps and uncertainties

Sonja

Begin forwarded message:

From: Burgess Niall HQ-SEC GEN <Niall.Burgess@dfa.ie>
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Sonja,

I hope the trip's off to a good start. This is a slightly slimmed down version of the tasking which I'll discuss with Katherine Zappone later today. We hope to get it to Government (along with everything else) next week. It will continue to evolve so any further thoughts appreciated when you get back.

Rgds, n