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SUBJECT: IAN PAISLEY IN CANADA

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SINCE HIS ARRIVAL IN TORONTO ON FRIDAY NIGHT IAN PAISLEY HAS ATTRACTED WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY IN ALL CANADIAN MEDIA. TELEVISION, RADIO AND NEWSPAPERS ON SATURDAY GAVE CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION TO HIS ARRIVAL AT TORONTO AIRPORT WHERE, ALTHOUGH UNDER TIGHT SECURITY, HE WAS MET BY A SMALL, BUT VOCAL GROUP OF PROTESTORS, MEMBERS OF THE IRISH PRISONERS OF WAR COMMITTEE. (THIS COMMITTEE ORGANIZED PROTEST MARCHES OUTSIDE THE BRITISH AIRWAYS OFFICE IN TORONTO DURING LAST YEAR'S HUNGER STRIKES.)

TODAY'S (MONDAY) TORONTO NEWSPAPERS GAVE MAJOR COVERAGE TO PAISLEY'S WEEKEND ACTIVITIES. THE GLOBE AND MAIL AND THE TORONTO STAR (TWO MAJOR TORONTO NEWSPAPERS) GAVE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE TO PAISLEY PREACHING AT A FREE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ON SUNDAY. ALL PAPERS REPORTED PAISLEY AS SAYING YESTERDAY THAT HE WAS USING HIS VISIT TO CANADA TO GIVE INTERVIEWS TO U.S. TV NETWORKS AND TO APPEAR ON U.S. TELEVISION USING TORONTO AS A BASE.

IN AN INTERVIEW GIVEN TO THE GLOBE AND MAIL PAISLEY IS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT HIS VISIT TO CANADA WAS DESIGNED "TO TELL THE PEOPLE OF CANADA SIMPLY HOW IT IS IN NORTHERN IRELAND: TO PRESENT THE FACTS AND TO INVITE THEM TO COME AND SEE FOR THEMSELVES". LATER IN THE INTERVIEW PAISLEY SAID THAT HIS MESSAGE TO CANADA COULD BE SUMMARISED AS "STRESSING THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF NORTHERN IRELAND TO REMAIN IN THE UK BY THEIR OWN CHOICE: TEAR ASIDE THE ROMANTICISM CULTIVATED BY IRISH REPUBLICANISM AND REVEAL THE AWFUL NATURE OF ITS NAKED TERRORISM: SHOW MISGUIDED AMERICANS HOW THEIR ILL-CONSIDERED DONATIONS TO THE IRA FRONT ORGANIZATIONS ARE PLAYING NO SMALL PART IN THE RAPE OF THE ULSTER PEOPLE".

PAISLEY IS SCHEDULED TO GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE IN TORONTO TODAY AND TO MAKE A NUMBER OF MEDIA APPEARANCES, PARTICULARLY ON U.S. TELEVISION. HE PLANS TO ADDRESS THE ORANGE ORDER OF CANADA ON TUESDAY NIGHT AND ON WEDNESDAY, NEWSPAPERS REPORT, HE IS SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS A PUBLIC MEETING IN TORONTO ON THE THEME "THE CONSPIRACY TO DESTROY THE PROTESTANTS OF ULSTER".

PAISLEY IS ALSO QUOTED EXTENSIVELY TODAY AS CONDEMNING THE RECENT APPOINTMENT OF THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO THE VATICAN AS BEING UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

X MAJOR COVERAGE IS ALSO GIVEN IN ALL THE MEDIA TO THE TORONTO ON SATURDAY (AND HIS OVERNIGHT DETENTION BY IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES) OF DANNY MORRISON WHO IS REPORTED IN THE NEWSPAPERS AS BEING EDITOR OF REPUBLICAN NEWS AND PUBLICITY DIRECTOR OF SINN FEIN. MORRISON IS QUOTED IN THE PRESS AS SAYING "I AM IN CANADA TO COUNTER THE PROPAGANDA OF IA PAISLEY" AND "I WILL BE STAYING IN CANADA SOME DAYS AND I WILL BE ON PAISLEY'S COAT-TAILS WHEREVER HE GOES". THE GLOBE AND MAIL IN REPORTING ON MORRISON SAYS "HE IS EXPECTED TO BE CLOSELY IN TOUCH WITH MILITANT IRISH-CANADIAN GROUPS".

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