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Dear Nicola

**THIRTY FIFTH SUMMIT MEETING OF THE BRITISH IRISH COUNCIL**

On behalf of the Northern Ireland Executive, we are pleased to invite you to the thirty fifth Summit meeting of the British Irish Council.

In light of the ongoing relaxation of COVID 19 restrictions, we are now making preparations to host the Summit in a physical format on 11 June 2021 in County Fermanagh. These preparations will take into account the necessary limitations and risk assessments which will still apply, and which will require accompanying delegations to be limited to the minimum necessary. However, should circumstances ultimately prohibit this approach we will proceed on a virtual basis on the same date.

The practical arrangements for the meeting, including for those attending or observing, will be managed through the BIC Co-ordinators' network and further information will be provided in due course.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to the 35<sup>th</sup> BIC Summit on 11 June.

Yours sincerely



**THE RT. HON. ARLENE FOSTER MLA  
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**MICHELLE O'NEILL MLA  
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