



BUCKINGHAM PALACE



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Dear Lord Mayor,

Loan of the banner of Na Fianna Eireann

Dublin City Hall Exhibition Centre

The Queen has asked me to reply to your letter of 27 June, in which you asked about the possibility of extending the loan of the banner beyond August this year.

I am pleased to let you know that Her Majesty is content for the banner to be placed under a new long-term loan agreement on the expiry of the present loan. These are entirely standard agreements, normally reviewed every five years.

I have spoken to Diane Lees at the Imperial War Museum and she is also content that the banner will not be returning to them. Having had the opportunity at different stages to see it on display in City Hall we are both convinced it is most suitably shown there, and clearly much appreciated.

I have also informed the British Ambassador of the plan.

My colleagues will now liaise with the team at City Hall to finalise the new Loan Agreement, which should be ready in good time. Since it is the holiday period it might be best to assume that in case it is not, the present one will remain in force until that time.

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