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FM and dFM met the SoS this morning. They impressed upon him their view of the incongruity of the extant FCO advice on travelling to Northern Italy, alongside the Irish Government's more restrictive stance. NIO undertook to raise this at COBRA today.

Ministers emphasised that in relation to this matter in the context of school trips (and possibly other matters) they may decide to act on an all-island basis, even if that takes NI a little out of step with the rest of the UK.

Needless to say, it remains essential that any decision or announcement reflects advice from Michael.

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