

TEO FIRST MINISTER'S OFFICE MEETING NOTE

TITLE/ORGANISATION:		Meeting NIO and ROI	
DATE:	1 Feb 2021	NOTE WRITTEN BY:	
		Deirdre Griffith	
VENUE:	Virtual		FM Adviser:
	17:20		dFM Adviser:
LIST OF ATTENDEES INCLUDED: FM, dFM and JM Kearney Simon Coveney, Tánaiste Robin Walker, Minister NIO Stephen Donnelly, Minister for health, ROI Robin Swann, Health Minister Deirdre Griffith, PPS FM			
KEY POINTS DISCUSSED:		<p>Meeting opened with an update on Covid position. Simon Coveney indicated that numbers were reducing. Robin Swann indicated that starting to see reduction in NI. Care homes have all been visited, 410 had received a second visit and there was a decrease in outbreaks. Concerned about travel and hotel quarantine. Stephen Donnelly indicated that ICU numbers coming down slowly, January had been tough and stay at home message in place until start of March.</p> <p>On data sharing and quarantine Minister Swann indicated that the position on data does not align with ROI update. Simon Coveney highlighted that if NI residents drive across the border they may be asked to return home. Message is only essential travel – stay within 5 km radius.</p> <p>Robin Walker asked for an update on Executive position on hotel quarantine. FM indicated that it was an internal UK issue and under discussion with DfT.</p> <p>Robin Walker said that UK want to share health data. Robin Swann asked for an update on SOS NI Coveney talks. Robin Walker indicated that there was a</p>	

	<p>commitment to amend Passenger Locator Forms and to share data.</p> <p>Meeting concluded.</p>
ACTION POINTS:	None