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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
STATEMENT UPON DEPARTURE
DUBLIN, IRELAND
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Although brief, this visit to the land of so many American forbearers has renewed my appreciation for Ireland's modern society, reinforcing my conviction that the people of Ireland seek nothing more than an end to violence and a just settlement of the conflict on this island. The spirit of compromise and reconciliation is alive and well in Dublin.

I am grateful for the warm welcome I have received. In return, I can only pledge that my husband will continue to devote his personal energy and attention to working with the Irish and British governments to bring a fair and lasting peace to this island.