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By Michael Dodds

**More jail transfers on the cards**

A further seven republican prisoners are to be transferred to the Republic from Maghaberry, according to the agreement reached between the two Governments.

**Flanagan against RUC in Orange Order**

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