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**Findlay to FO**

**6 January 1915**

“I regret that you should disapprove of my action in giving informer a written promise. I would never have done so in time of peace... Informer was quite determined to break off relations unless he received a written assurance respecting payment and immunity.

As it was a question of rebellion in Ireland combined with extensive mining operations against the fleet and possibly military and naval attack on Ireland or elsewhere, it appeared to me imperative to run no risk of losing supplementary information.”