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Woodward rules out £12,000 recognition payment

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Secretary of State Shaun Woodward MP has today ruled out the proposal in the Eames Bradley report for a £12,000 recognition payment to the families of all those killed in the Troubles.



The proposal was included in the 31 recommendations made to the Government when the Consultative Group on the Past published their report at the end of January.

The Secretary of State paid tribute to the work of Lord Eames, Denis Bradley and the other members of the Consultative Group on the Past and said that the other 30 recommendations of their report would be looked at very carefully.

Shaun Woodward said: **"The Government's response to the proposal in the Eames Bradley report for a recognition payment of £12,000 will not be accepted.**

"The recommendation has proved fierce reaction and it is clear that there is no consensus in support of it.

"The report by the Consultative Group on the Past made 31 recommendations in total and we can now give those the consideration they deserve."



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