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**IRA `did not murder Evans` - Murphy**

The IRA did not murder Disappeared victim Gerard Evans, a Sinn Fein minister has insisted.

The 24-year-old was abducted and murdered in Co Monaghan in 1979.

A man claiming to be from the IRA told a Sunday newspaper that he was part of a gang that killed Mr Evans.

The IRA has repeatedly denied any involvement in the murder.

Conor Murphy has offered to meet Mr Evans' family after the claims emerged.

He said: "My understanding is and always has been that the IRA were not involved in that."

Sinn Fein have always supported the family and have said anyone who has any information as to the whereabouts of Gerard Evans should bring forward information to the commission to let them test that information and hopefully the family of Gerard Evans will have some peace."



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