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Killers 'a threat to Irish society'

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Gangland and dissident paramilitary violence pose a serious threat to Irish society, according to Archbishop of

Dublin Dr Diarmuid Martin.

In his St Patrick's Day message, Dr Martin asked for prayers for the two soldiers and police officer shot dead in Northern Ireland earlier this month.


He said the murders had given rise to fears for the peace process, adding that the threat posed by dissidents to stability in the north could not be underestimated.

He also said that gangland violence in Dublin had continued for too long and had to be stopped.

Eight people have died in gangland attacks in the city so far this year.

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