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Withdrawal of Victims legislation

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Sinn Féin Spokesperson on Victims Issues, Mid Ulster MLA Francie Molloy has said that tensions within the DUP should not be allowed to undermine agreement on the way forward on the issue of a Victims Commission with four Commissioners of equal status - reaching decisions through consensus.

Mr Molloy said:

"Sinn Féin reached an agreement with the DUP before Christmas on the way to proceed on the issue of a Victims Commission.

"It meant four Commissioners of equal status - reaching decisions through consensus.

"That was the agreement - that was what Ian Paisley publicly committed his party to doing. That is what the legislation needs to deliver. Amendments which subvert that agreement are not acceptable.

"Ongoing tensions within the DUP over the leadership of that party should not be allowed to affect victims' issues." ENDS

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