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Eames-Bradley £12,000 - an immoral proposal

Responding to reports that the forthcoming Eames-Bradley Commission will recommend a payment of £12,000 to the relatives of all killed in the Troubles - including terrorists - Ulster Unionist MEP Jim Nicholson has warned the Government against implementing a proposal he condemned as immoral and damaging.

Mr. Nicholson said, "The suggestion from Eames-Bradley that £12,000 compensation is given to all those killed in the Troubles - including terrorists - is a highly damaging, immoral proposal, that will undermine both community relations and political confidence.

"The proposal endorses the morally flawed notion that a terrorist killed while undertaking a mission of murder has the same status as an innocent civilian murdered in a bomb attack or a member of the security forces murdered in front of their family. People across our entire community will find this suggestion repugnant.

"The Government must understand in the clearest possible terms that this proposal is totally unacceptable".

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