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McCausland maintains demand for full disclosure



Speaking after being suspended from the Northern Ireland Assembly for a day for demanding full disclosure from Gerry Adams regarding his past involvement in paramilitary activity Nelson McCausland said:

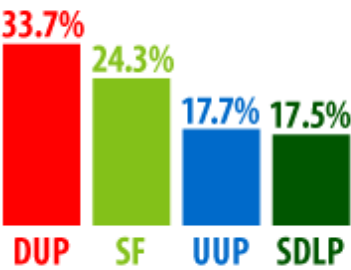
"I have no apology for the comments which I made in the Assembly last Monday. They were grounded upon a publication which was produced in 1973 by the Provisional IRA. I will be placing this publication in the Northern Ireland Assembly Library so that everyone will be able to access it and read its contents for themselves.

My comments were made in the debate which took place on the Eames-Bradley Consultative Group on the Past Report. Reference was made in that report to a truth recovery process. I called for Mr. Adams to aid the truth recovery process by disclosing the depth of his involvement in paramilitary activity. Given that the publication which I referred to has been in the public domain for more than 30 years and given that it has never been challenged by Mr. Adams or his colleagues, I am happy to stand by my decision to quote from it.

The people I represent will not accept any biased truth recovery process nor will they tolerate any attempt to whitewash history. If political parties are going to demand honesty or full disclosure of historical events then they need to be prepared to apply the standards of openness and transparency to themselves that they demand of other

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people and organisations, including the Army and the Security Services.”

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