

Ladies and gentlemen, we have two issues before us today. First I will make an announcement on a paper entitled **Alliance Party submission on breaches of the Mitchell Principles**. Secondly we will hear the Governments decision on the **DUP's Notice of Indictment and the PUP's and UDP's rebuttal of that Notice**.

- In a letter to the Independent Chairman the Alliance party has yesterday made a submission alleging breaches of the principles in the Report of the International Body by the Ulster Unionist Party, the Democratic Unionist Party, and the Ulster Democratic Party and the Progressive.
- It is the intention of the Chair to follow the pattern already set in connection with para 29 of the Rules of Procedure for the handling of such a situation.
- Following the adjournment of this Plenary Session the chair will meet separately with all the parties referred to in the Alliance Party's submission to hand over the submission and consult with these parties on the time they would need to prepare their answers in writing.
- The submission and the parties' written answers would then be circulated to all participants.
- A plenary to review and to discuss the allegations and responses will be subject to the call of the Chair.

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- I now call upon the Governments to announce their decision on the DUP's Notice of Indictment and the PUP's and the UDP's Rebuttal of that Notice.

Having heard the Governments' decision including their remark that the reasons for this decision will be circulated to the participants in writing, I rule that this matter has been concluded. This Plenary meeting is adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.