

MOTION OF THE UK UNIONIST PARTY ON DECOMMISSIONING

1. That the parties presently participating in the Talks will not continue to take part in the event of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland inviting any party to participate or permitting any party to continue to participate who has failed to comply with the following fundamental principles of democratic procedure.
 - (a) Any party fronting, associating with, or sharing the political objectives of a paramilitary organisation which is or has in the past engaged in acts of terrorism must declare for itself and such organisation a cessation of violence and terrorism that is complete in that it includes violence of any kind against anyone in any circumstance and is permanent in its duration and universal in its application.
 - (b) A declaration by Sinn Fein, the Progressive Unionist Party, and the Ulster Democratic Party and the organisations which they front or are said to be associated with of their public subscription to the Six Principles set out in paragraph 20 of the Report of the International Body.
 - (c) That any Declaration of a cessation of violence as set out in paragraph (a) hereof must be accompanied as

evidence of commitment to exclusively peaceful methods by the immediate decommissioning of a substantial tranche of guns, explosives and detonators, as the commencement of a phased and independent process of ongoing decommissioning.

- (d) There must be a clear acceptance by any relevant party that progress towards a settlement or agreement must be founded solely upon democratic procedure and cannot in any way be related to the decommissioning process which must proceed to completion irrespective of and independent from the progress of the separate political negotiations.
- (e) Acceptance into the Talks process of any party to whom the decommissioning provisions are relevant or the permitting of any such party to continue in the Talks at the stage of substantive negotiations shall not occur until both governments have enacted all enabling legislation and passed all regulations necessary to create the structures and methodology required for actual decommissioning.
- (f) All terms and requirements entered into prior to the launch of any substantive negotiations shall be binding on all current and future participants for whom the decommissioning requirements are or may become relevant.