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Re - Hearts and Minds -- Studio - MMA

Durkan was interviewed on GMU today and was angrily insistent that it was the UUP who were to blame for the present impasse. He repeated in every answer he gave that the SDLP and Irish Government had done all it could, but that we had chosen to side with McCartney and Paisley. He accuses you of being dishonest when you say that we are not causing the blockage on decommissioning.

His remarks have now been carried on the 9.00am and 10.00am Radio Ulster news bulletins.

Be prepared for the same attack from Hume.

They are all leaning on us to see if we will break. It's important for us to be seen to be calm and thoughtful about this issue.

They are trying to either give themselves an excuse to walk out, or leave us with no alternative but to give in.

Please read the 20/11 memo.