



ULSTER UNIONIST PARTY

PRESS RELEASE

List of meetings which Mr David Trimble had in the past week with the various Parties involved in the present stand-off :

Sat 29 June - David Trimble met separately with

- i) District Officers of Portadown Orange Order
- ii) - ACC Ronnie Flannagan
- iii) - Sir John Wheeler

Mon 1 July - iv) Discussions with Sir Patrick Mayhew at Thiepval.

- Tues 2 July - v) Met John Holmes the Prime Minister's Principal aide on N.I matters in 10 Downing Street
- vi) Had telephone conversation with Sir Patrick Mayhew.

Before these meetings and during Wednesday through to Saturday 6th July David Trimble had a number of conversations with ACC Ronnie Flannagan and with Sir John Wheeler.

Prior to these meetings David Trimble also met with Brian Lennon and Brendan McAllister of the mediation network regarding the situation on the Garvaghy Road.

Notwithstanding these efforts, the residents of the Garvaghy Road still refused to have meaningful discussions in order to reach a compromise. Their blatant refusal to accommodate the culture of their fellow residents of Portadown does not demonstrate to people of Northern Ireland and further abroad a willingness by the nationalist community to tolerate the Protestant heritage here.

If this is the type of irrational and sectarian behaviour that is likely to characterise the negotiations on Northern Ireland's future then there will never be a realistic opportunity to reach agreement.

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