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Redouble our efforts - Sinn Féin

Sinn Féin Chairperson Mitchel McLaughlin, commenting this evening on a claim of responsibility by the IRA for the two bombs at the British Army headquarters said:

"This morning Gerry Adams spoke for Sinn Féin when he expressed his shock at what occurred yesterday.

"The current dangerous vacuum must be filled by political initiatives which create a genuine negotiating process and build confidence and trust.

"Ten days ago the Middle East was convulsed in conflict. The British government was among the first to call for direct dialogue between the Israelis and Palestinians. That same focus on dialogue as the basis of any conflict resolution process is required here.

"Gerry Adams and I and the Sinn Féin leadership are prepared to urgently redouble our efforts to find a way through this crisis. We are ready to meet government representatives, political and church leaders and anyone else who can help fill the political vacuum with real and meaningful peace talks.

"This is a challenging time for people in political leadership. We are ready to meet this challenge. Is John Major? Is David Trimble or Ian Paisley?

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