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Adams responds to Bruton

Sinn Féin President Gerry Adams responding to remarks today by the Taoiseach John Bruton says that he believes Mr. Bruton has decided that the "peace process cannot be restored" and that he has "closed the door on Sinn Féin".

Mr. Adams said:

"I have given Mr. Bruton frank, honest and clear responses to the questions he has put to me.

"I am still perplexed as to the rationale behind these questions. I can only form a judgement that he has decided that the peace process cannot be restored.

"I hope this is not the case but if it is then I believe he is making a huge mistake. Regardless of the difficulties which all of us face it is our duty and responsibility to seek to bring about an inclusive peace settlement.

"Despite his protestations to the contrary Mr. Bruton has closed the door on Sinn Féin.

"This is following his own party political instincts and it is not good enough."

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