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PETER KING

1. I checked with Peter King's aide regarding the quote attributed to King by Peter Sloyan in today's edition of *Newsday* (attached): "The Sinn Fein [leader] has talked to more than 80 percent of the members, and all have supported resumption of the ceasefire".
- A [2. In fact, Adams told King (who told Sloyan) that the Sinn Fein leadership was 80% certain of a resumption of the ceasefire. King is understandably annoyed at being misquoted in this fashion.

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