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NORTHERN IRELAND WOMEN'S COALITION: PARTICIPANTS AT MEETING

Ms Monica McWilliams (a delegate to the talks) is Chair of the Coalition. She is a Senior Lecturer in sociology at the University of Ulster, and an expert on domestic violence (she has co-authored several reports commissioned by the Government). She has been a tireless promoter of women's rights for some years. She is new to the political scene and rather anxious about her vulnerability on this account. She has grown noticeably in stature during the Talks.

Ms Pearl Sagar (the other talks delegate) is a community activist from East Belfast and a member of the East Belfast Development Agency.

Ms Bronagh Hinds, who is the power behind the Coalition throne, and much in evidence at the talks although not elected, is Principal of the Ulster People's College, and holds a wide range of other public appointments.

Mrs May Blood MBE has a background of many years in community work centred on the Shankill Road, but with a strong emphasis on cross-community partnership. The Prime Minister met Mrs Blood at dinner at Hillsborough before Christmas.

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