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Statement by NIO Minister, Mr Malcolm Moss MP:

I utterly condemn this outrage at a time when we should all be looking forward to a period of peace over Christmas. There is no difference between the people who used guns in a children's hospital on Friday night and those who planted the device in a man's car just a short distance away this morning.

Violence in any form is evil and it is the duty of all community leaders and anyone with influence to use their authority to stop it.