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## Morgan takes part in meeting with consultative group on the past

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Louth Sinn Féin TD Arthur Morgan was part of a Sinn Féin delegation led by Tyrone MLA Francie Molloy and including Belfast MLAs Alex Maskey Jennifer McCann which today met with the consultation group set up by the British Government to deal with the issue of truth recovery.

Speaking after the meeting Deputy Morgan said, "Sinn Féin has serious concerns about the group set up to deal with the issue of truth recovery. Our main concern is that this group has been set up by the British Government who were a party to the conflict in this country. The group will also report back to the British Government who will ultimately have the final say on any recommendations.

"However, despite our reservations, today we met with the group members Robert Eames and Dennis Bradley to outline our views.

"Sinn Féin is absolutely committed to the development of a victim centred process of which can deliver closure to the families of those killed during the conflict. Key to this is to ensure that there is no hierarchy of victims and an acknowledgement that the British State were not simply innocent onlookers to the conflict is also required.

"Today I expressed concern that this study group has no remit in the 26 Counties as they have no jurisdiction there. The Irish Government have completely washed their hands of responsibility for dealing with truth recovery issues in the 26 Counties." ENDS

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