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Allister responds to Simpson's expose

21 November 2007

Statement by Jim Allister MEP:

"In welcoming David Simpson's expose in the Commons tonight, I draw attention to the fact that the man named is the one whom the DUP has agreed, in a deal with Sinn Fein, to support as Speaker in the next Assembly. This is the basis on which William Hay was agreed as Speaker for this Assembly, with Molloy as his deputy.

So one of the key questions and challenges is what will the DUP do now on foot of the Upper Bann MP's move. I expect the DUP will continue as if David Simpson had not lifted this embarrassing lid. After all, if cozying up to IRA Commander, McGuinness, doesn't even cause a blush, inconvenient focus on yet another terrorist pedigree will hardly bother a party head over heels in power with IRA/Sinn Fein."

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