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DURKAN: CONSTABLE CARROLL WAS REAL PATRIOT UNLIKE THOSE WHO MURDERED HIM

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SDLP Leader and Foyle MP Mark Durkan MLA today paid tribute in Westminster to Constable Stephen Carroll and the two soldiers murdered over the weekend.

Speaking during Prime Minister’s Question Time Mr Durkan said:

“I have previously recorded my condolences to the two soldiers who were murdered in Antrim.

“Last night I visited the home of Constable Stephen Carroll and was touched by the dignity, decency and determination of his family.

“As democrats we must send out a clear and united message to those responsible for these murders.

“The young people whom the Continuity IRA and the Real IRA are seeking to recruit need to know that the lesson of Monday night is that the real patriots serving the peace of the new Ireland were Constable Carroll and his colleagues, who went to answer the call of a woman in distress, not those who brutally murdered him.

“All parties are determined now to ensure these groups cannot set us back politically and will not be allowed to succeed in their other aim of setting back the policing environment.”

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