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KELLY - WRIGHT REVELATIONS UNDERLINE NEED FOR FULL DISCLOSURE

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SDLP Upper Bann MLA Dolores Kelly has said today's revelations during the Billy Wright inquiry show how the truth cannot be allowed to remain hidden as inquiries continue.

Mrs Kelly stated:

“Today's admission by the former governor of Maghaberry Prison shows that light still needs to be shone into the darkest corners of our past. It also means that all the security services should be compelled to hand over any documentation that may be of relevance to the inquiry. Those with something to hide must be exposed and the truth must come to the surface. That standard must apply to all inquiries.

It is also important to remember the innocent victims of paramilitary violence on a day like today. For many of them, revelations such as this will only serve to bring back painful memories. For us to leave the past on a moral basis there must be truth for all on an ethical basis. That standard must apply to all victims and survivors. There must be a victim's centred approach to truth recovery and justice processes. Nothing else should suffice.”

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