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Sir Reg Empey
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Think Again, Mr Adams



Responding to Gerry Adams' statement on the detention of people in relation to the recent killings Ulster Unionist MLA and Northern Ireland Policing Board member Basil McCrea has said,

"Whilst the human rights of those arrested should be respected it is also important that the Chief Constable uses all the powers within the law to bring the perpetrators of these recent murders to justice. Not only is this important for the families of police constable Carroll and the two soldiers Sapper Mark Quinsey, and Sapper Patrick Azimkar, but it is also important for Gerry Adams and the rest of the Republican movement.

"Any further attacks risk unravelling the fragile peace and plunging Northern Ireland back into the dark days. Gerry Adams should be encouraging everyone to co-operate fully with the police, safe in the knowledge that the Policing Board will ensure that the Chief Constable operates to the highest professional standards and within the human rights framework enshrined in the law. In raising the spectre of internment Gerry Adams is playing politics with the most serious of issues. He got it wrong last week he should not make the same mistake twice."



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