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**Remarks by Gerry Adams on BBC Radio lunch time news**  
**Sunday, 3 November 1996**

**Regarding a report in the Sunday Times of contacts between the**  
**British Government and Sinn Féin**

**Adams** Well, it isn't about detective work, it's about dealing with the issues, the substantive issues which need to be resolved. It's about recognising that the vehicle for all of that is proper talks which are created on the basis of equality, that's what's required. Now, you must know as well as I do, the British Government's position on all of that and that's what needs to be dealt with and the least said sometimes in these matters the better.

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