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FARRELL ANTICS SHOW JUST HOW MUCH SINN FEIN HAS FAILED

DUP Assembly Member for North Antrim, Ian Paisley Junior has said that Sinn Fein's antics around the Mairead Farrell commemoration the party had organised at Stormont, demonstrates just how much they have failed politically. Speaking today the DUP Assembly Member said:

> "The proposal to commemorate Bomber Farrell was not only repulsive, it has proven to be a major own goal for Sinn Fein. Events such as this serve to highlight the fact



that Sinn Fein has been forced to abandon their Republican ideals. Farrell and other criminals like her vowed to use violence to dislodge Ulster from the Union. She believed herself to be part of a Republican movement sworn to oppose the British state, murder police and soldiers and destroy Northern Ireland's economy. So dedicated was this criminal to that cause she sought to export her murderous terrorism to continental Europe.

The event today, held in Sinn Fein party offices, because they were banned from the Long Gallery, really is a monument to failure - the failure of Farrell and her co-

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terrorists to achieve what they set out to. Ulster is still in the Union and Sinn Fein has been forced to abandon violence and embrace democratic standards byt the DUP.

I wonder what the likes of Farrell would make of the spectacle of Adams and co sitting inside Stormont, the building erected to house Carson and Craig's Parliament. What would Bomber Farrell, who went out of her way to murder British soldiers think of the fact that Sinn Fein has been forced to embrace the rule of law and the policing structures here? I would imagine she would feel completely betrayed, and she would be right to.

These facts can't be masked by any amount of green white and gold banners or tough talk about the IRA. The IRA has lost. Republicans have conceded to the Crown forces. No matter how they spin it they know that Farrell died in vain and is today being exploited purely for reasons of face-saving.

Not only is a commemoration of her antics repulsive to Unionists it must send a collective shiver down the spine of the Sinn Fein leadership. After all would Farrell think that administering British rule in Northern Ireland represents a successful conclusion to the republican campaign? She died trying to obliterate all things British and she failed. The more Sinn Fein eulogise criminals like Farrell the more hey highlight just how much republicanism has failed."

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