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Hoey challenged over cross-border inquiry

The man cleared of the Omagh bomb was challenged today by victims' relatives to fully co-operate with a cross border judicial inquiry into

the atrocity.

Sean Hoey said he supported calls for a north-south tribunal.

"The Omagh families and my own family deserve to know the whole truth and only a proper cross-border public inquiry will get to the truth", he said. "I want to know what the British and Irish governments are afraid of from an inquiry."

Michael Gallagher, whose son Aidan was killed at Omagh, declared today: "Will he fully co-operate in any public inquiry? We know he did not go into the witness box at his trial but is he now prepared to fully co-operate?"

Meanwhile the Northern Ireland Chief Constable, Sir Hugh Orde, is to attend a meeting of the Northern Ireland Policing Board. The body is expected to raise serious concerns about how the investigation was handled.

Sean Hoey, 38, from Jonesborough, South Armagh, was acquitted last month of the 29 murders at Omagh and a series of other terrorist related charges.

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