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KELLY WELCOMES DECISION TO REFER CONWAY MURDER TO HET

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SDLP Upper Bann MLA Dolores Kelly has welcomed the decision today by an inquest coroner to refer the case of the murder of Kevin Conway in Lurgan in 1998 to the Historical Enquiries Team.

Mrs Kelly stated:

"The murder of Kevin Conway was a brutal and horrific act. It happened months after the second IRA ceasefire and only two months before the signing of the Good Friday Agreement. He was dragged out of his house as he looked after his four month old child, taken away, and shot dead. It was as callous as it was shocking and sent shockwaves through a community which had become used to acts of barbarism from all sides over the years.

I welcome the fact that this case has today been referred to the Historical Enquiries Team (HET). I hope that the scientific review of forensic evidence will uncover new leads. I also hope that ten years on from the murder, that people in the community who may have information come forward and give it to the police. The family of Kevin Conway deserve truth and justice. Bringing his killers to justice will help conclude that process."

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