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### The acceptable face of murder



Gerry Adams

McGuinness has acknowledged himself to have been the commander of the IRA in Londonderry. He has appeared on television saying so. To have gained that position, he must have passed through the ranks and have taken part first-hand in IRA terrorist attacks with their resultant injuries and murders.

#### ASKING QUESTIONS

What every person in Ulster who has an ounce of morality wishes to know is why no action has been taken against him! At a time when the Northern Ireland Bar Council, representing barristers across the province, is rightly calling for a judicial inquiry into the murder of solicitor, Pat Finucane, who was shot by loyalist gunmen, we ask why there have never been any calls from such bodies for the prosecution of IRA members such as Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness?

Why too are such bodies as the Presbyterian Church prepared to send delegations to meet with such self-acknowledged unrepentant terrorists?

What of the Royal Ulster Constabulary? Why does it not act against McGuinness and Adams. Many of us are weary, to say the least, of the verbal theatrics of the Chief Constable, Sir Ronnie Flanagan, who, putting on his most earnest expression (he has three expressions -- earnest, more earnest and even more earnest), repeatedly tells us that he and his men will pursue most earnestly those guilty of terrorism. All the while, the leading proponents of terror are politically sporting themselves with Unionist leader, David Trimble, the Secretary of State and the Prime Minister.



The Chief Constable of the RUC,  
Sir Ronnie "Earnest" Flanagan

The RUC have told us that they know the identity of the republicans who bombed Omagh but they cannot proceed against them. That has been the story with all too many IRA atrocities. The RUC's record of successful prosecutions against the IRA is nothing short of a disgrace. It is all the more disgraceful when one considers the numerous complaints, heard from within the ranks of the RUC, of political interference from high places which effectively ties the hands of the detectives on the ground. That RUC chiefs should put up with such interference is criminal.

#### SINFUL TOLERANCE

That we, the people should silently and sinfully tolerate the government and its law officers turning justice and decency on its head is also criminal. It is a tolerance we must end, irrespective of the impact upon the sham peace that presently conceals the growth of criminality and the expansion of criminal enclaves. We must end it or doom our offspring to an existence of slavery under those who have come to power by way of murder and terror.