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The Irish Parliament to debate collusion linked killings

Assurances from Ahern
The Irish parliament is poised for a full debate on British security force collusion in some of the worst atrocities of the Troubles.

Taoiseach Bertie Ahern told hundreds of people at the unveiling of a memorial in central Dublin to three men murdered in the Miami Showband massacre that the killings will be officially raised in February.

Musicians Tony Geraghty, Fran O`Toole and Brian McCoy were killed in a hail of bullets by the loyalist Ulster Volunteer Force in July 1975 after a planned bomb attack backfired outside Newry, Co Down.

"These issues demand and deserve the attention of the national parliament and it will get that," said Mr Ahern.

He told a crowd of around 400 people who turned out at the old National Ballroom on Dublin's Parnell Square for the unveiling, that the Government was backing a fight by families and friends of victims to get to the truth.

"Their suffering is sharpened by the clear evidence of collusion by the For more about the new Belfast store
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security forces in many of these murders, as has been made clear by several reports over the years," he said.

"I know the quest for answers continues and I just want to reiterate the Government's support for the families in that quest."



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While the call from the free state government is to be welcomed, do they really think they will achieve anything other than the possible revelation of more cover ups from the British?

On 11 Dec at 11:40 - Concerned from portadown said:

Both governments have a lot to answer for. It will of course never happen.



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