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Talks over IRA event planned

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An assembly commission is to hold a meeting with Deputy First Minister Martin McGuinness and the DUP's

Peter Robinson before making a final decision on an event to mark the life of IRA member Mairead Farrell.

Sinn Fein had proposed the event to be held at the Long Gallery in Stormont on the anniversary of the 31-yearold gunned down by the SAS in Gibraltar along with Sean Savage and Daniel McCann 20 years ago.

MLA Jennifer McCann had lodged the application to recognise Farrell's life at an event as part of International

Women's Day.

However, the DUP's Jeffrey Donaldson lodged a counter application for an event to celebrate the role of the SAS in Northern Ireland.

An assembly committee which is looking at the application is expected to make a decision early next week.

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