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# EU pressed to back case against Libya

#### 13 October 2007

Jim Allister MEP, in an adjournment debate in the European Parliament, has called on the EU to back the litigation by victims' group, FAIR, against Libya, arising from its sponsorship of IRA terrorism. Libya was forced to pay out for the Lockerbie atrocity, by the same token it should pay reparations for the IRA terrorism which it equipped and funded in the UK.

Mr Allister also directly linked deputy First Minister McGuinness to the Libyan venture.

In the course of his remarks Mr Allister said:-

"Libya, quite properly, was made to pay for the Lockerbie terrorist atrocity. But Libya, as a global sponsor of terrorism, has yet to make full reparation.

The IRA's vile campaign of terror reached its most deadly when equipped with Libyan semtex and weaponry, permitting Martin McGuinness and its other Army Council leaders to unleash the most vicious phase of their campaign. Without Libya hundreds of innocents would not have died. Thus, I back the present campaign, by victims' group FAIR in Northern Ireland, to bring Libya to international account by forcing it to pay compensation, as with Lockerbie.

Just as the EU pressurised Libya over the Bulgarian nurses, so it should support justice for IRA victims by pressing Libya to settle the litigation issued against it by FAIR in USA."

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