



## Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

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*Dear Alistair,*

We understand that you visited Libya earlier this month and met with a number of political representatives, including representatives from the Libyan Government of National Accord.

In your statement following the visit, you said that you took the opportunity to discuss “matters relating to the legacy of years of terrorism”. As you know, the issue of support for victims of IRA attacks that used Gaddafi-supplied Semtex is of great interest to this Committee.

You committed in your letter to us of November last year to raising the issue with your Libyan counterparts. We welcome that you have done so. Could you provide the Committee with details of who the issue was raised with, how extensive these discussions were and whether any progress has been made?

As you know, the matter is a pressing one for victims and some have already died whilst waiting for the compensation they deserve. We are pleased that the Government is raising this issue with Libyan authorities and we hope that significant progress can be made.

*Yours ever,  
Andrew.*

**Dr Andrew Murrison MP**  
Chair, Northern Ireland Affairs Committee