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BBC News

**Loyalist statement: An important step forward?**

Back in November 1994, the then Church of Ireland Archbishop, Robin Eames, wrote to me after I had met him a few days earlier. ... Rev Good returned to Belfast for Monday's news conference after attending an event in the Basque Country to mark the first anniversary of decommissioning there

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-43582271>.

Loyalist paramilitary groups 'to support rule of law' - BBC News

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-43698164>

**RTE.ie**

Loyalist paramilitary groups condemn criminal acts by members -

<https://www.rte.ie/news/ulster/2018/0409/953172-loyalist-statement/>

**Loyalist Paramilitaries Commit To Rule Of Law - 4ni.co.uk**

<http://www.4ni.co.uk/northern-ireland-news/243119/loyalist-paramilitaries-commit-to-rule-of-law>

News Letter

**Loyalist paramilitaries in Northern Ireland have pledged to support the rule of law and expel members who engage in criminal activity.**

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In a joint statement, the Red Hand Commando, Ulster Defence Association (UDA) and Ulster Volunteer Force (UVF) "emphatically" condemned crime.

<https://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/loyalist-paramilitaries-vow-to-expel-members-engaged-in-crime-1-8450858>

BBC News

### **Loyalist paramilitary groups 'to support rule of law'**

Three former leaders - Alan Harper, former Church of Ireland Archbishop of Armagh and All-Ireland Primate, Harold Good, former Methodist President, and Norman Hamilton, former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church - took part in Monday's news conference at Belfast's Linenhall Library.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-43698164>

The Irish News

### **GFA20: Church leaders give thanks for Good Friday Agreement**

Church of Ireland Primate Richard Clarke and his Catholic counterpart Eamon Martin have said the Good Friday Agreement still has the potential to transform society and life in Northern Ireland. The two Church leaders issued a joint statement to mark the 20th anniversary of the signing of the accord.

<https://www.irishnews.com/news/gfa20/2018/04/10/news/gfa20-church-leaders-give-thanks-for-good-friday-agreement-1299875/>

Belfast Telegraph

### **Exclusive: Face of ex-soldier who murdered Patrick Kielty's dad**

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/sunday-life/exclusive-face-of-exsoldier-who-murdered-patrick-kieltys-dad-36784130.html>

News Letter

### **Clinton: compromise should not be a dirty word**

Voters in Northern Ireland have to stop punishing politicians who compromise, ex-US president Bill Clinton has said.

[https://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/clinton-compromise-should-not-be-a-dirty-word-1-8451823/amp?\\_\\_twitter\\_impression=true](https://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/clinton-compromise-should-not-be-a-dirty-word-1-8451823/amp?__twitter_impression=true)

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Belfast Telegraph

## **Northern Ireland still deeply polarised 20 years after Good Friday Agreement peace: poll**

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/northern-ireland-still-deeply-polarised-20-years-after-good-friday-agreement-peace-poll-36786557.html>

Belfast Telegraph

## **Ruth Dudley Edwards: Sinn Fein must be called out at all times for its breathtaking double standards**

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/columnists/ruth-dudley-edwards/ruth-dudley-edwards-sinn-fein-must-be-called-out-at-all-times-for-its-breathtaking-double-standards-36786201.html>

Independent.ie

## **'Religious orders' properties should be handed over before Pope's visit' - PAC**

Social Democrats TD Catherine Murphy said the second round of promised property transfers came after the "appalling" 2009 Ryan report into abuse, but that this was not a legally binding agreement between the Government and the religious organisations. Pope Francis is due in Ireland for the World ...

<https://www.independent.ie/irish-news/religious-orders-properties-should-be-handed-over-before-popes-visit-pac-36786980.html>

The Sun

## **Brexit Secretary David Davis reveals final EU exit deal is '90 per cent done'**

**Davis said** that if he wrote on an envelope he could 'probably tell you 80-90 per cent of where we'll end up'. Tory veteran David Davis revealed the final exit deal with the EU was almost 90 per cent there – in a bumper boost for Brexit Britain. The Brexit Secretary said EU leaders realised a deal was in their best interest – but admitted he'd underestimated the Northern Ireland deadlock.

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/6011943/david-davis-brexit-deal-nearly-agreed/amp/>

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Irish Times

### **British Labour politician calls Belfast agreement a 'shibboleth'**

UK's shadow international trade secretary rejects claim that hardening the Border could bring a return to violence

[https://www.irishtimes.com/news/politics/british-labour-politician-calls-belfast-agreement-a-shibboleth-1.3456240?](https://www.irishtimes.com/news/politics/british-labour-politician-calls-belfast-agreement-a-shibboleth-1.3456240?mode=amp&utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter&_twitter_impression=true)

[mode=amp&utm\\_source=dlvr.it&utm\\_medium=twitter&\\_twitter\\_impression=true](https://www.irishtimes.com/news/politics/british-labour-politician-calls-belfast-agreement-a-shibboleth-1.3456240?mode=amp&utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter&_twitter_impression=true)

Irish Examiner

### **Ahern says Dublin could have to play 'hard ball' on Brexit**

Former Taoiseach Bertie Ahern has said Dublin could have to "play hard ball" with Britain over Brexit.

Mr Ahern, who was one of the key figures behind the Good Friday Agreement, said Ireland should insist the UK stays closely aligned with the Republic after EU withdrawal.

[https://amp.irishtimes.com/breakingnews/ireland/ahern-says-dublin-could-have-to-play-hard-ball-on-brexit-836553.html?](https://amp.irishtimes.com/breakingnews/ireland/ahern-says-dublin-could-have-to-play-hard-ball-on-brexit-836553.html?_twitter_impression=true)

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Irish Times

### **Twists and turns of vexed Belfast Agreement Talks revealed**

Sleight-of-hand actions of governments were deployed to obviate intractable problems

[https://www.irishtimes.com/news/ireland/irish-news/twists-and-turns-of-vexed-belfast-agreement-talks-revealed-1.3456184?](https://www.irishtimes.com/news/ireland/irish-news/twists-and-turns-of-vexed-belfast-agreement-talks-revealed-1.3456184?mode=amp&_twitter_impression=true)

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### **Three presidents, three affairs and a compromised church**

Powerful men have often found that their power is itself a powerful aphrodisiac. Six decades ago President Jack Kennedy used his office and power to enable several affairs with different women.

Kennedy was infamous for his sexual appetite, once boasting that he needed to have sex every day. Many in the church rightly condemned his behaviour.

Two decades ago President Bill Clinton was accused of having an affair with a White House intern, Monica Lewinsky. Lewinsky had sworn under oath that she had had no sexual contact with the president but was later found to have been

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lying – as was Clinton, who denied having had any sexual relationship with his intern, famously declaring: "I did not have sexual relations with that woman, Miss Lewinsky.' He also testified 'there is not a sexual relationship, an improper sexual relationship or any other kind of improper relationship'. Again the churches were quick to condemn the 'immoral' president.

[https://www.christiantoday.com/amp/three-presidents-three-affairs-and-a-compromised-church/128221.htm?\\_twitter\\_impression=true](https://www.christiantoday.com/amp/three-presidents-three-affairs-and-a-compromised-church/128221.htm?_twitter_impression=true)

Mail

**Further report on first humanist head chaplain who has charge of a team of three priests at Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust.**

[http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5593773/Buckinghamshire-NHS-trust-appoint-atheist-head-chaplain-time-history.html?ITO=1490&ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5593773/Buckinghamshire-NHS-trust-appoint-atheist-head-chaplain-time-history.html?ITO=1490&ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490)

BBC

**Report that a collection of negatives of Derby Cathedral dating back to the 1880s has been found and developed.**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-43704588>

BBC

**Report on calls to protect the setting of TE Lawrence's grave in St Nicholas Church, Moreton, Dorset, by campaigners who say it is under threat from plans for three nearby quarries.**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-dorset-43696914>

Tel - Letters

**George Bell**

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/opinion/2018/04/10/lettersborder-staff-took-eye-influx-cocaine-bound-street-sale/>