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Bloody Sunday March Committee to Host Public Event in Dublin

Representatives of the Bloody Sunday families and Miami Showband survivor Stephen Travers will be among speakers at a meeting in **Dublin next Wednesday (19th)** on the cover-up of killings involving police and British soldiers during the Troubles.

The meeting has been organised by the Bloody Sunday March Committee. A spokesperson for the group says that, “We want to highlight the fact that Ballymurphy, Bloody Sunday, the Miami massacre etc. should be major issues in Southern politics as well as in the North. But instead of helping the families’ campaigns, the Dublin government has turned its back on them and added insult to injury with the recent appointment of former PSNI deputy chief constable Drew Harris as Garda Commissioner.

“Drew Harris was PSNI link-man with MI5. He helped suppress a report by the Historical Enquiries Team (HET) into the Glenanne gang, a terrorist group with members drawn from Loyalist paramilitaries, the RUC and the Ulster Defence Regiment. The Glenanne gang was responsible for upwards of 150 murders, including those of the Miami Showband in July 1975 and of the 34 people who died in the Dublin-Monaghan bombings in May 1974.

“We urge concerned Dublin people to come along to the Teachers’ Club in Parnell Square at 7.30 next Wednesday and join in discussion of how to respond to the Harris appointment and of how to continue the march towards the truth of State collusion in Troubles killings, North and South.”

Speakers at Wednesday’s meeting will include: Kate Nash, whose brother William was murdered and father Alex wounded on Bloody Sunday; Stephen Travers, survivor of the Miami massacre; Darragh Mackin, lawyer for families of many of the victims (as well as for the families of the Stardust massacre); and journalist and socialist activist Eamonn McCann, who has been campaigning alongside the Bloody Sunday families for four decades.

The meeting will be introduced and **chaired by Antoinette Keegan of the Stardust Families’ campaign**, which is calling for a second inquiry into the 1981 blaze in which 48 young Dublin people perished.

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