

**Brian Wilson MLA addresses the Assembly, following the murder of two soldiers at Massereene army base in Co. Antrim.**

**On behalf of the Green Party of Northern Ireland I would like to join the other political leaders in condemning the cold blooded murder of the two soldiers on Saturday night.**

**My thoughts and prayers are with the families of those killed and I wish those injured a speedy recovery.**

**I pray that those injured will make a speedy recovery.**

**Our priority must be to ensure that the police are given the necessary resources to enable them to bring the perpetrators of this atrocity to justice.**

**However we must remember, that the aim of those who carried out this heinous crime is to bring down this Assembly and to take us backwards into a spiral of violence**

**It is important that the elected representatives of the people of Northern Ireland stand together at this time and present a united front. We must not give any comfort to the murders and I welcome the fact that all party leaders have been united in condemning these appalling murders.**

**Therefore it is important that we unite and show no divisions. It is important that we use considered language because disputes will only give succor to those who carried out this attack.**

**They have no support or mandate for this atrocity**

**Mr. Speaker this Assembly must stand firm and provide leadership to ensure that we succeed in building a united community and are not dragged back to the violence of the past.**