

## CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT ON CONFIDENTIALITY

All six parties to these talks today joined in denouncing the so-called "leaks" that had occurred. The "leaks" are not only inaccurate and misleading but also put the whole talks process in jeopardy. They come from tainted sources, from people who blithely disregard their undertaking to observe confidentiality and put personal or political advantage above the common good.

The two Governments and four political parties believe these talks can only succeed if strict confidentiality is preserved. Those who seek to destroy that confidentiality are at the same time destroying the prospects of success.

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