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Paisley a Talks Wrecker - Alderdice

Alliance Leader, Lord Alderdice, has criticised today's call by DUP Leader, Dr Ian Paisley MP MEP, for the Talks to be wound up.

Lord Alderdice said:

"This call from Dr Paisley is no surprise. He has never had any interest in using the Talks to reach agreement. He and Robert McCartney have only been playing party games, and trying to use the Talks to create problems for the Ulster Unionist Party. Having failed to wreck the Talks from inside, he now wants to bring them to an end. This tends to confirm what most of us have suspected for a long time, that Dr Paisley is not prepared to engage in serious Talks. He has always been a wrecker. He started with O'Neill must go. Now it is that the Talks must go."