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Members present for all or part of the proceedings:

Mr Jimmy Spratt (Chairperson)
Mr Alex Attwood
Mr Simon Hamilton
Mr Alex Maskey
Mr Alan McFarland
Mr John O'Dowd
Mr Ian Paisley Jnr

The Chairperson (Mr Spratt):

We move to the discussion of the devolution of policing and justice matters. I remind members that this part of our meeting is being reported by Hansard. The usual procedure is to move around the table to seek the position of the various parties. However, bearing in mind the discussions that we have held during the past number of weeks, perhaps members could indicate whether there has been any progress on any of the category 2 issues.

Mr Hamilton:

I am happy for us to go through the issues, but I would not have anything different to add to the position as previously stated.

Mr A Maskey:

I have nothing further to add, Mr Chairman.

Mr McFarland:

Nothing further, Chairman. I understand that there seems to have been some progress on the

financial situation, according to newspaper reports. Presumably, we will hear more about that in due course.

The Chairperson:

I have not been invited to tomorrow's trip to America. Any other members who have packed their cases should unpack them.

Mr Hamilton:

There is a disconsolate look on your face, Chairman.

Mr Attwood:

I have nothing further to add, Chairman.

The Chairperson:

OK. We shall leave those issues until our next meeting.