

Teenagers have their say on radio

Young people discuss the Troubles after recent murders by dissident republicans.

The BBC World Service has broadcast two live radio shows from Headliners in Belfast.

Members from the bureau were invited to take part in two radio programmes which were heard around the world.

The World Have Your Say BBC radio show was hosted by the BBC NI's Stephen Nolan. The discussion was the Troubles following the murder of a policeman, 48, in Craigavon, Co Armagh.

"Are we scared of the future?" "What do we think will happen?" were just some of the questions posed.

Headliner members, Andrew McKeown (pictured), Molly Cullen, Rachel McGuinness, Joe Smyth and a number of other guests talked about how they were affected by the Troubles.

Among them was an ex-IRA member, who had murdered men and women.

People also phoned in from places such as London and parts of Africa, with everyone having different opinions and experiences.

During the show, we covered everything from the past, the present and the future, but the main point of discussion was whether or not we think we would have a replay of the past - would the Troubles begin again?



About this article

This article was written by Molly Cullen, 15, and Andrew McKeown, 16, from Headliners in Belfast.

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dissidents

i dont think the troubles will start back at least not until the younger generation who have no real experience of the past troubles but still have an intense hatred for eachother are in power to create their own war.

if any real movement on the i.r.a's behalf were to happen they would need to gain far more support for their cause and goin around shootin the odd soilder and pizza boy ain't gonna have people lining up to volenteer.

most up risings start with something honourable they need a serious change in stratagy.

they need to help their own people not by kneecappin catholic drugdealers but by cuttin the drugs out and making loyalists the bigger enemy not themselves
anonomus (age 14) from ormeau road belfast, 03 December 2009 22:53

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