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PRESS RELEASE

Racist slogans condemned by Equality Commission



“The foul slogans daubed on a house in East Belfast are a graphic and disturbing reminder of the persistence of racist prejudice in our society,” Michael Wardlow, Chief Commissioner of the Equality Commission said. “It may well be that those responsible are a malevolent minority in our society, but the reality for the people subjected to hostility and harassment in their own homes is intolerable and must be confronted.”

“The victims are entitled to the full and public support of everyone in our community and we can all play a part in our daily lives in countering hatred and building good relations. Those attacked deserve the fullest measure of protection and reassurance the law can

give. Crimes aggravated by race hatred carry an increased penalty and it is to be hoped that those responsible for such an attack will be quickly made accountable.”

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