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The home secretary's proposal to use the murder inquiry was "completely unsatisfactory"

attempted to smear his family.

Neville Lawrence was responding after May made an emergency statement to parliament, telling MPs that the disclosures from a police whistleblower, Peter Francis, would be investigated by two existing inquiries.

Speaking from his home in Jamaica on Monday, Lawrence said he found May's proposal "completely unsatisfactory". He said: "I am convinced that nothing short of a judge-led public inquiry will suffice and I have no confidence that the measures announced today will get to the bottom of this matter"