



Irish Republican Brotherhood

STATEMENT TO BE RELEASED AT KILKENNY TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH 2022.

The Irish Republican Brotherhood (IRB) stand with the Sovereign People of éire in defence of Irish Nationhood and our Irish Territory.

The IRB, through their Foregoing Constitution, endorse the integrity of our 1916 Proclamation, our 1919 Declaration of Independence and our 1919 Constitution of the Republic of Ireland for such purposes.

THE 1919 CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

“To Thee, Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we, the People of Ireland, dedicate our Constitution, and beg the guidance of the Holy Spirit that it may be in consonance with Thy Divine Will and contribute to Thy Greater Glory. Amen.

This Constitution shall be the Constitution of the Republic of Ireland, proclaimed in arms on Easter Monday, April 24th, 1916, and established by the Will of the People of Ireland, on January 21st, 1919.

Article 1.

The Sovereignty of the Nation is inalienable. It is therefore not within the competence of any generation of the people to surrender that Sovereignty, which each generation holds in trust for the Nation. The question of Surrender of National Independence may not be submitted to an Electorate.

Subject to that fundamental principle it is hereby declared that

*ALL AUTHORITY in Ireland – Legislative, Executive and Judicial- and all powers of Government, are derived solely, under GOD, from the People of Ireland. These powers are inherent in the People ALONE by virtue of their Sovereignty. They must be exercised in accordance with the principles of Liberty, Equality and Justice for all. **Any legislation not in accordance with these principles is hereby declared to be null and void.***

NOTES ON ARTICLES X AND XI

“The Land of Ireland belongs to all the citizens of Ireland and TO THEM ALONE.”

THE FOREGOING CONSTITUTION OF THE IRISH REPUBLICAN BROTHERHOOD

As revised to date March 17th 2022

Article 9.

"The Supreme Council of the Irish Republican Brotherhood is the Governing Body of the IRB and shall be comprised of 12 Members. The Council may increase in affiliates from time to time, for a defined period of time in each instance, provided that the Council will constitute no more than 15 men and women at any one time. The quorum for a meeting of the Supreme Council is 9 and the Council will meet a minimum of 4 times per year."

Article 10.

"There is and shall be an Executive of the Supreme Council, composed of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Treasury and the Secretary of that body, the decision of any three of whom shall be binding on all. The President and/or Vice President of the IRB may from time to time, by their own volition or on request, immerse in certain decision-making processes with the Supreme Council and during such processes the decision of the majority of the collective will be binding on all."

Article 14.

"The authority of the Supreme Council shall be unquestioned by those who have become or who may hereafter become members of the IRB by the mode of initiation. The IRB Supreme Council will retain all of its rights and responsibilities in relation to Governance of the Sovereign Republic of éire as stated and enshrined and upheld in previous Constitutions of the Irish Republican Brotherhood."

Article 15.

"The Supreme Council continues to reserve to itself the right of treating with all Nations, Powers and Institutions, on all matters concerning the welfare of Irelands Territory, in the advancement of the cause of Irish Independence."

Signed



John D Flanagan
Chairman and PRO of the Irish Republican Brotherhood

Ar son na hÉireann agus a Clainne