

**Northern Ireland Women's Coalition Research Needs Oct - Dec. 1996**

1992 Talks Memoranda

**- Strand 1 - Internal Relationships**

Draw together by Party, perspectives on various issues and determine patterns which emerge, in order to anticipate 1996 positions and identify measures of addressing likely positions.

Other regions with powersharing /consocialionalism/administrative co-operation arrangements to see if there are any applicable lessons to be drawn.

- Quebec?
- Belgium? Definitions for powersharing/consocialionalism/administration. Plus other research areas that come up from this work.

**Strand II - North South relationships**

To get a clear picture of what the parties precise perspectives are on these relationships; what the proposals of the UK and Rep. of Ireland are in relation to these matters; recommendations as to what position the NIWC might take, or what new ideas they might propose.

Details of what Northern South bodies might look like in practice;

Plus other research issues that come up from this work.

### **Decommissioning**

What has been said on decommissioning in NI - what political position it has assumed since 1994; how has decommissioning been handled elsewhere, has it been an obstacle to negotiation?

### **Commemoration/Role of Truth Commissions**

How are lives commemorated; how can victims grieve and perpetrators demonstrate remorse. Timing, guilt.

Role of Truth Commissions in other societies. Prisoners - what are the issues, what might our position be.

### **Policing**

Not to look so much to policing - societies , but to policing societies which have large deprived areas, how police force became accepted, or attempted to serve the law as opposed to enforce it.

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