

NORTHERN IRELAND FORUM

Potential Motions

1 . EUROPE

11-11-96

This Forum notes with concern the Federalist ambitions of some member states of the European Union. As elected, but powerless, representatives of the people of Northern Ireland we recognise the dangers caused by excluding the governed from government. In light of our Provinces' experience of remote and unaccountable administration under Direct Rule, we call upon Her Majestys' Government to pledge a referendum on the issue of European political integration in order that the people of the United Kingdom may decide whether or not to cede yet more powers to existing or potential European institutions.

2 . JUSTICE

This Forum calls upon Her Majestys' Government to fully examine the legislative framework under which the justice system operates in relation to terrorist crime. We call upon H.M.G. to study the examples of Spain, Germany and especially Italy and to apply the lessons learned in Europe to the United Kingdoms' internal security operations.

3 . ADMINISTRATION

This Forum welcomes the establishment of both the Northern Ireland Select Committee and the Northern Ireland Grand Committee. We call upon Her Majestys' Government to accelerate the process of integration until Northern Ireland enjoys all the democratic privileges of other United Kingdom regions.

Peter King

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This Forum calls for the immediate release of Neil Latimer the remaining member of the "UDR 4". He is being held for a crime he could not have committed.

The insurmountable evidence in his defence has been brushed aside by a judicial system that has acted politically and not judicially.

We therefore call for his immediate release: a re-trial or a referral of his case to the criminal case review body; and substantial compensation for 13 years of unwarranted incarceration.

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In the light of recent events locally, in the rest of the United Kingdom and across Europe, regarding paedophilic activities, this Forum seeks assurances from the Secretary of State on policing and detention, sentencing, punishment and treatment of offenders and that Government adequately funds and supports the counselling and continued aftercare of victims and their families.

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