

Ulster Democratic Party

PROPOSED AGENDA FOR STRAND ONE ISSUES

1. Discussion of requirements for a new beginning for relationships within Northern Ireland.

Topics likely to arise include:

2. Consideration of possible principles and criteria for new arrangements within Northern Ireland.

3. The question of institutional and other practical implications of these discussions.

Topics likely to arise include:

- The Principle of Consent - discussion and agreement on what constitutes a majority able, at referendum, to endorse change in the constitutional position of Northern Ireland.

- The nature of institutional arrangements for and within Northern Ireland, which meet any agreed criteria, including, nature and extent of powers e.g. legislative, executive, administrative; structures for exercising these powers; safeguards to maintain cross-community confidence and financial arrangements;

4. Report to plenary

- The extent to which present or proposed arrangements attract the assent and support of both sides of the community and ensure equity of treatment;

- Relationships with other institutions e.g. Westminster Parliament, any agreed North/South relationships, any new Intergovernmental arrangements and the European Union;

- Consideration of arrangements for the protection of rights;

- law and order matters.

- The phased release and re-integration of politically motivated prisoners

- social and economic deprivation and economic regeneration

This list is not comprehensive and other issues may emerge in discussion.

4. Report to plenary

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Proposed Agenda for Strand Two Issues.

1. Discussion of possible future relationships between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland;

Topics likely to arise include:

-Articles 2 and 3 of the Republic's constitution.

1. Principles and criteria of relationships

-Areas of potential for economic co-operation and mutual benefit within a British Isles and European Union context.

-Security co-operation.

2. Discussion of possible new arrangements for future co-operation and any practical implications of such arrangements.

3. Measures for the guarantee and protection of rights.

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Proposed Agenda for Strand Three Issues

Discussion of possible future arrangements between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland

1. Principles and criteria of relationships
2. Nature and extent of new arrangements
3. Discussion of possible new arrangements for future co-operation and any practical implications of such arrangements
4. Measures for the guarantee and protection of rights