

DECLARATION

We, the undersigned, being concerned at the grave threat to the Union offered by the Joint Statement of the British and Irish Governments and their "Propositions on Heads of Agreement", declare our strenuous opposition to:

- * The proposed abandonment of the United Kingdom's independent sovereignty over Northern Ireland in exchange for the possible inclusion of a meaningless consent clause in the Irish Constitution.
- * A Northern Ireland Assembly requiring democrats to share power and executive functions with those representing armed terror.
- * An active and dynamic All Ireland Body with executive powers in exchange for a powerless Council of the Isles, meeting twice a year.
- * A process clearly dedicated to the creation of a functionally and factually United Ireland.

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