

Athshealbhaíгі an Phoblacht

POBLACHT NA H EIREANN, THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE IRISH REPUBLIC TO THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND.

IRISHMEN AND IRISHWOMEN In the name of God and of the dead government from which she receives her old tradition of nationhood, Ireland, through us, summons her children to her flag and strikes for her freedom.

Having organised and trained her manhood through her secret revolutionary organisation, the Irish Republican Brotherhood, and through her open military organisations, the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Citizen Army, having patiently perfected her discipline, having resolutely waited for the right moment to reveal itself, she now seizes that moment, and, supported by her exiled children in America and by gallant allies in Europe, but relying in the first on her own strength, she strikes in full confidence of victory.

We declare the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland, and to the unfettered control of Irish destinies, to be sovereign and indefeasible. The long usurpation of that right by a foreign people and government has not extinguished the right, nor can it ever be extinguished except by the destruction of the Irish people. In every generation the Irish people have asserted their right to national freedom and sovereignty: six times during the past three hundred years they have asserted it in arms. Standing on that fundamental right and again asserting it in arms in the face of the world, we hereby proclaim the Irish Republic as a Sovereign Independent State, and we pledge our lives and the lives of our comrades-in-arms to the cause of its freedom, of its welfare, and of its exaltation among the nations.

The Irish Republic is entitled to, and hereby claims, the allegiance of every Irishman and Irishwoman. The Republic guarantees religious and civil liberty, equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens, and declares its resolve to pursue the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation and of all its parts, cherishing all the children of the nation equally, and oblivious of the differences carefully fostered by an alien government, which have divided a minority from the majority in the past.

Until our arms have brought the opportune moment for the establishment of a permanent National Government, representative of the whole people of Ireland and elected by the suffrages of all her men and women, the Provisional Government, hereby constituted, will administer the civil and military affairs of the Republic in trust for the people.

We place the cause of the Irish Republic under the protection of the Most High God. Whose blessing we invoke upon our arms, and we pray that no one who serves that cause will dishonour it by cowardice, inhumanity, or rapine. In this supreme hour the Irish nation must, by its valour and discipline and by the readiness of its children to sacrifice themselves for the common good, prove itself worthy of the august destiny to which it is called.

Signed on Behalf of the Provisional Government,

THOMAS J. CLARKE.

SEAN Mac DIARADA, THOMAS MacDONAGH,

P. H. PEARSE, EAMONN CEASHT,

JAMES CONNOLLY, JOSEPH PLUNKETT.



Reclaim the Republic

The 1916 Proclamation

of the Irish Republic shook the British Empire to its very core. But what was it in this short document that so worried the worlds then only super-power?

The Proclamation echoed the centuries old demand for British withdrawal from Ireland, a demand that Britain was well used to suppressing. But it also contained a glimpse of a future that so terrified the British ruling class and their friends in Ireland that they crushed the Rising without mercy.

The Proclamation declared “the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland”. No longer would Ireland be owned by the few for the benefit of the few. This new Republic committed itself to “pursue the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation...cherishing all the children of the nation equally.”



So in 2006,

Do we the people have ownership of Ireland?

Has Britain withdrawn from our country?

Are all the children of the nation cherished equally, or do those with money and power get preferential treatment?

What is the unfinished business to be completed before the Republic envisioned in the Proclamation can be established?

Display it with Pride

A copy of the Proclamation should hang with pride in every home, workplace and school in the country, as a visible demand for the establishment of an all Ireland Republic of the type envisioned by those who died in defence of our freedom.

We in éirígi are distributing poster size copies of the 1916 Proclamation of the Republic on a not for profit basis. Financial donations will be used to print further copies for distribution.

“the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland”

“dearbhaímid gur ceart ceannasach do-chlóite ceart mhuintir na hÉireann”



Crith chroí an impireacht Breataine tar éis an

Forógra 1916

Ach ceard a bhí ins an forógra gearr sin a chuir imní crua ar an for-chumhacht amháin a bhí sa dhomhain ag an am sin?

Leiríonn an Forógra an shean-éileamh Éireannach – aistarraingt An Bhreatain ón ár tír féin – Bhí eolas maith acu ar an éileamh sin, agus é a cuir faoi chois, arís agus arís eile.

Ach bhí rud amháin eile istigh ann – Brúigh said an éirí amach gan trócaire mar chonaic said spléachadh den todhchaí nua agus tháinig imeagla agus scanradh ar fad iontu mar sin.

Cruthaíonn an Forógra go “...dearbhaímid gur ceart ceannasach do-chlóite ceart mhuintir na hÉireann...” Faoi dheireadh thiar, beidh gach uile duine an té ar leis an tír. Geall an forógra “...sonas a lorg don náisiún uile agus do gach roinn de, ag tabhairt geana do chlainn uile an náisiúin mar a chéile...”

Mar sin, anois, i 2006

An bhfuilimid an té ar leis an tír seo?

An bhfuil an aistarraingt An Bhreatain ón Éirinn deanta go fóill?

An bhfuilimid ag tabhairt geana do chlainn uile an náisiúin mar a chéile? Nó an bhfuilimid ag tabhairt aire don iadsan leis airgid agus cumhacht amháin?

Ceard é na gnó nach bhfuil críochnaithe againn roimh go gheobhaimid ár bPoblacht a bhí ins ann Forógra?

Taispeán é l’uabhar agus díomas.

Tá orainn cóip don Forógra a chuir i tús áite i ngach bhaile, plás d’obair agus scoil ar fud na tíre, chun an éileamh don bPoblacht saor agus ionann a fheiceáil go soiléir.

Táimid, in éirígi, ag dáileadh cóip don forógra 1916, gan brabach.

éirígí: For a Socialist Republic

éirígí is a Dublin based Socialist Republican campaigns group. We believe that a genuine all Ireland Republic can only be brought about by implementing the political programme set out in the 1916 Proclamation. This requires an end to the British occupation of part of our national territory and the creation of a society based on the fundamental principles of liberty, justice and equality for all citizens.

The 90th Anniversary of the 1916 Rising has generated much debate about the historic importance of that period in our nation's history. The political vision of 1916, however, cannot be consigned to history. The vision and ideals of the men and women of 1916 have yet to be realised. The Proclamation remains a living document. It is as relevant today as it was ninety years ago when Pádraig Pearse read the Proclamation to the citizens of Dublin from the steps of the GPO.

“Let no man doubt who will be master in Ireland when Ireland is free. The people will be masters, the great, splendid, common, sovereign people.”

PH Pearse

As part our contribution to the debate about the future of the island éirígí intends making the 1916 Proclamation as widely available as possible. We aim to be part of a progressive coalition for change.

What YOU Can Do

- Display the 1916 Proclamation with pride in your home, workplace, community centre, school or college
- Encourage your family, friends and work colleagues to do likewise
- Start a debate within your family, your workplace or community about the type of Ireland we live in and about how we, the people, can make it into the Ireland envisioned in the Proclamation.
- Log on to our website www.eirigi.org and find out more about the campaign and about how you can support it.

Get involved in the campaign to Reclaim the Republic!

