Republicans face new political challenge

The IRA should not suspend armed struggle because of the Downing Street declaration. There is not enough in it to merit that. It should not call off the military campaign in return for a bilateral deal with the British. Previous temporary cease-fires showed the dangers of these for Northern republican communities. The case for ending IRA offensive operations at this time is to give mass politics a chance for their own sake. It is to enable the development of a mass republican political movement, North and South, which together with the SDLP, the Dublin Government and powerful allies now obtainable in America and Britain, has the potential of pushing Britain decisively down the disengagement road.

The challenge now facing the Republican Movement is whether, like the Fenians of old, it has the political courage and intelligence to make a united "new departure" towards politics. It was the Fenian "new departure" of the 1870s that made possible the mass political movement of Parnellism and the Land League, which but for the accident of the Parnell divorce case, almost achieved Home Rule for all of Ireland over a century ago.

The thing that can now shatter Ulster Unionism is that made possible the development of mass political movement for United Ireland, is a mass political movement for 50/50 power-sharing in the Six Counties and in North-South bodies, pending final British disengagement. Such a movement can be built through politics and mass non-violent action if Republicans unitedly cease the present opportunity.

Republicans should note carefully that it is the Unionist politicians, in the North and in Britain, and those "Dublin 4" neo-Unionists, the Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael and the "Stickies", who are sure anxious that the IRA should refuse to embrace politics. Republicans should ask themselves why this is so. The people who would be most relieved if Republicans oblige by politically isolating themselves are Molyneaux, Taylor and their British backers. For it enables them to avoid being exposed for what they really stand for - which is Unionist dominance within the North, though that is no longer possible.

It is essential Sinn Fein is involved in "talks" on the Six Counties. Sinn Fein has to be there to give backbone to Dublin and the SDLP. If they are not, the interests of the Nationalist people will be compromised. If Sinn Fein is there, it is Britain and the Unionists who will be politically on the spot. The Adams visa issue showed the potential of a real "pan-nationalist" front involving Dublin side by side with mainstream Irish-America. Maintaining such a alliance to advance the Republican agenda further depends vitally on the IRA sanctioning and encouraging a mass movement of political Republicanism in conditions of peace.

Of course Northern Republican communities cannot tolerate the "Royal" Ulster Constabulary walking down their streets again. Of course there must be British demilitarization and community policing. Of course there must be 50/50 arrangements inside the North and North-South pending final British disengagement. Of course there must be an amnesty for prisoners. But the way to get all that is through politics, building a pan-nationalist front the way the Adams visa issue showed was possible.

In the next round the Irish in Britain and British Labour and Liberal opinion can be brought in, in a way that did not arise on the Adams visa issue. Here the Connolly Association, the oldest political organisation of the Irish in Britain, is showing what needs to be done.
Our own acute crisis - 
Bookshop sold without notice

I have been a regular customer of the Bookshop on 10 King Street, and I was shocked to receive a letter from the publisher informing me that the Bookshop had been sold without notice.

The letter stated that the Bookshop had been sold to a new owner, and that all customers would be contacted to arrange the transfer of their accounts. It also stated that the new owner would be in touch to discuss future plans for the shop.

This news has come as a blow to many regular customers, who have supported the Bookshop over the years. The shop has been a local institution, providing a place for people to gather, read, and engage with the community.

We urge the new owner to maintain the spirit of the Bookshop and to continue to support local authors and books. We also request that the new owner consider involving local residents in the decision-making process, to ensure that the shop remains a valued part of the community.

We are looking forward to hearing from the new owner soon, and we hope that the Bookshop will continue to thrive under new leadership.
Awkward questions for John Major

BEHIND THE HEADLINES

TRIUMPH CRITICISED: The Government is under fire for its failure to review the Northern Ireland peace process in line with the terms of the Good Friday Agreement.

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Reading, writing, 'rithmetic and racism

IN BRIEF

The Unionjacking of Ireland

The British are faced with a dilemma: they have a long history of using colonialism as a means of control and domination, and racism as a tool to justify and perpetuate that control. However, recent years have seen a growing awareness of the impact of these policies on the peoples they have colonised. The British government is now faced with the challenge of addressing the legacy of their past actions and working towards reconciliation and healing.

This has been highlighted by recent events, such as the Unionjacking of Ireland. The British government has been accused of using this event as a way to deflect attention from their role in the Troubles, and to maintain their control over the region. This has led to protests and demonstrations, and the British government is now under pressure to address these concerns.

However, the British government has so far refused to do so, instead opting to use their control over the media and information to maintain their position. This has led to a growing sense of frustration and anger among many in Ireland, and has contributed to the ongoing conflict.

The British government is now in a difficult position, as they must balance their desire to maintain control over Ireland with the need to address the concerns of the people they have colonised. The British government must find a way to address these concerns, or risk further escalating the conflict.

The British government must also be aware of the impact of their policies on the people they have colonised. The British government must work to address the legacy of their past actions and to build a more equitable and just society for all.

IN IRISH

The Fenian Record Player

The Extravagant Song

The Fields of Atény

The Irish Brigade

The word extradition should fill you with shame

There are few enough left who defend Ireland's cause

It's you who will have Irish blood on your hands

Don't cry pious tears for the plight of the north

You can judge British justice by what's gone before

The Birmingham Six and the Guildford Four

Yesterday's papers say that some new information has come to light

You people of Ireland, upon you I call

It's you have the power, in your name they stand

Lest your politician should turn a deaf ear

Don't be shy, don't be tame

Don't deride the Ulster Volunteer Force

Kerry McGovern was a 16-year-old student in the Reproductive Rights Centre in Dublin when he was shot dead.

A new report has called for an end to the practice of extradition, which is a form of legal punishment that has been used to deport people to countries where they may face persecution or human rights abuses.

The report from the European Network for Human Rights, which includes human rights groups from across the continent, calls for an end to the use of extradition as a means of punishment.

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