



# I.B.R.G.

## IRISH IN BRITAIN REPRESENTATION GROUP

ISLINGTON I.B.R.G. ELECTION STATEMENT

JEREMY CORBYN LABOUR PARTY CANDIDATE NORTH ISLINGTON CONSTITUENCY

A meeting of the Islington Branch of I.B.R.G. unanimously decided to publicly endorse Jeremy Corbyn the Labour Party candidate for the North Islington Constituency, and resolved to help Jeremy win the election by actively supporting his election campaign (canvassing etc.)

Jeremy has constantly advocated the withdrawal of British troops from Ireland, and self-determination for the Irish People as a whole, and will vote for this policy at Westminster. The local constituency party also supports this policy.

Jeremy joined the I.B.R.G. in the early days in November 1982, and since then has been an immensely valuable and hard worker on our behalf. He enabled us to lobby Islington Council to provide the Irish Community with a research and advice worker along with office premises; that project should take off in June and marks the beginning of acquiring better resources for the Irish community locally.

Jeremy along with the I.B.R.G. arranged for a London Irish delegation to meet with ILEA to press for greater resources for Irish studies in schools, and for anti-Irish racism to be included in anti-racist teaching. ILEA now consults the Irish community together with Black groups before formulating future policy.

Jeremy joined the I.B.R.G. picket of Woolworth locally which led to Woolworth nationally withdrawing all anti-Irish materials from their stores.

He also joined our picket of the Sun because of that newspaper's distortion of Irish affairs and later he formed part of a delegation to its editor which persuaded him to publish our letter correcting the distortion.

Jeremy wants to print a leaflet addressed to the Irish community as part of his campaign, and intends including his Irish policy (Troops Out-Self-Determination) in his main election leaflet.

He is part of a delegation that the I.B.R.G. are sending along with an Islington Council delegation to the BBC, ITV, the Home Office and the Parliamentary Labour Party to lobby on matters affecting the Irish community.

Jeremy has spoken out against the PTA, plastic bullets etc. and will vote against them in Parliament.

Jeremy has the strong support of the four Irish Islington Councillors Alan Clinton, Alan Farrell, Chris Calnan and Sally Gilbert.

We are in no doubt that JEREMY CORBYN is the best person to represent the interests of the Irish community at Westminster.