

I B R G

IRISH IN BRITAIN REPRESENTATION GROUP

The IBRG has been formed because of the widespread feeling amongst the Irish in Britain that there is no effective representation of their interests in social, cultural and political matters. With your support the IBRG can become an effective organisation pursuing the interests of the Irish community — Through Democratic and Legitimate Methods

The IBRG's foremost concern is the representation of the Irish community with regard to affairs in Britain.

The IBRG is also interested and concerned about events in Ireland.

The IBRG is non-party political—it is not committed to any particular political philosophy whether Socialist or Conservative.

THE PRESERVATION OF THE IRISH WAY OF LIFE IN BRITAIN

The IBRG hopes to foster a positive sense of Irish identity amongst the Irish in Britain which can be passed on to the British-born members of the community.

A FAIR SHARE OF RESOURCES FOR THE IRISH IN BRITAIN

- -A share of air-time on local radio stations and on the Fourth T.V. Channel.
- -Local Authority courses in Irish Studies.
- —The inclusion of Irish Studies in multi-racial school curricula.

ANTI-IRISH RACISM

The IBRG aims to project the truth about the Irish contribution to British life and to combat anti-Irish racism in the form of anti-Irish jokes and insulting stereotypes.

MEDIA REPRESENTATION

The IBRG is concerned about media misrepresentation of Irish affairs. The Republic is depicted as a repressive and backward country and the facts about the conflict in Ireland are routinely distorted.

IRISH AFFAIRS

THE IBRG believes that the voice of the Irish in Britain should be heard on the problem of Northern Ireland. We will work in a peaceful, law-abiding and democratic way for a political solution to the problem. The Irish in Britain also have a legitimate interest in the affairs in the Republic—the IBRG hopes to make their voice heard.

THE P.T.A.

The Prevention of Terrorism Act is used unjustifiably and indiscriminately against the Irish Community in Britain. Many MPs, the National Council for Civil Liberties and many other Groups support its repeal. IBRG have already commenced a major campaign for the repeal of this Act.

PRISONERS

The IBRG is concerned about the plight of Irish prisoners in British gaols and we will conduct a National campaign on this issue.

TRAVEL AND LINKS WITH IRELAND

The IBRG intends to investigate claims that fares are too expensive and services inadequate. We also hope to stimulate greater contact between Irish and British youth.

PROFESSIONAL ADVICE

The IBRG have among its members professional people—Solicitors, Teachers, Social Workers, MPs, etc. We are here to help—do not hesitate to contact us.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Send	this	form	to:	MRS.	C.	GREGORY, IBRG,	

Tick as appropriate:

- A) I would like to join the IBRG—I enclose £1 membership fee.
- B) I would like to help with some aspects of IBRG work.

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