

## Celtic League AGM 2002

### Resolutions Passed

#### Note:

Carn reports that only *some* of the resolutions were printed in the publication, which is from where the resolutions were taken.

#### **This AGM calls:**

On the respective National Parliament and Assemblies to pursue a policy whereby historical artefacts and items of cultural significance removed from the Celtic countries are returned.

#### **This AGM calls for:**

The establishment of a European Environment Protection Agency. Such an agency would provide the coordination and resource needed to combat the continuing threats posed to our coastlines by environmental hazards.

#### **This AGM:**

Recalling the concerns of the Celtic League articulated at the 1989 AGM, held in Abergau, about the long term implications of the European Union Common Fisheries policy calls upon the European Commission to take steps to protect those communities within the Celtic countries that have traditionally derived their living from the fishing industry.

#### **This AGM:**

Expresses its concern at the continuing failure of the Spanish government to engage in a constructive peace process aimed at ending violence and achieving self determination of the Basque people.

Notes with concern the decision by the Spanish authorities to continue to harass and frustrate the organisation of democratic bodies in the Basque Country, including the Basque Nationalist Party, Batasuna, and the Basque youth movement.

#### **This AGM:**

Endorses a campaign by the Celtic League to monitor and expose political and commercial corruption in the Celtic Countries.

#### **This AGM:**

Calls upon the French Government to change the second article of the Constitution to ensure that the Diwan schools will be integrated into the French state school system.

#### **This AGM:**

Whilst welcoming the decision of Attorney General Rory Brady to instruct the Coroner for County Louth, Mr Ronan Maguire BL to hold an inquest into the death of Seamus Ludlow, the Celtic League reiterates its support for the Ludlow families request for a full and independent public inquiry.

**This AGM:**

Welcomes the progress made towards the establishment of designated National Parks in Scotland and endorse the proposals set out in the Cairngorms National Park Draft Designation Order.

**This AGM:**

Mindful of the long term impact of military exercise areas and firing ranges deplores the decision of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence to allow United States Forces to utilise the Cape Wrath area off Northern Scotland for military exercises.

**This AGM of the Celtic League:**

Reiterates its call upon the British and French governments to set up devolved governments for both Cornwall and Brittany respectively, based on the model of devolved government in Scotland.

**This AGM of the Celtic League:**

Calls on the French State, which signed and ratifies the basic UN and EU treaties, in the field of human rights, to respect international laws providing protection to political prisoners.

**This AGM:**

Condemns the Irish Government for its refusal to acknowledge the outcome of the NICE referendum vote and its decision to have another referendum on exactly the same Treaty. We call on the Irish people to reject this attack on democracy and on their Constitution and to vote NO TO THE NICE RERUN.

**This AGM**

Calls on the Irish Government to scrap the Official Languages Bill (Equality) 2002 which is weak and ineffectual as a so called instrument to guarantee Irish language rights and which places far too much reliance on the use of Ministerial powers. New and effective legislation should be introduced as a matter of urgency.

**This AGM:**

Expresses its concern at the reported plans by the British Government to develop third generation nuclear power stations on the site of existing plants and reaffirms its total opposition to the siting of nuclear installations on the perimeters of the Irish Sea.

**This AGM:**

- a) Expresses its concern at the detention and ill treatment of a number of persons from South Armagh at Crossmaglen Police Station on April 18<sup>th</sup> 2002.
- b) Calls on the British and Irish governments to thoroughly examine the circumstances surrounding the arrests with a view to ensuring that any security forces personnel found to have acted improperly are disciplined.

**This AGM:**

Bearing in mind that the Census of 2001 included the Cornish as an indigenous national minority within Britain asks the Westminster government what progress is being made in implementing the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities in providing support for the teaching of Cornish history, geography and language in Cornish schools, including the provision of cultural activities