



Drugs and the INLA



The media and our political opponents have continually insist that the INLA are drug dealers and criminals involved in nothing other than lining their own pockets as a

way to discredit our politics. When our movement regrouped in the mid 90s following the attacks of the previous years it was clear that the mistakes of the past would not be repeated – criminal elements could no longer use the INLA to protect their criminal empires.

This does not mean there are not criminals presently using the INLA's name when they push their drugs into working class communities. The INLA have affirmed that they are aware of these individuals' identities and that in Dublin, they have been asked to desist from their activity or face revolutionary justice.

These myths are aided by other 'Republicans', special branch and Sunday World Journalists content on doing the bidding of the British. They fear the continued growth and organisation of our movement as one of the only alternatives to British rule here.

If anyone in our communities has information on those claiming to be members of our movement, we urge you to come forward!



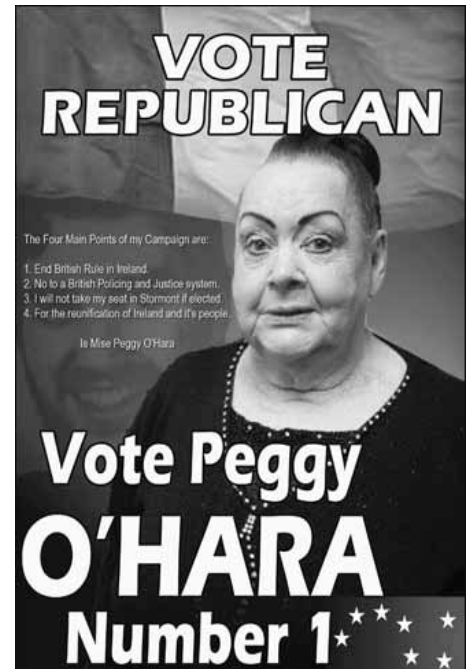
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Peggy O'Hara to stand for election in Foyle

The mother of deceased Irish National Liberation Army hunger striker Patsy O'Hara will stand as an Independent Republican candidate in Foyle during the forthcoming elections, if elected Peggy will not take her seat. Peggy O'Hara handed in her nomination papers on February 12th as part of her campaign.

Peggy spoke afterwards at a press conference stating "I decided to stand in this election because when I think about my son Patsy and how he was burned and brutalised by the RUC. I don't want republicans to accept this force.

"They weren't acceptable in years gone by and they aren't acceptable now. Do you realise that the 90% of the membership of the PSNI were formally members of the RUC. The PSNI is the old RUC and nothing has



changed. But I am also standing on a republican platform.

"I want to see an end to British misrule in our country. I want to see Ireland united. I want to see the people of Ireland united

Bloody Sunday Riot

What follows is a section of the statement on behalf of the Derry Cumann of the RSYM on events following the annual Bloody Sunday commemoration in Derry.

"The PSNI were already in position donning full riot gear with camera surveillance in the area surrounding the Tower Hotel prior to the commemorative proceedings being drawn to a close. This was a clear attempt to provoke youths in the vicinity. There was one arrest that we know of by the time the commemoration had ended, this only served to further aggravate the youths who attacked the PSNI with anything at their disposal.

"Not once did we witness the destruction of property belonging to ordinary working class people but a consistent and determined young people who attacked their oppressor. As the riot reached it's height, materials for petrol bombs were seized by local members of the Provisional Movement and removed from the area.

"We view this as an unrivalled act of collaboration with those who occupy our country and an indication of their newly found positions within British rule here which they are forced to defend. It is not the first time they have actively assisted the PSNI and will not be the last by any stretch of the imagination."

The 'fued' - 20 years on

20 years have passed since what is called the feud of 1987, to us the series of attacks on the Republican Socialist Movement did not represent a feud of any sort. The IPLO first emerged out of the "Revolutionary Command" which controlled the INLA for a period in 1986.

The Revolutionary Command merged with two other factions that had previously been expelled from the IRSM with the view of destroying the IRSM. IRSP and INLA activists were driven underground, statements were sparse, there was no national paper, and offices were sold off among many, many other events that we have yet to fully recover from.

The IPLO were given protection in Divis Flats from the Provisional IRA following the execution of Gerard Steenson by the INLA. Sinn Féin politicians called on the INLA to disband, while claiming the IRSP had ceased to exist.

The IRSM have reorganised on the basis of the Ta Power Document which puts politics in command, the personality clashes that led to the 'feud' of 1987 can no longer lead to open confrontation that benefits our enemies, both native and foreign.

The acceptable face of policing!



This picture is not from the 80s or 90s, but from February 2007 in the New Lodge, Belfast. P SNI officers, armed to the teeth and wearing balaclavas ransacked houses in the area following a robbery. Is this acceptable to Republicans nevermind the wider working class?

Events

The IRSP in North Belfast have organised a fund raising function to help the Peggy O'Hara Election Fighting Fund. The Function will take place on Friday 2nd March. Details can be had from Cumann members or IRSP office. Tickets £4 are now on sale. All welcome.



The Republican Socialist Youth Movement was founded in September 2005 following discussion between young Republicans and Socialists who were influenced by the Irish Republican Socialist Movement. It was agreed that an active, educated and energetic youth movement was needed to further the cause of Republican Socialism in Ireland.

Membership is open to all youth regardless of colour, religion or creed. We also encourage any criticism that people might have in regards the political nature or structure of the RSYM.

We give our allegiance to the 32 County Socialist Republic and defend it to the best of our ability.



Michael Kearney

Commemoration (Turf Lodge)

Around 100 or so people attended the commemoration as well as the Republican Socialist Martyrs Flute band, well turned out and dignified. The march made its way through Turf Lodge without hitch, the flute band stopped at the Provisional IRA roll of honour in the estate and played roll of honour before proceeding towards the Springfield road.

Shortly afterwards the flute band stopped once more, at the plaque for Mickey Kearney to lower the flags, at this point an INLA volunteer emerged and fired a volley of shots.

As the march approached the plaque dedicated to Mickey Kearney and Paddy Bo Campbell the fluteband fell silent and once more lowered the flags. Proceedings were chaired by former INLA Prisoner of War Seamus McHendry and the main oration was given by Chairman of the Republican Socialist Ex-POWs Memorial Committee and former INLA Prisoner of War, Gerard Murray.

The full oration can be read on www.rsym.org under the 'gallery' section.

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