


ALTERNATIVE ULSTER... ALTERNATIVE EUROPE



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ACROSS Europe, there is a growing gap between the rich and the rest of us. We will be a voice for all who have been left behind by the peace process. We are neither Unionist nor Nationalist but are implacable opponents of sectarianism. We stand for the common interests of all working people. We have no big business backers. Our campaign is funded and run by working people, unemployed, students and pensioners.

We want a Europe where the wishes of the people come first, where need is more important than greed, and solidarity, not self-interest, is seen as the highest social virtue. We want to replace the ugliness of capitalism with a decent, sane and socialist world.

Eamonn McCann, 61, has been active in radical politics for more than 40 years. Involved in the anti-Vietnam war campaign in the '60s and '70s, he is now a leading campaigner against the occupation of Iraq. He provided a strong socialist voice within the early civil rights movement and continues to stand against the abuse of State power. He is chairman of the Bloody Sunday Trust and vice-chair of Derry Trades Union Council. He is a member of the Socialist Workers' Party. He is father of Kitty, Luke and Matty and grandfather of Rosie and lives in Derry with his partner Goretti Horgan.



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The EU is advertised as an entity where old hatreds have been replaced by harmony and resources go to meet social needs. But there are two visions of Europe on offer.

One is the Europe of the multinational corporations, destroying public services and the environment, preparing for war and scapegoating refugees. The other is a Europe of cooperation, which puts the needs of humanity before the drive for profit, which opposes war and welcomes all fleeing persecution or searching for a better life. The SEA speaks for a radical vision that a transformed Northern Ireland can fit into.

AGAINST WAR

We want US-led forces out of Iraq because their role is not to free the people but to seize control of their resources. We are against an EU army which would give another spin to the global spiral of violence. We oppose paramilitarism because it doesn't raise up but holds down oppressed communities. We are against the arms trade.

DEFEND PUBLIC SERVICES

We are a local expression of the global anti-capitalist movement. We will fight the EU's privatisation agenda. We want public services returned to public ownership. We will back a community refusal to pay water charges. We are for free integrated comprehensive education from nursery to university, for a fully-funded NHS and pensions and for benefits linked to earnings. We will speak loudly for all workers fighting for union rights, jobs and better conditions

AGAINST RACISM

We stand for the free movement of people. We oppose EU immigration laws which keep the poor out and lead directly to racism. We will resist attacks on civil liberties disguised as a "war on terrorism." We fight all forms of discrimination.

DEFEND THE ENVIRONMENT

The biggest threat to our environment comes from the interests which put profit before protection of the earth. We want a taxation regime which makes industrial polluters pay. We campaign for a massive expansion of public transport, especially rail, and fewer private vehicles pumping poisonous fumes. We are for recycling and renewable energy and against EU-driven waste policies which include incineration.

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