

Northern Ireland Assembly: Consultation on the creation of a Bill of Rights for Northern Ireland

Submission by the Northern Ireland Catholic Council on Social Affairs

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We note that the proposal to create a Bill of Rights 'to reflect the particular circumstances of Northern Ireland' is part of the Good Friday (Belfast) Agreement. Since that time, we, and the Northern Bishops, have responded to previous consultations and engagements on this topic and these submissions will be at the disposal of the Assembly. In these, we have stressed the importance and need for an emphasis on social and economic rights, as well as the urgent need to address poverty.

At this time we will continue to monitor the progress of the Committee on this matter and will comment on any detailed proposals which arise from the Committee's work in this area in the future.

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