I am writing on behalf of my wife and myself to respond to the Women and Equalities Committee of the House of Commons in connection with their enquiries about public opinion concerning current Northern Ireland Abortion laws.

Our strongly held views are that our laws should not be liberalised, for the following reasons:

1) The 1967 abortion act in Britain has resulted in a situation where almost all abortions are done for 'social; reasons: ie the baby is not wanted. This was not the original expressed intention of that act, and we do not want Northern Ireland to go down the same road.

2) In pregnancies, there are two human lives to be considered, and we believe that abortion is the deliberate killing of one life, and that it is morally wrong. It is a national scandal that around 9 million babies have been killed in the womb in Britain since 1967.

3) Conversely many thousands of babies have survived in Northern Ireland in these years because of our laws.

For these reasons we wish to oppose any change in the law, which currently allows abortion only in extreme circumstances where the mother’s life is in danger.

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