Written submission from Professor Robert McCollum (ANI0145)

I have lived in N Ireland all my life and I am thankful that the ‘right to life’ has been established by law for everyone, including the unborn child.

It disturbs me that anyone at Westminster should or would contemplate taking action to liberalize N Ireland’s abortion law since our elected representatives debated in 2016 “Abortion Law Reform” and decided not to alter the present law regarding abortion.

I recognize the trauma parents go through when there is a fetal abnormality, but that child has a right to life in the womb as it has a right to life outside the womb, be that life short or long.

I respectfully petition the Women and Equalities Committee to respect the current N Ireland legislation re abortion.

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