Devolution

It is my understanding that Northern Ireland (‘NI’) is a devolved part of the United Kingdom. It was for this reason that the NI Assembly had the powers to reject the adoption of Westminster’s 1967 Abortion Act. I therefore fail to comprehend how a Westminster Commission, that includes no representation of NI Members of Parliament can have any jurisdiction over the moral affairs of NI.

Human Rights

It can never be a human right for any person or legislative body to kill i.e. abort, or allow or authorise anyone else to kill an innocent person i.e. baby/foetus in the womb or anywhere else. In this respect a baby/foetus in the womb has a completely different set of DNA to the mother or father. The baby is therefore by any definition a distinct individual or person and can never be said to be part of a woman’s body. The baby is dependent on the mother for food and nourishment for its development in the womb just as it depends on its mother for development once it has been born.

Effect on population of NI

According to research by Both Lives Matter in 2017 some 100,000 persons now living would have been killed by abortion if the NI Assembly had adopted the 1967 Abortion Act. This shows the awful reality of the affects of abortion and one of the reasons why any abortion should be legislated against.

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