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1) DEVOLUTION
No government, no change. It’s not democracy. Northern Ireland should speak for itself.

2) DISTINCTIVE LAW AND CULTURE
Women do suffer terribly from the effects of abortion. It is vital that women get the right counselling and advice for such a massive decision. In most cases it doesn’t exist. Have we considered this?

3) HUMAN RIGHTS & EQUALITY
We must look at abortion as a terrible choice for both mother and baby. I have seen the pain and destruction that can be lifelong after an abortion even in a women who chose it and thought it would be straightforward. It can’t be easy in cases of sexual crime or disability either. Double the agony.

4) PERSONAL STORIES
I have never had an abortion. I am a mother. I have witnessed the after affects and brokenness in other women that can torment them and shatter their mental health. It tears me up and moves me that people have victory bringing abortion about but stop there and are unaware of the torment it leaves behind.

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