

- 1) **50% + 1 would be a disaster.** Reflect on what happened in the Brexit referendum. England now a savagely divided country and Scotland on the brink of independence.
- 2) **A model for reunification is essential.** Health Services, Poll tax, The rights of minorities, eg when the Free State was established tens of thousands of Unionists fled the country. In a united Ireland Unionists in the North would be a threatened minority. A hundred years ago the All for Ireland League was prepared to be very generous to what would be the Northern minority.

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The Reunification of Ireland should be viewed in a totally different context to that of the last hundred years in the aftermath of Brexit and the increasing calls for Scottish and Welsh Independence and for Regional Assemblies in England and the marginalisation of the six counties that began with the withdrawal of Defence bases which began in 1970 with the closure of the Naval base in Derry and has continued to this day because of Britain's leaving the EU and the six Counties subject to border controls with mainland Britain .

The simultaneous setting up of Regional Assemblies in Ireland for the four provinces, in Cork, Galway and Dublin with Stormont as the Assembly for the nine Counties of Ulster, and Leinster House becoming the Federal Dáil would be a positive move into the future for a new Ireland.

You also have hundreds of publications which can be trawled for assistance as many problems which could arise have already been addressed in different contexts, e.g. *Has devolution worked: The verdict from policy-makers and the public Edited by John Curtice and Bed Seyd*

Rejoining the Commonwealth of Nations – which is no longer a British controlled Organisation – would ease residual Unionist fears, especially if the Head of the Organisation, in the near future came from a country other than the UK.