

## Implementation of the Northern Ireland Protocol and Peace on the Island of Ireland

The Congress of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party convening virtually on 11-12 June 2021:

Whereas discussions are intensifying around the implementation of the Northern Ireland Protocol including meetings this week to review its operation between UK and EU officials.

The ALDE Party recognises that the Northern Ireland Protocol is the best and only solution found to the unique situation of the island of Ireland following Brexit – and specifically, to the challenges created by the type of Brexit that the current UK government chose.

The ALDE Party recognises that to achieve the benefits of the Protocol, tangible progress on its implementation must be made. We recognise that the EU team has been working hard to find ways to ensure that the Protocol is implemented in a way that both facilitates the everyday life of Northern Ireland's communities and preserves the integrity of the EU's single market. This has to be a joint endeavour between the EU and the UK. The EU has shown from the very beginning, a willingness to find creative solutions when required.

This congress recognises that the EU continues to show a strong commitment to the people of Northern Ireland to ensure that the peace, stability and prosperity that they have enjoyed over the last 20 years is maintained. This commitment runs deep in the European Union, which is at heart a peace project itself.

This congress calls on the UK Government to show that same commitment to the Protocol and perseverance with its implementation.

Congress considers the international rule of law as essential for international relations and urges all sides to comply with international law in general, the Good Friday Agreement, the Withdrawal Agreement, its Ireland/Northern Ireland Protocol and the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement in particular.

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