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## Now it's Sir Reg and Sir Ron!!



The new year's honours list contained the names of those political time-servers whose whole aim in life is self-advancement at any cost. Prominent amongst those who received their pay-off for services rendered to the government, in its attempts to destroy Protestant Ulster, were Reg Empey and Ronnie Flanagan, Ulster Unionist Party vice-president and Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary respectively.

They have both received a knighthood. Both humbly said that they would accept it on behalf of their colleagues etc etc!!

Sir Reg and Sir Ron have both played a part in carrying forward the government's plan to push Ulster out of the United Kingdom and into a united Ireland.

Reg Empey was a leading UUP negotiator in the infamous "Good Friday Agreement" which, though denied at the time, has given Irish Republican terrorism all it wanted and that on a plate. As a result of this so-called peace agreement, the IRA have retained their arsenal of terrorist weapons, while at the same time seeing all their top terrorist operatives released early from prison, despite the fact that many of them were serving life sentences for murder. Mr. Empey, in company with his leader, David Trimble, has also led his party to concede all-Ireland institutions as part of the new structures for governing Northern Ireland. Little wonder they gave him a knighthood!

As for Ronnie Flanagan, he has received his reward, not only for labours done in the past but also for that which he has yet to do-- namely, supervising a quiet acquiescence in the utter destruction of the RUC and its replacement with a "police force" that will be acceptable to the IRA, Sinn Fein and nationalists generally. His earning of his knighthood will really begin after the committee on reforming the police force in Northern Ireland, chaired by Chris Patten, gives its recommendations. It is confidently expected that the committee will call for changes within the RUC that will in essence mean its destruction. How men, who have been the chief targets of the IRA over the past thirty years of terrorism, will react to such a betrayal is anyone's guess. But it will be then that Flanagan will be required by the government to earn his knighthood. Even a knighthood will be a poor reward for that treachery.

The new honours list does not contain the name of one person from the nationalist community. The Prime Minister's office indicated that honours were offered but declined. In the light of these refusals, one has to ask where the much vaunted "new relationships" are, that were supposedly initiated by the "Good Friday Agreement?"

The enmity toward all things British that is harboured in the hearts of Irish nationalists will never be mollified.