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**From the Artists' Campaign to Repeal the Eighth Amendment**

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**Artists Campaign** <artistscampaign@gmail.com>  
To: Campaign <artistscampaign@gmail.com>  
Bcc: campbell.emma@gmail.com

1 October 2015 at 10:11

Dear Signatory,

We posted the Artists' Campaign statement on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages. It's been visited and liked a lot and has helped generate interest and discussion in what the Campaign believes and is looking for.

It seems to be a very effective way to get the message out. We are writing to ask if you would be willing to post the statement, (j-peg attached below), on your Facebook, Twitter Instagram or any other social media.

Please ask your friends to sign and share at [artistsrepealthe8th.com](http://artistsrepealthe8th.com)

Best wishes,

Cecily Brennan

Eithne Jordan

Alice Maher

Paula Meehan

Lia Mills

Aoife Anna Mullan

Mairead O'hEocha

Rachel-Rose O'Leary

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**ARTISTS' CAMPAIGN  
TO REPEAL THE EIGHTH AMENDMENT****STATEMENT**

"The Eighth Amendment of the Constitution of Ireland, Article 40.3.3 inserted in 1985, has prevented our doctors and our legislators from providing proper care to women in Ireland.

The resulting physical and emotional trauma inflicted on women is incalculable and an ongoing cause of shame for Irish citizens.

The Eighth Amendment undermines the status of the Irish Constitution. It is a key source of Ireland's failure to reach international human rights standards and of the state's failure to meet its obligations to vindicate women's human rights.

We, the undersigned artists, call for the repeal of the Eighth Amendment of the Irish Constitution and for action by our elected legislators to provide women in Ireland with modern reproductive health services in line with best medical practice and international human rights norms."

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**Emma Campbell Photo** <campbell.emma@gmail.com>  
To: Artists Campaign <artistscampaign@gmail.com>

3 October 2015 at 12:10

Hi

- thanks for this  
- I was just wondering if you are planning anything with the artists in Ireland who have been making work about this very topic?

I know there are a fair few of us who have been addressing abortion in Ireland directly through our practice and perhaps a larger call out in the same capacity could be effective alongside the Repeal the 8th Coalition's great activist work?

In solidarity  
Emma

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**Artists Campaign** <artistscampaign@gmail.com>  
To: Emma Campbell Photo <campbell.emma@gmail.com>

3 October 2015 at 13:43

Hi Emma,  
Thanks for your email. The Artists' Campaign will not be organising any exhibitions or events. We made a decision right from the start that we would not ask anyone for the use of their work in any way. That is the policy. We are also not a fund-raising organisation. All of the funds have been donated by ourselves.

Our mandate from our signatories is to advocate for the repeal of the 8th amendment and to bring our opinions to the attention of the political parties and policy makers. We are a very small group, that work is taking all the available time.

I'm sure a lot of great work is being made. We have all felt that the best way to be effective is to light many small fires as possible, not just one big one. Perhaps you would consider organising something yourself?

With all best wishes,  
Cecily Brennan

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**Emma Campbell Photo** <campbell.emma@gmail.com>  
To: Artists Campaign <artistscampaign@gmail.com>

3 October 2015 at 15:41

That's great Cecily thanks for your response.

There are and have been things organised already, it was only to establish whether or not something like this was planned by yourselves!  
I am also the Vice-Chair of Alliance for Choice in Belfast and I have already shared your actions with our members.  
Many thanks

Emma

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