

# Glossary and abbreviations

32CSM	32 County Sovereignty Movement. Political organisation, created in 1997. Linked to the RIRA.
ANC	African National Congress
Ard Chomhairle	National executive of a political party
Ard Fheis	Annual conference
CABHAIR	A republican prisoner association. Linked to RNU. Translated to 'assistance'.
CIRA	Continuity IRA. Republican paramilitary organisation linked to RSF.
Cogús	A republican prisoner association. Translates to 'conscience'.
Dáil Éireann	Lower house of the Irish parliament
DDR	Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration
DEA	District Electoral Area
DUP	Democratic Unionist Party
éirígí	Socialist Irish republican political party, created in 2006
GFA	Good Friday Agreement. Also referred to in this book as 'the Agreement'.
IMC	Independent Monitoring Commission
INLA	Irish National Liberation Army. Republican Socialist paramilitary organisation, created in 1974 over split in the Official republican movement.
IRA	Irish Republican Army
IRPWA	Irish Republican Prisoners Welfare Association
IRSP	Irish Republican Socialist Party. Irish republican socialist party formed in 1974 after splitting from the 'Official' movement. Formerly linked to the paramilitary group INLA.
LVF	Loyalist Volunteer Force
MI5	Military Intelligence Section 5. British internal security services.
MLA	Member of Legislative Assembly
NILT	Northern Ireland Life and Times

Official IRA	Republican paramilitary organisation, linked to the Official republican movement.
ONH	Óglaigh na hÉireann/‘Soldiers of Ireland’. Title claimed by various republican factions.
PIRA	Provisional IRA. Republican paramilitary organisation, created in 1969/70. Linked to Provisional Sinn Féin, fully decommissioned in 2005. Also referred to in this book as ‘the IRA’.
PSNI	Police Service of Northern Ireland. Successor police force to RUC, created in 2001.
RAAD	Republican Action Against Drugs. Republican paramilitary organisation operating mainly in the Derry area. Engage in violence against suspected drug dealers and other ‘anti social behaviour’.
RIRA	Real IRA. Republican paramilitary organisation formed in 1997 by those unhappy with the direction of the peace process, particularly the Mitchell Principles.
RNU	Republican Network for Unity. Irish republican organisation opposed to the direction of the peace process.
RUC	Royal Ulster Constabulary. The former police service, replaced by the PSNI in 2001.
RSF	Republican Sinn Féin. Republican organisation. Split from the Provisional movement in 1986 over the dropping of abstention from Dáil Éireann.
SDLP	Social Democratic and Labour Party
Sinn Féin	Irish republican political party. Also referred to as the ‘Provisional movement’ to differentiate between RSF and to collectivise the PIRA and Sinn Féin.
Taoiseach	Irish Prime Minister
Teach na Fáilte	A republican prisoner association linked to the IRSP
UUP	Ulster Unionist Party

