

CUMANN NA mBAN.  
(IRISH WOMEN'S COUNCIL).

(1) OBJECTS

1. To advance the cause of Irish liberty.
  2. To organise Irishwomen in furtherance of this object.
  3. To assist in arming and equipping a body of Irishmen for the defence of Ireland.
  4. To form a fund for these purposes to be called "The defence of Ireland fund".
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MISS L. NIC SHAMBRAIDHIN Proposed the adoption of the  
Constitution of the Organisation.

MRS. M. KETTLE Seconded.

Resolution passed unanimously.

MISS AGNES O'FARRELLY Presided.

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(2) CONSTITUTION

1. For the time being the direction of the branches will be carried on by the provisional committee.
  2. Branches will be formed throughout the country, pledged to the Constitution, and directed in a general way by the provisional Committee.
  3. Members will be expected in addition to their local subscription to support the Defence of Ireland Fund by subscription or otherwise.
  4. The affiliation Fee for Branches shall be 5/- per annum.
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(3) PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE

Mrs. John MacNeill, Mrs. Wyse Power, Madam O'Rahilly,  
Miss Agnes O'Farrelly, M.A., Mrs. Tuohy,  
Mrs. MacDonagh O'Mahony, Miss Gavan Duffy, B.A.,  
Hon. Secs. Mary M. Colum, B.A., Louise Gavan  
Duffy, B.A.

Women of Irish Birth or descent alone are eligible  
for membership.

### ACTIVITIES (Continued)

5. Scouting:- General knowledge of the surrounding country with a view to practical application in periods of enemy activity.
6. Training camps, and training courses.
7. Despatch carrying:- Formation of lines of communication. The captain of each Branch shall offer to the local I.R.A. captain, the services of at least three members who shall act as despatch carriers.
8. Propaganda and Publicity:- See Policy and Aims.
9. Elections:- See Policy and Aims.
10. Study of Irish:- Aim - An Fainne.
11. Supporting Irish Manufacture.
12. Educational:- Irish History, Lectures and Debates.
13. Removal and care of arms and ammunition.
14. Assisting in the escape of prisoners.
15. Commandeering supplies.
16. Collecting for the "Defence of Ireland Fund" and for all Dependents' Funds.
17. Parades held under danger from enemy armed forces.
18. Route Marches.

### ORGANISATION.

1. Cumann na mBan shall be organised into areas corresponding to I.R.A. Batt. Areas. Each Company of the I.R.A. shall have a Branch or Squad of Cumann na mBan attached to it.
  2. Food and Rest Stations:- The Officers of the Branch shall select in the Coy. area, safe houses where men may have food and sleeping accommodation. Secretary of the District Council shall forward to the I.R.A. Batt. O/C complete lists for the Batt. area.
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