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**People's Movement welcomes Irish CND's support for a 'no' vote  
on Lisbon Treaty**

The chairperson of the People's Movement, former Green Party MEP Patricia McKenna, has welcomed the support of Irish CND for a 'No' vote in the forthcoming referendum on the Lisbon Treaty.

At their AGM in the Mansion House today, members of Irish CND voted overwhelmingly to support a 'No' vote. A motion, 'That Irish CND support a "No" vote in the forthcoming Lisbon Treaty referendum in view of its implications for the further militarization of Europe and for Nuclear power' put to the floor of the meeting was greeted with widespread enthusiasm. Many members voiced concern about the implications of the treaty on Ireland's military neutrality and its opposition to nuclear power. The issue of Ireland signing up to a 'mutual defence pact', included in the Treaty under article 28A.7, was strongly criticised.

Ms McKenna welcomed the result and said it was yet further proof that the issues being raised by those on the 'No' side are indeed valid.

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