

PRESS NOTICE

*(as finally issued)*

Following a request received by the British Government from the Government of Irish Republic, the Trustees of the Imperial War Museum have agreed to return the flag which was hoisted on the roof of the General Post Office, Dublin at the time of the Easter Rising in 1916.

The Imperial War Museum authorities were prepared to make available the tricolour flag which was previously on display in the Museum, together with a plaque stating it was hoisted on the roof of the G.P.O., Dublin on 24 April, 1916. However the Irish Republic authorities believe that another flag in the possession of the Imperial War Museum, <sup>at present</sup> with the inscription "Irish Republic" is in fact the flag in question and the Imperial War Museum authorities have agreed to hand this over.

His Excellency Mr. John G. Molloy, Ambassador for the Republic of Ireland, accordingly called on Sir Saviile Garner, the Permanent Under Secretary of State, Commonwealth Relations Office on 30 March to receive the flag.