

## **TENTATIVE PLANNING FOR NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY ELECTION**

NOTE: We are still in the preliminary planning stages, some of this information is subject to change.

We are recruiting 40-50 election observers. We are accepting applications from both experienced and inexperienced observers.

The observation mission runs from May 2 - May 8, inclusive. Here is the rough tentative schedule:

- May 2 – Arrive in Belfast
- May 3 – Briefing/Training at mission hotel, all day
- May 4 – Deploy to Areas of Observation
- May 5 – Election Day
- May 6 – Observe Count and return to Belfast, check in regarding your data and submit notes – Farewell dinner
- May 7 – Main Debrief in the morning, then free day (some activities offered)
- May 8 – Check out of mission hotel, repatriate, or continue with private plans

This is currently a completely self-funded mission.

There are 3 levels of participation costs, based on the type of room the observer chooses – single room, shared room, or self-accommodation.

Single room: \$1150 CAD

Shared Room (2 people): \$950 CAD

Self Accommodation: \$500 CAD (must be discussed regarding location and deployment)

Included in the participation fee are accommodation with breakfast, in-country transportation, and briefing/training and debriefing costs.

It does NOT include transportation to and from Belfast, or any meals other than breakfast.

Generally, we are not able to support visa applications, but will look at them on a case by case basis.