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**FORMING A GOVERNMENT**

**LET THE DÁIL TAKE A MULTI-OPTION VOTE**

+ Will Party ‘X’ support the FF/FG document?

+ Should SF be in government?

+ Should ‘X’ join ‘Y’?

+ Should there be an all-party Government of National Unity?

Just as Brexit should never have been, “Boris Johnson’s notion – yes-or-no?” “Theresa May’s motion, yes-or-no?” “Remain in the EU…” “Be under the WTO…” Or “whatever… yes-or-no?”…

…so too Ireland’s quest for a new government should not be reduced to a binary question, either within parties or in the Dáil?

In a multi-option scenario, reducing (often in heated argument) a multi-option debate to (what then boils down to) a majority vote may distort the topic and deliver a fake outcome.

Accordingly, the Dáil should consider all the options – one each from every Party and/or group of, say, seven TDs – and then cast their preferences on all of them, so to identify that option which best represents the Dáil, the option with the highest average preference.

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