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Subject: The safety within Irish communities including villages, towns and cities

Dear Robert,

I'm writing this letter as a concerned father and citizen of the Republic of Ireland.

I'm 36, I come from a humble background in Kilbeggan Co. Westmeath, a county where I have proudly lived all my life, raising a family with my wife Lisa, working closely with my mother and father in farming and other business ventures. Over the past 15 years, I have dedicated my professional career to Procurement. I have taken on key roles across a number of different sectors and more recently I have started a new role within Dublin Port Company. I wouldn't trade my life to live anywhere else in Europe or indeed the world but recently, particularly over the last 3 years, I have questioned this.

We can all agree that demographics have changed at a fast pace. We are seeing unprecedented numbers arrive in Ireland. I understand many come to this country legally with the intent of working and providing for their families. A brief contextual piece if I may - I personally worked with some of the best people during my time in the meat industry (Kepak Group) whether they were from eastern Europe or South America. We held similar morale values and, in many cases, shared a belief in a higher power - Almighty God. I feel as though without many of the immigrants who come to Ireland our country would simply not be able to function, I'm very aware of that fact. I would greatly appreciate if you took my honest views into consideration and not be so quick (like many others in government) to brand me "far right" or "racist" – In many respects these quoted words have lost their meaning.

Immigration and more notably illegal immigration is causing unrest, uneasiness among communities, safety concerns, straining key services and a major factor in violent crimes. I have taken some time to list some of the recent atrocities that have taken place, I would be grateful if you could bring these to the forefront of your thoughts for a moment as you read this letter and perhaps it will help you understand mine and many others perspective on this topic.

Case / incident	Details
Ashling Murphy, Tullamore, 2022	Jozef Puska was convicted of murdering 23-year-old teacher Ashling Murphy and sentenced to life imprisonment. Reports identify him as a Slovak man who moved to Ireland in 2013.
Aidan Moffitt / Michael Snee / Anthony Burke, Sligo, 2022	Yousef Palani murdered Aidan Moffitt and Michael Snee and seriously assaulted Anthony Burke. Reporting says he was born in Iraq and moved to Ireland as a child.
Geila Ibram, Limerick, 2023	Habib Shamel, an Afghan national who had applied for asylum, was charged after Geila Ibram was stabbed repeatedly in Limerick. He later received a life sentence after pleading guilty.
Yosuke Sasaki, Dundalk, 2018	Japanese national Yosuke Sasaki was killed in a random knife attack. RTÉ reported the attacker was an asylum seeker who claimed ISIS motivation and was found not guilty by reason of insanity.
Parnell Square school stabbing, Dublin, 2023	Riad Bouchaker is on trial accused of attempting to murder three children and assaulting a care worker in a knife attack.
Citywest / Saggart child sexual assault case, 2025	A man was sent forward for trial accused of sexually assaulting a 10-year-old girl near Citywest. Reporting stated the suspect had failed in his protection application and was subject to a deportation order.
Vadym Davydenko, Dublin, 2025	A 17-year-old Somalian teenager was charged with the murder of 17-year-old Ukrainian teenager Vadym Davydenko in north Dublin. Court proceedings ongoing.
Masuma Sohrabi / Masoumeh Jafri Manojan, Clifden, 2026	An Iranian mother living near an IPAS centre in Clifden was found dead. Ali Sohrabi, 35, of no fixed abode, charged with her murder.
Stephen Ogilvie, Belfast, 2026	Northern Ireland case relevant to Common Travel Area concerns. Hadi Alodid, a Sudanese refugee, was charged with attempted murder after a knife attack; reporting says he entered Northern Ireland via the Republic after flying Paris–Dublin.

It is very apparent that a disproportionate amount of criminality & violent crimes are being perpetrated by a small % percentage of the population whether they are in state provided accommodation, IPAS centres, no accommodation yet receiving contingency payment, undocumented with no claim and living rough or in emergency accommodation of some sort. Irish citizens are being asked to absorb the

consequences of a migration system that has little control. Irish communities are not a dumping ground for poorly vetted, mostly male accommodation centres.

In my personal experience, almost 2 years ago I had my jeep stolen from my house by 2x Algerian men while my wife, kids and I slept just metres away. The jeep was recovered at the City West IPAS centre the following morning through a vehicle tracker app on my phone. To this day, I recall the incident regularly. The Government's first duty under Article 40.3 of the Constitution is to protect the life, person and property rights of Irish citizens. That duty should be the priority of the state. In recent times, I feel as though we have been betrayed by the state and the EU. I cannot fathom how its deemed acceptable for the citizens of this country to fund nearly €1.5 BILLION euro (projected for 2026) to a system that brings such suffering to the native citizens and legal immigrants that call Ireland home.

Finally, back to my initial thought in the first para. I continue to question my desire to live in this country and my wife and I have discussed emigrating with our children elsewhere. I struggle to understand the rationale of this elected government, but I also understand EU law now in many areas supersedes Irish law. I struggle to hold my allegiance to Fianna Fail and I made this known to Senator Paul Daly and Councillor Liam McDaniels when they politely called to my house at the last election campaign. I feel utterly betrayed and angry for how this situation has worsened in recent years. The worst part of it all is that the government in power can see it but decide to do nothing about it.

Sincerely,

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