

## United Nations (UN) Day 2015

24 October 2015

**Belfast, NORTHERN IRELAND:** The Deputy Lord Mayor of Belfast Alderman Guy Spence with invited dignitaries from United Nations (UN) member states and UN Association-Northern Ireland patrons held a reception at Belfast City Hall to commemorate UN Day.

United Nations Day marks the 1945 anniversary of entry into force of the UN Charter, with the ratification of this founding document by the majority of its signatories, including the five permanent members of the Security Council, the United Nations officially came into being.

24 October has been celebrated as United Nations Day since 1948 and 2015 marks its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. In 1971, the United Nations General Assembly recommended that the day be observed by Member States as a public holiday.

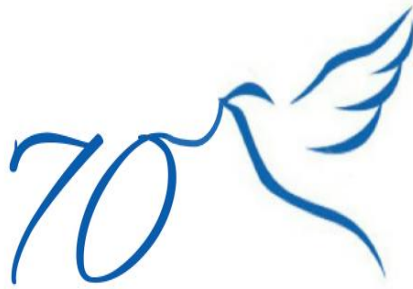
The event included presentation of a copy of the UN Charter to the Deputy Lord Mayor, a screening of a video about the UN at 70 filmed from UN Headquarters in New York being shown on the big screen in the grounds of Belfast City Hall and Belfast City Hall being lit up in UN blue lights.



(L-R): Judith Fawcett - Chairperson UNA-NI; Timothy Greaves; Kerry Greaves; Dr Christopher Stange – Hon. Consul St. Vincent and the Grenadines to Northern Ireland; Alderman Guy Spence - Deputy Lord Mayor of Belfast; Dame Mary Peters



Belfast City Hall lit up in UN blue



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