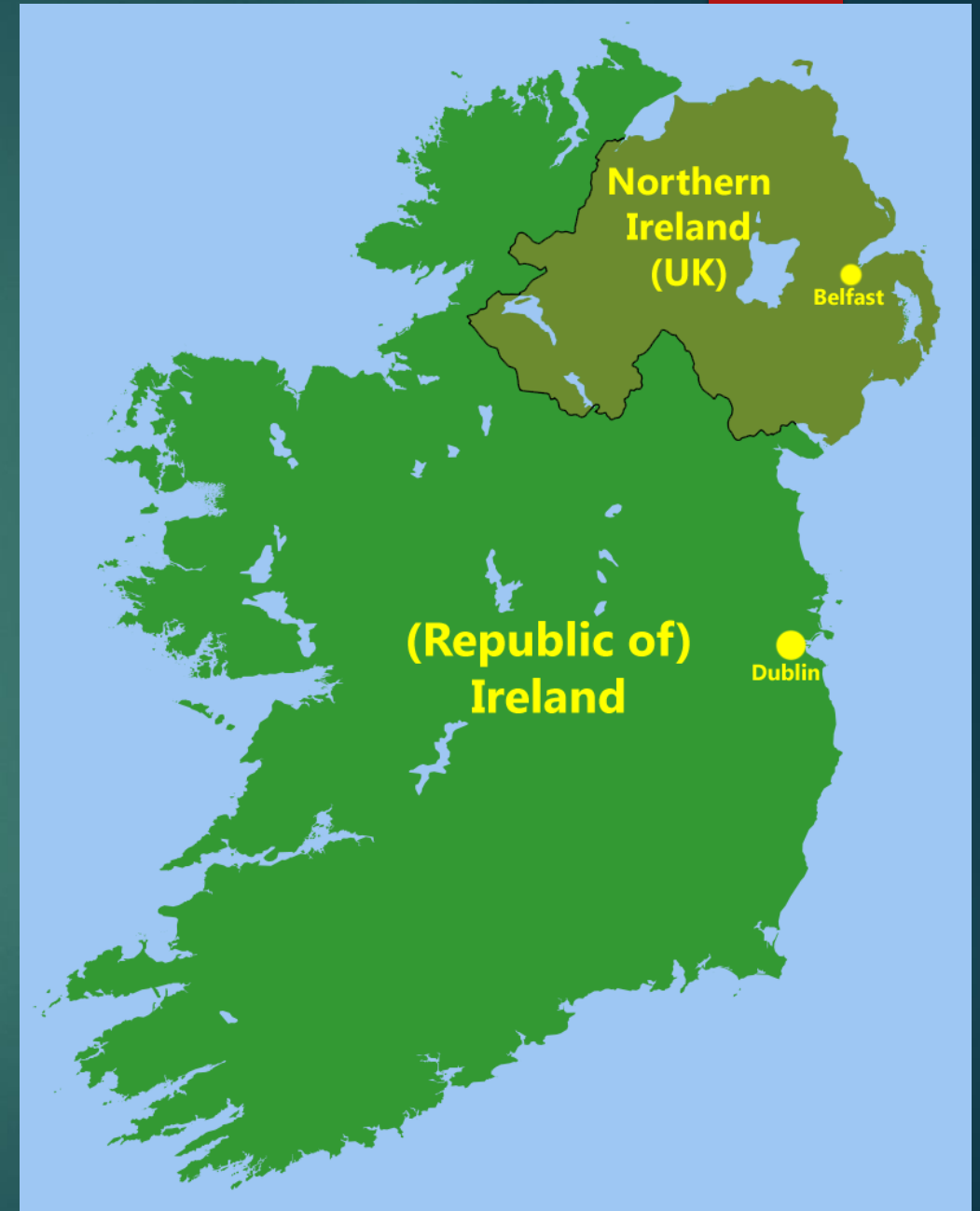


G) Ireland

- ▶ Geographical term VS political entity?
- ▶ 16th and early 17th centuries: conquest
- ▶ Dependency + colonization
- ▶ 1801: Union with Great Britain
- ▶ 19th century: unionists vs nationalists
- ▶ 1916: Easter Rising
- ▶ 1921: Division between
 - **Irish Free State** (today called **the Republic of Ireland**)
 - **Northern Ireland**



H) Northern Ireland

- ▶ North eastern part of Ireland.
- ▶ Nickname: **Ulster**.
- ▶ **1461**: Ulster passed to the English crown.
- ▶ **1921**: partitioned into the six counties of Northern Ireland **and** the Ulster province of the Republic of Ireland.



▶ H) Northern Ireland

- ▶ Very complex <- ethno-nationalist conflict for several decades
 - ▶ Unionists vs Nationalists (now : Democratic Unionist Party aka DUP vs. Sinn Féin)
 - ▶ Protestants vs Catholics
 - ▶ Paramilitary fights Black and Tans vs. IRA =
= Civil War & Troubles
- ▶ Very long peace process with help from the EU and the US in the 80s and 90s
- ▶ Good Friday Agreement (/Belfast Agreement) on April 10th 1998.
- ▶ Now described as a country, a region or a province.



I) The Republic of Ireland

- ▶ Most of Ireland.
- ▶ - 1916 : **Easter Rising**
- ▶ - 1919 Declaration of Independence (unilateral declaration of independence) : **Irish Republic** (1919-1922)
- ▶ - December 1922 the entire island => self-governing (dominion) : **the Irish Free State** (Saorstát Éireann)
 - Still part of the Commonwealth.
 - Irish Civil War (1922-1923)
- ▶ - 1937 : New Constitution and new name : **Éire**
- ▶ - 1949 : **full independence** as a **Republic**, out of the Commonwealth
- ▶ - 1973 : joined the **EEC** (former EU).
- ▶ Organisation: President (representation only) +



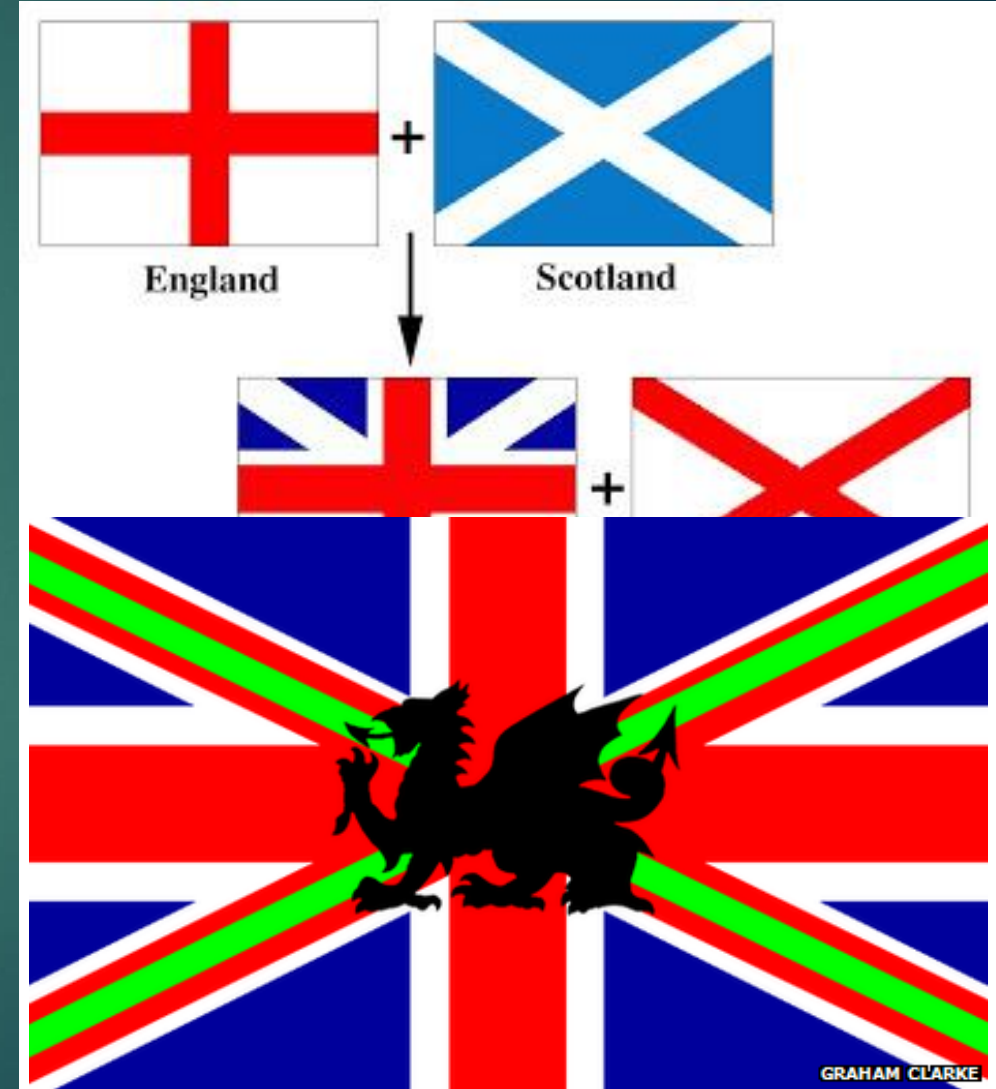
	Population (2015)
England	54.8 m
Wales	3.1 m
Scotland	5.3 m
GREAT-BRITAIN	63.2 m
Northern Ireland	1.9 m
UK	65.1 m
IRELAND	4.9 m
BRITISH ISLES	70 m
FRANCE	66.5 m



2. SOME CONSTITUTIONAL REMARKS

► National flag of the UK:

- England = St George's cross
 - Scotland = St Andrew's Cross
 - Ireland (!) = St Patrick's Cross
- **Union Flag**, sometimes called the **Union Jack**, = unity of the three countries.
- Welsh national flag = ?
- Complex links



The Crown

British Isles

United Kingdom

Great Britain

England
Scotland
Wales

Northern
Ireland

Ireland
Republic
of Ireland

Crown
Dependencies Isle of Man,
Guernsey, Jersey

British Overseas Territories

Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands, Gibraltar,
British Virgin Islands, Akrotiri and Dhekelia, Anguilla, Saint Helena,
Ascension, Tristan da Cunha, Montserrat, British Indian Ocean
Territory, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, Falkland
Islands, British Antarctic Territory, Pitcairn Islands

Commonwealth Realm

Canada, Australia, Papua
New Guinea, New Zealand,
Jamaica, Solomon Islands,
Belize, The Bahamas,
Barbados, Saint Lucia,
Saint Vincent and the
Grenadines, Grenada,
Antigua and Barbuda, Saint
Kitts and Nevis, Tuvalu