

## ABORTION BUS TO BREAK THE LAW



Ruth Coppinger TD condemned for her support of abortion pill bus by pro-life

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In a statement, Deputy Chairperson of the Pro Life Campaign Cora Sherlock said: "While the abortion campaigners on the bus have plenty to say about wanting unrestricted access to abortion in Ireland, they look the other way whenever confronted with stories of abortion regret or the inherent and irreplaceable value of every human life, including the unborn child".

It then travelled to Galway and Limerick, providing information on how to buy abortion pills, along with online consultations with Dr Rebecca Gomperts, founder of Women on Web.

"We won't be actually handing them out on the bus because we don't want women to be subjected to abuse perhaps by pro-life protestors we have heard there might be a few counter-demonstrations organised so we want to make sure that no women be endangered in any way", Ms O'Dwyer said.

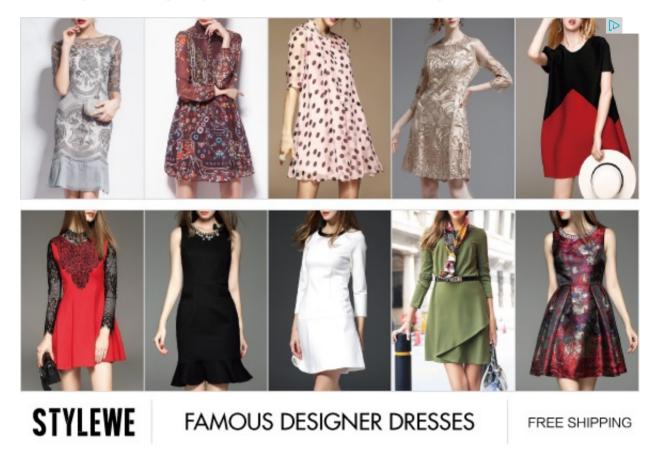
ROSA say abortion pills have been stocked on board the bus for the tour and women can come to a private room on the vehicle for a consultation with a WomenOnWeb doctor. It was met by around 50 supporters. Seven women have contacted the organisation asking for pills, while about half a dozen approached the bus yesterday. "A few of the group had called the gardaí and they monitored the event so we are happy nobody was endangered".

She said that with hundreds of women already taking abortion pills "in their own bedroom" the idea that the government could "hold back the tide against allowing abortion in this country is simply mistaken".

She said that the group had "a lot of requests from women to avail of this service, in full public glare".

One of the organisers of the bus tour, the Irish Socialist party Dáil member Ruth Coppinger, said the journey to the Republic's four major cities was aimed at highlighting "the option of safe abortion".

They believed it's a publicity stunt placing women's health at risk - and totally irresponsible.



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