New Freedom Movement 'Hearts of Oak' Launched in London By Tommy Robinson & Carl Benjamin

From 'Hearts of Oak' has been launched today in London.

The movement, launched by a group of prominent free speech activists including Tommy Robinson and Carl Benjamin (A.K.A. Sargon of Akkad), has announced that it will speak out on major issues which the mainstream media and politicians have tried to keep quiet.

Along with Robinson & Benjamin, a number of former UKIP figures were in attendance — including Alan Craig (former UKIP spokesman) and Peter McIlvenna (former UKIP campaign coordinator), who together organised today's event and will be running Hearts of Oak.

Craig & McIlvenna told *Kipper Central* that the movement is strictly not a political party — and that instead it is a cultural movement seeking to protect values of freedom and integrity.

Behind the speakers there is a backdrop of a traditional British countryside scene — with the phrase "Our children, our country, our future."

This first theme — of protecting British children — ran through the event, especially in Tommy Robinson's strong rejection of the sexualisation of young children in modern culture. . . Perhaps something the media didn't expect Tommy to say today was that he stands with Muslim families across the country, but that was his primary message today — he encouraged his followers to come out and support the Muslim

parents in Birmingham against the sexualisation of children, in the campaign he has dubbed 'Don't mess with our kids'.

Tommy finished his speech with a strong message for the government and the media — "if you've been watching the protests so far, you ain't seen nothing yet."

The second theme — of our country and culture — is clearly the underlying foundation to the movement's ideology, with every speech discussing the greatness of Britain, and our cultural values. Carl Benjamin's speech dealt with the issue at the forefront of the "culture war" — freedom of speech; he discussed the media's creation of "hate figures" like Tommy Robinson, who he says the public are being brainwashed into hating without knowing why.

Catherine Blaiklock, the founder of the Brexit Party, addressed the final theme — our future — as she gave a speech on Boris Johnson's "immigration fraud", arguing the government are not delivering on immigration true to what the public voted for in 2016. In particular, she spoke about the deeprooted problems with illegal immigration and how little is being done to stop it.

The fourth speaker, Anglo-Nigerian church leader Wale Babatunde, gave an incredibly passionate speech arguing that Christianity and Christian values underpin all of the great social & political developments of the UK, and listed how many aspects of British history and British institutions are in fact of Christian origin.

Alan Craig, hosting the event, added the caveat that Hearts of Oak is a secular movement and is "not here to evangelise!", but he made clear that the movement is totally in support of Christian values, which he also believes underpin Britain's culture.

Finally, Peter McIlvenna — the event's other organiser — unveiled the group's newly-launched website (heartsofoak.org)

where people can sign up to updates from the movement. He spoke about the purpose of Hearts of Oak, and how people can get involved.

"I want this to be an organisation which brings change and doesn't just commentate," he said. That kind of determination shone through for the entirety of the event. There comes a point where you have to say this is our country, we're going to stay and we're going to fight."

I have not watched the speeches either yet, but a link to the you tube video is <u>The Free Speech Union</u>, founded by Toby Young a journalist who used to write for the Telegraph. Colleague