

HELP, HELP, HELP, OUR FLAG IS UPSIDE DOWN

Once, when our band arrived in Ireland

In the village we love the best To play some music on the festival In that lovely village in the west

We were welcomed by our nation flag

On the left side of the road But help, we saw hanging our dear old flag Upside down, halfway on a pole

When we were welcomed by the leader

We told our flag was upside down So he ordered to two fellows To turn the flag one time half around

I think, it was about one hour later

One of the fellows did his task Went to the flag with a ladder And turned the flag as it was asked

But the story is not ended

Also the other fellow did his job And turned the flag ten minutes later And again blue color was in top

So, our advice for coming year is

To prevent the same mistake It's better to warn three fellows There is more change one is awake

Now I do understand, the Irish flag is vertical

So, every men in an Irish town Can never make the mistake To hang him upside down

I also do not know, but I always thought

That a flag should be in top, But in this part of Ireland, oh, oh That rule, it seems they had forgot

But I am not finished with my story

I do not know the army rules, but I hope A flag on the left side of the road is for glory And not to tell us please go home

Of course, we know and appreciated

That the flags are there to welcome all, it's kind So tribute to the 'flag' people And next time, we will offer them a pint

Welcomed by a flag upside down is not bother us

Nor if it is on the left side of the road, oh no But the warm welcome by our friends That's our motive for that long, long way to go

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Special for our Irish friends! Which flag is in the right position?