

# We did NOT make a mistake in voting to LEAVE the EU?

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## Irritations

I sit down at my computer, day after day, reading what the 'experts' and other commentators have to say.

I watch and listen to the news and have to put up with interviewers who do not have the words '*open-minded*' or '*un-biased*' in their lexicon, and their guests who obviously think the EU is the greatest political invention in the (undemocratic) history of mankind. I note with interest most (if not all) of these guests often appear to have a vested interest in the UK staying in the EU.

This constant exposure to those with a vested interest (now known as *Remoaners*) is what troubles most of those of us who voted to leave the EU in the Referendum. It's a bit like the Chinese Water Torture\* and wears one down - if no one turns the tap off.

## Reasons

The 'Reasons' Remoaners wish to stay in the EU vary. Mostly they simply seem to have voted with the minority and lost, causing loss of face and/or choosing not to accept the result. Others claim to be poorer, either direct or indirect personal financial benefits. In short there may seem on the BBC and in the media to be as many 'reasons' for wanting to stay in the EU, as there are for leaving, however that is quite erroneous.

In reality it is either a question of loss of the democratic nation state by merger into a bureaucratic federal union or it is a matter of patriotic principle seeking to maintain the democratic nation state and independent sovereignty.\*\*

Sometimes the completely ill thought out so called 'reasons' defeat logic, and often are blatantly exposed as without evidence. John Redwood set out the following example in his diary posted at 2215 on the 24 3 2018: - "The UK establishment including the Blairite wing of the Labour party like contradicting themselves on trade. They tell us free trade is essential to the UK's prosperity, and for that reason we need to stay in the EU to have tariff free trade with the other states".

"They (the 'Remoaners') go quiet about the fact that staying in the EU and its Customs Union means we do not have free trade with the rest of the world, but have to trade instead with high food and drink tariffs, vehicle tariffs and numerous non-tariff barriers."

Our trade with the rest of the world is larger [at 64% including Entrepot trade] than our trade with the rest of the EU [36%] and usually faster growing, despite these obstacles."

**So why are we now in a series of protracted expensive and undignified negotiations with unelected EU officials instead of just getting on with our future outside the EU?**

In the run up to the referendum I attended many debates and public meetings. At one of them a question from the floor was simple: 'What happens when we vote to leave?'

The question was addressed to Robin Grey. His response was as simple as the question. "We wait to hear what the EU will offer as the terms for a future relationship, The EU has two years to come up with an offer under Article 50. We simply say yes or no. There is nothing to negotiate."\*\*\*

It was the last sentence that stuck with me.

And I still think about it every time our Prime Minister concedes money, time, terms, and extensions of membership whereby the UK becomes a vassal state without any of the potential advantages and quid pro quo's that she should be demanding if "a negotiation is indeed a two way street" .

### **Mrs T May**

There has been much criticism of Mrs May's performance with many suggesting she is not a good negotiator. That may well be true. But let's face facts.

There is nothing to negotiate. \*\*\*

Under the mountain ranges of legislation the EU has approved and imposed are the details of how a member leaves the club. They are set out in the Lisbon Treaty Article 50.

Make no mistake about it. The European Union is a Club, not a country, not a federation, not an association. It is a Club. Run by Commissioners who you and I cannot influence, nor can our Members of the European Parliament, nor can the Council of Europe whose members are impotent Heads of State. They, the Commissioners, are not elected and it is nigh on impossible to remove them - let alone control them.

### **The EU: - The Commissioners do POLICIES AND NOT POLITICS. The Parliament does POLITICS AND NOT POLICIES.**

Neither MEPs nor Heads of State [the EU Council of Ministers] introduce new legislation into the EU Parliament. That is a question of POLICY and that is at the sole discretion of the Commissioners.

That's why we are now better off leaving the Club. For like all Clubs governed by unelected leaders, every perceived threat to the Club's objectives must be eliminated. The addition of new rules that frustrate any activity or threat to the levels of existing control is a priority task for the Commission.

### **New EU Rules on QMV.**

We, the British People, are the first and last 'members' of the EU Club who had the ability to exercise a 'Right' to Leave. You may remember that the author of Article 50 recently said that its provisions were a mistake, in EU terms; but this mistake has

already been rectified. Since the 2016 referendum, new Club Rules have come into effect.

In addition to the loss of majority or unanimous decisions, 'QMV', or Qualified Majority Voting is now in place so that the Club Commission now has resumed total command and control.

QMV, an EU invention, performs the opposite function of PR or Proportional Representation.

Proportional Representation is designed to ensure a minority interest Political Party can have elected representation. QMV is designed to ensure minority interests cannot win on any matter of importance.

Another rule now in effect requires the 'permission' of the remaining EU Club members being granted before any other Club Member may leave the EU.

### **EU QMV Calculator**

Play around with the EU QMV Calculator at

<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/council-eu/voting-system/voting-calculator/>

Use as an example question 'Will the EU member states allow Great Britain to Leave the European Union'? (If you or your pet organisation receive 'EU funding', remember the EU has no money except that provided by the Club Member States.)

How many of the listed member states representatives do you think would like to see us leave? Answer as honestly as you can, particularly bearing in mind we are one of the top three contributors to EU Funds and already Holland has refused to pay any more monies..... Using the EU's own calculator you will find it difficult or even impossible to win such a vote!

Those who voted to LEAVE the European Union knew what we were voting for. \*\*

**Independence from a restrictive set of Club rules; Sovereignty, taking back control of our Borders and natural resources, reclaiming our Laws and system of Justice, and Freedom of Speech.**

These are the reasons to become an Independent Nation State, like the majority of Countries in this world.

Is it a mistake that no other arrangements between friendly countries in the world reflect the European Union Organisation model? Every other good idea in civilisation finds a competitor or improved version very quickly. Yet nothing in the EU has changed from their four freedoms since the Treaty of Rome signed 61 years ago in March 1957, and no imitations of the EU model of governance have materialised anywhere else in the world.

**We who voted to leave made no mistake.**

Maybe the Government and elected MPs should examine our options in the light of the punishing and demanding behaviour demonstrated by the EU Commissioners, and then re-visit the procedures of the 'negotiations'.

There is no need for negotiation\*\*\*. Our Government should be spending its time money and effort in preparing to walk AWAY from the EU with or without what we want and expect from the Referendum result – an offer of continued trade and friendship from the EU.

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**\*Chinese water torture** is a process in which **water** is slowly dripped onto a person's forehead, allegedly making the restrained victim insane. This form of **torture** was first described under a different name by Hippolytus de Marsiliis in Italy in the 15th or 16th century. (Wikipedia)

\*\* A matter of patriotic principle seeking to maintain the democratic nation state and independent sovereign

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\*\*\* Please see article in concordanceout **EEA/EFTA/BREXIT** : - The REALLY GOOD NEWS: - A BESPOKE EEA/EFTA /UK AGREEMENT can resolve ALL ISSUES relating to our transition from the EU via this stepping stone to full free BREXIT from the EU and out into the free world

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