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YOUR MP's Name here MP

House of Commons  
London SW1A 1AA

Via email and post

Dear YOUR MP's Name here MP

### **No Brexit**

As a constituent who voted against Brexit, I implore you please to vote against, and please to object in every way possible and in the strongest possible terms to, Parliament or the government or the UK in any form whatsoever deciding to serve an Article 50 notice of the UK's intention to leave the EU.

I passionately believe that Brexit would be a terrible error for many, many reasons, hence I make this request on the grounds that Brexit will lead to (and in some cases has already lead to) the following. Please see endnotes for references.

1. Possible end of hard-won, long-lasting peace in Europe<sup>i</sup>
2. The UK turning back the clock, changing overnight from a confident, successful, multicultural, multinational, tolerant nation which serves as a financial and legal hub to a bigoted, parochial, xenophobic, isolationist backwater where no one wants to work or live. Even if this is just the perception of other countries rather than the reality, it will be very damaging to tourism and business<sup>ii</sup>
3. Huge and visible rise in racism, bigotry, hate crimes and xenophobia breaking out across the UK<sup>iii</sup>
4. Encouraging other European countries to exit which will cause massive instability in our major trading partners and nearest neighbours, and will foment the rise of more extremist leaders there, with potentially disastrous results, as in the run-up to WWII. EU membership notwithstanding, we can't afford for the major EU countries to fail economically as the EU is one of our largest trading partners<sup>iv</sup>
5. Encouraging US voters to take a similarly parochial, isolationist line and elect Trump. We daren't leave the US as the last bastion of liberalism, especially with the increasingly strong likelihood that Trump will win<sup>v</sup>
6. Loss of free movement of labour<sup>vi</sup>

7. End of London's role as financial centre alongside New York. Massive loss of business and tax revenue, and brain drain, to Paris, Frankfurt, Amsterdam... which has already begun<sup>vii</sup>
8. Pound at the lowest level against the dollar since 1985<sup>viii</sup>
9. As a result of this and the massive drop in the stock market following the referendum result, France overtook the UK as the fifth largest economy<sup>ix</sup>
10. Further drop in the value of UK property. This has already begun to fall and, as many individuals and businesses relocate to actual EUROPEAN countries, will continue to do so<sup>x</sup>
11. Massive job losses and/or pay cuts in key industries and sectors<sup>xi</sup> and consequential reductions in GDP and tax revenue. Little or no surplus will then be available to be redeployed in the regions, as currently happens<sup>xii</sup>
12. Loss of banking, insurance and other financial services licenses, passports to market investments across Europe, etc<sup>xiii</sup> with further consequential reduction in GDP and tax revenue
13. Downgrading of Britain's credit outlook from "stable" to "negative" by Moody's. This has already happened and downgrades by other rating agencies seems inevitable as a fall in growth has long been predicted<sup>xiv</sup>
14. Misinformation and outright lies to the public throughout the campaign<sup>xv</sup>. The facts given were a misrepresentation (£350m for the NHS, for instance) which induced many to make a different vote. In contract law we'd be able to rescind. It seems fair that this should apply to changing our constitution too<sup>xvi</sup> We are now in a constitutional crisis as the vote was based on so much misinformation<sup>xvii</sup>
15. The Leave campaign was not only based on misinformation, it was dominated by issues that had nothing to do with the EU<sup>xviii</sup> and it is becoming increasingly clear that many who voted leave had no idea on what issues they were actually voting<sup>xix</sup>
16. Immediate Bregret being experienced by Britons everywhere who voted Leave, and in particular in Cornwall, Yorkshire and Wales<sup>xx</sup>
17. Losing the "Cool Britannia" confidence, multiculturalism and tolerance which so attracted the world to the 2012 Olympics, and which brings in so many tourists and makes British fashion so appealing and lucrative<sup>xxi</sup>
18. Brexit spells huge uncertainty for British agriculture<sup>xxii</sup>
19. The next generation will have less (or no) opportunity to work or study in Europe<sup>xxiii</sup>

20. Brexiting could be the end of the UK as Scotland and Gibraltar look highly likely to join the EU, Scotland in its own right and Gibraltar possibly rejoining Spain to do so<sup>xxiv</sup>
21. The tragic loss of a court of last resort / ultimate appeal for human rights claims<sup>xxv</sup>
22. If we go through with Brexit there will be massive political, social and economic uncertainty which will continue for years if not decades. We will have no say over how the process of leaving the EU is administered and it is likely the remaining members will seek to make a horrible example of us.<sup>xxvi</sup> Britain will have to foot the huge legal and other costs of disentangling the UK from EU legislation, institutions and processes. Where will the funds come from to pay these costs? The “Leave” campaigners have already admitted they HAVE NO PLAN<sup>xxvii</sup>
23. We have REPRESENTATIVE democracy for this very reason, to protect us from the tyranny of the masses. It is the responsibility of our elected representatives to make this decision on our behalf, not to make a glorified opinion poll into foreign and economic policy

In summary, it is the responsibility of MPs to represent their constituents, not to rubber-stamp national referenda. There has been massive outcry against Brexit in the press and on social media, as well as petitions with many millions of signatures, for the abovementioned and numerous other reasons. Parliament must debate and vote on this issue. I urge you, as representative of my household and your many other constituents who voted overwhelmingly to Remain, to take a stand against Brexit.

If there is anything we as individuals can do to support you, please let us know.

Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely,

YOUR NAME ([and email](#))

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