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ANTI DEMOCRACY

The campaign group supposedly campaigning for the protection of democracy, 'Unlock Democracy', have turned their campaign aims for more democracy on the head and are now campaigning against the democratic will of the people.

On the 12th October 2016, Alexandra Runswick who is the Director of Unlock Democracy, sent out an e-mail to urge people to oppose Ministers from altering or scrapping EU law without the scrutiny of MPs, despite the fact a substantial majority of voters on the 23rd June 2016 voted exactly for this.

In the referendum the people did not vote for a deal, they simply voted to leave the EU and thus get Britain out. As the EU enslaves the UK to the demands of its unelected leaders leaving is the way to protect democracy.

Leaving the EU returns democracy to the UK, not the other way around, by encouraging Parliament and our MPs to remain in the EU Unlock Democracy is agreeing to our MPs, Parliament and Government to be overridden by the EU for all time, which in itself is ant-democratic.



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CRIMINAL PROBE AGAINST TUSK

Anyone, no matter who they are, once appointed into high office in the EU has to abandon their allegiance to their own nation and transfer it fully to the EU, which is a nation state in the making. One of those people to have fully committed to the EU is its President, Donald Tusk.

Despite the fact Donald Tusk has abandoned Poland, his country of origin, it has not forgotten him. Regarding his, and the actions of others, following the terrible plane accident which saw the tragic deaths of the Polish President, Lech Kaczynski, his wife and the other passengers on board the Tu-154 military jet during April 2010.

Lawyers are acting for the families of the 96 people killed, they believe a 'diplomatic betrayal' occurred following the crash. They are looking into the matter that as a public officer, Donald Tusk and others, acted to the detriment of the Republic of Poland.

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TRAVELS IN A FOREIGN LAND

BY COLIN BULLEN

I have been an opponent of the UK taking part in the European project since it was first proposed but, contrary to the assumptions of Europhiles, I have always loved Europe and have been to at least one continental country annually for the last fifty years. This year has been exceptional in that my wife and I have been to Portugal, Spain, Greece, Switzerland, Italy and France, the two latter twice, as well as spending a little time in Turkey. What we experienced has convinced me even more of the rightness of the British decision to leave the EU.

In Greece we visited Olympia and on the journey to the site we saw vast mounds of household rubbish by the sides of the roads. The courier informed us that the reason for this was that the EU had insisted that all such detritus be incinerated but the financial crisis had prevented the necessary incinerator being built so that the only recourse was for people to dump it in the country. Later I asked a different guide how things were in Greece now and she replied that they were terrible. When I suggested that the only course was to follow Britain out of the EU she said "we would but our politicians won't let us".

In Turkey we chatted with several people who were proud of the fact that theirs was a secular state and who felt that they would be suitable for inclusion in the EU. We failed to convince them that this would be a mad idea but unfortunately for them, within 48 hours of our leaving, the failed coup gave their Islamist president the chance to overthrow the ideals of Kemal Ataturk and set their country on the road to being yet another Muslim dictatorship. I doubt this will deter the lunatics of Brussels from seeking to extend their empire eastwards.

When traveling from the Riviera to Milan we changed trains in Ventimiglia, a small Italian town which their tourist office describes as beautiful. It may have been once but, as we had about two hours to wait, we thought that we would stroll around for a while. However, as soon as we exited from the station, we found that the streets were lined with young Middle Eastern males and that there was definitely an air of menace, so we went straight back inside. Subsequently we



Colin Bullen: Southern European states being driven to the wall.

discovered that Ventimiglia is now known as 'Little Calais', where migrants wait to take their chance of getting across the border into France.

In Switzerland we encountered more burkas and hijabs in Interlaken than we had seen in Kusadasi but our Swiss friends assured us that they were just tourists and that they would not be granted residence, something the country, as it is not in the EU, can insist upon.

In Spain we found that restaurants we had frequented in the past were now derelict, as the effects of the Euro on the Spanish economy had driven them out of business

while a similar effect could be seen in Portugal.

However it was France that was in the worst mess. The lady who ran the hotel in Antibes told us that there had been over sixty per cent cancellations in the Riviera since the Nice massacre, while overall France has lost a million tourists this year. We also spoke to a chap who said that even cyclists had been attacked by Islamists for not showing respect because of the shorts they wore! One young Frenchman we met in Basel station, while waiting for a train, said he quite understood why we had voted to leave the EU as, although he had worked in Bern for fifteen years, he attended meetings in Paris and he now refused to stay any longer than was absolutely necessary, for security reasons. When we stopped off in Paris on the way home there was massive security and the atmosphere was grim, with people clearly apprehensive. It is no longer the City of Light.

After our return home there have been newspaper reports of a British motorist in Calais being threatened with a charge of involuntary manslaughter, due to accidentally killing a migrant, who ran in front of his car in an effort to stop him, so that he and his associates might try and get to the UK. It is an utter disgrace that an innocent man, who stopped immediately, until he was driven away by attacks from other migrants, and then reported the incident to the authorities straightaway, should be left with such a charge hanging over him for an indefinite period. The

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situation in Calais is approaching anarchy and motorists from the UK would be well advised to avoid it, and France, altogether.

The truth is that the Southern European states are being driven to the wall by the Euro, the Eastern nations are rebelling against the attempt by Merkel to impose migrants upon them, Germany is in a state of revolt against the mad policy of open borders, with the AFD growing in strength, and France may turn in desperation to Marine Le Pen next year. What was a pleasant place to visit back in the sixties is becoming a nightmare and it is all down to the idiots who run

the European Union, and to that organisation's insane federal project. We are much better off out.

Postscript: A very interesting fact has been pointed out about our set of idiot Remainiacs. David Cameron, George Osborne, Nick Clegg, Michael Heseltine, Tony Blair, Ed Milliband, Ed Balls, Peter Mandelson, Tam Dalyell, Peter Stothard and Jack Stewart-Clark, Europhiles to a man, all went to Oxford. It appears that while in the thirties Cambridge produced communist traitors Oxford has recently turned out a never ending stream of those who prefer rule from Brussels to Westminster. What more proof do we need as to the arrogance of the liberal elite?

UKIP'S BAD HABIT

BY DEREK BENNETT

"What the hell have I joined", that was my early reaction when I first became a member of UKIP in June 1997. Prior to that I had been a member and Parliamentary candidate in Sir James Goldsmith's Referendum Party, which had been well ordered and financed by him. Sadly when the 1997 General Election was over it was obvious the Referendum Party was to be no more, prompting many, such as myself, to join the next obvious choice which was UKIP.

Within a short time of becoming a member, which was in the days before I was on the internet or had an e-mail address, I began to receive, by the Royal Mail, letters from all sorts of internal warring parties in UKIP, some in support of Alan Sked, the then leader, and some attacking him - this was the battle of the Skedites and the anti-Skedites

It was due to all this bad tempered mail which made me wonder what the hell I had joined. At the time it did not cross my mind to resign, I just made my mind up not to rejoin when my membership came due the following year.

In the meantime, the warring came to an end when Sked was ousted and Michael Holmes stepped into the post of leader of UKIP. He then contacted people, such as me, who had been involved with the Referendum Party and drew us in, that was when my real involvement began with UKIP and I became a fully committed member.



Derek Bennett: UKIP member since 1997.

Those of us who are loyal to UKIP, especially those who have been committed for a good number of years, have had to put up with a lot over those years as the party, from time to time, goes into one of its 'lets fight each other' periods. Sadly, this has been the state of play in recent times as our new leader quit after 18 days and two MEPs were accused of being involved in a fracas at a meeting in the European Parliament.

Over the years I have seen several major bust-ups in UKIP, strangely enough these happen nearly always after the party has seen success. There must be something in the psyche of UKIP that makes my party turn in on itself the minute a successful campaign is over.

In 1999 UKIP had its first MEPs elected, at the time it was predicted we would get one, possibly two MEPs - we got three. At the party conference that year the fighting began as the second day was turned into an EGM with a vote of no confidence put against the party leader. He survived but the fighting continued until a cantankerous EGM in January 2000 saw the sacking of the whole party leadership.

Our next big success came during the European elections in 2004, we were expecting nine to ten MEPs being elected, we got twelve, one of which was Robert Kilroy Silk. Then the problems started again as the party split with those who wanted the suntanned TV presenter to

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be the party leader and those who stuck by Roger Knapman, the then leader. That one finished up with Kilroy storming off to start a new political party. Over the years the party has grown but it seems the way many in UKIP relax after a stressful and hard won campaign is to get the cudgels out and start on each other until everyone stops scrapping and begins to concentrate on the next campaign.

Now UKIP has had its biggest success of all time in not only being the motivation for David Cameron to call a referendum on EU membership, but to actually be the driving force for victory, the fighting has begun all over again.

There was rancour when Steven Woolfe's nomination failed due to the dispute over the missed deadline. There were calls for an EGM, which after the horrendous 2000 EGM, I for one was not in favour of that, then as the party was preparing to get behind Diane James, our newly elected leader, she resigned before she got

going. This was followed by the altercation in the EU Parliament between Steven Woolfe and Mike Hookem. None of this is good and the party is now having to re-run a leadership election.

However, despite the despair and frustration of members over all this, UKIP will survive and come the new year, with a new leader, when the campaigning for the County Council elections get under way all this will be forgotten and our UKIP activists will be out campaigning. UKIP campaigners are more dedicated than those in other parties as they do not have the drive, passion and the single mindedness of UKIP members, which is what makes us fight each other and also an unstoppable force when we get going.

UKIP may have the bad habit of internal fighting when campaigns are over and has little to do, but there will be no stopping UKIP and as soon as the anti-democrats try to stop Brexit, they will find they have UKIP to deal with and the real fight for democracy and sovereignty will be under way.

SNATCHING DEFEAT FROM THE JAWS OF VICTORY

BY JOHN PETLEY

One of the most memorable days of the referendum campaign was Wednesday June 15th, when the so-called "Battle of the Thames" saw Rock star Bob Geldof make a complete fool of himself in the face of a dignified and well-organised protest against the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), organised by Aaron Brown, a Scottish fisherman, with considerable help from John Ashworth of Restore Britain's Fish.

Unlike the Common Agricultural Policy, from which many farmers benefit financially through the Single Farm Payment, the CFP has been a disaster from start to finish for our country's fishermen. Brexit ought therefore to provide a wonderful opportunity to revive an industry which has suffered perhaps more than any other from our membership of the European Union. Unfortunately, without a considerable amount of further pressure being placed on government ministers, the possibilities could well be squandered through a mixture of laziness, incompetence and weakness.

Mrs May has insisted that the UK will not be a "supplicant" to Brussels and "will

negotiate from a position of strength", but here is a case where the mechanics of the EU have dealt us a strong hand, yet her ministers seem intent on throwing it away.

Following the Conservative Party conference, we now know that Mrs May intends to invoke Article 50 will be invoked by the end of March 2017.

The objective is to leave the EU before both the next European Parliamentary elections and the next UK general election. The next Queen's speech, which is usually delivered in May, will lay out the intention to repeal the European Communities 1972 Act, the Act which allows all EU legislation to pass into UK law, This repeal act is expected to be passed before the two year Article 50 period is up.

All well and good so far. This is part and parcel of Mrs May's insistence that the UK will again be a sovereign and independent country. The problematical part is how the government proposes to address the problem of filling the holes that result from EU legislation no longer having any force because the treaties no longer

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apply. What about, for example, the standards for bathing water in UK beaches, which have been determined by the EU? What of other environmental legislation which originated with the EU?

The simplest and safest models to follow are countries like Ireland and India. When Ireland became independent in 1922, it incorporated all existing British law into Irish law and unpicked those acts which did not suit Ireland's interests once things had settled down. India adopted a similar policy in 1947. Mrs May has hinted that the UK government intends to follow the same route, in other words, to incorporate the full *acquis communautaire* (all EU legislation), into UK law and then review everything at a later date, discarding those laws which are not in the national interest.

However, there is no reason why some exceptions should not be made, especially where some legislation is already known to have been problematical. Fisheries is one such area and what is more, it requires so little effort because of the way Article 50 works. Paragraph 3 is the key. It could not be simpler:-

3. The Treaties shall cease to apply to the State in question from the date of entry into force of the withdrawal agreement or, failing that, two years after the notification referred to in paragraph 2, unless the European Council, in agreement with the Member State concerned, unanimously decides to extend this period.

It means that after two years, the Treaties are no longer applicable and crucially, neither are EU Regulations (as opposed to Directives) because they derive their legal force entirely from the Treaties. As the CFP has been implemented via Regulations, this means that without having to do anything at all apart from exempting these regulations from incorporation, control of our UK waters up to 200 nautical miles from the shore (or the median point our coastline and that of another country where the distance between them is less than 400 nautical miles) reverts to the UK government the day we leave the EU. It really is that simple.

Unfortunately, it appears that the government is not currently planning to exempt

the CFP legislation from the overall incorporation of the *acquis communautaire* into UK law, which means that we would continue with the CFP in all but name. This means that Parliament will continue to give our resource away and worse still, it is sending out a signal that we endorse principle of the CFP.

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Why is this? It seems to be based on a desire not to upset our European neighbours. Sadly, this means that the Conservatives would

be continuing their old policy of appeasement rather than standing up for UK fishermen. As far back as 1982, the expiry date of the 10-year transitional derogation negotiated for our fishermen when we joined the EEC (as it then was) in 1973, Peter Walker, the Agriculture minister at the time, displayed a terrible spinelessness in negotiating a renewal of the derogation. He refused to fight tough in 1982 because it might upset "our friends and partners in Western Europe",

If we agree to continue with a sort of shadow-CFP, we will find ourselves facing a similar problem when the current 10-year derogation runs out in 2022. Why on earth create this problem for ourselves years down the road when doing absolutely nothing would put our waters under national control and thus save us the bother? It is complete madness.

If the CFP had been a success, there might have been some justification for continuing to operate a similar system, sharing control of our valuable fishing grounds with other countries. Instead, however, it has been a disaster. It was designed to further the process of political integration and never mind the environmental cost. The quota system, whereby vessels are allowed to catch a set weight of certain species of fish each year, encourages cheating, misreporting of catch and discards (What do you do if you catch some fish of a species for which you have already completed your quota?) It is too inflexible and bureaucratic to deal with situations where slight fluctuations in sea temperature cause species of fish to move in and out of a given area.

Our neighbours to the north, the Faroe Islanders, managed their fisheries using a "days at sea" system rather than one based on quotas for

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individual species. It is far less bureaucratic and solves the discard problem. We have a fantastic chance to revitalise our fishing industry by taking control ourselves and following the best practises from elsewhere. It would be tragic if we let this chance slip through our hands.

Fishing may be only one small industry, but our fishermen enjoy widespread support, as June 15th's Thames-side demonstration amply illustrated. It was the fishing industry which played a vital role in both Norway and Iceland deciding not to join the EU. They knew what was coming and as they looked across to the UK and saw the decimation of our fishing industry, they were thoroughly vindicated.

It would therefore be tragic if the new Conservative government of Theresa May was to retain anything resembling the CFP. Brexit would turn out not to mean Brexit for an industry which

has lobbied very hard for our independence. In 2005, even before leaving the EU looked to be a possibility, the Conservative Party, when led by Michael Howard, promised to repatriate fisheries to national control, using for the first time the “notwithstanding” clause which allowed our Parliament to override EU legislation.

When David Cameron became Conservative leader, this policy was quietly buried. If Mrs May is so keen to bury the Cameron legacy, she and her ministers should seize the opportunity to atone for the sins of not only her processor, but Peter Walker, Edward Heath and a good few other Conservative Ministers who have so failed our fishermen. If she misses this chance, her honeymoon period with Brexit supporters may come to an abrupt end.

(with grateful thanks to John Ashworth of Restore Britain's Fish for his help and expertise).

BETTY SIMMERSON

AN OBITUARY BY GEORGE WEST

Mrs Betty Simmerson age 92 has died but never to be forgotten. She and her husband, Reg, were among the first fighters against the United Kingdom joining the EEC and their consistent and active opposition heartened and inspired others to support the fight and to join it.

When Reg died, Betty continued to campaign for our withdrawal from what has become the European Union and she supported The Campaign for an Independent Britain and many other organisations fighting for the freedom to govern ourselves.

We should all be glad that she lived just long enough to see her own consistent efforts and those of others, including Reg, to regain the freedom to govern ourselves supported by the British people. Our country is now on the road to recovering its sovereignty so cavalierly sacrificed by successive parliaments since 1973.

Betty will be missed by all who knew her and she has died as a heroine of the great and



Betty Simmerson receiving a CIB award from the CIB President, George West.

successful campaign to get our country back. During the Second World War Betty nursed wounded servicemen returning from battlefields on occasions, she told me, severely burned or with intestines hanging out. At night she would be on the roof of her London hospital with a stirrup pump putting out incendiary bombs fires.

She is remembered for the occasion when she aimed and hit Edward Heath with brown paper bags filled with flour at a Common Market meeting in Conway Hall and was dragged away to be interrogated by Scotland Yard.

She sold her grand piano to take activists to Belgium to demonstrate against Heath as he signed the treaty taking us into the Common Market and was thrown into prison because Heath had ordered no demonstrations should be allowed to spoil the occasion. Looking like everyone's favourite grandmother, Betty was truly a British patriot through and through.

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BUSINESS FOR BRITAIN CLOSES

The anti-EU campaign organisation, Business for Britain, has closed its doors and hung up its anti-EU campaign hat now the EU referendum is over.

In a statement made by Matthew Elliot, who founded Business for Britain, he expressed his initial concern that there would be a stitch-up regarding the Brexit deal and that those opposed would prevent it,

However, he stated in a press release: "these concerns seem much less founded than they were immediately after the vote, and the actions of the Government all point to Brexit actually meaning Brexit."

In his press release he continued: "There is still a long way to go in this process, but this welcome change in the political weather does have a knock on implication for Business for Britain: having seen a need to carry on our mission, we have now concluded that our political energies are best focused elsewhere, including on projects such as BrexitCentral."

Matthw Elliot concluded by saying: "Over three years, we provided the foundations for Vote Leave and provided a voice for business leaders in the referendum debate. That job is now done, leaving many happy memories and a bright future for the UK."

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The Dark Side of European Integration by Dr Alina Polyakova, £22.99. Polyakova studies the rise of the far right in the EU, Europe and beyond. Concludes that member states may abandon the EU in the interest of national protection, or a new European identity will integrate Europe. This is the intended but still unrealised outcome of European integration.

Britain's Referendum Decision and its Effects by Stephen Bush, £8.99. Fact based and clearly written for now and the future, this book will help you to make an informed decision about EU membership.

The Road to Freedom by Gerard Batten MEP, £8.99. In this updated book, following the 2016 Brexit Referendum result, Batten with well argued points explains how Article 50 for leaving the EU is a trap and that joining the EFTA or the EEA will not give the UK true independence. He shows why the only true way to leave the EU is for parliament to repeal the European Economic Communities act 1972.

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