

EU move to bar 'troublemakers' from European summits

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The EU is becoming increasingly concerned about "troublemakers" and is currently trying to find ways of listing them in a data base as the first step in barring them from taking part in protests and demonstrations. The working party charged with this responsibility has not yet come up with a definition of the word which it finds satisfactory, but it is clear that that it is intended to include those who demonstrate at EU summits and will certainly include a significant number who have not been found guilty of any criminal offence.

A Council Presidency paper says that a SIS/SIRENE (Schengen Information System) working party discussed the issue on 29th January this year, and concluded that the data to be collected would concern:

"persons to be barred from certain events, such as European summits or similar venues, international sports or cultural events".

Criminal Acts

"Troublemakers" and what to do about them has been a topic for discussion at EU meetings for several years and has been a particular preoccupation of the German government. But what is disturbing is the failure of officials and national delegations to distinguish criminal activity from vigorous political protest and the evident intention of some to conflate the two.

A note circulated by the German delegation to the working party on 7th April pointed out that in Germany it is

permissible to issue an alert "to prevent violent confrontations and other criminal offences" and to "avert dangers arising from gatherings". (EU doc 7544/08). This is held up as an example that might be followed by the EU.

Alerts might be issued in relation to those found guilty, suspected or accused of "significant criminal offences".

But suspected by whom and accused by whom?

Moreover, the definition of "significant criminal offences" is absurdly wide including breaches of the peace, trespass and criminal damage as well as arson and causing an explosion.

Police Reaction

According to Statewatch, the civil liberties monitoring group, the German police reaction to the Heiligendamm G8 summit suggests that any protest can now be defined as "gatherings of individuals prone to violence".

Tony Bunyan, the Statewatch editor commented

"We can now see a pattern emerging across the EU where people who exercise their democratic right to attend cross-border protests are confronted by aggressive para-military policing, surveillance, preventive detention and expulsion".

"This is a reflection of the EU's definition of 'security' at international events which is now defined as covering both 'counter-terrorism' and 'public order'."

"Back in 2003 the bilateral exchange of information on 'suspected troublemakers' between EU states for international events was agreed. What is proposed now is not the one-off exchange of information related to a specific event but a permanent EU-wide database of suspected 'troublemakers'; this is utterly unacceptable in a democratic Europe."

The right to demonstrate is arguably not as fundamental to liberty as the right to free expression. But as the gulf between Europe's political elite and the voters yawns ever wider many may come to feel that direct protest is one of the few avenues available to them to express their opposition to EU decisions or indeed to the EU itself.

Current Intentions

The Lisbon Treaty and the refusal of most governments to allow the people who elected them a say on the matter has guaranteed that there will be more anti-EU demonstrations and that they will be bigger and noisier than in the past. If the German delegation to the EU working party succeeds in its current intentions the demonstrators will be kept as far away as possible from EU summits and the television news crews that attend them by means of mass arrests, detention and expulsion. In the long run nothing is more likely to produce violence, law-breaking and the erosion of public order than the attempt to stifle political protest.

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Another EU whistleblower faces the sack after exposing conflict of interest

A British whistleblower who exposed alleged corruption at a European aid agency faces the sack after he told EU fraud investigators that his boss was involved in the scam, according to the *Sunday Times* on 27th April.

Terry Battersby, 53, from Manchester, has been removed from his job as head of information technology at the Brussels-based Centre for the Development of Enterprise (CDE) and placed on a short-term contract.

Battersby uncovered evidence that the agency's former director, Hamed Sow, who is now the energy minister of the west African country of Mali, approved the award of lucrative European Union contracts to a company in which he had a financial interest.

Sow is alleged to have arranged for the CDE to back a loan of nearly £3m

to a textile company in Mali, without disclosing that he owned up to 20 per cent of the company and was receiving payments from the firm.

The CDE, set up to support the private sector in poor countries, receives more than £14m a year in taxpayers' money from the EU.

Two years ago Battersby discovered documents showing Sow's apparent conflict of interest, and passed them to the EU's anti-fraud investigators.

Brian Simpson, a Labour MEP, said Battersby had been the victim of a "witch-hunt" for having the courage to speak out. Battersby, who has worked at the CDE for 16 years, is now on a temporary six-month contract, after being denied a permanent job.

Documents seen by *The Sunday Times* establish that in 2001 Sow received £315,000 for advising Fitina, a cotton processor in Mali. He owned at least 15 per cent of Fitina at the time

when the European Investment Bank (EIB), backed by Sow, gave the company a loan of just under £3m.

Details of Sow's links with Fitina emerged in a report by the fraud-busters last week. A spokesman for the EIB said: "If we had been aware of the alleged financial relationship between Sow and the company, the loan would not have been paid".

Speaking from Mali last week, Sow denied any wrong-doing and blamed the allegations on a "disgruntled British employee".

He said he had entered into a contract with Fitina at a time when he thought he would be returning to Mali to run the firm and had ended his relationship with the company about four years ago.

Mali is one of the poorest and most corrupt nations on earth. Sow is widely tipped to be its next prime minister.

Well, what about democracy, then?

In the long run, the biggest loss of all which the British people are set to suffer as a result of the Lisbon Treaty is likely to be the erosion of our democracy and our consequent inability to hold those in positions of power to account. While the Member States making up the EU may be democracies, the EU itself is in no way a democratic organisation. Far too much power rests with the Commission, the European Central Bank and the EU Court of Justice, all

staffed by people who have never had to get themselves elected. The European Parliament is no more than a consultative assembly with no power to form or dismiss a government, which is the hallmark of all national assemblies. There is no way that in these circumstances the electorate's in Europe can make real choices as to how they are to be governed. In this kind of environment, it is hardly surprising that corruption flourishes, further alienating the governed from

their rulers. Perhaps most surprising of all, however, is the carelessness with which MPs seem to be prepared to allow their legislative and executive powers - the result of centuries of democratic evolution - to be mulcted away, leaving them with less and less influence over the future of the electorate for which they are responsible.

Labour Euro-Safeguards Campaign Bulletin, March 2008.

Why I quit the Tories

"They heap criticism on other parties for bringing (the EU Reform Treaty) forward, and yet they refuse point blank to do anything about it if they get

power. That is a dishonest position to hold with the public."

Bob Spink MP, explaining his reason

for leaving the Conservative Party in order to join The United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP) (*Daily Telegraph* 22nd April, 2008).

The mad economic logic of the CAP

"You cannot spend 45 per cent of the EU budget on five per cent of the population who produce three per cent of the EU's output." Unnamed British diplomat quoted in *The Times* on 25th April 2008.

Demography is destiny: why mass immigration assists the European project

In seeking to vary the continent's demographic make-up in pursuit of power the architects of the new political order are following in well-trodden footsteps

Anthony Scholefield, a valued contributor to these columns, recently caused an embarrassed silence and a stiffening of the intellectual muscles when speaking at a London seminar on immigration. The remark which produced the chorus of in-drawn breaths was to the effect that the EU had a similar interest in managing large-scale movements of population to Hitler and Stalin.

Scholefield was not, of course, suggesting that Mr Barroso is as brutal or inhumane as the German and Russian dictators or that he displays an identical caste of totalitarian mind.

Political Order

His argument was that all rising political orders have an interest in managing demographic change because democracy is the ultimate determinant of the political order. In the words of August Comte: *"Demography is Destiny"*.

In Scholefield's view the long term objective of EU policy is clear: a uniform political order and a generation of loyal Homo Europeanus. Residual national loyalties will be allowed to survive: it will still be possible to drink beer in pint mugs and to run the mile, although the potency of such cultural symbols of identity will fade. But power will have moved away from the ordinary voter and from national politicians.

All rising political orders have taken an interest in the demographic realities of their day. It is the natural pre-occupation for those bent on establishing and maintaining a political order.

As an unpublished paper by Scholefield points out, the Romans famously settled demobilised legionnaires with land holdings in frontier areas in order to stiffen their defences. The Protestant plantations in Ireland, the movement of the French Acadians to Louisiana after 1763, the

arrival of British settlers in the Eastern Cape in the 1820s are all examples of emerging empires which sought to establish themselves by changing the demographics.

In the eighteenth century the Austrian empire was busy settling its 'military frontier' in Croatia with loyal Catholics while the Russian Empire was filling up the lands conquered from the Muslim Khans with ethnic Russians. In the nineteenth century the pace of Russian and Christian Balkan expansion pushed back the Ottomans from a large part of Eastern Europe.

China's policy in Tibet and Sinkiang in modern times follows the precedents of the European empires. Unnoticed by the world, there is a similar, flow of Indian nationals from the Ganges valley into the immense tribal areas of North Eastern India - nor has this been without conflict in Mizoram, Nagaland and Manipur.

National Identity

The biggest demographic re-organisation to have occurred outside the USSR in recent times was, of course, the mass movement carried out by the Allies at the end of the Second World War, the last gasp of Wilsonian and Lloyd Georgian national identity politics.

In this case, the national identity basis of the nation state required demographic change, as outlined by Winston Churchill in the House of Commons, 15th December 1944:

"The transference of several millions of people would have to be effected from the east to the west or the north, and the expulsion of the Germans, because that is what is proposed - the total expulsion of the Germans - from the areas to be acquired by Poland in the west and the north. For expulsion is the method which, so far as we have been able to see, will be the most satisfactory and lasting".

He then commended the exchange of

populations between Greece and Turkey after 1923.

The Potsdam Declaration stated, *"The three governments recognise that the transfer to Germany of German populations, or elements thereof, remaining in Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, will have to be undertaken. They agree any transfers that take place should be affected in an orderly and humane manner"*. In fact, it is thought that at least hundreds of thousands of Germans died as a result of this policy - a policy of removing all Germans, not only those who were considered hostile. Of course, many Germans had, indeed, committed crimes in these countries but it is a fact that this mass expulsion was widely welcomed and no politician from any party in Britain dissented during the 1944-1946 period.

Necessary Sacrifice

Most people who contemplate Europe's political future are more concerned about the mass transfer of Muslim people into Europe than about terrorist threats. Terrorism is a nuisance and has the power to shock but it can only become a potential major threat if the terrorists obtain and use weapons of mass destruction. The steady build-up of a minority clearly at odds with its host culture is far more significant and a far more intractable challenge to the national identity in the long term. This is, of course, not a problem when seen through EU eyes. Any weakening of national identity is a necessary sacrifice.

When Mr Barroso declared: *"Sometimes I like to compare the EU as a creation to the organisation of empire"*, British politicians expressed indignation and some even demanded retractions. But his words were entirely apt.

The main instrument in the creation of the new order is the 'free movement

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Crystal ball gazers predict EU directive will mean big trouble

Mediums, psychics, tarot card readers and spiritual healers are predicting problems in the future over new European Union legislation which they fear could leave them open to litigation from sceptics.

The Spiritual Workers' Association has lobbied the Government over plans to make the mystic profession subject to consumer-protection regulations drafted in Brussels.

Britain's 1951 Fraudulent Mediums Act is to be repealed next month and replaced by the EU Unfair Commercial Practices Directive, which comes into force on 26th May.

Under the outgoing legislation, the

prosecution had to prove that a medium or spiritual healer had intended to be fraudulent in order to secure a conviction.

But under the new European consumer protection directive, it will be the psychic's responsibility to prove they did not mislead or coerce credulous consumers.

"The problem is that it's turning spiritualism, the religion, into a consumer product, which it is not", said Carole McEntee-Taylor, the founder of the Spiritual Workers' Association.

She went on: *"The Fraudulent*

Mediums Act protected the medium because it meant the person receiving the information was taking personal responsibility".

Susie Collings, of the College of Psychic Studies, hoped the new rules will discourage "less than ethical" mediums and make it easier for the public to understand what to expect from a reading.

However, she predicted: *"There is always the possibility that mediums will be targeted by people intent on making money by suing what they see as easy targets and that is a big concern for the individual".*

Dramatic fall in support for the Treaty

Irish public opinion has moved sharply against the Lisbon Treaty, with the Yes side now enjoying only a slender lead, according to the [Irish] *Sunday Business Post/Red C* monthly tracking poll on 28th April.

Support for the treaty has fallen from 43 per cent in February to 35 per cent among those entitled to vote in the referendum. Those opposed to the treaty have increased from 24 per cent to 31 per cent. The number of

undecided voters remains almost unchanged, at 34 per cent.

Tom McGurk, a *Sunday Business* columnist wrote in the same issue, *"If you thought the Maastricht and Nice masterpieces needed a whole afternoon in a political seminar to understand, then try Lisbon. It is the Finnegans Wake of EU treaties, a masterclass in confusion and obscurity. It would be funny if it weren't so serious; indeed, were any student in*

Europe to submit the Lisbon Treaty as an academic political thesis, they might well be thrown out of their faculty".

He concluded, *"As we ponder this truly unreadable document, why should we be treated with contempt by some Europeans for even pondering it? And, most importantly of all, could voting No to it be our attempt to save Europe from itself?"*

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Why immigration assists the European project

of people', a policy usually enunciated with misty-eyes by europhiles while its presumed economic benefits have been accepted even by eurosceptics.

The idea of free movement of persons surfaced in the Treaty of Rome as a means to allow EU-native workers to work outside their native EU countries. It has now been massively extended, not only by conferring 'rights' on intra-EU movement but also by widening the benefits to include the right to start businesses, and the right to study at the British taxpayers' expense. Nevertheless, the number of these movements is still quite small in relation to the total EU population.

The EU believes that those EU

nationals who work or study in their non-native country are likely to be supportive of the EU political order - and the more of them the better. A new idea has now taken hold among EU policy makers which is that immigrants from outside the EU will become special supporters of the EU ideas as they will have no conflicting national loyalty. So Barroso is now proposing an intake of twenty million workers (plus dependents) with the right to 'circular migration', that is to move freely from one EU country to another.

If the nations of the EU are not changing into *Homo Europeanus* fast enough, ready-made imports will

accelerate the process.

Lack of Policy

Demography is destiny and if the firm intention is to establish a political order a demographic policy is vital. Britain's lack of policy in relation to the inflows and outflows of population shows that the political elite regards demographic destiny as less important than 'human rights' and the needs of business for low-paid labour; this in turn is evidence that it has already surrendered real political power to the emerging political order. and no maidenly aversion of eurosceptic eyes can conceal this.

How the EU proposes to keep the public in the dark

When is a document not a document? This question has recently been debated by EU officials who have been pressed by civil liberties campaigners to make all official documents fully accessible to the public. They have come up with a highly ingenious answer to the question which will enable them to conceal huge numbers of EU papers from public scrutiny.

According to an explanatory memorandum issued by the Commission "a document only exists if it has been sent to recipients or circulated within the institution and has been entered in the institution's records".

In other words documents which

officials choose not to register do not exist and since they do not exist cannot be made available to the public.

In the words of Statewatch, the human rights and civil liberties watchdog: "This is outrageous. A 'document' is a 'document' regardless of whether it has been entered in the institution's records - indeed it is certainly not unknown for officials not to register all documents in the Commission's retrieval system".

The Commission's ingenious wheeze for keeping the public in the dark when it chooses to do so was contained in an explanatory memo which accompanied proposals to amend the Regulation on access to EU documents (1049/20010)

which were adopted on 30th April.

The amendments to the Regulation also make it clear that the obligation of EU institutions to give full public access to documents would be limited to legislative measures - and would not cover the hundreds of thousands of other papers produced and received.

A spokesman for Statewatch commented: "The Amsterdam Treaty was agreed 11 years ago and was supposed to herald a new era of openness and transparency - we are still waiting for this to happen".

A detailed analysis of the amendments to the Regulation can be found on the Statewatch web-page at (www.statewatch.org).

Massive tobacco fraud uncovered

A scheme involving the claim of EC Agricultural subsidies for over 900,000 tons of non-existing raw tobacco has been discovered by the Italian Carabinieri police force with the support of the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF). There are currently 80 individuals under investigation by the Italian judicial authorities as a result of operation "Ghost Tobacco".

The illegally-claimed Community funds are to be recovered and

administrative fines of around 20 million euros have been imposed, according to a press statement from OLAF on 23rd April 2008.

According to the Carabinieri's findings producers, processors and transport companies were involved in two kinds of fraud which extended over several European Union countries.

In the first scheme, shipments to foreign companies were feigned in

order to conceal the non-existence of the raw tobacco from the Italian control bodies and to evade paying value added tax. In the second scheme "tobacco carousels" were created, with producer (A) taking tobacco to the processor who returned it to producer (B) who, again, brought the same tobacco to the processor and so on. EC funds were illegally claimed for all transactions.

Justice Commissioner's first hand experience of graft

Jacques Barrot, the new EU Justice and Home Affairs Commissioner, received an eight months suspended jail sentence in 2000 for corruption, according to Bruno Waterfield on his *Telegraph* blog. (It was Nigel Farage

MEP who originally made this fact public outside France). Barrot was convicted by a French court of "abuse of confidence" in a party funding case involving the Centre des Democratres Sociaux (CDS), an organisation he

headed. The CDS was a precursor to Jacques Chirac's, and now Nicolas Sarkozy's, Union pour un Mouvement Populaire. Mr Barrot, it is said, remains close to the Elysee Palace.

The consequences of political sub-ordination

"When any community is subordinately connected with another, the great danger of the connection is in the

extreme pride and self-complacency of the superior, which in all matters of controversy will probably decide in its

own favour."

Edmund Burke, 1777, "A letter to the Sheriffs of Bristol".

Cameron's choice on Europe

"If Cameron were to demand opt-outs from previously agreed common-market rules, he would get no

sympathy from our European partners and would face the choice of accepting the status quo ... or withdrawal."

Richard Corbett Labour MEP in a letter to the *Independent* on 30th April 2008.

LETTERS

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Bishops and the EU

Dear Sir,
Your reference to Bishops (11th April) suggests your publication ought to be called *eurofictions* rather than *eurofacts*.

The first paragraph is simply abusive and unworthy of any serious publication. "Christianity and the Future of Europe" is not an official Church of England organisation but a private enterprise initiative.

COMECE is, of course, a Roman Catholic organisation which serves the Catholic Episcopal Conference of Europe and has no connection with the Church of England whatsoever.

I regard myself as a British patriot but seeing such sloppy work almost persuades me that there may be something in the integrationist arguments.

Rt Revd and Rt Hon RICHARD CHARTRES
London

[We accept that the information on which our front page article of 11th April was based was inaccurate and our comment on the matter inappropriate and unfair. We apologise unreservedly to the Bishop of London and to the other Bishops who sit in the Lords to whom our article made reference. While Christianity and the Future of Europe has involved prominent Anglicans we acknowledge that it is not part of the Church of England. We also apologise to our readers for having misled them about these matters - Ed.]

Dear Sir,
Since writing my letter regarding C. of E. Bishops and the EU which you published on 11th April I have discovered that I was mistaken in suggesting that C. of E. Bishops participated in the Commission of the Bishops' Conference of the European Community (COMECE). I have since learnt that the C. of E. Bishops participate in the Conference of European Churches (CEC) which works in close partnership with the Roman Catholic COMECE. At one time, if not at present, the Rt. Rev Dr. Richard Chartres, Bishop of London was reported as being a Deputy Vice-

President of CEC. My apologies to you and the readers if I misled them.

BRYAN SMALLEY
Hertfordshire

It's the Policies that Count

Dear Sir,
I was surprised to read that Dr. Cooper, whose letters are usually so lucid, has decided to vote Green at the EU elections.

It is important to realise that the Labour Party will never hold a referendum on any issue to do with the EU; that the Conservative Party, being equivocal on the issue of a referendum and having a history of deceit on all things EU, will wriggle out of a referendum even if they promise one; and that a vote for any party other than UKIP will be interpreted as a vote for integration into the United States of Europe. The EU elections are the nearest that the population of the UK will get to having a referendum on membership of the U.S. of E..

At the last EU elections the voting (excluding Northern Ireland) was as follows:

UKIP (anti-EU)	2,475,263
BNP (anti-EU)	685,486
Conservative (pro-EU)	4,010,291
Labour (pro-EU)	3,110,008
Green (?)	915,827
Others (?)	955,194

It is very important therefore that UKIP, as the only small party with a hope in hell of getting a substantial number of members in the EU parliament, should receive a massive number of votes in that election. I urge Dr. Cooper and all readers of *eurofacts* to support UKIP in their campaign and to start now. Personalities do not matter. It is the policies that count.

PETER KIRBY
Surrey

New Signs of Political Growth?

Dear Sir,
The letter by George West (*eurofacts* 25th March 2008) raised fundamentals about our country. The "complete disregard" for the views of the British people and our "constitutional rights" applies to the leaderships of all three

political parties in parliament. Your lead article "Parliament connives at its own immolation" in the same issue underlines this.

To where, then, should British people look for a political leadership that achieves both freedom for our country as well as its refurbishment?

Political movements arise in response to need. Beyond the self-serving Westminster elite, hundreds of citizens' action organisations beaver away to address particular ills perpetrated by an arrogant government and connived at by political parties.

A common thread connects these citizens' action groups that is becoming more visible through indignation generated by the Lisbon treaty and Referendum betrayals, as well as the general erosion of democracy by government, council and bureaucracies. These bureaucracies include non-elected regional assemblies called into existence by the EU bureaucracy.

Is there a new spring in the grassroots preparing for growth?

RALPH MADDERN
Warwickshire

Where are our Allies?

Dear Sir,
Men and women returning from active duty in Afghanistan are allowed to wear the general service medal given to them by the British Government. Since they are serving there as part of the NATO coalition forces, they are also given a NATO medal but this, they are not allowed to wear.

Is this a subtle way of drawing a veil over the fact that our European Allies are conspicuous by both their absence and lack of support for the War?

The current conflict is often likened to the Korean War, after which service personnel were authorised to wear both the British and United Nations Medals, with which they were rewarded.

If the countries within Europe are not now prepared to support NATO, which has been in existence for many years, it seems unlikely they will wish to become involved with any European army when, or if, it is formed.

GRAHAM ALLT
East Sussex

MEETINGS

Bruges Group
020 7287 4414

Thursday **15th May**, 7.00 pm

“Repealing the Lisbon Treaty and Independence from the EU”

Douglas Carswell MP
Frederick Forsyth CBE, *Author and political correspondent*

PUBLIC MEETING

Foreign Press Association, 11 Carlton Terrace, London SW1Y 5AT

Admission £10

on the door or in advance

(Includes, wine, juice, water and nibbles)

The Runnymede Project
01746 769103

Friday/Sunday **16-18th May**

“The last throw of the dice?”

Agenda:

1. How did we get here?
2. What can we look forward to?
3. Setting a road map
4. A New Constitution

CONFERENCE MEETING

Barnes Close, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire

Admission Free

(Further details - Frank Taylor, 11 Andrew Evans House, Innage Lane, Bridgnorth, Shropshire WV16 4HQ)

British Weights and Measures Association 020 8922 0089

Saturday **17th May**, 2.00 pm

Dr John Bentham, *Managing Director of Benoil Services*

John Gardner, *BWMA Director*

Neil Herron, *Metric Martyr*

Vivian Linacre, *BWMA's Founder and President*

Cllr Steve Radford, *President of the Liberal Party*

PUBLIC MEETING

(AGM in morning)

The Victory Services Club, 63 Seymour Street, London W2 2HF

(near Marble Arch)

Admission £5

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Better off Out Campaign

www.betteroffout.co.uk

British Declaration of Independence

www.bdcampaign.org

British Weights & Measures Assoc.

www.bwmaOnline.com

Bruges Group

www.brugesgroup.com

Campaign Against Euro-Federalism

www.caef.org.uk

Campaign for an Independent Britain

www.cibhq.co.uk

Democracy Movement

www.democracymovement.org.uk

EU Observer

www.euobserver.com

EU Truth

www.eutruth.org.uk

European Commission (London)

www.ccc.org.uk

European Foundation

www.europeanfoundation.org

European No Campaign

www.europeannocampaign.com

Foreign Affairs

www.foreignaffairs.org

Freedom Association

www.tfa.net

Global Britain

www.globalbritain.org

Global Vision

www.global-vision.net

I Want a Referendum

www.iwantareferendum.com

June Press (Publications)

www.junepress.com

Labour Euro-Safeguards Campaign

www.lesc.org.uk

New Alliance

www.newalliance.org.uk

Open Europe

www.openeurope.org.uk

Regional Assemblies

www.regionalassemblies.co.uk

Speak Out Campaign

www.speakout.co.uk

Sovereignty

www.sovereignty.org.uk

Statewatch

www.statewatch.org

The People's "No" Campaign

www.thepeoplesnocampaign.co.uk

United Kingdom Independence Party

www.ukip.org

SELECT COMMITTEES

House of Lords

020-7219 3000

Monday **12th May**, 4.05 pm

Evidence will be heard on the *Inquiry into the EU's 20% Renewable Energy Target* from a) Lord Dixon Smith; b) Mr Simon Roberts, Centre for Sustainable Energy; and from c) Mr Gordon Edge, and Ms Maria McCaffery, British Wind Energy Association (BWEA).

Tuesday **13th May**, 11.10 am

Evidence will be heard on *Waste Reduction* from Ms Joan Ruddock MP, Defra; and Mr Ian Pearson MP, (DIUS).

Wednesday **14th May**, 10.00 am

Evidence will be heard on *Waste Reduction* from Mr Malcolm Wicks MP, (BERR).

Thursday **15th May**, 10.35 am

Evidence will be heard on the *Inquiry into Current Developments in European Foreign Policy; the EU and Burma* from Meg Munn, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

Tuesday **20th May**, 11.10 am

Evidence will be heard on *Personal Internet Security* from Mr Vernon Coaker MP, PUSS for Crime Reduction, HQ.

Tuesday **20th May**, 3.40 pm

Evidence will be heard on the *Inquiry into the Economics of Renewable Energy* from the Rt Hon John Denham MP, Secretary State for Innovation, Universities of Skills (DIUS).

Note: Committee Meetings can change from Public to Private without warning

DIARY OF EVENTS

2008

Europe Day **9th May**

Irish Referendum on Lisbon Treaty **12th June**

France takes over EU presidency **1st July**

UKIP National Conference Bournemouth **5/6th September**

Thinker Tailor Soldier Spy

by Harry Beckhough. **£18.99**
A remarkable book about a soldier, code-breaker, intelligence officer, teacher and political activist.

The Treaty of Lisbon in Perspective

by BMDF. **£27.50**
Detailed analysis and review together with the full text of the Treaty as signed in Lisbon in December 2007.

Scared To Death

by Christopher Booker & Richard North. **Hdbk £16.95**
This latest book by the famous duo explores the tricks used to extend EU power and control.

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by Graham Booth. **£5.00**
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Gordon Is A Moron

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Analysis of Brown's Chancellorship.

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by Matthew Elliott and Lee Rotherham. **£9.99**
An exposé of the huge levels of waste in Britain and the EU.

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by J Brian Heywood. **£9.99**
This novel clearly shows how easy it is for good intentions to be used by anyone with ambitions for a world government.

Lost Illusions:

British Foreign Policy

by Ian Milne. **£4.00**
Is it time to make British self-reliance the guiding principle of foreign policy.

Warning: Immigration Can Seriously Damage Your Wealth

by Anthony Scholefield. **£6.00**
Scholefield argues that while immigration increases a nation's GDP it must inevitably reduce per capita income.

Corruption - The World's Big C

Cases, Causes, Consequences, Cures
by Ian Senior. **£12.50**

Senior shows how corruption in the EU is becoming worse and why the UK should not sign up to the proposed European Constitution.

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Selected works by Alexander Litvinenko
Edited by Pavel Stroilov. **£12.95**
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