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Dear Daniel Zeichner MP,

Re: The Referendum

If this referendum result is allowed to stand then democracy in the UK is nothing but an illusion. One of the few rational observations articulated during the campaign was that the general public have lost faith in the political process. Is it any wonder when it is subject to such a tsunami of lies as that which characterised the 'leave' campaign. It was an appalling spectacle and one for which every politician, of whatever colour, should be deeply ashamed.

But most importantly, it was not democratic.

The referendum result of a 3.8% margin in favour of leaving the EU is clearly not a decisive result for such a momentous decision. Many more than 3.8% where influenced by the outright lies and misleading information promulgated by those campaigning to leave the EU. Therefore the result cannot be held to be democratic or representative of the will of the people.

Furthermore, the petition to re-run the campaign (https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/131215) has, at the time of writing, exceeded 3.3 million votes and is still gaining support rapidly (but see postscript below). 3.3 million represents almost 10% of the voters in the referendum, which far out weighs the margin of 3.8% in the referendum result.

People are very angry about what has happened. It is not sour grapes, it is a justifiable rage at watching the nation being conned. We have already had Mr Farage and Mr Gove back-tracking on statements made during the campaign. When an MP misleads the House of Commons it is regarded as unacceptable. The same should be true when an MP deliberately misleads the general public. It has been a gross abuse of the democratic process.

As a member of the Houses of Parliament I call on you to protect our nation from a decision that has been wrung out of the people by a process that was clearly mendacious and undemocratic and to declare this referendum null and void.

It needs to be re-run with sensible rules governing its execution.

I am not one of your constituents. This is not a local issue. It is a national, if not global issue. I do not require or expect a reply. I simply respectfully request you consider the above and take action to redeem the reputation of the Houses of Parliament and the future of democracy in the UK.

Your sincerely,

John McKay

PS. There appears to be an organised campaign to undermine the petition mentioned above by compromising the data with signatures purporting to come from all over the world. For example; 2000+ from the British Antarctic Territories and 24,000+ from North Korea etc. These make up about 6% of the signatures at the time of writing... so the dirty tricks continue! This fraud serves only to compound the deceptions perpetrated during the referendum and should not be allowed to distract from the vast number of valid signatures, nor the basic need to address the challenge to democracy that this referendum represents.