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Dear Constituent,

A Response to the Second Referendum Campaign

Thank you for your letter regarding a second referendum on the UK's membership of the European Union; I appreciate the strength of feeling on this matter.

On the 23rd June 2016 the United Kingdom voted to leave the European Union in a referendum that saw a higher turnout than any UK-wide vote for more than 20 years. That result must be respected, even if it was unexpected by some, and the UK will leave the European Union on 29 March 2019. Both main political parties also pledged in their manifestos at the 2017 General Election to respect the referendum result and these parties received over 80% of the vote.

The Prime Minister has made it clear that there will not be another vote and I fully support that position.

As you are aware, in 2014 the people of Scotland voted to remain in the United Kingdom. Just as I do not support a second EU referendum I do not support a second referendum on the issue of Scotlish independence.

We cannot play best of three, five or even seven with the results of democratic referendums.

Whether or not you agree with the decision that was made, Parliament gave the British people the final say on the UK's membership of the EU and the majority voted to leave.

Thank you once again for taking the time to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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