



13 January 2015

Ms Jenny Watson  
Chair  
Electoral Commission  
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Dear Ms Watson,

**DISQUALIFICATION OF OUR PARTY**

Further to my letter of 9 January, we note that you have now removed our party from your register and, therefore, denied the British public the opportunity to vote in support of the EU's largest party, the EPP, and our policies.

You have, of course, done this in the UK's preparatory period for a General Election.

Your conduct is manifestly unlawful. In contrast, and despite your conspicuous failure to provide either consistency, proper legal explanation or meaningful and timely engagement, the record evidences our manifest willingness to compromise.

Your conduct is manifestly discriminatory. We were required to change our party name so it did not start with a number: a matter on which we promptly signalled willingness to compromise. As of this morning, six parties remain on the register despite their names starting with a number: 100% Registration Campaign, 1001 Campaign, 2015 Constitutionals UK, 21st Century Conservative Democrats, 21<sup>st</sup> Democracy and 38 Degrees.

We require your immediate and full answers to the questions re-stated in our letter of 9 January.

There is no question of our accepting your censorship of the EU's leading political brand, "EPP". Your conduct is manifestly intolerable and, as clearly stated, we will take the most vigorous action.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dirk Hazell'.

**Dirk Hazell**  
**Leader**  
**& Chairman, British Committee EPP**

cc The Rt Hon John Bercow MP, Chair, Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission  
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