



27 April 2015

The General Counsel  
Electoral Commission  
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Dear Sir,

**YOUR REF RPP 81544589**

This follows extensive correspondence arising from your unlawful and discriminatory conduct against our party which made it impossible for us to contest the General Election effectively and/or on the basis properly desired by the EPP.

My letter to you of 26 March contrasted your unlawful and discriminatory conduct regarding our "UK EPP" emblem (that is, your new requirement belatedly disclosed to us, that this emblem contain the words "European People's Party" notwithstanding the practical difficulty of printing this on ballot papers in the available space) with that of the obscure and confusing emblem No 732 ("YPP") which remains unchanged on your register without any explanatory words, and emblem No 101 ("UKIP") which contains no explanatory words and also remains unchanged on your register.

My letter of 26 March further noted that you sustained on your register a party called "TUSP". While TUSP seems to have since disappeared as an entry from your register, it now seems to be operating as TUSC ("Trade Unionist & Socialist Coalition"). While you have unlawfully kept our previously approved "UK EPP" emblem off your register for more than three months, TUSC also has an emblem, No 606, containing no explanation of the acronym:-



Your Chair's sustained discourtesy and your own failure over several months properly, or at all, to answer pertinent questions raised by our QC and by me serve to exacerbate your sustained and brazen unlawful discrimination against us which has had the practical effect of preventing the EU's largest political family from contesting this General Election. You and your Chair have manifestly dismissed as an irrelevance the injunction in the Commissioners' meeting of 23 July 2014 at the Minute 8.2: "concern focussed on the importance of consulting political parties ...".

We continue to reserve all rights and, as previously indicated by letter dated 16 March to your Chair and by letter of 26 March to you, we shall write more fully to your Chair after the General Election.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. N. D. Hazell".

**D N D Hazell**  
**Leader**

cc **Chair, Electoral Commission**

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