The EU Referendum which has been scheduled for 23 June 2016 will be a momentous occasion in our nation's history.

The Prime Minister has secured concessions which would create a 'special status' for the UK within the European Union, releasing us from the burden of ever closer union with its member states, providing protections to the City and the possibility of emergency brakes on migration in specific circumstances.

However, I do not feel the concluding deal goes far enough in addressing the main areas of concern for myself and my constituents. Furthermore, I am extremely positive about the prospects of our nation forging closer partnerships with countries like India, Israel, the USA, the wider commonwealth and emerging high performing economies, and at present we are being held back from this ambition by the EU.

We cannot remain within this flawed political union out of fear. This referendum represents a wonderful chance to regain the freedom to make our own trade
deals all over the world again, to promote positive migration without discrimination against people from non-EU countries, to control our borders more effectively and to restore the supremacy of British law in our legal system.

This is the positive, optimistic choice for our nation's future.

As such, I will campaign for the UK to regain its freedom and independence from the European Union and I hope you will consider joining me.

Kind regards,

Bob Blackman MP

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Can you help the campaign?

Vote Leave is now the official campaign for a leave vote in the EU Referendum.

This vote will affect us all and everyone can make a valuable contribution to making our hope for a free and independent UK a reality. If this campaign is to succeed, it will be down to people like you, taking a stand and helping however you can.

Find out more about what you can do, [here](#) (or click on the image below).
WHY SHOULD THE UK LEAVE THE EU?

Our money, our priorities

We keep sending over £350 million every week to Brussels -- enough money to build a brand new hospital every week. We should spend this money on our priorities like the NHS.

It’s safer to take back control

If we vote remain it means the permanent supremacy of EU law and the European Court. If we Vote Leave, we will be able to take back control and we will be able to kick out those who make our laws.

Europe yes, EU no - the safer choice

A vote to remain is a vote to keep giving more power and money to the EU every year. If we Vote Leave, we can replace the broken relationship we’ve got with a new UK-EU partnership based on free trade and friendly cooperation.
Click above for a video about the campaign for Britain to leave the EU.

Boris Johnson
Mayor of London

"It's my view that, after 30 years of writing about this, we have a chance actually to do something, I have a chance actually to do something and

Priti Patel
Minister for Employment

"Net migration has gone up – putting pressure on our jobs, housing, and our public services. More than half of the people coming here have come
I would like to see a new relationship based more on trade, on cooperation but as I say with much less of this supra-national element, so that’s where I am coming from.

I will be advocating Vote Leave... because I want a better deal for the people of this country, to save them money, and to take back control. That’s really I think what this is all about.”

Michael Gove
Secretary of State for Justice

"We are the world’s fifth largest economy, with the best armed forces of any nation, more Nobel Prizes than any European country and more world-leading universities than any European country. Our economy from the European Union – showing that we cannot control our borders while we remain members of the EU.

The proposed deal will do nothing to reduce the level of immigration from the EU, and will leave unelected politicians in Brussels and judges from the EU Court in control of our borders. The only way to take back control is to Vote Leave."

David Owen
Socialist Democratic Party Founder

"There are many positive aspects to leaving the EU. We will make our own laws again in our own parliament. We will rediscover the skills of blue-water diplomacy and rise to the challenge of global markets. It could be the spark we
is more dynamic than the Eurozone, we have the most attractive capital city on the globe, the greatest "soft power" and global influence of any state and a leadership role in NATO and the UN. Are we really too small, too weak and too powerless to make a success of self-rule? On the contrary, the reason the EU’s bureaucrats oppose us leaving is they fear that our success outside will only underline the scale of their failure.

This chance may never come again in our lifetimes, which is why I will be true to my principles and take the opportunity this referendum provides to leave an EU mired in the past and embrace a better future.”

need to re-energise our nation.

The pre-eminent need will be to become more productive and competitive, something driven by investing in research and training and through welcoming immigration from people from different countries who can contribute most to our economy and to our quality of life. These are changes that have a cost attached to them but they are necessary in or out of the EU. They have been largely ducked by political leaders in all parties in recent years. They cannot be ducked any longer if we decide to leave. That in a nutshell is the case for leaving: a challenge and an opportunity.”