Question for written answer E-005224/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Marie-Christine Arnautu (ENF)

Subject: The future of the Commission President in the wake of Brexit

In early 2015, the current Commission President stated that 'There can be no democratic choice against the European treaties.'

However, in their vote on 23 June 2016, the British people democratically rejected the European treaties, taking the view that the treaties did not serve the interests of their country, but rather represented an affront to their sovereignty and impeded their economic prosperity.

Throughout the referendum campaign, the Commission President was threatening the British people, saying that if they left the EU they would be 'deserters'.

Furthermore, he stated in February 2016 that: 'we don't have a plan B, we have a plan A. Britain will stay in the European Union as a constructive and active member.'

By failing to predict the UK's exit from the EU, and in making those comments, Mr Juncker has shown a lack of foresight, and has demonstrated contempt for the British people. Is the Commission President not intending, therefore, to follow the example set by UK PM David Cameron and resign from his post, as any accountable politician would do in the circumstances?

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