

Question for written answer E-005376/2016
to the Commission
Rule 130
Siôn Simon (S&D)

Subject: Activation of Article 50 and its effect on UK citizens

The text of Article 50 TEU states that 'the Treaties shall cease to apply to the State in question from the date of entry into force of the withdrawal agreement' which will have been negotiated and concluded by the State and the Union.

Can the Commission confirm that, after the activation of Article 50, the UK will remain a member of the EU for the duration of the negotiating period?

On this basis, can the Commission confirm that, during the procedure as detailed in Article 50 TEU, UK citizens will be able to enjoy the same rights and privileges as they did prior to its activation?