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Subject: Withdrawal from the European Union under Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union

On 23 June 2016, the so-called 'Brexit referendum' took place in the United Kingdom and Gibraltar to determine whether voters wished either to leave or to remain a member of the European Union. 51.9 % of voters voted in favour of leaving the EU.

This has prompted calls in several countries for an examination of the options available for leaving the European Union, as a result of dissatisfaction with the way it operates.

What (internal and external) procedures apply when a Member State, such as the United Kingdom, announces a withdrawal procedure as a result of a decision taken by its competent authorities?