

Time to bang on about Europe, Mr Cameron

The return of the Constitution to the political agenda will provide the Tory leader with a unique opportunity to exploit differences within the Labour Party

To use a fashionable metaphor, 'Europe' is the elephant in the room, a presence so huge and embarrassing that the major parties pretend that it isn't there. It comes as something of a surprise to learn that the Government may be about to make its position clear on the EU Constitution.

Its hints on the subject suggest that it will take a 'positive' view on the subject i.e. that subject to reservations he will support the resurrection of a revised constitutional text. Curiously, these coincided with the comments of the Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett who in a disparaging reference to the Constitution described the document as a "grandiose project". Her words were taken by *The Guardian*, among others, as a sign that the Government regards the Constitution as dead and that it would not sanction any attempt to revive it in its present form.

Caustic Words

There have been so many occasions when the Government has announced its opposition to the European project of the day, only to reverse its position in a matter of months or even weeks, that it is easy to conclude that the Foreign Secretary's caustic words are the reflection of a caustic personality rather than a serious indication that the Government is resolute in blocking progress on a revised constitution.

The Government is at least right in

supposing that the issue cannot be ignored. Germany, which takes over the EU presidency on the 1st January, is committed to finding a way to revive the Constitution in virtually an unchanged condition, and is already engaged in serious preparatory work to this end. A committee of 'wise men' under the chairmanship of Giuliano d'Amato, the Italian interior minister and former Prime Minister is currently working to achieve the same goal.

New Name

The fact that the committee includes the former Conservative minister and EU Commissioner Chris Patten whose strong dislike of referendums is well known - incredibly he cites the resultant loss of Parliamentary authority as the reason - suggests that it will be served up in a form that will provide an excuse for refusing the British electorate a say on the matter. The 'wise men' will tweak the document here and there, maybe give it a new name, perhaps make the document a little less pompous and verbose in the process - all with the aim of avoiding further referendums and, in particular, of avoiding a referendum in Britain.

Sooner or later all British parties will have to remove their blindfolds, take their fingers from their ears, and, having noticed what is happening, say what they intend to do.

In the current edition of *Prospect*, Anthony Giddens, the former Director

of the LSE and a sometime guru to the Prime Minister argues that in addition to offering fresh opportunities for Europhiles to promote the European project the present situation offers Labour the opportunity to embarrass the Tories. We suspect that he is quite wrong; the re-emergence of the constitution as an issue presents a more serious problem for Labour than the Tories, providing, of course, that the Tories grasp this.

'Genuine Dislike'

The Tory position on 'Europe' may well be incoherent (how can Britain be in 'Europe' but not run by 'Europe' when 70 per cent of our laws are made there?). But its position on the Constitution is unambiguous: it is against it. Further, it believes that ratification of the Constitutional Treaty should not take place without a referendum. There is near unanimity on these matters. As numerous opinion polls have demonstrated a huge majority in the country agrees.

No such unanimity exists in the parliamentary Labour Party which will soon have a leadership election and which includes many who genuinely dislike aspects of the constitution and an even larger number who are worried about retaining their seats at the general election.

If the substance of the treaty remains substantially unchanged the Government will have a hard job in

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Auditors again refuse to sign off on flawed EU accounts

*Across the wires the message came
Things have not changed, they are
much the same.*

Kipling's verse could have been written with the annual fiasco of the audit of the European Union's accounts in mind. Each year the EU Commission presents its accounts to the European Court of Auditors - and each year the Court refuses to sign off on them because of serious shortcomings.

This year changes to the accounting system - including the introduction of accruals-based accounting - were supposed to result in a significant improvement and lead the way to the issue of a clean bill of health from the Court by 2009. But on the 24th October, for the 12th year running, the Court announced that it was yet again unable to sign off on the accounts and for largely the same reasons.

The Court certified the EU's administration, development and some agricultural spending, but found errors in programmes accounting for two-thirds of its 105 billion budget, particularly for structural funds and other agricultural programmes. These included incorrect paperwork, missing

documents and possible fraud.

The court found "weak internal controls for the majority of EU expenditure, both within member states and the Commission, and a high incidence of errors in the underlying transactions".

The Court's President Hubert Weber announced "Overall the situation, [relative to the legality and regularity of underlying transactions] has not substantially changed since last year...The underlying reasons why most errors occur is that beneficiaries - farmers, local authorities, project managers - claim more than they are entitled to claim. Explanations range from simple neglect or error through poor knowledge of the complex rules up to presumed attempts to defraud".

The auditors found that "over-declarations" and "ineligible expenditure" go undetected in the majority of the EU expenditure areas.

But while the accounts may not have changed the tactics of the Commission in reacting to their publication plainly have. In the past Commission spokesmen have promised improvements, but this year Siim Kallas, the EU commissioner for administration instead attacked the

auditors for their methods:

"The verdict is that we have this enormous failure in managing the fund. In fact the percentage of errors is marginal. I can assure the EU's citizens that the money is well under control."

He admitted that he could not keep a pledge to achieve a positive statement of assurance (DAS) by 2009 "unless the Court changed its ways".

"If this methodology continues we will never have a positive DAS", he said.

On this occasion, at least, Mr Kallas's comments may have been prophetic.

Since the EU seems incapable of changing its ways and the Court of Auditors so far shows no sign of bowing to pressure to change its ways, we presumably look forward to a re-run of the same process next year, the year after and the year after that.

Indeed in future decades the inevitable implosion of the EU may come to be marked by the symbolic tearing-up of a set of accounts and the award of medals to those in public life who, like the members of the Court of Auditors, maintain a high standard of professional integrity in the face of bullying and coercion.

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justifying a decision to depart from its formal position - namely that there could be no British ratification of the treaty until the French and Dutch had reversed their referendum decisions. If that hurdle is surmounted there is then the problem of explaining why the British public should not have the opportunity which others have had in line with the Prime Minister's solemn undertakings in the past.

Tony Blair's instinct will be to pretend that the revised text no longer amounts to a constitution but merely the means of enabling a much larger EU to function efficiently. He will also convey the impression that more

'Europe' is somehow necessary in order to rescue planet Earth from environmental catastrophe. But Blair will be gone by the time the issue is resolved and his comments will be viewed in that light. Moreover, they are likely to make the position of the Labour heir apparent more difficult - and may well be uttered with that aim in mind.

To a considerable extent Gordon Brown's prospects in the forthcoming leadership election depend upon his continuing to appear more eurosceptic than his predecessor. In particular he badly needs the support of a large chunk of Middle England if he is to

convince backbenchers that he is capable of winning a fourth term for Labour.

The tables are now turned: the potential splits in the Labour Party over Europe are greater than those in the Conservative Party. David Cameron may not wish to fire the first shots in the coming skirmish over the Constitution, but it would be extremely foolish of him not to prepare the ground in order to exploit Labour differences on the issue at the first available opportunity and to lacerate the Government at the first sign that it is about to rat on its commitments.

EU harmony in action: row over fags and booze leads to shots being fired

Since Poland joined the EU Poland's Baltic ports have apparently become a popular destination for German cruise ships. Polish drink and cigarettes are low in price compared to Germany, the air is bracing and the fares are modest. Here surely is an unambiguous if minor benefit of European integration and proof positive that EU membership promotes peace and neighbourly relations.

Well, actually not, it seems. On the 17th October the Polish coast guard fired on a private German cruise ship as it fled Polish waters with two Polish plainclothes policeman on board. Since the incident the Polish press has alleged that the policemen were kidnapped and charges have already

been filed against the cruise ship captain for dodging customs and preventing customs officials from doing their jobs. Kidnap charges could follow.

For their part the Germans have accused the customs officers of being in Germany illegally and of forcing their way into parts of the ship where passengers were not allowed.

The Polish authorities say that only two shots were fired and that these were blanks from a flare gun while the German cruise ship company alleges that there were three or four shots and that live ammunition was used.

The incident occurred after the two plainclothes customs policemen asked to examine the ship's cigarette and

alcohol supplies, presenting identity papers that the German captain regarded as questionable. Apparently fearing that his entire stock of drink and cigarettes would be confiscated he turned the ship around and bolted for German waters. It was then that the shots were fired from a hand-held gun.

Diplomats on both sides are eager to downplay the incident. A spokesperson for the German Foreign Ministry said an investigation into the incident had been started, but would take place "in the spirit of the neighbourly atmosphere which characterises German-Polish relations".

So that's all right, then.

Source: Spiegel online, October 19th

EU membership may cost Britain £94 billion!

Open Europe reports Gunter Verheugen as saying in an interview with the *Financial Times* on the 10th October 2006 that EU regulation costs the EU 600 billion a year. These are only the administrative costs; the follow-on dynamic costs are not included. *Open Europe* points out that the Commission estimates the "benefit" of the Single Market as being

around 160 billion a year, suggesting very strongly that even on the Commission's rosy scenario the cost of increased regulation vastly outweighs the benefit.

600 billion is around 5.7 per cent of EU-25 GDP: this is almost three times Ian Milne's estimate in *A Cost Too Far?* In that book, published in 2004, the author could detect zero "benefit"

from the Single Market. If Commissioner Verheugen's estimate of cost is right, then, in the case of the UK, adding on the cost of the UK net contribution to Brussels, plus the cost of the CAP, the annual net cost of EU membership would be a minimum of 7.7 per cent of UK GDP, or around £94 billion a year at 2005 prices.

Whew!

Loss of a eurosceptic hero

It was with immense sadness that we learned of the death of Lord Harris of High Cross, the former General Director of the *Institute of Economic Affairs*.

Lord Harris was the founder chairman of the *Bruges Group*, a founder of *Global Britain*, and a constant friend and supporter of this publication.

He was, of course, most famous for the creation of the IEA. This laid the intellectual foundations of what came to be known as Thatcherism, thereby paving the way for a major sea-change in British politics. This in turn led to a world-wide renaissance in the ideas underlying the free market.

His success in confronting the prevailing economic and political orthodoxies and, with the help of Arthur Seldon, the IEA's editorial director, in plotting an alternative way forward based on market solutions depended on a rare combination of intellectual rigour, passion, humour, high principle and presentational *brio*. All of those who fought in the same battles will feel lonelier at his passing.

In recent years Lord Harris had become more and more concerned about the way in which rising levels of prosperity and an expanding area of individual liberty - which were the result of the IEA's victory in the battle

of ideas - were being put at risk by virtue of Britain's membership of the European Union. Unlike others who shared his analysis but shrank from its implications he made his support for withdrawal from the EU clear in elegantly-crafted speeches in the House of Lords and through his support and encouragement for eurosceptic organisations and publications.

He will be greatly missed by the many people who regarded him as both a friend and a beacon of consistency, principle and decency at a time when such qualities were perhaps becoming more rare.

EU trade deficit means 700,000 fewer UK jobs

The UK Government repeatedly claims that “three million British jobs depend on our trade with the EU”. If British exports of goods and services to the EU do indeed sustain 3 million UK jobs, by the same reasoning EU exports to the UK displace 3.7 million UK jobs, as the table shows.

The net impact on the UK economy is therefore unequivocally **negative**, the UK trade deficit with the EU resulting in 700,000 fewer UK jobs than would have been the case had British exports to and imports from the EU been in balance.

| UK Trade in Goods & Services with EU-24 in 2005 | | | |
|---|-----------|-------|----------------------------------|
| Direction of Trade | £ billion | Index | No of UK Jobs sustained, million |
| UK > EU (exports) | 166 | 100 | 3.0 |
| EU > UK (imports) | (203) | (123) | (3.7) |
| Balance | (38) | (23) | (0.7) |

Source: UK Balance of Payments: The Pink Book 2005: Table 9.3, pp 129-131; ONS: www.statistics.gov.uk

So where are you now, Prudence?

In the last three years (and probably in 2006 as well) the UK has breached the key ratio of the EU’s “Growth and Stability Pact”: that of General Government Net Deficit to GDP, which is set at 3 per cent.

| 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|------|------|------|------|
| 1.5 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.6 |

Source: p.268, *United Kingdom National Accounts: The Blue Book 2006*; ONS; www.statistics.gov.uk

Credo of a Eurobuff

*It's great to be a Eurobuff and root for EU rule,
Of British reign I've had enough and Brussels' rule is cool
I like to think how smart I am with lots of savoir-faire
When other views are put to me, I give a haughty stare.*

*The oh-so-lofty thoughts I think, are far above your sight,
No need for you to think it through, I know I must be right.
Whatever logic tells us both, it's right that we ignore it
For Brussels rule is right and cool; be like me, adore it.*

I want to see these islands kept under

*Brussels' sway
And everything that made us great, completely swept away
With self respect and freedom lost and money down the drain
I never think about the cost, I just want euro-reign.*

*These continental bureaucrats have got a better way,
They issue orders on the hoof and none may say them nay.
Don't think about our freedoms gone, ignore the gross corruption,
The EU does a lot for us, like stifling our production.*

Heed not the eurosceptics' call. They are so very base

*They put the British interest first and have no saving grace
So UKIP oiks get on your boikes, let Eurobuffs take over
And we will give it all away from Shetland down to Dover.*

*Hist'ry doesn't move me, I am ashamed of Britain's past.
I just want to knuckle under and do it mighty fast.
I don't like being British, it really makes me frown,
So I became a Eurobuff to do my country down.*

John Culverwell

Sir Richard's moment of truth

By Charlotte Horsefield

In his latest book Sir Richard provides a distillation of his ideas, developed during an active political life, some 40 years of which have been spent as a Conservative Member of Parliament.

In 1955 he was one of a small number of MPs who favoured joining what was then the Common Market and because of his views he was invited to the Communities' institutions in Brussels, Strasbourg and Luxembourg. After an evening of entertainment, a Commissioner confided in him that separately the countries were powerless but together they would have far greater power than ever. It was this revelation, that the European Communities were not about peace but about power, that led him to give up his

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By Richard Body

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practice as a barrister to devote more of his time to opposing Britain's membership. Even when the Heath

government's negotiations were successful, Sir Richard maintained his opposition, being one of a selected body of MPs who supported an otherwise unrepresentative band of eurosceptics who watched, with growing anxiety, the Common Market develop into a political union.

This book is constructive in that it offers a solution to the undemocratic nature of the present government of the European nations. He points to the merits of free trade over a customs union and suggests that the Council of Europe could be a better forum for forging agreements, depending as it does upon cooperation rather than coercion.

This is a very positive and timely book.

EU just can't get it together

How apt that the winning entry in the EU logo design competition should succeed in being both extremely dull and literally untrue. The logo reads "Together since 1957".

Is it churlish to point out that there were only six members in 1957 and that Britain was strongly opposed to membership at that time?

The winning entry was designed by Szymon Skrzpczak, a 23-year-old Polish student (though presumably not of history) who explained that the use of incongruent fonts and colours in the word "together" was supposed to depict the Union's cultural diversity.

In words that might have been crafted

by the EU's PR staff the young Pole said: "*There are a lot of different countries in the EU - but from these differences, we can still coexist in harmony*".

The logo will be used in the celebrations to mark the 50th anniversary of the 1957 Treaty of Rome.

The judges' panel, which was headed by Margot Wallstrom, the EU's communications commissioner and vice-president said that it had selected the winning entry because it was eye-catching and conveyed "a special message".

It turns out, however, that the special

message is untrue in a second sense.

Member states have ditched plans to hold a big joint 50th anniversary celebration in favour of more limited activities organised in each EU country. So it seems that even when it comes to partying there is little sign of togetherness - member states will mostly be expected to do their own thing for fear that any attempt at contrived or enforced togetherness, especially one resulting in a huge bill to the taxpayer, would be a PR disaster. There is clearly a lesson to be learned from all this, but it is one that Mrs Wallstrom and her colleagues will not care for.

A wine lover's lament

"The trouble is Europe is producing far too much wine and, in the EU at least, they seem to think they have a right to do so...The absurd and wasteful agricultural subsidy which sloshes in waves from Brussels to all

the wine regions of the EU must stop. It's our money, our billions that are being wasted. We want to spend our money on wine we like, and our taxes on something more worthwhile than subsidising more than a million

hectares of sub-standard European vineyards".

Oz Clarke in his introduction to *Oz Clarke's Wine Buying Guide 2007*.

Choked to death by 'toxic Brussels'

"For companies on the margin of viability, the cost of EU compliance can sometimes mean the difference between success and failure. So when David Cameron next says the Conservative Party must start talking about the things that voters care about, instead of 'banging on about Europe', he would do well to understand that, while he and his metropolitan clique are showboating on climate change, British jobs are being choked to death by toxic emissions from Brussels." Jeff Randall, *Daily Telegraph Business* 18th October, 2006.

LETTERS

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Why the EU needs our trade

Dear Sir,
Professor Bush (Letters 20th October) is right. The USA alone, a country 3,000 miles away, not in the EU, exporting to the EU over the latter's Common External Tariff, without even a free trade agreement with the EU, sells more to the EU than Britain does, without paying a cent to Brussels and - most important of all - without imposing one iota of the *aquis communautaire* on the US economy.

Once the UK withdraws from the EU, and stops paying Brussels the colossal annual fee (£15 billion gross in 2005), trade between the UK and the EU will continue unhindered. The EU needs our market far more than we need theirs. In 2005, on its trade with EU-24, the UK recorded a massive deficit of over £32 billion. (Curiously, on its trade with the rest of the world, the UK recorded a surplus of £6 billion.) Looked at from EU-24's point of view, the UK deficit is an EU surplus. Would they put it at risk by illegally trying to restrict imports from the UK? Of course they wouldn't. So the British consumer will continue merrily to buy BMWs, Mercedes and Camemberts; in return, the Continentals will continue merrily to buy our JCBs, our oil and our consultancy services.

IAN MILNE
London

What UKIP is all about

Dear Sir,
No wonder that Freddie Forsyth is such a successful fiction writer if he can convince even himself that the Tory party is changing for the good. I seem to remember a letter from Sir Freddie prior to the 2005 general election in which he looked forward to the election of "young Turks" who would shake up the Tory party regarding the EU issue. Alas the only Turks on the horizon are the 70 million who want to join the European Union, supported in that application by the Conservative Party.

UKIP does not "split the vote" as Sir Freddie believes. Everyone knows that

we stand for unconditional withdrawal and the Tories stand for continued membership. It's called choice. Were a Conservative government to be elected at the next election (which looks extremely unlikely) there is no reason whatsoever to believe that the surrender of our liberties to the EU will cease, let alone be reversed.

The best way of encouraging the leaders of the Conservative and Labour parties to change their policies is precisely by means of the threat of costing them seats and decreasing the numbers of their lobby fodder. It has taken a generation for the Tories and Labour to sell our country down the river and the only hope for the future is to build a new patriotic party. That's what UKIP is about.

GERARD BATTEN MEP
London

On the CAP

Dear Sir,
The Common Agricultural Policy took ten years to put together. It had two objectives, one overt, the other covert. The overt one was to restructure European agriculture. In this it was the most successful piece of social engineering in history, removing the equivalent one man a minute from the land, day and night, for twenty years, without riot, revolution, or bloodshed. Its covert objective was to render the survivors, the only body of people large enough in number, and sufficiently independent in spirit to stop the federalists in their tracks, impotent, by reducing them to the status of dependency junkies. All power in the EU is bought with other people's money. European farming is as hooked on it as a heroin addict. British farmers, once the backbone of our independence and liberty, meekly allow jobsworths who have never done a day's work as wealth creators in their lives tell them how to run their businesses, with guidelines drawn up by persons of insulting ignorance and studiously applied stupidity, and administered by the entirely incompetent. The leadership appears to be wholly ignorant of governance, and

so of the economic importance of liberty, and like so much of the establishment participates in the destruction of all that our forebears fought to preserve, to wit, the right to live as free men governed by consent through parliamentary elections, dwelling under the rule of law upholding our rights and liberties equally against each other, and of ours, collectively and individually, against the otherwise crushing power of the state, in independent courts, with neutral law before independent judges (aspirationally) tasked to seek the truth in the pursuit of justice.

British farming and farmers will get nowhere until we have a government that allows them to farm, which means leaving the EU to quit the CAP. The defence of the realm against the vagaries of mother nature rather than human enemies, requires the maintenance of farming on a standby basis, though how this is to be done I know not, for though you may shut a farm down in minutes it takes years to restart. If we leave the EU the absence of our funds will drastically reduce the sums available to pay French farmers, who will promptly go on the rampage, so like as not ending the Fifth Republic. This, founded in 1958, nearly ended on schedule in 1968 with the student riots but is now on borrowed time. The average life of a French constitution since their proto-Holocaust of a revolution in 1789 is under 21 years. We have had the same one since 1688. It has lasted because it is by far the wisest and most enlightened drawn up by man and still in existence. We are now governed by such fools that they universally seek its destruction, be they New Labour, Liberal or Conservatives - the worst of our betrayers - of whose number only John Major's "bastards" had the guts to put their pay, pensions, promotion, and most heinous offence of all, their party on the line.

UKIP is now the true opposition.
GEORGE CURTIS
Essex

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Gerard Batten MEP

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French Parliamentary Election **June or July**

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