

# European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

Explanatory notes to the Bill, prepared by the Department for Exiting the European Union, are published separately as Bill 132 – EN.

## EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Secretary David Davis has made the following statement under section 19(1)(a) of the Human Rights Act 1998:

In my view the provisions of the European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill are compatible with the Convention rights.

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Confer power on the Prime Minister to notify, under Article 50(2) of the Treaty on European Union, the United Kingdom's intention to withdraw from the EU.

**B**E IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

**1 Power to notify withdrawal from the EU**

- (1) The Prime Minister may notify, under Article 50(2) of the Treaty on European Union, the United Kingdom's intention to withdraw from the EU.
- (2) This section has effect despite any provision made by or under the European Communities Act 1972 or any other enactment.

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**2 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Act 2017.

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*Presented by Secretary David Davis  
supported by  
the Prime Minister,  
Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer,  
Secretary Boris Johnson,  
Secretary David Mundell,  
Secretary Alun Cairns,  
Secretary James Brokenshire,  
Ben Gummer and the Attorney General.*

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