

Kezia Dugdale responds to Supreme Court Brexit ruling



Commenting on the Supreme Court's Brexit ruling, Scottish Labour leader Kezia Dugdale said:

"The Supreme Court has made its view clear and it's right that the UK Parliament should get a vote on triggering Article 50. It's clear now that this is a decision for the UK Parliament.

"Labour in the UK Parliament will seek to amend the Article 50 Bill to prevent the Conservatives using Brexit to turn Britain into a bargain basement tax haven off the coast of Europe.

"We will continue to work with the Scottish Government to get the best deal for Scotland within the UK.

"But both the SNP and the Conservatives are casting about for an expedient political position rather than working in the national interest. Unity cannot be achieved by a politics that sees one half of the country constantly facing off against the other.

"We are divided enough already. That's why there will be no support from Scottish Labour for any SNP plan for a second independence referendum.

"Only Labour is standing up for what the majority of Scots want – a strong Scottish Parliament within the UK and close ties with Europe."