

# [Press release: Scottish Secretary responds to First Minister Nicola Sturgeon's statement](#)

Following today's [Wednesday 24 April] statement in Holyrood from the First Minister Nicola Sturgeon, Scottish Secretary David Mundell said:

People in Scotland voted decisively in 2014 to remain part of the UK, on a promise that the referendum would settle the issue for a generation.

Instead of respecting that result, Nicola Sturgeon continues to press for divisive constitutional change when it is clear that most people in Scotland do not want another independence referendum. The UK Government will stand up for them.

Nicola Sturgeon needs to listen to the views of the Scottish people and concentrate on improving Scotland's economy and schools, not continually trying to orchestrate upheaval and division.