Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community

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The European Parliament adopted by 621 votes to 49, with 13 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community.

Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the withdrawal agreement.

The Agreement provides for an orderly withdrawal which is the goal the EU and the UK negotiators have pursued over the past three years. It contains a section on citizens' rights, a section on financial obligations and a Protocol on Ireland and Northern Ireland with annexes. As regards the issue of the role of the Court of Justice, the withdrawal agreement provides for its jurisdiction at different levels.

Through its resolutions of 5 April 2017, 3 October 2017, 13 December 2017, 14 March 2018 and 18 September 2019, Parliament has gradually established its interpretation of the provisions of Article 50 of the EU Treaty, including a number of fundamental requirements with regard to the scope and timing of the negotiations.