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***The Brexit process and
its impact on EU policies and institutions***

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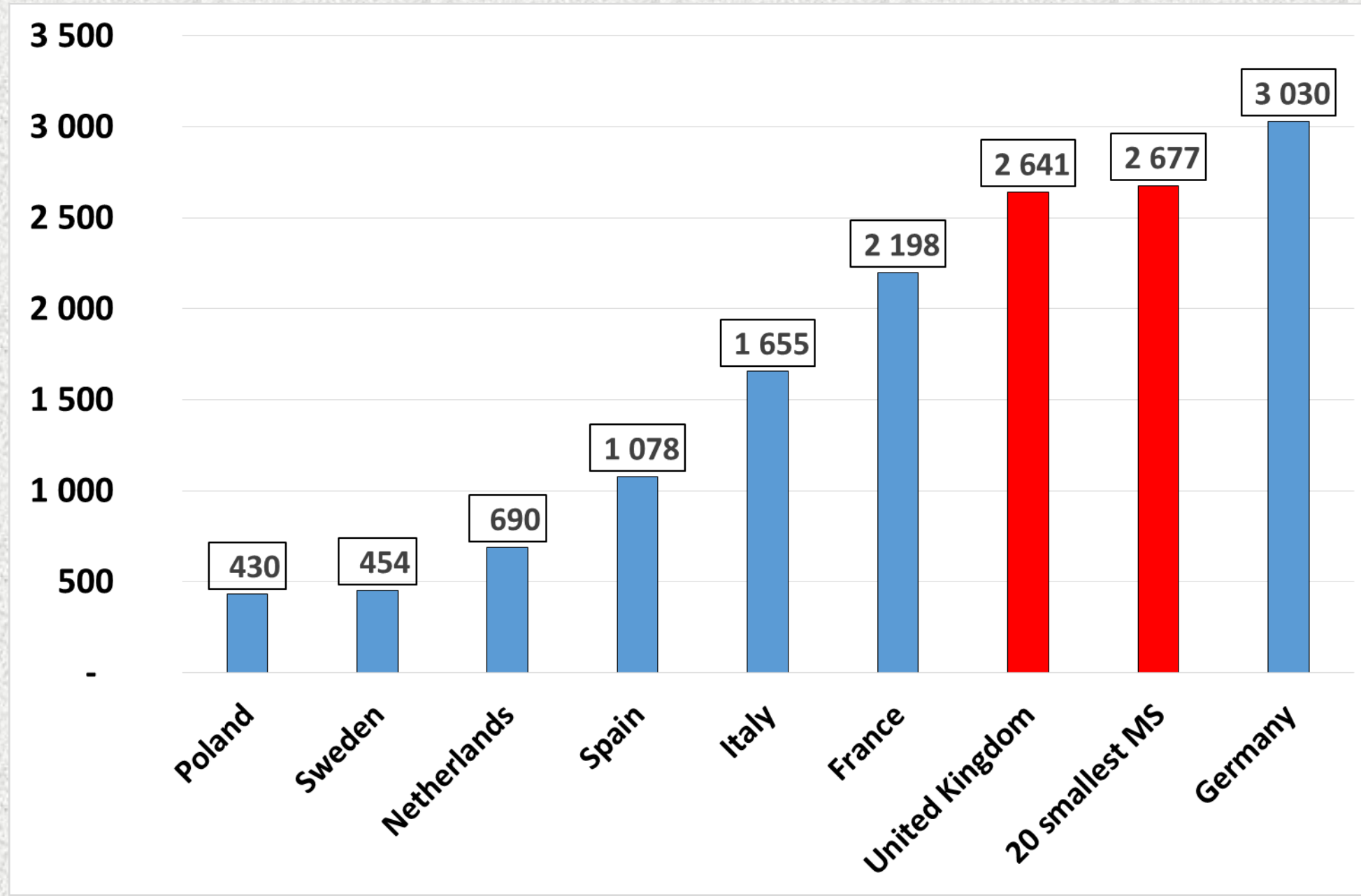
Main focuses

- Impact on various common policies
- The way the Article 50 negotiations were conducted

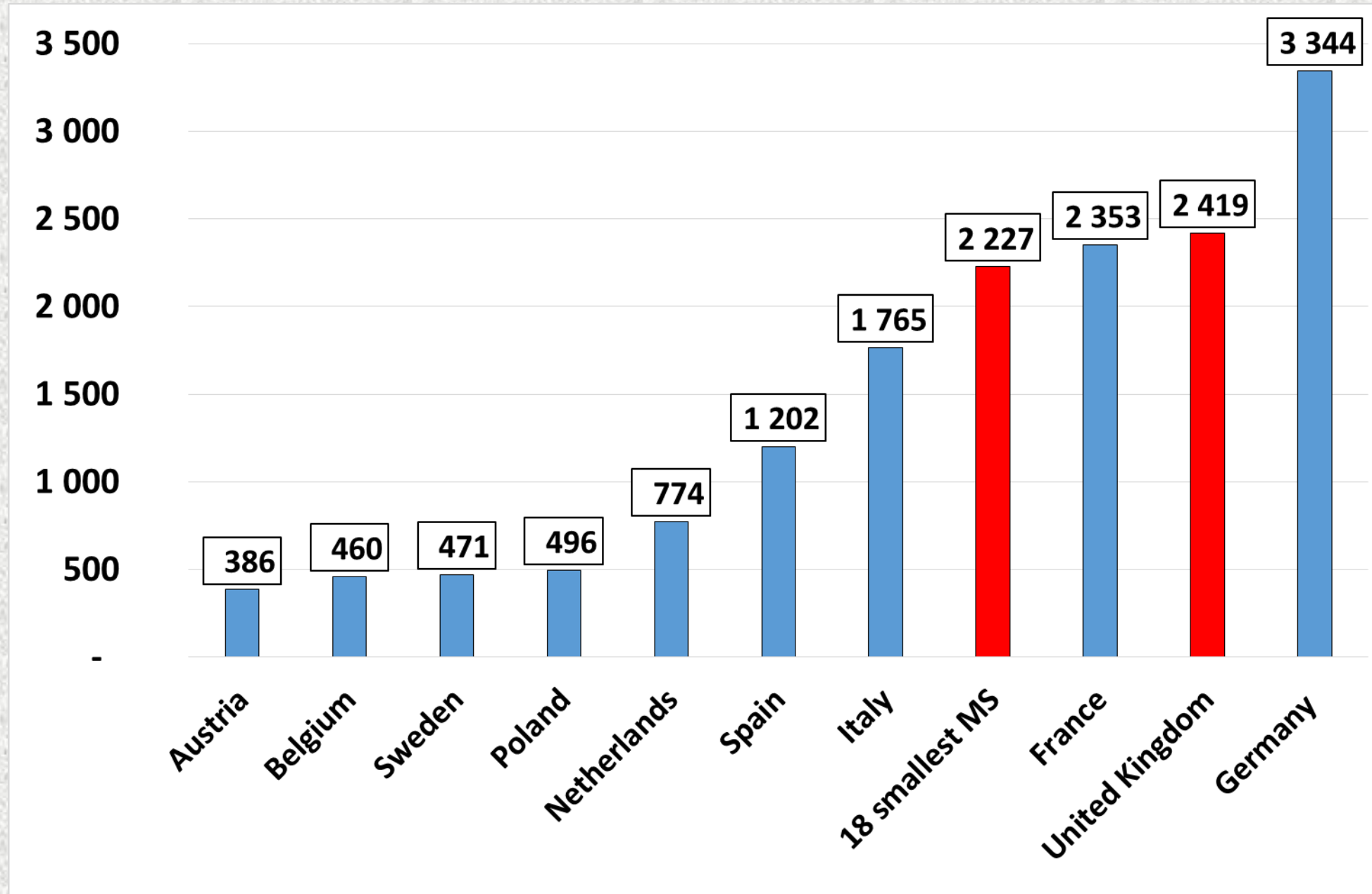
Literature

Long	Short	Sectoral
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Soft (optimistic) – Norway/Swiss• Hard (pessimistic) – No deal (WTO)• Semi-hard – somewhere in between	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Uncertainties• FDI/GDP/employment (Treasury/BoE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Car industry• Meat industry (worst than Russian ban)

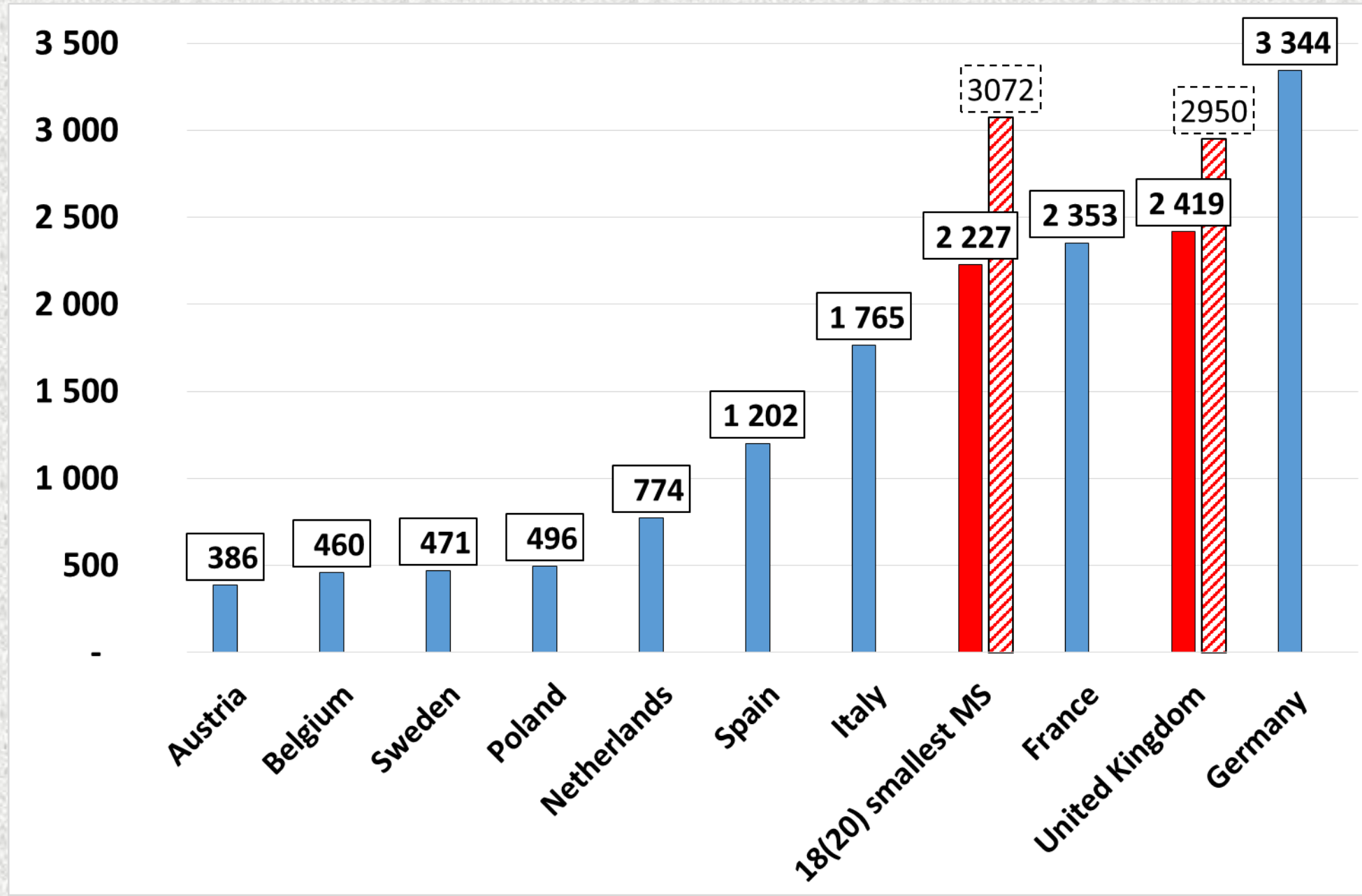
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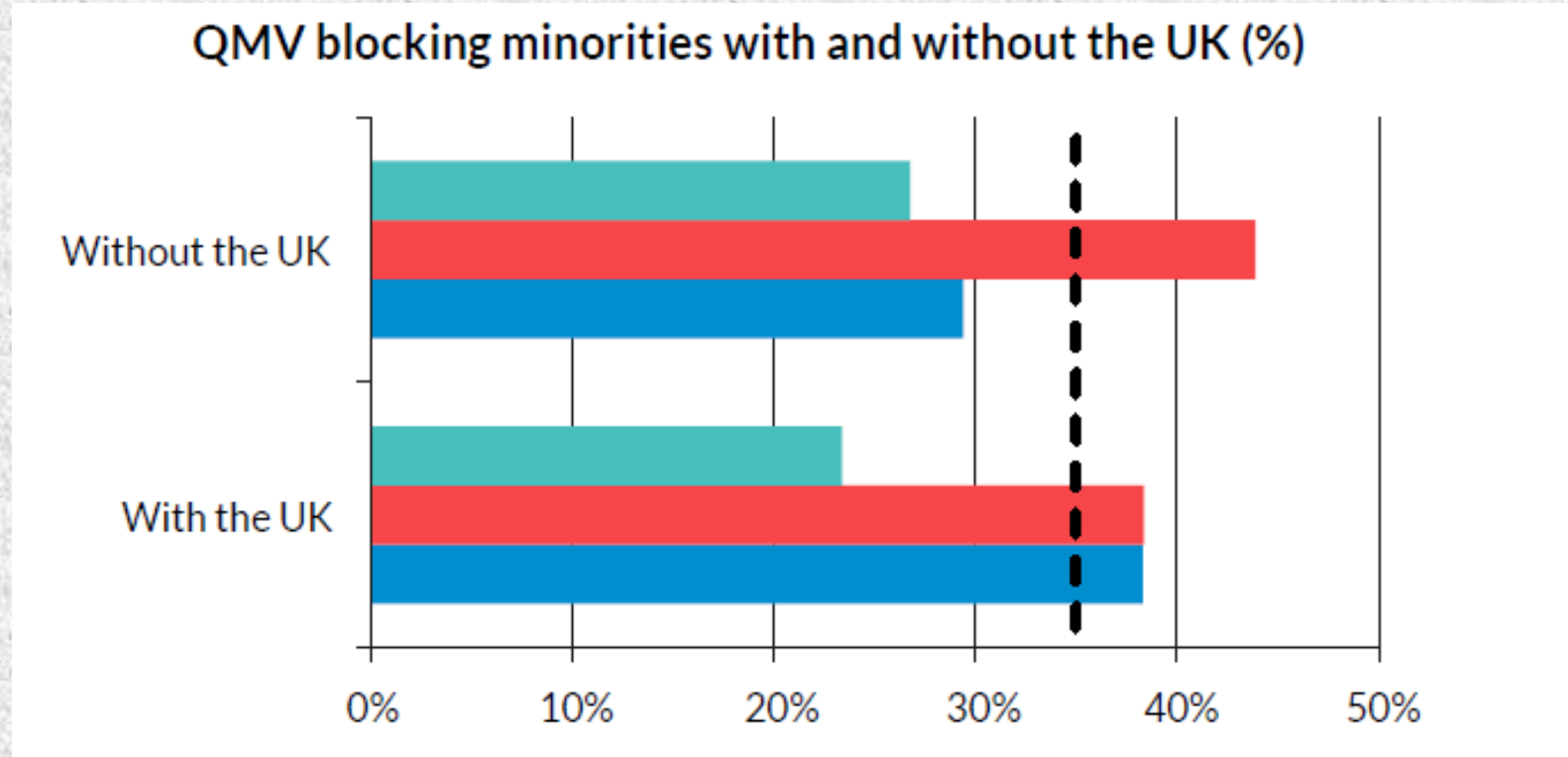


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Brexit's impact on common policies

- Trade policy
 - Liberalism/protectionism
- Common budget
 - Direct/indirect
 - Cutting exp./incr. MS'contrib.
- Agencies
 - Medicines/Banking
- Foreign policy (less influential)
 - Military power
 - Diplomatic network
 - Intelligence capabilities
- Risk of contagion



Source: Booth et al. (2015) What if...? Open Europe *Report* 03/2015

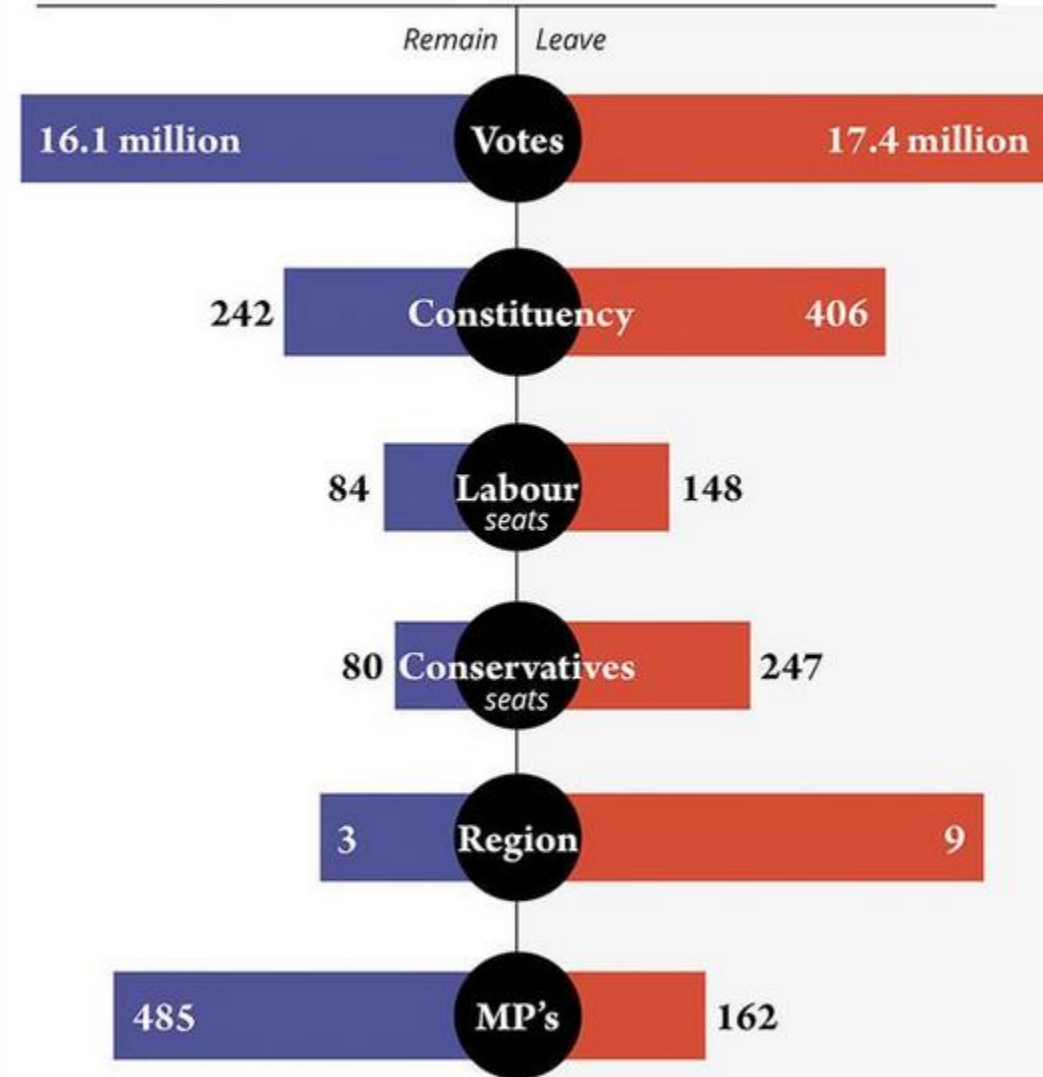
The way the Article 50 negotiations were conducted

- Referendum/panic
- Narratives (soft/hard....clean/messy)
- Agenda set by EU (sequencing)
- Irish border trap (importance magnified/customs profession)
- May deal (capitulation)
- Johnson deal (acceptable?)

Conclusion

- Elite (never accepted) vs. People
- Principle of democracy
- Constituency make-up of votes
 - If GE: majority of 164
 - First Blair Gov.: 179
 - Second Blair Gov.: 167
- Parliament/Public broadcasting debates
- Brexit is no longer about whether leaving
- ... but about restoring democracy.
- For the sake of both the UK & the EU:
to compromise on mutually advantageous deal.

EU Referendum Results 2016



Source: EXPRESS NEWSPAPERS



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