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From the World Health Organization and the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations and the World Economic Forum, real power it seems no longer resides with sovereign states but with pan-global institutions to which the nation-states themselves are obliged to sign up.

The scope for corruption within these organisations is obvious, and we are indebted to our research affiliate Brexit Facts4EU.Org for highlighting the flaws and anomalies running through these institutions even as we speak.

We begin with the government's Rwanda Bill and its tortuous passage through Parliament thanks to the European Court on Human Rights whose power and influence have distorted it beyond recognition.

If the Bill itself were not sufficiently flawed, it is bound to be disfigured still further when it reaches the Upper Chamber. First the ECHR and now the House of Lords. What price democracy?!

Part One — Radical reform of world institutions is required — and this

### starts with the UK leaving the ECHR

## Let's start close to home — The European Court of Human Rights

For years, the judges in Strasbourg's European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) have in effect been making up laws to suit their own agenda and belief system.

No national government ever conferred these rights on the ECHR's judges. They simply took them, with no democratic control and no mandate to do so. It should be remembered that some of these judges have little direct experience as senior judges in their own countries, as we have previously reported.



The ECHR would have no legitimacy at all without the signatories of 46 countries to the European Convention on Human Rights. For decades, the ECHR has acted as lawmaker, rather than as upholder of the law. The United Kingdom never signed up for this and it is now perfectly reasonable for the

UK to show the way by removing itself from the list of national signatories to the Convention.

## Counter-argument: The UK would been seen as a pariah state, akin to Putin's Russia

Seriously? If we leave the ECHR does anyone genuinely believe that the world will suddenly see the United Kingdom as an autocratic regime, not believing in basic human rights? The UK's reputation around the world is too strong for that.

It was British jurists who led in defining the Convention in the first place. But this was decades ago, post WWII, when the world was a very different place. The world has moved on and the UK must now move out of the ECHR.

Given that the ECHR in its huge Strasbourg headquarters is now such a monolith, reform would be impossible in anyone's lifetime. It's time to start over and the UK leaving it is the defining first step.

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## Part Two — The Govt prepares for its Rwanda Bill — even if it passes — to fail, at massive cost

150 judges being recruited to cope with all the new Rwanda appeals

The Justice Department now plans to train 150 more judges, in order to cope with the expected number of appeals from those designated for Rwanda deportations.

Already, more than 100 extra judicial staff have been hired to cope with the expected appeals, according to the Justice Secretary.

#### Implications of the Rwanda Bill

On Tuesday the Justice Secretary, the Rt Hon Alex Chalk MP, said the extra judges will free up 5,000 additional sitting days — just to hear asylum cases and to avoid the justice system slowing up even more than currently.

The extra cost will easily exceed £15m, on top of existing costs

Once again it will be the poor, over-burdened taxpayer who will pick up the tab, on top of the vast sums already being spent on hotels and subsistence, existing appeals, legal aid, and the hundreds of millions being thrown at the French and at the Rwandan governments.

We are now at the stage where the failure to deal with the illegal migration crisis is costing well over £1bn per annum. The true cost is of course far higher in terms of the impact on society as a whole.

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