

To: Ms Marsha de Cordova, Leader and Co-Chair, UK delegation to the PPA  
Cc: Mr Sandro Gozi, Chair EP delegation to the PPA

21 May 2025

Dear Marsha de Cordova,

We represent EU citizen beneficiaries of the EU UK Withdrawal Agreement (WA) living in the UK and British WA beneficiaries living in the EU.

We wrote to you last September (letter attached) asking about the possibility of a hearing during a meeting of the full EU-UK PPA to discuss implementation of the citizens' rights part of the WA. You replied jointly with your Co-Chair, Sandro Gozi, MEP, on 4 November 2025 to say that the November agenda was full but that, *"(l)ooking ahead, we are keen to explore opportunities for engagement with civil-society organisations such as yours in advance of future meetings of the PPA. We recognise the valuable insight your networks can provide into the lived interaction between citizens and the Withdrawal Agreement."*

We were subsequently invited to a breakfast meeting at the EU delegation offices in London last November with Sandro Gozi who promised to hold a session on citizens' rights. He then organised an exchange of views with the EU delegation to the PPA on 23 April at which both the3million and British in Europe presented - see [here](#)<sup>1</sup> for a recording and [here](#)<sup>2</sup> for a Guardian report on the meeting.

We were delighted to have the opportunity to present to MEPs, but it remains a source of concern to us that their counterparts in the UK Houses of Parliament remain largely unaware of the many difficulties facing EU and UK WA beneficiaries in the UK and EU.

As we pointed out at the recent European Parliament exchange of views, neither the European Parliament nor the UK Houses of Parliament currently have committees dedicated to WA implementation, despite the fact that over 7 million UK and EU citizens and their non-UK/EU family members are beneficiaries, tens of thousands of whom are still facing difficulties accessing their WA rights five years on from the start of implementation.

The EU-UK PPA is the closest body we have and, as we pointed out in our letter last year, we remain convinced that full and effective implementation of WA citizens' rights is a fundamental foundation of any UK-EU reset.

Accordingly, we are writing to you in follow up to your letter of 4 November 2025 to ask how we can explore opportunities for engagement with our and similar organisations with UK parliamentarians, including a session on WA citizens' rights implementation at the next full EU-UK PPA meeting in London. We are, of course, happy to meet with you to discuss this at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Golding, Chair, British in Europe and Fiona Godfrey, Director, British in Europe  
Monique Hawkins, Head of Policy and Advocacy and Acting CEO, the3million

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<sup>2</sup> <https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/apr/24/britain-should-rejoin-eu-philip-rycroft>