

Questions:

Home office Monday 11 April

Security

1. Does the Secretary of State agree with the former head of Secret Intelligence Service Sir Richard Dearlove when he said "*Brexit would bring two potentially important security gains: the ability to dump the European Convention on Human Rights...and, more importantly, greater control over immigration from the European Union*"?

Turkey

2. Does the Secretary of State support Turkish accession to the EU?
3. Does the Secretary of State agree that were Turkey to join the EU giving free movement rights to 80 million Turks would damage not only the UK's labour market but our security as well?
4. What assessment has the Secretary of State made of the impact of the Charter of Fundamental Rights, and the ECJ's role in interpreting the UN convention, has had on the EU's ability to negotiate a refugee deal with Turkey?

Migration stats

5. Following requests from a number of members of this House will the Secretary of State confirm that the Government will now release the true scale of inward migration based on active national insurance numbers before the EU referendum on 23 June?
6. What assessment has the Secretary of State made of the impact of the increased living wage on inward migration from the EU?

New EU Asylum proposals

7. What assessment has the Secretary of State made of the possibility that the EU's proposed review of the Dublin regulation on refugees will come up with changes, such as proposals for the redistribution of migrants, that are unacceptable to the UK and so risk our participation in Dublin even if we were to decide to remain in the EU?
8. What assessment has the Secretary of State made of EU's proposals on Asylum may include giving refugees greater access to the so called "EU Blue Card" thus opening the way to secondary migration of migrants from places such as Germany and Sweden to the UK?
9. The Secretary of State on 16 July 2013 told this House "*Undoubtedly the jurisdiction of the European Court of Justice will need to be considered when, after the election, a future Conservative Government renegotiate Britain's relationship with the European Union*" what efforts were made by her to fulfil this commitment?

Note: New EU Proposals here: http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-1246_en.htm

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10. Does the secretary of state believe it is appropriate to spend £10m of taxpayer's money on a biased pro EU leaflet?
11. Does the secretary of state believe that spending £10m on a one sided leaflet is in line with the Council of Europe's Venice Commission's guidelines on referendums?

FCO impartiality

12. What instructions have been given to his department's overseas missions in relation to recruiting foreign business and government support for the Remain position in the EU referendum?

EU Budget:

13. What assessment he has made, based on past trends, of whether the likely UK contribution to the EU will be significantly more or less than it is now in 10, 20 and 30 years' time if we vote to stay in the EU?

Trade Deals

14. What advice he has sought from the Swiss Government on how to conclude a trade deals with states such as Japan and China?

Note: Switzerland has FTAs with China and Japan and the EU does not

15. Does he believe the UK's EU membership helps or hinders the UK in striking trade deals?

Note for follow up: The United States has a trade deal with Costa Rica but not yet one with the EU so it seems that size is no impediment to striking trade deals with the USA but the EU/US TTIP negotiations are still ongoing.

Turkey

16. If he recognises the comments ascribed to him, in David Law's new book, 'Coalition' in which it is claimed he argued that Schengen visas should be valid in the UK, and if so does he believe that if Turkish citizens are given access to Schengen they should automatically have access to the UK?

17. Does he supports Turkish accession to the EU?

UK Deal

18. What assessment he has of the amount of EU law that is enforceable in the UK that will no longer be enforceable as a result of the Prime Minister's EU renegotiation?

UK veto / no further reform?

19. Whether the EU agreement of 18 and 19 February which committed the UK to "*facilitate such further deepening*" of the Eurozone and "*refrain from measures which could jeopardise the attainment of the objectives of economic and monetary union*" was what Francois Hollande was referring to when he said after the summit that the UK has "no right of veto over the Eurozone"?
20. Following the Prime Minister's EU agreement of 18 and 19 February if the Eurozone requires further Treaty change or policies in order to integrate can the UK still use a veto in order to secure further reform and the return of powers to the UK?

European Presidential Elections

21. What assessment has he made of the role of Spitzenkandidaten and the 2019 European Election in deciding the next president of the Commission?

Note: In 2014 the PM opposed the appointment of J-C Juncker, who claimed to have 'won' the European Elections and have a mandate from the European Parliament. Following this the PM was given a promise that the system would be reviewed.

22. What progress has the European Council has made on its commitment set out in its conclusions of 27 June 2014 to consider the process for the appointment of the President of the European Commission for the future?

The Obama Visit:

23. What discussions has he had with his US counterpart concerning the US President's forthcoming visit to the UK to make a speech advocating the UK electorate vote to remain in the EU and if his officials will have sight of his speech before he makes it?
24. Has he ever heard a US politician express a desire for the United States to join the EU or create a similar supra national organisation with legal supremacy and what his assessment of the US electorate of that would be?
25. What discussion he or his officials have had with the United States Intelligence agencies concerning the EU referendum and if he is aware of any work being undertaken by them aimed at influencing the outcome of the referendum?

No 10 involvement in speeches

26. How many times have foreign politicians consulted with his department or No 10 concerning the inclusion of references to the EU referendum or the Prime Minister's EU negotiations in proposed speeches?

Note: It has been reported that the Prime Minister's adviser Daniel Korski has told EU diplomats that they should not belittle David Cameron's deal and that "Number 10 should be consulted prior to any speeches or other big statements aimed at domestic audiences as they may have an impact on the U.K. debate, according to a source" <http://www.politico.eu/article/cameron-considers-how-to-woo-labour-uk-eu-referendum-date-june-23-brexite-united-kingdom/>

27. Whether his officials or officials in Number 10 had prior sight of the Duke of Cambridge's speech to diplomats in his department on 16 February 2016 or that of Her Majesty the Queen's speech at the German State Banquet of 24 June 2015 and if so was input if any did they make?

Africa

28. What assessment has the Minister made of effects of the Common Agricultural Policy on poverty in Africa and whether if the UK left the EU a fair UK trade policy could do more to help development African Agriculture?

Note: As James Dudridge MP has Africa as a responsibility and is for Out

Wales Wednesday 13 April

29. What assessment has the Secretary of State made of the relative efficacy of EU as opposed to UK regional development funding and whether following a UK vote to leave the EU whether the UK and Welsh Government would be better placed to use the former EU funding for the benefit of people in Wales?
30. What discussions has the Secretary of State had with the EU regarding the EU state aid rules surrounding the rescue of steel manufacturing plants?
31. With regards to EU state aid rules, what lessons has the Secretary of State learnt from the EU's investigation of Italy's aid of the Ilva Steel mill as to what help it is permissible to give Port Talbot and what help could only be given if the UK were to leave the EU?

Treasury questions for tabling on Tue 19 April.

32. When it comes to EU regional funding does the Chancellor of the Exchequer believe it is beneficial for the UK to send funds to Brussels in order to receive a far smaller amount back to be spent as the EU feels fit or for the UK to spend the money itself on its own regional policies such as the Northern Powerhouse?
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Hollande was referring to when he said after the summit that the UK has “*no right of veto over the Eurozone*”?

34. What assessment has the Chancellor made of the administration and efficacy of EU funding spent in the UK when compared to UK government spending?
35. Now that the Eurozone has an inbuilt majority of over 65% of the votes in the European Council, how can the UK Government prevent its interests been side-lined if it remains in the EU?
36. Following the Prime Minister’s renegotiation can the Chancellor inform the House whether the UK is still signed up to stages I and II of Economic and Monetary Union?
37. What assessment has the Chancellor made of the likely UK contribution to the EU budget in 10 years’ time, will it be larger or smaller than at present?

Leaflets

38. If the Chancellor had an additional £10m to spend, what would he spend it on?