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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Colleague

I wrote to you on Friday to outline why our new deal allows this country to take back control, get Brexit done and let the country move on.

I have made clear that I do not want more delay. European leaders have made clear they do not want more delay. It is to my great regret that today the House has voted for more delay.

The public want us to get Brexit done so the country can move on. The best thing for the United Kingdom and the European Union is for us to leave with this new deal on 31 October.

I will not negotiate a delay with the European Union. I will tell the EU what I have told the British public for my 88 days as Prime Minister: further delay is not a solution.

That is why next week this Government will introduce the legislation needed for us to leave the European Union with our great new deal on 31 October.

It is quite possible that our friends in the European Union will reject Parliament's request for further delay (or not take a decision quickly). In these circumstances, I hope colleagues on all sides of the House will – faced with a choice of our new deal or no deal – support this new deal.

Colleagues, more than three years after the British people voted to leave the European Union, they expect us to finally deliver on our promises. They expect us to get Brexit done, so we can all move on and focus on the people's priorities.

I will continue to do all I can to get Brexit done on 31 October so the country can move on – and I hope I can count on your support in doing so.

Yours sincerely

All MPs and Peers