

Immigration Matters

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EU REFERENDUM

It is common knowledge that Great Britain is part of the European Union or EU as it is more commonly referred to. The EU is a union between countries of Europe.

Since the founding of the EU, in 1957, it has grown from 6 countries to 28. The countries in the EU are Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Republic of Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the UK. But what is the EU Referendum.

Since the expansion of the union, many British people are considering leaving

the EU so that they can be independent. When David Cameron was elected he won the vote to stay in EU this year but will negotiate a better contract in 2017. But what does the EU have to do with immigration in the UK.

Being in the EU means having to abide by the laws of the union including immigration laws. The EU declared that all immigration laws that are made by Britain have to be approved by the council of 28. In early 2015 we saw 213 200 first time asylum seekers compared to 2014'185,695.

Being a part of the EU benefits not only immigrants but the UK's economy. The governor of the bank of England, Mark

Carney, quoted that "Britain's membership of the EU had reinforced the dynamism of the UK economy, and that the relationship had helped the UK to grow."

With the pressure mounting on the British Government, are we in or out?

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