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The EU Powerbase

The EU's power derives from Treaties signed, collectively by EU Member States.

Prior to the Maastricht Treaty (1992) otherwise known as the Treaty on the European Union (TEU), the EEC was considered to be a trading arrangement between nation states, or that is what most people thought.

However, FCO 30/1048 in 1971 shows that it was never just a trading relationship – just sold to us as such by our politicians over the past 43 odd years, so as not to alert us to what was really planned; all along.

The Maastricht Treaty marked a change from the simple trading relationships because it established the three pillars of the community.

- **One Supranational one: establishing the EU institutions; Commission, Parliament and Court of Justice.**
- **The other two pillars extended: cooperation within the European Economic Community (EEC) into:**
- **foreign policy,**
- **military,**
- **criminal justice and civil law;**

Hence, the EEC losing the Economic part of the title, to become simply the European Community (EC).

The Maastricht Treaty also established:

- **the European Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) and the EURO as the EC currency (replacing the failed Exchange Rate Mechanism (ERM) and associated ECU currency.**

The Treaty may also effectively:

- **remove the British principle that the parliamentary sovereignty of a government only exists whilst they are in power;**
- **instead the implementation of Maastricht could result in the actions of one government being binding on all future governments**

In any event, we are probably close to seeing the replacement of Westminster politics by governance from Brussels (Berlin).

After the Commons goes in for refurbishment it will probably be sold off to developers, and our political parties will be absorbed into greater European Political Parties.

NOTE:

The earlier attempt at Monetary Union, which Britain had joined in 1990, and which we had to ingloriously withdraw from after UK interest rates rose to 15% on Black Wednesday, 16th September 1992.

The withdrawal followed vain attempts to support the pound against attacks by speculators led by Soros, and without any help from the German Bundesbank, who favoured a devaluation of the pound.

It is good to know who your friends are in times of crisis; as the Greeks can no doubt confirm.

As part of monetary control, Article 121 of the Maastricht Treaty sets-out rules to control:

- [inflation rates \(to be less than 1.5% of the average of the three strongest economies\), government debt \(to be less than 60% of GDP\), government deficit \(to be less than 3% of GDP\),](#)
- [exchange rates and interest rates.](#)
- [Even though we are not yet in the EURO we are nevertheless obliged to follow the rules – hence our austerity measures.](#)

But these are not the only rules we are following we are obliged to follow directives related to the Free Movement of Capital including:

- [privatisation of our public services and other assets,](#)
- [including our land – whether we like it or not.](#)

Because of publication of FCO 30/1048 though we are aware that our Politician's must pretend that they are making the decisions and that they will protect the NHS, for example, but they can't as long as we are in the EU.

Moving further along, towards the EU Supranational State:

- [a Constitution for Europe was put together, in order to make the EU separate and superior to the member states from which it was formed.](#)

The Constitution for Europe was signed in 2004 by Blair and Straw, but it was rejected by the French and Dutch 2005, principally on the basis of the loss of Sovereignty.

In its place the Lisbon Treaty was manufactured, under the guidance and insistence of Merkel, ostensibly as a reform treaty, to bring all the former treaties into alignment.

However, whilst this was partly true, the real reason for the Lisbon Treaty was to hide the Constitution for Europe within its texts, and those of the other EU Treaties, and thereby avoid referendums.

A single page summary of the Constitution for Europe along with a reference to where the relevant Articles of concern have been hidden in the Lisbon Treaty (2007) can be found in the Archive on this website.

This is for future reference and to make it easier to visualise what the EU has in store for the populations of the "Former Nation States" of Europe, although there is very much more in the Treaty than on the summary page, which we will explore in another article.

The EU Constitution summary document was put together by David Noakes, we have modified it to fit on a single page on our site. The original document can be found at <http://eutruth.org.uk>

The Constitution for Europe Articles on the Summary Page are cross-referenced with their position and designation within the Lisbon Treaty (TEU) and in the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU) for your reference.

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