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THE **BETTER OFF OUT** CAMPAIGN

THE POSITIVE CASE FOR LEAVING THE EUROPEAN UNION

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BETTER OFF OUT CAMPAIGNERS TO LOBBY HAGUE

This evening, activists from the Better Off Out campaign will make the positive case for EU withdrawal to the Shadow Foreign Secretary, William Hague. Leaflets from the non-partisan campaign, backed by a range of economists, politicians and public figures, will be distributed at the Open Europe event "The Future of Europe" which Mr Hague will be addressing this evening, **Wednesday 7th June**, at **Millbank Tower**. The event takes place between 7pm and 8pm, but Better Off Out campaigners will be on the spot to leaflet as the audience arrive from **6pm**.

Mark Wallace, Better Off Out Campaign Manager, said, "Better Off Out exists to make the positive case for leaving the EU. Through us, economists, politicians and thousands of ordinary people are sending a message that there is nothing to be afraid of in leaving the EU. On the contrary, there is a huge amount to be excited about: free trade opportunities, access to the booming economies of China and India and a chance to be an outward-looking nation playing a full part in a modern world. Hopefully Mr Hague, like so many other people of all parties and none, will agree with us that this is the positive option for Britain's future."

Last month, Better Off Out lobbied Geoff Hoon, the new Europe Minister, at his first official event in his post, as well as all those attending the lunch which he was addressing.

NOTES FOR EDITORS:

- 1) Better Off Out is a non-partisan campaign of The Freedom Association.
- 2) The campaign was launched in April 2006 as a mainstream campaign to communicate the positive benefits of leaving the European Union.
- 3) So far, the campaign has the support of, amongst others, Lord Weatherill (former Speaker the Commons), economists Ruth Lea and Prof. Patrick Minford, eight MPs and thousands of people throughout the UK. To read what some of our supporters have to say, visit: <http://www.betteroffout.co.uk/sup01.htm/>
- 4) The event "The Future of Europe" is organised by [Open Europe](#), a think-tank not affiliated to the Better Off Out Campaign.

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