**PRESS RELEASE**

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“...the choice before us is clear:

this deal... or leave with no deal, or no Brexit at all.”

Theresa May, 14.11.2018.

So, there are (at least) these three options.

**IF, HOWEVER, NO OPTION HAS MAJORITY SUPPORT,**

**A BINARY VOTE WOULD BE ILLOGICAL.**

**WITH THREE OR MORE OPTIONS, MAJORITY VOTING — EITHER**

**“YES-OR-NO?” QUESTIONS, EACH ON ONLY ONE OPTION,**

**OR “‘X’-OR-‘Y’?” QUESTIONS, EACH OF TWO OPTIONS —**

**COULD PRODUCE AN INACCURATE ANSWER.**

“Democracy is… majority rule [unless] there are more than two [options].” In which case, the Borda and Condorcet rules offer “the two best interpretations of ‘majority rule’.”

Professor Iain McLean, 2003, *Oxford Concise Dictionary of Politics*. OUP, p 139.

It does indeed seem that there is no majority for anything… unless, of course, people are voting for ‘other’ reasons: because they:

a) fear/want a general election;

b) obey the party whip;

c) have personal ambitions;

d) are voting tactically.

If Brexit (and Trump) tell us anything, it is that majority voting can be inadequate; the attachment shows that it can also be inappropriate and inaccurate.

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