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“Stop Brexit and stay with us”: DAAD-Präsidentin Prof. Wintermantel unterzeichnet gemeinsamen Aufruf an die Briten

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Die Parteivorsitzenden von CDU, SPD und Grünen und weitere Unterzeichner haben die Briten zum Verbleib in der EU aufgefordert. In einem Brief an die britische Zeitung The Times schrieben sie am Freitag, dass sie die Entscheidung der Briten respektieren, aber: keine Entscheidung sei unumkehrbar. „Unsere Tür wird immer offen bleiben.“ Auch DAAD-Präsidentin Prof. Wintermantel hat den Aufruf unterzeichnet.



Hinweis auf den Artikel in *The Times* bei *Twitter*

Times Letters: ‘German friends’ urge Britain to stay in EU

Sir, Without your great nation, this Continent would not be, what it is today: a community defined by freedom and prosperity. After the horrors of the Second World War, Britain did not give up on us. It has welcomed Germany back as a sovereign nation and a European power. This we, as Germans, have not forgotten and we are grateful.

Because we realise that the freedom we enjoy as

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Because we realise that the freedom we enjoy as Europeans today has in many ways been built and defended by the British people, we want Britons to know that we respect their choice. It is theirs, not ours. And should Britain wish to leave the European Union for good, it will always have friends in Germany and Europe. But Britons should equally know that we believe that no choice is irreversible. Our door will always remain open: Europe is home.

Britain has become part of who we are as Europeans. And therefore we would miss Britain. We would miss the legendary British black humour and going to the pub after work hours to drink an ale. We would miss tea with milk and driving on the left-hand side of the road. And we would miss seeing the panto at Christmas. There are many more things that we would miss. But more than anything else, we would miss the British people — our friends across the Channel. We would miss Britain as part of the European Union, especially in these troubled times.

Therefore Britons should know: from the bottom of our hearts, we want them to stay.

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„Liebe Deutsche, die Briten bleiben Eure Freunde", antworten am 1. Februar 2019 britische Politiker und Persönlichkeiten in der *WELT*. Hier [https://www.welt.de/debatte/kommentare/article188045041/Brexit-Liebe-Deutsche-die-Briten-bleiben-Eure-Freunde.html] geht's zum Text, den unter anderem Oberhaus-Mitglied Baroness Sayeeda Warsi, der Abgeordnete Sir Nicholas Soames (beide Tory-Partei) und Ex-Fußballnationalspieler Gary Lineker unterzeichnet haben.