

# Ruth reacts to Article 50 decision

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Scottish Conservative leader Ruth Davidson has given her reaction to the Supreme Court decision that parliament must vote to trigger the UK's departure from the EU.

She said the SNP has been using the case "to hold the UK to ransom", and the party must now state if it wants Britain's negotiations to succeed or fail.

## **Scottish Conservative leader Ruth Davidson said:**

"The SNP tried to use this hearing to hold the rest of the UK to ransom. It has comprehensively failed to do so.

"All parties should now respect the ruling that the court has given.

"Yet typically, Nicola Sturgeon has decided to ignore it by stating – even before the verdict was in – that she would still seek a separate vote at Holyrood.

"The Scottish Conservatives will have no truck with yet more SNP stunts on Brexit.

"Whatever side people were on last year, Scotland wants to get on with the negotiations so we can start to leave the uncertainty of the last few years behind us.

"We have all had enough of the nationalists using every diversionary tactic they can to try to use Brexit to manufacture a case for separation.

"The SNP needs to decide: does it want Britain's renegotiation to succeed or fail?

"If it is the former, it needs to end the attempts to sow division and add to the uncertainty we face, and instead get behind the UK attempt to get the right deal for the whole UK."