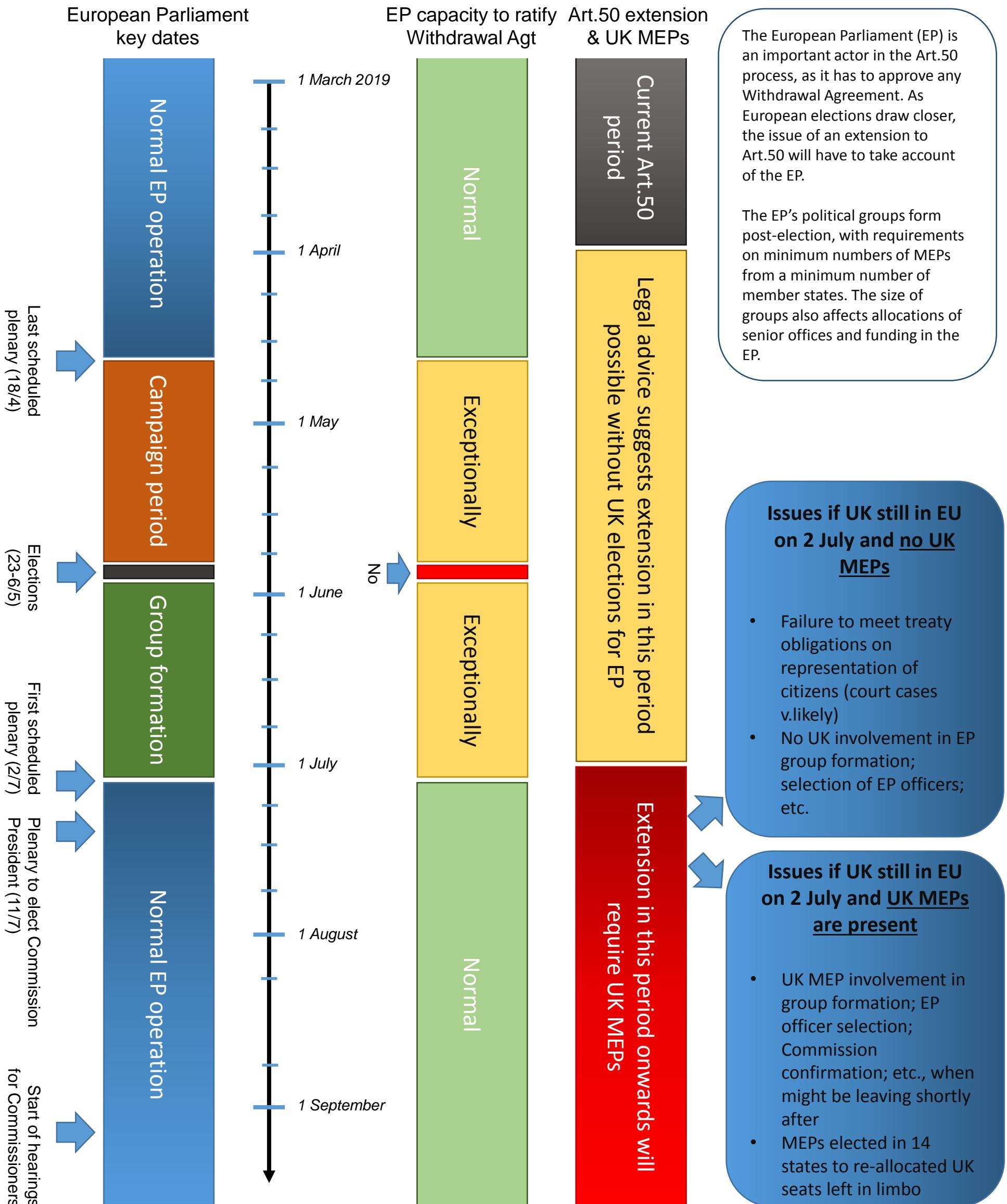


Navigating the European Election Issue in an Extension to Article 50

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The European Parliament (EP) is an important actor in the Art.50 process, as it has to approve any Withdrawal Agreement. As European elections draw closer, the issue of an extension to Art.50 will have to take account of the EP.

The EP's political groups form post-election, with requirements on minimum numbers of MEPs from a minimum number of member states. The size of groups also affects allocations of senior offices and funding in the EP.