

THE destruction of our independence by the European Union is accelerating. We are no longer a sovereign nation but just a colonial province of the Brussels empire. Our democracy is a sham, our borders an irrelevance, our British citizenship meaningless. Governed by the corrupt, unelected cabal of the EU we no longer have control over our destiny.

The loss of our national autonomy was graphically illustrated by two disturbing news stories last week. The first was a decision by an EU court that migrants with children at school here are entitled to benefits and state housing even if they do not have any right to live in Britain.

This ruling arose from a legal action pursued by Somali single mother-of-four Nimco Hassan Ibrahim, who demanded the full array of handouts because her estranged Danish husband briefly worked in this country.

As a result of the case Mrs Ibrahim now qualifies for £2,500 in monthly social security payments. The EU's judgment is an affront to all concepts of justice and morality.

It is outrageous that British citizens should be forced by an alien regime to support someone who has no real connection with Britain beyond her apparent eagerness to exploit our welfare state. The EU's decision will prompt a flood of migrant spongers out to leech off the public purse, while every illegal immigrant has been given a lucrative incentive to breed.