# Nigel Farage Explosive Speech: Is Keir Starmer Leading the UK to Disaster? (6'15)

## **Questions:**

#### 1) Do you know who Nigel Farage is? What about Keir Starmer?

He is the leader of Reform UK, recently elected to the Parliament among 4 others in the July election that saw a rise of the far right. He is known for being the leader of UKIP (UK Independence Party) and thus a staunch advocate of Brexit.

Keir Starmer has been the leader of the Labour Party since 2020 and is the current Prime Minister.

### 2) What did Nigel Farage warn against and denounced in his speech?

He warned against an invasion of the UK by floods of illegal immigrants. Already 140,000 have come. He denounced the inability of the previous government to deal with this issue and condemns the unfeasibility of the Rwanda scheme. He also denounces the incorporation into British law of the Convention, which makes the British judges always rule in favor of the ECHR (the European Court of Human Rights).

#### 3) What criticisms were specifically made against Keir Starmer?

He questions Keir Starmer's judgment and leadership skills. He accuses him of betraying the British people and failing to uphold the promises made, like when he said he would make Brexit work. Thus accusing him of leaving the Nation in disarray and being the worst PM in British history. He also accused him of being a puppet to the EU and global interest, and of being out of touch with his people, favoring the interest of illegal immigrants above theirs. For him, he has failed to ensure border control and security.

#### 4) Who did his speech strike a chord with? Why?

He struck a chord with those who are disillusioned and disappointed in the current state of the country. Those who feel abandoned, marginalized, unheard by the elite of politicians and disenfranchised.

#### 5) What did it reveal about the current political landscape?

His speech showed a Nation adrift that is struggling to find answers and is filled with anxiety.

#### 6) What issues are not settled in the UK?

His speech found an echo because the post-Brexit issues of immigration, national identity and sovereignty are still not settled and these unresolved questions keep shaping the political debate and fueling political tensions.

### 7) What impact did it have?

By exploiting the politics of fear as a tool to rally support, Nigel Farage's speech sent shockwaves into the Nation, made the headlines and sparked a fierce debate, laying bare the deep divisions at the heart of the British society and calling people into action.