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It is with the heaviest of hearts that I have taken the decision to resign from the SNP.

I cannot in good faith ask people to vote SNP in the upcoming Holyrood elections. Those with the ability to make a difference, and make positive change have stood by and done nothing

- 1. I have tried to reconcile myself many times to staying in on the basis of wholly good organisations such as <u>@YSINational</u>, <u>@SNPStudents</u> and <u>@OutForIndy</u>. However, I have seen for myself the number of times that these organisations have been ignored.
- 2. However, every time these people try to do anything to advance equality, they have been left empty handed while TERFs have been pandered to.
- 3. In the 4 years I was in the SNP, I have met a whole host of good people trying to do good things. However, I cannot in particular feel that I can in good faith stand in the same organisation as those who want to roll back equality, and intimidate those who disagree.
- 4. I joined the SNP because I thought that I could advance my vision of independence. However, more and more it has dawned on me that the egalitarian Scotland that I want to see is not something that I will ever get from the SNP.
- 5. I am first and foremost a socialist. I want to see a society that looks after its most vulnerable with aggressive measures to do so. Independence is not my first priority in my politics. Time and again I was told to shut up and wait for Indy, and that's simply not who I am.
- 6. I will happily join my SNP friends on the doors once again in an independence referendum. I would like to thank in particular <u>@SarahQuinnSNP</u>, <u>@CailynMcMahon</u>, <u>@GavinLundy</u>, <u>@KeirLowSNP</u>, <u>@theo_forbes</u>, <u>@RhiannonV</u>, <u>@kellygivenX</u>, and many many more for their love and support.

- 7. I'd also like to thank Aberdeen Central branch for being a large part of why I stayed so long. Each and every one of them are a credit to the party and a credit to the pro-Indy cause. I'd also like to thank Kirsty Blackman for being a lone voice for equality in the wilderness
- 8. For now, I do not know what I want to do. I don't know whether my future lies in party politics. I know it lies in grassroots activism for independence, but I promise all my friends in the SNP fighting the good fight that you have an ally and supporter in me.