
AS BREXIT PRESSURE BUILDS, EU RED LINES SHINE BRIGHT

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The EU might yet split over Brexit — but it wouldn't be in Londons favor.

Senior EU officials and diplomats say that several countries — including France, the Netherlands and Spain — are worried that the EUs mission-focused chief negotiator, Michel Barnier, may be too eager to conclude a deal with the U.K. side, and that EU heads of state and government will have to step in to stop an agreement that is worse for the bloc than a no-deal scenario.

Overall, EU27 officials, and officials in the EU institutions in Brussels, would much prefer to reach an agreement.

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