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Delusional. And no way to run a country. Far higher barriers to trade with the EU from Friday. And still subject to EU influence on our laws. To deny this is also to deny the ability to tackle the problems we will face.

We ended up with particularly high level playing field conditions in the EU deal because the UK didn't take the subject seriously. We got a worse deal on fish than anyone thought possible, and got nothing in return. All because of cakeism. Or patriotism as they call it.

Now we face higher trade barriers to our nearest market, which means our businesses need to be even more competitive to overcome them and succeed. Is that acknowledged?

Our neighbours, the EU, use all manner of pressures to keep neighbours in line in terms of trade. That financial services equivalence, pity if you didn't get that. Data equivalence, have 6 months free if you don't change your laws while we make you sweat...

Northern Ireland, as we repeat endlessly, Johnson cakeism of no checks? Somehow no longer mentioned after the EU got what they wanted. See also, fish, level playing field. EU priorities, EU won. Johnson cake, all gone, not eaten.

In other words, still no sign of the UK getting real about future EU relations, instead a PM played two lost two and claiming to be top of the table. And the big challenges still to come after Friday.

2021 will see English nationalist politics come up against global economics and Scottish nationalism, which look like much more serious tests than persuading the ERG and beating the Labour Party at politics. We shall see how that goes...

I am oddly in agreement with this for the first one minute and 45 seconds. Then he goes onto his bigger and better trade deals around the world... https://t.co/zOJnM2ChDb

> Today I voted for the Treaty with the EU. However, this is not the end. There are outstanding issues which must be addressed and there must be greater Parliamentary scrutiny of the deal. One day is simply not long enough. pic.twitter.com/tVuKwtZH7A
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> — David Davis (@DavidDavisMP) December 30, 2020

Non sequitur. https://t.co/8FHamLTvhd

> I cannot vote for this deal, which this Government will use to drive down rights and protections, and step up the sell-off of our vital public services.
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> We need instead to break with failed race-to-the-bottom policies and build a Britain that puts people before private profit.
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> — Jeremy Corbyn (@jeremycorbyn) December 30, 2020