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1/10: I have a few big passions: Photography, Art, Music, Travel and Wine. These 5 interests pretty much sum up what I am about, where I make my money, and where I spend my spare time and wages

It has been 25 days since we left the EU. Here's a summary of how it is going for me:

2/10: Photography: Nikon have completely halted shipments of stock to the UK. This includes orders already paid for and also spare parts, meaning existing cameras cannot be fixed by authorised repairers either. Thankfully I shoot Canon mostly

3/10: Canon have announced Brexit complications have slowed shipments and that prices will have to be increased to the consumer to cover the bureaucratic paperwork. Sony and Fujifilm will likely follow suit soon

4/10: Art: As I look to open Lux Gallery this spring, I had earmarked some fantastic European artists to represent. I had already made contact with and agreed terms in principle with. New red tape means I will now be restricted to representing British artists only.

5/10: Music: Some of my favourite music I listen to comes from the continent. Musicians have been worthy beneficiaries from the Visa-free movement act, allowing EU and British musicians to tour easily across the music scene. Of course this benefitted British musicians even more

6/10: New (unnecessary) restrictions imposed a fortnight ago by our government have imposed red tape and costs that many professional musicians simply cannot afford. Neither do they have the time to get to grips with what is now a highly complexed new border system.

7/10: British musicians will be trapped in a web of red tape. Meanwhile French, German, Spanish musicians will continue to tour the continent as usual post-Covid

8/10: Travel: We all know this one.

Freedom of movement? No.

Added costs? Yes.

Exchange rate? Down 15% since referendum.

Red tape? Yes please!

Fast track passport control: Nope. Get in line!

Blue passports though? All worth it then

9/10: Wine: Importers and suppliers have admitted in the last week that prices will certainly increase, with an average bottle of wine being subject to a price hike of around £1.50.

10/10: Now, where did we put that unicorn?