Latest thinking on Brexit

The United Kingdom is preparing to meet the deadline it has set itself of end-March 2017 for launching the formal procedure to leave the European Union. Following a UK Supreme Court ruling, triggering Article 50 of the EU's Lisbon Treaty now requires that the UK Parliament pass legislation on the matter, a process which is now under way.

Prime Minister Theresa May's speech at Lancaster House on Brexit on 17 January and the UK government's subsequent White Paper were seen by analysts as anticipating a complicated set of negotiations between the UK and the EU, with the UK in effect prioritising control of migration over its continued membership of the single market.

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