



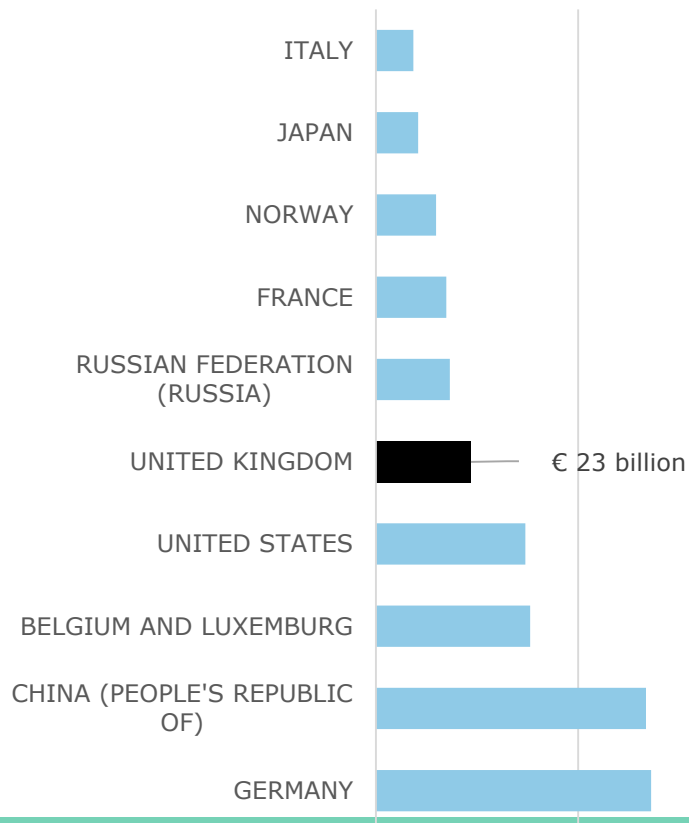
Brexit : slowly vanishing fog

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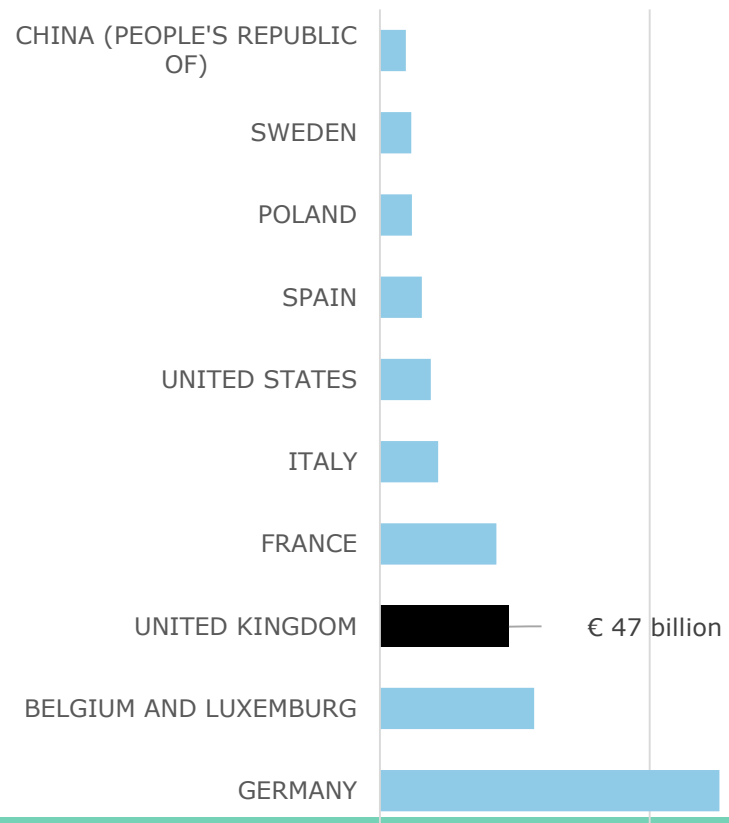


UK is important for Dutch foreign trade

NL Import UK on 5th place



NL Export UK on 3rd place





What will Brexit mean for customs?



....and trade (of course)



Main factors impact

1) "Customs-pure"

- formalities and procedures (UCC)
- collection of tariff and indirect taxes at import;
- application of trade policy measures

2) "Sectorial" legislation

- » import or export rules
- » specific control obligations customs and/or other authorities, in particular if there is divergence from EU rules

3) Main factor: In or Out

If out of the EU Customs Union, customs formalities, procedures and supervision kick in



Impact driven by:

- In or Out of the EU Customs Union?

If out, customs implications kick in.

There will be **significant implications at customs**

- What level of regulatory divergence?

The greater the regulatory divergence, the more need for checks and controls at customs.

Ultimately there will be regulatory divergence



Declarations			Wijziging
Import	752.000	Article	+18%
Export	4.200.000	Article	+33%
Entry	1.496.970	ENS	+32%
Exit	5.182.481	Consignments	+137%
Transport movements			
Ships	10.500	number	+26%
Flights,	95.500	Number	+48%
Passengers air (in- en out)	10.300.000	Number	+39%
Passengers sea (in- en out)	1.947.000	number	*
New traders			
Potential traders (goods)	35.352	TIN-number	+40%
Number of larger traders (ICT >€100.000)	4.604	TIN-number	+46%



Effects on NL Customs

Main effect of the BREXIT for Customs is the existence of a “land border” (BCP).

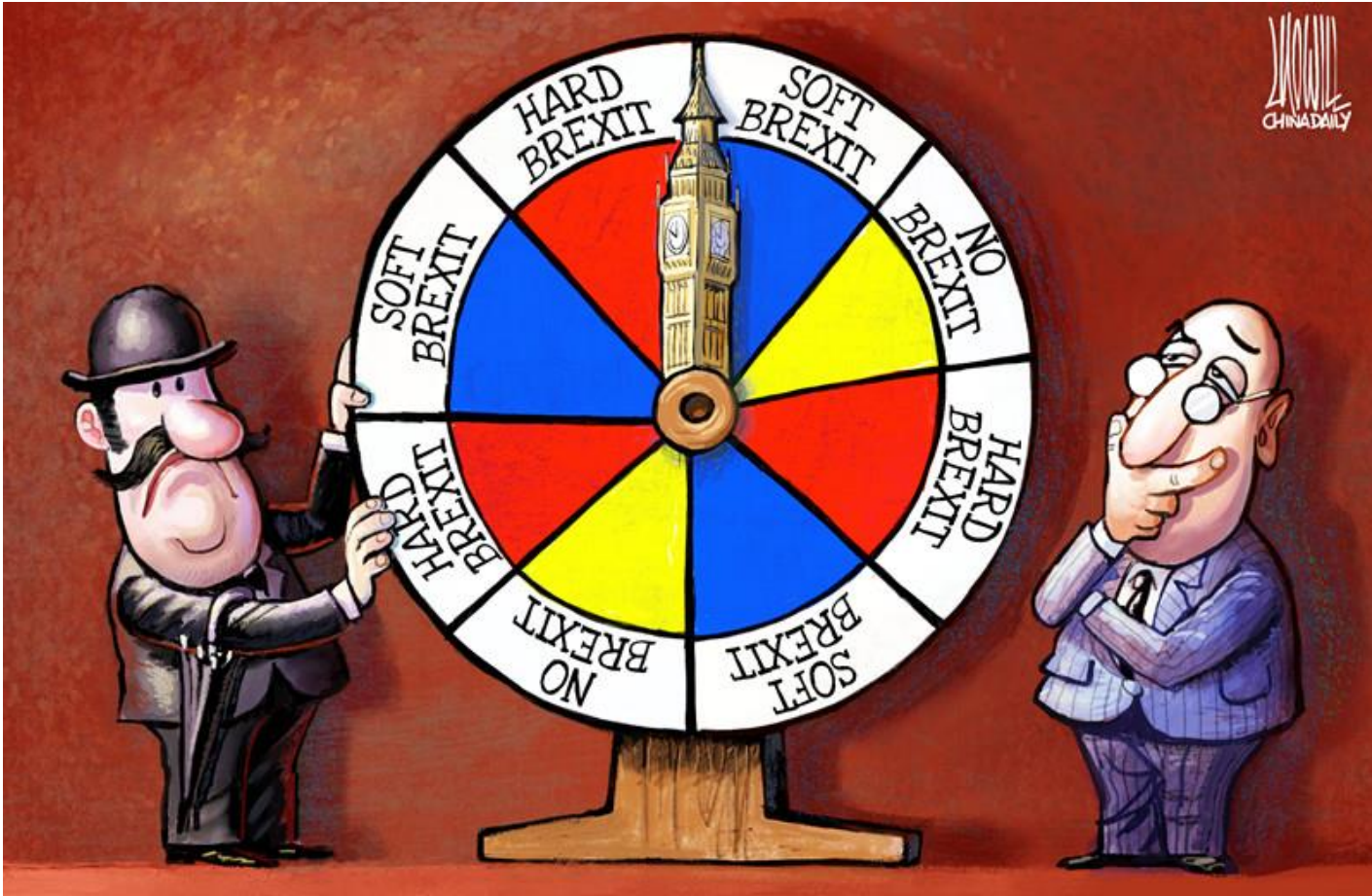
The Ro-Ro traffic with the UK has the nature of alike the land border. It’s a combination freight and passenger traffic.

The BREXIT has a major impact on the work of Dutch customs. It’s not only an increase of the volume





Is there a hard or a soft "Customs Brexit"?



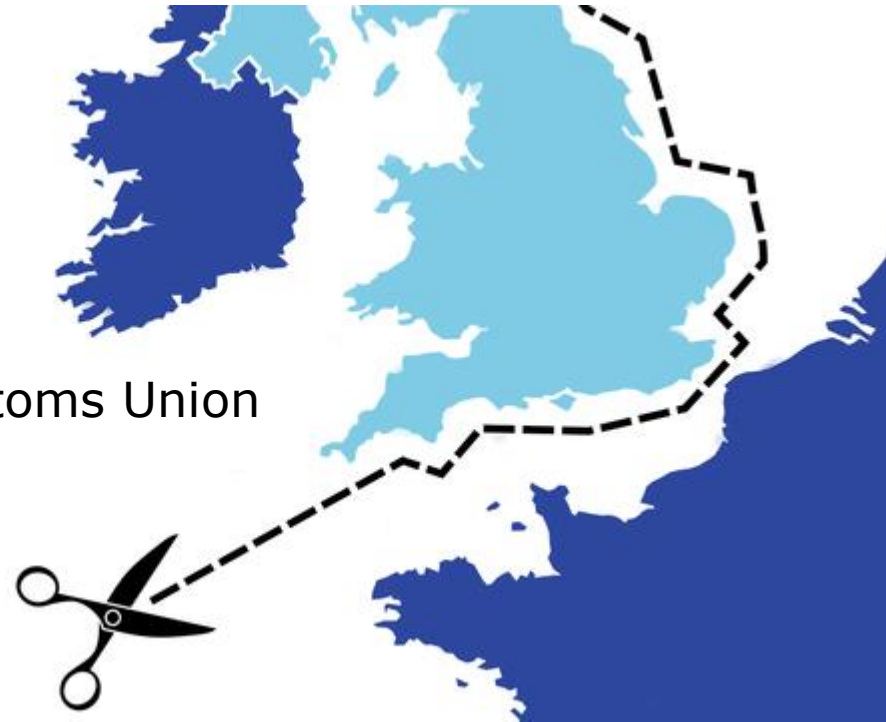


Brexit

If, when, the UK is no longer a part of the European Internal Market and Customs Union the free movement of goods ends

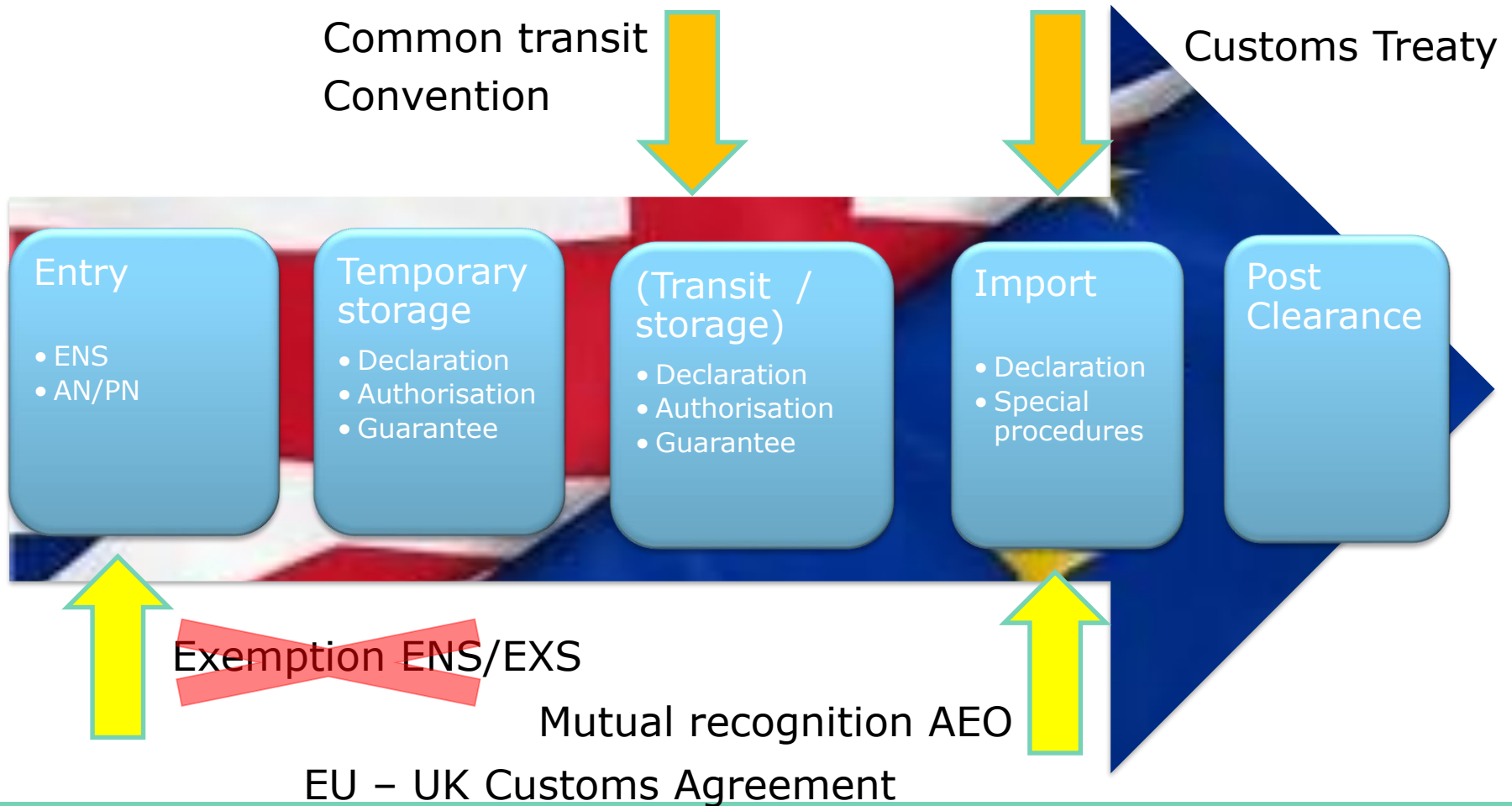
As of that moment

- Reinstatement of customs formalities, and
- Supervision on goods movement between UK and EU
- Including levy of customs duties and commercial policy measures





A less "hard Brexit" ?





Conclusions

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There are some uncertainties in the negotiations

1. Outcome negotiations
2. Timing
3. Potential trade facilitation

But:

Every realistic scenario will have an impact that resembles that of a hard Brexit.

Preparation is key



And remember, it is just

487 days

until Sunday
March 30 2019