
BREXIT: NORTHERN IRELAND PROTOCOL IS 'NO SOLUTION', SAYS URSULA VON DER LEYEN

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EU commission president says it is Brexit, not protocol, that is disrupting trade across the Irish sea

Ursula von der Leyen has blamed Brexit for the disruption to trade from Great Britain to Northern Ireland but has reiterated her offer to find practical solutions to issues destabilising politics in the region.

After a summit of the 27 heads of state and government in Brussels, the European Commission president defended the arrangements in the withdrawal agreement designed to avoid a border on the island of Ireland.

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