

Windsor Framework⁹⁵ is eventually accepted by all Northern Irish political parties, they could have their cake and eat it⁹⁷ by trading freely with both parties – reducing costs and time. For the rest of the hauliers⁹⁸, as with Brits heading off⁹⁹ to the Med¹⁰⁰ for some winter sun, they will have to become accustomed to¹⁰¹ queues¹⁰² to get through¹⁰³ customs and passport control.

Given¹⁰⁴ the unusual circumstances¹⁰⁵ over the past few years, it is perhaps more circumspect¹⁰⁶ to take a longer-term view¹⁰⁷ of the economic climate. However, here too the metrics may give rise to concern¹⁰⁸. According to¹⁰⁹ the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change, business investment in the UK is down by 31 percent on pre-referendum levels. Accepting that stagflation¹¹⁰ and low growth have taken hold¹¹¹ in many European countries, business investment in the EU for the same period was down by just 2 percent. At the moment, for many investors, the UK is not perceived¹¹² as a safe bet¹¹³.

This perspective was exacerbated¹¹⁴ by the disastrous¹¹⁵ 45-day tenure¹¹⁶ of Liz Truss as British Prime Minister (elected by her party that had just forced Boris Johnson to¹¹⁷ stand down¹¹⁸ after revelations¹¹⁹ of partying during lockdown rules). To reboot¹²⁰ economic growth she introduced a radical, tax-cutting¹²¹ mini-budget that was deemed¹²² fiscally¹²³ unviable¹²⁴ by the markets and the International Monetary Fund. The value of the British pound plummeted¹²⁵, and the Bank of England was obliged to intervene¹²⁶. She sacked¹²⁷ her

⁹⁵ Windsor Framework 'winzə(r) 'frɛmwɜ:k

⁹⁶ "porozumienie windorskie"

⁹⁷ eventually 'ɪvɛnjuəl(ly) ɒstetʃnli, w końcu

⁹⁸ haulier 'haʊliə(r) to have one's cake and eat it to hav wʌnz keɪk and

⁹⁹ to head off to X to hed ɒf to eɪks udæf sið do X

¹⁰⁰ Med med pɒt, Morze Śródziemne

¹⁰¹ accustomed to sth ə'kʌstəmd to sth

¹⁰² to queue to kju: stac w kolejce

¹⁰³ to get through sth to get θru: 'sʌmθɪŋ przejechać

¹⁰⁴ given 'gɪvən przestać się przez coś

IT SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED THAT THE UK IS A SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMY.

¹⁰⁴ given 'gɪvən given zważywszy na
¹⁰⁵ circumstances 'sɜ:kəm'stɑːnsɪz okoliczności
¹⁰⁶ circumspect 'sɜ:kəm'spekt ostrożny
¹⁰⁷ longer-term view 'lɒŋɡə-tɜːm vju: perspektywa
¹⁰⁸ concern kən'sɜːn zmartwienie
¹⁰⁹ according to sth ə'kɔːdɪŋ to sth
¹¹⁰ stagflation 'steɪɡ'fleɪʃn inflacja bez
wzrostu produkcji przemysłowej
¹¹¹ to take hold to teɪk hɒld wzmacniać się

¹¹² to perceive to pər'seɪv postrzegać
¹¹³ safe bet seɪfbet bezpieczna inwestycja
¹¹⁴ to exacerbate sth tu ɪg'zæsəbeɪt 'sʌmθɪŋ pogarszać coś
¹¹⁵ disastrous dɪ'zɑːstrəs katastrofalny
¹¹⁶ tenure 'tenjə(r) kadencja
¹¹⁷ to force sb to do sth to fɔːs 'sʌmbədɪ to duː 'sʌmθɪŋ
zmusić kogoś do zrobienia czegoś
¹¹⁸ to stand down to stænd daʊn ustąpić ze
stanowiska, zrezygnować
¹¹⁹ revelation 'revə'leɪʃn ujawnienie
¹²⁰ to reboot sth to rɪ'buːt 'sʌmθɪŋ wznowić coś
¹²¹ tax-cutting 'tæks-'kʌtɪŋg obniżający podatki
¹²² deemed dɪ'md uważany
¹²³ fiscally 'fɪskəlɪ tuː z fɪnansowego punktu
widzenia
¹²⁴ unviable 'ʌn'veɪəbəl niewykonalny
¹²⁵ plummet to plʌmɪt runąć
¹²⁶ to intervene tu ɪn'tervɛn interweniować
¹²⁷ to sack sb to sæk sb to seek 'sʌmbədɪ zwolnić kogoś

