

BoJo and Hunt battle to be UK premier

Boris Johnson, leader of the 2016 Brexit campaign, and former Remainer *Jeremy Hunt* are vying for the support of around 160,000 Conservative Party members to become Britain's next prime minister



**BORIS
JOHNSON, 55**

2001
Elected MP

2008-12
First term as
London mayor

2012-16
Second term

2016-18
Foreign secretary



**JEREMY
HUNT, 52**

2005
Elected MP

2010-12
Culture
Secretary

2012-18
Health Secretary

2018-present
Foreign secretary

BREXIT

► Wants to negotiate new deal, including replacing Irish backstop. Vows to exit EU by Oct 31, with or without deal

► Withhold £39 billion divorce bill until UK gets better deal

► Argues existing international trade rules provide for UK to avoid tariffs for next 10 years in event of no deal – but admits this will need EU sign-off

► Wants to renegotiate Brexit deal with EU leaders in August. Opposed to no-deal Brexit, but not willing to rule it out

► Will abandon talks by Sep 30 and prepare for no-deal Brexit if no “realistic chance” of new deal

► Cover cost of tariffs imposed on exports of farming and fishing industries in case of no-deal Brexit

TAXES

► Cut taxes for UK's 3 million higher earners by raising tax threshold from £50,000 to £80,000

► Cut corporation tax to 12.5%, matching Ireland – among lowest rates of any wealthy country

SPENDING

► Raise public sector pay and increase National Living Wage

► Increase defence spending by £15bn over next five years

IMMIGRATION

► Australian-style points-based system

► Give priority to skilled workers