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TRUMP: WE WON'T PAY FOR MEGXIT

He says US won't foot security bill after California move

By **Jake Hurfurt**

THE United States will not pay for the Duke and Duchess of Sussex's security, Donald Trump announced last night.

The US President said the couple should foot the bill for their bodyguards now they have moved across the border from Vancouver.

Canada had made it clear it would not pay for security after Harry and Meghan stood down as senior royals this week. And in a hugely embarrassing move for the pair, Mr Trump tweeted: 'I am a great friend and admirer of the Queen and the United Kingdom.'

'It was reported that Harry and Meghan, who left the Kingdom, would reside permanently in Canada. Now they have left Canada for the US however, the US will not pay for their security protection. They must pay!'

It emerged last week that the duke and



Harry and Meghan: Crossed the border

17m new virus tests on way

ONE in four Britons could be tested for coronavirus to try to shorten the lockdown.

In a sign that ministers have finally accepted the urgency of mass testing, officials have agreed deals to buy 17.5million kits for use by mid-April. They hope to identify contagion hotspots as well as people who are immune.

The tests would help get NHS staff back to work with screening of frontline workers, such as teachers and police officers, to follow.

The programme could see movement restrictions lifted earlier than the six months suggested by the Government's scientific advisers yesterday. 'The top priority is randomised testing to establish how far the

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Weather

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9 (48°F)	Aberdeen	11 (52°F)
8 (46°F)	Glasgow	11 (52°F)
8 (46°F)	Newcastle	10 (50°F)
8 (46°F)	Manchester	8 (46°F)
8 (46°F)	Birmingham	8 (46°F)
7 (45°F)	Cardiff	8 (46°F)
8 (46°F)	London	8 (46°F)
8 (46°F)	Plymouth	

Summary: Largely cloudy

UK TODAY: Largely dry but cloudy with bright spells developing. Showers, these largely in the east, will spread further westwards, wintry at times for northern areas. Cold with gentle northerly winds. Max 11c.

Today's weather

	9am	12noon	3pm	6pm	9pm
London	4c	6c	8c	8c	7c
Plymouth	4c	8c	9c	8c	7c
Cardiff	4c	7c	9c	8c	7c
B'ham	4c	7c	8c	7c	6c
M'chester	5c	8c	9c	8c	6c
Newcastle	5c	7c	8c	7c	4c
Glasgow	6c	9c	10c	10c	7c
Aberdeen	6c	8c	9c	8c	7c
Belfast	6c	8c	9c	8c	6c

5 day forecast

	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
London	10c	10c	12c	12c	13c
Plymouth	10c	10c	11c	10c	10c
Cardiff	10c	10c	11c	11c	12c
B'ham	10c	9c	11c	10c	11c
M'chester	10c	10c	10c	9c	11c
Newcastle	9c	11c	11c	9c	10c
Glasgow	9c	9c	9c	8c	9c
Aberdeen	10c	11c	10c	6c	7c
Belfast	9c	9c	9c	8c	10c

Yesterday

	24 hours to 2pm	Sun (hrs)	Rain (mm)	Temp (max)
Edinburgh	4.6	0.00	2	8
Glasgow	7.0	0.00	1	9
Hull	1.9	0.06	3	6
Ipswich	5.0	0.07	1	6
Leeds	3.3	0.01	2	6
Lincoln	2.4	0.00	2	7
London	5.1	0.00	3	7
Manchester	4.6	0.00	2	8
Southampton	9.3	0.00	4	8
St Andrews	2.1	0.00	2	8
Stornoway	1.3	0.00	2	9

Moon and Sun

MOON rises: 9:30am, sets: 1:00am
Sun rises: London: 6:39am, sets: 7:31pm
Manchester rises: 6:46am, sets: 7:41pm
HIGH TIDE London Bridge: 6:16pm
Liverpool: 3:24pm

Europe forecast

	today	c/f	tomorrow	c/f
Geneva	cloudy	6/43	sun	9/48
Lisbon	showers	14/57	fair	14/57
Madrid	cloudy	10/50	sleet	7/45
Paris	sun	9/48	sun	10/50
Rome	fair	16/61	fair	15/59

Around the world yesterday

	weather	c/f	weather	c/f	weather	c/f		
Algiers	showers	17/63	Florence	sunny	16/61	New Delhi	sunny	27/81
Amsterdam	sunny	15/45	Geneva	fair	14/57	New York	rain	8/46
Athens	showers	16/61	Gibraltar	cloudy	16/61	Nice	sunny	15/59
Auckland	cloudy	19/66	Guernsey	cloudy	7/45	Oso	sunny	4/39
Bahrain	sunny	31/88	Helsinki	sunny	1/34	Palma	sunny	19/66
Barcelona	sunny	17/63	Hong Kong	fair	20/68	Paris	cloudy	7/45
Basra	sunny	26/79	Innsbruck	cloudy	12/54	Perth	cloudy	21/70
Beijing	sunny	14/57	Istanbul	rain	10/50	Prague	fair	7/45
Beirut	cloudy	19/66	Jersey	fair	7/45	Rhodes	showers	15/59
Belfast	fair	6/43	Lamaca	fair	21/70	Riga	fair	4/39
Belgrade	fair	18/64	Las Palmas	sunny	20/68	Rome	sunny	16/61
Berlin	drizzle	5/41	Lisbon	sunny	17/63	Singapore	cloudy	32/90
Biarritz	fair	13/55	London	hall	7/45	Stockholm	fair	3/37
Brussels	fair	7/45	Los Angeles	cloudy	18/64	Strasbourg	cloudy	6/43
Bucharest	fair	18/64	Luxor	sunny	26/79	Sydney	showers	24/75
Budapest	sunny	17/63	Madrid	sunny	15/59	Tangier	cloudy	18/64
Chengde	sunny	4/39	Malaga	sunny	18/64	Tel Aviv	sunny	21/70
Cairo	sunny	23/73	Malta	fair	16/61	Tenerife	fair	20/68
Cape Town	sunny	21/70	Melbourne	fair	25/77	Tokyo	snow	1/34
Casablanca	fair	18/64	Mexico City	sunny	26/79	Toronto	rain	4/39
Corfu	showers	15/59	Miami	cloudy	28/82	Tunis	showers	15/59
Cyprus	fair	21/70	Milan	fair	16/61	Vancouver	rain	10/50
Dubai	sunny	31/88	Montreal	sunny	7/45	Venice	fair	15/59
Dublin	cloudy	5/41	Moscow	fair	12/54	Vienna	sunny	14/57
Dubrovnik	sunny	14/57	Mumbai	sunny	34/93	Warsaw	cloudy	13/55
Faro	sunny	18/64	Nairobi	fair	25/77	Wellington	showers	12/54

CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Economy 'to shrink by record 15%'

By **Lucy White**
City Correspondent

BRITAIN'S economy will shrink by 15 per cent between April and June in the steepest contraction on record, experts have predicted.

As business closures take their toll, the UK will enter the deepest recession since the financial crisis, they warn today.

The predictions from the Centre for Economics and Business Research (CEBR) come after Michael Gove hinted yesterday that a new era of austerity is on the horizon because the Government will have to repair the enormous hole that the virus crisis has left in its finances.

The Treasury has announced a series of unprecedented rescue packages to limit the damage to the economy, including paying 80 per cent of wages for employees who cannot work and guaranteeing loans made by banks to small businesses.

Mr Gove, the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, said it was right to enforce the financially-damaging lockdown on British society as it is not possible to 'put a price on lives'.

But experts think the rescue measures could cause Government borrowing to shoot up to £180billion, or 7 per cent of the UK's economic output, in the current financial year.

When added to the existing national debt, this would leave the UK with a debt pile equal to the size of its economy by

next year. Even after the helping hand for businesses from Chancellor Rishi Sunak, the CEBR expects the UK's unemployment rate to jump to 7 per cent in July to August, from 3.9 per cent in the three months to January, as workers are laid off

'How do you put a price on life?'

and firms cut costs. A 15 per cent contraction in the economy between March and June would be the largest quarterly slowdown since current records began in 1997. The previous quarterly record was set in the last three months

of 2008, in the depths of the financial crisis, when the economy shrank by 2.2 per cent.

The CEBR also thinks house prices will fall by an average of 13 per cent in the year to next March. Boris Johnson has urged housebuyers and sellers to suspend completion dates until the lockdown is over.

However, most economists expect the UK to rebound rapidly after the lockdown.

The Bank of England said the Covid-19 pandemic would catalyse an 'economic shock that could prove sharp and large, but should be temporary'.

And the CEBR thinks that measures taken by the Chancellor, including VAT cuts and incentives to encourage busi-

nesses to invest, 'will lead to a sharp bounce back in the third and fourth quarter of the year'. Overall, the economy will shrink by 4 per cent over the whole of 2020, it estimates.

On the BBC's Andrew Marr show, Mr Gove stressed that the UK's coronavirus response package was 'among the most generous in the world'.

'That will increase the amount that we borrow but the Chancellor and the economic team at the Treasury are confident we can pay that off in due course,' he said. 'But ultimately, how do you put a price on life?'

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disease has spread,' a Whitehall source said. 'That is critical to understanding what we are dealing with and shaping our response.'

Officials have identified suppliers that can make the tests and have agreed 'in principle' to purchase 17.5million if they pass medical checks. Britain is currently conducting only 'antigen' testing - a swab that requires laboratory analysis.

However the new 'antibody' fingerprint tests take 15 minutes to detect whether someone has had the virus.

Jeremy Hunt, a former health secretary, believes testing is key to the relaxation of social distancing measures.

Writing in today's Daily Mail, he asks: 'Is it too far-fetched to aim to be the first country that tests every single member of the population at home? In these extraordinary times, with our great British willpower anything is possible.'

'Mass social distancing will help flatten the curve, but only testing will save us from months, maybe years, of anguish and economic paralysis.'

As the UK's death toll rose by another 209 to reach 1,288:

■ Consultant Amged El-Hawrani became the first frontline NHS worker to die from the virus;

■ Deputy chief medical officer Jenny Harries said it was likely to be three to six months before the lockdown was lifted;

■ Boris Johnson continued to chair meetings from isolation in Downing Street;

■ Rail journeys were down by 85 per cent and bus trips fell by three quarters;

■ Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab prepared to unveil a deal with commercial airlines to repatriate tens of thousands of stranded British citizens;



elling off of cases you could see a resurgence. So we have to be cautious about that because we just don't know enough about what is going on.

'But if we know, through mass antibody testing, that a large proportion of the population is immune, you could lift social distancing much earlier.'

Ministers decided earlier this month to reserve all Britain's testing capacity for those in hospitals. But that move has left officials 'blindfolded' in their response to the crisis, the World Health Organisation has warned. It has called on all countries to 'test, test, test'.

The Government has been fiercely criticised for failing to prioritise testing, with the daily figures failing to yet hit 10,000.

Coronavirus crisis latest

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In Germany, by comparison, officials are testing more than 70,000 people a day.

Even front-line NHS staff were not being tested until this weekend, which meant 20 per cent were in self-isolation last week.

South Korea - initially one of the worst hit countries - managed to quickly control its outbreak by aggressively testing for the disease.

Germany yesterday announced plans for a testing programme that will see it issue 100,000 'immunity passports' a month.

Professor Eleanor Riley, an infectious disease expert at the University of Edinburgh, said: 'Mass antibody testing will give us a much better idea of how widely the virus has spread in the population.'

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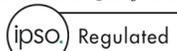
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Farewell trip: Harry and Meghan in London earlier this month

Trump blow to Sussexes after they flee Canada to live in US

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duchess had moved to California before the border with Canada closed because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Meghan's mother Doria lives in Los Angeles, and the former actress grew up there. The couple took a private jet with their son Archie, ten months, just before non-essential travel between Canada and the US was suspended.

The Sussexes have long planned to set up home in Meghan's home state in the US but brought their plans forward because of the global health crisis.

The family had been staying in a borrowed £10million mansion on quiet Vancouver Island, where they had been welcomed by the local community, but sources said

'Took aim at his record'

they knew Canada 'wouldn't work for them' in the long run.

Harry, 35, and Meghan, 38, officially step down as senior working royals on Wednesday. It means the US will be under no legal obligation to shield them as 'internationally protected persons'.

Their decision to move to California came shortly after the Canadian authorities said they would refuse to contribute to the cost of protecting them with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police after March 31.

The Prince's chances of building a good relationship with the US President may have been undermined when a leaked phone call saw him say Mr Trump has 'blood on his hands'. Russian hackers



Admirer: Donald Trump with the Queen at a D-Day commemoration

HIS ASTONISHING TWEET

@realDonaldTrump

I am a great friend and admirer of the Queen & the United Kingdom. It was reported that Harry and Meghan, who left the Kingdom, would reside permanently in Canada. Now they have left Canada for the U.S. however, the U.S. will not pay for their security protection. They must pay!

managed to connect to the couple's Canadian boithole where they persuaded the prince that he was speaking to Swedish eco-activist Greta Thunberg and her father.

In the calls Harry took aim at the President's environmental record, he said: 'I think the mere fact that Donald Trump is pushing the coal industry is so big in America, he has blood on his hands'.

He later added: 'Unfortunately the world is being led by some very sick people so the people like yourselves and younger generation are the ones that are going to make all the difference.'

Meghan has also had issues with President Trump in the past, blasting him as 'misogynistic' and 'divisive' in a television interview before he was elected to office.

Last year the President hit back

at the former actress saying: 'I didn't know she was nasty'. The Sussexes insist that even though they are stepping down as working royals they are still entitled to taxpayer-funded security abroad provided by the Metropolitan Police.

Critics point out this is tying up valuable resources at a time when Britain needs every officer in the battle against coronavirus.

Harry and Meghan are currently being guarded by nine armed officers rotating on shift to and from the UK, ratcheting up the cost into the millions each year. Scotland Yard has already launched a review into the situation.

The move to the US has paved the way for the couple to have their own armed private security team.

After Charles, now Queen's footman has got corona too

ONE of the Queen's footmen has tested positive for coronavirus, sparking further fears for the monarch's health.

Buckingham Palace yesterday said the Queen, 93, was in good health and that every precaution was being taken.

It is understood the staff member's duties included walking the Queen's dogs, corgi-dachshund crosses Candy and Vulcan, and bringing her food - both of which would have brought the pair into close proximity. It is not known, however, when they fell sick.

The footman is now self-isolating, according to The Sun on Sun-

day. Prince Charles, who last saw his mother on March 12, has tested positive. Doctors say the earliest he could have become contagious was the next day.

He is self-isolating in Scotland, as is his wife, the Duchess of Cornwall, who tested negative for the

virus. The Queen is at Windsor Castle with the Duke of Edinburgh, 98.

The footman was promoted to a role closer to the Queen six months ago and worked in her private apartments at Buckingham Palace. A source was quoted as saying: 'Everyone is terrified, not just for themselves but also for the Queen and the duke.'

Harry and Meghan's PR guru snapped up by Queen

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