

'Brexit will not be derailed'

London

Prime Minister Theresa May said on Sunday she would not be derailed from leaving the European Union, laying the groundwork for difficult meetings this week in which she will try to unite a divided cabinet behind her vision for post-Brexit Britain.

May was applauded by European Union leaders in Brussels on Friday after securing an agreement to move previously-deadlocked talks forward onto the topic of interim and long-term trading arrangements.

The progress has gone some way to easing concerns of businesses and

investors who fear Britain could crash out of the bloc without an exit deal, or that May's fragile government could collapse under the pressure of delivering Brexit.

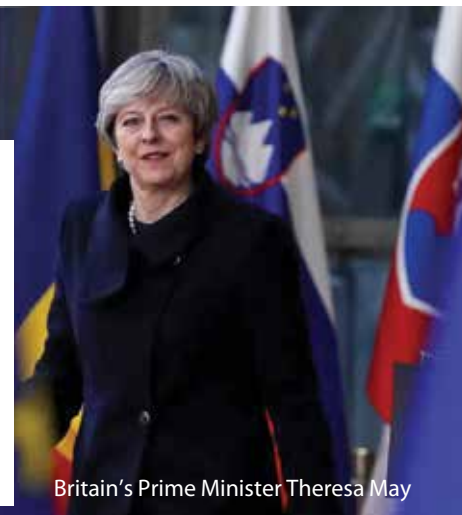
"Amid all the noise, we are getting on with the job," May wrote in the Sunday Telegraph. "My message today is very clear: we will

not be derailed from this fundamental duty to deliver the democratic will of the British people."

But May can expect some difficult exchanges this week when she and senior ministers discuss the so-called "end state" of the Brexit negotiations for the first time since Britain voted to leave the EU in a

referendum in June 2016.

The type of long-term relationship the country should have with the EU is a vexed question at every level in Britain, including within May's cabinet where some want to keep close ties with the EU and others want a more radical divorce from Brussels. (Reuters)



Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May



Huawei Consumer Business Group (CBG) has unveiled the world's most powerful Artificial Intelligence (AI) flagship smartphone - the Huawei Mate 10 Pro - across the Middle East and Africa region.



Huawei Mate 10 Pro in high demand

Truly intelligent

The Mate 10 Pro marks the beginning of a new era of smartphone development that brings the future to life with the first ever truly intelligent device. Featuring Kirin 970, the world's first smartphone chipset with a dedicated Neural Network Processing Unit, the Huawei Mate 10 Pro provides a faster, stronger, seamless and more personalized user experience.

"The use of AI in the Huawei Mate 10 Pro is a big draw for users who want to live an intelligent experience every day and entrust their smartphones to deliver seamless solutions."

- Gene Jiao

President of Huawei CBG, Middle East & Africa

Dubai Font

Huawei CBG has partnered with The Executive Council of Dubai to be one of the first smartphone companies to introduce Dubai Font to their users. The Mate 10 Pro has Dubai Font embedded into it. Dubai Font has been designed for more than 180 countries and in 23 languages integrating Arabic and Latin typefaces.

Intelligent Power

The Huawei Mate 10 Pro is the world's first smartphone with an AI-powered Power Management system. Building on the Mate Series' commitment to long battery life and low power Consumption, the advanced AI-powered Battery Management technology used in the Mate 10 Pro allows for full day use with the 4000mAh battery.

Intelligent Speed

Powered by the Kirin 970, Huawei's new Mate 10 Pro smartphone System-on-a-Chip (SoC) combines an 8-core CPU, a new generation 12-core GPU, and a dedicated Neural Processing Unit (NPU), to power AI computing, offering a significantly faster intelligent experience for consumers. The device is also the world's first smartphone with Dual 4G SIM support enabling each SIM to make calls and browse simultaneously.

Futuristic design

The Huawei Mate 10 Pro merges futuristic features and futuristic design with a 3D Glass Body, made of glass front and back, beautifully curved on all four edges, creating an ultra-premium feel with a thin, sleek and comfortable grip. It is also IP67 Water and Dust Resistant for everyday use.

Intelligent Camera

In partnership with renowned camera maker Leica, the HUAWEI Mate 10 Pro features a new Leica Dual camera with SUMMILUX-H lenses, with the world's largest smartphone aperture of f/1.6 aperture to capture more light in low-light conditions. The sophisticated hardware is accompanied by intelligent software, making the Mate 10 Pro the first intelligent photography smartphone in the world



U.S. Senate Majority Whip John Cornyn (R-TX) speaks to reporters on his way to the Senate floor during debate over the Republican tax reform plan in Washington

Republicans confident tax bill will pass

Washington

Top U.S. Republicans said they expected Congress to pass a tax code overhaul this week, with a Senate vote as early as Tuesday and President Donald Trump aiming to sign the bill by week's end.

John Cornyn, the No. 2 U.S. Senate Republican, said in an interview on ABC's "This Week" yesterday that he was "confident" the Senate would pass the legislation, "probably on Tuesday."

Republican Representative Kevin Brady said he believed his party had the votes to pass the bill.

"I think we are headed - the American people are headed - for a big win on Tuesday," Brady, the House of Representatives' top tax writer, said on Fox News' "Sunday Morning Futures" with Maria Bartiromo.

"We've worked hard to make sure that those strange

Senate rules don't hang this up in any way," Brady added. "I am confident that's the case."

If passed, the bill would be the biggest U.S. tax rewrite since 1986 and would provide Republican lawmakers and Trump with their first major legislative victory since they took control of the White House in January, in addition to Congress.

Democrats have been unified against the measure, calling it a giveaway to corporations and the rich that would drive up the federal deficit.

The tax bill is expected to add at least \$1 trillion to the \$20 trillion U.S. national debt over 10 years, even after accounting for the economic growth it might spur, according to independent government analyses.

The bill would cut the corporate income tax rate

to 21 per cent from 35pc and create a 20pc income tax deduction for owners of "pass-through" businesses, such as partnerships and sole proprietorships.

It would offer a mixed bag for individuals, including roughly doubling a standard deduction that does not require itemization, but eliminating or scaling back other popular itemized deductions and exemptions.

The bill would maintain seven individual and family income tax brackets but cut rates. Highest-earning Americans would pay 37pc, down from 39.6pc.

Most individual provisions, including the lower tax rates, are temporary and would expire, while the corporate rate cut and other business provisions would be permanent.. (Reuters)