

EU Council President claims No-deal Brexit ‘pretty obvious now’



Helsinki, September 6 (RHC)-- The Prime Minister of Finland, which currently holds the presidency of the Council of the European Union, says that it is “pretty obvious now” that Britain will crash out of the bloc without a deal.

Addressing reporters at a news conference in Helsinki on Friday, Antti Rinne delivered a sobering assessment of the intractable Brexit crisis, with under two months left until deadline day, October 31.

The situation in Britain is quite a mess now, we don’t know what is happening there. It seems pretty obvious now that we are not getting Brexit with the agreement.

Rinne’s pessimistic tone puts him at odds with UK PM Boris Johnson who insisted earlier this week that “progress” was being made in Brexit talks.

Johnson also told reporters at a police training center in West Yorkshire on Thursday that he would never ask the EU for an extension of the Brexit deadline, claiming he’d rather “be dead in a ditch.”

A new bill, which forces the UK prime minister to seek a 3-month extension to Article 50 from Brussels, goes to the House of Lords on Friday and is expected to become law on Monday.

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