**AMSTERDAM Q&A**

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1. It would not be possible to conduct this without asking about Brexit. You came into office with the guarantee that Britain would leave the EU and you accomplished that, many would say at a heavy price that the country continues to pay. Do you stand by your decision and what do you believe is the best way forward for your country at this point?
2. Do you regret a no-deal Brexit and looking back would a deal that may not have been exactly what you would have wanted allowed Britain to be in a better position now?
3. Relevant to a number of people in the audience here, do you believe that London will be able remain the powerful financial center that it has historically been?
4. Two weeks ago you refused to pledge support for a Brexit deal with the EU on the Northern Ireland Protocols. What would you be doing differently to address the economic and trade challenges that the UK is now facing?
5. The UK has always had a prominent place on the world stage, but some would argue that post-Brexit it has lost some of that prominence, what role do you see Britain playing in the next decade in terms of geopolitics?
6. Reading a newspaper or watching a newscast these days can be a somewhat depressing experience. Taking the Ukraine out of the picture for the moment because we will get to it more specifically, the headlines are filled with economic inflation, an assertive Chinese military, North Korea launching missiles, global warming, and the list goes on. In your view, what is the greatest existential threat we are facing today and how is it best addressed?
7. Turning to the Ukraine, President Zelensky stated on the anniversary of Russia’s invasion a couple of weeks ago that the Ukraine would win the war before the end of the year, however, the general consensus among pundits is that it will drag on for the foreseeable future. Your unequivocal support for the Ukraine is well documented, can you tell us what you believe is at stake if Putin is allowed to claim victory?
8. While still Prime Minister you visited Kyiv and warned against “Ukraine fatigue”, and the world forgetting about the need to continue to support the war against Russia in every way possible. Do you believe that the support of the West will remain if we have a protracted conflict?
9. Global warming and climate change are undeniable issues for everyone on the planet and its affects are already being widely felt. As Prime Minister you wanted the UK to run on all clean energy by 2035 in order to help combat the imminent threat of global warming. We have an audience of investment professionals here this afternoon and we would like to hear what role you believe institutional investors have in combatting global warming?
10. In 100 years from now how do you want to be remembered as a Prime Minister?
11. If there was one thing that you could back and change from your time as Prime Minister what would it be?
12. Can you tell us a little bit about what you have been doing since stepping down as Prime Minister?
13. You moved around quite a bit as a child living in a number of locations in the US and Europe, how do you believe that “mobile childhood”, if you will, shaped you as an adult and your social and political views?
14. After college you spent quite a number of years as a journalist and political columnist often courting controversy by criticizing the EU, British politicians, and more. You became known for your outspoken and unfiltered views. Can you tell us how that translated to your style of politics?
15. You remain a prominent and influential figure in UK politics and certainly appear regularly in the media. Is all of this to keep the door open to a possible return to 10 Downing?
16. If not, what are your plans for the future? Do you want to stay relevant in the political world or take another direction?