

Archibald presses governments on north's unique circumstances following tariff threats

Economy Minister, Dr Caoimhe Archibald, has written to both the Irish and British Governments today, voicing serious concerns about the threat of additional US tariffs.

UK must show backbone and publicly reject Trump's 'brutish manipulation tactic' on Greenland, say Greens

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Reacting to news that Donald Trump plans to [impose a 10% tariff on the UK, Denmark and other European countries](#) until “such time as a deal is reached for the complete and total purchase of Greenland”, Green MP Dr Ellie Chowns said:

“Donald Trump treats the international stage like a schoolyard playground, attempting to bully and brute force other countries into compliance with his imperialist agenda. The unhinged President’s latest threat to impose tariffs on the UK and a swathe of our European allies is an outrageous abuse of power and a direct attack on the principle of national self-determination, treating the future of Greenland as if it were a piece of spoils to be bought and sold.

“The UK must not be cowed. In an attempt to uphold Britain’s so-called “special relationship” with the US, the UK government has continuously appeased and emboldened the increasingly erratic President as he pursues a dangerous agenda of naked geopolitical vanity. This cannot continue. Chasing the White House’s favour will not secure Britain’s economic future; it leaves us exposed to the whims of a man with no respect for international law and order.

“If we are serious about protecting British jobs and businesses from sudden shocks like this, we need a different strategy: rebuild our relationships with our European neighbours, deepen co-operation across the continent, and rejoin the Customs Union so that our economy is defended by stable, reliable arrangements – not dependent on the fleeting favour of a single foreign

leader.

“The UK government must show genuine backbone: publicly reject this brutish manipulation tactic by Trump, stand firm with Greenland’s right to self-determination, and urgently pursue closer, constructive ties with Europe that protect Britain’s long-term interests.

“Greenland cannot be bought – it’s time to prove that Britain can’t be either.”

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The Department of Health today published Accredited Official Statistics on cancer waiting times for the quarter ending September 2025.