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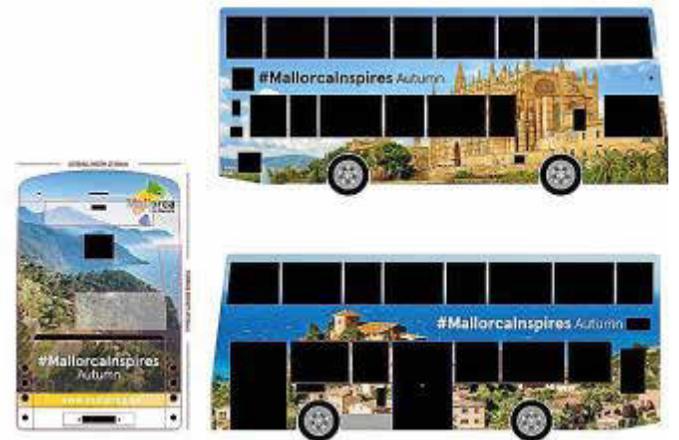
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Deal or no Deal? Boris gets EU Brexit deal but little support: Inside

MASSIVE BALEARIC PROMOTION DRIVE IN LONDON



● Tourism authorities to take the joys and delights of the islands to the streets of the British capital coinciding with the World Travel Market Tourism Fair. Balearics will

be hosting a centre-piece promotional event in a London hotel and a London bus will be promoting the islands in its own special way. See Page 4.

Catalan regional chief calls for independence vote after night of violence

Catalonia should hold a new vote on independence from Spain within two years, the head of the region's government said yesterday in a fresh challenge to Madrid following days of unrest by pro-separatist protesters.

Nearly 100 people were injured across the northeastern region on Wednesday in a third day of violence after Spain's Supreme Court sentenced nine Catalan leaders to lengthy jail terms over their failed effort to secure inde-

pendence, with a referendum Madrid ruled was illegal, in 2017. Cars and rubbish bins were torched in the Catalan capital Barcelona overnight and Interior Minister Fernando Grande-Marlaska said 97 protesters had been arrested since the outbreak of some of the worst violence seen in Spain in years.

Grande-Marlaska said security reinforcements would be sent in with further protests planned for today, when un-

ions have called a strike and protesters from around the region are due to converge on Barcelona, one of Europe's top tourist cities. Addressing the Catalan parliament, pro-independence regional chief Quim Torra criticised the rioting, saying the separatist cause was a peaceful movement.

But he also pushed the case for forging ahead with the stalled secessionist drive, saying Monday's sentences would not deter a new vote on independence.

