

Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras Resigns, Calls Snap Elections

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On Thursday, Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras resigned and announced snap elections, likely in late September – a ploy hoping for enough voter support to remain in power before ordinary Greeks feel the pain of greater austerity he agreed to after pledging no more in January.

His SYRIZA-led coalition holds a slim majority. Polls astonishingly show he remains popular – at least compared to alternative choices.

Greece is like most other nations. Monied interests rule. Ordinary people have no say. Tsipras and most SYRIZA officials proved they're as supportive of monied interests as opposition parties PASOK and New Democracy.

Announcing his decision to step down on national television, Tsipras said "(t)he political mandate of the January 25 elections has exhausted its limits, and now the Greek people have to have their say."

Tsipras, like Obama, promised hope and change. They delivered worse than ever business as usual. Nothing in prospect suggests relief for millions of ordinary Greeks deserving better than crushing austerity gravely harming their welfare, security and futures.

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