

Rishi Sunak becomes third British prime minister in seven weeks

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Sunak was a supporter of Brexit, Britain's narrowly-approved 2016 referendum on whether to exit the European Union. He comes from one of the nation's wealthiest families, with a net worth estimated at more than 800 million dollars.

Rishi Sunak becomes Britain's first-ever Prime Minister of color; and third Prime Minister in 50 days, after Boris Johnson resigned amid a series of scandals.

Rishi Sunak delivered his first address as Prime Minister from 10 Downing Street on Tuesday, saying he would "place economic stability and confidence at the heart of this government's agenda. This will mean difficult decisions to come."

Across the U.K., calls are growing for a general election. The leader of Scotland's National party, Nicola Sturgeon, said Monday the turmoil in the Conservative or "Tory" Party showed the need for greater Scottish independence.

First Minister Nicola Sturgeon said: "It's going to be the fifth prime minister in the years that I've been first minister. Now I'm only saying that to illustrate the instability and the uncertainty and the chaos that the Tories have unleashed on all of us. They have no mandate and it is a democratic necessity that people get their say on who occupies 10 Downing Street."

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