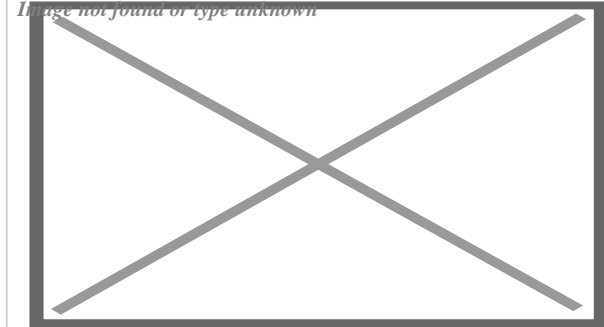


France revolts

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The French Revolution of freedom, equality and fraternity, which had such a profound impact at the time in Latin America and the Caribbean, is on the verge of falling into the hands of the darkest forces of the racist, xenophobic and fascist extreme right.

As is known, in the recent elections for the European Parliament, the French extreme right won 30 seats, a result above the rest of the political groups, including the alliance promoted by President Emmanuel Macron, which was left with 15 legislators.

This is the best result achieved so far by Marine le Pen and her party, National Reunification, which is the direct heir to the ideology of the infamous National Party, founded and led until her retirement by her father, Jean Marie le Pen.

To give you an idea of ??who we are talking about, just remember that this was the guy who once said that the gas chambers, where thousands of victims of the Nazi regime died, were only “an anecdote” in World War II. . Jean Marie le Pen never hid his admiration for Adolf Hitler and his clique.

After the victory of extremism in the European Parliament, President Macron could not think of anything other than to dissolve the legislative body, in that country called the National Assembly, and call early elections for next June 30, with a second round, if necessary. , on July 7.

After sweeping the European elections, National Reunification was very well positioned for this opportunity to also control the French parliament, which would allow it to appoint the prime minister and force Macron to form a cohabitation government.

The risk is real and many French people are already clear about that and hence the massive demonstrations over the weekend to repudiate right-wing extremism and call for a conscious vote to avoid a disaster.

More than 600 thousand people took to the streets in 150 cities in the European country, called by unions, students, human rights and anti-racism organizations.

One of the proposals in those days was the creation of a new Popular Front, in reference to the great coalition that allowed Jean Marie le Pen to be defeated when he faced Jacques Chirac in the second round of the 2002 presidential elections.

There are two weeks left until the elections that already attract the attention of the world, due to all the risk that represents a greater strengthening of the extreme right in the heart of Europe.

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