

Greek President Sets Snap Elections for September 20th



Athens, August 28 (RHC)-- Greek President Prokopis Pavlopoulos has signed a decree setting September 20th as the date for snap elections in the country.

According to the ANA news agency, the presidential decree, which was issued on Friday, dissolved the country's parliament and stated that the chamber would reconvene on October 1st. Pavlopoulos' decree came after last week's resignation of Prime Minister Alexi Tsipras, who proposed the same date for early elections in the country.

Tsipras' decision to step down came amid a rift in his ruling leftist Syriza party over the conditions of a third bailout deal agreed between the Athens government and its international creditors.

The former prime minister was accused of what opponents called reneging on his anti-austerity promises, which had brought him to power in January elections.

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