

Gul bid for president

Turkish Foreign Minister Abdullah Gul is to stand again as the ruling party's candidate in presidential elections, prompting fears of a renewed showdown with the secular establishment and the army



PARLIAMENT SEATS

Republican People's Party: **99**

Nationalist Movement Party: **70**

AKP – Justice and Development Party: **341**

Total
550 seats

Democratic Society Party (Kurdish): **22**

Others: **18**

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RULES

● Candidate must win two-thirds majority – 367 votes out of 550 – in first and second round of voting

● Failing this, majority of only 276 is needed in third and fourth round