Haiti orders recount of disputed election

Haiti's election commission says there will be an immediate vote recount of its disputed presidential election. The recount will be in the presence of the top three candidates - Mirlande Manigat, Jude Celestin and Michel Martelly - and international observers







Mirlande Manigat, 70

Opposition frontrunner is law professor and wife of former Haitian president Leslie Manigat, who was ousted by coup in 1988 after four months in office. Could become Haiti's first elected woman president

Jude Celestin, 48

Ruling party candidate, handpicked by outgoing president Rene Preval. is head of country's state-run construction company. Association with Preval's unpopular government has drained voter support

Michel Martelly, 49

Haitian musician known as "Sweet Micky" is popular with younger voters, Trailed Celestin by about 6,800 votes, fuelling suspicions of vote-rigging. The run-off is due to take place on January 16

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