

South Korea's President Yoon arrested

South Korean investigators have arrested impeached President Yoon Suk Yeol for alleged insurrection over his bid to impose martial law, a move that plunged the country into turmoil



Motorcade carrying Yoon after arrest

■ **Dec 3, 2024:** President Yoon declares martial law (*above*), but withdraws order six hours later after lawmakers rush to National Assembly and vote to rescind it

■ **Dec 5:** South Korean prosecutors open investigation into Yoon and other key officials for alleged insurrection over martial law declaration

■ **Dec 14:** Days of protest culminate in opposition-dominated parliament voting to impeach Yoon – their second attempt to do so after majority of his ruling party members boycott first vote

Prime Minister Han Duck-soo steps in as acting president

■ **Dec 27:** Parliament votes to impeach Han after opposition lawmakers argue he refused demands to complete Yoon's impeachment process

■ **Dec 31:** Seoul court issues warrant for Yoon's arrest after he ignores multiple summons to appear for questioning

■ **Jan 3, 2025:** Presidential guards and military troops prevent authorities from arresting Yoon in his official residence in Seoul

■ **Jan 15:** Yoon Suk Yeol becomes first incumbent South Korean president to be arrested when he finally backs down in weeks-long standoff with authorities