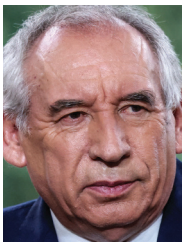


French government facing collapse

Opposition parties say they will bring down the minority government of François Bayrou in a September 8 confidence vote



Prime Minister **François Bayrou** unexpectedly called confidence vote on Aug 25 in effort to break deadlock over planned cuts to 2026 budget

If Bayrou loses vote, President **Emmanuel Macron** can appoint new prime minister, ask Bayrou to stay on in caretaker capacity, or call snap elections



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