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## **RADEV'S RESIGNATION AS PRESIDENT SHAKES UP POLITICAL SCENE AHEAD OF BULGARIA'S PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS**

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Bulgarias Constitutional Court confirmed on January 20 that it is to consider its decision on Roumen Radevs resignation as president, while the move continues to provoke reactions from political parties ahead of Bulgarias next early parliamentary elections.

Radev announced his resignation as head of state in a televised address on the evening of January 19, though he did not make clear the identity of his political project nor who his electoral partners would be.

Entry of a Radev political project into the parliamentary contest had long been expected, though the timing had been known only to him and his close associates.

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