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## Citizens and Socialists reach an agreement legislature to govern in Spain

### Include an express constitutional reform

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**USPA NEWS** - The Socialist Party and the centrist Citizens on Tuesday reached an legislature agreement that guarantees the support of both parties to the inauguration as president of the Spanish Government of socialist Pedro Sanchez.

However, the agreement does not guarantee the investiture of Sanchez, as the 90 deputies of the Socialist Party and 40 Citizens do not add up enough to ensure the election of Socialist candidate, especially if the populist extreme leftist coalition Podemos vote against. And this is what will probably happen next March 2, when the investiture vote in the Spanish Parliament will be held. After learning of the agreement between Socialists and Citizens, the General Secretary of Podemos, Pablo Iglesias, appeared before the media to warn that "is not an investment agreement or term, because the numbers do not work out."

"There is only one possibility that Pedro Sanchez is Prime Minister and is to be president of a coalition Government," said Iglesias. Earlier, his number 2 Iñigo Errejón reiterated that without the agreement of Podemos, the formation of a Government of the Socialist Party is "impossible." Podemos do not want the centrist Citizens are in the Government because, in his opinion, it is a right-wing party close to the conservative Popular Party. However, Citizens is elected by the General Secretary of the Socialist Party to form a Government.

A Government, as required by Citizens and accept the Socialist Party, in the first three months in office should undertake an express constitutional reform in five aspects: the abolition of outcrops, which currently require the judge Supreme Court to Government members, deputies and senators; the Popular Legislative Initiative (ILP its acronym in Spanish) only require 250,000 signatures to be processed, half now; depoliticization of Justice; the abolition of county councils, a scale created in the administration and their remit nineteenth century are the provision of social services and the promotion of cooperation between municipalities, and limit presidential terms to eight years.

The Socialist candidate, Pedro Sanchez, said Tuesday that "no one has the slightest doubt there will be agreement." But acceptance of the demands of Citizens can cause Socialist to lose the support of the Basques nationalists, contrary to the disappearance of the provincial councils. For its part, the Catalan nationalists confirmed that vote against the nomination of Pedro Sanchez for having fixed with training, the centrist Citizens, contrary to the independence of Catalonia. In the same vein, the Catalan independence also announced its vote against the nomination of Sanchez.

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