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## Rajoy impassive

### Trust in the failure of Pedro Sanchez

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**USPA NEWS** - The acting Spanish Prime Minister, Mariano Rajoy, reiterated on Tuesday night does not forsake undergo the investiture debate "when the time comes" despite the appointment of the Socialist Pedro Sanchez as candidate for Prime Minister.

The immediate future of Spain depends on the negotiations during the next three or four weeks, will celebrate the Socialist Party (PSOE) with other political parties, including the conservative Popular Party. The aim of the Socialists is to achieve the necessary support for the investiture of its General Secretary, Pedro Sanchez, as president of the Spanish Government. Opposite are the Conservatives, who have enough parliamentary force in the XI Spanish Legislature to boycott the work of the Socialist Government and make it impossible governance.

The Popular Party was the winner of the elections on December 20, 2015, and as a result, has 123 deputies in the Lower House and an absolute majority in the Senate. The political scene that opens in Spain is unprecedented since, in 1975, the dictator Francisco Franco died and democracy was restored. It is the first time that the formation of Government commissions a loser in the elections, which also obtained the worst results ever match. The PSOE has only 90 seats out of 350 that make up the Spanish Lower House of Parliament and in December 20 won over a million fewer votes than the Popular Party.

123 Conservative MPs constitute a blocking minority could paralyze the passage of legislation in the House. If that were not enough, its absolute majority in the Senate threatens to return to the Government all its laws. The Socialist Pedro Sanchez knows. Therefore, in his appearance before the media after being appointed candidate, he appealed to the Popular Party to behave "with the same loyalty" have from the Socialists in matters of State. However, his persistent refusal to dialogue with Rajoy difficult a rapprochement between the two parties.

But the problem of Pedro Sanchez is not only the Popular Party. The Socialist candidate did not leave the accounts. To be inducted, he needs the unnatural association between the centrist Citizens and extreme left populist displayed in Podemos; or refraining from Citizens and the Popular Party. None of these scenarios seem possible. Citizens and Podemos repel each other, and the Conservatives say "no way" will facilitate the inauguration of Pedro Sanchez.

While the Socialists do calculations, Mariano Rajoy expected. From the opposition, but also from his own party, the Popular Party, criticized for inaction has allowed the appointment of Socialist candidate. Rajoy, who two weeks ago announced the establishment of negotiations with other parties, in search of support, has been missing up to his meeting with King Philip VI. Those who know him say he is waiting for the failure of Pedro Sanchez, after which agree to submit to the investiture session.

The final target, Rajoy would be seeking new elections. Surveys insist that if new elections were held, the Conservatives would get a better result than last Dec. 20, while the extreme left populist Podemos be consolidated as a second party. The rest, they say the polls, would lose votes and representation. What nobody says is what will happen to Rajoy if Pedro Sanchez manages the endowment.

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