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## Finish the Spanish electoral campaign for the legislative

For the second time in six months

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**USPA NEWS** - The legislative election campaign held in Spain on Sunday ended at midnight on Friday with leaders of the main political parties contesting the polls making appeals for voter turnout. More than 36 million Spaniards are called to the polls.

Again, abstention is the major concern of the candidates, because a low turnout in the elections would benefit the extremes represented by the conservative Popular Party (PP) of the acting President of the Spanish Government, Mariano Rajoy, and the coalition between communists and populist United we Can. Disillusionment and exhaustion of Spanish voting thus become the worst enemies of some candidates who, on the eve of the closing of the electoral campaign no longer ruled out having to go for the third time to the polls if the results of the election day this Sunday do not allow a clear majority to govern.

And that possibility is, as recognized by all, a complete failure of the Spanish policy, which seems to move towards a system as Italian. Trying to exorcise the ghost, the conservative candidate, Mariano Rajoy, made on Friday called on Spaniards to concentrate "the forces of moderation" because, in his opinion, "or there is a Government led by the PP or there is a nucleated Government about radicals and extremists who have nothing good ever brought to Spain." According to Rajoy, who appealed to his Government experience versus inexperience of his opponents, "Spain needs a strong Government and not a Government in practice".

For its part, the Socialist candidate, Pedro Sanchez, defended the Spanish exemplary face of doubts about the cleanliness of the electoral process expressed by the candidate of United we Can, Pablo Iglesias. After learning this week that the Minister of Home Affairs, Jorge Fernandez Diaz, was recorded in his office allegedly giving instructions to turn off the Catalan independence challenge using illegal methods, Iglesias expressed fears that the elections on Sunday are not clean.

The leader of the Socialist Party, Pedro Sanchez, urged caution the candidate of the extreme left and stressed that the Spanish state is "exemplary." In Spain, said Pedro Sanchez, there is a state with "public employees, citizens and citizens responsible for cleaning the polls in schools." Indeed, the candidate of United we Can, Pablo Iglesias, defended this Friday, shortly before concluding the election campaign, which relies "fully" in the institutions and said he is not worried the electoral process.

However, he said that "does not seem serious," the Minister of Home Affairs continue in office after learning the contents of recordings. From the center, the Citizens Party called for the vote to avoid going to extremes, as that would be "useless vote" because "not agree." Spokesman of the centrist formation, Ignacio Aguado, warned that "we are staking our future, that of older and our children." Citizen surveys place as the fourth party in voting intentions, with an expected loss of up to ten seats.

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