

Groysman Says He Is Ready to Head New Ukrainian Government

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Volodymyr Groysman

Ukrainian parliament speaker Volodymyr Groysman has declared his readiness to be the country's prime minister as part of a new Cabinet and called on Ukrainians to support him, the Interfax news agency reported Wednesday.

“I understand that we are in extremely difficult condition, I understand that the government has a huge responsibility, and the challenges it faces are simply enormous. But I also know that with your support — the support of Ukrainian citizens — we will do everything to bring the country out of this crisis,” Interfax reported, citing a video message published on Groysman's Facebook page.

On Sunday Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk — who headed the government since February 2014 — announced his resignation. Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko said he would like to see Groysman as the new head of the government, but the speaker refused to

take the new post over disagreements with members of Parliament on the composition of the Cabinet of Ministers.

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