

Finally: ÖVP-Nehammer vacates his seat

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Lockdown-Nehammer is leaving. This is the news of the day, which was announced at around 7.30 pm. He wants to retire as ÖVP leader and Federal Chancellor in the next few days. The never-elected election loser is finally doing what he should have done a long time ago - he is hopefully making way for someone who is willing and perhaps also able. That would at least be a gain for Austria and a glimmer of hope after the last few lost years. But can it really get any better?

The fact that the NEOS under Beate Meindl-Reisinger broke off the coalition negotiations apparently cost Karl Nehammer his political head. For his party friends, it was probably the end of the fun, as they had watched the hapless bumbling of the lieutenant and former rhetoric trainer of the Austrian army for too long. Nehammer did not cut a good figure, especially during the Corona period - on the contrary, he made himself a willing servant of the globalists.

But what happens now? Who will take over the ÖVP? The ice cream lady Karoline Edtstadler, the sonny boy Wolfgang Hattmannsdorfer - and allegedly also former chancellor Sebastian Kurz - are waiting in the wings. And will a coalition be formed or will there be new

elections? Even ORF analysts now see a massive defeat for Green Party President Alexander Van der Bellen, who simply bypassed the election winner Herbert Kickl and his Freedom Party against the will of the Austrians.

It is to be hoped that the FPÖ will not now sell itself short and agree to a coalition with the ÖVP before new elections are held. Even the unstable and light-blue members of the party must realize that new elections would bring a fixed plus of 5 to 10 percent - and thus more party finances and pension positions. Strategically, it would not be the right time to agree to a coalition with the ÖVP, because much more can be gained from this starting position. The People's Party must feel the defeat that it has inflicted on itself.

As the former Green health minister put it so well: "The next two weeks will be decisive.

FPÖ: Architects of the loser traffic light have failed

The second our commentary was published, a press release from the FPÖ arrived via OTS, which we are attaching here in full:

FPÖ-Kickl: "The architects of the loser traffic light system have failed!"

Nehammer's resignation a logical consequence, but comes too late - Babler also ready to resign

Following the breakdown of the coalition negotiations between the ÖVP and SPÖ and the subsequently announced - long overdue - resignation of ÖVP Chancellor Nehammer, FPÖ Federal Party Chairman Herbert Kickl is certain: "Along with Nehammer, Babler and Van der Bellen have also failed. They were the architects of the loser traffic light system and are now facing the ruins of their Kickl prevention strategy. Instead of speed in forming a government, we now have three lost months, instead of stability we have chaos.