
Greenland forms new autonomous Government amid U.S. pressure



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NUUK, March 28 – Greenland has announced the formation of a new autonomous government just hours before the arrival of U.S. Vice President J.D. Vance, amid heightened U.S. interest in the Arctic region.

At a ceremony in Nuuk’s Katuaq Cultural Center, four political parties, representing 23 of the 31

seats in Greenland's parliament, signed a coalition agreement to establish the new government.

Jens-Frederik Nielsen, leader of the Demokraatit (Democratic Party), will serve as prime minister.

The announcement was met with applause from residents.

"I hope the new government can truly represent the people of Greenland," said Aviaja Martinsen, a local citizen.

Vance, accompanied by his wife Usha and National Security Advisor Mike Waltz, is set to visit a U.S. military base on the island. The visit comes amid tensions over U.S. President Donald Trump's repeated interest in acquiring Greenland, a resource-rich, strategically located territory under Danish sovereignty. Officials in Nuuk and Copenhagen see the visit as a provocation and an attempt to increase U.S. influence in the region.

Greenland was a Danish colony until 1953, when it became an integral part of Denmark. In 1979, it gained home rule, followed by expanded autonomy in 2009, though Denmark retains control over foreign affairs and defense. Despite growing calls for full independence, economic reliance on Denmark remains a key challenge.

The new government's formation signals Greenland's intent to strengthen its autonomy while navigating geopolitical tensions involving major powers.