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Context: (CNN)Sri Lanka's current president Mahinda Rajapaksa has conceded defeat to rival Maithripala Sirisena in the country's presidential election, bringing an end to a decade of leadership increasingly criticized as corrupt and nepotistic. Rajapaksa acknowledged the defeat on his official Twitter account Friday, writing: "I value and respect our democratic process and the people's verdict, and look forward to the peaceful transition of power." Sirisena would be sworn in at 6 p.m. local time in Colombo's Independence Square, Dhanushka Ramanayake, the head of his media unit, said. The defeat of the once untouchable president, the longest-serving political leader in the region, was the result of a failed electoral gamble. In November, the 69-year-old called elections two years earlier than required, only to be shocked by the defection of many key political allies, including the man who would unseat him. The defections apparently wrong-footed Rajapaksa, and the opposition had the better of the campaign, say analysts. "He didn't expect the candidate to be Sirisena," said Paikiasothy Saravanamuttu, executive director of Sri Lanka's Center for Policy Alternatives. "I think he probably underestimated the disaffection in the country and the desire for change." Unexpected departure Sirisena, 63, served as general-secretary of Rajapaksa's Sri Lanka Freedom Party and health minister in his cabinet, before switching allegiance to a broad opposition alliance that proved to be the former president's most serious political challenge. The unwieldy coalition includes the center-right United National Party, the hard-line Sinhala Buddhist Jathika Hela Urumaya as well as parties representing the substantial Tamil and Muslim minorities. CANNOTANSWER

STUDENT: **When will Sirisena be sworn in?**

TEACHER: ↪ “6 p.m local time.” (6 p.m. local time )

STUDENT: **Where?**

TEACHER: ↪ “Colombo’s Independence Square” (Colombo’s Independence Square, )

STUDENT: **Where is that at?**

TEACHER: ↪ “Sri Lanka” (Sri )

STUDENT: **Who did Sirisena beat in an election?**

TEACHER: ↪ “Mahinda Rajapaksa” (Mahinda Rajapaksa )

STUDENT: **What was his job?**

TEACHER: ↪ “President.” (in )

STUDENT: **Of where?**

TEACHER: ↪ “Sri Lanka” (Sri )

STUDENT: **How long did he hold the position?**

TEACHER: ↪ “A decade.” (decade )

STUDENT: **How does that rank in terms of serving?**

TEACHER: ↪ “Longest-serving” (longest-serving )

STUDENT: **Why did he lose?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Failed electoral gamble” (failed electoral gamble. )

STUDENT: **Did he want the election held earlier than usual?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes” (failed electoral gamble. )

STUDENT: **How many years?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Two years earlier.” (two years earlier )

STUDENT: **When did he enact this?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “November.” (November, )

STUDENT: **Was he surprised about what happened?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes” (November, )

STUDENT: **How old was he when he made this decision?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “69” (In )

STUDENT: **Does Sri Lanka have an executive director for policy alternatives?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes” (In )

STUDENT: **What is their name?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Paikiasothy Saravanamuttu” (Paikiasothy Saravanamuttu, )

STUDENT: **Which party did Sirisena represent?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Freedom Party” (Freedom Party )

STUDENT: **Did he hold a cabinet position?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes.” (Freedom Party )

STUDENT: **Which one?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “health minister” (health minister )

STUDENT: **Did he switch to another party?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes,” (health minister )