

Austrian Parliament Lifts Far-right Leader's Immunity

Austria's parliament on Wednesday approved a request from the public prosecutor's office to lift the immunity of Herbert Kickl, the leader of the far-right FPO party.

Prosecutors want to question Kickl over alleged false testimony.

The OeVP conservatives, SPOe social democrats, NEOS liberals and the Greens supported the move, the National Assembly said in a statement.

Only Kickl's Freedom Party of Austria (FPO) voted against the request, blasting what it called "persecution" aimed at weakening the party that finished top in national elections in September.

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