

## **MAOISTS 'QUIT NEPAL GOVERNMENT'**

Sept 18, 07. Former Maoist rebels in Nepal say they have quit the interim government. They have been demanding the abolition of the monarchy ahead of constituent assembly elections due to be held in November.

The prime minister says the constituent assembly itself must decide the monarchy's fate. Analysts say the Maoists will do badly in the polls.

The Maoist move raises fresh questions about how stable the peace process is in the country.

The rebels ended their insurgency last November. More than 13,000 people were killed during their 10-year fight for a communist republic.

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