
ROMANIAN ELECTION FAVOURITE PLEDGES TO STOP POTENTIAL US TROOP WITHDRAWAL

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Romanian hard-right opposition leader George Simion, the favourite to win a presidential election re-run, said he is the only candidate who could stop a potential withdrawal of U.S. troops from the country.

Romania, a European Union and NATO member, will repeat the two-round election on May 4 and 18 after the Constitutional Court made the initial ballot in December void following accusations of Russian meddling, which Moscow denied.

There are wider concerns in Romania over a potential cut in U.S. troop numbers in Europe and the future of NATO as U.S. media has reported that Washington is drawing up plans to cut troops in eastern Europe.

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