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Rajoy attacked by a minor during an electoral act in Galicia

He was punched in the face

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USPA NEWS - The Spanish Prime Minister and candidate for re-election by the conservative Popular Party in the Sunday legislatives, Mariano Rajoy, was the subject of an attack during an election act in Galicia, in northwestern Spain.

Rajoy was walking down a street in Pontevedra, mingling with people, when a young man of 17 who was next to him and gave him a strong punch in the face causing him to lose the glasses and caused bruises on his face. Quickly, escorting the Prime Minister stopped the aggressor and took him arrested. Young, defined as anti-capitalist and leftist radical, has been detained and will be charged with undermining of the authority, which is punishable by two to six years in prison. However, as a minor -in Spain the legal age of majority is obtained at 18 years - will only be punished two years of imprisonment in a closed center.

The Spanish Prime Minister lost the glasses, which broke, and during Wednesday night delivered his stump speech without them and with the first signs of the attack on her face. On Thursday, published in twiter greetings with a picture of him exercising and said he was fine. His face has many bruises as a result of blows suffered. Immediately, his political rivals without exception sympathized with him and rejected violence against candidates. Rajoy himself insisted that the incident was "the exception that proves the citizenship of the Spanish" and said it will not change its electoral agenda or reduce their contact with citizens, during which their protection is more difficult and security is relaxed.

According to Rajoy, there is no political consequence to be learned from the attack and called on the other parties contesting the polls who do not either. The electoral campaign for the legislatives ends at midnight Friday. Since last Monday it can't publish surveys, but all who have met in recent weeks agree predict the victory of the conservative Popular Party, but without an absolute majority. Precisely the need to negotiate to form a Government is the other point that highlights the polls. If they are right or not, it will be known on Sunday.

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