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## WHY BELGIUM MAY BE ABOUT TO BREAK UP

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*Mounting concern over migration is fuelling a surge for Flemish independence parties ahead of an election next year.*

Sooner rather than later, Belgium may cease to exist.

The small Western European state that hosts the headquarters of the EU and NATO has long had a dysfunctional national political life. It holds the world record for the longest time taken to form a government during coalition talks — over 500 days.

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